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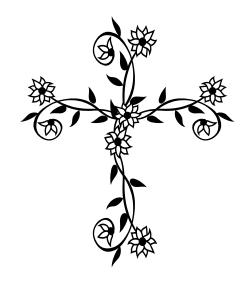
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Flower Sunday



Bring flowers this Sunday to decorate the Flower Cross during the worship services.

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GREETERS:

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Admin. Chairperson:

Bob Beall

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:

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

"Success doesn't just happen. Successful people prepare for it," Doris Kearns. The Congregational Planning Team has studied the results of our November surveys and the Official Board's understanding of those surveys. There were several ideas that stood out in their study, but one that shouted out at them. It was the congregation's concern about our attendance. The Congregational Planning Team reported these results to the Official Board, emphasizing the need for our leadership and our congregation to implement activities and programs that will assist in our efforts to increase attendance at our church functions. While all our committees are encouraged to prepare "action plans," materials from "Church Effectiveness Nuggets" were given to three of our committees to assist them. Membership was given the volume on "How to Transform Worship Visitors into Regular Attendees." Music& Worship was given the volume, "How to Increase Worship Attendance." And Christian Education was given the volume, "How to Increase Children and Youth Sunday School Attendance" There is a volume on, "How to Increase Adult Sunday School Attendance" that will be read and discussed at a later time. The Official Board was given a volume, "Changing a Church's Culture Changes Its Future." They were encouraged to read several pages (pages 19-21) that offers a wealth of brainstorming ideas.

Many of these volumes are 40 -50 pages in length and are packed with a lot of information. It will take some time for members of these committees to read through them, discuss them, brainstorm, and then create an action plan. Our hope is that our committees will produce action plans and present their ideas to the Official Board for more discussion, support, and implementation as we enter into August and September.

If you are interested in reading any of these Nuggets or other ones (there are a total of 34 volumes to browse through), go to: theparishpaper.com, click onto "Free Resources I The Parish Paper" and it will take you to the list of Church Effectiveness Nuggets. You can click onto any one of these volumes to read at your leisure. Join our committees in studying how we can help in the effort to attract people to our church and our various ministries.

Your friend and Pastor, Pastor Greg

United Church of Christ to Mark 54th Anniversary

Saturday, June 25, marks the 54th anniversary of the UCC. On Tuesday, June 25, 1957, in Cleveland, OH. The UCC church embodied the essence of both parents (the Evangelical and Reformed Church, 23 years & Congregational Christian churches, 26 years), a complement of freedom with order, of the English and European Reformations with the American Awakenings, of separatism with 20th century ecumenism, of Presbyterian with congregational polities, of neo-orthodoxy with liberal theologies. Two million members joined hands that day. *Happy Birthday, United Church of Christ! God is still speaking*,

Everyone Counts— Statistics Attendance— June 12, 19 2011

8;45 — 17, 22 10:45 — 88, 74 Sunday school — 31, 33

Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$15,850) Income rec'd +/- Amt.

Dec. '10 - \$ 15, 964 + \$114

Jan. '11 - \$15, 252 - \$598

Feb. '11 - \$ 13,545 - \$2,305

Mar. '11 - \$12,209 - \$3,641

Apr. '11— \$14,261 - \$1,589

- \$2,693

May '11 - \$13,157

Happy Birthday

Rhonda Erbes—June 26 Carol Hildebrecht—June 30 Brian Hager—July 2 Dan Jones

Dustin Knowlton Erik Landing
Mary Lehman Nancy Lyttle
Bob McCray Lauren McClure
Marcella Miller Karolina O'Donell
Cindy Ramono Harriet Shawhan
Mary Reynolds Calire Riccos
Laura Ruppert Doug Sink

Paul Stutz

Theresa & Chuck Sparks

Danny Tomaz Gloria Van Camp Flo Warner Evelyn Wheeler

Mary Willett

Those in Nursing Care

Mary Lou Chaney – Bethany Vlg.
Margaret Cobb – Walnut Creek
Margaret Dill – Masonic Home
Marion Farren—Trinity Home
Ginny Hambrick—Walnut Creek
Mildred Heath – Walnut Creek
Lottie Jaeger – The Oaks, West Kett
Will Jaeger – Grafton Oaks
Dan Jones – Patriot Ridge Nursing
Amy Karl—Wood Glen
Lena Patterson – Liberty Woods
Charles Warren – East Moline, IL
Vera Westfall—Walnut Creek

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 Roger's son)

Casey Ryan - USA (Weyrauch son-in-law) Kevin Stites— Kuwait (S Stites grandson)

<u>In Our Prayers</u>

Ben Barnett Glenda Boddie Jim Farra

Jamie Geswein
Peggy Goldberg
Beverly Guffey

Ken & Ginny Hambrick

Judy Hirshman Vern Hine
Bill Hine Carol Hildebrecht
Loren Houck Marilyn Jones

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"Thank YOU"

Dear Church family,

Thank you for sending the lovely meat tray after mom's passing. Please know your prayers and kindness have meant so much during this hard time.

The family of Darlene Mahoney

Dear Rev. King and church,

My gratitude to you for all you do, for all you are. Thank you all for your prayers and Rev. King's visit during my hospital procedure and stay.

- Kevin & Evelyn Johnston

Dear Church family,

I want to personally thank all those who brought in food to serve at the Memorial luncheon this past Wednesday, June 8, 2011. Everyone enjoyed the food very much, it was delicious! A great big THANK YOU to Nova Kigar, Arlene Uldrich, Barbara LeBlanc, Rev. King who helped serve and to their kindness shown to all of us. You all helped to make the day easier to get through. THANK YOU!

Jo Anne (Goldberg) Jay and Family of Harold Goldberg



EXCITING & ENGAGING SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAM

We're off to a great start, with 25 in attendance. The presentations, discussion and sharing has offered thoughtful insight and learning and sharing our faith. Come join us.

Greg King—June 26—Balaam
Joe Von Holle—July 3—Barnabas
Frank Taylor—July 10—Melchizedek
Adam Donovan—July 17—Jeptha
Brian Donovan—July 24—Jonas
Brian Donovan—July 31—Gideon
Adam Donovan—Aug. 7 -Abraham
Patti King—Aug. 14—Deborah
Tom Wheeler—Aug. 21-John
the Baptist

Rob Smitley—Aug. 28—Nebamiah

Bob Smitley—Aug. 28—Nehamiah - Barbara Richards, Christian Ed.

The Kettering BackPack Program is having a Golf Outing Fundraiser on Monday, August, 1st, at Walnut Grove Country Club. Registration is due by July 11. See the Registration info on the church bulletin board.

VBS is Almost Here!!!!

If you know anyone who hasn't signed up please remind them! Pandamania is going to be a GREAT week and we would love to have everyone attend! If you would like to volunteer there is still time! Just let Jamie Fisher know and she will add you to the list.

Please check the list of items still needed donated on the bulletin board across from the office.

We are also in need of some sleeping bags. If anyone has some lying around that we can borrow from you, we would really appreciate it. You will get them back.

Also there will be a VBS kickoff
Sunday, June 26, following the 10:45
service. In collaboration with the Recreation committee, the Christian Education Committee
would like to invite
anyone and everyone for a fun game
of kickball!!

VBS Staff Retreat—June 25, 9 to 12 noon

If at all possible please attend the VBS staff retreat June 25. This will help your week run more smoothly. Please RSVP to Jamie Fisher (937) 232-2313. Decorating of our rooms will follow the kickball game on Sunday. - Jamie Fisher

THE LADIES OF THE CLUB

Hope everyone is enjoying reading "The Heart Mender." I have had some very favorable comments from some ladies who have already finished it. Our discussion of this book will take place on Monday, June 27 at 6:30 PM in the Hilty room.

We will also have a carry-in dinner that evening and with 30 ladies in attendance, we should have plenty of food! I will have a signup sheet available after church on Sunday and would like for 6 ladies to bring10 sandwiches cut in half. They can be any kind that you like (chicken salad, ham and cheese, egg salad, cheese whatever!) Everyone else will be able to pick from salads, side dishes, finger foods and desserts. WINGS will provide the drinks. We will also select our next book to read for the month of July. I have put together a list of prospects. If you have a suggestion to add to the list please let me know.

The response to this book club has been absolutely amazing. It says a great deal about how important books and reading are to us. I hope that this first book discussion will be the beginning of a wonderful new tradition here at GOPCC that will continue for a long time to come. Here's to at least the next 3 months of great summer reading!

While WINGS may not be meeting on a regular basis during the summer, we are still working behind the scene to plan the events that will begin in September. We are also currently working on getting our WINGS TO SOAR program off the ground. We are making progress and hopefully will begin very soon. We have also been asked if we would like to do a bake sale at the first annual corn hole tournament that the Recreation Committee is hosting at the church on July 9. We will be able to keep any money we make, so this will be a really great fund raiser for us. Goodness know our budget can use it! Very soon, we will be providing more information about this and we hope for a really great response from all of our ladies. Enjoy the summer, the Garden Party is just around the corner! You will love the plans we have for it!

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Youth Events Calendar



Our Jr & Sr High Youth are attending a Christian music camp from June 22 to 25. Around 12 youth are attending.

Around 12 youth worked earlier this month to trim trees and bushes for a church member.

They gave a full days work assisting this family.



MOVIE NIGHT—JULY 16 Hosted by the 5th Quarter Youth

Come around dusk to see the family Disney movie, "The Prince of Egypt". Bring a blanket or lawn chairs, and enjoy a <u>free-movie night out.</u>

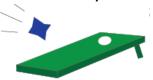
Chimes Summer Schedule

Again this summer we will only be publishing the Chimes bi-monthly in June & July & Aug. Please have all activity or article information to the church office by these dates to publish your projects.

July 3 & 17

August 1, 14 & 28

Cornhole Tournament—July 9th A Summer Fun Day Planned.



The Recreation Committee has planned a fun summer Saturday activity for all to join in, on July 9th, beginning at 12 noon.

2 persons/team, cost \$10/team
 Call—church office to register
 Or

Sign-up on the bulletin board

- Foods for purchase; pizza, hot dogs, cool drinks, and bake sale (WINGS)
- Raffle prizes (from area businesses)Winner trophies given out.

Proceeds to benefit the Recreation Committee and WINGS(bake sale).

We need spectators also, come cheer your friends as they play.

Endowment Committee Open to Receiving New Requests

If you have an idea for extending our ministry beyond the regular church budget resources, please use this request process to submit a request for use of Endowment funds. Request forms are available from the church office or can be found on the table at the back of the sanctuary. Please submit your request to the Endowment Committee over the next few weeks.

- Joe Von Holle

New Members to be Received on Sunday, July 10th, 2011.

We will be receiving new members on July 10th, if anyone missed the class last week, and would still like to join the church, please see Rev. King before, July 10th.

To welcome our new members, a **New Member Tea Reception** will be

held following the morning worship services.

Please sign-up to donate some fingerfoods, cookies, brownies or snacks to share in welcoming them to our church family.

Congratulations!

We are happy to announce the marriage of Jonathan Lyttle to Holly Farmer. Rev. King joined them in marriage on Saturday, June 18, 2011.

Summer Greeters

Please consider being a Sunday Summer Greeter before the 10:45 AM worship service. We have a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board.

You need to come just a little early at 10:30 AM and stand at the sanctuary doors and give a warm handshake or hug and a hello. It's very simple, yet so important. Please sign-up—Membership Comm.

"In Sympathy"

We extend our prayers and thoughts to the family of Harold Goldberg, who passed onto eternal life, June 3, 2011. Rev. King officiated at his service on June, 8, 2011. May God comfort Peggy, JoAnne, David and the entire family at this time of loss.

- Your GOPCC family



Sunday, July 10th Trustees will host our next Sunday morning coffee hour 9:30 to 10:30 Am

Come enjoy some good coffee, lite breakfast treat, and socializing or stop by and take your coffee to the Adult Sunday school class if you like. Whatever you choose, fellowship or class, enjoy this cup of coffee on us.

- Trustees

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