

Primetime



"A Mission in our Midst"

December 2021
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

Hello Primetimers!

Happy December to you all! Woohoo – it is almost holiday time! Our beautiful church will soon be decorated for the holiday season – trees, ribbon, garland, wreaths and poinsettias (please call if you would like to 'sponsor' a wreath or send a poinsettia to someone). Holiday cheer is in the air!

Our December will be filled with events. We will kick off the season with A Miracle on 34th Street at Chagrin Little Theatre (12/5), Advent by Candlelight (12/6), Apollo's Fire at Federated Church (12/9), Christmas Lunch at The Cabin (12/16) and Burning River Brass (12/21). Get in touch ASAP – we expect to sell out for Apollo's Fire and Burning River Brass, so be sure to buy tickets through Realm or contact Joshua Konow, our Director of Music Ministries: 440.247.6490, x120 ; all other events please contact me/Melissa.

Our December 13 we will have Federated Forum. Our speaker is Mary Lou Smullen. Mary Lou will take us through how Christmas Ornaments have evolved through the centuries. We will look at some beautiful ornaments and have the chance to discuss our own favorites. Be thinking about the ornaments that are beautiful and meaningful to you now or that you remember from times past. Join us – we look forward to seeing you there!

The Holiday Season is a time of gratitude and of giving. We give gifts to family and friends and also to those in need – whether it is with your time or funds, I urge you to use the Holidays as a brilliant excuse to reach out and give love!

Happy Holidays and love to you all!

With Gratitude,

Melissa Owen

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Recognition of those Primetime friends
who have recently passed away.
May God welcome them with open arms.

BJ Kotapish—November 7
Jim Sutherin—November 12

Fun Times at Federated Forum



Miracle on 34th Street—Chagrin Valley Little Theater

Sunday, December 5, 2 -4 PM

This Christmas, CVLT bring the magic of "Miracle on 34th St." to River Street! Adapted from the classic 20th Century Fox film, this story about the power of believing will brighten your holiday.

Register on Realm or with Melissa at mowen@fedchurch.org or 440.247.6490 x110.

Where: Chagrin Valley Little Theater

When: Sunday, December 5, 2 PM

Cost: \$15—Payment by Wednesday, December 1.



Advent by Candlelight

Monday, December 6, 6:30–8:30 PM

The Congregational Care Commission invites you to Advent by Candlelight on December 6 at 6:30 PM in the Sanctuary. Please join us as we enter into this season of joy, peace, hope and love. All are welcome.



Primetime Lunch Out— Christmas Lunch

Thursday, December 16, 12 Noon

Join us for Christmas lunch at The Cabin Restaurant, 30 E Garfield Road, Aurora, OH 44202.

RSVP to Melissa at mowen@fedchurch.org or 440.247.6490 x110.

The Popcorn Shop with speaker Dewey Forward

Monday, January 10, 2 PM

Save the date for this special Federated Forum program!



Primetime Federated Forum

Monday, December 13

Gather at 1:30, Presentation at 2:00
Federated Church Fellowship Hall

Presenter: Mary Lou Smullen
The History of Christmas Ornaments

Mary Lou Smullen was born and raised in the Cleveland area. She graduated from Orange High School and Ohio University. In 1975 she entered the United States Army via a Direct Commission. One military tour took her to Frankfurt, Germany for 4 years. She loved the way the Germans celebrated Christmas and found her beloved "Pyramid" while flea market shopping there.

Upon her retirement after 20 years of service, she was gifted her great-uncle's small ornament collection. The Pyramid and the ornaments were the catalysts for her passion of vintage and antique Christmas collecting. Moving back to Cleveland about 3 years ago, required her to downsize her collection by about 80%. She kept those things she loved the most and especially enjoys her vintage and antique glass ornament collection.

Her presentation will feature a history of glass ornaments and examples of their evolution thru the centuries.

Primetime Bridge

Bridge games take place in the Lounge on **December 7 and 21, beginning at 1:00 PM.** We have five tables available which means we have room for 20 players.

If you are interested, please contact either Harriett Rogers, 440.247.5845, or Coline Kiehne, 440.248.8199. You must be vaccinated to play.

Performing Arts Series—December Concerts

Apollo's Fire : Handel's Messiah

Thursday, December 9, 7:30 PM

Tickets can be purchased at fedchurch.org/PAS, or contact Joshua Konow with questions at 440.247.6490 x120. or jkonow@fedchurch.org.



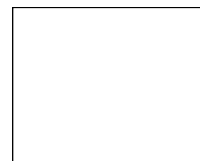
Burning River Brass: Our Kind of Christmas

Tuesday, December 21, 7 PM

Tickets can be purchased at fedchurch.org/PAS, or contact Joshua Konow with questions at 440.247.6490 x120. or jkonow@fedchurch.org.



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Primetime Mission Statement

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

Dave Devore	8	Jim Whitelaw	28
Keith Mast	10	Kathy Kolcaba	28
Marge Cook	18	Bill Kenneweg	30
Don Hoke	19	Dawn Adresen-Hall	30
Carol Grubb	19	Dorn Cobbledick	31