

# by Faith

**August 7, 2016**  
**Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost**

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***Ministers - Every Member of this Congregation***

*The Rev. Dr. Carson O. Mouser— Pastor*  
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*Julian Garvue—Director of Music*  
*Deborah Carter— Director of Youth & Education*  
*Mary Keller - Office Manager*  
*Rod Cutler - Director of Maintenance*  
*David Ellis - Housekeeper*

**Summer Office Hours:** *Monday & Wednesday: 8:30-2:30; Thursday: 8:30-Noon*

**WELCOME.** We are a compassionate Christian community fostering a personal connection with God for people of all ages and expressing God's love through worship, education, mission, music and fellowship.

We're glad to gather together as a community of faith today. No matter where you are on the journey of faith, you are welcome here to join in worship and service. If you are new to this community of faith, we rejoice in your presence with us. Remember, we're not strangers, but rather friends who journey together, following the Lord Jesus Christ. If you are a newcomer, we invite you to sign the pew pad.

**HEARING ASSISTANCE** devices are available from the ushers or the audio/video console at the rear of the sanctuary.

### **Pastor Carson is on vacation from August 3rd to August 18th**

**Rev. Mouser can be reached** by cell at 519-5280,  
or by email at [pastorcarson@summervillechurch.org](mailto:pastorcarson@summervillechurch.org)

Office hours are Monday and Wednesdays from 8:30-2:30 and Thursdays from 8:30 to noon. Please call in advance if you want to meet with Pastor Carson.

**GREETER:**

**USHER:** SUSAN CONNOR

Transportation can be provided. Please call BETSY STRYKER before 5PM Saturday to arrange a ride for Sunday, August 14th Worship. Her number is 265-9702.

Join us for lemonade fellowship immediately following Worship in Fellowship Hall. Your host is BILL CARTER.



# Order of Worship

\*those who are able, please stand

## WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, REGISTRATION of ATTENDANCE

### SILENT PRAYER

*Loving God, faith gives substance to our hopes. In faith we gather in this time and place, trusting that you are with us. Faith makes us certain of realities we do not see and gives us courage to live into the unknown. God, be with us, so we will trust you on our journey.*

### PRELUDE

### CALL TO WORSHIP

CINDY SMITH

One: By faith, we have

**All: created a community garden to feed the hungry in our community.**

One: By faith, we have

**All: committed to collecting goods for the Irondequoit Community Cupboard and other charities.**

One: By faith, we have

**All: provided support for victims who have survived the ravages of hurricanes, floods, and tornadoes.**

One: By faith, we have

**All: made room for a nursery school, Boy Scouts, RAIHN families, and those who are suffering from addictions.**

One: By faith, we choose

**All: how we act towards the future of God's world.**

One: By faith, we are

**All: a compassionate Christian community fostering a personal connection with God for people of all ages and expressing God's love through all we do.**

\*HYMN #195 (Rejoice Hymnal) "O Come, All Ye Faithful"

**CALL TO CONFESSION**

CINDY SMITH

God's love is so amazing that while we were separated from the Lord, God reached out in compassion and mercy to heal us. Therefore, we are free to confess our need of God's grace.

**CONFESSION**

CINDY SMITH

Faith is...

acting for good when we'd rather do nothing;  
siding with life when we'd rather play dead;  
speaking the truth when we'd rather be silent.

Faith is...

noiselessly listening when we'd rather shout out;  
paying attention when we'd prefer not to notice;  
standing for right when we'd far rather keep walking.

Faith is...

trusting that after the darkness there will be the light;  
seeing the rainbow as the sign of the sun;  
hearing the rooster crow as hope for the dawn.

**ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

DEBBIE CARTER

Anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. The old self is gone. The new life has just begun. Believe the truth that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

**GOSPEL LESSON**

Luke 12:22-31

CINDY SMITH

**HYMN # 446 (Rejoice Hymnal) "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"****NEW TESTAMENT LESSON**

Hebrews 11:1-3; 7-12

BILL CARTER

**SERMON**

"Faith vs. Certainty"

BILL &amp; DEBBIE CARTER

**\*HYMN #445 (Rejoice Hymnal)** “Spirit of God, Descend Upon My Heart”

**PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND LORD’S PRAYER**

**CALL FOR THE OFFERING**

**OFFERTORY**

**DOXOLOGY** – HYMN NO. 556

**PRAYER OF DEDICATION (UNISON)**

**We are called to be people of faith--to celebrate God’s presence, to live with respect in Creation, and to love and serve others. We ask that you accept these gifts from our blessings to be a blessing to others. Amen.**

**\*HYMN #475 (Rejoice Hymnal)** “Take My Life”

**BENEDICTION**

**POSTLUDE**

## **AUGUST MONTHLY MISSION AND DEVOTION**

**DEVOTION FOR THE WEEK:** Sometimes, we want to give up. A task is really difficult. Being part of a church or identifying as a Christian meets with derision. Maybe we think we are being punished, or, perhaps, we feel that the world is out to get us. Today's scriptures grapple with such situations. The letter to the Hebrews dares to say, "Yes, bad things happen. They have always happened." Yet, even through these things, God is with us always. People persevere against the odds. We can, too. ***Scriptures: Isaiah 5:1-7, Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19, Luke 12:49-56, Hebrews 11:29-12:2***

### ***August Monthly Mission***

The focus this month is the OPEN DOOR MISSION. We are looking to supply SOCKS for the men living there. All sizes are needed and athletic socks are preferred.



***I complained that I had no shoes until I met a man who had no feet..... Unknown***

## CALENDAR of EVENTS

### Sunday, August 7th

9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
10:00 am	Lemonade	

### Monday, August 8th

6:00 pm	AA	Room 14
7:00 pm	CY Ed	Room 2

### Tuesday, August 9th

6:30 pm	SNS Orientation	Fellowship Hall
6:30 pm	Angela Hall	Memorial Lounge

### Next Sunday, August 14th

9:00 am	Worship	Sanctuary
10:00 am	Lemonade	