

Chronicles



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Upcoming Events

7/1, 7/8, 7/15, 7/22, 7/29:

Worship Service

7/4: 4th of July - Office Closed

7/8: Trustees Meeting

(meet in the parlor after
worship service)

7/11: Stretching & Meditation

7/16-7/17: Cornerstone Mission

7/25: Stretching & Meditation

Birthdays

7/4: Janet Roy

7/5: Lynda Jaeger

7/6: Fredrick Reinhart

7/6: Shirley Weigel

7/7: Peyton Suer

7/7: Piper Suer

7/7: Linda Lanter

7/15: Bud McDermott

7/17: Robert Lindsay

7/20: Betty Murphy

7/20: Austin Whitaker

7/28: Harry Eagan

7/28: Faye Massey

In Our Thoughts & Prayers

Nancy Ziegler, Betty Murphy, Shirley Weigel, Ruth and Jack Roeber, The McDermott family, Johanna Willis, Nita Kleier, Inky Hall, David Weitzel, Joanna Bailey, Jean Jennings' family, Mary Lee Harrison, Emille Walden, Deborah Grover, Kelly Montana, Margaret Meyer, Lynda Jaeger, and Floyd Hastings.

Friends,

When we take a risk there is always the chance that we will fall on our face-- it's just the nature of trying something new. But without risk and taking chances there is no opportunity for growth; and if we don't continue to grow and change throughout our lives we won't become our best selves. When we step out in faith there is danger that we will fail (or at least not succeed) but there is also the chance that something new will blossom and grow.

Jeff and I had an idea for a new theater community and we came up with a show we thought would be fun and entertaining for the community. Unfortunately, this show, Smokie on the Mountain, is not to be. We were unable to cast the show and without actors there is no show. It is disappointing and a little embarrassing to have failed without even getting out of the gate; but in the process we've learned some things:

1. In this area it is usually necessary to not only hold open auditions but also to invite specific people to audition.
2. Actors who can sing or singers who can act are more rare than actors or singers.
3. Simpler is better at the beginning.

Armed with this knowledge we plan to try again, this time with a straight play and a smaller cast. We so appreciate the support you all have shown and truly believe that this is something that will be good for us and Community of Faith. But starting something like this from scratch is difficult and may require a few stumbles along the way. But with God's help I think we'll be able to move forward with another show.

On the up side, we will be having at least two more meditation/ stretching events in the labyrinth this summer, on July 11 and July 25, and will probably have a couple in August as well. Also in August is the Ice Cream Social (August 18-19) and then the fireworks party (Sept. 2); and at the end of August we are planning to have another joint worship service with Crescent Springs, this time at their place (August 26). We will also be putting together a time line for the life of Community of Faith, including First Ludlow and First Covington years and continuing our discernment of the future of Community of Faith in the Community.

I continue to be so glad I landed with you all here at Community of Faith and I love being your pastor!

Peace,
Rev. Sharon

The first Sunday of July is recognized as Immigration Sunday. This year a lot of attention is being given to the subject. This is not new as many countries have trouble with who and how many people from other nations they want to let in. Many people in any given nation feel threatened by strangers from another nation coming into their territory. They feel their safety is being threatened.

Abraham left one country and went to another as God called him to do. He was answering God's call. I wonder how different history would have been if "the wall" had been there. Ruth traveled from one country to another to find a new life. She did not encounter a wall. And we have history to prove it. There are many stories in our Biblical history of people who were immigrants moving about for a better life or to answer God's call.

The story of Mary and Joseph fleeing with their young son to Egypt to save his life should be enough to remind us that God is at work in all of this. It should be part of our Christian ministry to reach out to welcome the stranger to our communities. After all, like the people in Egypt, we may not know who that stranger is.

We have had people from our own congregation travel to Nicaragua, and over the years establish a good working relationship with the people they met there. Today, there is much unrest in that country, and I am quite sure that if some of them fled to the United States for their safety, they would have our people speak on their behalf. Even though we don't know the immigrants or why they are coming here, we can still speak up on their behalf for common sense laws and compassion and understand for their needs when they get here. After all, most of our ancestors were immigrants.

During July, as we celebrate Immigration Sunday, let us continue to pray for these people seeking to make a better life and perhaps a safer life. Let us also thank God that Mary and Joseph did not encounter a wall. We can make this a mission endeavor for the rest of this year.

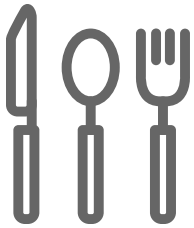


Summer Worship Hours

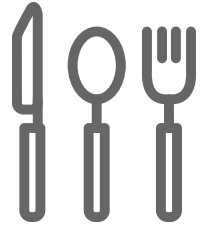
Worship services now begin at
10:30am on Sundays.



Cornerstone Mission



Community of Faith will be serving at Cornerstone this month. We will prepare the food at COF on **Monday, July 16 at 3:00pm**. On **Tuesday, July 17**, we'll serve at Cornerstone. Meet at the church at **5:00pm** on Tuesday if you would like to help serve.



Stretching and Meditation



Join Phoenix Wilson and Rev. Sharon on **July 11 and July 25 at 7:30pm** to learn tips and techniques for stretching and meditation. Find out more about labyrinth walking, and spend time in our outdoor labyrinth.



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