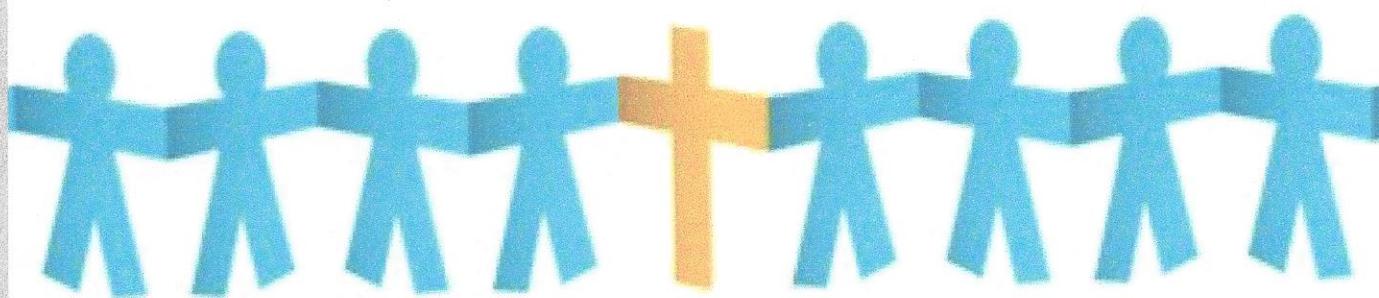


LOOKING FOR TIMES OF FAITH, FUN AND FRIENDS



## Faith Fun and Friends

COME CHECK US OUT.  
WE THINK YOU MIGHT ENJOY  
THE EXPERIENCE AND YOU MAY  
FIND OLD AND NEW FRIENDS  
THERE OR MAKE NEW ONES.  
WE LOOK FORWARD TO  
MEETING YOU.

*“Faith, Fun and Friends is a program for adults with mental and emotional impairments who wish to continue spending some time with God, playing some fun games and meeting new friends. If you or a family member is looking for a place to share your faith with other persons with disabilities, contact*

*Renell Barrett at (586) 566-3384.”*

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FOR ADULTS WITH MENTAL OR EMOTIONAL IMPAIRMENTS?

**HERE'S WHERE TO FIND THEM**

**WHO: FELLOWSHIP LUTHERAN CHURCH**  
35537 Ryan Road (bet. 15 and 16 Mile Roads)  
Sterling Heights  
**EVERY OTHER MONDAY EVENING**  
7 to 8:30 p.m.

OR

**ST. THERESE OF LISIEUX PARISH**  
48115 Schoenherr (bet. 21 and 22 Mile Roads)  
Shelby Township  
**EVERY OTHER FRIDAY**  
6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

OR

**ST. JOHN AND PAUL PARISH**  
7777 W. 28 Mile Road  
Washington Township  
**FIRST SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH**  
1 to 2:30 p.m.

*Any adult 16 to 80+ with a mental or emotional impairment who wishes to share his/her faith with others, have some fun, meet old friends and make new ones.*

**GROUP HOME RESIDENTS: PERSONS OF ANY DENOMINATION OR PERSONS WITH NO CHURCH AFFILIATION ARE WELCOME.**

**MORE INFO?**  
Contact Renell Barrett at (586) 566-3384

## WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE YOU

To participate in a group known as Faith, Fun and Friends, evenings designed especially for adult with cognitive and/or emotional disabilities. At this time we have three such programs, one at Fellowship Lutheran Church in Sterling Heights, one at St. Therese of Lisieux Parish in Shelby Township and one at St. John and Paul in Washington Township. The first two are evenings programs running from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m .. Fellowship meets every other Monday evening while St. Therese meets every other Friday evening St. John and Paul meets once a month on the first Saturday of each month from 1 to 2:30 p.m. There is no charge for any of these groups and they are open to persons of all denominations as well as to those who have no church affiliation. Here is how a typical evening runs.

At 6:30 p.m. we begin to gather, to have light refreshment and catch up on all the great things going on in our lives, good and not so good. Then one of the leaders will open the evening with a scripture reading and discussion, generally something from the readings of the past couple of weeks, whatever seems to speak to those things happening in the lives of the participants. Discussion will then center around what was just heard and how these words apply to our lives at home or the workplace. This takes about a half hour and then we get ready to play games or do crafts. Uno and Bunco are favorites as well as board games. On holidays we may play Bingo with prizes yet (usually from the \$1 store). There is generally a lot of talking and laughing and kibitzing as we play. At St. Therese we have a member who is very musically talented and he brings his keyboard each week and we can listen or sing as he plays.

About 8:15 we clean up and then gather in a large circle, join hands and pray for anything or anyone who needs our prayer at that time. We end with the Our Father, a prayer known to every Christian denomination. Altogether, the format is very simple but one that seems to work well

St. John and Paul is a bit different, more a teaching and craft group and they have many younger people in that group. You might want to check them out to see if they are what you are seeking.

Occasionally we have 'field trips' sometimes to concerts offered by other groups in the area. We have gone bowling during the summer or to watch the Tigers play or gathered at the home of a leader or member to enjoy a picnic or barbecue. We have had memorial services for family members, gone to Stations of the Cross during Lent or to a Fish Fry. Several of our members have attended retreats offered in the area. Some of these activities have to be paid for by those choosing to take part in a retreat or a Tiger game. Each year and each group is a little different but over the years we have become strong friends and shared laughter, tears and lots of love.

We even like to get involved in doing service for our community in helping out where ever we can.

Come check us out. We think you might enjoy the experience and you may find old friends there or make new ones. We look forward to meeting you.

## FAITH, FUN AND FRIENDS MEETING DATES 2015-2016

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>FELLOWSHIP</u>	<u>ST. THERESE</u>	<u>SS. JOHN &amp; PAUL</u>
	(Mondays)	(Friday)	
September	15th	4, 18	6th
October	6-20	2, 16, 30	4th
November	3-17	6, 20th	1st
December	1-15	4, 18th	6th
January	5-19	15th	3rd
February	2-16	5, 19th	7t
March	2-16	4, 18th	7th
April	6-20	1, 15, 29th	4th
May	4-18	6, 20th	2nd
June6:		3rd, 17th	6th

Halloween 31st\* / Thanksgiving-November 26th\*  
 "Christmas Celebration - all groups at Fellowship Lutheran - pot luck  
 Ash Wednesday: January / Good Friday:  
 Easter Sunday: March \*  
 (Please note all dates marked with a \* are off days)

**Fellowship Lutheran**  
 35537 Ryan Road (bet. 15-16 Mile Roads), Sterling Heights  
 Contact person: Sr. Jeanine Boivin / Barb Braun  
 (586) 771-9827

**St. Therese of Lisieux**  
 48115 Schoenherr (bet. 21-22 Mile roads), Shelby Township  
 Contact person: Fred & Renell Barrett, Director  
 (586) 566-3384

**SS. John and Paul**  
 7777 West 28 Mile Road, Washington Township  
 Contact person: Deacon John Wright  
 (586) 781-9488