

**Our special offering for the month of June is “Strengthen the Church,” one of the special mission offerings of the UCC.** This offering helps fund new church starts, nurtures church leadership, builds youth and young adult ministries, and supports the “God is Still Speaking” campaign. 50% of the offering goes to the Penn Central Conf and 50% goes to UCC national programs. Please write, “Strengthen the Church” on your check.

**Save the date!** Our all-church annual summer picnic will be at the home of Joe and Terri Krabill on Sunday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, beginning at 4 p.m. There is a sign-up sheet on the round table in the Gathering Space for noting how many people are coming and what you will be bringing. Ham and cold beverages are provided. The Krabills live at 177 Underwood Dr., Spring Mills.

**Update on Bob and Barbara Ritzmann.** Barb is now at the Woodbine Rehab Center, 2729 King St., Alexandria, VA 22302 and Bob is staying with his daughter, Jean Helms, at 210 East Del Ray Ave, Alexandria, VA 22302. They are very appreciative of your cards.

#### **This Week at Faith Church**

**TODAY 9:30 AM** Worship followed by fellowship and refreshments (RH)  
**JUNE 28–JULY 2 9:30–1:30 AM** Bible Day Camp with Boalsburg Churches  
**JUNE 28 7:00 PM** Personnel Committee Meeting (AB)  
**TUESDAY NOON** Friendship Tutoring Board Meeting (AH)  
**NEXT SUNDAY 9:30 AM** Worship (S) followed by fellowship and refreshments (RH)  
 AB = Antoinette Brown Room; AH = Asendorf Hall; ML = Meyer Library; RH = Romig Hall; S = Sanctuary

#### **Upcoming Events**

**JULY 5** Church Office Closed  
**JULY 11** 9:30 AM Rev. Dr. Harry Covert preaching  
**JULY 18** 9:30 AM Rev. Mark Meckstroth preaching  
**JULY 20** 7:00 PM Trustee and Stewardship Ministry Team Meeting  
**JULY 21** 7:05 PM Interfaith Mission at the Spikes Game  
**JULY 23** 2:00 PM Rehearsal for Wedding (S)  
**JULY 24** 2 PM Wedding of Mark Nabil & Kelly Parks (S)  
**JULY 25** 4 PM Annual Picnic at Krabills house  
**JULY 29** 5:30 PM Parade Party at home of Brent Frank and Steven Romig  
**JULY 31** 6 PM Birthday Party for Joshua Singh (RH)

#### **Church Consistory (Elders of the Church)**

Davin Carr-Chellman—*President* Kees Brandse—*Co-Vice President* Cyndi Vincenti—*Co-Vice President*  
 Brent Frank—*Secretary* Don Asendorf, June Irvin, Sue Cromwell,  
 Edna Bicehouse, Paul Hallacher, Lois Bair, Mary Jane Wild, Vaughn Shirk,  
*Ex-Officio:* Rev. Dr. Diane Prosser—*Pastor*  
 Barbara Chellman—*Financial Secretary & Church Treasurer;*  
 Carlton Miller, Asst. Treasurer; Cyndi Vincenti, Asst. Treasurer

*Faith UCC is an open and affirming church, embracing diversity in our congregation and community, and affirming the dignity and worth of every person. We are an inclusive community of faith that celebrates God’s presence through worship and the sharing of God’s word. We welcome all persons into the full life and ministry of the church, regardless of race, ethnic background, gender identity, sexual orientation, capability, or circumstance of life.*

**If you’d like a large print bulletin or earphones for hearing assistance, please speak with an usher.**



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***Fifth Sunday After Pentecost***

June 27, 2010

9:30 a.m.

***No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, you are welcome here!***

*We welcome you to our church and invite you to sign the registration pads at the end of the pew on the center aisle. Also, please join us following worship for fellowship and refreshments. Note to parents: There are special bulletins for children, ages 3-6 and 7-12, along with a clipboard and crayons in the narthex. Please ask an usher for assistance.*

**\*Please stand at those places indicated by an asterisk.**

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship (Responsively)

L = Liturgist, C = Congregation

L: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

**C: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;**

L: though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

**C: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.**

L: God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

**C: The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.**

L: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

**All: Let us join our voices together in worship.**

\*Hymn 459

*Come, O Fount of Every Blessing*

\*Prayer of Invocation (In Unison)

**God of love and mercy, in the quiet peace of morning we gather in this holy place to sing our praise to you and be touched by your gentle Spirit. We offer grateful thanks for the gift of Sabbath rest and renewal. We pray that through our worship we may be recreated in your likeness once more. Let your cleansing Spirit enter our lives, that the shadows of our souls may be pierced by the brilliance of your Light. Let our worries and discouragements be transformed into expressions of trust and hope, reflecting your faithfulness. We pray this in the name of Jesus. Amen.**

\*Passing of the Peace

*As a sign of our reconciliation with God and one another, greet and welcome those around you and share “the peace of Christ”; then be seated.*

Worship Through Music “I Will Sing With the Spirit” John Rutter  
*Sung by the Arietta Women’s Ensemble, directed by Janice Mianulli*

A Time for Children

*After this, children up through grade 3 may leave for the Nursery; 4<sup>th</sup> graders and older are invited to remain in the service. To get to the nursery, go through the door toward the front of the sanctuary on the right, and then up the stairs. Activity packets for older children are available in the narthex.*

\*Hymn 539 *Won’t You Let Me Be Your Servant?*

Scripture Reading II Kings 2:1-2, 6-14

Sermon “Picking Up the Mantle”

Pastoral Prayer

Lord’s Prayer (In Unison)

**Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.**

**Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread.**

**And forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory forever. Amen.**

Offering

*In gratitude for life itself and for God’s many gifts to us and to all humankind, we take this opportunity to offer up our gifts to God. Let us give generously and with grateful hearts.*

Offertory “I Will Lift Up My Voice” Laura Farnell

*Sung by the Arietta Women’s Ensemble, directed by Janice Mianulli*

\*Doxology

***Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;***

***Praise God above ye heavenly host; Creator, Christ, and Holy Ghost. Amen.***

\*Prayer of Dedication (In Unison)

**You have shown us the meaning of generosity, O God, in the beautiful diversity of creation, the harmonies of sound, the life of Jesus, and the never-ending gift of your Spirit. Accept these our gifts as tokens of our gratitude and of our care for all that you have made. Amen.**

\*Hymn 492 *I Would Be True*

\*Benediction and Postlude

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**A warm welcome to Jan Mianulli and the Arietta Women’s Ensemble.** Arietta is the outreach performing group for the State College Choral Society. Under the direction of Janice Mianulli, they are currently celebrating their 10<sup>th</sup> year of performing the finest women’s choral music available. If you would be interested in singing with Arietta, please contact Jan at [mainulli@juniata.edu](mailto:mainulli@juniata.edu) or speak to one of the members after the service.

**Our Ministry**

*Ministers*—All the Congregation *Pastor*—Rev. Dr. Diane Prosser

*Nursery*—Virginia & Bob Biber *Trustee*—Larry Bair

*Head Usher*—Neil Christy *Ushers*—Tom Juhnke, Bunny Hartswick

*Coffee Hosts*—Sue Doran, Martha Thompson

**Church Staff:** *Organist*—Keith Diehl *Church School Coor*—Cindy Neidigh

*Choir Director*—Jacki Hunt *Church Secretary*—Karen Gilmore *Church Custodian*—Scott Luzier

**WELCOME to Faith UCC.** We’re a church that “seeks to be a dynamic and inclusive faith community embodying the love of Jesus Christ as we grow through worship, learning, fellowship and service.” We’re glad you chose to worship with us today. **Please join us after worship for conversation and refreshments downstairs in Romig Hall.**

The flowers today are from **Carolyn & Joe Meyer and Carolyn & Walter Cunningham** in memory of *Elsie M. Meyer*.

**Bible Day Camp is Monday thru Friday this week.** The theme for this year’s camp is “Fishers of Friends.” Camp is open to children pre-school through 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Information and registration forms are on the table in the Gathering Space.

**Please talk with Edna Bicehouse or June Irvin if you can provide refreshments for the fellowship time after church on Sundays.** There is also a book on the round table in the Gathering Space where you could sign up. We keep it simple in the summertime. Pretzels or cookies and cold lemonade is fine.

**The Church School needs cabinets or bookcases for use in Asendorf Hall!** Not all sizes and kinds are helpful, so if you have a spare cabinet or bookcase, please talk with Pastor Diane to see if it would fit with the reorganization of the space in Asendorf Hall.

**Come to a Spikes Baseball Game and support the Interfaith Mission** on Wed., July 21 at 7:05 pm. Tickets are \$7 each. For more information, call the Interfaith Mission at 234-7731.

**Hartman Center Camp at Half Price!** Lois Lunetta won a gift certificate for a half campership at Hartman Center and she has generously offered it to anyone who plans to attend. This allows you to attend ANY camp session for half price! If you haven’t looked at the sessions that are available, brochures are available in the Gathering Space or view a complete list at <http://www.hartmancenter.com>. Contact Cindy Neidigh at [cneidigh2@comcast.net](mailto:cneidigh2@comcast.net) or 466-6999 for more information.

**Ancient Echoes** will present a “Concert on the Lawn” **Saturday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 pm at St. John’s United Church of Christ, 218 N. Church Street, Boalsburg.** Bring your lawn chairs. Free food will be available. A “love” offering will be taken.

**Please note that we have a new way of organizing ushers. If you cannot be an usher on the scheduled day, please call another person to sub for you and let the church office know of the change.** The ushers for **July 4** are **Alva Chellman**, Tom Juhnke, and Brent Frank. The name in bold is the head usher.

**Calling all those with musical talent!** We’re grateful to have a good number of volunteers for our special music this summer. Thanks to those who have already signed up. If you have a talent to share, please talk with Rev. Ernie Hawk or with Pastor Diane.