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*"God looked at everything he had made, and he was very pleased. -- On the Seventh day He stopped working. He blessed the seventh day and set it apart as a special day."  
- Genesis 1:31 & 2:2-3*



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Rev. King  
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Phil & Karen Brown

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**Organists:**  
Jacque Fisher  
Mary Jane McBride  
Shelley Outlaw

**Chapel Worship:**  
8:45 a.m.  
**Morning Worship:**  
10:45 a.m.

**Sunday School Hour:**  
9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.  
Nursery - Adult

**Ushers:**  
**8:45 -**  
Gary Etter  
Loren Houck  
**10:45 -**  
Kendall Cobb  
Greg Goodner

## "From the Pastor"

I heard a story about a young boy bouncing through the front door carrying a large candy bar. Quite curious, his mother asked, "Where did you get that?" "I bought it with the money you gave me," replied the boy. "Why didn't you give it to the church?" she asked. "I was going to but the minister met me at the door and didn't ask for money. I got in for free."

We all like to go places and experience happy times for free. When we go to worship we never buy a ticket, never bargain to serve in lieu of money, and never are compelled to put money in the offering plate. Actually, we can, if we wish, get in and out of church without any cost at all.

Also, it is likely that while worshipping we will come to understand that God's grace is free. After all, God is our parent and provides for our needs with unlimited love. It is freely given. God alone does not need our money (although God wants our heart, soul and mind). Still, God's house and God's work, which we are to do on earth, do require gifts and services. A church must have people who volunteer to help pay the bills of the church. A church always needs more givers than takers.

A church must have workers to serve in countless ways. A church

must provide for missionaries, services to the needy, support for the sick and elderly, a place for children, and a place for all to worship. We must be workers together with God or we are not really the church.

No matter who you are or what you do – no matter how meaningless you may consider your life's work – you can achieve greatness in God's eyes by doing your work to the best of your ability and offering it up to God for God's service. Life and the church's life is something God has given us to take care of. We may use our money, or talent or ability to achieve material goods, but these are gifts from God to begin with. It is clear that we must give of what we are, as well as what we have. This means cultivating an attitude of generous giving and getting into the habit of thinking of others. Think of your church and how it is here for you when you need her.

Your pastor  
and friend,  
Greg



## Vital Statistics

### Attendance April 13, 2008

8:45 - 28

10:45 - 114

Sunday School - 47

### Offering - General Fund

#### (monthly budget need - \$14,543)

	<u>Offerings rec'd</u>	<u>+/- Amt.</u>
Jan. '08	\$9,714	(-\$4,829)
Feb. '08	\$8,867	(-\$5,676)
Mar. '08	\$15,825	(+ \$1,282)

#### Our total deficit to date is -\$9,223



### Happy Birthday

Charlene Brown - Apr. 20

Kay Rearick - Apr. 20

Dan Keltner - Apr. 21

Tim Keltner - Apr. 23

Geoffery Lewis - Apr. 24

Joshua Parrett - Apr. 25

Judy Amundson - Apr. 26

### Prayer Joy

St. Matt Kleinsorge (Sarah Beall's husband) is home from his tour in Iraq. We thank everyone for their support of prayers for him. - Susan Beall & family

## In Our Prayers

Mildred Berk  
Margaret Cobb - Walnut Creek  
Mindy Collins  
Margaret Dill - Masonic Home  
Jamie Geswein  
Gene Gibson  
Beverly Guffey  
Judy Hirshman  
Opal Hunter - Liberty Woods  
Lottie Jaeger  
Dan Jones - Patriot Ridge Nursing  
Howard Jordan  
Ann Ketteman - Oak Creek Terr.  
Dustin Knowlton  
Peggy Lewis  
Nancy Lyttle  
Barbara Lyttle  
Bob McCray  
Marcella Miller  
Nobu Oishi  
Mr/Mrs Patterson - Liberty Woods  
Guy Robinette - Walnut Creek  
Cindy Romano  
Mary Sampson - Liberty Woods  
Sue Shroyer  
Dale Smitley  
Kathy Steele  
Connie Swanson  
Gloria Van Camp  
Flo Warner  
Evelyn Wheeler  
Marlene Wimpy  
Vera Westfall  
Roy Wright  
Diane Yost



**A**  
**Couple**  
**GOOD**



**'S**  
**Needed**

We are already a quarter of the way through 2008. I wanted to take a moment to let everyone know that we still have two vacant positions on our Official Board, Vice Chairperson of the Board and Social Committee Chairperson. The Vice Chairperson needs to attend the once monthly board meeting. New this year, the Vice Chairperson will also lead the Nominating Committee to line up Chairpersons for the various committees for 2009. The Vice Chairperson has the wonderful opportunity to learn how the Board operates and to see how meetings are conducted for the remainder of the year before they are expected to take over the Chairperson role in 2009.

The Social Committee oversees many of the dinners and special functions in the church. The chairperson makes sure that the events are staffed with volunteers and ready to go.

I sincerely hope that everyone will seriously consider taking the time to serve their church in one of these two positions. If you are interested in learning more about either of these opportunities, please contact Pastor King or Suzanne Slaidins-Dull at 434-5368.

### **"Greeters Needed"**

We still have openings for Greeters beginning in May. We are only asking for you to consider greeting for one Sunday at a time for the 10:45 service. Of course, if you want to sign-up to greet 2 or 3 Sundays that is great!! The Membership Committee welcomes your help with extending our warm Greenmont-Oak Park hospitality to our visitors and church family.



The Food Pantry needs paper bags. Feeding 130 families means that we pass out approximately 400 paper bags a month, so we need your assistance. (We say approximate because we reuse boxes and bags that come in on a regular basis) Thank you for your support.

### **Staff Committee Meeting**

Please let Susan Beall, 298-1367, know if you are willing to serve on the Staff Relations Committee. Our first meeting will be held Thurs. 4/17/08 at 6PM in the Hilty room.

### **W.I.N.G.S.**



### ***"All Daughter's Brunch"***

Saturday, May 10, 2008  
10:45 AM to 12:45 PM  
at

Nedelko's Banquet Hall  
1490 N Fairfield Rd  
Beavercreek, Ohio

#### **Menu:**

Mini Quiche assortment, Breakfast casserole, assorted finger sandwiches, spinach salad, Creme of Potato Soup, Cake w/ Blueberries.  
Cost: Adults -\$12.00

Youth under age 10 -\$4.00

Make checks payable to  
W.I.N.G.S.

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All Daughters are invited attend. A surprise guest is coming to help us honor & celebrate our mothers. Please sign up on the WINGS bulletinboard by Wed. May 7th to attend. Please indicate the age of any youth attending. Join us for fun and fellowship. - Any questions contact Loretta Leisch or Nikki Taylor

### **Youth April Activities**

April 20 - "Pre-Teen club" 12 noon  
"Narnia Party"

- "Breakout" 6 to 8 pm  
"Sex & dating"

April 25 & 26th - Tent Sale  
- Youth Volunteers needed

April 27 - "Breakout" 6 to 8 pm  
"Sex & Dating"

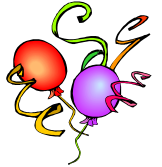
May 4 - go to Dragon's ball game  
1pm

### **3rd to 5th Graders**

#### **Come Join**

#### **Us for a Narnia Party.**

Sunday, April 20th - following  
worship for the Pre-Teen Club. -  
Darrin Harvey



### **Graduate Information** **Needed**

It is almost graduation time again, and, we need some information. Let the church office know who our 3rd graders are this year, who the High school graduates are, and who the college graduates are. We want to share in their achievements. Please write, call or e-mail the church with this information. - Christian Education

## Men's Group Growing

Join us in a Men's group here at Greenmont. Currently we meet EARLY Wednesday mornings at 6:30 -7:30 AM for about 1 hour. What is a men's group you may ask? Well, here is an explanation (and in no particular order):

We pray together but, we aren't a prayer group; We read the Bible together but, we aren't a Bible study group; we offer support to each other but, we aren't a support group; We discuss men's issues but, we aren't a discussion group.

To summarize the men's group has elements of all those things so we can help each other grow in our role as men. 'As iron sharpens iron so does one man sharpen another.' (Prov. 27:17) Questions- contact Craig Kigar @ 623-7235

## Greater Dayton Christian Connection Opportunities

\*\* Dayton for Darfur Rally - Sat. Apr. 19, at 1PM, Courthouse Square  
\*\* Miami Valley Interfaith Dialogue, Sun. Apr. 20, 4-6 PM, Peace Museum, 208 W. Monuement Ave.  
\*\* National Day of Prayer/ Evening storytelling, Thurs. May 1, 6:30 PM, Southminster Presbyterian Church, stories of peace and reconciliation shared by the CinDay Guild of Network of Biblical Storytellers

## SONKA News Church Vitality Training

All members of Greenmont-Oak Park Community church are invited to join members of the Official Board in attending this one day vitality training session. (Some of our Board members already attended a 2 day session in Cleveland and they are very excited about sharing this opportunity with others right here in Dayton.) We can learn more about hospitality, stewardship and online resources for our church and help our church grow and connect with our community. This session will be held, Saturday, May 31 from 9 AM to 4PM at Shiloh Church on Philadelphia Dr. in Dayton. This workshop is free and lunch will be provided. Call the church office if interested in attending. Registrations are due by May 16th. Our Churches Wider Mission donations help provide this workshop.

## "Thank You"

On behalf of Twin Valley Behavioral Healthcare, I would like to thank you and all of the members of Greenmont-Oak Park Community church for the recent donation of \$100. It will be utilized by patients for hygiene items, and recreation services not provided by our facility. Again, thank you for your continued support. Sincerely, Deborah Dietz, Volunteer Administrator



## "All Church Tent Sale -coming soon" "Donate your unwanted usable items"

The Trustee Committee is preparing for the annual all church tent Sale to be held April 25 & 26. As you spring clean save your unwanted usable items to bring to the sale.

The Trustees will again have a pickup service for large items, beginning Monday evening April 21. Call the church office 252-6705, if you have items to be picked up. If you have small items that you can bring yourself, they can be brought to the church during the day hours or evenings the week of April 21st.

*Volunteers* are also needed to help price items throughout the week and also work the sale on Friday and Saturday. Questions can be directed to Gary Etter, or the church office. This is a good couple of days to be a representative of our church to the community as you organize and browse through all our treasures, large and small.

The profits from the sale will go toward the purchase of a new lawn mower. - Trustees

## "Adopt a Tree"

The Trustees are asking the church family to consider adopting a tree at church to care for this spring and summer season. They have marked several trees with an orange circle, marking the area around the tree to remove the sod and mulch. The Trustees will purchase a large amount of mulch that will be available by the garage. To adopt a tree simply take a wooden stick marker, write your name on it and stake it by the tree as your claim. You can do this project as a family, Sunday school class, church group, or a couple friends working together. If you wish to plant some flowers around your tree, that is okay, just remember plants need watering in the summer. Tree adoption stakes will be available in the Gathering Place next Sunday.



