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Sunday

WORSHIPLEADER:

GREETERS:
Sheri Parrett

Office Hours

9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.
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Pastor:

Rev. Gregory King
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Youth Leader:

Sheri Parrett

Admin. Chairman:

Anna Slaidins

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Nova Kigar

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Choir Director:

Robert Duerr

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 -

Frank Taylor

Jerry Archer

"From the Pastor"

"...Good Teacher, what must I do to inherit eternal life?" Luke 18:18.



An old man was dying. He related his consistent compromise with life. In college he put off a personal decision about the Christian faith because he said he did not have all the facts. After college he became engulfed in personal advancement in business. Then, when he was married and had a family, he attended church because it was good for the family, but Christ meant little to him as a Person. Now his family is raised and he was retired. As he looked back over his life, he realized that he had never done anything which would make the world different because he had lived.

This Sunday, May 3rd, we have six young men and women making a decision to live for Christ. That means they are making a decision to make a difference in this world. Indeed they will keep eternal and abundant life within them as they keep Christ their Lord before their eyes. They will make a difference in this world. Congratulations: Joseph Hager, Geoffrey Lewis, Taylor Medlin, Joshua Parrett, Macie Popik, and Garrett Rayney. God has chosen you to help build the kingdom of God on earth as it is in heaven. What an awesome responsibility! What a fantastic adventure! What a joyful life!

Your friend and Pastor, Greg King



"Seeking New Members"

We will be receiving new members into our church family on Sunday, May 31. If you know anyone who may want to join, please, ask them to call the church office or give their names to me. Thanks, Lisa Bleeke, Membership Committee 294-2962

"We're Invited"

Mark your calendar for Wednesday, May 13th to have a meal and share time with Africa Missionary, Susan Valequette, at Hawker UCC, in Beavercreek. Susan is a Miami Valley Native, who along with her husband have been serving South Africa for several years now. There will be a carry-in dinner, with main dishes provided, just bring a side dish or dessert. The informal program will begin at 7:15 PM, with plenty of time for questions and conversation.

Vital Statistics

Attendance April 26, 09

8:45 - 16
10:45 - 129
Sunday School - 36

Offering - Operating Income (monthly budget need - \$16,125)

	<u>Income rec'd</u>	<u>+/- Amt.</u>
Jan. '09	\$16,653	+ 475
Feb. '09	\$12,298	- 3,827
Mar. '09	\$14,598	- 1,527

Happy Birthday

Marilyn Jones - May 5
Ann Smith - May 5
Barb Etter - May 6



In Our Prayers

Liz Ancil
Nate Anderson - in Vietnam
Charles Barlow - in Iraq
Glenda Boddie
Bill Chimell
Esther Crowley - Trinity Home
Margaret Dill - Masonic Home
Harriett Edwards
Jim Farra
Jamie Geswein
Gene Gibson
Dawn Gilmore
Beverly Guffey
Mildred Heath - Walnut Creek

Judy Hirshman (Chaney)
Katie Horvath
Opal Hunter - Crestview Manor
Lottie Jaeger
Dan Jones - Patriot Ridge Nursing
Marilyn Jones
Dustin Knowlton
Eric Landing
Schylur Leukhardt
Peggy Lewis
Nancy Lyttle
Barbara Lyttle
Bob McCray
Deloris Miller
Marcella Miller
Michael Ourfalian - Iraq
Mr/Mrs Patterson - Liberty Woods
Nancy Pratt



Rama Rengan
Guy Robinette - Walnut Creek
Cindy Romano
Mary Sampson - Liberty Woods
Sue Shroyer
Rev. Bob Smitley
Kathy Steele
Connie Swanson
Gloria Van Camp
Mary Vance
Flo Warner
Charles Warren
Evelyn Wheeler
Vera Westfall
Wilma Yost

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

"We're Collecting Graduate Information"



Please contact the church office, 252-6705, with any graduate information, so it might be shared in the church newsletter. - Christian Education

"Youth News"

CAR WASH - MAY 2, 11AM to 2PM

The Youth groups at Greenmont Oak -Park Community Church, are raising money for summer camp and other activities for the summer break. This will keep kids involved and help develop community with our youth.

We will be going back in time to an old favorite for an evening of "Let's Make A Deal". The show will be Saturday, May 16th, at 7PM. We invite all to come join us in a fun evening of fund-raising as we "Make Deals" to win prizes behind curtain #1, #2 or #3. You can dress up as any characters if you wish, or not. Come be spectators or contestants. It will be a fun night. - Sheri Parrett & the Youth



Pictorial Directory Reminder

Life Touch Photography will be at our church May 28, 29 and 30th to take your picture! Please consider a time that is good for you and your family to be photographed. You can sign up on the chart in the Gathering Place or call the church office, 252-6705 or Lisa Bleeke, 294-2962 and we will write you in. The online scheduling will not be set up.

If you don't get a chance to sign up yourself, the Membership Committee will be calling you. This is a great opportunity to get a family picture taken, receive a free 8-10 photo of your choosing, and receive a complimentary directory. You will also be helping to make our directory a success and helping the Food Pantry, as well. Life Touch will donate money to our Food Pantry for every family who get their picture taken. If you bring a canned good that day, you will receive a \$5 coupon toward any photos ordered.

YOU ARE UNDER NO OBLIGATION TO PURCHASE ANY PICTURES. You don't have to spend a dime, but please come get your picture taken! - Remember your canned goods! Thank you for your love and support - Membership Committee

OFFERING OF LETTERS MAY 17th

Bread for the Worlds Offering of Letters at our church is approaching!

Bread for the World (BFW) is a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad. By changing policies, programs, and conditions that allow hunger and poverty to exist, we provide help and opportunity far beyond the communities where we live.

God's grace in Jesus Christ moves us to help our neighbors, whether they live in the next house, the next state, or the next continent. Food is a basic need, and it is unjust that so many people must go without enough to eat. We can end hunger in our time. Everyone, including our government, must do their part. With the stroke of a pen, policies are made that redirect millions of dollars and affect millions of lives. By making our voices heard in Congress, we make our nation's laws more fair and compassionate to people in need.

Each year BFW invites churches and groups across the country to take up a nationwide Offering of Letters to Congress on an issue that is important to hungry people. Here at our church, we have participated in many Offering of Letters and our letters have made a difference! A few examples of past Offering of Letters' results: strengthening

of US nutrition programs; in sub-Saharan Africa projects were successful in improving agriculture, clean water, health and education; establishing the Millennium Challenge Account, a program aimed at reducing poverty and fighting corruption in the world's poorest nations.

On May 17th our church will be participating in Bread for the World's 2009 Offering of Letters. We are urging Congress to reform U.S. foreign assistance so it does a better job using our nation's resources to reduce hunger and poverty in our world.

More details will follow in next week's Chimes. - Connie Sink, Social Action Committee

"Take Me Out To The Ball Game"

The Recreation Committee has planned a family outing to the, Saturday, May 30, Dayton Dragon's ball game. We will eat a light meal at the church (5 PM) before we leave for the evening game. The ticket cost is \$14.00/person. Tickets are limited, so it is first come-first serve. Please sign-up as soon as possible. Please contact Jamie Meldin if you have any questions at 252-4657.



"New Women's Bible Study"

Due to good participation and great fellowship in the women's Bible study that was just completed, the women were anxious to begin another study. So, beginning June 1, a new Bible study series will begin and continue each Monday evening for the next nine weeks. Don't let the length of the series keep you from participating; just come when you can. The new study will be based on the book "What's So Amazing About Grace," by Philip Yancey, and will be led by Joyce Kelley and Jane Simmons. More information will be coming soon regarding the price for a copy of the softcover book, and a sign-up sheet will be posted on the bulletin board so we will know how many books to order.



"Twice the Joy & Excitement!"

Congratulations go to proud parents, Leslie & Philip Freytag, and grandparents, Jerry & Helen Hager, upon the birth of twin girls, Samantha Grace and Elizabeth Lorraine on Thursday, April 23rd, in Columbus, Ohio. We rejoice in the Hope God gives us in sharing in these new lives. - May God's blessings be with this new family.

"Thank You"

Dear Friends,
The first day of spring has come again and we have entered the season of hope. We want you to fully realize that your continued support *truly does give hope to all of us here at the House of Bread: guests, volunteers and staff.* Without your help we would not be able to continue to provide nourishment to the hungry who show up at our door each and every day. Thank you for your continued, generous support. Sincerely, Bill Evans, Executive Director

Greenmont Church,
On behalf of the YWCA of Dayton I would like to thank you for your generous gift designated to the Battered Women's Shelter. We deeply appreciated your support. Sincerely, Erma Link, YWCA



"Correction"

For those who are sending cards to my grandson, Charles Balow, in Iraq, there is a corrections to the zip code. His correct address is:
Charles Barlow
VAQ 142 Unit
25416
F.P.O. RE 09389



Celebrate Mother's Day
at the

"Here For You"

"All Daughters' Brunch"
10:00 AM
Saturday, May 9th
Nedelko's
Banquet & Reception Hall

"Youth fades; love droops;
the leaves of friendship fall;
A mother's secret hope outlives them all."
—Oliver Wendell Holmes

WINGS committee members are happy to see many of you have registered to attend the 4th annual, "All Daughter's Brunch" to be held in just a little over one week! Please keep in mind the *last Sunday to register is this Sunday, May 3rd* (already!). It's important to register as soon as possible so we can let the caterer know how many to prepare for. We're really looking forward to celebrating, singing and enjoying a meal with everyone! There is a sign-up sheet posted on the WINGS bulletin board, also Diane Knowlton and Loretta Liesch will be in the Gathering Place following 2nd service to accept your payment. Please make checks payable to GOPCC with a notation on the bottom to "WINGS." The brunch cost is \$14.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children under 10. Included with the program will be; several nice door prizes, a *delicious* brunch, your picture with your loved one, and a special activity for the youth.

We're very excited about the program and believe you'll be delighted with the presentation from authors, Jerri Lawrence & Kay

Williams who completed the novel, *One Last Dance* started by their father, Mardo Williams, a journalist for 44 years. The book has received numerous excellent reviews and is the winner of the 2006 Independent Publisher Book Award and a finalist for the National Readers' Choice Award. Several WINGS officers have read the book and enjoyed its' important message about perseverance and living life to its fullest, never giving up no matter what one's age! Our brunch theme this year is, **"Here for You"** in honor of our own mothers, grandmothers, and so many of the other women who have played an important role in our lives as they have been there for us as we have grown. Please join us in celebrating and thanking God for the many blessings He has given us through our mothers. Also, if you want to "adopt" a mother or daughter for the day, what an honor that would be for someone you care about! In Christ, Nikki Taylor, WINGS President

Kenya Trip - Car Wash

Saturday, May 2 between 10 AM and 2 PM the youth of the SONKA Africa trip group will be holding a CAR WASH at David's UCC, 170 W. David Rd. in Kettering. The proceeds will go toward the group trip this summer. - Thank you, Sarah Goodner

