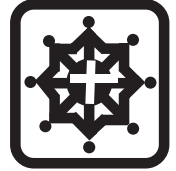


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ONE WHO
HEARS THESE
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...& PUTS THEM INTO
PRACTICE IS LIKE
A WISE MAN
WHO BUILT HIS HOUSE
ON THE ROCK.
MATTHEW 7:24

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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 -

Jerry Hager

Charles Warren

Frank Taylor

Robert Davis

"From the Pastor"

Join us in an inspirational Bible study entitled, Experiencing God.

I have invited Beth and Chet Anderson to lead our congregation in this bible study, Experiencing God. Most bible studies help people, this one can change us forever. While God is the one who actually changes people, God has used this study to show believers how to know God intimately, and it encourages them to step out in faith and join God in God's work – with miraculous results.

The Bible study on Experiencing God, will be held on Sunday evenings from 6-7:30, beginning September 28th. A participant study book is \$15.00. - Your Pastor & friend, Greg King



Sermon Bible Readings

Sept. 28
- Exodus 11& 12
Oct. 5
- Ex. 13:17-14:30
Oct. 12
- Ex. 15:22-17:7
Numbers 20:1-13

CROP Walk -Saturday, October 11th 2008

Island Metro Park, Registration: 9:30 AM, Walk begins Promptly at 10AM

Time to put on your sturdy walking shoes and join us October 11th. We will be on the same beautiful walk as last year, along the river. Once again 25% of the funds raised go to support our local Food Bank, which benefits our Food Pantry here at church.

CROP-Communities Responding to Overcome Poverty began over 60 years ago. Church World Service appealed to people in the U.S. to reach out. 19 carloads of flour for war victims in Europe were given by a small Kansas community. In the summer of 1947 the "Friendship Train" crossed the nation, picking up donated foodstuffs as it rolled east. The WWII devastation is now in our past, but the savagery of war continues as we see in Sudan, Sri Lanka, and the Middle East. Now, Church World Service continues to work in countries all over the world, assisting in emergencies, caring for refugees, and supporting families who struggle.

Just this week: CWS Emergency Response Specialists are in Louisiana and Texas this week to meet with partners and provide Church World Service Kits and Blankets, training and emergency response grants to local organizations focused on meeting the needs of the most vulnerable individuals and families.

Please, help support our CROP walk. See Anna Slaidins in the Gathering Place on Sept. 28th, or Connie Sink on Oct. 5th for a Cropwalker envelope or to make a donation. Your help is needed and appreciated. -Social Action Committee

Vital Statistics

Attendance Sept.21, 2008

8:45 - 19

10:45 - 108

Sunday School - 38

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

Jerry Hager - Sept. 22
Barb Lyttle - Sept. 22
Jenny Lyttle - Sept. 22
Joe Farren - Sept. 23
Sadie Popik - Sept. 23
Bonnie Foster - Sept. 26
Fred Foskuhl - Sept. 26
Sarah Goodner - Sept. 26
Taylor Medlin - Sept. 26
Stephanie Smith - Sept. 28
Jim Weyrauch - Sept. 29
Zac Donovan - Sept. 30



In Our Prayers

Nate Anderson - in Vietnam
Mildred Berk
Margaret Cobb - Walnut Creek
Margaret Dill - Masonic Home
Jamie Geswein
Gene Gibson

Sharon 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
Jim & Mary Leaman
Peggy Lewis
Rob Lovett
Nancy Lyttle
Barbara Lyttle
Bob McCray
Deloris Miller
Marcella Miller
Michael Ourfalian - Iraq
Mr/Mrs Patterson - Liberty Woods
Ron Rearick - in Afghanistan
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.

"Contemporary Adult Sunday School"

The Contemporary Adult Sunday School has begun discussing the book "The Great Awakening: Reviving Faith and Politics in a Post-Religious Right America" by Jim Wallis. The book discusses how politics is shaped by theology, moral philosophy and spirituality. Wallis calls upon religious communities to resist partisan politics in the search for common ground and meaningful social change. The book also identifies the role of spiritual revival in social upheavals of the past such as the abolitionist movement, the civil rights era, anti-apartheid in South Africa and the Solidarity Movement in Poland. We will discuss the issues that pose the largest threats to our moral integrity. Please join us Sunday mornings at 9:30 across from the kitchen.

Members Art Exhibit

Have you seen the display of art by church members in the Hilty Room? If not, stop in - you'll be impressed by all the talent. The exhibit which will be up until the middle of October features paintings by Pasko Evanoff, Ellen Farra, Ruth Fulmer, Elizabeth Kigar, Diana Knowlton, and Paul Marcum.

Thanks to all of them for sharing their artistic talents with us. - Doris Alexander

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"Mystery Trip Planned"

WINGS Ladies mark your calendar for Sunday, October 5th, we will be going on a mystery trip. We plan to leave following the 10:45 worship service for an afternoon trip. "Mystery Details" & sign-up will be posted on the WINGS bulletinboard.

"Chalk Artist to visit"

The WINGS will be hosting a PotLuck Dinner and Art program for everyone, Sunday evening, Oct. 12, here at the church. We will share in a potluck meal starting at 5:30 PM, followed by special guest, Esther Frye, sharing her Gospel Chalk Art program.

Eshter Frye is from Jamestown, Ohio, and is in her mid 90's now, and has shared her passions for the Gospel and art over her lifetime with many people in many countries. She is a world award winning Christian chalk artist.

So mark your calendar to join us for this special evening.

"Cake Walk"

Our Church is a member of Cluster 5, which is a group of local UCC, we do mission projects, share resources and information as a larger group. This past summer our group decided on a mission project to help the Miamisburg Youth Center which has lost over \$19,000.00 funding from United Way. We decided on an Oktoberfest to be help on Sunday, October 12, 2008 from 12:00 to 3:00 pm at Trinity UCC in Miamisburg. Our contribution will be a cake walk booth, thus, we will need donations of cakes, cupcakes or cookies. We don't want a whole cake to award but 1/2 cakes (one layer) with icing, sprinkles (anything to make it look appetizing). The cakes will need to be on a non-returnable platter and be at the church on September 12th. Please call Anna Slaidins, 252-3345, with any question. It would also be helpful if you plan to donate to give her a call so that she can plan appropriately

Bread for the World Update"

Last spring the Social Action Committee initiated our annual Offering of Letters of Bread for the World. We asked for letters to our representatives supporting a new farm bill that is fairer to struggling US farm families and hungry and poor



people around the world. On June 18, 2008, the US farm bill was enacted into law despite vetoes by President Bush. It expires fiscal year 2012. The final law includes a significant increase - approximately \$10.3 billion over 10 years - in nutrition assistance. The bill maintains the status quo on commodity payments for generally wealthy farmers, but BFW's efforts have changed the debate about the farm bill and made nutrition the most critical component of the bill. It also highlighted the unfairness of our commodity pieces. Your efforts made a difference. Thank you. The Social Action Committee



"GOPCC helping to sponsor Mission Work in Vietnam"

Mission Outreach was asked to help sponsor Nate Anderson, grandson of Joe Farren, for mission work in Vietnam. Nate has committed himself to serving God by going to Vietnam to teach and share the Christian faith. He spent a month of intense training before leaving in early Sept. He is one of several missionaries working in Vietnam. He has recently called home, and he is in the cultural adjustment phase of his journey, but beginning to connect and communicate with people more. He is representing himself as a part of our GOPCC global mission work, and is very grateful for the support. - Nova Kigar.

ENTERTAINMENTBOOKS

The Fairmont National Honor Society is selling Entertainment books for their fund raiser. For only \$25.00 you can save over \$900 in the Kettering Area! Here is a small sample of your savings: Save \$69 at La Comedia Dinner Theatre; \$160 at Meijers, GFS \$15, Showcase Cinemas \$30, Christopher's Restaurant \$35, Sherwin-Williams \$35.

Using the Entertainment book once or twice will pay for the book's cost.

Call Craig and Ryan Sink for your entertainment book. #294-7094

"Praying in Color"

Check out the church bulletin boards for health and wellness opportunities. Our church is part of the Good Samaritan Health Ministries Program, and we occasionally get information to share with the church. "Praying in Color" is an upcoming workshop; see the pamphlet on the board.

If you can't attend the workshop, you might look for the book, Praying in Color: Drawing a New Path to God by Sybil MacBeth.

If you have health ministry information you'd like to share, please see Lisa Bleeke, and I'll see about getting it posted. Thanks! Lisa Bleeke, Health Ministry Team

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.

"Please stay in touch - and hold in prayer"

Church family member Ron Rearick has been deployed to Afghanistan for 6 months, and the family would appreciate your prayers, cards, letters or emails.

Ron's addresses are:

Air Force Reserve Command
Ronald E Rearick
Chief Enlisted Manager
755 ECES / UD
APO AD 09354



email:

ronald.e.rearick@afghan.swa.army.mil

50th Anniversary



Green-Oak Preschool began in Sept. 1958. On that first day of School, there were three children enrolled. We have grown! We have 170 enrolled today.

We will be celebrating our 50th anniversary all school year. If you, your family or friends have attended Green-Oak and are at least 18 years old, we would like to have you complete an alumni information sheet. You may pick one up in the Preschool or Church office. We will create a "Honor Our Graduates!" bulletin board with them. - Ruth Fulmer

"2009 Slate of Officers still need good people to share in the work & leadership of the church."

Anna Slaidins stepped forward at the Sept. Official Board meeting to accept the nomination for Official Board Chairperson. We are grateful for her willingness to be our leader for the coming year. We still need a Vice Chairperson to work with Anna for 2009.

We still need more participation from persons in becoming active Committee members, and some Committee Chairpersons. This is a busy and active church with much reward, spiritual growth and friendship from participation. There are ways to serve covering many areas of interest: from organizing social events, for those who enjoy the kitchen and bringing people together for meals, to yard & maintenance work, love of music, growing membership - meeting new people, sharing & creating great worship experiences, sharing how great & loving our God is with the community and leading our youth to know & have a relationship with God. Come experience all this and more together with your church family.

We know we have many members with many talents, now is the time to get involved, the rewards are greater than you can imagine!

Junior & Senior Youth Groups Meet Sunday Evenings at 6PM



"The Pumpkin Patch appears again"

Look for the sign-up sheet to help the youth with their fall pumpkin patch fundraiser event. The Pumpkins will be coming on Saturday, Oct. 11 at 8 AM. We need your help in unloading pumpkins that morning and then volunteering as sales persons at our pumpkin patch during school hours throughout the sale.

The youth are excited about this fundraiser, last year it was fun and earnings were good, and we met people from the community and felt we served the community, by giving out some pumpkins to families in need. We ask for the adults help and are grateful for their support in fulfilling this project. - Sheri Parrett & the Youth.



