



Faith Calls

May 2019

A Reason to Embrace Easter

Her name is Immaculee Ilibagiza. She was born in Rwanda, the tiny country in central Africa that most of the world knows about for one reason: the 1994 genocide in which more than a million innocent people were viciously slaughtered in the cruelest ways imaginable.

While Rwanda is roughly the size of Maryland, it has a population of more than eight million, making it one of the most densely populated countries in the world. It is also one of the poorest. Immaculee's rural village had a one-room school house and no running water or electricity.

Yet, when the massacre hit her village, Immaculee's father, Leonard whispered a word of prayer and told her go to a Hutu. Pastor Murinzi agreed to hide eight Tutsis in a small bathroom of four feet by three feet, and they were squeezed together so tightly that they could hardly breathe.

Mary, the mother of our Lord could hardly believe the news that Jesus was arrested. So Mary just remembered!

Mary remembered how a voice from Heaven proclaimed in a blessing, "Greetings, you who are highly favored! The Lord is with you." (Luke 1:28)

Mary remembered when Jesus said, "Why are you searching for me?" He asked, "Did you know I had been in my Father's house?" (Luke 2:49)

Mary remembered after Lazarus' death, Jesus said, "I am the resurrection and the life. He who believes in me will live, even though he dies, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die." (John 11:25)

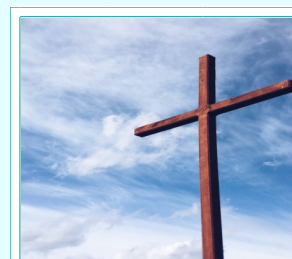
Yet Immaculee lived in a tiny four feet by three feet space for 91 days fearing for life only survival genocide with grace and mercy written into the DNA of her soul.

After the French troops arrived in western Rwanda to set up safe zones, Pastor Murinzi smuggled eight woman to a nearby camp on a moonless night, and they spent weeks in relative safety, eating real food for first time since the genocide.

Perhaps, the hardest moment for Immaculee was when she learned that most of her family had died at the hands of Hutu mad men. It was after the tears came running down her face that Immaculee remembered Jesus' words from the Cross, "Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do."

Peace,

Pastor Brady





Capital Drive for Parsonage Repairs

Once upon a time, we put the roof on our parsonage. It protected our Pastors and Pastors' families from wind, rain and snow. It also kept the heat in. Since then, we have looked after it the best we could. Now, that roof leaks and it is very old. We have done our due diligence and can no longer just repair it. We must replace the roof at the parsonage. Can you **donate to the Capital Fund today?**

Sunday School News

God is Good! This month we continue to learn about the very amazing animals and how God used them. This Sunday School is for children from 3 years old to sixth grade. We offer Bible lessons the young minds can understand and have fun while doing it.



In May, there will be Sunday School at 11:15 am on Sunday, May 5, 12, and 19.

If you have any questions contact Kris Loughley (kloughley@aol.com or 330-571-2850) or Theresa Johnson (theresamjohnson@msn.com or 330-405-1588).

Faith United Methodist Church to Offer Drive-Up Prayer Sessions

Last year we began a ministry called "Drive-Up Prayer." On the last Saturday of each month, June through October, we offered to pray for anyone who drove into the Church parking lot. The ministry was powerful and rewarding to both those who came for prayer and those who volunteered to pray.

Prayer is fundamental to our relationship with God.

This year we will again be offering "Drive-Up Prayer" starting on Saturday, May 25th.

From 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, in our church parking lot, we will pray for anyone who drives up to the church.

In the world in which we live, people need encouragement in dealing with an assortment of issues that confront them.

They need to know that they are not alone and that God loves and cares about them.

We want to help people and walk with them as they bring their cares to God. We are hopeful that you will take this opportunity to be part of the "Prayer Warriors" that day and sign up to be part of the Prayer Team. We also encourage you to invite or even better yet, to bring, people to receive prayer during the "Drive-Up Prayer" sessions.

We recognize that many people don't attend a church regularly, but it is very rare that people will turn down an opportunity to have someone pray for them.



In April we had Retro Game Night. We ended up playing *Uno* out of several retro game options. We all had a lot of fun along with pizza!

LOOKING AHEAD: End of the Season Party: Sunday, **June 2!** Watch for details!!! What is youth group all about? It is: *TO EQUIP TEENS TO LIVE AS CHRISTIANS IN THE REAL WORLD* because it's not easy!!!

"Don't let anyone look down on you because you are young, but set an example for the believers in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith and in purity." I TIMOTHY 4:12



May Schedule

Sunday, May 5	Regular Meeting
Sunday, May 12	Mother's Day! NO Meeting
Sunday, May 19	Regular Meeting
Sunday, May 26	Memorial Day Weekend! NO Meeting

MYF Mission Statement: ~~ TO EQUIP TEENS TO LIVE AS CHRISTIANS IN THE REAL WORLD

Questions? Comments? Suggestions?

Contact leaders Dave and Kris Loughley at 330-571-2850 or dloughley@aol.com, kloughley@aol.com.

Communion Stewards for Second Service

The first Sunday of every month we celebrate Communion as part of our Worship Service. This is not only a time to remember what Christ did for us, but a time to be in communion with Him and the Body of Christ. The contemporary service at 11:00 am not only gives you the opportunity to receive Communion, but also the opportunity to be a Communion Steward and assist with serving Communion. If you are interested in serving as a Communion Steward and have not previously signed up, please contact Gary Todd.

**Please advise Gary Todd if you are not available on the week scheduled.*

Following is a list of the Communion Stewards for the next seven months:

SUNDAY	NAMES
05/05/19	BOB & LYNN DENGES
06/02/19	KEN & PATTY KEMP
07/07/19	GREG & LENORA MATTHEWS
08/04/19	MIKE & TRACY SHAUB
09/01/19	GERALD & SYLVIA GUNN
10/06/19	ANDREA & REBECCA PETERS
11/03/19	SARA SCHMIDT, DEBI SWEATT
12/01/19	TOM PROROK, DEB TODD
01/05/20	MYRTLE HAWKS, TRISHA ZONA
02/02/20	MATTHEW & ANNIE ZELLNER



A Mother's Love

There are times when only a Mother's love
Can understand our tears,
Can soothe our disappoints
And calm all of our fears.

There are times when only a Mother's love
Can share the joy we feel
When something we've dreamed about
Quite suddenly is real.

There are times when only a Mother's faith
Can help us on life's way
And inspire in us the confidence
We need from day to day.
For a Mother's heart and a
Mother's faith
And a Mother's steadfast love
Were fashioned by the Angels
And sent from God above.
Author Unknown



Sunday Evening Bible Study

Sunday Evening Bible Study has begun a new study on the book of James. James was the half-brother of Jesus. His letter is directed to the Jewish audience. James writes to encourage believers to live consistently with what they have learned in Christ. He wants his readers to mature in their faith in Christ by living what they say they believe.

If you desire to mature in your faith we encourage you to plan on attending this new study. We will be meeting in the Wesley Room at 6:00 pm on Sunday evenings. We hope that we will see you there.

Please contact Gary or Deb Todd if you have any questions or want more information regarding this study.



Pray With Us Before AdBoard

Do you feel powerless when it comes to the big picture? God hears you and will help you when you come to Him. Join us **May 6th from 6:30 to 6:55** in the **Wesley Room**. We will have colored pencils and adult coloring pages to help you relax and focus your mind on God if you would like to try that. We will pray about **anything** on your heart.

Join Us.

*Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.
(Philippians 4:6-7)*

Coupons! Coupons! Coupons!

Looking for ways to save?

Start at our Community Board.

Remember: every little bit helps.

Take as many coupons as you can use. (Give some to your friends.) Join us **Thursday, May 30th** to update our board for June. We will meet from **1pm to 3pm**. If you can't make it and are looking for something special (ie: Luv's diapers) just let us know. We take requests.



For more information, contact Theresa Johnson at 330.405.1588 or TheresaMJohnson@msn.com. We look forward to having you join us.

Administrative Council (Adboard) Update

Our April 1st meeting allowed us to focus our ideas, continuing to be *Centered in Jesus Christ and Reaching Out in Love*. We looked at timelines and project phases.



We formulated a chart system to organize the church's upcoming activities:

Event Date	Pre-Event Planning	Pre-Event Implementation	Event Volunteers	Day of Needs	Post Event
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Some of our projects are: Bringing more seniors to communion Sunday, Twins Day parade, and the N.O.W Open House.

Join us as we work as a team for God's glory. Please come with your ideas to our **open** Adboard meeting to find out more.

Calling **all** Trustees, Finance Committee, Staff Parish Relations Team, Missions, Health/Member Care, Christian Education, Methodist Youth Fellowship, Committee on Lay Leadership, Worship Planning Committee, Prayer Teams, Technology Coordinators, Fellowship Committee, G.I.F.T. Shop team, Spiritual Life Team to our meeting **May 6, 2019 at 7pm. Everyone** (not just committee heads) **is invited**.

If you have questions, suggestions, or would like to help, please contact Theresa Johnson at 330.405.1588 or FaithAdboard@gmail.com.

Movie Night Schedule

Once a month we present a movie on a Friday night in Fellowship Hall. Each of these movies has a message that can open a heart and change a life. The movies are shown in Fellowship Hall and start at 7:00 pm.



Below are the movies that we will be showing for the next 4 months.

Friday, May 10	Unbroken- Path to Redemption
Friday, June 14	Paul, Apostle of Christ
Friday, July 12	God Bless the Broken Road
Friday, August 23	TBD

We encourage you to come and to invite others to see these wonderful films of faith and encouragement. The movies are free and pizza, snacks and refreshments will be provided.



May Fellowship Luncheons

We have Fellowship Luncheons on Sundays in Fellowship Hall, immediately following the 2nd Service. The following is the schedule for the month of May.

Please contact Gary or Deb Todd if you would like to help with these luncheons.

Sunday May 5	Bring Your Favorite Soup Sunday
Sunday May 12	Sandwich Sunday
Sunday May 19	Birthday Sunday
Sunday May 26	Oriental Sunday

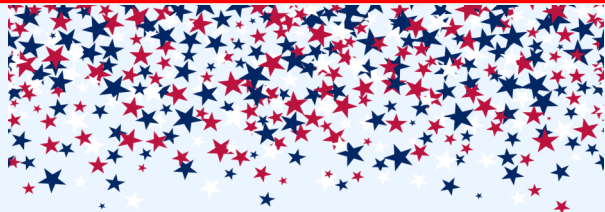
YOU ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US!

Congratulations and Best Wishes . . .



Claudia Brown ~ 1	Taylor Reisdorph ~ 15	Steven & Heather Rush ~ 9
Zachary Johnson ~ 3	Lisa Molina ~ 16	Mario & Lisa Molina ~ 17
Lisa Straw ~ 3	Tara Molina ~ 16	Ted & Melissa Chiudioni ~ 19
Stephanie Hopkins ~ 5	Stevie Romano ~ 17	Tom & Linda Rodman ~ 22
Richard Todd ~ 5	Jeremy Hawks ~ 21	Mike & Tracy Shaub ~ 25
Joy Schottke Shaw ~ 8	Trevor Kempf ~ 21	Ken & Laura Powaski ~ 27
Angela Stroup ~ 10	Delaney Rush ~ 22	Edgar & Bertha Brady ~ 31
Esther Jeanette Weekley ~ 10	Charlotte Grace Movens ~ 24	
Patt Proamploy ~ 12	Sean Reynolds ~ 25	
Maggie Murphy ~ 12	Erika Chiudioni ~ 28	
Don Alberta ~ 13	Christopher Christie ~ 28	
Sean Williams ~ 14	Billy Zeligson ~ 28	
Jacob Johnson ~ 15		



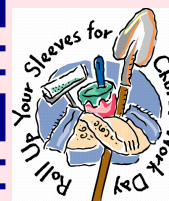


Memorial Day Bulletin Insert

On Sunday, May 26, 2019, we will again have a Memorial Day bulletin insert commemorating and honoring those who are now serving or have served in our Armed Forces. We have several people listed in previous inserts, and would welcome additions. If you have others you wish included, *please submit their name, branch and years of service, and a line or two about their function in the service, and also a picture if you wish*, to the church office no later than Monday, May 13th.

Updated Address—Eleanor Durst

We received a message from Mrs. Eleanor Durst's daughter, Janet, asking that we share Eleanor's new address and phone number with our congregation. Eleanor's address is now: 2610 East Aurora Road, #118, *Change Of Address* Twinsburg, OH 44087, and her phone number is 330.486.6113. She



IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN . . .

Our Trustees have set up **Spring Cleaning** on Saturday, May 18th from **10 am to 2 pm**. Please come and help keep our church looking top notch both inside and outside.

Thank you! Your help will be appreciated!!
Bill Comeaux & George McArthur, Co-Chairmen

Friday Night at the Movies

presents
UNBROKEN

PATH TO REDEMPTION

Friday, April 5th ~ 7:00 pm in Fellowship Hall

Based on Laura Hillenbrand's bestselling book, UNBROKEN: PATH TO REDEMPTION begins where the hit movie, *Unbroken* concludes, sharing the next amazing chapter of the unbelievable true story of Olympian and World War II hero Louie Zamperini. Haunted by nightmares of his torment, Louie sees himself as anything but a hero. Then he meets Cynthia, a young woman who captures his eye—and his heart. Louie's wrathful quest for revenge drives him deeper into despair, putting the couple on the brink of divorce. Until Cynthia experiences Billy Graham's 1949 Los Angeles Crusade where she finds faith in God and a renewed commitment to her marriage and her husband. Now, her most fervent prayer is for God to help Louie find the peace and forgiveness he so desperately needs. UNBROKEN: PATH TO REDEMPTION brings to life the rest of this powerful real-life story of forgiveness, redemption, and amazing grace.



Calling All Graduates

Do you have a 2019 graduate in your family? If so, please provide the church office with the graduate's name, current school and future plans (school, degree, etc.). Graduates will be recognized during the morning worship services on June 9th, and we will include a special graduation insert in the Sunday morning bulletin that day. Please send all information to the church office by Tuesday, May 28th. If you wish to include a picture, kindly either e-mail it to twinfaithmas@gmail.com or submit an actual picture that we can scan by the same date. (Regular pictures submitted may be picked up from the church office after June 10th.) Thank you!



Monthly Birthday Celebration May 19th

Do you have a birthday in May? If you do, tell us quickly at **330.425.2565**. We want your name on our cake. We want to **celebrate you**.

*Birthdays are about family. Come and celebrate your April birthday with your church family. We will celebrate in the middle of the month on **May 19th** after second service.*

If you would like to help, please contact Lee Reynolds at FUMCLayLeader@gmail.com or Gary Todd at 330.425.9745.

Wounded Parents & Grandparents Support Group

Join us in a comfortable space and connect with other estranged parents and/or grandparents who may be or have been in a phase in their lives where they are most often not able to have contact with their adult children and or grandchildren.

**Saturday, May 4th
11:00 – 12:30 pm**



Learn how to get through the shock and trauma of dealing with the estrangement. Identify ways to detach from emotions when necessary.




Come to *heal, be heard, feel validated*, a place to vent as you seek to find answers for your situation. Pray, mourn, rejoice or just listen if you need an environment of encouragement.

Additional Meeting Date: Saturday, May 11 11:00-12:30 p.m.

Questions? Call 330-840-0280

Held at Twinsburg Library Meeting Room



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<div> <div>FH = Fellowship Hall</div> <div>WR = Wesley Room</div> <div>GR = Grace Room</div> <div>Sanc = Sanctuary</div> </div>			1 6:45p Women's Prayer/WR	2 6:00p Girl Scouts/FH 7:00p Praise Team	3 6-9p Private Event/ Sanc & FH	4 8:00a Men's Prayer 8-11a Kairos Mtg/FH
5 9/11:00a Worship & Communion 6:00p Bible Study 6:00p MYF	6 6:30p Prayer Vigil 7:00p Ad Council	7 6:30p AA/GR 6:30p Boy Scouts/FH 7:00p Pastor's Bible Study/WR	8 6:45p Women's Prayer/WR	9 7:00p Praise Team	10 7:00p Friday Night at the Movies <i>(Unbroken-Path to Redemption)</i>	11 8:00a Men's Prayer
12 Mother's Day 9/11:00a Worship 	13 5:00p Trustees Mtg 6:30p Music Practice	14 6:30p AA/GR 6:30p Boy Scouts/FH	15 6:00p Girl Scouts/FH 6:45p Women's Prayer/WR	16 1:00p Seniors Lunch/ Brewster's 6:00p Girl Scouts/FH 7:00p Praise Team	17 ** Newsletter Deadline for June Issue	18 8:00a Men's Prayer 9:00a-2:00p Spring Clean-up Day
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****May 17th — Deadline for submission of articles for the June Newsletter**

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Faith United Methodist Church
"Centered in Jesus Christ – Reaching out in Love"

Worship Services

Traditional 9:00 am

Contemporary 11:00 am

Christian Education

(September thru May) 10:10 am & 11:10 am

Staffed Nursery: 8:45 am–12:00 pm

