

FAITH LUTHERAN CHURCH

FACTS OF FAITH

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"Faith Lutheran Church is committed to nurturing and protecting our youngest members by providing a safe environment for children."



**Newsletter
DEADLINE**

The deadline for Facts of Faith is the third Monday of each month. Articles for next month are due to the church office on Monday, May 21st.

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Pastor P's Perspective

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

As we continue to celebrate Easter, we look forward to our celebration of the birthday of the Christian church! Pentecost falls on May 20th, and commemorates the gift of the promised Holy Spirit upon the disciples of Jesus. From that day to this, the Holy Spirit has drawn, gathered and sent forth disciples of Jesus in faith for the sake of the Gospel.

Understanding the Holy Spirit is important for us as disciples of Jesus. It is this Spirit that moved over the face of the waters in the beginning. It was this same Spirit that both descended upon Christ at his baptism and drove him out into the wilderness to be tempted. It is this Spirit that came in a rush of mighty wind and as tongues of flame on Pentecost. It is this Spirit that is our helper in every circumstance, on whom we can call without fail to intercede for us with sighs too deep for words.

So how do we call on the Holy Spirit? Well, there are lots of ideas about that. A quick Google search will return some of the more interesting possibilities. One site promises to teach how to reach the Holy Spirit through yoga. Another example is a YouTube video tutorial on how to pray in tongues. Still another suggests that you, too, can invoke the Holy Spirit by simply following these 15 simple steps! 15 steps?! Sometimes, it's all I can do to remember to put on my pants before my shoes!

Brothers and sisters, I'm glad to tell you that the Holy Spirit is much more accessible! We should joyfully and readily invoke the Spirit in every part of our lives, and especially for the mission and ministry of our congregation, and of the whole Christian church. To that end, I invite you to join with me in praying this simple prayer every day in the month of May.

"Come, Holy Spirit, and stir up your strength and power upon me and all the children of God in every time and place. Guide your holy church, and especially our congregation, as we endeavor to answer your call to mission and service. Teach us to always walk in faith, that we may be emptied of self and full of you, to the glory of God, through Christ our Lord. Amen."



The Spirit Gives Life



- 7 Jo-Ann Kerl
- 8 Peggy Hubbard
- 9 Greg Giver
- 19 LaVerne Jensen
- 20 Bailey Scott
- 21 William Vidonish Sr.
- 22 Amanda Feller
- 23 Jan McDermott
- 27 Ernie Nordquist

Upcoming Dates at a Glance May 2018

- May 2: Youth Group
- May 4: Family Movie Night
- May 6: Church Council
- May 7: FLCW Board Meeting
- May 9: Potluck & Message
- May 17: Sew & Such
- May 19: Sock Hop
- May 20: Youth Group
- May 21: June Facts of Faith Deadline
- May 26: Euchre
- May 28: FreeStore FoodBank Hunger Walk
- May 31: Lunch Bunch

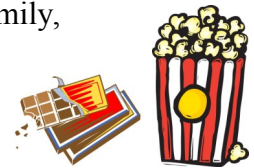


- 5-7-94 Edward & Tina Hammond
- 5-14-83 Ted & Anita Burgess
- 5-16-97 Chris & Beth Fluegeman
- 5-19-84 John & Grace Nelsen
- 5-25-85 John & Kim Laws

Family Movie Night ~ 'Ferdinand'

Friday, May 4th is our next Family Movie Night with a showing of "Ferdinand". Doors open at 5:45 PM, with a free dinner at 6 PM and the main feature starting at 6:30 PM. Purchase freshly made popcorn and candy to benefit the youth programs. Bring family, friends, and neighbors! Everyone is welcome.

To volunteer contact Roxanne Johnson at 513-633-0564 or rmbj123@hotmail.com



Support Mt. Healthy Alliance & Valley Interfaith Community Resource Center

Monday, May 28th 9:00 AM FreeStore FoodBank Hunger Walk & 5K Run

1. Go to: <http://cincinnatihungerwalk.org/2018/>

2. Participating? Go to > Join a Team

Faith Lutheran Team 1—Valley Interfaith

Faith Lutheran Team 2—Mt. Healthy Alliance



3. Unable to participate but want to help? Click on Make a Donation to find our teams and donate!

How Does It Help? ALL of your registration fee or donations go directly to the food pantry of your choice. These funds are used for: shared maintenance fees, refrigeration/freezer capacity, rent/utilities, staffing for pickup and delivery, food distribution support, technology upgrades in support of food distribution, truck purchase or maintenance, health and hygiene, and holiday food boxes.

FLCW Flower Fund The altar flower sign up sheet is on the bulletin board in the narthex. Please sign up there or you can simply make a gift to the "FLCW Flower Fund". Envelopes are next to the flower chart. Please make your checks payable to FLCW Any size gift is welcome and greatly appreciated. Thank you!



A Bell's Not a Bell 'Til You Ring It

Do you love hearing Faith's Bell Choir lift songs of praise? I surely do! I love it so much that I decided to try my hand(s) at it. How hard can it be...right? You've heard of two left feet. I have two left hands! It is much more challenging than I ever imagined. Our Bell Choir members make it look so easy. They can ring a bell (or four) and turn the music page at the same time. They stop and start ringing at the right time and they know which stanza they are on. Me? Not so much. Although I was ready to give up, Laura told me that learning new things is good for your brain and keeps it sharp. Chuck showed me the form to use and told me his experience at the beginning. Everyone was so very encouraging, I was blown away. Deanna, Phil and Carol are talented, welcoming and encouraging. Becky helped me with a choir robe and her fun sense of humor made me feel at ease. Isabelle walked in Sunday after being away at school and rang the big bells like a champ. Stan is kind, humble and patient, enjoying my progress as I learned the two bells I had.

"All Glory, Laud and Honor" was our song for Palm Sunday. With Zach on trumpet and Donna on organ and the congregation singing, I was happy that this was my first bell performance. God is good! Why am I telling you this? To encourage you to consider trying your hand at bells or your voice at choir or praise team. We have an amazing and talented group of people that love God and reflect his love for us. Singing and playing to the glory of God is joy beyond compare!

See Stan Wernz or Tiffany Forde for more information. - Kate Giver



Bell Choir: Carol Bahr, Phil Wuorinen, Laura Andersen, Becky Donohue, Stan Wernz, Chuck Broge, Tina Wuorinen. Not Pictured, Deanna Douce, Isabelle Andersen, Adelaide Lindner, Dale Johnson



**A Bell's not a bell 'til you ring it.
A song's not a song 'til you sing it.
Your heart wasn't put there to stay,
Love isn't love 'til you give it away!"**

Oscar Hammerstein II



The Endowment Committee would like to share the following thank you messages with the congregation received from Finneytown Local Schools.



Thank You

From

Finneytown Secondary Campus

ENDOWMENT

Dear Social Concerns Committee,
We really appreciate your continued support of our neediest families with the donation of \$500⁰⁰ in Kroger gift cards. With your support we can assist families experiencing an emergency need for gas or food. Thank you for being such an integral part of the "Finneytown family."

Sincerely,
Cathy M. Davis
FLSD social worker



Thankful

FOR YOUR KINDNESS

Thank you for the prayers, cards and phone calls I received while I have been ill. Your kindness is much appreciated.



Jan McDermott

SPECIAL WORSHIP AND MUSIC!

FREE EVENT

A special invitation from
Tiffany Forde,
Faith Praise Team Leader

You Want To Be There!

Saturday, May 19th, 2018

11:00 AM

Come and Worship with us for Deaconess Day at Blessed Hope SDA Church.

Guest Speaker: Janice Walker

Musical selections provided by: Brent Walker and the Voices of Joy, Faith, and Shiloh.

Many members of Faith will be participating in the music and if their schedule allows, Pastor Paul and some of his family will be there as well!

Address: Blessed Hope SDA Church

1608 Summit Road, Cincinnati, OH 45237

Dinner will be provided afterwards.

Come out and join us as we share our gifts with people from five or more churches. It will be great!!!!





Visit the Faith Lutheran Website

Our church website (www.faithcinci.org) is a great place to turn for all information relating to church life here at Faith. You will find all of your favorite features like the weekly calendar, upcoming event information, great photos & links to FOF and Pastor Schultz's sermons.

Do you have ideas or suggestions? Contact Kate at kategiver8@gmail.com

Office Hours

The church office is open for business Monday-Thursday from 9 AM – 3 PM. Contact the church office at 931-6100 or email at secretary@faithcinci.org.

Prayer Requests

To submit your prayer request, please either call the office (931-6100) or email your prayer requests to Kristin at secretary@faithcinci.org during business hours (Monday- Thursday 9 AM - 3 PM).

For emergencies during non-business hours, please contact Sharene Schmalz at 521-8235 or email her at shareschm@zoomtown.com

Going into the hospital or having outpatient surgery?

Be sure to inform the office so Pastor Paul can arrange to minister to you. During business hours contact Kristin at 931-6100 or secretary@faithcinci.org. For emergency admissions, please contact Pastor Paul at 937-594-1612 or Jennifer Schultz at 937-594-1628.

While you're recovering at home request a visit and/or communion by contacting Pastor Paul at 931-6100 or secretary@faithcinci.org during regular business hours.

Submitting bulletin announcements

Announcements appearing in the Sunday bulletin are due by 12 noon the prior Wednesday. Due to space limitations, please provide the basic information (who, what, where, when, how and a contact name and number for more information). Plan to submit more detailed information to the Facts of Faith newsletter which is distributed to everyone on the email list, is available in hard copy format on the information table and is mailed to those are not able to attend regularly.

FLC needs your news for Facts of Faith!

The Facts of Faith monthly newsletter reflects the life of our church AND we need your help to make it come alive each month. Remember if it's of interest to you it's probably of interest to your Faith Family.

Feel free to submit your news such as thank yous, prayer request updates/praises, birth announcements, marriage announcements, other family milestones. Feel free to include photos.

We also encourage small groups and committees to submit announcements of their upcoming events as well as follow up reports with photos.

Email your submissions to Kristin at secretary@faithcinci.org by the deadline or leave written submissions in an envelope on Kristin's desk.

Plan ahead: Upcoming Facts of Faith deadlines:

<u>Issue</u>	<u>Deadline for submission</u>
June	May 21
July	June 18
August	July 16



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
 6 9:00 AM Convergent Worship Service 10:00 AM Sunday School 11:00 AM Traditional Worship Service 12:15 PM Handbell Practice 6:30 PM Church Council	 7 9:30 AM Flower Judges Group 7:00 PM FLCW Board Meeting	1 7:00 AM Pastor's Bible Study at Panera 12:00 PM Pastor's Bible Study at Church 6:30 PM Men's Bible Study 6:30 PM Youth Committee	2 6:00 PM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Youth Group 7:30 PM Choir Rehearsal	3 7:30 PM Praise Team	4  6:00 PM Movie Night "Ferdinand"	5 9:30 AM Pull in for Prayer Ohio Mission Region Annual Convocation
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