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Do not follow
where the
path may
lead. Follow
God instead,
where there is
no path, and
leave a trail.



Office Hours

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July 27, 2008

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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 -

Les George Pasko Evanoff Ron Dill Mike Hanes

WORSHIPLEADER:

Lisa Bleeke GREETERS:

The Rayney Family

Trash days... and Sundays

Tuesday mornings I usually wake up to the sounds of trash men picking up our weekly accumulation of litter. The hum of the trash compactor on the truck is a familiar sound that tells me it is Tuesday - the day of the week on which we get rid of the worldly accumulation of stuff that clutters up our place of residence...

Sunday mornings are a lot like Tuesday trash days. We wake up to the familiar hum of organ music, choir melodies, and, of course, the preacher's sermon. Have you thought about the amount of worldly trash we gather into our soul each week? We are bombarded by things in direct opposition to a healthy spiritual life. It takes all we can do to sort through the mess on Sunday morning. And we don't always enjoy it!

Your home doesn't look so good if you don't get the trash out each week. Neither does the soul that sleeps in on Sunday morning and misses trash day! Come to church Sunday morning! It's worth the effort! - Ralph Kelly, Williard UCC, Akron, Ohio

We are the church

The church is never in a defensive position as long as we remember who we are, and whose we are - the body of Christ through whom he intends to become head over everything else. Christ himself signs the letter of the church. It is Christ with whom every power in the universe must reckon, and we who make up the church are not operating out of human wisdom and strength alone. We are a new creation, a fellowship of resurrection life. We are a letter of Christ; his seal is upon us. Christ signs the letter of the church. The church is Christ's body - the fullness of him who fills all in all. - Max Dunnam

Vital Statistics

Attendance July 20, 2008

8:45 - 30 10:45 - 93

Sunday School - 25

Offering - General Fund (monthly budget need - \$14.543)

<u>(</u>	+/ Amt.				
Jan. '08	\$9,714	(-\$4,829)			
Feb. '08	\$8,867	(-\$5,676)			
Mar. '08	\$15,825	(+ \$1,282)			
Apr. '08	\$10.930	(- \$3,613)			
May '08	\$13,692	(-\$851)			
June '08	\$15,880	(+\$1,337)			
Our total deficit to date is -\$12,347					

Happy Birthday

Lucky Ancil - July 28 Deanna Rogers - July 28 Angie Bane - July 29 Suzanne Dull - July 30 Dan Jones - Aug. 1 Cindy Archer - Aug. 1 Karen Wing - Aug. 1



In Our Prayers

Jack Gilmore - Aug. 2

Mildred Berk Margaret Cobb - Walnut Creek Mindy Collins Margaret Dill - Masonic Home Jim Farra Jamie Geswein

Gene Gibson

Jack Gilmore

Beverly Guffey

Judy Hirshman

Katie Horvat

Opal Hunter - Crestview Manor

Lottie Jaeger

Dan Jones - Patriot Ridge Nursing

Howard Jordan

Dorothy & Wayne Knapp

Dustin Knowlton

PeggyLewis

Nancy Lyttle

Barbara Lyttle

Bob McCray

Deloris Miller

Marcella Miller

Michael Ourfalian - Iraq

Mr/Mrs Patterson-Liberty Woods

Guy Robinette - Walnut Creek

Cindy Romano

Mary Sampson - Liberty Woods

Sue Shroyer

Kathy Steele

Connie Swanson

Gloria Van Camp

Flo Warner

Evelyn Wheeler

Marlene Wimpy

VeraWestfall

RoyWright

Diane Yost

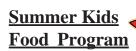


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Accessibility Plans

Congregational Meeting - Aug. 10

The plans for completing Accessibility for all levels of our church has been on display in the Gathering Place for several weeks now. The Trustees & Official Board invite the congregation to a Special Report and Update Meeting on Sunday, August 10, following the morning worship services to share information about the plans. The Trustees are looking at working on this as a two phase project. Come and learn more about this exciting accessibility plan. We look forward to sharing this information with you.



We served A TOTAL of 153 children's meals this past week. This week July 21-25 will be the final week for the program.

We have served most of our meals outside in the playground area, where the children can play after they eat. We have served them picnic style, sitting on sheets. On rainy days, we come inside to the Donut room. The mothers and children help clean up the area after they eat, and mothers have also helped to wash the sheets used to picnic on. A feel of community has developed between the mothers and volunteers in sharing this meal time together for the kids.







"This Chair is for you"

You might think this is the story of the "Three Bears" and some chairs. but it's not. This is the story of a church family in need of members to work, play and worship together, to grow a stronger and larger family. Our family needs help with doing the work. We need a Chairperson for 2009. A Vice Chair immediate opening & for 2009. Committee Chairpersons & working members of committees. Together we can do small projects with ease and great accomplishments with might & strength.

"I Found Comfort"

Starting August 28, from 6 to 7:30PM, our GriefShare program will explore our needs to seek and use these program materials, comforts and resolutions for our personal losses with those that have had the same or simular experiences. You will find that you are not alone with your questions and what you are going through. This program has helped many people cope better with the loss of their loved one. Please sign-up to attend on the church bulletin board or contact Rev. King, 252-6705 or Charles Warren, 426-6373 with any questions.

SAVE THE DATE Your invited to **HOMECOMING WEEKEND** September 6-7! (note correction)

We have planned several great activities for the whole family. There is something for everyone: 'The Amazing Race', Homecoming Dance, Christian Magician, Potluck Dinner, All Church Photo, **BINGO** and more !!MARK YOUR CALENDAR NOW!!

Show our community your

Greenmont-Oak Park Pride! You may have heard about our upcoming Rally Day/Homecoming Festivities taking place the weekend of September 6th. As part of this event, we will be having a "Homecoming Court and King and Queen". We thought it would be fun to have our Homecoming Court and a group from our Church march in the Kettering Holiday at Home Parade. We will not be building a float but have discussed the idea of having our court ride in convertibles or a decorated trailer of some sort. It depends on what we can get. If you have access to either of these items, please contact Suzanne Dull at 434-5368. The parade itself is on Labor Day, Monday Septebmer 1st. We need to submit our application by July 31st if we are going to do this. A sign-up sheet will be going up as well, if you would be interested in participating in the Parade, please sign up. Thanks -Rally Day/Homecoming Committee. 5

Fall Art Exhibit

An art exhibit featuring adult mem-

bers of our church is planned for early Sept. to coincide with Homecoming Sunday, Sept. 7th. Three people have agreed to bring in 2-3 paintings but there may be more members who have art work they would be willing to share. The work needs to be framed and wired so it can be hung.

Please let me know if you would like to be included in this exhibit. Don't' be shy - the congregation loves to see work by people they know. Call me at 298-4176. -Doris Alexander.

Price Change for Flowers

Due to the business closing of our previous Altar flower provider, we are now working with a new provider for the Altar flowers and the cost is now \$20 per Sunday. Please note this cost change for future Altar flower donations, thank you.

The 6 month Financial Statements will be coming out late, due to a computer crash. If you have any questions about your giving account, please contact JoAnne Jav, 299-7153.

"We need Greeters"

We need greeters at the 10:45 service for the rest of the summer and the rest of the year. I know it's hard to remember to sign up while you're at church, so feel free to call me, and I'll put you on the list. Pick a Sunday that's good for you! Thank you so much, Lisa Bleeke, 294-2962

Men's Group Weds. 6:30 AM

The Men's Group meeting on Wednesday mornings from 6:30 AM to 8 AM. All men are welcome. Our purpose for meeting is to encourage, and support one another as we discern God working in our lives.



"I love my church because it is the best at serving Potluck dinners. The dinner is shared as a large family. It is the largest group of people I've eaten with that care about and know each other so well, and it goes without saying the food is always great!"

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"Thank You to the Wanda Brown family"

We wish to express our appreciation for the beautiful upholstered seat given to the church in memory of Wanda Brown, by Phil & Karen Brown. This seat will add inviting comfort and beauty to the Gathering Place. Thank you again, Greenmont-Oak Park Church



"Let's Laugh"

Dear God, Esp.: My family, the Sandersons, is pleased to invite your family, the Gods, over for bread and wine (I figured you might like this)... Please respond in writing or on a tablet. Very truly yours, Sheila Sanderson."- from children's letters to God

"Fill the Bus"

The 2nd Annual 'Fill the Bus' project is currently underway. The yellow buses are in the Gathering Place, for your donations. We are in need of: loose leaf paper, spiral notebooks, colored pencils, highlighters, scissors, glue sticks, rulers, crayons, gumerasers, pencils, pens, large pink erasers, & pencil boxes.

If you have any questions, you can call Lori Keltner at 293-5140. - thank you.



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"Health & Wellness Screenings Offered"

Life Line Screening, has partnered with Dayton Heart Hospital to provide testing for our neighborhood, right here at Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church. These tests will be offered on Monday, July 28th from 8AM to 4PM. These screening tests are offered for a price for all four non-invasive tests. These tests take less that an hour, pre-registration is required. Call 1-800-324-1851 to schedule for the tests. Church members and the community are welcome to take advantage of this service.



"A Tisket-A-Tasket, God Has Filled My Blessing Basket"

Excitement fills the air as WINGS officers and volunteers plan the 3rd Annual Garden Party! We are counting our blessings as God has filled our blessing basket with our WINGS ladies ministry! If you haven't been to one of the previous garden parties, please plan to join us, bring a friend or family member if you'd like! This is so much more that a garden party ... there will be live music along with an inspirational program to help us all get revitalized, recharged & refreshed! We think each and every one of you is special and would love for every lady to be there...if you are new to GOPCC, please join us!

The festivities will be at The Shakertown Farmhouse on Saturday, August 16th at 5:30PM. Sign-up on the WINGS bulletin board. Officers will be available in the upper level of the Gathering Place after the 2nd service on Sundays, July 27, Aug. 3 & Aug. 10 for payment (please make checks payable to WINGS). Cost of the event is \$16.00 and includes a delicious meal prepared *on site* by caterer, Smokin' Joe! Hope to see each one of you there!! - Any questions please contact Loretta Liesch or Nikki Taylor.