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JULY 2017 Newsletter of Faith UMC

FAITH STORIES

from the month of June

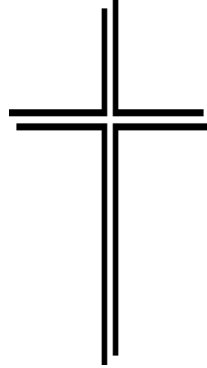
MAKER FUN FACTORY



MORE FAITH STORIES FROM THE MONTH OF JUNE



The Baptism of Travis James Clark



The Baptism of Avianna Starr Croyle



Packing Food Boxes for Senior Citizens at the Central PA Food Bank



High School Graduates: Jenna Lutz, Bethanie Patterson



High School Graduates: Michael Gonzalez, Christian McBride, Delaney Jean, Isaac Miller, Brysen Mussina, Jared Hetherington (Director of Student Ministries) and Michaela Switzer

Pastor's Pen - Get Your Popcorn Ready!

Everyone loves a good story. A good story can make us laugh, make us cry, inspire us, or help us to see the world in fresh ways. It's one of the reasons we love to go to the movies. There's nothing quite like getting lost in a good story!

This summer in worship we are going to the movies. Many movies have biblical truths wrapped up in their stories. We are going to see how some of the stories on the big screen can also help us see our stories and God's story with fresh eyes. We hope you join us. It's going to be a lot of fun, and I think that you will be challenged and inspired!

With the series we will have 2 movie nights at the church. On Friday, July 21 we will show *42: The Jackie Robinson Story*. Childcare will be provided so all you parents out there can make it a date night! On Saturday, July 29 after the 5:30 service we will have a family movie night with *Finding Dory*. Bring a brown bag dinner and we'll have dinner and a movie together. Both movies will be shown in the Fellowship Hall. Popcorn and drinks will be provided.

As always I am grateful that we get to live into God's story together here at Faith Church for the transformation of ourselves, our community and the world. God's got an even bigger story ahead!

On the journey,
Pastor Jake



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Construction Update

In the month of June, Turnkey Construction has been on site getting everything prepped for construction. They moved the electrical services, set up a construction perimeter, and cleared trees. In July you will see significant heavy equipment at the church as the concrete footings and masonry foundations are put in place. Keep your eyes on our social media accounts to watch for pictures and updates as our vision becomes a reality!

Playground Hours

Construction on the Children 1st Building Project has started! We will be temporarily revising our playground and basketball hours. The new hours will be Monday - Friday from 5:00 pm until dark. We will maintain regular weekend hours.

From the Business Manager, Linda Huffman. If you have any questions please contact her at 570-368-2459 or lhuffman@faithum.net.

JOURNEY Update (as of 6/22/2017)

- Number of families that have made a pledge to JOURNEY: **176**
- Total amount pledged to JOURNEY: **\$2,166,143.20**
- Amount received for JOURNEY: **\$1,839,570.12**

Thank you for your continued generosity to Faith Church and to JOURNEY!

Second Quarter Giving Statements

We will be sending out second Quarter Giving Statements in early July. If you completed the "Go Paperless" form last fall, and signed up to have your statement emailed to you, check your inbox!

When you receive your statement, please check to make sure that all entries are correct. If you find any discrepancies, or have questions about anything, please don't hesitate to call.

Church Office Closed

In observance of Independence Day, the church office will be closed on Tuesday, July 4.



Praise Kids

All Praise Kids are invited to a Pool Party at the home of the Hofstrom family on Wednesday, July 19 (rain date is July 26) from 6-8:00 pm. They live at 187 English Hill Road, Cogan Station. Ms. Lisa and Mr. Tony will be excited to see you!

Growing Edge

Every Monday through Friday Faith Church sends out a daily devotional via email called Growing Edge. If you are not receiving this and would like to, please call the church office at 570-368-2459.

Our Next Potluck



**Saturday, July 1 following worship
Bring a picnic dish to share!**

Help Around the Church Grounds

Are you handy with a paint brush, roller, or sprayer? We are doing some exterior painting this summer, including parking lot lines, bumpers, and building trim. If you would like to be a part of our Painting Team, please contact Dave Miller at dmiller@faithum.net.

WORSHIP IN THE PARK

SATURDAY, AUGUST 26, 2017
3:00 pm 'til dark



Join us for an exciting time of worship and fellowship as we gather together!



We will enjoy smoked BBQ for dinner together after 5:30 worship!



Bring lawn chairs, a large side dish to share, and your favorite yard game.



Invite your neighbors and friends to join us! All are welcome!

RIVERFRONT PARK
2845 Greevy Road
Williamsport, PA

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Cooking For Crowds - Food Safety Strategies for Community Organizations

Saturday, July 29, 2017 - 9:00-11:30 am at Faith Church

- **Registration** Program Fee: \$50 per organization (1-4 people) \$5 for each additional person or \$25 for individual
- Register online with any major credit card (*MasterCard, Visa, Discover, or American Express*) at:
<http://extension.psu.edu/food/safety/courses/cooking-for-crowds-volunteer-food-safety>
- Or call: 570-988-3950
- **The deadline to register online is Monday, July 24, 2017**

Each organization or individual registering will receive a copy of the Cooking for Crowds manual, a food thermometer and a set of food safety posters. Each participant will receive a certificate of attendance.

Important Note: When registering a group, they will need the name, address, phone number and email address for each individual registrant.



So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed. John 8:36

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

VBS Maker Fun Factory

Thank you to well over 100 people who served to allow Faith Church to host Vacation Bible School! Each of you was part of helping kids remember that God made them, God loves them, and Jesus came to give forgiveness and true life.



Faith Preschool 2017-2018 Registration!

Is there a 3 year old you know and love? Invite them to join us at Faith Preschool next year! We have spots available in the afternoon class and are excited to welcome new families. Children must be 3 years old and potty-trained by September 1st to participate in the 3 year old program. Please call 570-368-2459 if you have any questions regarding fees or eligibility.



Hands On Bible Club (HOBC) Classes

Saturdays at 5:30 pm
Nursery: 0-3: Room 21
PreK3-Kindergarten:
Room 24
Grades 1-5: Room 25

Sundays at 9:45 am
Nursery: 0-2: Room 21
2s and 3s: Room 22
PreK4-Kindergarten: Room 24
Grade 1: Room 26
Grade 2: Room 25
Grade 3: Room 23
Grades 4/5: Room 16



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HOBC Sunday Schedule: July-August 2017

Team Assignments are posted outside each HOBC classroom! As always, please switch dates by contacting a friend, utilizing the FB Group, or emailing mhandley@faithum.net. Thank you for serving! (For more information, to join a serving team or if you've forgotten which team you're on, please contact Marion Handley.)

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| Sunday Serving Teams Serving Dates | } | July 2 - Team 4 | July 9 - Team 5 | July 16 - Team 6 | July 23 - Team 7 | July 30 - Team 8 |
| | | Aug. 6 - Team 1 | Aug. 13 - Team 2 | Aug. 20 - Team 3 | Aug. 27 - Team 4 | |

Orange Spotlight - Introducing Kid Connection

For all of our kids June was Part 1 of a series that completes with Part 2 in July. Elementary kids will continue to learn about what it means to be made in God's image and our preschoolers will continue to hear amazing Bible stories about kids who God used to do great things.

This July, I am excited as I look back over this past year in HOBC and imagine the possibilities once the new children's wing is completed. We have had a lot of fun in HOBC learning together.

Construction is underway on the building addition! As we prepare to move into that new space sometime in 2018, I am excited to announce that we will be changing the name of our children's programs from Hands On Bible Club to Kid Connection. Kid Connection @ Faith Church "Connecting Kids to Christ and Community".

Stay tuned!

"There's an App for That!" Check Out the Parent Cue

Each week your child brings home a "Parent Cue" page... this is a wonderful free resource which reviews the lesson and memory verse and provides activities you can do during the week to help your child apply the HOBC lesson to life. The curriculum writers at Orange know that families move through many life seasons - some of which are quite busy. They create activities that you can enjoy with your children while you go about your existing routine. **The Parent Cue page also provides you the link to the website TheParentCue.org and information about downloading the Parent Cue App to your mobile device so that the lessons, videos, and activities for First Look and 252 Kids can travel with you and your family!**

STUDENT MINISTRIES



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Summer Schedule

FSM

Grades 6-12
6pm-8pm

July 12 & 26
August 9 & 23

POOL PARTY
GRADES 9-12
6PM JULY 16TH

FSM

Summertime

Hey everyone, hope you're enjoying your summer! This summer FSM is meeting every other week from 6-8:00 pm at the church. Our next meeting is Wednesday, July 12. This is for all students going into 6th grade through 12th grade (and those who have just graduated). We will hang out, unwind and have some good times as a community of students. If you have any questions, please let me know! *Jared*

GROW



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Summer Group Life

Summer is a *great time* to host a gathering of friends and talk about what it might look like to experience Community Group life with each other! Call up and invite some friends over, have some yummy food, amazing conversation, and talk about when to begin this fall. If I can help you with ideas or resources, contact me today.

Save the Date

Thinking about small group life? Come join us for the following: Connect Events for Community Group life - Saturday, September 30 at 5:30 pm and Monday, October 2 at 6:00 pm. WATCH for details in the coming months!

The Forgotten Populations Book Club

The Forgotten Populations Book Club continues with *The Hate You Give* by Angie Thomas, the story of a young black woman who witnesses police killing her best friend and must weather the social uprising that follows. The book is \$10 and will be available for pick-up at the church. The club will meet at 6:30 pm on Thursday, July 27 at Faith Church. Please contact Mary Broussard at broussm@lycoming.edu if you would like to participate or have any questions.

SERVE AND GO

Go, Go, Go in 2017

Here are the "GO" events that we currently have scheduled for 2017. We'll need **ALL OF GOD'S FAITH CHURCH SERVANTS** if these events are going to make an impact for Christ in our community and beyond. If you are interested in helping to lead one of these events, contact Pastor Rusty. (Please Note: With the Children 1st Building Project, all dates and events are tentative.)

1. Feed the 5,000: Food Collection Dates - July 8-9, 15-16, 22-23
2. Family Promise Host Week #2: July 9-16
3. Group Work Camp FSM Mission Trip: Pittsburgh, PA - July 23-28
4. TRANSFORM (First UMC): July 31-August 4 (*We are not a Host Site this year.*)
5. Children's Clothing Collection - Collection Dates: August 5-6, 12-13, 19-20
6. Volunteers in Mission Trip: Oak Hill, West Virginia: October 1-7
7. Family Promise Host Week #3: October 15-22
8. Trunk or Treat: October 31 (or Trick or Treat date set by the borough)
9. Food Packing IV Event: November 5 (at McCall Middle School)
10. Operation Christmas Child: Not a collection site this year. Brochures and drop off information will be available.
11. Thanksgiving Baskets - November: in association with McCall Middle School
12. Oasis of Hope Angel Tree: December
13. Special Christmas Eve Offering: December 24, 2017



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Oak Hill, WV Mission Trip Information Meeting

This fall Faith Church will be sponsoring its third Volunteers in Mission (VIM) trip to Oak Hill, West Virginia. Oak Hill is the 5th poorest county in the entire United States and the need is great there. The dates for the trip are October 1st-7th. The cost of the trip will be \$175. Please begin to pray and ask God if he is calling you to be part of this mission team. If you would like to register or have any questions, please contact Pastor Rusty. **There will be an informational meeting on Sunday, July 16 at 11:00 am in Pastor Rusty's office (Room 11).** The meeting is intended for those who are going on the trip and for those who'd like more information before making a decision to be part of the team.

Healing Service to Be Held July 30

A Healing Service will follow the 9:45 am service on Sunday, July 30 in the front of the sanctuary. The Congregational Care and the Our Journey of Hope Cancer Care teams will join Pastor Rusty there. They will be asking God for healing and wholeness for persons in need. This service is scripturally based on James 5:13-16. We invite all those with serious health issues to attend. We also welcome persons who are in need of emotional healing, healing of mental health issues, or healing from the bondage of addiction. In addition, prayers will be offered for the healing of hearts broken due to family conflict, separation or divorce, or the death of a loved one. See Psalm 147:3 — "He heals the brokenhearted and binds up their wounds." Anyone with questions concerning this service should contact Pastor Rusty Wolfinger.

Coming in July . . . Feed the 5,000

The summer is often a slower time for donations at food distribution sites. To help them out, we'll have Feed the 5,000 bags available in the Narthex/Lobby on the weekend of July 1-2 (although, any bag will do!) **We will be collecting non-perishable food items the weekends of July 8-9, 15-16, and 22-23.** These are the items that the distribution sites have a continual need for: spaghetti sauce, peanut butter, pasta (any shape), powdered drink mixes, hamburger helper, oodles of noodles, saltine crackers, canned vegetables, cereal, pop tarts, and soups.

Family Promise Host Week in July

Our next Family Promise host week is July 9-16. Each host week requires many servants to make the week a success. There are multiple opportunities to serve; such as set-up and tear-down, providing meals, transportation, and overnight hosting. Sign-ups are in the lobby. If you have any questions about this ministry, please contact Marybeth Croll at children777@comcast.net.

Coming in Aug. - Children's Clothing Collection

The West End Christian Community Center has notified the church that they are in need of children's clothing. Many families use the Clothing Closet at WECC and they are especially busy during "back to school" time. We will be collecting new and used children's (all ages) clothing on the weekends of August 5-6, 12-13 and 19-20.

TRANSFORM

During the week of July 31-August 4, we will have the opportunity to partner with our brothers and sisters from First UMC Williamsport in their week of service called *TRANSFORM*. *TRANSFORM* allows volunteers to serve one day or all five days and all skill levels of volunteers are needed! The mission of *TRANSFORM* is to show the love of Jesus Christ by assisting those in need, thus fostering deeper relationships within the community. Online registration is required and is now up and running. Go to www.firstchurch.cc under "EVENTS" to register. If you have any questions, contact Pastor Rusty.

NEW SERIES AT FAITHCHURCH

July 8/9 - Hidden Figures
 July 15/16 - 42-The Jackie Robinson Story
 July 22/23 - Rogue One
 July 29/30 - Finding Dory
 August 5/6 - Captain America

Summer
AT THE MOVIES

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