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# Hi-Def Kids Club

(kids who resolve to be highly defined in Christ)



Calling all kids entering 4th-6th grade for the 2010-2011 school year, We invite you to join Faith UMC's new **Hi-Def Kids Club!**

**When:** Beginning Sunday, June 20th during the 11am worship service, the series runs 6 Sundays with a celebration lunch on July 25th following the second service.

**Where:** In the Fellowship Hall at Faith UMC.

**Why:** To help young people grow in their understanding of the Christian Faith and to provide them with opportunities for fellowship and Christian service to others.

**Who:** All kids entering 4th-6th grades.

**What:** The first series is God and family... How is God's plan for strengthening families like the 6 steps to making a pizza? Join us and together we'll find out!

Please help us plan appropriately by registering your child/children by June 13!

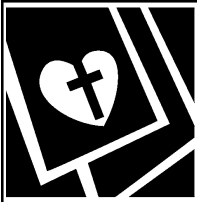
You can register by calling the church office at 419-526-0240 or email the church office at [umcfaith@aol.com](mailto:umcfaith@aol.com)

For more information contact Tina Birchell, Paula Blevins, or Rachel Artrip.



## Church Work Day

The Trustees would like to thank everyone who helped during the last church work day on May 8. Due to the rainy weather the exterior windows did not get scraped and painted. On June 19 at 9:00 am we would like to complete that project. Everyone is invited to "share elbow grease and fellowship"! Please bring paint scrapers, brushes, rollers, rags, etc. if you have them. Thank You!



# FROM THE PASTOR

May 23<sup>rd</sup> was Pentecost Sunday. I shared the story of how the Holy Spirit came upon the church. Then I shared a message that I called “What on Earth is the Church?” based upon Acts 2:37-47. In both sermons people commented upon the importance of remembering what God intends church to be, regardless of it’s size and shape. So I thought maybe I should say a few more things.

I said that if we want to understand what God wants the church to be, we must look at the church in its most pristine form at Pentecost. Acts 2:37-47 gives us a snapshot of what that pristine form before we humans did our part to “improve” it. In the beginning, the church focused upon: evangelism, Biblical teaching, awe and wonder at what God is doing, fellowship, unity, and worship.

Evangelism: In Acts 2, Peter proclaims the reality of being hopelessly lost without Christ and the opportunity to be saved by Christ. The church is meant to communicate this message with urgency, offer an opportunity for people to respond in faith, and begin a saving relationship with Jesus Christ. . *(Ask yourself: How is our church providing an opportunity for people to come to faith in Jesus Christ? Pray for our congregation’s evangelistic ministry.)*

Biblical Teaching: Biblically based teaching is of major importance in the Church. In the early church we are told that they devoted themselves to the Apostles’ teaching. The Apostle’s taught about Jesus and the principles that Jesus taught. Everything we do needs to be in accord with scripture. *(Ask yourself: Is our congregation’s ministry Biblically based? Pray to increasingly devote ourselves to Biblical teaching.)*

Awe and Wonder: The early church recognized God’s activity in and through the Apostles, and were awestruck by it. Notice, it was God doing incredible things through people. The church should be a place where we point to what God is doing and stand in awe and wonder. *(Ask yourself: Are we recognizing the amazing things God is doing and are we appropriately filled with awe and wonder? Pray for our congregation to hear God and see what God is doing.)*

Fellowship: The people who were involved in the early church were in fellowship. They spent time together. They met together for meals. They shared their lives. They prayed together. Close friendships were formed. So it is to be with the Church today, we are supposed to share our lives with our brothers and sisters in the community of faith. *(Ask yourself: Is our congregation putting enough effort into fellowship? Pray that our congregation’s fellowship would deepen.)*

Unity: The early church shared meals, possessions, and goods. They practiced charity together. There was a sense that they were all on the same page. They were glad and sincere with one another. God calls us to unity. When the church is truly unified, God can do incredible things in and through the church. *(Ask yourself: Is our congregation unified? Pray for unity in our congregation.)*

Worship: The early church praised God together. They were not only awestruck at what God was doing, but they were filled with reverence and adoration for God, and they were exceedingly thankful to God. *(Ask yourself: Are we expressing our love for God in worship? Pray for the vitality of our congregation’s worship.)*

Acts 2:47b (NIV) says, “And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.” Here is the crux of the issue - if we are being what God intends the Church to be then our church will grow. Please pray for your pastors and leaders that we will respond in obedience to God’s call and make decisions that increasingly lead our congregation toward becoming exactly what God desires us to be.

Blessings, Pastor Mike



# re: Worship

We've already read the biblical description of the church working like body parts arranged by God (1 Corinthians 12:18). And we understand that in order for the whole body to function in a healthy way, some parts *lead* and other parts *follow*. This doesn't make one part any better than another. It simply follows the organization that God establishes. Let's read more about what this means.

*"Obey your leaders and submit to their authority. They keep watch over you as men who must give an account. Obey them so that their work will be a joy, not*

*a burden, for that would be of no advantage to you" (Hebrews 13:17).*

Whose responsibility is it to keep a one-year-old child from playing in the road? The child's parents. The mother and father are responsible for the child to nourish, instruct, and protect. In the same way, God has established leaders over us: government, police, bosses, parents, etc.

How would it feel to you as a boss in the workplace when your employee refuses to obey your instruction regarding completion of legal paperwork? Even if you don't work as a boss in an office, you can imagine the feelings of frustration, fear, and the great *burden* described in this text from Hebrews.

God asks us to obey our leaders and submit to their authority. This means doing what they ask, without complaining, even when we may disagree with them (unless they are asking us to do something unethical, immoral, or illegal). When you choose to follow the leaders God has established over you, then you are choosing to follow God.

~ Pastor Steve

*Lord, help me to make those who lead me feel joy as I obey and submit to them. Let my speech, behavior, and attitude reflect well upon my leaders. Teach me to submit to them just as Christ submitted to the will of the Father, giving his life as a sacrifice for me.*

## The "E-Team"

The "E-Team" ... coming to a church near you! In fact, they are already here!!! It's not only the Evangelism Team, but YOU as well. You see, having the gift of evangelism is very useful but of course you don't necessarily need the gift of evangelism to lead someone to Christ. But, what happens after you lead someone to Jesus??? That's usually where Evangelists say... hmmm, I don't really know. If you are not so strong with Evangelism then you may already know that answer. That's where discipleship (teaching, nurturing, caring, etc.) takes place for spiritual growth. You see, it doesn't stop with bringing the lost through the door. It takes the whole body of Christ to complete the new birth into Christ, into the family of the Holy One. In 1 Corinthians 12:12-31, Paul talks about the many parts of the body and how they must work together to live in harmony. Not any one part is more important than the other. My friends that is why the "E-Team" never stood for the Evangelism Team...

It stood for the "Everybody Team"! Remember ... Together, We Build! And if you haven't quite figured out where you would like to serve please join the Evangelism Team to see if that sparks your interest.

We would love to have you!  
Yours in Christ! Dan Davis



## STATIC News

Do you ever wake up and realize holy cow its already next month? Well, that is how this past month has gone for me; May has just flown by. S.T.A.T.I.C. covered a whole month of David in 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel. It was like peering into a soap opera which was David's life from his defeat of Goliath to his son's rebellion and revolt against him. David admittedly is not the greatest person to emulate but God used David to portray some of life's greatest lessons like; strength through faith, obedience to authority figures, kindness to others, and actions vs. consequences. David is arguably one of the most influential people of the Old Testament and my hope is that his examples and

his story has touched our student's lives as much as it has touched my own this past month.

We also held our annual Slop Fest in May which was a major success. Success, by the way, was measured by the amount of dirt and crud that could be on your person. The name says it all and we had a great time. I'm not sure why getting gross and dirty is so appealing to our students but it was great fun and we had a good turn out. The most exciting thing for me was the fact that everyone was safe and had such a good time. One thing to note is that we had four new visitors who will more than likely continue to come to S.T.A.T.I.C. student ministries. S.T.A.T.I.C. would not be the success they are without the wonderful parent volunteers and the Young

Adults who always make sure our events are well organized. A special thanks to Brian Birchell and our local firefighters for donating their time and helping with massive amounts of water.

As we forge on in S.T.A.T.I.C. student ministries, here are a few things about the up-coming months. First we will be having a guys and girls mid-night madness activity and secondly we will be holding mid-week Bible studies. So watch for more details to come.

Thanks again to all who assist in any way to S.T.A.T.I.C. student ministries; those who pray, cook, and come to help. You all are very appreciated and our students' lives would not be the same without you.

God Bless You!  
Jared Foos

## "I Do Care About You!"

School's out for the summer! The coordinators and the participants of *The Cougar Den* (Crestview Elementary Afterschool Program) would like to thank the following FAITHful volunteers: Peg Boardman, Terri Goff, Linda Stine, Irma Powers and Doloris Stolle. Also volunteering were Kathy Lehman and elementary physical education instructor Ms. Amy Stine.

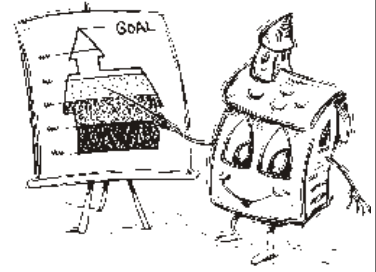
A total of 22 children, grades K-3, took part in academic intervention and character education. For two hours after school Monday through Wednesdays Cougar Den helpers provided one on one help with homework and reading; assisted with art projects; aided character and team building activities; oversaw computer labs; shared real life stories; and partook in covert teaching through playing educational games with the kids. (Did you ever play nutrition bingo?) These compassionate heroines gave their time and en-

ergy; helped make learning fun; and showed kids positive ways to view themselves and relate to the world around them. They told the kids, "I do care about you!" Sometimes they even used the actual words.

We hope to reconvene the Cougar Den this coming fall. We could use a few more volunteers (especially some guys.) Our kids really need positive male role models. All volunteers must complete a school volunteer form and submit to a background check. The forms and instructions about how to acquire a background report can be obtained from the school's website, the board office or from Judy Ringler. Please direct any questions concerning the program or how you can volunteer to Judy (419-522-2325; 419-571-9657; [judyring77@embarqmail.com](mailto:judyring77@embarqmail.com)). Two hours one afternoon a week might mean the world of difference to a child and even to our community at large.

Judy Ringler

# SCRIP Report



Our May SCRIP receipts total \$370.50, bringing our grand total to **\$16,516.05!** Thanks for your continuing use of SCRIP gift cards. Please be sure to pick up a copy of the complete list of participating vendors. I think that you will be quite surprised to see how many of your favorite vendors are participating in this program.

If you haven't yet re-signed up for the Kroger Community Rewards Program, please remember to do so. If you are a Kroger shopper, please ask me how to sign up so that Faith Church can receive cash for the shopping you do at your favorite Kroger store. Our proceeds for 2/01/10 through 4/30/10 amounted to \$196.61.

Please let me help you learn about SCRIP. You can earn money for our building fund by shopping with specially purchased gift cards, at no extra expense to you!

Thanks for using SCRIP!  
Marilee Yarger



## Faith United Methodist Church Financial Report (January thru April 2010)

### General Fund

Month	Income	Expenses	Balance
January	19,755.65	15,790.10	3,965.55
February	14,160.00	14,698.05	-538.05
March	12,630.71	15,616.56	-2,985.85
April	13,433.95	20,125.06	-6,691.11
<b>Year to Date Totals</b>	<b>\$59,980.31</b>	<b>\$66,229.77</b>	<b>-6,249.46</b>

### Construction Loan

**Total Amount Borrowed as of May 14, 2010 - \$378,074.27**

# Birthdays & Anniversaries



- 1 Marilyn Steurer
- 4 Brook Campbell
- 4 Eli Sauder
- 5 Jack Hall
- 7 Nancy Smith (missionary)
- 12 Steve Cremeans
- 13 Cliff Williams
- 14 Stacy Betts
- 17 Betty Backensto
- 18 Rhonda Salyers
- 20 Abby Schoonyan
- 20 Lonny Gross
- 21 Anne Williams

- 22 Ryan Pfeiffer
- 22 Edith Henry
- 24 Emma Betts
- 24 Sydney Ashbaugh
- 27 Jacob Beal
- 29 Justin Ringler
- 29 Travis Smith (missionary)
- 30 Andrew Bright
- 30 Rob Edwards

### Dayspring Resident Birthdays

- 15 Robert Laird
- 18 Mary Swan
- 27 Margaret Burton

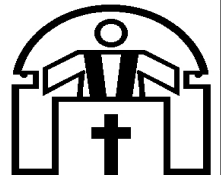


- 1 Steve & Adrian Baney (8)
- 6 Nate & Melissa Young (1)
- 11 Curt & Jennifer McVicker (21)
- 13 Brent & Amy Shaffer (1)
- 16 Brian & Tina Birchell (26)
- 19 Rick & Becky Crowl (28)
- 20 Stephan & Mary Hodgson (23)
- 20 Bob & Pam Stimpert (40)
- 20 Tom & Cathy Gramly (41)
- 26 Gary & Connie Oswalt (39)
- 28 Rob & Nancy Edwards (35)
- 28 Mike & Cindy Kenyon (35)



## Preaching Schedule

## June Lection



**June 6**  
**815 Psalm 96**  
**Galatians 1:1-12**  
**\*Luke 7:1-10**

**June 13**  
**858 Psalm 146**  
**Luke 7:11-17**  
**\*1 Kings 17:17-24**

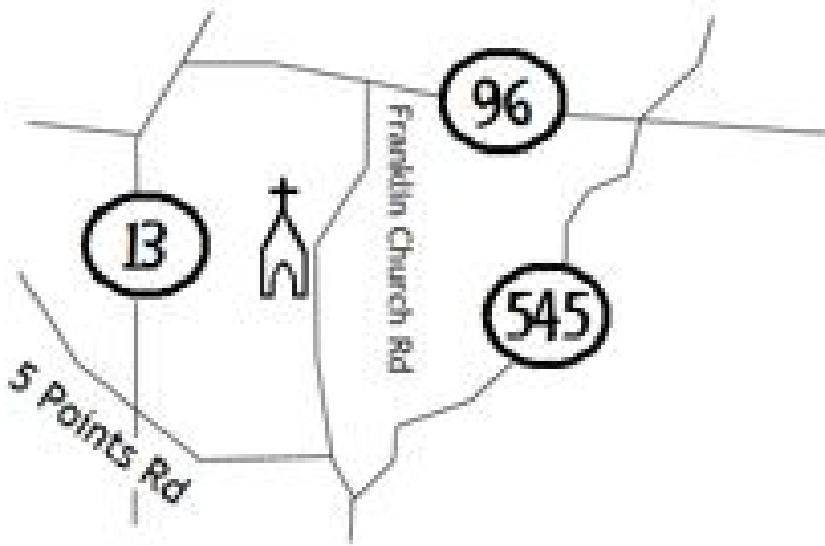
**June 20**  
**742 Psalm 5:1-7**  
**Luke 7:36 - 8:3**  
**\*Psalm 32**

**June 27**  
**778 Psalm 43**  
**Luke 8:26-39**  
**\*1 Kings 19:1-15a**

**\*Denotes Sermon Text**

# June 2010

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5 <i>Fire Dept. Hog Roast/Ice Cream Social 4 - 8 pm</i>  <i>Baccalaureate 7:30 p @ H.S.</i>
6  <i>New Building Open House 9:45a - 1:00p</i>	7	8  <i>Café Board 6:30</i>	9	10  <i>Evangelism 6:30</i>	11	12
13	14  <i>East</i>  <i>New Building Team 7:00 pm</i>	15  <i>Ohio</i>	16  <i>Annual</i>	17  <i>Conference</i>	18	19  <i>Church Work Day 9:00 a</i>
20	21  <i>Trustee 6:30 p</i>	22	23	24  <i>Good Neighbors Lunch 12:00 pm</i>  <i>Evangelism 6:30</i>	25	26  <i>UMW District Meeting 9a - 3p</i>
27	28	29	30			



**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP:**

8:30 a.m. Traditional Service

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Service

**SUNDAY SCHOOL:**

9:30 a.m. For All Ages

**Mission Statement**

**The Mission of our church is to make disciples for Jesus,  
in our church, community, and throughout the world.**

**Vision Statement**

**Through the empowerment of the Holy Spirit we will:  
boldly love each other into spiritual maturity;  
serve our neighbors sacrificially;  
and spread the Good News of Jesus Christ!**



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