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Chimes



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*Lord, you have been
our dwelling place
in all generations.
- Psalm 90:1*

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GREETERS:

Office Hours

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Robert Duerr
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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 -
Les George
Pasko Evanoff
Ron Dill
Mike Hanes



"From the Pastor"

Adopt a Pew Sunday

The Vitality Task Force and I are inviting you to adopt a pew for Sunday November 23, 2008 – Thanksgiving Sunday. We want our church filled on Thanksgiving Sunday as we worship together, praising and giving thanks to God for all the goodness and loving kindness we received throughout the year. Invite your friends, your co-workers, family members, neighbors, and church family members you have not seen in a while. Tell them you want to take them to dinner after you worship together; and bring them to our Thanksgiving dinner in the Donut Room following the 10:45 service. You can adopt more than one pew too. Contact the church to let us know how many pews we need to reserve for you. As a fun incentive, the person who brings the most guests with them to worship will receive gift certificates from Coldstone Creamery to treat everyone in their pew to ice cream. Please keep in mind, the goal of this event is to bring in folks that have not worshipped with us before or do not attend regularly. All of our regular attendees to our worship services are expected to be hosts, not guests.

"Special Offering Combined This Year"

The Official Board decided to combine the Thanksgiving and Christmas Special Offerings again this year. We will equally divide the offerings up to a value of \$2400 between Daybreak, House of Bread, Neighbors in Need, St Vincent De Pauls, Veterans of the Cross, and YWCA's Battered Women's program, If we exceed the total of \$2400, the donations above the 2400 will then be given to the church operating budget. Special giving envelopes will be coming out in the Chimes soon.



Sermon Bible Readings

Nov. 9
- Lev. 2;1-3, 13
Nov. 16
- Exodus 32
- Numbers 11, 14, 16, 21
Nov. 23
- Deut. 10, 11, & 34
- Hebrews 3 & 11



Vital Statistics

Attendance Nov. 2, 2008

8:45 - 24
10:45 - 116
Sunday School - 44

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)
Aug. '08	\$15,267	(+ \$724)
Sept. '08	\$11,608	(- \$2,934)
Oct. '08	\$10,494	(- \$4,049)

Our total deficit to date is -\$22,193

Happy Birthday

Charles Warren - Nov. 9
Sasha Taylor - Nov. 9
Jim Farra - Nov. 11
Paula Geswein - Nov. 12
Guy Robinette - Nov. 14



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
Mildred Heath - Walnut Creek
Judy Hirshman (Chaney)
Katie Horvat
Opal Hunter - Crestview Manor
Lottie Jaeger
Paul Jarusiewicz
Dan Jones - Patriot Ridge Nursing
Howard Jordan
Dorothy & Wayne Knapp
Dustin Knowlton
Jimmy & Mary Lehman
Peggy Lewis
Nancy Lyttle
Barbara Lyttle
Charles Mahoney
Bob McCray
Deloris Miller
Marcella Miller - Oak Creek Terr.
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 - Bethany Luth. Vlg.
Evelyn Wheeler
Marlene Wimpy
Vera Westfall - Heartland Centerville
Diane Yost



Please let the church office know, how God is answering prayers in our lives.



What a HUGE Success!!

THANK YOU ALL for helping out with the pumpkin patch fundraiser sale. We raised \$2,653.91 for the Junior & Senoir Youth programs and activities. It was a huge success!

We couldn't have done it without you. We are very grateful, Sherri Parrett & the Youth Groups



Upcoming Youth Events

Sunday, Nov. 9 - after church pizza lunch, then \$6 Man movie
Sunday, Nov. 16 - 6PM Bon Fire, Smores, & fellowship
Friday, Nov. 21 - 9PM - 12 AM Cosmic bowling, Woodman Lanes
Sunday, Nov. 23 - following church Help out with Thanksgiving Dinner
Sunday, Nov. 30 - following church Help hang the greens, then play games.

THANKYOU CROPWALK SUPPORTERS

On October 11, 2008, 7 CROP walkers from our church participated in the Dayton Area CROP Walk. Thank you to Anna Slaidins, Laura Von Holle, Lisa Bleeke, Steve Simmons, Glenna Fourman, Carol Landing, and Carol Hildebrecht.

The walkers have received \$545 from our church community, and it has been deposited to Church World Service/CROP. (25% of this amount will go towards our Dayton area Food Bank) Thank you again for your generous support!

Social Action Committee

Newer Volunteers we Thank You!!

Mission Outreach wants to recognize and thank our newer volunteers that assist the Food Pantry is so many ways. They have been a tremendous help over the past year. Suzanne Slaidins-Dull, Ben Barnett, Amy Karl, & Meg Roalef help with unloading and restocking shelves with food a couple times a month. Toni Bailey helps serve families with groceries on the Wed. night team. Arlene Uldrich also helps feed families on Saturdays and assists with some paperwork. And Pat White helps with some paperwork. THANK YOU ALL for loving our neighbors through this Mission work.

Congregational Meeting Held



Sunday, Nov. 2, we had 85 people attend the Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church Annual Congregational meeting. Anna Slaidins led the meeting, and Frank Lakins shared financial status information with us.

We are currently, 2008, in a deficit situation with the operating budget, by \$22,193. Frank stressed that we can still make a difference in this situation. He and the Finance Committee challenged us to not let the offering plate pass us by without putting something in it, even if we have met our pledge. They are asking us to go the second mile, if possible.

The Official Board and Finance Committee proposed a new 2009 Ministry Spending plan of \$193,500. This is an increase of a modest 2.65% increase over this years budget. There were decreases made in Mission Outreach and Administrative spending, holding all other program spending the same as this year, and an increase of 3% for staff salaries. The new budget was approved by the congregation.

The 2009 slate of officers was reviewed and approved by the congregation. We still have two open chair positions to fill, the

Finance/Stewardship and Social Committees. Anna asked for nominations from the floor or any guidance for filling these positions. We also have several Vice-Chair positions to fill in preparation for the following year. Please pray and ask God to reveal how you can serve our church and His work through us.

An Endowment report shared that the principle of our funds have remained sound, but there is almost no interest growth, this year. So we will not be able to offer any program grants for the coming year. - Nova Kigar, recording secretary

Survey Help Wanted



WINGS would appreciate your opinions regarding WINGS programs. Please stop by the upper level of the Gathering Place to complete a short questionnaire after church services on Nov. 9. This will help prepare for the WINGS election on Wed. Nov. 12.

Ladies, mark your calendar for this important November 12, meeting. We will be electing our new officers for the coming year.

Time, Talent & Treasure surveys can still be turned in over the next 2 Sundays. Extra copies are available from the table at the back of the sanctuary. - Stewardship Comm.

Letter Writer's for Our Sponsored Children

Our Church sponsors 4 children through two agencies, and Mission Outreach is looking for someone to correspond regularly with each child. These kids appreciate our financial support and write us letters regularly. It would mean a lot for these kids to hear back that we care about them. If you have the time to help make our sponsorship more personal for one of these kids, please call the Church office or Brian Donovan at 294-6015.


"Silent Applause"

Hi! My name is Jane Simmons and I am the Chairperson of the Music Committee. I have two things I want to share with you.

1- If you appreciate our anthem's and it inspires you in any way, can we try the silent applause response: Elbows to your side and lift your arms and hands up, then wave your hands back and forth! If this is not enough for your response, then please tell any choir member after the service how it inspired you.

2- I am searching for a Vice Chair person for the Music Committee. Do you have to sing or know music? No, in fact the person before me was Elizabeth Sumner and she was

a great chair person! Thank you Elizabeth. The only thing it does require is being a member of GOPCC. In next weeks Chimes, I will tell you more about the job. Please prayerfully think if the good Lord is calling you for this work? Love in Christ, Jane Simmons, Music Committee

*"I have hidden
Your Word
in my heart  that
I might NOT SIN
against you." - Psalm
119:11*



"Feature Film Premier"

How can a man who lost his wife, his job and his home keep his daughter and himself on a road to recovery? What would that recovery look like?

\$6 MAN, a recent entry at the Sundance Film Festival, is the story of Blake Sorenson, a young father who, having lost his wife and job, finds himself on the streets with his young daughter, Natalie, trying to survive off of a mere six dollars a day, while attempting to assist other homeless individuals around him and battling the government powers-that-be. "**\$6 MAN** is not a story about homeless people, but rather, the tale of a father and daughter trying to discover how to make a path for themselves when all the poles and props that hold life up seem to be yanked away and all that's left is your sense of humor and whatever love you can carry," says Jonathan Richard Cring, father and screen-writer.

Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church located at 1921 Woodman Drive in Kettering will be hosting the area premier of the award-winning independent film, \$6 MAN, at 2:00 PM, Sunday, November 9th, 2008.

\$6 MAN. was produced by the Extra/Ordinary Film Project, headquartered in Nashville, Tennessee. The Extra/Ordinary Film Project

Company has created and premiered twelve feature-length films in twelve months. "We believe in making films that are a 'return to the great story,' says Jon Russell Cring, director and co-founder of the film company.

There is no admission fee, the plate will be passed and DVDs will be available. Clips and a preview can be seen at www.extraordinaryfilmproject.com/sixdollarman.htm.



"Guests are Coming for Thanksgiving Dinner"

Celebrating a fellowship meal together is a great way to experience the fullness of God. Come church family and guests to share in this bountiful harvest meal, Sunday, Nov. 23.

As Pastor Greg said in his article, we will be hosts to guests on this Sunday, and we need your help with set up, or cooking food (at your home), serving help, and clean up. A signup sheet is posted on the church bulletinboard to help out with this traditional meal. Please join in this memorable tradition.

We are also asking those attending to bring in a dessert to share, please cut the dessert so it is ready to serve.
- Thank You

