

# Primetime



## "A Mission in our Midst" December, 2017 Newsletter



*"For a child will be born to us, a son will be given to us; And the government will rest on His shoulders; And His name will be called Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9:6*

Merry Christmas!

What a special time of year as we celebrate the birth of Christ. Let us rejoice and put those decorations up with enthusiasm and a big smile! Or at least give it a try.

Back in October we visited Quintealia's Tea Parlor where we learned about the house's ghostly history and of the interesting families who used to live there. We got to taste four different teas and filled up on finger sandwiches, scones and wonderful sweets. Right up my alley! We then went shopping at Sunrise Farm where we bought some great apples and some nice gifts. From there we "wined" down to Sharon James Cellars Winery. We got to talk to the owner about how he makes their wine and sample three different wines. Not a trip to "wine" about for sure.

We are having a Thanksgiving feast for our November luncheon so don't miss it! We want to get our attendance numbers back up, so please ask a friend or relative to join you. We love our luncheons and want to continue this tradition of getting out and spending time with friends, good food and entertainment!

We are back to selling our mugs for the Christmas season. We will be selling them after services or call Dolly at 440.247.6490 to buy one. They are a Christmas red color and have our steeple on them. We have reduced the price to \$7 each – a great Christmas stocking stuffer!

It is with a heavy heart that we have to say good bye to one of our long-time members, friend and just an all-around great man, Harry Guinther. We will all miss you.

Wishing all of you a safe, fun and blessed holiday season.

God Bless,  
Dolly Herschel, Primetime Coordinator

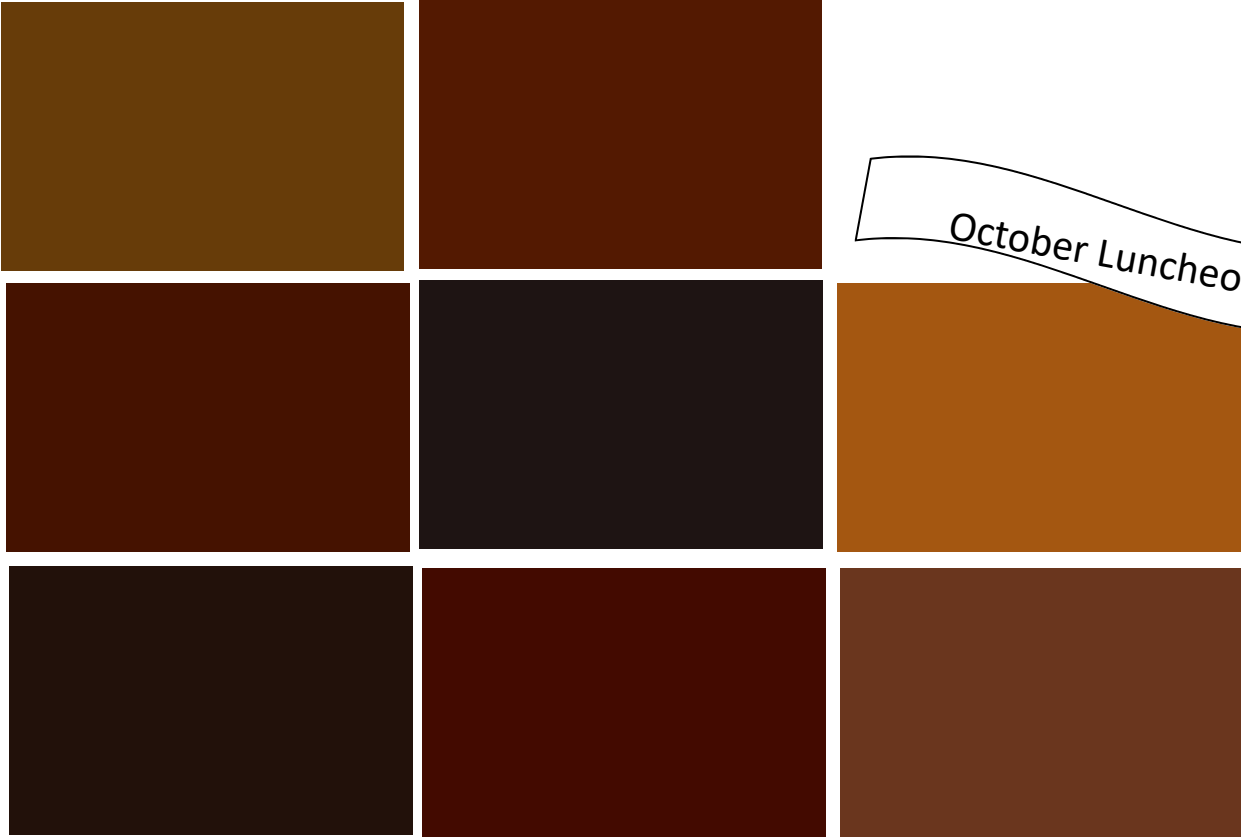


Harry, you will be dearly missed!



Our Primetime mugs make great holiday gifts!

# Primetime Photo Gallery



Quintealia's Tea Parlor, Sunrise Farms & Sharon James Cellars



### Health and Wellness, December 2017

Along with development of new drugs, the pharmaceutical industry is working to improve medications that are already available. This goes for immunizations, too. The industry has announced over the past few months that a new vaccine for pneumococcal infections is now available. Whereas the current “best” vaccine conferred immunity for 13 pneumococcal variants, the new vaccine confers immunity for 21 variants.

The current vaccine for shingles is administered once. Unfortunately, the literature is currently reporting that immunity decreases with time. A new vaccine, administered twice, has been approved by the FDA which supposedly will obviate this problem.

Now that you have been made aware of these developments, it is up to you to have a discussion with your primary care provider concerning whether you need to have your immunizations updated. And by the way, have you had your flu shot yet?



#### Wondrous Wednesday

Wednesday, December 13

6 pm dinner, 7 pm program, Fellowship Hall

##### Program: “Music of the Heavens”:

*Come celebrate Christmas* with Nelson Fenner on accordion and a Christmas carol sing-along; leave with a glow in your heart and new appreciation for the accordion!

#### Advent by Candlelight

Monday, December 4, 7-9 pm, Family Life Center

The Congregational Care Commission is again offering an opportunity for women to prepare for the coming of Christ. By beginning the season with *Advent by Candlelight*, we hope that your Advent this year might be more peaceful and your preparations more Christ-centered.

#### Search for the Christ Child

Sunday, December 3, 5-8 pm, Family Life Center

Come join us as we journey through the Christmas story. Follow a shepherd guide along Mary and Joseph’s trek to Jerusalem. Meet and interact with characters along the way, ultimately arriving at a live nativity!

#### Christmas Day Dinner

Sunday, December 25

12:00 —2:00 pm

Family Life Center

**Free of Charge—All are invited!**

*Sponsored by the Chagrin Valley Council of Churches*

For home delivery or to arrange transportation to the dinner, call 440.708.0000 ext. 331.

To volunteer, call Andrea at 216.406.6214



Recognition of those Primetime members who have passed away in the last month.

*A farewell to friends;  
May God welcome  
them with open arms.*

**Harry Guinther  
Ron MacDonald**



## Federated Forum

Monday, December 11

Fellowship Hall

1:30 pm Refreshments

2:00 pm Program

### "Songs of Christmas: A Musical Journey" with Joshua Konow

Federated Forum is pleased to present for the month of December and the Christmas season a special musical program provided by our very own new Director of Music Ministries, Joshua Konow. Joshua has agreed to present a musical program of songs and stories of Christmas.

Joshua has a very impressive resume which we haven't the space to present in this short article. But, just to mention a few highlights, he was Director of Music at Westlake United Methodist Church and is the Director of the True North Chamber Orchestra. He has degrees from Manhattan School of Music and the Cleveland Institute of Music. At Federated, Joshua directs the Chancel Choir and the Ensemble and oversees the entire music program.

*Join us for a fun-filled afternoon of the Christmas music we love, and a chance to meet and get to know Joshua. There will be times for reflection, and a light, joyous celebration of the Christmas spirit as we prepare for the most nostalgic of holidays.*



## Kirtland Nativity Exhibit and Tour

Wednesday, December 20 | 12:30 pm

We will begin our trip with a delicious lunch at Bass Lake Taverne (on your own). We'll then proceed to Kirtland for a fabulous Christmas event.

There we will see nearly 1,000 nativities from all over the world on display, in addition to the Christmas media "Share the Light"



being shown every half-hour. We will also have a guided tour of the facility (video for handicapped).

After the tour, we will see over 100,000 lights outside in a spectacular evening display.



**Time:** Van leaves at 12:30 pm from the Family Life Center, returning about 8:30 pm.

**Reservations:** Payment by **December 13**.

To RSVP, call 440.247.6490.

**Cost:** \$15



**Meal:** Lunch at Bass Lake Taverne (on your own)

## Save the Date - Upcoming Trips:

**1/11/18**—Watch and learn as the chef from Signature of Solon Country Club prepares a delicious meal for us!

Watch for more information and sign-up details in upcoming newsletters!



## Primetime Luncheon

Thursday, December 14 | 12:30 pm  
Family Life Center (doors open at 12 pm)

**Entertainment:** Come celebrate Christmas with pianist, Randy Fusco. This is a great luncheon to bring along a friend or two!

Randy Fusco is an active piano soloist and collaborative artist who performs solo and chamber music concerts. He has also appeared as soloist with the Cleveland Institute of Music Orchestra, Alliance Symphony Orchestra, and Hiram College Concert Band among others. Mr. Fusco has recorded vocal and chamber music with various artists in Northeast Ohio.

Randy earned his Bachelor of Music and Master of Music degrees in Piano Performance from the Eastman School of Music where he studied with Cecile Genhart, Frank Glazer and Barbara Lister-Sink.

Randy is a Professor of Music at Hiram College, where he teaches piano, music theory, music history, introductory courses, serves as co-staff accompanist, and chairs the Music Department.

**Menu:** Roast beef with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, tossed salad and pie.

**Cost:** \$10 at the door

**Reservations due by Friday, December 8.**

Call 440.247.6490. After that date, names go on a waiting list. If you need to cancel, please do so by December 8.

Those who cancel after the reservation deadline will still be responsible for the cost of the meal. Hamlet residents: please let Hamlet know if you want to ride the van to this event and mention it when you RSVP.

## Hower House Tour

Wednesday, December 6 | 9:30 am

Hower House is a Second Empire Italianate structure, built in 1871 by Akron industrialist, John Henry Hower and his wife, Susan. The designer of this 28-room Victorian mansion was Jacob Snyder, a noted Akron architect, perhaps best known for his part in developing the "Akron Plan," a floor plan widely used in church constructions locally and across the United States between 1870 and 1917.

This elegant home is filled with unique treasures and furnishings collected by the Hower Family during their travels around the world. The entire house will be elegantly and extravagantly decorated for Christmas. For those who are unable to climb the stairs to visit upstairs areas, there will be a video on the first floor. Of course, there's also a gift shop!



Lunch will be at the Akron Family Restaurant, with the choice of:

- R)** Reuben sandwich and sweet potato fries,
- C)** Grilled chicken breast salad, or
- P)** Italian sausage pasta bowl,

all served with chicken orzo soup. Coffee, tea, or fountain drink included with all options.

**Time:** Van leaves from Family Life Center at 9:30 am, returns at 3:00 pm.

**Reservations:** Payment by **December 1.**

Call 440.247.6490. Please indicate meal choice.

**Cost:** \$30



**Meal:** Lunch at Akron Family Restaurant



# Ongoing Primetime Offerings . . .

## **Spirit Walk & Roll—Monday through Friday, 8-9 am at the Family Life Center**

Come when you can and leave when you must. Walk at your own pace. Bring a buddy if you wish. **Warm inside in the winter; cool inside in the summer!** (Cancelled on November 7 and 22)

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## **Pillows for Hospice—2nd Monday, 10 am at Bell St. Daily Bread Classroom**



This group of women gather for chatting, laughing, coffee, oh and yes, very basic sewing for a very worthy cause. They create pillows that patients at Hospice of the Western Reserve use as they journey through the final season of life. The little neck pillows are used for comfort. For hygienic reasons, they are discarded after use so there is always a need for more. The fellowship often includes some yummy treats. All are welcome.

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## **Primetime Bridge—1st and 3rd Tuesday, 12:30-3 pm at Bell St. Lounge**



Players must sign up *by 3:30 pm the Friday before!* Sign ups after that time will be put on a sub list. Remember to call ASAP if you find you can no longer attend. Only 28 players can be seated at seven tables. If interested, please call Harriett Rogers at 440.247.5845 or Coline Kiehne at 440.248.8199.

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## **Same Boat Girlfriends**

This is a group for widowed women who gather for dinner each month. Contact Jenny Evans at 440.247.7101 or jenny8854@sbcglobal.net for more information on the date and location of our December get-together.

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## **Same Boat Friends**



Same Boat Friends is a social group for widowed men. We will not meet for dinner in December due to the holidays. Watch for the next meeting in the January newsletter. Call Don Hoke at 440.338.8219 if you have any questions.

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## **Bowling—1st and 3rd Friday, 2-4 pm at Freeway Lanes in Solon**



Join the Primetime crew for some bowling fun! We meet twice a month (3 times on five Friday months). All are welcome!

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## **Tai Chi—The Movement of Life—Mondays, 10-11 am at Bell St.**



The Tai Chi program at Federated is unique in that it has been designed for practitioners over 55 years of age. While participating, the practitioner is engaged in the mental and physical discipline required. Balance is improved and muscles are strengthened. Join at any time. Sign up for an 8-week session for \$120 single or \$200 couple. For information regarding the instructor, Ed Niam, go to [www.taichicleveland.com](http://www.taichicleveland.com).



# December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b> 8-9 am—Spirit Walk n' Roll — FLC gym  2-4 pm Primetimers go bowling in Solon	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> Communion 9 am Worship & Sunday School, Bell St 10:15 am & 12:15 pm Christmas Brunch Seatings, FLC 11 am Worship & Sunday School, Bell St 5-8 pm Search for the Christ Child, FLC	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
8-9 am—Spirit Walk n' Roll — Family Life Center gym						
	10-11 am Tai Chi, Fellowship Hall  7-9 pm Advent by Candle-light, FLC	12:30-3 pm Primetime Bridge, Lounge	9:30 am Hower House Tour, Meet at Family Life Center			
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	10-11 am Tai Chi, Fellowship Hall 10 am Pillows for Hospice 1:30-3 pm Federated Forum, Fellowship Hall 3:15 pm Primetime Ministry Team Mtg		6:00 pm Wondrous Wednesday, Fellowship Hall	12:30 pm Primetime Luncheon, FLC	2-4 pm Primetimers go bowling in Solon	
<b>17</b> Lessons & Carols 9 am Worship & Sunday School, Bell St 11 am Worship & Sunday School, Bell St	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>
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<b>24</b> 10 am Worship, Bell St 4 pm Candle-lighting Service/Family Pageant, Bell St 6, 8:30, and 11 pm Candle-lighting Service, Bell St	<b>25</b> 12-2 pm CVCC Christmas Dinner, FLC 	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>
Church buildings and offices closed for the holiday						
<b>31</b> 10 am Worship, Bell St						





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*Primetime is a church-based organization providing spiritual growth, service to others, and education. This program provides opportunities for social involvement and gives people a sense of community and support. Federated Church sponsors this program to help enrich the lives of its members and the wider community.*



## December Birthdays

Jo Roeder	1	Sallie Wennerstrom	22
Phil Chall	6	Lois Wright	24
Dave Devore	8	Roger Pettibone	26
Judy Harvey	12	Charles King III	27
Jane Thoburn	15	Jim Whitelaw	28
Dottie Berlincourt	16	Kathy Kolcaba	28
Marge Cook	18	Jean Talarico	29
Don Hoke	19	Bill Kenneweg	30
Carol Grubb	19	Dorn Cobbledick	31
Ruth Walker	21		

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