## Welcome

### The pastors and family of FAITH welcome you!

We're glad you are here forming the community of worshippers this morning. We believe the Bible is central to understanding God, ourselves and God's redemptive purpose in Jesus Christ and are joyfully committed to sharing the truth of God's word.

Please use the cards in the pew racks to let us know if you are visiting, if you wish to be contacted or if you would like the FAITH family to pray for you.

# Children Preschool through 6<sup>th</sup> grade should be Checked In for Faith Kids outside Benner Fellowship Hall.

A greeter or usher will be happy to direct you. Children will remain in that area for Faith Kids worship during Advent.

A church nursery is open in Room 302 and a nursing mother's room is located in the front foyer.

#### **Church Security**

Outside doors are locked at 10:45 am. A security team member in the center front foyer will assist you in entering after that time.

## Discipleship & Prayer

#### **Sundays**

9:30 am Study Groups for all ages

10:30 am Morning Worship 6:30 pm Young Adults

#### Wednesday - Dismissed this week for Christmas

7:00 pm Bible studies, Blitz Youth, Faith Kids & Music Rehearsals

#### Prayer

Ladies Prayer Group, Tuesdays, 9:45 am, Room 201 - **Dismissed** Men's Prayer Group, Saturdays, 8:00 am, Library Annex

## This Week's Prayer Requests

Dr. Jeff Ayers Carol Hoover

Ken Balthaser Kay McClellan Kathy Clouse Pastor Mel Truex

## **Faith Activities**

# **Lancaster Community Band Christmas Concert** Today, 2:00 pm

FAITH will host the Lancaster Community Band for their annual Christmas concert. Open to the public; free admission.

## Christmas Eve Candlelight Service Tue, December 24, 6:00 pm

Invite family and friends to join you for this warm and festive time of worship celebrating the transformation from waiting through Advent into the joy of the Christ child's arrival. We will sing carols, enjoy selections from FAITH's choir and ensembles, hear from the Word and light candles together.

#### **Church Office Schedule**

The church office will be open on a flexible schedule between Christmas and the New Year's holidays. Please call ahead to be sure someone will be available to assist you.

### **Ladies Prayer Group Dismissed**

This group will not meet starting this Tuesday through the New Year's holiday. They will resume on Tuesday, January 7.

## **Missions**

#### LifeWise Lancaster City, Driver Needed

There is a desperate need for an individual(s) who could drive a 15-passenger van on Mondays, Wednesdays and possibly Thursdays. Ideally this would be one person but multiple drivers would also work. Drivers can elect to be paid or volunteer. Any who might be interested should contact Holly Lavender, <a href="hollylavender@lifewise.org">hollylavender@lifewise.org</a>, for more information, or apply on the <a href="hollylavender@lifewise.org">website</a>.

## **Faith Kids**

### Pancakes & PJs, Next Sunday, 10:30 am

Wear your Christmas Jammies one last time as we serve Pancakes during our Faith Kids Worship Service and learn that Jesus is God's gift to the world!

#### WCD Tween Lock-In, January 3-4, 6:00 pm-11:30 am

Preteens, 4th-6th Graders, will experience a church setting planned just for them preparing to be middle schoolers. Activities and games are planned for fun, fellowship and worship of our Creator with friends from other churches in our district!

Register here: <a href="https://www.cccuyouth.org/events/tween-lock-in">https://www.cccuyouth.org/events/tween-lock-in</a>

#### What We're Teaching

## Christmas Vacation: Series on Advent

Grab your sandals, sunblock, and swim gear because it's time for a Christmas Vacation! You've never experienced Christmas like this as we make sand angels and roast chestnuts around an open bonfire on a tropical getaway. This series focuses on the birth of Jesus and the way God planned things from the beginning. We'll see how God sent Jesus for a reason, learn to trust God's timing, understand why God gives us what's best, and discover Jesus is why we celebrate because He is God's gift to the world.

## **Teens of Faith**

### End of Year Bash, Mon, December 30, 8 pm - 12 am

A FREE private event at SCENE 75, Dublin, OH 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade students only

A big group gathering will start things off with worship, a speaker, and lots of give-a-ways. The rest of the night is for us to celebrate together in an awesome facility that we have ALL TO OURSELVES. Food will be provided. There's so much to do including Indoor Go-Karts, Laser Tag, an Arcade, Roller coaster, Mini Golf, Drop Tower, Inflatables, Bumper Cars, Batting Cage, 4D Motion Theater, Karaoke Booth, Laser Maze, and more! Contact Pastor Aaron if you plan to go.



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Church Office Hours: 8 am – 4:30 pm Mon – Thu; 8 am – 12 pm Fri

## This Week's Calendar

### Today

8:30 am Worship Ensemble Rehearsal

9:00 am Worship Choir Rehearsal

9:30 am Study Groups 10:30 am Morning Worship

Faith Kids Worship

2:00 pm Lancaster Community Band5:00 pm Hand Bell Choir Rehearsal

6:30 pm Young Adults

Tuesday

6:00 pm Candlelight Service

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Saturday

8:00 am Men's Prayer Group

## **Statistics**

## Attendance & Offerings Week of December 15, 2024 Sunday

Groups 139 Young Adults 9
Worship 368 Livestream 388

Offerings \$10,513

Wednesday

Groups 140

CD Recordings available from the Duplication Room. Online options at  $\underline{\text{faithm.ch}}$ 

## **Our Staff**

Jonathan W. Morgan, Pastor Jarod Massie, Faith Kids David Case, Adult Education Debbie Zenoby, Admin. Ass't Mike Kotora, Worship & Music Aaron Green, Teens of Faith Steve Snider, Treasurer Carrie Clarke, FELA Director

#### Dr. Darren Johnson, Parakaleo Ministries

FAITH is pleased to provide space to Dr. Johnson, a dually licensed therapist with over 30 years of clinical experience offering individual and group therapy for adolescents and adults.

Schedule sessions here by contacting Dr. Johnson directly <a href="mailto:darrenjohnsonphd@gmail.com">darrenjohnsonphd@gmail.com</a>, call/text 740-412-5456.

**December 22, 2024** 

# FAITH MEMORIAL CHURCH

Call to Worship Andrea Green

Announcements & Invocation Philip Roark

Advent Candlelighting Bryant Family

Worship in Song
Do You Hear What I Hear?
The First Noel

Worship in Giving
We Three Kings Medley
Worship Choir

The Good News Pastor Jonathan

Our Response
O Little Town of Bethlehem

Pastoral Prayer Pastor Jonathan

Musical Benediction

Blessing

Worship Choir