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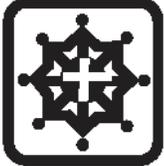


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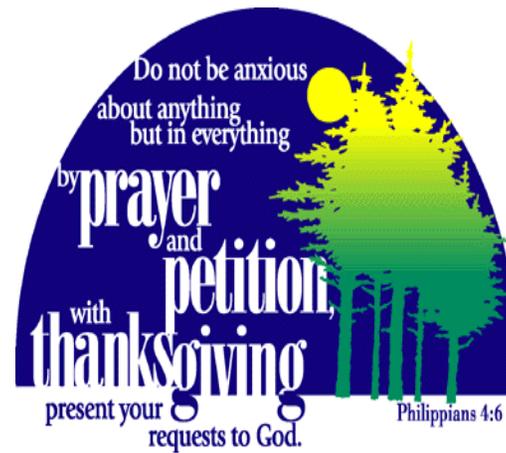
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Mary Jane McBride  
Shelley Outlaw

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

**Ushers:**

**8:45 AM**                      **10:45 AM**  
Gary Etter                      Jerry Archer  
Arlene Uldrich                      Bob Karl  
Charlene Brown

Someone once said, "the world is divided into guests and hosts." We know people who always seem to be guests wherever they are. They take no responsibility of a host for people's feelings, comfort, hospitality, needs and concerns. They are in the world to be served, not to serve. Someone else is always responsible to take care of them. They are the person who when they come into the room say, Well, here I am," rather than saying, "Well, looks who is here. I'm glad to see you! How 's it going?"

When we experience the meaning and power of the cross, we are guests in the world no longer. We now share with God the partnership of hosting life for others. That is how we need to see ourselves when we are at church as well as out into our daily activities.

The idea of a Christian being a host for others is liberating when it comes to being involved in creative witnessing. Most of us put off people when we think of our task of sharing the faith as a compulsive pressure to straighten out people's thinking and theology or rearranging their lives, or giving them advice. That is somewhat repulsive to most of us. But as a host we welcome people into our lives. We are concerned. Our major desire as a host for Jesus is that our guests enjoy themselves and feel accepted and loved. Guests feel important, welcomed, and free to be themselves.

That is what communicating the faith is all about. When the forgiving and accepting love of the cross of Christ has healed us at the core of our heart and soul, our abiding concern is for the guests that God puts in our lives. As hosts, if conversation, sharing of experience, inquiring into another person's need, patient listening and empathy are seen in the context of joyous listening, we will come across as a person whom others cannot resist. They will want to be with us and know our Savior.

Let us continue to be mindful that we are with God as hosts for those who come to our church and as host outside the church's four walls.

In Christ's love, Pastor Greg

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I am looking for subjects or topics of your interest for a sermon series and small group discussions. Please email me at:

pastor@greenmontoakpark.com or you can call or send it by mail.

Thanks for your input. - Pastor Greg

**Everyone Counts— Statistics**

**Attendance— Feb. 20, 2011**

8:45 — 20  
10:45 — 67  
Sunday school — 22

**Offering—operating income**

(Monthly budget need is \$15,850)  
Income rec'd +/- Amt.  
Dec. '10 - \$ 15,964 + \$114  
Jan. '11 - \$

**Happy Birthday**

Ellen Earwod—Feb. 27  
Janet Coleman—Feb. 28  
John "Jack" Schwarz—Feb. 29  
Gary Etter—Mar. 1  
Laura Ruppert—Mar. 4  
Katie Smitley— Mar. 4



**In Our Prayers**

Doris Alexander  
Ben Barnett  
Glenda Boddie  
Jim Farra  
Gene Gibson  
Jack Gilmore  
Beverly Guffey  
Vern Hine  
Diane Felt  
Jamie Geswein  
the Goldbergs  
Judy Hirshman  
Carol Hildebrecht



Edna Holland	Loren Houck
Marilyn Jones	Dan Jones
Paul Jarusicwic	Dustin Knowlton
Erik Landing	Mary Lehman
Nancy Lyttle	Paul Marcum, Jr
Bob McCray	Lauren McClure
Marcella Miller	Jenny Mount
Karolina O'Donnell	Cindy Ramono
Harriet Shawhan	Calire Riccos
Laura Ruppert	Danny Tomaz
Gloria Van Camp	Flo Warner
Evelyn Wheeler	
Vera Westfall	
Mary Willett	

**Those in Nursing Care**

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

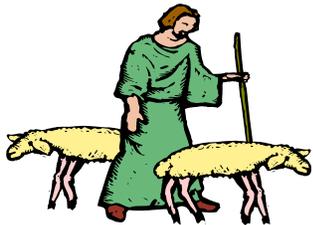
**Military**

Charles Barlow—USA  
(Jane Simmon's grandson)  
Scott Certain – Afghanistan  
(Jo Anne Jay's son-in-law)  
Andrew Hayden – USA  
(Edna Holland's grandson)  
Tyler Mantia – USA  
Michael Mantia – USA (Mantia family sons)  
Nathan Nicholas—Korea  
Brian Nicholas—USA (Nicholas family sons)  
Adam Reeves—USA (Edna's grandson)  
Sam Rogers— USA (Jen & Jim Roger's son)  
Casey Ryan - USA (Weyrauch son-in-law)  
Kevin Stites— Kuwait  
(Susie Stites grandson)

## World Day of Prayer

Trinity Community in Beavercreek invites SONKA churches to participate in a World Day of Prayer (WDP) service Friday, March 4, at 2 p.m. at the retirement facility, 3218 Indian Ripple Rd. Beavercreek.

Those interested in attending should call Chaplain Bev Jenkins at Trinity at 937/4268481 to let her know how many will attend. WDP is a worldwide ecumenical movement of Christian women who come together to observe a common day of prayer each year on the first Friday in March. Through World Day of Prayer, women affirm that prayer and action are inseparable.



Not one of all the good promises that the Lord had made... failed; all came to pass.

- Joshua 21:45

## Thank You

Thank you for the world so sweet,  
Thank you for the food we eat,  
Thank you for the birds that sing  
Thank you God, for everything.

Thank you for the people in my life,  
Thank you for keeping them free from strife,  
Thank you for the morning sun,  
Thank you God, the blessed One.

Thank you for my ability,  
Thank you for what makes me, me,  
Thank you for your loving care,  
Thank you God, for being there.

Thank you for the troubles I go through,  
Thank you for just being you,  
Thank you for joy in my heart,  
Thank you God, you'll not depart.

Thank you for the falling rain,  
Thank you for the aching pain,  
Thank you for the strength I find,  
Thank you God, for peace of mind.

Thank you for these lines I send,  
Thank you for being my best friend,  
Thank you for all who care,  
Thank you God, your word I'll share.

Thank you for my salvation,  
Thank you for this great nation,  
Thank you for all you provide,  
Thank you God, you're by my side.

Thank you God, the Father,  
Thank you God, the Son,  
Thank you God, the Holy Spirit,  
Thank you God, the Three in One.

Here's the challenge for today,  
As you bow your head to pray,  
For all He Gives, for all He's blessed,  
Let Him hear your thankfulness.

As Always, Alice Pomroy

## Successful Sandwich Sale

Green-Oak Preschool would like to thank each and every person who helped with our submarine sandwich sale. It was a tremendous success! Parents, teachers and church members made and sold 2, 170 sandwiches. The Preschool sold 1821 and the church sold 349 sandwiches. Our submarine sandwich sale earned a profit of \$5,598.15. The Preschool earned \$4,697.80. We now can offer some special programs for the preschoolers. The Church earned \$900.35. Thank you for your continued support!



## Day of Caring - Sunday, Feb 27 Pancake Brunch fundraiser

This annual event to raise money for the area hungry and homeless will be held at several area SONKA churches across the Miami Valley this coming Sunday. The Brunch will offer pancakes, sausage, coffee and juice. The cost is \$6.00 for adult and \$4.00 for children and Seniors.

The closest location for this special pancake brunch is at Oak Creek UCC, on Bigger Rd. in Kettering. They will serve brunch from 9 AM to 2 PM.



## "Traveling light"

I would like to start a 10 week study on the book "Traveling Light" by author Max Lucado. The basis of the book is The Promise of Psalm 23 and releasing the burdens we were never meant to bear. He refers to this as the luggage of life. We will study the 23<sup>rd</sup> psalm and how to use it on a daily basis following the study guide at the back of the book.

### The Luggage of life...Have you been known to pick up a few bags?

The suitcase of guilt. The trunk of discontent. A backpack of anxiety and a hanging bag of grief. Add on a briefcase of perfectionism, an overnight bag of loneliness, and a duffel bag of fear. No wonder we are so tired at the end of the day. Where do we turn for help? Let's take a close look at the 23<sup>rd</sup> psalm. Using these verses as a guide, Max Lucado walks us through a helpful inventory of our burdens. We will use this psalm to remind us to release the burdens you were never meant to bear.

### Start date Mar. 7<sup>th</sup> Monday, 7-8 PM.

There will be a cost for the book to be paid at start up. ( It will not exceed \$6.00) It will vary depending on the amount of people who sign up. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board. Any questions please call Carol Landing 256-6702.

Thanks, Carol Landing

**Youth Events Calendar**



**Adventure Bible Class on Sunday's following the children's sermon at the 10:45 worship service. (for ages 4 yrs through 5th grade)**

**5th quarter—Feb. 26—8 PM**

**Gene Simon's Memorial Service**



will be held at Greenmon-Oak Park Church on Saturday, Feb. 26. Visitation is at 2 PM Memorial Service is at 3 PM



**Our Ash Wed. Service is:**

**March 9, 2011 at 7 PM**

**Preschool**

**2011-2012 Registration to Begin**

On Monday, Feb. 28, at 9 AM we will begin REGISTRATION for fall classes for parents who have children currently enrolled at Green-Oak or parents who are members of Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church. Registrations will be accepted all week. If you need a specific class or time, I recommend that you register as soon as possible.

Green-Oak will be having an OPEN HOUSE on Saturday, March 5, from 1-3 PM. At 2 PM we will have "The Voyageur Puppets" perform on the stage in the Muscle Room. There will be balloons, popcorn and juice. Current students and their families are invited to take part in the activities. Also, prospective students and their families may wish to tour the facility, meet the teachers and have some refreshments. All are invited to join the festivities free of charge. After the puppet show, we will begin OPEN REGISTRATION for fall classes. We will continue to take registrations every day.

If you would like to know more about our program, checkout our website at [www.greenoakpreschool.com](http://www.greenoakpreschool.com) Also you may call the school office at 252-7840 and ask for Ruth Fulmer. I would

be glad to set up a time for you to visit our school. If you wish to register your child, I am available most mornings and Friday afternoons.



**Preschool  
Open House—March 5, 2011  
1-3 PM**



**"In Sympathy"**

We extend our prayers to Connie Sink and family upon the passing of Connie's father, Herbert Watjen. May God comfort the family at this time of loss. - Your GOPCC family

**"Thank You"**

Thanks for Pastor King and my church friends for your loving support during my recent recovery from surgery. I am very thankful to be feeling good now.

- Doris Alexander

**Keep Our**

**Sponsored Children in Prayer**

Through Christian Children's Fund we have been sponsors of children for more than 25 years, and have watched 4 youth grow up to adulthood. We currently sponsor two young girls from the USA, Zaynab from Mississippi and Skyla from Oklahoma.

Zaynab will be 18 in June, and Skyla is now 10 years old. Jacque Fisher and Lisa & Bethanne Bleeke have been penpals with the girls, over the past few years. Along with our regular sponsorship, we also offer special gifts for the girls at their birthdays, Easter and Christmas. We share letters and photo's of the girls as we receive them, by posting them on the church bulletin board.

In the USA, the program provides services to 12, 272 enrolled children and their families. It allows children to benefit from social and educational programs which promote their physical and emotional well being and growth. They work to promote valuing, protecting and advancing the worth and rights of some of our most vulnerable children.

Please keep them in prayer, as part of extending our love and support to them. - Mission Outreach

