



Important Dates

11/01

**Daylight Savings
1 hour back**

**Remembrance
Sunday**

11/3

**Election Day
No Preschool**

11/11

Veteran's Day

11/12

Presbyterian Women

11/22

**Thanksgiving –
Stewardship Sunday**

11/25

Advent Decorating

11/25-27

Preschool Fall break

11/26

Thanksgiving

11/30

Advent Study begins

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The Disciple

Faith Presbyterian Church

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Christians growing in Faith by caring, connecting & serving community



Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid; do not be discouraged, for the LORD your God will be with you wherever you go" (Joshua 1:9)

For the past ten years or so, my family has participated in what is called a CSA (Community Sustained Agriculture) where you purchase a farm share at the beginning of the season and then every week you

receive a box of vegetables from the farm. Here in Ohio, this is my third year as a member of the "Cedarmore Farm Fresh Produce Club." The folks at Cedarmore are Amish farmers down near Cincinnati. I am blessed to be able to participate thanks to a neighbor here in Beavercreek who drives down to the farm every week to pick up several boxes of veggies for people in the Dayton area.

The challenging part of getting a farm share is that you never know what will be in the box each week. It could be something you don't like. Or it could be too much of a good thing, as is often the case with zucchini in the summer. And in the spring and fall you tend to get a lot of kale. If you don't know what to do with kale, you're in trouble! And then there are those vegetables you've never thought much about, like arugula and Chinese cabbage. But overall I love my farm share and I look forward to opening my mystery box each week.

2020 has been a little bit like a farm share. We had no idea what it had in store for us back in January! And if given a choice, we would have sent it back. But as with a farm share, you can't do that. On a positive note, I am thrilled that you have called me to continue on at Faith Church as your pastor. That part of 2020 I wouldn't want to send back.

The big question now as we near the end of the year and as the pandemic hasn't gone away yet is: will we be resilient given the hardships of this year? Resilient people are strong, adaptable and most importantly, they bounce back from hard times because they go with the flow and bend when necessary without breaking. The Bible is full of resilient people. We know their stories. They include Joshua who took over when Moses died before the people got to the Promised Land. What other resilient Bible folks come to your mind?

When this pandemic began in March, we thought it would be over by summer. We didn't think we'd still be stuck in the proverbial desert this late in the year, like the Israelite people were for so long. But now it's time for Thanksgiving and many families won't be getting together like they usually do. Yet I've already heard stories of resilience; like the family who plans to cook their favorite recipe together, but in their separate homes over Zoom. Now that's creativity and resilience! Let's hang on together and hang on to God as we enter this holiday season.

Wishing you Thanksgiving Blessings,

Pastor Julia

ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Greg Hughes

Financial Secretary: Don Niece

Treasurer: Diane Grycz

Support: Paul Brown

Finances:	Sep	YTD
Income:	\$12,366	\$108,570
Expenses:	<u>\$ 8,729</u>	<u>\$ 96,322</u>
Difference:	3,637	\$ 12,248

Next Meeting: Nov 5th at 7 PM

Here are some of the items going on in the church:

- The copier lease will be up in November. We will lease a new copier from BEC for about the same cost. Contract is for 5 years.
- Mega City performed the annual inspection of portable fire extinguishers in the building.
- Gutters on the roof need cleaned at the end of October.
- Memorial contributions of \$290 were received in September for Sets Nagaoka and Pat Peck.
- The church has some large expenses in the near future. Both A/C units are out for the sanctuary (approximately \$11,450), the library needs a new HVAC unit and both front doors should be replaced.
- Administration will need to purchase some type of print box to store building prints.
- Lan wire needs run to the sanctuary, to install a repeater for a stronger Wi-Fi signal.
- Third quarter payment was made to Miami Presbytery for our Connectional Support, GA per Capita and Synod Per Capita for \$978.75.
- Fourth quarter building insurance paid for \$1715.25.

Quarterly forms and payments were made to the local, state and federal tax bureaus for our payroll.



Session Notes: October 2020

Session continues to meet via Zoom, reviewed current in-person worship and will continue unless conditions change. Some concern expressed about people gathering after worship. Congregational meeting was held to elect officers and modify the bylaws to permit virtual meetings and to reduce the Session to six members from nine. The congregation finally had an opportunity to officially welcome Julia as our permanent pastor and presented her with welcoming gifts. Pastor Julia continues to care for the congregation with visits, phone calls and texts. She participated in several church meetings and book club and leads chapel for the preschool. Sarah is modifying her schedule to work Sunday afternoon rather than Monday. This will let her get the worship service on YouTube faster. Work continues on the 2021 budget.



Our next meeting will be November 4th at 9:30 at the church.

In October we dedicated 40 blankets from Blankets by Faith which were given to JoAnn's to give to nursing homes, Project Linus and blankets for the homeless.

We would like to thank you for all the donations and help filling the trick or treat bags for the Pre-School. We filled 50 bags for the teachers to give out. The kids enjoyed receiving the treat bags.

We have started Sunday School with "The Present Word" as our lessons. We are staying with the dates so that anyone who wants to join us will be able to keep up. The lessons help us explore our call to love even those who are difficult to love.

November 1st, we will have a Service of Remembrance for those members and family that have passed.

We will decorate for Advent on Wednesday Nov. 25th with the Boy Scout troop doing the hard work. We will begin at 5:30 and finish with Pizza.

A gentle reminder to all to maintain your physical distance and please don't linger inside. Outside is better for conversations. Thank you all so much!

During this time of pandemic and limitations may your Thanksgiving be a time of reflection and family even if it is at a distance. May you have a blessed month.

Remember to laugh, love and share.

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Cold Weather is here; inclement weather conditions sometimes result in making it necessary to cancel church or related activities. We have discovered that calling everyone is ineffective during closures so we will now only notify Channel 2 and Channel 7. Please check these channels on either the internet or TV for this information going forward.

Church Mice

Karl Zorowski



Girl Scout Troop 3022 that meets at Faith is learning about community service by sponsoring a food drive.

There will be a barrel at the front door for donations from Nov. 1–23 and then will be delivered to FISH. Thank you for your support of this important project.

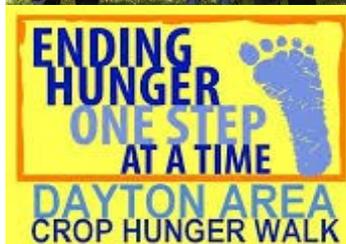
There are certain items (as suggested by the Food Bank) that FISH tries to give out with every request for food; therefore, these items are always in demand.

Some suggestions :

- Canned meats – beef, tuna, chicken, ham

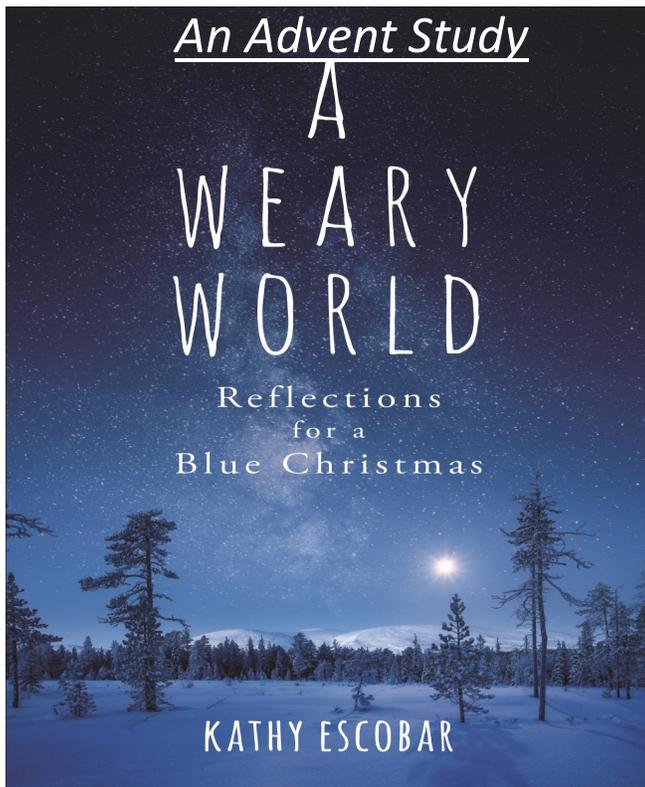
These are particularly in demand

- Canned vegetables: green beans, peas, corn, mixed vegetables (no salt if possible)
- Canned fruit : In juice not syrup if possible
- Cereal : any common boxed breakfast cereal
- Spaghetti sauce (Any Type or Flavor)
- Spaghetti noodles and other pasta shapes: gluten free if possible
- Boxed potatoes (Any Type or Flavor)
- Rice (Any Type or Flavor)
- Peanut butter/Jelly or Jam
- Macaroni and cheese
- Hamburger Helper
- Crackers
- Soup/ Stews
- Gluten Free products for individuals with special diet needs.
- Sugar Free products for Diabetic Diet needs



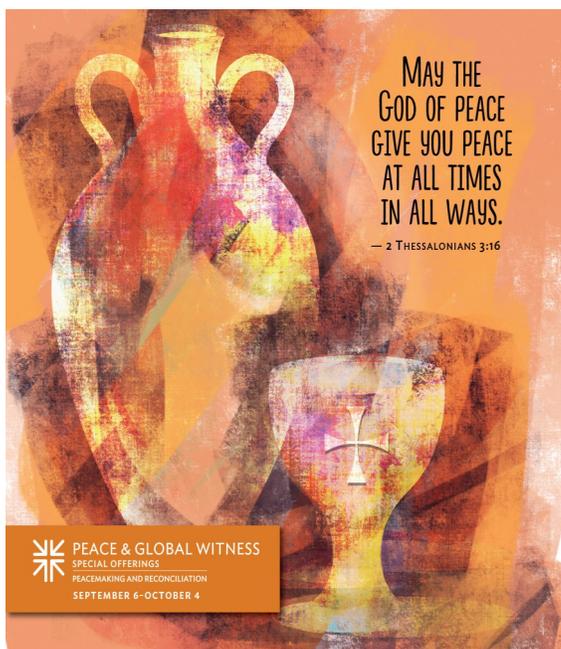
The CROP Walk this year had six walkers and raised \$545 in donations. Faith in October also delivered to FISH was 9 boxes of cereal and 18 bags of groceries.

Thank you to all who support this vital outreach!



You are invited to join us over Zoom for our Advent Study on *A Weary World: Reflections for a Blue Christmas*, by Kathy Escobar. We will meet Mondays, Nov 30, Dec 7, 14, 21 from 7-8 PM over Zoom. It's the most wonderful time of the year...until it's not. During the holidays, so many of us suffer for all kinds of reasons. The magnitude of our weary world weighs on our hearts and minds. For 2020, most all of us are feeling weary for countless reasons. *A Weary World: Reflections for a Blue Christmas* honors the reality of the season in a raw and hopeful way. It includes daily reflections paired with prayers and practices to help sustain us. The four themes for discussion are: Honoring Reality, Practicing Honesty, Embracing Paradox, and Borrowing Hope.

If you haven't tried Zoom yet, please give it a try! All you need is a laptop, phone or tablet along with an internet connection. It's fun and easy once you learn the basics. Copies of the book will be available in the office for less than \$9. **To order your copy, contact Sarah in the office, or Pastor Julia. We will be placing the order soon**



Thank you for your contributions to the Peace and Global Witness offering. The collection was \$460

The Offering supports the efforts of Presbyterians through their congregations, presbyteries, synods, and the Presbyterian Mission Agency to work for peace by working to transform cultures of violence into communities of peace. Gifts to the Offering are used in a variety of peacemaking efforts at all levels of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.).

- 25 percent is retained by congregations for local peacemaking efforts.
- Our congregation is giving \$115 to Homefull which is located in Dayton. Homefull helps people find and keep jobs and homes.
- 25 percent is used by presbyteries and synods.
- 50 percent is allocated to Presbyterian Mission Agency's peacemaking ministries.

Please continue to pray for peace in our church, community, nation and world!





LOVE
LEARN
LIVE

PRESCHOOL

News

Dear Faith Church!

Thank you so much for all of your cookie orders! Also a huge thank you for the goodie bags you made for the kids at Halloween time! What a blessing that was to the kiddos! We are having a ton of fun learning and getting to know each other!

Blessings,

Faith Preschool



HOPSCOTCH



SCIENCE EXPERIMENTS



SHOW & TELL



MATCHING SHAPES



LEARNING ABOUT FIRE SAFETY



COLORING



LEARNING TO USE GLUE



Kids Page

Autumn Tree Needs:

- Light blue construction paper
- Brown construction paper
- Tissue paper in fall leaf colors
- Pencil with an eraser
- Crayons
- Glue
- Scissors

Here's How:

- 1) Using brown construction paper, tear one or more tree trunk shapes. This gives a more natural look to the tree.
- 2) Glue your tree trunks to the light blue construction paper. To make your design more interesting, tear tree limb shapes and add them to your tree.
- 3) Color in the ground around the trees.
- 4) Cut 1-inch squares of tissue paper to make the leaves.
- 5) Wrap each square around a pencil eraser, dip it in glue and press it in place on your tree.
- 6) Add different colored leaves to your trees until they are as full as you like.



Beth Griffin, Betsy Morris, Jan Schroeder, Deborah Moore, Mary Swartzel, George O'Bryan, Norma Leshner, Bob and Emily Christian, Maria Beimly, Rick Latimer, Dottie Standley

Happy Birthday

- 7 Bob Christian
18 Barb Kilburn
21 Pat Harris
Kim Sharp
Jan Beams
22 Kyle Hughes
25 Guy Gifford
Douglas Standley
27 Neal Standley

Happy Anniversary

13 Clayton & Doris Harmsworth



Memorial Flower Gift

On first Sunday of the month the Worship and Nurture committee places flower arrangements on the chancel in memory or honor of loved ones of the family of Faith.

If you would like to provide a flower arrangement in memory or honor of a loved one return the following form with your donation to Samantha Adams. The arrangements cost is \$18 for one and \$36 for two. Please make checks payable to Faith Presbyterian Church. Your Gift will be recognized in the bulletin unless you instruct otherwise. Also be sure to mark if you would like to pick up the arrangement. All arrangements not collected will be delivered to those in need of their day brightened. For more information please contact Samantha Adams.

Please accept my donation of \$18 \$36

For the Memorial flowers fund

In Memory of:

In Honor of:

Given By:

I would like to pick up the arrangement []



Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

1 Remembrance Sunday 9:30A Sunday School 10:30A Worship	2	3 Election Day No Preschool 6:30 P Popcorn w/ Pastor	4 9 A Worship & Nurture 10:30 A Blankets by Faith	5 Missions & Outreach 6 PM Admin 7P	6	7
8 9:30A Sunday School 10:30A Worship	9	10 6:30 P Popcorn w/ Pastor	11 Veteran's Day 10:30 A Blankets by Faith	12 1:00 PM Presbyterian Women Session 7P	13	14
15 9:30A Sunday School 10:30A Worship	16	17 6:30 P Popcorn w/ Pastor	18 10:30 A Blankets by Faith	19	20	21
22 Thanksgiving Steward Sunday 9:30A Sunday School 10:30A Worship	23	24 6:30 P Popcorn w/ Pastor	25 No Preschool 10:30 A Blankets by Faith 5:30 Advent Decorating	26 Thanksgiving No Preschool	27 No Preschool	28
29 9:30A Sunday School 10:30A Worship	30 7PM Zoom Advent Study	November 1st Daylight savings fallback 1 hour.				

Date	Worship	Greeters	Usher
11/1	Pat Harris	Jan & Guy Gifford	Chris Adams
11/8	Dan Bolebruch	Sharon Gologanoff	Mary Skare
11/15	Ellen Mayhew	Pat Harris	Cyndi Adams
11/22	Mary Skare	Beverly Brown	Chris Tenbroeke
11/29	Sheryl Williams	Cyndi Adams	Beverly Brown