

Faith United Methodist Church  
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# Faith in Action

## From Pastor Joy's Desk...

Dear Friends,

As we settle at last into the beauty of fall, our thoughts turn to Thanksgiving and preparing for family gatherings and Christmas. We journey through the calendar each year, and yet, how often do we pause to reflect on the irony of it: the time of the year in which we consider how greatly blessed we are, is immediately followed by the time of the year that we are most consumed with consumerism. True, the things we buy are motivated, mostly we hope, by our love and thankfulness for certain people in our lives. Studies show, however, that we often find certain deals to be too irresistible to pass up for ourselves and that some gifts are purchased merely out of a sense of obligation.

I have heard people remark, "I've been waiting all year for that to go on sale on "black Friday"! I'm going to save sooooo much money!" Or, "I believe in buying gift cards for as many people on my list as I can. They are one size fits all and I don't have to try to figure out what they really would like." I know, some of you cannot go out and shop till you drop – I completely support you simply doing what you can. I'm instead pointing out how material so much of our lives can become within such a short period of time. We say we are most thankful for our families, and then stress over how much money we should spend on them to prove that love. Ironic, isn't it?

I would like to invite you, before that season is going full speed, to pause and determine what perspective you would like to maintain over the next two months. What do you truly value most in your life? What is the most precious thing you have that you could share with others?

Some of you have heard me talk about my favorite Christian band, Switchfoot. The following is retrieved from their website about their song, "If the House Burns Down Tonight":

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## EVENTIDE CIRCLE

Eventide Circle will be meeting at 1:00 on Thursday, November 3rd.

Program: Marsha Kelly

Devotions: Jeanine Busey

Response Moment: Barb Tignor

Hostess: Barb Tignor



**Proverbs 31:26** *She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue.*

## NEW HOPE CIRCLE

The New Hope Circle will meet Sunday, November 13, at 6:30 p.m. in the church lounge.

On Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>, stay after the service and join us for lunch in the fellowship hall. The New Hope Circle will use the donated money to help fund the Boiler Replacement Fund. On the menu is Chicken potpie casserole, salad, dessert and drinks.



After the lunch, join us for the “Hanging of the Greens” as circle members will be decorating the church to celebrate the start of Advent. You are welcome to stay and help!

# PASTOR JOY CONTINUED...

A few months back, a fire was raging through our home-town of San Diego. And when an unstoppable fire is barreling down towards your part of town, you realize just how small you really are. The smoke blocks out the sun, the ash is falling from the sky, and your lungs begin to burn. So you run through the house and make a quick grab of the stuff you can carry, make sure that your family is safe in the car, and you make your escape.

And in that moment of action, you have an epiphany:

Compared to the ones you love, what is ownership? What is property? Stuff? Possessions? In moments of life and death, these obsessions are meaningless. Think about what you would save from the fire. What would you fight for? Or maybe the real question is who- who would you risk your life for? And what about your things, all of that stuff that you paid so much for? In the crucible of the fire, it becomes crystal clear: you let the rest burn.

-jon (Foreman)

As I have pondered this idea, I am certain that the one thing I would wish my children and those I love the most to have would be a certainty of God's loving and sustaining presence in their lives: It binds us together when we are apart; it carries us through what we cannot get through on our own; it helps us overcome fear and gives us wisdom to deal with life's challenges. No matter what else 'burns down' in their lives, God alone offers meaning, purpose, and fullness to life.

What matters most to you? How will you give thanks for it and how will you share it with those you love?

Our Thanksgiving Worship will be on Tuesday, November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7pm at First UM Church (857 Putnam Ave.). You are invited to bring new or gently used socks for the Free Store and Shelter and a monetary offering will be received for Transitions Shelter for women and children. We will be celebrating with First Christian, Coburn, and First UM Churches, as well as Beth Abraham Synagogue; Rabbi Elson will be preaching.

Our Advent Study this year will be based on Max Lucado's book, *Because of Bethlehem*, and will be used for our Wednesday studies November 30<sup>th</sup> – December 21<sup>st</sup>.

One other important note: because Christmas falls on a Sunday this year, we are combining our services with First UMC as follows:

*Christmas Eve* 7pm at **Faith UMC**  
*Christmas Day* 10am at **First UMC**.

See you in Worship!

Yours in Christ,  
Pastor Joy

## NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The deadline for submissions to the December newsletter is coming! Do you have an event or something that you would like to share, please do so.

All submissions should be sent as separate e-mail attachments, ideally in Word format. Please send images as separate jpg attachments (do not embed them in your text files).

E-mail submissions to [fumcza@gmail.com](mailto:fumcza@gmail.com), and be sure to put "for December newsletter" or the equivalent in your subject field. We look forward to receiving your submissions!

**DEADLINE:**  
**November 23**



## November 6:

**Heather Degarmo, Chris Degarmo,  
Barb Tignor, Jim Tignor  
Liturgist: Marsha Kelly  
Communion Stewards: Susie Dunlap,  
Mark & Thea Crawmer, Vicky Finlay**

## November 13:

**Cindy Howard, Nick Howard, Pat Tolle,  
Floyd Tolle  
Liturgist: Randy Schreiber**

## November 20:

**Vicky Wolfe, Don Wolfe, Marsha Kelly,  
Beth Dougherty  
Liturgist: Thea Crawmer**

## November 27:

**Roberta Covert, Donnie Covert, Jeri  
Schreiber, Randy Schreiber  
Liturgist: Mark Crawmer**



We are updating our website for Faith UMC weekly. If you want to know what is happening in the church, the calendar is available. If you missed last week's bulletin, it's on there! And, If you're not sure when your favorite meeting is taking place, it's on there! If you have any ideas or suggestions, please contact the church office. You can see us at: [fumcz.org](http://fumcz.org)

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*"Even if something is left undone, everyone must take time to sit still and watch the leaves turn."*

*Elizabeth Lawrence*

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### ***Thanksgiving Mad Libs***

It was a \_\_\_\_\_, cold November day. I woke up to the  
(adjective)  
\_\_\_\_\_ smell of \_\_\_\_\_ roasting in the \_\_\_\_\_  
(adjective) (type of bird) (room in a house)  
downstairs. I \_\_\_\_\_ down the stairs to see if I could help  
(verb, past tense)  
\_\_\_\_\_ the dinner. My mom said, "See if \_\_\_\_\_ needs a  
(verb) (relative's name)  
fresh \_\_\_\_\_." So I carried a tray of glasses full of \_\_\_\_\_  
(noun) (a liquid)  
into the \_\_\_\_\_ room. When I got there, I couldn't believe my  
(verb ending in -ing)  
\_\_\_\_\_! There were \_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_ on the  
(body part, plural) (plural noun) (verb ending in -ing)  
\_\_\_\_\_!  
(noun)

## PRAYER LIST

Give praises for your blessings, your family, home, friends, job, the Community.

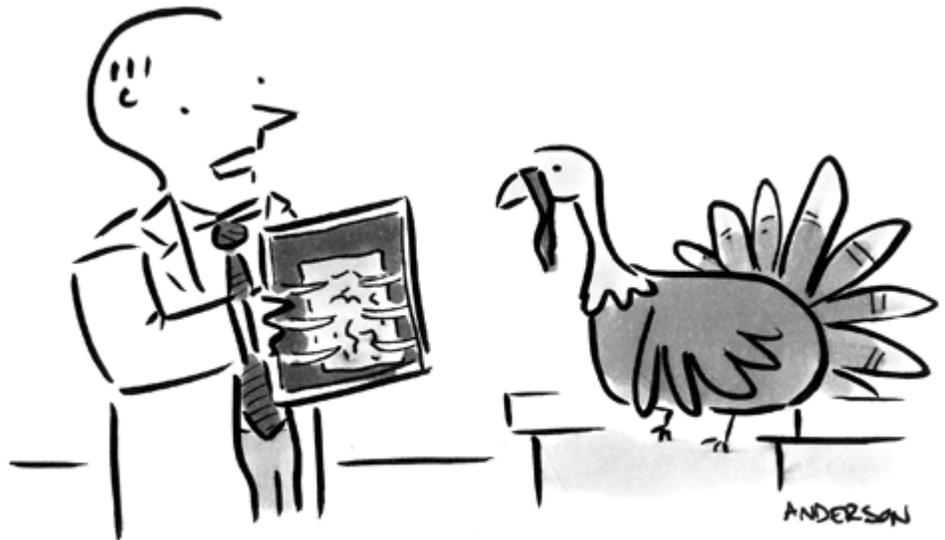
Please pray for: Faith UMC, Phil & Grandma Plummer, Jimmy Moore, Bob Dudley, Loni Revercomb, Don Miller, Randy Schreiber, John & Kim Cain, Daniel Ghrist, Janice Moore family, Shellie Siefert, Sherry Brooks, Jim Porter, Dianna Slifko, Kay Baker, Melissa Wood, Joesy Moore, Robert Lashley, Ben Welker, Carole Sayre, Debbie Paul, Doug Adams, Alice Goyne, Norma Coyle, Jeanine Cady, Pam Thomas, Henrietta Hurst, Logan Wolford, Joyce Stimpert, Art Herron, Todd Sands, Erin Watts, , the homeless, abused, sick, imprisoned, those who have not yet accepted Christ and those who only minimally follow the teachings of Christ.

### Medical Faith shut-ins:

Kathleen McCutcheon and Frances Johnson. Pray for your church, your pastor and your church leaders.

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"We found the problem - all of your internal organs are in this little bag."

## Thanksgiving Word Search



A	G	N	I	V	I	G	S	K	N	A	H	T	G	O
R	A	E	Y	R	R	T	I	C	U	R	O	A	D	A
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N	P	U	M	P	K	I	N	Y	M	H	I	K	R	R
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H	G	U	C	Y	O	K	A	H	C	A	R	V	E	A

1. Carve
2. Celebrate
3. Colonist
4. Cornucopia
5. Cranberry
6. Dessert
7. Farmer
8. Feast
9. Gather
10. Harvest
11. Holiday
12. November
13. Pilgrim
14. Platter
15. Pumpkin
16. Thanksgiving
17. Tradition
18. Turkey
19. Vegetable
20. Worship



# **Faith UMC's Christmas Project: Bring the Homeless out of invisibility.**

## **Muskingum County Point In Time (PIT) Homeless Count 2017**



Beginning now until Christmas, we will be collecting items to hand out during the annual homeless count in January. The items that are collected will be distributed to the homeless individuals/families volunteers locate during the Point in Time Homeless Street Count conducted in January 2017.

### Items needed for the 2017 Point In Time Homeless Count

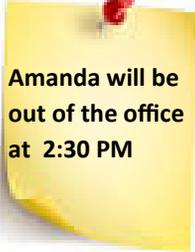
- ✓ New or gently used Water-Resistant/Proof Dark Colored Sleeping Bags (Temperature Graded for COLD Ohio winters preferred) (Desperately needed!)
- ✓ Heavy Wool Socks, Hats, Scarves & Gloves (Desperately needed!)
- ✓ New or Gently used Dark Colored Backpacks (always needed)
- ✓ Hygiene Products [Please no mouthwash or Hand Sanitizer]
- ✓ Non-perishable snacks [Granola Bars, Packs of crackers, etc.]
- ✓ Bottled Water

If you have any questions regarding the items or the PIT count contact Lynsey Yarger- Co-Chairman Muskingum County Continuum of care at 740-454-6866 ext. 344 or Email: [hcvp-fss@zanesvillehousing.org](mailto:hcvp-fss@zanesvillehousing.org) Items can be brought to Faith UMC anytime from now until Christmas and we will take them down. Last year's homeless count was around 50 people. Let's help keep those 50 people warm this winter!

# NOVEMBER



# 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2 7:00 PM Book Club	3 1:00 PM Eventide Circle	4	5
6 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship	7	8	9 7:00 PM Book Club	10	11	12 3:00 PM NA Anniversary Meeting
13 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 6:30 PM New Hope Circle	14	15 4:00 UMW Executive Meeting	16 	17	18	19 8:30 AM-5:30 PM Lifeline Screening 3:00-6:00 PM Private B-day Party
20 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 11:30 AM Lunch w/New Hope & Decorating	21	22 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Worship at First UMC	23	24 	25	26
27 9:30 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship	28	29 5:30 PM Finance 6:30 Leadership	30			

# FIRST UMC

First United Methodist Church will be hosting an after church luncheon and bake sale Sunday, November 6, 2016, 11:00 AM—1:00 PM

The luncheon will be at:  
First UMC  
857 Putnam Avenue  
Zanesville, Ohio 43701

Cost is \$8.00 for adults and \$4.00 for children under 10.

The menu will include: hamloaf, green beans, cheesy scalloped potatoes, applesauce, roll and butter, beverage, and hot fudge ice cream cake.



*1 Timothy 4:4-5 English Standard Version (ESV)*

*4 For everything created by God is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, 5 for it is made holy by the word of God and prayer.*

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"I know it's just tofu, but it still creeps me out."

## November 13th...

Guest preacher  
Reverend Dr. Steve  
McGuire.

Join us as we consider  
our commitment and  
stewardship toward all  
God has entrusted to  
us.

What to expect

If you are new, don't panic. Sit back, relax and enjoy a cup of coffee. We're excited you're here! Worship is our gift to God. It's okay to sing loud, whisper, laugh, cry, dance, clap or bow and kneel. You are welcomed and loved. Whatever your circumstances—single, single again, married, with or without children—and no matter where you've been or what you've done, you matter to God and to us.



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