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The 500th Anniversary of The Reformation



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NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE OR WHERE YOU ARE ON LIFE’S JOURNEY, YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!

Engaging the New UCC Local Church Profile: It's not just for search anymore!"

When: Sunday, **October 15**, 2017 right after church

Who: Everyone!!!

Betsy Bruaw from the Penn Central Conference will teach us about the new church profile. This is your chance to learn about the search and call process. Even if you are an "old hack" at the search process, the profile has changed.

We will also be writing our "behavior covenant". For those who have been on Consistory, we have a behavior covenant that we read at the beginning of each meeting. It puts down on paper guidelines about how we will behave toward each other. It is what churches with healthy boundaries do!

Description: This workshop is primarily for congregations and clergy engaged in transitional ministry (Interim or designated) as well as congregational leaders looking for discernment processes to engage. We will explore the new Local Church Profile as a whole, and look in particular at the "Discovery Document" sections that are an "anytime" process for reflection and planning.

Why? We are all busy people so why should we want to stay after church on that particular Sunday? Because we are all anxious to get the search and call process started, because we recognize that we are all God's children and we want to treat each other with love and respect, because Faith, U.C.C. is an important part of our lives, and if none of those reasons work, because the Women's Guild will be feeding us lunch.

Faithfully yours,

Tina Aumiller and Jaye Herrick



The Caring Network...

What is the Caring Network and what do the Caring Leaders do?

We are very fortunate to have a group of nine Caring Leaders (volunteers) who are friends and members at Faith Church. They are: Edna Bicehouse, Jane Childs, Jean Frank, Sue Doran, Rev. Ernie Hawk, June Irvin, Mary Jane Wild, and Jim and Sally Welsh.

Each Caring Leader has a list of people from the church with whom they keep in contact.

Our main question is: *“How do you want to be cared for?”*

Please let your Caring Leader know if you have a prayer request or if you need help or support in some way.

If you have any questions please call me at 814-777-0339 or email me at sandy99@onemain.com.

Thank you,

Sandy Miller -
Caring Coordinator

Part of the Caring Network’s work is done through the Prayer Shawl ministry.

Caring Network leaders bring ministry needs to the Pastor and others on the Caring Teams. If you know anyone in the Faith Caring Community (members and friends of Faith) who would welcome receiving a handmade prayer shawl (also known as “comfort shawls” or “peace shawls”), please let Pastor Myers know.

The purpose of the prayer shawls, which are made for both men and women, are to comfort, support, and encourage. Prayer shawls are prayers for healing and hope. Since 2011, we have given over 30 shawls to members and friends of Faith. Each shawl is labeled with a prayer and the name of the recipient.



Please contact Sandy Miller (sandy99@onemain.com), leader of the Caring Teams, or Pastor Bret (revbmyers@yahoo.com) if you know someone who you think would like to receive a shawl.



In September, we presented Teen Bibles NIV to Aubrey Coble, Kai Hollis, Philip Palmatier and Ben Pelletier. Congratulations! So happy that you are all here with us and help us carry on this tradition at Faith UCC. We still have a Bible for Katelyn Moyer and Jacob Brown.

Sunday, September 17, we began meeting with two church school classes: “younger” being 4-8 years of age and “older” being 9+ years of age. We need to name each of the classes. Bring your thoughts and ideas for a name for your class to Church School.

If you missed Sunday, 9/24, you missed a great service! We celebrated a “Blessing of the Animals” with Pastor Bret. The weather was perfect for meeting outside on our lawn; our choir was in great voice; and Mark and Mike were impressive on the keyboard and guitar. We met dogs Timber, Marley, Bischse, Molly, Kuri AND Donald, the hermit crab. What fun!

On to our October schedule:

- October 1: World Wide Communion --- Parent Care Day
- October 8: Last of All, He sent His Son --- Matthew 21:33-46
- October 15: You are invited! --- Matthew 22:1-14
- October 22: Kids Pay Taxes too! --- Matthew 22: 15-22
- October 29: Loving God, Loving Each Other --- Matthew: 22:34-46

Please join us every Sunday. You are truly missed when you aren't with us!

Blessings,
Barb Chellman, *Church School Coordinator*
(bkcwminc@aol.com)

Dear God,
Thank You for this journey with Your children.
Open our hearts that we may feel Your love. You are with each of us when we are together and apart! Amen



**To volunteer or for more information about either Church School or Nursery, please contact:*

Barb Chellman: bkcwminc@aol.com

Michelle Barnard: rmwcgrad@hotmail.com

TRUSTEES UPDATE



Trustee Ministry Team Update

TMT is calling on all our amateur sleuths in the congregation. Faith Church is missing two of our trash cans: one blue recycling container and one black trash container. If you have knowledge of their whereabouts, please notify the church office. We will endeavor to keep your identity confidential!

Parking placards are available in the church office or after Sunday service in Romig Hall. The first placard is free, the second placard is \$5.00.

We will be cleaning the carpets in the nursery, office, and hallways very soon. Please keep your shoes clean and be careful on the wet carpet.

Thank you.
Yours in Christ,
Alva Chellman

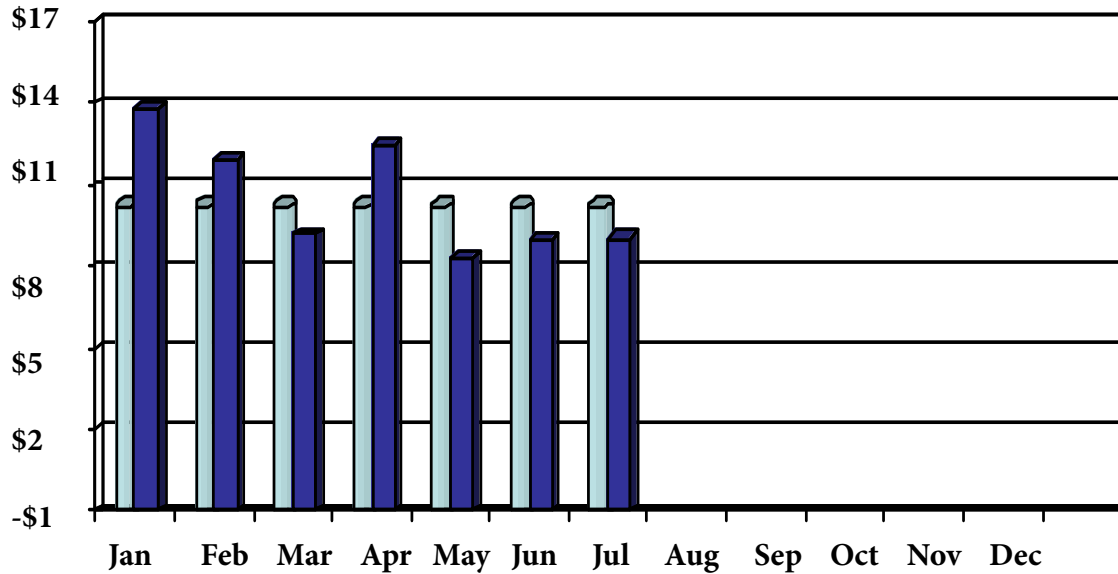


August 2017

Faith United Church of Christ

Monthly Offerings: Budget vs. Actual

■ Budget ■ Actual
Thousands



August 2017

Total received = \$6,989 Total budgeted = \$10,239
Budget to actual difference (Current Month) = - \$3,250

August - 2017 - Year-to-Date

Total received = \$81,032 Total budgeted = \$81,912
Year-to-Date budget to actual difference = - \$880

*Thank you for your continued stewardship in providing financial support
for the missions and ministries of Faith UCC*



FAITH HAPPENINGS



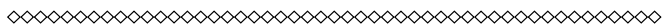
OCTOBER SPECIAL OFFERING

Neighbors in Need (UCC) is a special mission offering of the United Church of Christ that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States.

One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry(CAIM).

Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries(JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects through grants.

<http://www.ucc.org/nin/>



Book Sale



BOOKS, PUZZLES AND GAMES, OH, MY!

Please save your used books, puzzles and games for a Fall Sale (October/November 2018.)

If storage is a problem, Sue Doran, 466-7294, has space.

Many thanks!



Special Offering Totals for 2017:

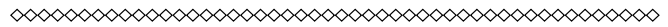
January - Women's Resource Center.....	\$255.00
February - Mid-Penn Legal Services.....	\$475.00
March - One Great Hour of Sharing*.....	\$550.00
April - Hoffman Homes for Youth.....	\$270.00
May - Hartman Center.....	\$345.00
June - Strengthen the Church*.....	\$300.00
July - Out of the Cold.....	\$675.00
August - Bethany Children's Home*.....	\$390.00
September - Park Forest Pre-School.....	\$000.00
October - Neighbors in Need*.....	\$000.00
November - Lancaster Seminary.....	\$000.00
December - VotC Christmas Fund*.....	\$000.00

TOTAL To Date..... \$3260.00

* (UCC)



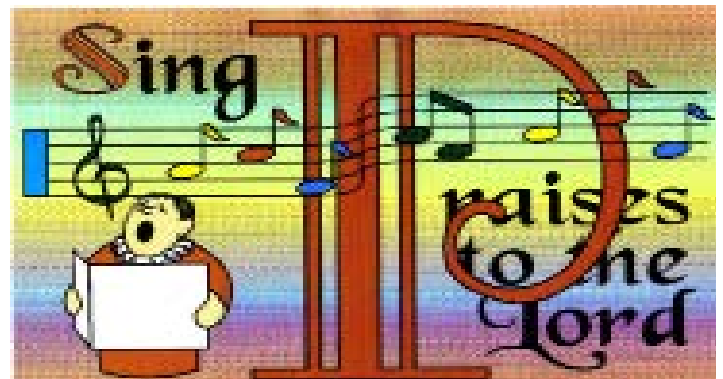
Cheerful Givers



October CHOIR Rehearsals

Thursdays at 7:00 PM:

5th 12th 19th 26th



Faith UCC 's Peace Pod of Knitters

Knitting 4 Peace is part of an International organization known as Women 4 Women/Knitting 4 Peace, Denver, CO.

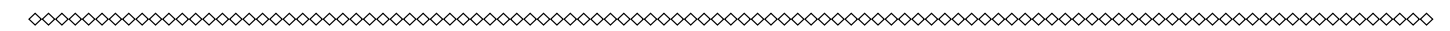
Our Peace Pod knitters are Jean Frank, Sue Doran, Susan Brandse, Jean Weller, Sally Welsh, and Jane Childs.

They have made several Prayer shawls and baby blankets for our church family, plus other items that may be sent to mission areas.

Ladies, thank you for your service!

The Peace Pod group welcomes other knitters .

Contact Jane Childs , 231-3881 or speak to any of the other knitters if you would like to help.



CROP Walk 2017

The annual State College CROP Hunger Walk is just around the corner! Abby, Jordan, and Seann Reed have volunteered to lead the FaithUCC team this year.

CROP Walk funds can benefit the needy in many ways. They can provide Vitalita nutrition packets to children to promote healthy development and prevent lifelong problems, provide seeds and tools to help families grow their own food, provide families with emergency food, provide livestock for a sustainable food source, or provide a well for safe water.

This year's walk will be at 2:00 pm **October 15** starting at Grace Lutheran Church.

It's easy to join our walking team or to donate: Contact Abby, Jordan or Seann at church, via e-mail (reedse-annm@gmail.com), via phone (814) 954 -7441 or simply go to our team website:

<https://www.crophungerwalk.org/statecollegepa/teamfaithucc>

SCRIP Fundraising

In April we began an on-going fundraiser in partnership with Great Lakes SCRIP. Just to review, SCRIP is a program which allows members and friends to contribute funds to Faith Church in the course of their regular shopping.

Participants follow these simple steps:

STEP 1: Submit an order for shopping cards of the business(es) of your choice, paying the face value of the cards; OR purchase directly from the cards we have in stock.

STEP 2: Use the cards as payment (at the face value) for purchases at the designated businesses.

HOW'S IT GOING?

Starting with a small group of pioneers in April, the list of participants has expanded to 11 households, with the most popular cards being GIANT, WEIS and WALMART/SAM'S. Along the way we've learned that GIANT and WEIS gas points still apply when paying with a SCRIP card, and that some retailers offer as much as a 16% commission for the church. Carlton Miller has provided a list of retailers sorted by commission, available on the round table in the Gathering Space.

The beauty of SCRIP is that there's no need to buy anything out of the ordinary. Faith Church benefits when you buy your gas and groceries, or whatever else you routinely purchase.

If you like to give gift cards for birthdays and holidays, why not purchase them through SCRIP? If you have planned events on the horizon, consider using SCRIP cards to purchase supplies.

SOME TIPS--

- To order or purchase cards, see Lois Bair during fellowship after worship on Sundays. Order forms and a list of participating retailers can be found on the round table in the Gathering Space.
- Payment for cards can be made via cash, check or credit card (church pays 2.5% fee on credit.)
- Cards do not expire and can be used by anyone.



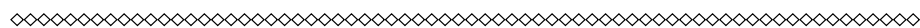
Great Lakes Scrip has over
750 RETAILERS
to choose from, so you
can use scrip on practically
every purchase!
[View them all here.](#)

FAITH HAPPENINGS CALENDAR



October						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6 First Friday	7
8	9	10 Trustees 7 PM	11	12	13	14
15	16 Consistory 5:30 PM	17	18 Newsletter deadline	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31 500 th Anniversary of the Reformation				

If you have an event, or know of an event that should be listed, please contact the office.



Faith Church will be getting an updated, “new and improved” website that will be launched very soon! It will have the same web address:
www.faithucc.info

Thanks to a special offer through the UCC national headquarters for the opportunity for change!

Even more thanks to Chris Coble for all his time thus far getting the structure well established so the transition is as painless as possible!

Stay tuned for the coming Launch Date!

JUST FOR





Hartman Center
Camp, Conference and Retreat Center



FALL FESTIVAL
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7
10 AM – 3 PM

A fun and fund-raising event to support the Outdoor Ministry programs of the Penn Central Conference.

FOOD

Homemade soups & chili
Beef BBQ Hot Dogs
Baked Goods--Please bring yours too! To share or

SILENT AUCTION

Theme Baskets, Collectibles, & More!

LIVE MUSIC

HAYRIDES

CRAFTS

FACE PAINTING

GA GA Pit and other GAMES!

New this year!

FISHING DERBY

-BYOP (Bring your own pole!) *or*
-Use one of ours!
No License needed at the pond!
\$5 entry fee--gives you a ticket for a drawing for
a *custom*-made spinning rod!
Every fish caught = an extra ticket!

HIKE the KNOB (10 AM)



for more information, call 717.502.2246
or email: program@hartmancenter.com

If you can come Friday to help set up (& spend the night!), contact Jason Minnich: jmm267@gmail.com

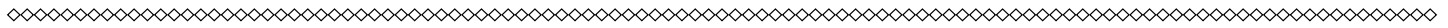


The Adult Choir of St. Andrew's Episcopal Church, State College PA, will sing the service of choral evensong on Sunday, October 1. The service is at 5 PM. Music will include Preces and Responses by Thomas Tallis, Herbert Brewer's MAGNIFICAT & NUNC DIMITTIS IN D and the anthem O SAVIOUR OF THE WORLD by John Goss. Organist Gwen Catchen will play works by Donald Busarow, Paul Manz and Johann Pachelbel (1653-1706). The Rev. Gene Tucker, rector at St. John's Episcopal Church in Huntingdon PA, will be the officiant.

Evensong, like all forms of liturgical worship, has elements of drama and ritual that nourish the spiritual life of all of us. It is based entirely on elements of Holy Scripture and it is scripted according to a long history, originating in Judaic and early Christian evening worship. Evensong is traditionally mostly sung by a choir,

with the full congregation participating throughout in thoughtful prayer, allowing the music to soothe us and to draw us closer to the presence of God. The congregation also joins in the spoken parts of the liturgy: the reciting of the Confession and the Creed, as well as singing the hymns.

Please join us for this service. A reception will follow in Room 325



We are thankful for the generosity of our churches and members of Penn Central Conference. In the aftermath of the devastation of

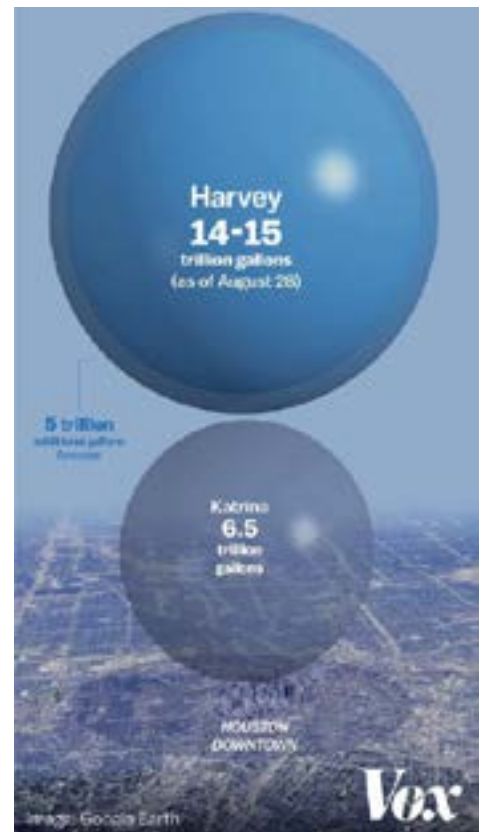
Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, & Maria, many of you have asked how you can help and how to give.

[Donate to Harvey Disaster Relief](#) - You can send funds to the Penn Central Conference office and designate them for One Great Hour of Sharing. 100% of the funds designated for disaster relief to the United Church of Christ are used for disaster relief and rehabilitation programming. Your funds meet immediate needs and also address the underlying causes that create those needs in the first place. (You may also give directly to [OGHS](#).)

[Assemble CWS Kits](#) - [Put together a hygiene kit, school kit or CWS bucket](#). "For families that have lost everything, CWS Emergency Cleanup Buckets and other CWS Kits are more than just relief supplies, they are an expression of love and symbol of hope for the future," said Zach Wolgemuth, UCC Disaster Ministries executive. "It's energizing to see congregations engaged in hands-on ways, reaching out to people they will likely never meet."

- [Continue to pray](#) for survivors and responders.

#Harvey in perspective



COMMUNITY EVENTS



Interfaith Coffee Hour

Tuesday, **October 17**, 6:30 – 8:00 pm

DISCUSSION: How do we as persons of faith counter extremism when it arises in our community? (e.g., racism/racial or ethnic slurs, bigotry & bullying, Islamophobia, anti-Semitism, white nationalism/white supremacy, violent ideologies, etc.?)

Come Share Your Thoughts with Friends! Enjoy conversation with neighbors of other faiths – in Webster's casual community atmosphere!

PLACE: Webster's Bookstore & Café (133 E. Beaver Ave., State College) – Community Room or nearby (smaller enclosed area – not the main café)

REFRESHMENTS Available for Purchase: Delicious Vegetarian Food, Pastries, Desserts & Hot & Cold Beverages

PARKING VOUCHERS for Pugh Street Garage available with any purchase from Webster's

MORE INFO? Contact Sarah: 814-883-5884/ Inter-faithInitiativeCC@hotmail.com



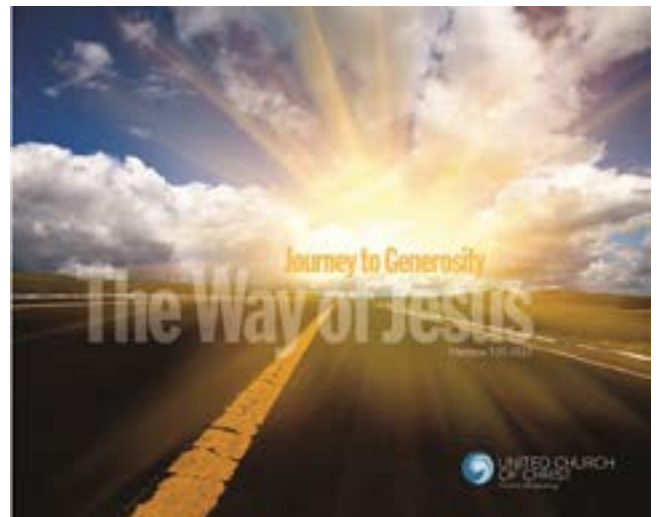
Complete announcements are available on the church website:

<http://www.faithucc.info/news.html>.



2017 Stewardship Campaign

Coming to a Congregation near ...like you!



LOCKING UP OUR OWN: CRIME AND PUNISHMENT IN BLACK AMERICA

Penn State Law and the Rock Ethics Institute present "Locking Up Our Own: Crime and Punishment in Black America," a book talk with author James Forman Jr., professor of law at Yale Law School, at 12:45 p.m. on Thursday, October 12, in the Sutliff Auditorium of the Lewis Katz Building on Penn State's University Park campus.

This event is free and open to the public.

To attend, kindly RSVP online.

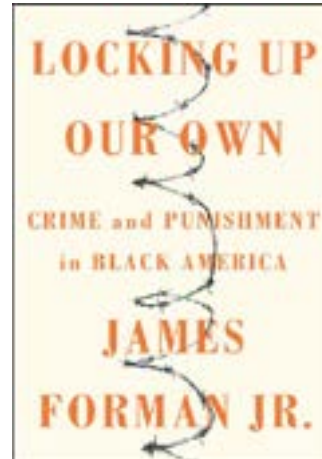
<https://pennstatelaw.psu.edu/form/locking-our-own-registration>

Date/Time:

Thursday, **October 12**, 2017 - 12:45pm

Location:

Sutliff Auditorium, [118 Lewis Katz Building](#)



ABOUT THE AUTHOR

James Forman, Jr. is a professor of law at Yale Law School. He has written for The New York Times, The Atlantic, numerous law reviews, and other publications.

A former clerk for Supreme Court Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, he spent six years as a public defender in Washington, D.C., where he cofounded the Maya Angelou Public Charter School.

INTERFAITH PEACE AND LOVE GATHERING

"SITTING TOGETHER IN LOVE AND PEACE" –

Saturday, **November 4**, 6:00 or 6:30 pm - ?

You are invited to Shih-In Ma's home, Sahaja, to gather in the peace, love and Silence of our Being.

We will gather starting at 6:30 pm for a vegetarian potluck, then sit together in silence and stillness from 8:00 until about 8:45, doing still-silent practices of our choosing. Most people stay after the silent time to enjoy more of each others' presence.

If you cannot come in body, please consider sitting with us in spirit from 8:00 – 8:45 wherever you are. If you RSVP, I will send you the readings in advance and we will presence you by name before we sit...

Please email sittingtogether2@gmail.com if you have questions, or wish to receive a request for RSVP as the time gets closer.

CONVERSATIONS ON UNITY

– sponsored by the State College Baha'i Community
– **Thursday** evenings, 6:00-7:00 pm,

Webster's Bookstore & Café, 133 E. Beaver Ave.

ALL INVITED! Join us to read today's teachings about how to achieve World Unity.

Bring your own readings/inspirational writings to share. Add to our conversation!

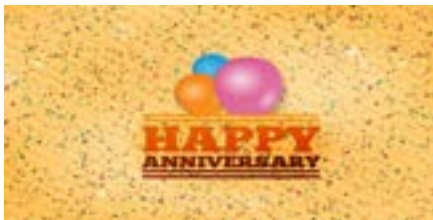
More info: 814-349-5714 / bahaisofcentrecounty.com

OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS, ANNIVERSARIES, AND VOLUNTEERS



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

1	JIM WELSH
2	TOM WELLER
5	CHERIE KINLEY
8	JEAN FRANK
	FINN HOLLIS
11	MAX ENGLE
	ALAYNA WOLESZLAGLE
12	CYNDI VINCENTI
14	TOM DAUBERT
15	DAVID BOWERS
	TAMRA FOUNTAINE
16	JOHN BAIR
17	BOB HUNT
	CHERYL MEYER
21	SUSAN DORAN
23	EDNA BICEHOUSE
	WYETH FRANK
26	CHRIS COBLE
28	LARRY BAIR
29	MARILYN MORRISON
30	BRENT FRANK



OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

7	KEES & SUSAN BRANDSE
20	VAUGHN & KAY SHIRK
24	SEANN & CINDY REED



ACOLYTE

Oct 1	
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CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

Oct 1	
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COMMUNION TEAM

Oct 1	Clovis & Marilyn Morrison
	Peggy Salamon
	Tom Daubert

FELLOWSHIP HOUR

Oct 1	
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FLOWERS

Oct 1	
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LITURGIST

Oct 1	
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Oct 1	
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SUNDAY TRUSTEES

Oct 1	Tom Daubert
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Oct 1	Tom Daubert, Mary Jane Wild
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Blanks indicate openings.



WORSHIP CALENDAR



October 1 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 17:1-7; Ps 78:1-4, 12-16 OR

Ez 18:1-4, 25-32; Ps 25:1-9

Ph 2:1-13

Mt 21:23-32

Holy Communion

God's Sustaining Presence

October 8 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 20:1-4, 7-9, 12-20; Ps 19 OR

Is 5:1-7; Ps 80:7-15

Ph 3:4b-14

Mt 21:33-46

Wisdom for the Way

October 15 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 32:1-14; Ps 106:1-6, 19-23 OR

Is 25:1-9; Ps 23

Ph 4:1-9

Mt 22:1-14

Praiseworthy Living

October 22 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 33:12-33; Ps 99 OR

Is 45:1-7; Ps 96:1-9 (10-13)

1 Th 1:1-10

Mt 22:15-22

Living Messages

October 29 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dt 34:1-12; Ps 90:1-6, 13-17 OR

Le 19:1-2, 15-18; Ps 1

1 Th 2:1-8

Mt 22:34-46

The Compassionate Life

These are the standard weekly texts which may or may not be used on a particular Sunday for worship. If you would like to know what texts are being used, go to the church website on Friday evening or Saturday to check the [online bulletin](http://www.faithucc.info/bulletins.html).

<http://www.faithucc.info/bulletins.html>



Prayers for healing and wholeness:

Jean Weller, The Family of Linda Merchant, Lisa B. (JoAnn's daughter), Brandon G., Lisa Neidigh, Bunnie Hartswick, Katelynn Wilson, Darlene Ripka, April S., Randy Brown (Aimee's Dad), the Parrish Family, the Piggot family, Robert Zupp (Eileen Pfaff's nephew), the family of Ruth Tressler, the family of Susan Meyer

10 Sep 2017

If you are aware of any errors or additional news that can be shared, please [contact](#) the church office!

Faith United Church of Christ
300 East College Avenue
State College, PA 16801

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WORSHIP: 10:45 AM

We welcome children!

During the service, nursery care is provided for infants and toddlers (up to 4 years old) and Church School for children and youth ages 4+ years (except on Communion Sundays). **Holy Communion is celebrated monthly -- usually every first Sunday.**

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