



FIRST COMMUNITY CHURCH

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## Halfway To Goal

### *Pledge Campaign for Church Operations Successful To Date*

First Community Church relies on pledges from church members to enrich the lives of the people we serve. Our 2016 budget is anticipated to be 2,218,000. Our pledge campaign began in September and has been successful in reaching \$1,158,500 to date.

We are extremely grateful to all who have pledged so far.

In order to maintain our current ministries, we are asking that everyone pledge. All pledges, regardless of amount, are accepted with love and grace.

Please consider pledging online at [FCchurch.com/giving](http://FCchurch.com/giving) or return a pledge card to:

First Community Church  
1320 Cambridge Blvd.  
Columbus, Ohio 43212

If needed, additional pledge cards are available at the Welcome Centers at both campuses.

Thank you for providing a solid foundation upon which our ministries and programs are maintained. At First Community Church, everyone belongs, gives and receives.

## Moments



Dr. Richard Wing  
Senior Minister

My good friend, Art Morgan, has a house church, writes well and sends thoughts to hungry souls like me.

His work is *Moment Ministries* defined this

way: "Moment Ministries is based on the simple idea that moments matter...that attention and listening and caring and presence make a difference in every contact we have with anyone. Jesus is the model moment (person) for each of us."

You have no idea what healing comes in listening, caring and being fully present as you look up from your cell phone and stop, look and listen to the one before you.

I heard Jim Finley quote Thomas Merton: "All of us carry within us a burden that at times is unbearable." Then he said, "Name any person you know and they are like this also, and so is the whole world." Jesus saw the burden in everyone and reminded us that the whole world is like this.

Remember, Jesus had less than 3 years of ministry, and in that short space balanced action and contemplation, and was fully present to all who approached him. Jesus knew what Dick Wood reminds me of often: "today there is enough time for everything that is truly important."

I am, for the moment, wishing you moments of encouragement that make all other moments bearable.

Peace to you,

## New Member Seminar

New Members of First Community Church join a congregation that has fostered community and spiritual growth for 105 years through worship, mission, pastoral care and small groups.

Our Membership Seminars are an opportunity to hear about the history, programs and inclusiveness of First Community Church and become acquainted with clergy and staff through a relaxed atmosphere of conversation and fellowship.

Whether you are ready to become a member or would simply like to learn more about our church, we invite you to join us for our upcoming Membership Seminar. Join us Sunday, December 6 at our North Campus, Room 115 from 12:30 pm to 3 pm. Childcare will be provided. Please RSVP by calling 614 488.0681 ext. 161

## Letter to the Editor

A special thanks to Graham Webb, Joel Hawley, Eric Cherry, Tyler Hillyard, Bradley Woodruff and his crew from Cox Tree Service for their time, efforts and care for the historic elm at South Campus. The wood from the elm is being preserved in various forms in remembrance of our past and the beauty that lies ahead of us in the future. You are deeply appreciated.

Pam Jameson,  
Director of Facilities Ministry

## Write to Us

Any publication worth its weight not only publishes letters from its readers, it encourages them. We want your feedback and look forward to providing you with an open and proper platform.

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## The \$20,000 Letter

### *Anonymous Donor Outlines Matching Gift, Inspiration in Writing*

Lamar Graham, Director of Heart to Heart, received a letter from an anonymous donor offering up to \$20,000 in a matching gift for all donations made through December 31.

The letter, in part, reads as follows:

*Would you like to know why an anonymous donor is making a matching gift of \$20,000 to Heart to Heart?*

*Because 22 years ago, her family benefited significantly from the program. Because she believes hunger is one of our country's most serious problems.*

*Because Ohio is the third-most state in the nation in providing food assistance to families and only programs like Heart to Heart can fill the void.*

*She is proud that her church's mission outreach will provide about 114,000 meals in 2015. She knows many of these recipients are seniors on Social Security who will receive no increase in their benefits in 2016.*

*One third of all seniors on Social Security receive less than \$1,000 a month and this is their sole source of income. There is no reason to expect the hunger problem to improve in 2016.*

*She will match every donation to Heart to Heart between October 1 and January 1 up to a total of \$20,000.*

*Matthew 25:40, "I tell you, whatever you do for one of the least of these my brothers and sisters of mine, you do for me."*

Visit [FCchurch.com/heart-to-heart](http://FCchurch.com/heart-to-heart) to donate.

## Heart to Heart Food Pantry Totals

*Heart to Heart offers a helping hand and caring heart in times of need.*

### Donation Needs for November: Stuffing

September 2015	Month	YTD
Households	460	2,711
Individuals	1,374	8,302
Children	460	2,784
Adults	724	4,345
Seniors	190	1,173
Total Meals	12,366	78,115
Pounds from North	60	365
Pounds from South	0	193
Pounds from Annex	0	60
Pounds from MOFB*	14,023	76,526
Pounds from Giant Eagle	0	14,925
Unique Volunteers	31	369

\*Mid-Ohio Foodbank

## firstnews Articles

Include the date, contact person's name, phone number and/or e-mail address with all submissions. Submit to:

email - [news@FCchurch.com](mailto:news@FCchurch.com)  
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We reserve the right to edit all submissions.

**The deadline for all submissions is 12 pm on the 15th of each month.**

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## Year-End Giving

■ By Sandy Anderson,  
Chair, Foundation Board of Trustees

November is the month of Thanksgiving, both literally and figuratively. We celebrate the American holiday by expressing thanks for all our blessings and making an effort to help others in need.

We are fortunate that our nation's federal and state tax laws make it possible to reduce taxes on funds used to make charitable gifts. For example, if you make a cash gift to the First Community Foundation by December 31, you can reduce your income tax on up to 50% of your adjusted gross income for 2015.

Or better yet, gifts of stocks, bonds or mutual funds that have increased in value can result in even greater tax savings. This is because Congress has stipulated that you also do not have to pay capital gains tax that would be due if the donated assets had been sold.

Therefore, the best assets to give are those that have *increased* in value the most, and would generate the greatest capital gains tax if sold.

Another thought to consider: the 2015 stock market has been particularly volatile, especially this third quarter. If you have assets that have *decreased* in value since you have owned them, consider selling them and making a deductible gift of the cash proceeds.

This creates a loss that you may be able to deduct from other taxable income, along with the cash proceeds you contribute.

Whatever you decide, please know that the Foundation is committed to using your gift to further benefit the particular ministry, or ministries, that best appeal to you.

We have funds to assist Camp Akita, the Music Program, Spiritual Searcher, maintenance of our facilities, Missions, or education for all ages. During this season of giving, you can accomplish your charitable goals, save on your taxes, and help the church far into the future.

## This Month in Church History

■ Compiled by Jackie Cherry

November 7, 1948 - Worship service first broadcast on radio station WRFD

November 6, 1958 - First Book Fair

November 1959 - Ohio Central Association of Congregational Churches approved the affiliation of First Community Church

November 13, 1963 - First Community Church named Church of the year by Guideposts Magazine for our founding of First Community Village

November 11, 1973 - First organ recital by Ron Jenkins

November 17, 1974 - First organ recital by Robert Griffith

November 11, 2003 - First Back Bay Mission work camp

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## The Holidays Come to the Trading Post

■ By Rebecca Wolfe

We close for Christmas on December 16, so we have to get our beautiful things out ahead of time. On November 2, our store will open, beautifully decorated for the season, and you won't want to miss all our wonderful deals.

We have beautiful items for gifts and plenty of ideas for your own decorating. It's great to "upcycle" and take something used to create a new treasure. Come see Rebecca about your holiday needs and she will help you out or point you to one of our super volunteers.

Our need this time of year is for **large** paper shopping bags. It seems like this time of year is made up of bulky sweaters, coats and toys requiring bigger packaging. Just drop them at North or South Campus collection centers or at the Trading Post. Thank you in advance for your help.

## South Campus Project Forum

Join the South Campus Design Committee and architect Phillip Markwood Sunday, November 8, 12:30 pm, South Campus for conversation and updates on the progress of the South Campus Project conceptual design.

As reported in the October issue of firstnews Monthly, the First Community Church Governing Board recently approved the Master Plan Phase 1 Project for South Campus, clearing a path for the construction of an Atrium and Welcome Center on the south side of 1320 Cambridge Boulevard.

The authorization allows for the creation of schematic design and construction documents along with the solicitation of contractor bids, which the Capital Projects Committee (CPC) will submit to the Board for final approval.

As with any construction project, variances in time may occur. The plan is to begin the project mid-summer, 2016, with completion by Christmas.



## Looking Ahead

*Upcoming Sermons by Dr. Wing:*

**Nov. 1** - UNEXPECTED BLESSINGS  
Part 6 - No Additives (Matthew 5:8)

**Nov. 8** - UNEXPECTED BLESSINGS  
Part 7 - Waging Peace (Matthew 5:9)

**Nov. 15** - UNEXPECTED BLESSINGS  
Part 8 - Doormats to the Divine (Matthew 5:10-11)

**Nov. 29** - 1st Sunday in Advent  
DON'T MOVE (Luke 21:25-36)



## Parish Register

*We share the joys and sorrows of our church family in our prayers.*

**As of October 15, 2015**

### BIRTHS

William Oliver Dramble 10/12/15  
*Son of Jennifer & Troy Dramble  
 Grandson of Matt Seipel*

### BAPTISMS

Severine Grace Garcia 9/20/15  
*Daughter of Charlotte &  
 Daren Garcia  
 Granddaughter of Elaine &  
 David Buck  
 Great-granddaughter of  
 Marjorie Sayers*  
 Milo Joseph Tomlin 10/11/15  
*Son of Allison & Gabriel Tomlin*

### WEDDINGS

Beth Schenerlein & Chris Lascola  
 10/3/15  
*Daughter of Deborah &  
 John Schenerlein*

### HOSPITALIZATIONS

Homer Mincy  
 Robert Moreen

### DEATHS

Gene Ricker 10/2/15  
*Husband of Gloria Ricker*  
 Walter Reckless 10/4/15  
*Partner of Bonnie Webb  
 Father of Kirk (Kelsey) Reckless  
 Grandfather of Rennick &  
 Mira Reckless*  
 Osmar Ullrich 10/7/15  
*Father of Mona (David) Hett*  
 Bob Decker 10/11/15  
*Husband of Betty Decker*  
 Ned Flora 10/15/15  
*Father of Kevin Flora*

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## Reflections On Our Stately Elm

■ By Jackie Cherry

The Sunday School class of sophomore and junior boys was in charge of planning the ground breaking ceremony for the new church on Cambridge Boulevard. Near the young elm tree they laid a fire to thaw the frozen ground in the early afternoon of January 21, 1924. In spite of sub-zero temperatures, a crowd of seventy-five people had gathered to witness the first shovelful of earth being turned.

Soon, the excavation began and the foundation followed. The elm tree witnessed the pageantry of the Masonic ceremony as the cornerstone was laid on May 18 before the assembled crowd numbering more than a thousand. Throughout the construction period, people would stop in the shade of the tree to check on the progress and the entire community felt that they were part of this project because it was *their* church.

As the years passed, the elm tree grew ever more stately and beautifully framed the lovely outlines of First Community Church.

How many laughing children played in its shade? How many newlyweds passed under its boughs as friends and family tossed rice or birdseed at the happy couple? How many infants were greeted by the tree after being baptized? How many friends and colleagues shed a tear as they passed

by its significant presence following a memorial service?

How we all loved the summer Sundays after church when the congregation used to gather in front of the church for iced tea and fellowship within the shade of our lovely trees.

So many things we take for granted and do not really miss them until they are gone. And now the magnificent elm tree no longer graces our lawn. Because it stood near the portal to our Sanctuary, it always made me think of the words of Joyce Kilmer's poem, *Trees*. "A tree that looks at God all day, And lifts her leafy arms to pray."

Sadly, it could not be saved and we will all remember and be sorry that it is no longer a part of our landscape. The birds and squirrels that made their nests within its branches are having to look for a new home.

But, hopefully, the spirit of our mighty elm tree will live on through the creations that various woodcraftsmen in our congregation may produce. Several of them have taken some of the beautiful wood that they plan to turn into furniture or other pieces which might eventually grace North Campus and Akita, or even be available to members of our congregation.

Our silent sentinel may be gone, but definitely will not be forgotten by those of us who cherished its presence.

## A Piece of History

Thanks to volunteer Graham Webb, the Mary Evans Child Development Center was excited to accept a piece of the beautiful elm tree from outside the Sanctuary at South Campus. As soon as Graham put the log down, the children eagerly began figuring out what to do with it.



*Photo by teacher Mary Beth Maceyko*

Through discussion and teamwork, the preschoolers created a teeter-totter. We appreciate his willingness to drive up to North Campus with this special delivery.

## Women's Guild

■ By Jill Eliot

Collin McCarty encourages, "Celebrate life today, for life is too short to put off living until tomorrow." Come join the Women's Guild in the many upcoming activities listed below:

### ELECTION DAY BAKE SALE

Kitty Rohrer announced that Estelle Scott will be the coordinator for North Campus and Merci Katz for South Campus for the Betty O'Neil Election Day Bake sale on November 3. South Campus items can be brought to the Guild Room, and to the kitchen for North Campus. Items should be clearly marked for the Bake Sale.

### WREATH SALE

Karyl Hanhiammi reported that the Wreath Sale will take place at both campuses on Sundays, November 8-29. There will be six items for sale: 24" Mixed Wreath, Holly Centerpiece, Lantern with LED Candle, Door Swag, Deluxe Log Basket, and Go Greener Centerpiece with Candle. Pick up for items will be Saturday, Dec. 5 from 10 am to 1 pm at North Campus.

### GUILD INFORMATION

Women's Guild Information will be located at a table the last Sunday of each month at both campuses and the new brochures will be available.

A Women's Guild member will be at the table to take contact information of those interested in learning more about the Guild.

For women who do not have time to meet monthly in a small group or have not found the perfect fit, we have a member at large category. Members at-large receive important information and invitations to all of the All-Guild activities.

### SOMETHING NEW

The Foundation Fund is now a standing committee of the Women's Guild. The current members are the President, the Past President, the Treasurer, Merci Katz and Meg Wagner. Pam Jameson is in the process of purchasing chairs using a grant from the Women's Guild Foundation Fund.

## Let Us Call You Sweetheart

■ By Missy Obergefell

Each December, our church honors its "Sweethearts" with a personally delivered red rose.

These roses are given to women who are members of First Community Church, are age 65 or older and who have asked that their names be placed on the "Sweetheart List."

The Sweetheart tradition, which originated more than 70 years ago, grew from the annual birthday party Roy Burkhart threw for his mother with all of her friends as guests.

After her death, he continued to hold that party for those older women, calling them his sweethearts.

As years (and people) passed, this party expanded into a luncheon to which all the elder women of the church were invited. All clergy attended and the Board of Women (now the Service Board) planned and served.

This luncheon for the church's elder women still happens each spring. It is now called the Burkhart Luncheon, to honor and keep alive the memory of Dr. Burkhart.

As the idea of being a Sweetheart of the church caught on, Clergy, deacons and staff began a new custom of delivering a single red rose to each of the church's Sweethearts each December.

This practice continues today. Clergy, deacons, Service Board and staff members are matched with women who have asked to be a Sweetheart and contact is made to arrange a time that is convenient for the rose visit. These deliveries can be quick drop-offs or longer visits, depending on the wishes of the Sweetheart.

If you'd like to be added to the list of those who receive a Sweetheart Rose, call Paula Russell, Director of Congregational Care, at 614 488.0681 ext. 228

## November Readings

*These Bible readings are from the Revised Common Lectionary Daily Readings. In general, readings on Thursday, Friday and Saturday are selected to prepare for the Sunday reading; readings on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday are selected to reflect the Sunday lectionary.*

1	Ruth 1:1-18 Ps. 146	Heb. 9:11-14 Mark 12:28-34
2	Ruth 2:15-23 Rom. 12:17-21; 13:8-10	
3	Ruth 3:1-7	Acts 7:17-29
4	Ruth 3:8-18	John 13:31-35
5	Ruth 4:1-10	Rom. 5:6-11
6	Ruth 4:11-17	Heb. 9:15-24
7	Ruth 4:18-22 Mark 11:12-14, 20-24	
8	Ruth 3:1-5; 4:13-17 Ps. 127	Heb. 9:24-28 Mark 12:38-44
9	Gen. 24:1-10	1 Tim. 5:1-8
10	Gen. 24:11-27	1 Tim. 5:9-16
11	Gen. 24:28-42	Luke 4:16-30
12	1 Sam. 1:21-28	1 Tim. 6:11-21
13	1 Sam. 2:18-21	Col. 2:6-15
14	1 Sam. 3:1-18	Mark 12:1-12
15	1 Sam. 1:4-20 1 Sam. 2:1-10	Heb. 10:11-25 Mark 13:1-8
16	1 Sam. 3:19-4:2	Heb. 10:26-31
17	Deut. 26:5-10	Heb. 10:32-39
18	1 Kings 8:22-30	Mark 13:9-23
19	2 Kings 22:1-10	Acts 7:54-8:1a
20	2 Kings 22:11-20	1 Cor. 15:20-28
21	2 Kings 23:1-14	John 3:31-36
22	2 Sam. 23:1-7 Ps. 132:1-18	Rev. 1:4b-8 John 18:33-37
23	2 Kings 23:15-25	Rev. 11:1-14
24	1 Sam. 17:55-18:5	Rev. 11:15-19
25	2 Sam. 2:1-7	John 16:25-33
26	Neh. 9:6-15	1 Thes. 5:1-11
27	Neh. 9:16-25	1 Thes. 5:12-22
28	Neh. 9:26-31	Luke 21:20-24
29	Neh. 9:26-31	Luke 21:20-24
30	Jer. 33:14-16 Ps. 25:1-10	1 Thes. 3:9-13 Luke 21:25-36

## Volunteer Spotlight

First Community church programs, events, and outreach opportunities are only successful because of the enthusiastic work of our dedicated volunteers. Thank you to all of our volunteers who, each week, give their time and energy to making the mission and vision of First Community Church a reality.



**Scott Doellinger**  
Volunteer

### Our Volunteer of the Month for November is Scott Doellinger

**Why Scott volunteers:** Scott is a man of many talents. At age 14, he operated a farm, and while growing

into adulthood learned many practical skills he now shares with the church. As Scott says, "there is nothing I can't fix." An architect by trade, he built his own house and finds fulfillment in putting his construction talents to good use for others.

Scott and his wife, Donna, have been devoted members of FCC for five years. They discovered a congregation of caring people and a clergy who provide intellectually stimulating messages that stay in their mind and heart all week.

### What Pam Jameson, Director of Facilities Ministry has to say about Scott:

We have 120,000+ square feet of buildings on more than 20 acres of property. It takes many eyes, hands and hearts to maintain these gifts. The Facilities Ministry has a limited number of paid staff members to care for the needs and challenges we encounter on a daily basis. Volunteers are important, needed and greatly appreciated.

Scott serves our faith community in many capacities. He striped both campus parking lots, repairs our grounds equipment and has installed appliances and exterior signs. Scott is always willing to pitch in and provide support. His advice and maintenance skills are invaluable.

Do you know an outstanding volunteer? Contact Kathy Tagliaferri, Membership Council, at [kmtaglia@gmail.com](mailto:kmtaglia@gmail.com) to submit a nomination.

## Celebrating Our 40-Year Members

**1931**  
Marjorie Sayers\*

**1935**  
Joan Jackson\*  
Evelyn McKittrick

**1937**  
Nelson French\*  
Richard Pickett\*

**1938**  
Patricia Gatsch  
Frances "Tanny" Gustafson  
William Seibert\*

**1939**  
John V. Schmidt

**1940**  
Tom Hawk  
Jane Kaiser  
Lyle Shover

**1942**  
Jean Brandt  
Thomas Chidester  
Tom & Betty Lou Frye

**1943**  
Diana Arthur\*  
Herbert Brown\*  
Barbara Hudson  
Barbara Leighner\*  
Katie Mac Ewan  
Ann Rarey  
Anne Powell Rley  
JoAnn Stevens  
Tamea Sutphen  
Richard Tice\*

**1944**  
Dorothy Maurer  
Bette Millhon  
Connie Patridge  
Sarah Reid\*  
Elaine F. Smith  
Paul Smith

**1945**  
Nanette Bradley  
Karen Bright  
Marilyn Kellough  
Jane Smith

**1946**  
Marlese Rouda  
Nancy Vesper Liefitnick

**1947**  
Jackie Cherry  
Peter H. Edwards  
Patricia Krumm  
Sarah "Sally" Patton  
Nancy Pickett

**1948**  
Mary Evans  
Barbara Gardiner  
Eloise Hays  
Patricia Ison

**1949**  
Fred "Mac" Campbell  
Daisy Clarke  
Susan Knell  
David P. Miller  
Arthur Shepard  
David B. Smith

**1950**  
Jeanne Blair  
Loann Crane  
Paul Gatsch\*

Nancy Heath  
John & Eileen Kern  
Wanda Rice  
Thomas Turner  
Jean Verwohlt  
Dirken Voelker

**1951**  
Marjorie Bohl  
Kay Graf  
Marie Jerencsik  
Beverly Muhlenhaupt  
Loa Ott  
David Parsons  
Jane Setterlin\*  
Barbara Sipp  
Richard Turner  
Dianne Caskey Vaughan

**1952**  
Marilyn Boardman  
Bette Dugger  
William Gosnell  
William & Loralee Henry  
Sarah Kauffman  
Jessica Smith Lyons  
Margaret Schorr  
Richard Wagner

**1953**  
Martha Fawcett  
Rebecca Grogan  
Julia Haager  
Virginia Hall  
James Hamilton  
Herbert & Jeanne Johnston  
Ann Knodt  
Thomas Lafferty  
Jean Lombard  
Eleanor Schooley  
Jean Trabue Tefft  
Robert Wandel

**1954**  
Miriam Clark  
John D. Dickerson\*  
Merry Hamilton  
Louise Kafer  
Christine Kochs\*  
Sally Kriska\*  
Lynda Paul\*  
Sarah Smith  
Barbara Tschanen

**1955**  
Doris Beymer  
James Bieber\*  
Robert & Helen Clouse  
Dorothy Cowles  
Linda Cummins\*  
Nancy Ewing  
Elizabeth Galbreath  
Suellen Harpham\*  
Mary Helen Hopkins  
Susan Huhta\*  
Elsie McCall  
Peter McClelland\*  
Thomas Norman\*  
Paul Peterson, Jr.\*  
Jenny Lou Renkert  
Conrad Shisler  
Patricia Shuter  
Margaret Wagner  
Bonnie Bell Webb\*

**1956**  
Steve Abbot\*  
Barbara L. Adams  
Barbara Banasik  
Linda Barry  
John Gardner  
Gloria Hartwell  
Mary Jane Howell  
Diane Keeler\*

Steve Kellough  
Janet McCutcheon  
Terry McGuire\*  
Esther Newell  
Mildred Patten  
James Rook  
Charlotte Boyd Search\*  
Helen St. Cyr  
James Turner\*

**1957**  
Mary Jean Bradley  
Mary Jane Bright  
Beverly Brown  
Kathryn Emrick\*  
Dick\* & Louesa Foster\*  
Robert Gardner  
Patti Heintzelman\*  
Ronald V. Johnson\*  
Mary LaRue  
George Newell  
Sally Norris  
Martha Poland\*  
John Rarey  
Richard Sands  
Ralph Setterlin, Jr.  
Fran Stull

**1958**  
Millard "Buck" Byrne\*  
Wanda Dunbar  
Suzanne Edwards  
Richard Farr  
Joan Hatten  
Chester Hawley, Jr.  
Janet Jones  
Alvin Lawrence  
Wilbur & Sandra Lawrence  
Thomas "TJ" Riley\*  
John "Jack" Shuter  
Jane Stone  
Glen Tamplin  
James & Mary Thomas  
Muriel Tice

**1959**  
Craig Cottingham\*  
Jo Elise "Jodie" Davis  
Margaret "Peggy" Day\*  
Betty Decker  
Pamela Doyle\*  
Virginia Gordon  
Susan Heebink\*  
Kathy Heinzerling  
Judith Holcomb  
Beverlee Houseman\*  
Judith Isaac\*  
Helen Kunze  
Robert Mahan  
Betty O'Neill  
Robert Rauch  
Norma Shilliday Sims  
Bette Solis  
Ruth Staub  
Susan Taylor

**1960**  
Pamela Cowles\*  
Sallie Davis Bethge  
James Decker  
Nancy Donaldson\*  
Claire Esmond  
Donna Gepfert  
Barbara Hack  
Mary Hurst  
Martha Johnson  
Violet Jordan  
Ronald & Nancy Long  
Charlie Nichols  
John "Buck" Patton\*  
Cheryl Rickert\*  
Harold "Hal" Stevens  
Ned & Martha "Marti"  
Timmons\*\*

Fred Truxall  
Don Tschanen  
Bob White  
Jerry Williams\*  
Richard D. Wood, Sr.

**1961**  
Barbara M. Adams  
Biddie Clark  
Rolland "Rollie" & Anne King  
Rachael Ledingham

**1962**  
Roger & Nancy Baker  
Guthery "Gus" Crim\*  
Thomas Denune\*  
Carol Ann Dones\*  
Nancy Edwards  
Virginia Clark  
Joan Hein  
Frederic & Freda Hunt  
James Hutchins, III  
Brian Kriska  
George & Linda Norris  
Joseph Ray, III  
Mary Janice Sawyer  
Gloria Turner  
Ann Wilson

**1963**  
Bob Brewer  
Ruth Close  
Robert Cummins, Sr.  
Sandra Deeds  
Dorothy Deems  
Nancy Gaston  
Susan Hesler  
Jean Marshall  
Sherlyn Porter\*

**1964**  
Dianne Albrecht\*  
Robert Byrd  
Robert Claussen  
Donn Griffith  
Gene & Carol Hagemeyer  
James & Ann Hopper  
Edie Kennedy  
Phyllis Means  
Paul Rinnert  
Joan Sant\*  
Anne Sheline  
Jean Sickles\*  
Richard Stone  
Mary Stover

**1965**  
Marilyn Allen  
Joanne Awe  
Robert Baldridge\*  
Eunice Chutes  
Sue Day  
Jill Eliot  
David Gardner\*  
Pamela Gartin\*  
Claire Gatsch  
Robert Hill  
Ronald & Donna Holman  
Molly Hood  
David Jones  
Marilyn Lash  
Margaret Nourse  
Ann Patrick  
Linda Ritter  
Thomas Shutt  
Thomas & Elizabeth Sturges  
Rodney & Ann Swearingen

**1966**  
Cynthia Baker  
Debbie Bower\*  
Richard & Shirley Bull  
Debra Edmondson\*  
David Edwards, Jr.

## Forty Years Ago...

■ Compiled by Jackie Cherry

In recognition of those who celebrate 40 years as members of First Community Church, we share the following bits of information from 40 years ago.

- January 12 - Dr. Harold N. Englund called as Senior Minister
- February 9 - Congregation confronts a deficit of \$107,440 for 1975
- March 6 - Astronaut Edgar Mitchell to lead the Ministers' Seminar
- April 6 - Congregation votes to accept revised budget that reduces staff, programs
- June 12 - Our World Service Board arranges with Operation Relocation to resettle Nyguyen family from Vietnam into First Avenue House
- June 15 - Akita Folk Arts Festival featuring craftsmen and folk music
- July 6 - New Lay councils formed (Parish Life, Worship & Arts, Stewardship, Mission & Stewardship) to coordinate work of former committees
- September 21 - Prayer & Meditation Research Project established by Rev. Robert Keck for training to attain altered states of consciousness thru biofeedback
- October 19 - Dedication of expanded and remodeled lodge and facilities at Akita
- November 5 - Huge Fellowship Dinner at Rhodes Hall on Fairgrounds

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 Timothy Kohr\*  
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**1967**  
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 Mary Ann Krauss  
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**1968**  
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**1969**  
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**1970**  
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**1971**  
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**1972**  
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 Catherine Hanson  
 Daniel & Kathleen Hill  
 Anna Holderman  
 Jayne Kaylor  
 Barbara Keneipp  
 David Lee  
 James Lewis\*  
 Priscilla Mead  
 Robert Moreen, Jr.  
 Mary Ann Mulroy  
 Robert & Judith Norton  
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 Sandra Turner  
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 Cindy Wilkins

**1973**  
 Jack Barger  
 Anne Clifford  
 Gilbert Hall  
 Nancy Hartshorn  
 John Ledbetter  
 Steve & Sue Loebis  
 Homer & Ila Mincy  
 Rick & Barbara Schaal  
 Sheri Van Cleef

**1974**  
 Janice Beaty  
 David & Sarah Hahn  
 Bill & Ann Harper  
 Charles & Twi Kegler  
 Bert Kram  
 Michael & Pamela Long  
 Dick & Peggy McCray  
 John & Sarah Mignery  
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 Larry Woods

**1975**  
*(New 40-Year Members)*  
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 Jerre Cotter  
 Patrick Doyle  
 Rod Ebright  
 Bob Grogan  
 Ray Harpham  
 David Hothersall  
 Dale Hudson  
 Ron Jenkins  
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 Merry Ann Sauls  
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 Steve Stover  
 Bob Tait  
 Angela Thomas

**Please note: Dates may reflect the 40th year of membership or the original date of joining.**

\*Indicates Received Block of Wood as a youth.

## Thanksgiving Baskets for Gladden Families

■ By Julie Richards

First Community Church has partnered with The Gladden Community House for over 17 years. Gladden is a settlement house in Franklinton that provides neighborhood-based social services to individuals and families. For the past several years, First Community children and families have collected necessary food items for 25 Gladden families to prepare their own Thanksgiving meals.

Over a six week period at Midweek Missions, K-5 children put together food lists, make and decorate a Thanksgiving recipe book and design and make cards wishing each family a Happy Thanksgiving.

All of the work comes together in a chaotic but wonderfully engaging day when the food is sorted and baskets are lovingly packed. This experience allows our children to put their faith into action in a very meaningful way.

You can support this effort by donating food items for the baskets. Look for boxes where you can place your items in Unity Lounge at North Campus and in the coatroom at South Campus. All donations are due by Sunday, November 8.

We are collecting:

- Canned Green Beans
- Gravy
- Cream of Mushroom soup
- Broth (chicken or turkey)
- Fried Onions
- Canned Sweet Potatoes
- Cranberry Sauce
- Stuffing Mix (box or bag)
- Egg Noodles
- Fresh Baking Potatoes

We are also in need of 25 frozen turkeys. Let us know if we can expect a turkey donation from you by signing up to provide a turkey. Go to [Fcchurch.com/k-5-midweek-missions](http://Fcchurch.com/k-5-midweek-missions) to sign up. All turkeys must be delivered to North Campus on either Sunday, November 22 or Monday, November 23 before noon.

Contact Paula Russell, Director of Congregational Care, at [prussell@Fcchurch.com](mailto:prussell@Fcchurch.com) or 614 488.0681 ext 228 with any questions or corrections.



# Spiritual Salon: Multi-Religious America Series

## Understanding Aspects of Judaism

Wednesday, November 4  
7 – 8:30 pm  
Brownlee Hall, South Campus



Michael N. Ungar,  
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Tifereth Israel  
Congregation

One of the leading voices in interfaith dialogue, Rabbi Ungar presents the final talk and discussion in our 2015 Multi-Religious America Series.

**Rabbi Ungar**  
Presenter

Now Senior Rabbi at Columbus' Tifereth Israel Congregation, Michael Ungar was ordained in 1992 at the Jewish Theological Seminary of America and also holds a Masters of Holocaust Education from that institution.

Rabbi Ungar, a past-President of the Columbus Board of Rabbis, is also involved with the Ohio Coalition Against Gun Violence, BREAD, the Ohio Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice, and the Community Shelter Board.

Congregation Tifereth Israel is the largest Jewish synagogue in Columbus. It has a nationally recognized program for affirming the value of interfaith families and Jews-by-choice, a history of being at the center of social justice work in Columbus, and an award-winning religious school.

Register at [FCchurch.com/rabbi](http://FCchurch.com/rabbi) or at the door. For information, call Adult Learning Office at 614 488.0681 ext. 151 (voicemail only), or email Natalia at [njones@FCchurch.com](mailto:njones@FCchurch.com). A free-will offering will be taken at the door.

# Weekly Adult Learning Groups

Classes are free except where noted and open to the public. For information on books, registration or financial aid, contact Natalia at [njones@FCchurch.com](mailto:njones@FCchurch.com) or 614 488.0681 ext. 151 (voicemail only).

For more details, visit [FCchurch.com/adult-learning](http://FCchurch.com/adult-learning)

<p><b>Sunday Morning Seminar</b> - In November, this Adult Learning group will continue discussions on popular Biblical scholar Bart Ehrman's video lecture series on <i>How did Jesus become God?</i> No advanced preparation needed.</p>	<p><b>Sundays</b> 9:30 – 10:45 am Wicker Room, SC</p>
<p><b>Tuesday at Ten</b> - The group will continue through November a video series: <i>Gnosticism: from Nag Hammadi to the Gospel of Judas</i>, featuring Professor David Brakke of Ohio State as lecturer. Gnosticism is in many ways perplexing. The word means direct knowledge of God. What did it mean in its ancient sense? Was it a Christian heresy? No pre-registration is required.</p>	<p><b>Tuesdays</b> 10 – 11:30 am Wicker Room, SC</p> <p>No class November 24</p>
<p><b>Men's Study Group</b> - The Men's Study Group is watching and discussing a 12-part DVD on <i>The History of the Bible: The Making of the New Testament Canon</i>. Contact Price Finley at 614 361.6567 or <a href="mailto:price.finley@gmail.com">price.finley@gmail.com</a>, or Craig Sturtz at 614 481.9060 or <a href="mailto:craig.sturtz01@gmail.com">craig.sturtz01@gmail.com</a></p>	<p><b>Wednesdays 7-8 am</b> Wicker Room, SC</p>
<p><b>Wednesday Morning Fellowship</b> - Presentations and discussion of leading-edge topics. Ends promptly at 8 am.</p>	<p><b>Wednesdays 7-8 am</b> Brownlee Hall, SC</p>
<p><b>Women Living the Questions</b> - We explore the thoughts of contemporary spiritual teachers through videos and readings, and occasional guest speakers. We choose topics of our own interest and proceed at whatever pace seems appropriate. Contact Linda Baldeck at <a href="mailto:lbaldeck927@gmail.com">lbaldeck927@gmail.com</a> or 614 459.0722</p>	<p><b>Wednesdays</b> 9:30-11:30 am Wicker Room, SC</p>
<p><b>Wednesday Evening Bible Study</b> - A time to study scripture and pray. Led by Rev. Jim Long.</p>	<p><b>Wednesdays</b> 7 – 8:15 pm Conference Room, NC</p>
<p><b>Contemplative Way Group 1</b> A time of sacred reading Teresa of Avila's <i>Interior Castle</i>; 30-minute meditation time; and reflection &amp; discussion. Facilitated by Rev. David Hett and other spiritual directors. Free-will offering.</p>	<p><b>Thursdays</b> 11:45 am-1 pm Wicker Room, SC</p> <p>No class November 26</p>
<p><b>Faith &amp; Reason</b> - In November, this Adult Learning group will continue their fall discussions on popular Biblical scholar Bart Ehrman's video lecture series on <i>How did Jesus become God?</i> No advanced preparation needed, drop-ins welcome. Facilitated by Walter Watkins, Adult Education Coordinator.</p>	<p><b>Thursdays</b> 7 – 8:15 pm Room 111, NC</p> <p>No class November 26</p>



## Edwina Gateley Leads Interactive Retreat

■ By Peggy Wible

**Saturday, November 21**  
**9 am – 2:30 pm**  
 Grace Hall, North Campus



**Edwina Gateley**  
 Spiritual Searcher

In this day-long retreat for both men and women, Christian activist, poet and storyteller Edwina Gateley, will lead us in discovering the inspiring people upon whose own shoulders we stand in our faith journey.

We will hear how people such as Rachel Carson and Pema Chodron have influenced Edwina's journey and she will help us discover ways to recognize and pay tribute to the men and women who have influenced our lives.

At the retreat, participants will also celebrate their personal *Standing on Their Shoulders* stories during lunchtime breakouts.

Lunch will be catered by *Freedom a la Carte*, a Columbus-based organization dedicated to helping victims of human trafficking.

In preparation for the retreat, you will also be invited, when registering, to create a tribute to a woman or man who has significantly impacted your spiritual journey.

These tributes will be shared in the retreat program and your extra donation supports Edwina's *Sophia's Circle* and our own *Center for Spiritual Search*.

Register at [FCchurch.com/Gateley](http://FCchurch.com/Gateley) or contact Natalia Jones at [njones@FCchurch.com](mailto:njones@FCchurch.com) or 614 488.0681 ext. 151 (voicemail only)

Registration Fee includes lunch and Edwina's book, *Mothers, Sisters, Daughters – Standing on Their Shoulders*.

## Women's Retreat

Women gathered at Akita to talk, eat, laugh, cry, sing and make soul collages, along with other activities in a beautiful safe place.

This was written to describe the feeling, and many people asked for a copy:

### *Collage of Souls*

*So lovely and funny to be with women talking about husbands and children and laughing and your animal spirit guide, and the cards, strange images speak to us and have messages for our lives; a collage of souls with candles and flowers and fruit on an altar and drums also talking.*

*Which Goddess are You?*

*The spirit of North, South, East, West, Firs, Sun, Earth, Moon, Sea This is so subversive!*

*Our laughter is revolutionary.*

*The ghosts of the Puritans are pounding spectral fists.*

*Our laughter is Revolutionary.*

*Nothing can stand against a circle of laughing women.*

— Cynthia GH King

If you would like to join us next time; mark your calendar for the morning of January 30, 2016 or, tentatively, the weekend of April 1-3, 2016. The topic and activities for these future retreats will be announced later.

## Heart to Heart Holidays

As the holiday season swiftly approaches, we often see an increase in need at Heart to Heart. Thankfully, we always see that need met by our gracious congregation and community. There are many opportunities to contribute toward this important mission in the coming months.

Twice a year, the Mission Council dedicates a special offering to our own food pantry. The donations collected from these two offerings are the main source of funding the pantry receives throughout the year. We look forward to our Special Mission Offering during all worship services on Sunday, November 15th. We anticipate many reasons to be thankful this November.

This year, you have the opportunity to enrich the lives of 30 Heart to Heart families as they experience Christmas shopping at Tri-Village Trading Post. The Christmas Presence event will take place at the Community Outreach Annex Building at our South Campus on December 17 from 4 - 8 pm.

There are several ways for you to get involved in this remarkable new program through donations or volunteering. Learn more about this and all other holiday information at [FCchurch.com/heart-to-heart-holiday](http://FCchurch.com/heart-to-heart-holiday)

## Quest Singles

**Thursday, November 5, 6:30 pm**  
 Dinner at Tueei's  
 35 North High Street, Dublin

**Sunday, November 15, 5:30 pm**  
 Book Discussion: *Circling the Sun*, a novel by Paula McLain  
 MCL Cafeteria, Upper Arlington

**Thursday, November 19, 6:30 pm**  
 Dinner at Giuseppe's  
 2268 East Main Street, Bexley

**Thursday, December 3, 6:30 pm**  
 Christmas Celebration Dinner  
 Location not yet decided.  
 Date may change.

**Thursday, December 17, 6:30 pm**  
 Dinner at Spaghetti's  
 3873 Park Mill Run Drive

Join us for one of the dinners or the book discussion above. Most of us are in our fifties and on up, but we welcome all ages.

We communicate primarily via email. If you are not on our list, contact Nancy Dunn at [ndunn1975@gmail.com](mailto:ndunn1975@gmail.com) or 614 771.4869 to verify the plans. If you have an idea for a fun activity, let Nancy know.

# A MONTH OF SUNDAYS

<b>1</b>	<b>SOLI DEO GLORIA/ALL SAINTS DAY</b>	(C)
9:15 am • Grace Hall, NC - Dr. Wing preaching Chancel Choir and Orchestra 11 am • Grace Hall, NC - Dr. Wing preaching Chancel Choir and Orchestra		
<b>8</b>	<b>BAPTISMS</b>	(A)
8:30 am • Burkhart Chapel, SC - Rev. Long preaching 8:30 am • Grace Hall, NC - Dr. Wing preaching 9:45 am • Grace Hall, NC - Dr. Wing preaching Chancel Chamber Choir, Youth Bell Choir 1 11 am • Sanctuary, SC - Dr. Wing preaching Chancel Choir 11:30 am • Grace Hall, NC - Rev. Shaner preaching		
<b>15</b>	<b>HEART TO HEART SPECIAL OFFERING</b>	(B)
8:30 am • Burkhart Chapel, SC - Dr. Lindsay preaching 8:30 am • Grace Hall, NC - Dr. Wing preaching Whitechapel Ringers 9:45 am • Grace Hall, NC - Dr. Wing preaching Whitechapel Ringers, Chancel Chamber Choir 11 am • Sanctuary, SC - Dr. Wing preaching Chancel Choir 11:30 am • Grace Hall, NC - Rev. Shaner preaching		
<b>22</b>	<b>HERITAGE SUNDAY</b>	(C)
8:30 am • Burkhart Chapel, SC - Rev. Baumer preaching 8:30 am • Grace Hall, NC - Dr. Lindsay preaching 9:45 am • Grace Hall, NC - Dr. Lindsay preaching Chancel Chamber Choir 11 am • Sanctuary, SC - Rev. Baumer preaching Chancel Choir 11:30 am • Grace Hall, NC - Rev. Shaner preaching		
<b>29</b>	<b>FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT</b>	(A)
8:30 am • Burkhart Chapel, SC - Rev. Shaner preaching 8:30 am • Grace Hall, NC - Dr. Wing preaching 9:45 am • Grace Hall, NC - Dr. Wing preaching Chancel Chamber Choir 11 am • Sanctuary, SC - Dr. Wing preaching Chancel Choir 11:30 am • Grace Hall, NC - Rev. Shaner preaching		
<b>For additional information:</b> (A) <i>Usher assignments.</i> Click: FCchurch.com    Email: info@FCchurch.com Call: 614 488.0681    Visit: The Welcome Centers		



## Enough Already

Just in time for Thanksgiving dinner and the upcoming primary election, *Enough Already* is a new publication by Faith and American Politics, Inc.

Faith and American Politics is a program created by First Community Church members in 2004 to respond to growing incivility about American politics and religion. Political cartoons depict six scenarios where we can change the conversation by using communication tools to calm the rhetoric and find out how others arrive at their political and religious beliefs.

*Enough Already* is ideal for group and family discussion and is available at the Furber Bookstore.



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# November Film Group

Friday, November 13  
6 pm pizza; 6:30 pm movie begins  
Wicker Room, South Campus



**The Blind Side**  
The true story of NFL tackle, Michael Oher, is dramatized in this 2009 film. Young Michael has spent much of his life in the foster care system only to be abandoned by his latest foster family. Through Michael's friendship with a kindergartner named S.J., he gains a new family and a new life. With the love and support of S. J. and his entire family, his tutor and community, Michael shines as an example of human potential.

Adult Learning Council member Laura Elliott facilitates the discussion. Please RSVP by Thursday, November 12 to Jennie Nickel at either 614 529.9930 or jnickel@columbus.rr.com

## 2015 Pledge Update

We have received \$2,057,415 of our \$2,218,000 budget to date for 2015, leaving a difference of \$60,585.

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**Women's Retreat**  
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## First Community Church Financial Statement

January - Sept, 2015

	YTD Budget	YTD Actual	(under)/over Difference
<b>Income</b>			
Pledge, Offerings, Contributions	\$ 1,837,559	\$ 1,816,491	\$ (21,068)
Fee Supported Ministries (Akita, Preschools, Trading Post)	\$ 1,603,928	\$ 1,649,797	\$ 45,869
Other Ministries	\$ 174,821	\$ 125,508	\$ (49,313)
<b>Total Revenue</b>	<b>3,616,308</b>	<b>3,591,796</b>	<b>(24,512)</b>
<b>Expense</b>			
Program Salaries and Benefits	\$ 1,200,946	\$ 1,148,576	\$ 52,370
Facilities and Administration	606,157	615,076	\$ (8,919)
Fee Supported Ministries	1,327,716	1,369,283	\$ (41,567)
Other Ministries	418,459	434,914	\$ (16,455)
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$ 3,553,278</b>	<b>\$ 3,567,849</b>	<b>\$ (14,571)</b>
<b>Net Revenue and Expenses</b>	<b>63,030</b>	<b>23,947</b>	<b>(39,083)</b>

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