

Annual Parade Party: Brent Frank and Steven Romig invite you to their Parade Party, held in conjunction with the Pleasant Gap Fireman's Parade on **Thursday, July 29**. The parade begins at 6 p.m., but because of parking issues, come at 5:30 p.m. Look for parking in the lot next door (St. Marks Lutheran), or across the street along the road. Please bring a side dish, salad or dessert. Main course, beverages and goodie bags for the kids will be provided. Also bring a lawn chair or blanket. If you plan to attend, please call 359-3339, or email ba.frank@comcast.net.

You are invited to the one-year birthday party of Joshua Singh. David and Jennifer Singh will be hosting the party in Romig Hall at 6 p.m. on Saturday evening, July 31st. Please talk with them about what you'd like to bring or how you'd like to help.

THIS WEEK AT FAITH CHURCH

TODAY 9:30 AM **Rev. Dr. Harry Covert** will preach today
Worship followed by fellowship and refreshments (RH)

NEXT SUNDAY 9:30 AM **Rev. Mark Meckstroth** will preach
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 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 2:00 PM Wedding of Mark Nabil & Kelly Parks (S)
JULY 25 4:00 PM Annual Picnic at Krabills house
JULY 29 5:30 PM Parade Party at home of Brent Frank and Steven Romig
JULY 31 6:00 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, *Assistant Treasurer*; Cyndi Vincenti, *Assistant 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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Seventh Sunday After Pentecost

July 11, 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) From Psalm 100 L = Liturgist, C = Congregation

L: Shout for joy all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness;
 come before him with joyful songs.

**C: Know that the Lord is God. It is he who made us and we are his;
 we are his people, the sheep of his pasture.**

L: Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise;
 Give thanks to him and praise his name.

**C: For the Lord is good and his love endures forever;
 his faithfulness continues through all generations.**

All: Let us lift up our voices in praise.

*Hymn 28

For the Beauty of the Earth

*Prayer of Invocation and Confession (In Unison)

This is the place, O God, and this is the time. Here and now you wait to break into our experience -- to help us see the whole of life with your eyes and to hear your word for our time. May we in this hour of worship breathe in the freshness of your Spirit and taste your mercy. Come, Spirit of God, and renew us in your love. 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.

Solo by Jacki Hunt *"Just a Closer Walk with Thee/Precious Lord, Take My Hand"*

A Time for Children *The Greatest Treasure* Rev. Covert
After this, children up through grade 3 may leave for the Nursery; 4th 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 442 *I'm Pressing on the Upward Way*
Scripture Reading: Proverbs 3:1-6; Jeremiah 17:5-8; Hebrews 4:14-16

Sermon *"What is Faith?"*

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

*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)

Lord of life, you promise abundant life to all who truly seek you and are bound together by Christ's love. We offer these gifts as a sign of our desire to share our resources for the building up of your realm on earth. We humbly ask that you use them to strengthen our unity, deepen our witness, and increase our growth in love and service. Amen.

*Hymn 441 *Jesus, Savior, Pilot Me*

*Benediction

*Postlude

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Our Ministry

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

Nursery—Kimberly & Jeff Filko *Trustee*—Mark Meckstroth

Head Usher—Neil Christy *Ushers*—Bob & Virginia Biber *Coffee Host*—Jean Cole

Church Staff: *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 **Jean H. Klaus, Diane K. Horton & Dennis R. Klaus** in memory of **E. Erwin Klaus**.

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 or 466-6999 for more information.

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 18** are **Clint Hegeman**, Marcia Hegeman & Jean Weller. 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.

Save the date! Our all-church annual summer picnic will be at the home of Joe and Terri Krabill on Sunday, July 25th, 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.