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Community Church 1921 Woodman Drive Kettering, Ohio 45420

Greenmont-Oak Park



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The Family Fall Festival is Oct. 23 & 24th 12 noon to 4 PM

| WORSHIP LEADER: | |
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| Bob Colvin | |
| GREETERS: | |
| Jane Simmons | |
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Admin. Chairperson: Ashley Steinbrunner

Choir Director: Rob Duerr Organists: Jacque Fisher Mary Jane McBride Shelley Outlaw

Chapel Worship: 8:45 AM Morning Worship: 10:45 AM Sunday School: 9:30 AM Bible Adventure: 10:45 AM

| Ushers: | |
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| 8:45 AM | 10:4 <u>5 AM</u> |
| Gary Etter | Jerry Archer |
| Arlene Uldrich | Bob Karl |
| Charlene Brown | |



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"Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us." Hebrews 12:1.

During these few days I took off for retreat/vacation time, I enjoyed walking through these beautiful, sunny, warm fall days with Patti.. As I strolled along appreciating the fall's inspirational colors and watching many of these red, orange, yellow leaves drift slowly to the ground, I found myself sighing. I was not sure at first what triggered this feeling until I discovered that it was connected with the leaves falling from the trees. The trees were letting go of its glory and majesty.

It was the idea of "letting go." That was what was creating the sighing in me. Nostalgia was mingled in the sighing. I was remembering our children when they were infants and toddler age, their early grade school years, growing through their junior and senior high years. I was reminiscing my childhood years of jumping and playing in giant piles of leaves, playing football games under the lights, playing soccer in college in a field surrounded by trees, surrounded by the colors of fall. н Each stage was the letting go of something in order to walk through a time of tran-Е sition into another stage of living.

Fall is a season of our lives and it just does not have to happen in October. It can happen any time. We find ourselves having to let go as we continue living our lives. Some of these "letting go" things are very painful and some are not. Sometimes we emotionally resist letting go of things and we protest long after the physical act of letting go occurred.

What "letting go" are you facing today? Some, like me must let go of our children and let them live adult lives, let them make adult mistakes, let them cope through their letting go transitions. Sometimes we have no control of letting go although emotionally we still try to cling to what already is gone like: letting go of our spouse because of death or divorce; letting go of our home and moving into a smaller home, a retirement home, a nursing home; letting go of our youthful health; or letting go of our job or career. This is where we can pray a prayer like the one Reinhold Niebuhr taught us, "God, grant me serenity to accept the things I cannot change..."

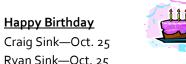
Letting go of our guilt and shame is just as important. They weigh us down so much we can hardly walk forward physically and emotionally. Guilt and shame clings so close to us we find ourselves dragging through life or stumbling each step we make in our lives. Letting go is part of our physical, emotional, and spiritual world. It is a part of life that we must accept if we are to grow, and like a tree, spring new buds that brings new life.

Letting go is something we must all do, but we do not have to do it alone. We have a great cloud of witnesses to help us, encourage us, and guide us as we

| Everyone Counts— Statistics |
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| Attendance—Oct. 17 '10 |
| 8;45 — 25 |
| 10:45 — 67 |
| Sunday school — 28 |
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Offering-operating income

| (Monthly budget need is \$15,850) |
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| Income rec'd +/- Amt. |
| Jan. '10 - \$22,844 + 6,986 |
| Feb. '10 - \$12,189 -3,669 |
| Mar. `10 - \$13,117 - \$2,741 |
| April `10 - \$12,554 - \$3,201 |
| May `10 - \$15,173 - \$677 |
| June `10 - \$10, 513 - \$5,337 |
| July `10 - \$11,320 - \$4,530 |
| Aug. '10— \$11,863 - \$3,987 |
| Sept. '10 - \$11,629 - \$4,121 |
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Ryan Sink—Oct. 25 Joyce Kelley—Oct. 27 Mason Dull—Oct. 28 Robbie Von Holle—Oct 28

Happy Birthday

In Our Prayers

Doris Alexander **Robert Andino Cheryl Barnett** Glenda Boddie **Reagan Bradshaw** Allen & Cletta Dicks Jim Farra Donna Foskuhl Gene Gibson Linda George Jamie Geswein Dawn Gilmore Beverly Guffey Judy Hirshman Vern Hine Carol Hildebrecht Loren Houck Marilyn Jones Paul Jarusicwic Dustin Knowlton Erik Landing Mary Lehman Nancy Lyttle Mantia family Paul Marcum, Jr Lauren McClure Greg Moldovan Karolina O'Donnell CindyRamono Harriet Shawhan Laura Ruppert Gloria Van Camp Flo Warner **Evelyn Wheeler** Vera Westfall





Those in Nursing Care

Mary Willett

Mary Lou Chaney – Bethany Vlg. Margaret Cobb – Walnut Creek Margaret Dill – Masonic Home Marion Farren—Trinity Home Mildred Heath – Walnut Creek Opal Hunter – The Sanctuary Lottie Jaeger – The Oaks, West Kett Will Jaeger – Grafton Oaks Dan Jones – Patriot Ridge Nursing Lena Patterson – Liberty Woods Charles Warren – East Moline, IL

Military

Charles Barlow—Afghanistan Ian Beall – Iraq Michael Beall – Irag Scott Certain – Afghanistan Andrew Hayden – Iraq Tyler Mantia – USA Michael Mantia – USA Nathan Nicholas—Korea Brian Nicholas—USA Adam Reeves—USA Kevin Stites—Bahrain Kevin White—Afghanistan

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MYSTERY TRIP REVEALED

What a gorgeous, sunny Sunday afternoon for the WINGS ladies to enjoy the Mystery Trip! It was absolutely delightful to be outdoors with record setting temperatures in the upper 80's! Our first stop was a yummy luncheon at the Spaghetti Warehouse in downtown Dayton. After lunch, we drove to Wood-

land Cemetary for their annual historical tour of noted historical gravesites. We visited the gravesites of John Van Cleve, one of the city's important leaders and Woodland's founder, along with stops at the gravesites of Wilbur and Orville Wright, poet Paul Laurence Dunbar. Matilda and Levi Stanley, Queen and King of the Gypsies; Virginia Kettering and entrepreneurs John H. Patterson (NCR), George Mead (Mead Paper), and Preserved Smith (Barney & Smith Mfg. Co.) among others. At many pf the sites there were actors portraying the deceased and dressed in the time period in which they lived. It really was very interesting and more informative than we had expected it to be! Another interesting site was Woodland's Lookout Point – the highest point in the city - where we enjoyed a spectacular view of the Dayton skyline from a beautiful new gazebo just completed this year. All in all we enjoyed a great afternoon, learned some new facts about Dayton and enjoyed one another's Christian fellowship. If you missed this trip and would like to

If you missed this trip and would like to join us for future events we would love to have you join us. Please mark your calendars for Sunday, November 7th Shut-In visits!

In Christ, Nikki Taylor

WINGS ELECTIONS

How fast time goes by! Once again, it's time for WINGS Officers elections.

Please plan to attend the WINGS meeting on Wednesday, November 14th at 6:30 PM for election of officers for your WINGS leaders for the next two year term. There will be a meeting, refreshments and elections. Your input and vote counts! Please plan to attend and share your ideas for WINGS future. Thank you!

Blessings, Nikki Taylor



Thank You for your Prayers

My sister, Nancy Pratt has been on our prayer list for nearly two years. She continues to get positive reports from her medical professionals and can now consider herself to be a breast cancer survivor. God does answer prayers. Thank you for your part in supporting her through this difficult journey. _ Laura Von Holle

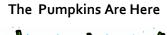


shake off the old and set ourselves up to walk forward in expectations of new life. "The old has passed away, behold, the new has come..." writes Paul. Christ gave himself as an example of letting go even to the point of letting go of life itself (life of this world) and dying in order to rise to new life. With Christ we have a powerful and eternal helper to help us let go and let God work new life in us and through as we mature into the fullness of Christ. "...Let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us."

Your friend and pastor, Greg King



We will remember those dearly departed who have received Christian burial this past year through our church, on Sunday, Oct. 31st.





Thank You All for helping us with our pumpkin sale!

We are having record sales of pumpkins, each day. It has turned into a great way to meet our community, through our pumpkin patch.

Mark your calendar for our Fall Festival weekend, Oct. 23 & 24, from 12 to 4 PM each day. <u>We will have</u> games, food, bake sale items, and of course pumpkins. Donations of tent awnings to borrow for this weekend would be appreciated. Contact Sheri, about the possibility of borrowing any awning or wagon items.

Come volunteer or support our Great Family Fall Festival weekend.

- Sheri Parrett, youth leader 475-5724





Great Chili Cookoff & Halloween Party—Oct. 31 THE WHOLE CHURCH IS INVITED

to come enjoy delicious chili recipes and see the youth of the

- church dressed in their Halloween costumes. There will be a friendly competition to see who has the BEST chili recipe.
- G We are asking for donations of wrapped candy and baked goods for dessert Please come and enjoy a frighteningly good time. Any questions, call Jamie Medlin, 252-

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Thurs. Oct 21— 4 PM Crusaders group Sat. & Sun—Oct. 23 & 24

12 to 4 Pm—Fall Festival

Youth Events Calendar

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Jr High LOCK-IN/ Halloween party , please contact Sheri or the office with your RSVP to attend.

Sat. - Oct. 30 - 8 PM Sr High Halloween Party

Annual Congregational Meeting Sunday, Nov. 7th, 2010

The Official Board is announcing that they have accepted the Finance Committee's 2011 church budget proposal. The new budget's total is \$188,306, representing a decrease of 1% from last year's budget. (This adds up to a 3% decrease over the past two years) The Finance Committee and the Official Board are working to be good stewards of our financial resources and still respond to God's specific call to our church to minister.

Mission Outreach— \$4,200 Programs—\$4,700 Maintenance—\$39,375 Administration— \$7,510 Staffing— \$132,521

Copies of the complete budget are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary.

Along with the budget, the 2011 nominee slate of officers will be available for review. We have a few positions that remain open and need filling. We are in need of: Board Administrative Chairperson and Vice Chair, Social Committee ,Staff Committee and Christian Education chairpersons, plus two Endowment Committee **nominees.** Please prayerfully consider giving of your time and talents in these positions. God has a purpose for our church, is He calling you to be a part of our leadership and ministry. Let us clearly listen for God's voice and call and direction.

We encourage all church members to attend the Annual congregational meeting on Nov. 7th, following the morning worship service. Any questions or concerns may be directed to Ashley Steinbrunner, Chairperson, Official Board.



Saturday & Sunday - Oct. 23 & 24th - 12 to 4 PM

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| Games: | F00 <u>d</u> : | FUN: |
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| Ring toss | pake <i>Sa</i> re | great p h oto Site |
| Football throw | carmel apples | CLOWN |
| PUMpKin Walk Basketball Hoop | Hot DogS/ HaMburgerS popcorN | Pony cart ride \$ JUMping Castle\$ |

Games : 50 C a ticket

(bring this coupon and get 2 Free game tickets or a Free hot dog)



proceeds support youth programs

