

Bulletin Announcements:

❖ **Lent Resources and Worship Engagement**

Lent worship engagement will be emailed to you each week and also available on Faith United's Worship for Wire webpage.

❖ Check your email or visit our website for the latest information about **Faith United and the COVID-19 pandemic**. We continue to follow recommendations of Bishop Tracy Malone and the East Ohio Conference and the State of Ohio Department of Health.

❖ **Spring and Lent Adult Group Opportunities:**

While our groups may not be able to meet face to face while we are practicing physical distancing, several groups are able to connect with digital tools. Contact your group leader or Kathy Schmucker for more information.

Amplify Media, a resource developed by Cokesbury, is making several Bible Study videos available for free during the pandemic. If you are interested, perhaps consider starting a new 'digital Bible study' using Zoom or Facebook and other resources to connect. Contact Kathy Schmucker for more information on accessing these free videos or beginning a new 'digital' group.

BOOK CLUB at FAITH

Did you know that the much-loved man in his cardigan sweater who performed for children said a silent prayer before going in front of the camera? "Dear Lord, let some word of this be Yours." Please join us for the Book Club at Faith. We have decided to meet on the fifth Thursday evening whenever a month has a fifth Thursday. We hope to meet in the Parlor at 7 pm on Thursday, April 30 or by conference call if we are unable to meet in person. We will be discussing the life and work of Fred Rogers (1928-2003). You can participate best by learning about him via an Esquire magazine article entitled "Can You Say Hero," or by seeing the recent Tom Hanks film, or by reading *The Good Neighbor: The Life and Work of Fred Rogers* by Maxwell King, CEO of the Pittsburgh Foundation. Our hope is that reading about Fred Rogers during this time of practicing physical distancing will be an encouragement to all. Contact Jan Baker or Bonnie Reynolds for more information.

❖ **Sunday School and Wednesday Wonder Kids** home activities will be available on the church website and emailed with the video for each Worship by Wire service. We hope these home activities will be helpful and encouraging to all! Many activities are great for the whole family and even adults to do together. Contact Kathy Schmucker for more information or to be added to the email list if you haven't yet received last week's home activities.

Amplify Media, a resource developed by Cokesbury, is making Deep Blue Sunday School Videos and To Mars and Beyond VBS music videos available for free during the pandemic. The links are posted on the Sunday School page of our website.

❖ **God Sightings: Looking for Hope during the Pandemic:** Sharing good news is a wonderful way to inspire others and encourage hope. Email Kathy Schmucker to share how you are seeing God at work in our world. We will post the good news to the Coronavirus Update page of our website! We would also love to see pictures of how you are staying connected, serving others, using the Worship by Wire resources at home.

❖ Now is a time for patience, hope and planning. Registrations for this summer's **Vacation Bible School (June 22-26)** and **Camp Read-A-Lot (July 8, 15, 22, 29)** are now open. Mark your calendars and visit our website or Realm to register your children! Prayerfully consider how God may be calling you to be involved this summer.

- ❖ **East Ohio UMC Summer Camp** offers great experiences for children and youth. Faith United wants to help your kids get to camp this summer! Scholarships to cover the cost of camp are available! Donations to Faith United's Camp Fund help to make sure that every child and youth who wants to go to camp can do so. Visit our website to learn about summer camp or contact Tallie Paz or Kathy Schmucker for more information. The East Ohio Conference Camp Ministry is encouraging all to plan for the future and register now. Full refunds will be given in the event camps would need to be cancelled.
- ❖ **Palm Sunday is Sunday, April 5**
Welcome Jesus by donating new towels, sheets, blankets, pillows (please leave in packaging) and clean and gently used or new coats! Look for a complete list of items needed in the March 14 Navigator. Stay tuned for information on how to donate items.
- ❖ **Run 2 Resurrection Update:** While it is necessary to cancel this year's Run 2 Resurrection 5K and activities, Faith United will have a "Run 2 Resurrection" non-perishable food drive on Saturday, April 11 from 9 am to noon. All food and monetary proceeds will go toward Faith Kitchen, an outreach program to help fight hunger in the Canton community, which is especially great during this time of need. Drivers will be directed from the church parking lot.
- ❖ **Prayer Requests:** Prayer requests can be emailed to aenglehart@faithumchurch.org. You can also reach out to Pastor Steve, Pastor Cara, Kathy Schmucker or Amy Ferguson. If you would like to receive the weekly prayer list to pray for those lifted in prayer, you can do so in Realm. Type Prayer List – Email in the search box or look for Find Groups, then click Serving/Missions and then Prayer List – Email. Click Join to be added to the group. The weekly prayer list will be emailed on Thursdays.
- ❖ **What can you do?** In this time of practicing physical distancing there may be much that we cannot do or need to do differently. At the same time, there is much that we can do. Check out the Family Activity suggestions in the weekly Worship Engagement At Home activities on the Worship by Wire webpage. Make phone calls to check on church attenders, especially those over 65. We are also looking for people comfortable with running errands for persons who made need assistance. Contact Pastor Steve to learn more.