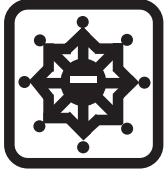


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Loaves & Fish



(This art was done by one of our teenage youth in the Tower room)

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Nursery - Adult

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Loren Houck
10:45 -
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Youth Ministries Update

Many of you received the news in May that Darrin was leaving us as the youth pastor at our church, because he received a call to be the pastor at Greenview UCC near Sydney, Ohio. However, in June Darrin announced to Susan Beall and me that he was interested in maintaining his position here as the youth pastor, with revisions in his duties and hours. We met with Darrin. We agreed on having Darrin for ten hours a week, since he had established a good relationship with our youth, and would be better than trying to find a new person for twenty hours per week and have that person start all over again in establishing a new relationship with our youth. At the July Official Board meeting Staff Relations presented this new proposal. A vote was taken, accepting these new terms of agreement to welcome Darrin back, for ten hours per week. Not long after Darrin was notified of our vote. Susan Beall received a message from Darrin that there had been some changes to his immediate future and he did not think that he would be able to officially continue in the capacity of youth pastor. His seminary had changed the academic requirements for UTS and that meant that he was taking two more classes that he didn't anticipate taking during the fall semester.

Although Darrin's official duties as our youth pastor has ended, the Christian Education committee and I agreed that we should keep the scheduled youth events that Darrin set up for August. I invited Darrin to join us in these scheduled events as a last farewell with the youth. Those events are: the canoe trip on Saturday August 16 – be at the church by 9 A.M. - bring \$25.00 and a sack lunch, Ice Cream Social and Games on Sunday August 24 from 6-8 P.M. and a Youth Overnight at the church on Friday August 29 at 7 P.M. to noon time Saturday August 30.

Some of you have been asking about Darrin's farewell gift. I extended an invitation to Darrin to bring his family to our Rally Day activities. He said that he did not see a problem making it by 12:30 (just in time to eat with us). My hope is that we can give Darrin his gift at that time and have the opportunity to thank Darrin and his family for sharing their gifts with us.

What about our youth ministries and a new youth leader? Susan Beall and the Staff Relations have been busily working behind the scenes. They already have had an interview for the position, but will hold off any final decision until the job application deadline is concluded. My hope is that Staff Relations will be in the position to present a candidate for the youth leader position at the August 20th Official Board meeting.

Let us keep in our prayers our youth, and the youth ministry. -Your pastor & friend, Greg King

Vital Statistics

Attendance Aug. 10, 2008

8:45 - 19

10:45 - 108

Sunday School - 25

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)
Apr. '08	\$10,930	(- \$3,613)
May '08	\$13,692	(-\$851)
June '08	\$15,880	(+\$1,337)
July '08	\$10,957	(- \$3,586)

Our total deficit to date is -\$15,933

Happy Birthday

Emily Wilson - Aug. 18
Steve Foskuhl - Aug. 20
Brittany King - Aug. 20
Cindy Bowes - Aug. 22
Mike Robinson - Aug. 22
Bradley Lewis - Aug. 23



In Our Prayers

Mildred Berk
Margaret Cobb - Walnut Creek
Mindy Collins
Margaret Dill - Masonic Home
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
Peggy Lewis
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
Mary Vance
Flo Warner
Evelyn Wheeler
Marlene Wimpy
Vera Westfall
Diane Yost



Please let the church office know, how God is answering prayers in our lives. Let us give thanks for His presence in our times of trouble and praise for times of joy!

"Another Amazing Race"

Join us as we race into Homecoming weekend, with a silly scavenger hunt race around the city of Kettering, Saturday, Sept. 6th starting at 3PM.

The race begins at the church. Drivers in the race must be 21 years of age or older. Teams should consist of 2-6 people/car. Signup and register your team, on the bulletin board across from the office by Aug 31. The cost is \$10/team, to benefit the Recreation Committee.

Remember to bring a city map, phone book, cellphone, and a sense of humor. Come for the fun and laughter. - Ashley Steinbrunner, Recreation Comm.

Fall Art Exhibit

An art exhibit featuring adult members of our church is planned for early Sept. to coincide with Homecoming Sunday, Sept. 7th. Please let me know if you would like to be included in this exhibit. The work needs to be framed and wired so it can be hung. Call me at 298-4176. -Doris Alexander.

T-Shirt Sale

Green T-shirts with the GOPCC logo on them and SERVE on back are available to order for \$10.00. See Ashley Steinbrunner after church each Sunday before Rally Day weekend to order one. Any questions call Ashley at 657-8229.



It's Official!!! We have our 2008 Homecoming King and Queen Candidates. The candidates for homecoming Queen are Edna Holland, Diana Knowlton, and Sasha Taylor. The candidates for Homcoming King are Gary Etter, Bob Foster, and Adam Taylor. Ballot boxes will be in the back of the sanctuary each Sunday where you can cast your "monetary" vote. At the end of the balloting, the candidates that have raised the most money in their name will be crowned King and Queen. All funds raised during the campaign will go to support the Church's general fund. The King and Queen will be crowned at our Homecoming Dance on Saturday, September 6th. Please plan on supporting your favorite candidates!!!



3T's Fellowship & Lunch

All seniors are welcome to join us for lunch at MCL cafeteria on Tuesday, Aug. 19th at 12 noon.

"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 similar 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.



"Blessings of the Backpacks"

We have designated Sunday, Aug. 24th, at the 10:45 worship service, for blessing student backpacks and teacher schoolbags or briefcases. Bring your backpack or briefcase to worship to start off the new school year with a blessing. - Christian Education

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.



"With Grateful Hearts"

Dear People,

My husband and I feel moved to write to you and tell you how much the Food Pantry means to us.

We are both in our fifties. We are both disabled, but as I have been a homemaker for the last 20+ yrs. we only have my husband's retirement disability for the two of us to live on. Over 1/2 of the pension is taken right off the top just for our insurance benefit. We can't afford to drop our insurance due to our medical needs. You may imagine how difficult it is for us every month.

We thank God daily for you and the people who support you. We think of those who volunteer their time and resources.

We wish to make it clear that you are so very much appreciated. We just wouldn't eat sometimes if it were not for you. The items like soaps and shampoos, lotions and sometimes even sweets are a treat we just can't get for ourselves.

Thank-you. God bless you. Sometimes it feels like Christmas when my husband gets home from the pantry. (I am home-bound)

God is good. He has bestowed many blessings on us. You and your support of the Food Pantry most surely is one of those blessings. Thank-you.

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. - Ken & Nora

Seeking to fill Youth Leader Position

Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church is ready to receive applications for the position of Jr. & Sr. High Youth Leader. Please submit your application (which you may pick up from the church office) by August 15th. You may contact the church office or Susan Beall with any questions. - Susan Beall

"Lost & Found"

Over the past year the lost & found box has filled to overflowing again. Items such as clothing, blankets, pillows, men's shoes, gloves, a thermos cup and more are waiting to be found again. Since most of the items have been there for a year or more, you can check out what is there for two more weeks, then what is not claimed will be taken to the good will store. - church office.

P.S. We also have two cell phones that were lost last spring that no one has claimed. They are both verizon type phones. - these must be claimed from the office.

"Pantry Needs"

- * Jelly/Jam
- * Pork & Beans
- * Spaghetti Sauce
- * canned fruit
- * Toilet paper
- * bath soap



(our bags are in good shape, please hold these donations for a month, we are having a storage problem for this item, right now - thank you)

Pantry Help Wanted for Foodbank Pickups

As the school year starts back up and we lose some of our youth helpers, we'll need more weekday help to pick up food downtown at the Foodbank. If you can join the crew to help every-other Tuesday morning from about 9:45 to 12 noon, please call Bob Colvin at 426-8967 or Jerry Kassman at 299-4975.



"6-Month Statements Ready"

The 6 month Financial Statements are ready and will be available at the back of the sanctuary over the next two Sundays. If you have any questions about your giving account, please contact JoAnne Jay, 299-7513.



Join Us



SAVE THE DATES, SEPT. 6-7, 2008

Announcements have been made the past couple of weeks, offering just a hint of the things to come as part of our Rally Day/Homecoming celebration to be held September 6th and 7th. The committee has been meeting and hammering out the details and now, WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! We have sign-up sheets posted where you can sign up to help out in various ways.

The sign-ups needed include:

- **Participation in the parade**
- **Musicians to play at the rally day service**
- **Request for pictures to loan for collages to display at the activities**
- **Able to loan a card table for the dance- needed Sept. 6th.**
- **Request for cheerleaders for the service**
- **Volunteers to help transport shut-ins to the activities if they are unable to drive themselves- We want as much of our congregation to participate as possible. If you would be willing to give a ride to someone, please sign-up.**
- **Bingo helpers for the Sunday bingo**
- **People to assist with the construction of the giant banana split**
- **Able to loan saw horses for the banana split construction - needed Sunday, Sept. 7**

Even if you can't do any of the above, we will still need your participation to help make this event a success. Mark your calendars for the following:

The Recreation Committee's - **Amazing Race on Saturday**, September 6th. The Wings will be hosting the **Homecoming Dance** on Saturday evening, September 6th. The Homecoming King & Queen will be announced at the Dance.

There will be a **Magician** performing during the Sunday School hour on September 7th.

We will have our special Rally Day/Homecoming worship service to be followed by an all Church Photo, Pot Luck lunch, Bingo, Activities for the Kids, and construction of the World's largest banana split.

Make sure you are wearing your official Greenmont Oak Park Church t-shirt during all of this.

Please make plans to participate and **SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH!!!!** If you have questions or would like to sign-up, please contact Anna Slaidins at 252-3345.

