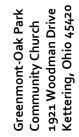
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# The Cross Come to Life

This year a beautiful tree with brightly colored decorations and glittering tinsel adorned this sanctuary and our homes during the Advent and Christmas Season. The tree was in honor of God's gift of love for the world through the birth of His Son.

On Easter Sunday morning that same tree once again adorned the sanctuary of the church, only in a very different form. The form is quite stark and scarred in contrast to what it was like at Christmas. It is a reminder to us of Christ's giving all He had; that being His life so that we might have eternal life.

Our Cross is not only an empty Cross; it is also the symbol of a budded Cross. It reminds us not only of the crucifixion but also of the budding branches of Springtime when life begins afresh all over the world.

Whenever we come into a house of worship, the story of the Risen, living Christ is being proclaimed. Our Cross speaks to us in the word of the two men in dazzling apparel who said to the women in the garden on Easter morning: "Why do you seek the living among the dead? He is not here, but has Risen! Remember how he told you while He was still in Galilee.

Our Cross proclaims to all who enter this church that life is more than we supposed it to be. The Cross, which was originally an instrument of torture and a symbol of shame and humiliation, shines as the sign and symbol of life, light, peace, confidence, and joy.

The cross reminds us of the choices He would have us make – to pray, and to give, and to love, and responsibility we must take. The cross reminds us of His care and nearness to us. And His love which sets us free. It is a symbol for us to be thankful for blessings we receive each day and to strive to serve Him better in everything we do and say.

Sue and I pray that each of your families had a very Happy Easter.



In His Service, Rev. Dr. Robert Smitley Interim Pastor

#### Attendance - Mar. 24, 31 2013

8:45 — 21, 40 10:45 — 110, 114 Easter Sun Rise—20 Sunday school — 26, 15

#### Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$14,958)	
Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
\$13,272	-1,686
\$10,411.91	-4,547
	Income rec'd \$13,272

# <u>Happy Birthday</u>

Tiffany Kalaitzidis—Apr. 9 Rob Duerr—Apr. 11 Jordan Erbes—Apr. 14 Frank Heath—Apr. 17 Charlene Brown—Apr. 20 Kay Rearick—Apr. 20

# <u>In Our Prayers</u>

Doris Alexander Kevin Bader Russell Berk Glenda Boddie **Ginny Breckler** Jim Coleman Michelle Conn CeCi (Cobb) Cole Conner Elliott Larry Earwood Linda Gargraver Margaret Foster Jamie Geswein Sharon&Jack Gilmore Ken Hambrick Don Keltner Onu Kolossova Dustin Knowlton

Betty Lingq Kelly McRonney Bob McCray Lauren McClure Marcella Miller Hilda Mobley Karolina O'Donnell John Parnell Harriet Shawhan Cindy Ramano Deb Richey Calire Riccos Darlene Schafer Tom Scheit **Beverly Smith** Diana Smith David Stockton Wayne Stolich Paul Stutz Gloria Van Camp Gina Van Camp **Evelyn Wheeler** Paul White (Dicks family) Mary Willett

As prayers are answered—please let the church office know, so we may give God thanks with you.

#### 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 Vern Hine—St. Leonards Center Lottie Jaeger – The Oaks, West Kett Lena Patterson – Liberty Woods Vera Westfall—Elm Croft, Washington Tnsp.

# <u>Military</u>

Ian Bader - USA, (Brown's grandson) Kirby Brooks— USA (Al Brooks son) Scott Certain – USA (Jay's son-in-law) Michael Mantia— USA Nathanial Nicholas—USA 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)

Remember to hold our Food Pantry families in prayer.

# \$712 raised for Blankets +

#### THANK YOU!

The Mission Outreach/Social Action Committee thank you for contributing to Church World Service through the Blankets+ program. With this generous donation they can continue to assist people overcome by natural and human-caused disaster, as well as supporting community efforts to develop sustainable agriculture, reliable safe water supplies and other means to break the grip of poverty.



am the RESURRECTION and the LIFE. He who believes in me will LIVE, even though he dies.

John 11:25



# Over 100 Children Participated

I want to say thank you, thank you, and thank you to everyone who helped with the Easter Egg Hunt. It went quite well. We think we had over 100 children participate this year.

I had a fabulous committee who helped in so many ways. I want to thank everyone who brought candy, eggs, prizes or contributed money for prizes. I want to thank Dairy Queen for the coupons for a free ice cream cone. A special thank you to Sue and Dr. Bob Smitley, Sheri, Brian and Josh Parrett, Bonnie Foster, Suzanne Dull, Becky and Woody Young, John Slaidins, Ryan Brodowski, Bob Karl, Marilyn and Fred Foskuhl, the youth who helped stuff the eggs, and Nova Kigar. Also, Ben Barnett for all his patience and chauffeuring me around and anyone else that I may have forgotten to mention.

Cheryl Barnett,

Membership/Fellowship Committee



# Will be April 26 & 27 SAVE YOUR UNWANTED TREASURES FOR THE SALE

Our tent will be set up on Monday, April 22nd. We will begin accepting your items on Tuesday, if you can bring them yourself, you may stop by the tent any time that is convenient for you, but if you need pickup service for your items, please call the church office, 252-6705, and we will make arrangements for you. Volunteer help is needed all week in the afternoons or evenings, sorting and pricing, and receiving items. If possible stop by for a couple hours, your help will be very appreciated.

On Friday & Saturday—Sales volunteers are needed. Talk to Gary Etter, Greg Goodner or Ray Urbanas about helping out. - Trustees



"Facing the Giants"



Join us for a Carry-In and Movie night. Both guys and gals are invited to attend, the movie has interest for everyone.

Come along with football Coach Grant Taylor and find inspiration for the Game of Life. After many loosing seasons and a feeling of despair in his coaching & personal life, the coach turns to God and prayer for guidance. Things change for him, his team, and his family also. This is a great movie,, produced in 2006.

# "Woof, Meow, Chirp, Tweet"

# Come with your Pets to worship in the big Tent, Sunday April 28"

This will be our second Annual Blessing of the Pets, held on Sunday, April 28th, in the big tent. We will be holding both services in the tent and our special "Blessing of the Animals" will be provided at both worship services. (Last year we had 30 pets join us in worship.)

So bring your pet and your favorite lawn chair, and we will give God thanks for our furry, scaly, feathery, family friends. - Toni Bailey, Worship/Music

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Youth Winter Schedule Jr & Sr High Youth— Sat. evening 8 pm—small group Jr & Sr High Bible discussions 9 pm—combined fellowship Footprints/ Crusaders (1—5th) 1st & 3rdSundays, follows worship

Chimes Article Deadlines are: April 15 & May 6

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# "Congratulations—It's a Boy"

- The family is happy to announce
- N the birth of Nicholas Franklin Taylor, born Mar. 19, 2013. Proud parents are Sasha & Adam Taylor and proud grandparents are Nikki & Frank Taylor. Mother and baby are doing fine.

We ask God to bless the family, and we rejoice with them in this gift of new life. - your GOPCC family

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# Ladies Book Club— April's Pick

For April we will be reading, "The House I Loved" by Tatiana DeRosnay.

Anyone interested in joining the ladies book club, may do so. We meet on the last Monday of the month, for a light supper and discussion.

We will meet on April 29th @ 6:30 PM.

# **Summer Planning**

What happened to the Disciples after the crucifixion? Who were they and where did they go? Come and join us for the summer Sunday School class. All classes will be combined at the 9:30 AM Sunday school hour. We will be starting this series of classes on June 3, 2013. Volunteers are welcome to choose the disciple they would like to talk about. - Barbara Richards



We extend our sympathy to the family of Mary Lehman, who passed onto eternal life recently in late March. Rev. Smitley will officiate at her Memorial service on Saturday, April 6th at 2 PM, at the church.

We ask God to comfort the family in their time of loss.

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Sympathies are extended to the family of lan Beall, who passed onto life eternal recently in late March. Ian was the nephew of Bob & Sue Beall. May God comfort the family in their time of loss.

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Sympathies to the family of Evelyn Battenberg, who passed onto eternal life, in late March. A Memorial service was held at Westminster Presbyterian Church in Dayton, on April 2. Evelyn was a long time organist for our church. May God comfort the family in their time of loss.

# **New Borrowing Policy**

At the March meeting of the Trustees, a new policy was decided.

It seems that some folks believe that anything at church can be borrowed any time and returned at their leisure.

This is not the case, so we have put a new policy in place.

Church property items (electronics, coolers, ladders, trimmers, etc.), are not to leave the building.

The only exception to this with prior approval of Trustees; are the garage sale tables and folding chairs.

First we have to check calendar for conflicts and information about access.

This is not to be taken lightly and pertains to everyone!

Thanks for your understanding.

Gary Etter Chr. Trustees

The Bulletin Donation Chart still has some open dates and months. April, June, August, September and October have several open dates. If you wish to donate bulletins for worship, the cost is \$14.00, and can be paid by placing payment in the Offering plate, labeled for bulletins.

# **Food Pantry**

Wish List

- bar soap
- tuna
- \* canned corn, vegetables
- Spaghetti sauce & pasta

# Kroger Plus Card. Rewards Program Enrollment Renewal Time

We thank those who have participated in the Kroger Plus Card Rewards program over the past year. The new on-line enrollment program requires each individual to renew their enrollment annually. The month of April is the time to renew for the coming year. We have had a recent check of \$122 from Kroger's for our participation over the past 6 months., from 11 participants. If you have not signed up to participate, and would like to start offering rewards to Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church, please use the instructions that follow.

You can go to <u>krogercommu-</u> <u>nityrewards.com</u> to register your Kroger Plus Card. If you don't have a Kroger Plus Card account, click on SIGN UP TODAY, in the 'New Customer?" box. Once you have an account set up and confirmed you will select our church as the organization to support. Our NPO # is 80028. , then select the name of our church, then confirm.

Within 7 to 10 business days of successfully enrolling your Kroger Plus Card, you will see at the bottom of your Kroger receipt: "At your request, Kroger is donating to "GOPCC"

