### Welcome to Community of Faith Presbyterian Church

Our purpose is to be a **community of faith** serving in the likeness of Christ. We aspire to *servanthood* in order to be faithful to our calling as Christians. We work both as individuals and in community to live faithful lives in response to that calling. We believe that we are saved by faith in order to speak the gospel of Jesus Christ our Lord and do God's work in the world

**Sunday Mornings** Sunday School begins at 9:40am. Fellowship & refreshments are available at 10:30. Adults as well as children are invited to **worship together at 11:00am.** Clipboards and crayons for young worshipers are available near the Sanctuary doors. Everyone is welcome! Information about our ministry, mission and activities is available in the communication center near the front doors. Visitors are invited to sign the guest register.

Pastor Rev. Sharon D. Carter

Music Director Joanna Bailey
Musicians Roy Miller—Bass

Administration & Property Christian Education

Clerk of Session Dawn Ramsey Farwick

Commissioner to Presbytery William Lindsay
Congregational Care Jean Jennings
Mission William Lindsay

Mission William Lindsay Nominating Committee Becky Lindsay

Co-Treasurers Matt Hastings & Kim Suer Worship

**Elders** 

Class of 2017
Christian Addison
John (Jack) Kleier
Joanna Bailey

Class of 2018
Dawn Farwick
Jean Jennings
Jim Berry
Jo Shade

Trustees Class of 2019: Harry Eagan, Bill Lindsay

#### Deacons

Class of 2017Class of 2018Class of 2019Lynda JaegerFreda CarlinDan FarwickSharon CarlinJeff CarterAngie HurtJanet StadtmillerCarol Schomaker

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**Sunday Schedule:** 

Sunday School 9:40 am; Fellowship 10:30am; Service 11:00am

Choir Rehearsal each Wednesday at 7:00pm

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# Sunday, February 19, 2017

## The lessons for Sunday,

#### February 26, 2017

Ex. 24:12-18; Psalm 2 or Psalm 99 2 Peter 1:16-21; Matt. 17:1-9

### **Upcoming Events**

March 1—Ash Wednesday
March 5—1st Sunday in Lent
March 14—Session Meeting 6:45pm
March 20-21—Cornerstone Project



Please pray for: Nancy Ziegler, Betty Murphy, Shirley Weigel, Ruth and Jack Roeber, The McDermott family, Howard Story, Donna Kreicker, Johanna Willis, Nita Kleier, Inky Hall, David Weitzel, Joanna Bailey, Jean Jennings' family, Mary Lee Harrison, Emille Walden, Deborah Grover, Kelly Montana, Margaret Meyer, Paula Reinhart and Kittie Dupps.

**Lent begins March 1**<sup>st</sup> and we will once again be having the Lenten Evenings Bible Study, on Wednesdays at 5:30 with a light supper and study. Watch this space for more information!

**Volunteers** We need liturgists for 2017! The liturgist assists Rev. Sharon in the worship service each Sunday. You don't have to be an Elder to be a liturgist. If you are interested in helping, please sign the list in the narthex, call the church office or talk with Rev. Sharon.

**Per Capita for 2017** Each year we, like all Presbyterian churches, pay a certain amount for per capita to the Presbytery of Cincinnati, the Synod, and the General Assembly of the PCUSA. This money goes to fund ministries and missions of the wider church. Please note that this year's Per Capita amount is \$30.00 per person. If you would like to cover your portion of this year's per capita, please designate on your check or envelope your desire to do so. Thank you!

Today's African American Spiritual is *Kum ba Yah.* This spiritual originated in the southeaster United States along the South Carolina and Georgia Coast, among the Gullah speaking slaves of that area. Gullah is a language that is made up of English and African words and phrases and probably developed as slave holders and slaves learned to communicate with each other. "Kum ba Yah" is a phrase that means "Come by here" and the song calls for the Lord to come to places in which someone is crying, singing, praying, and so forth; the song was likely used in the slave's worship services.

By the 1950s and '60s *Kum ba Yah* was rediscovered and began to be used in the folk music movement of that era, eventually becoming a staple of protest rallies of the '60s and becoming a favorite song in church camps and retreats by the 1970s. Unfortunately *Kum ba Yah* has also been used to poke fun at the peace movement, and has been used by characters in film and TV shows to make fun or denigrate those who would seek peace.

### 2017 Nicaragua Water Announcement

Again in 2017, the Session has authorized a special offering to be taken for the 2017 Nicaragua Water project. The specific recipients will be the water committee for the village of Empalme de la Cruz Verde (Junction of the Green Cross)

Here, in their own words (translated), is what their problem and proposed solution is: In our community we have a population of 1,000 people and 240 families, of which 220 houses are being served. The problem we face is that we do not have small water meters to regulate consumption of users since there are many who are inconsiderate and spend water without limits, or without thinking to not stop the flow. We must raise awareness of other brothers' needs. We as the Committee for potable water and sanitation (CAPS) do not have the economic capacity to purchase the meters ... For this reason we placed our attention on you [the Nicaragua partners – ed.], asking for your support in the framework of its possibilities. What we need to solve the problem is to obtain 220 small water meters at an average cost of C\$ 850 cordobas each (\$30 U.S.) which in total would be C\$ 187,000 cordobas = \$6,600 U.S.

Our Kentucky Ductape Nicaragua partners, of which Dawn and Dan Farwick and Bill Lindsay are representatives from COF, have set a goal to fund the purchase of these meters. We are getting close to the \$6,600 goal. COF's donations can put us "over the top." Any additional funds raised [by the partner churches] over-and above the total need, would be applied to new water projects that might arise in 2018. The offering will be taken at COF on each of the Sundays in February. Make out your checks to COF Presbyterian or place cash in a pew envelope and mark the envelope and/or the check to "Nicaragua Water Project." The Ductape team will leave on Tuesday, February 28.

