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Ryan Jenkins

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Chapel Worship: 8:45 AM

Morning Worship: 10:45 AM

Christian Education: 9:30 AM

Bible Adventure: 10:45 AM

Ushers:

<u>8:45 AM</u>	<u>10:45 AM</u>
Gary Etter	Bob Karl
Arlene Uldrich	Jerry Archer
Linda Oxley	Tom Wheeler



Scripture Readings for weeks:

Mar. 8— Ex 20:1-17, Ps 19, I Cor 1:18-25,
John 2:13-22

Mar. 15— Num 21:4-9, Ps 107:1-3, 17-22, Eph 2:1-10,
John 3:14-21

WORSHIP LEADER:
Mar. 8—Tom Wheeler
Mar 15—Frank Talor

GREETER:
Toni Bailey—Mar.

Daylight-Saving
Time Begins



March 8th

Lent



Scarred—for eternity

When God raised Jesus from the dead, why didn't God fix him up? Why scars? Why the print of nails that you could feel with your fingers? Can it be that the gospel ... is saying: "You will not see Jesus Christ unless you see the wounds."? Somehow we must understand that the resurrected Christ is forever the wounded Christ. Living, but never fixed up. Not bound by death, yet scarred for eternity.

The deaf have a sign for Jesus. Quickly they make this sign many times during their worship: the middle finger of each hand is placed into the palm of the other. Jesus, the one with wounded hands. And when they touch the place, they remember. They hear the name in their own flesh. - John Vannorsdall



Shepherds Visitation Team Training

Pastor Gabe will hold a Shepherds visitation training meeting on Wednesday, Mar. 18 at 10 AM. Everyone interested in visiting with our Shut-Ins is welcome to join the training.

Our Shut-Ins so look forward to visits with church members. This is an important way to help them stay connected to the church and for us to stay connected to them. Let us minister to each other.

Sunday Lenten Study Series Offered

Join us for a 4 week Lenten Series called "From Jesus to Christ" the first Christian. This will be a DVD presentation with a discussion period.

Due to the winter weather last Sunday, we will begin meeting on Sundays at 6 PM on March 8, 15, 22 and 29th. Everyone is welcome. Nikki Taylor and Pastor Gabe will be leading the study over the four weeks.

Attendance - Feb. 22 & Mar. 1

8:45 service	16	19
10:45 service	70	35
Sunday School	22	18

Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$14,958)

	Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
Dec. '14	\$15,838	+880
Jan. '15	\$11,114	-3,844



Happy Birthday

- Ramona Donovan—Mar. 10
- Jamie Fisher—Mr. 11
- Mike Brodowski—Mar. 13
- Bernice Colvin—Mar. 14
- Vern Hine—Mar. 15
- Ed Alexander—Mar. 17
- Robert Gastineau—Mar. 18
- Gabby Rayney—Mar. 18
- Bob Karl—Mar. 20

In Our Prayers

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|----------------|---------------|
| Liz Ancil | Kevin Bader |
| Russell Berk | Glenda Boddie |
| Ginny Breckler | Michelle Conn |
| Robert Davis | Kara DePew |
| John George | Linda George |
| Jamie Geswein | Jack Gilmore |
| Greg Goodner | Bob Karl |
| Ken Hambrick | Bill Hine |

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| Edna Holland | Sean Humphrey |
| Kristen King | Dustin Knowlton |
| Rosaline Lam | Kelly McRonney |
| Bob McCray | Phyllis McCray |
| Nancy Meyer | Naysa Morgan |
| Delbert Newhouse | John Parnell |
| Joyce Pratt | Cindy Romano |
| Calire Riccos | Deb Richey |
| Beverly Smith | Diana Smith |
| Wayne Stolich | Michelle Strom |
| Paul Stutz | Joe Trevan |
| Gloria Van Camp | Gina Van Camp |
| Sue Wagner | Mark Webb |
| Pat White | Mary Willett |
| Diane Yost | |



Those in Nursing Care

- Mary Lou Chaney – Bethany Vlg.
- Margaret Dill – Masonic Home
- Doris Greenwood—Oak Creek Terrace
- Ginny Hambrick—Walnut Creek
- Vern /Betty Hine—St. Leonard Center
- Verdena Mardis—Sterling House

Military

- Kirby Brooks
- Adam Reeves
- Casey Ryan



March 8th

Piano Lessons Offered

Our Organist/Pianist, Shelley Outlaw is offering to teach piano to students (adult or children) here at the church on Thursday afternoons. The lesson fee is \$20/lesson, with 25% (\$5) going to the church as her talents contribution. If interested in taking lessons from Shelley, call #430-0588.

Submarine Sandwich Sale a Success

Thank you to all the volunteers and sales of sandwiches by church members. The Preschool and Trustees made a total of 2,600 sandwiches this year. The church profit was \$752 for Trustee projects and the Preschool profit was \$4,981 for extra programs and supplies. Thanks for your support— Gary Etter & Val Baker

Dear Greenmont Church,

We are every thankful for your \$310 donation to the YWCA Battered Women's program. Your gift allows us to operate and maintain:

- * two domestic violence shelters; Always at capacity, both shelters provide 90 beds, affording stability to women and families 365 days a year.
- * Over 200 women receive direct counseling, advocacy and supportive services.
- * Over 3000 crisis calls are answered through the domestic violence hotline, annually.

Your Gift has considerable impact on the lives of thousands in this area. Sincerely, Paula McLaughlin & Shannon Isom, CEO

Kroger Rewards Earned

Last Quarter our Kroger Rewards earned the church \$129.51. Thank you to those who shop and earn rewards for the church.

Impact of our Pumpkin Patch

We recently received a letter from Harry Descheene, the Human Resource Director for Pumpkin Patch Fundraisers. He shared some testimonies of the great value of this organization to the Native Americans and their area economy and quality of life. Here are a few:

I am a Navajo, living on the reservation all of my life. Pumpkin Patch has been employing Native Americans for over 20 years. Not only Navajo, but during harvest we also hire Pueblo, both Zuni & Hopi tribes.

My experience as an employee is that Pumpkin Patch goes above and beyond what any organizations of the Reservation do to take Care of their employees.

For many of our workers, this opportunity provides a significant difference in the quality of their lives. Transportation is provided, residential facilities (dorms), laundry facilities, recreational facilities, an upscale kitchen and staff, huge dining hall, and safety orientation before workers actually begin field work. Pumpkin Patch owners are extremely concerned with the welfare of all of their employees both full and part time.

Pumpkin Patch is also grateful for the partnerships to fundraise for your local organizations. Thousands of school children, senior citizen centers, special education facilities, health facilities, church organizations and correctional youth services and civic groups receive free pumpkins for their causes. Thanks, Harry

CHANGES FOR THE CHIMES

Due to Postal Service changes, the Church Office and Official Board have decided to send the Chimes out by email, beginning June, 2015. The postal changes include not only more expensive costs, but the distribution center will be moved to Columbus, Ohio. Our Dayton mail center will no longer be an official postal center.

We will still make paper copies that can be picked up on Sundays at church, and the Shut-In members will be sent a copy by regular mail.

So in preparation **WE NEED AS MANY EMAIL ADDRESSES AS POSSIBLE FOR CHURCH MEMBERS AND FRIENDS** that want to stay in touch through the Chimes newsletter. (If there are other address or phone number changes, please let us know that as well)

Just send an email note to:

office@greenmontoakpark.com and say I want to continue receiving the Chimes, via email.

- Nova Kigar, Church Office

God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. - Romans 5:8 NRSV

Cheryl's Craft class

We will meet Wed., Mar. 18, at 2 PM. We will be doing the romantic ornaments and/or making a spring necklace for our Easter outfit. Please let me know what color of beads to bring.

Lily Plants for Purchase for Easter

We will again have Easter lily plants available for purchase to beautify the sanctuary for Easter Sunday. The plant cost is \$10/plant. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board across from the office. Your plants may be taken home after the completion of both morning services.



Easter Special Offering

We will equally divide our special offering between: One Great Hour of Sharing, Bread for the World, Good Neighbor House, and St. Vincent DePaul. Special envelopes are included in this Chimes mailing. Give as God directs you. - Official Board

Automatic Tithing

Did you know that if you do online banking with your bank or credit union you can have your weekly/monthly tithe done automatically by your financial institution? You can set up an auto-pay and the bank can send your check directly to the church. Drop a note in the offering plate telling the financial secretary (Anna Slaidins) which bank will be sending the payment and how much to expect. That way she can correctly match up the payments with the giver. As always, your tithing donations will be kept confidential by the financial secretary. If you have any questions, please call Anna Slaidins, 252-3345. Thanks— Finance Committee

Christian Education Schedule

The schedule :
 9:30 AM—Confirmation
 lead by Dave Roalef
 9:30 AM—High School/College
 lead by Bob Colvin/Meg Roalef
 9:30 AM—Adult Bible class
 lead by Frank Taylor/Gary Etter
 9:30 AM—Adult Contemporary
 - lead by Laura Von Holle
 10:45 AM—Bible Adventure
 (during worship - continues for
 all 4yr. Olds to 5th graders)
 Lead by Sheri Parrett/ Colleen Karl
 10:45 AM—Nursery (babies to 3yrs)

Chimes Article Deadlines are:
Mar. 16 & Apr. 6



Food Pantry Needs
 * paper shopping bags
 * TP, bar soap
 * cereal

School Backpack Program:
 * Mac & Cheese bowls

3 T's March Luncheon
 March 17 will be 3 T's. Joyce Kelley and Sandy Conn will be our hostesses. Anyone 50 and older are welcomed. We meet at noon at MCL Cafeteria. We eat, play a game, and socialize. WE have a lot of fun. Please join us.

Remember Pastor Gabe's Q & A sessions will be held on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month following 10:45 AM worship.

Bible Adventure & Nursery Care Volunteers Needed

During the worship hour we offer Bible Adventure (ages 4to 10)and Nursery Care (babies—3 yrs.) for the younger children. We are in need of volunteers with a heart for sharing the joy of the Lord with our children. Volunteers can help out one Sunday or multiply Sundays. See Nikki Taylor or Sheri Parrett , they will help you feel at ease and provide resources to you if needed. A sign up list is posted on the bulletin board across from the church offices.

Pictorial Directory

We are planning on doing a new Pictorial Directory in May. Anyone wanting to be on the Directory committee please see Cheryl Barnett or Nova Kigar.



Easter Egg Hunt April 4 @ 10 AM

Donation so wrapped candies are needed for the egg hunt. We plan to fill 1,000 eggs. Also anyone wanting to be on this committee or volunteering to help at the egg hunt, please see Cheryl Barnett. We are ready to match and start filling eggs with prizes.

March Book Club - Meets the 30th

Anyone interested in joining this reading club is welcome. We are reading "When We Were On Fire", by Addie Zierman . Bring some food to share and join in the discussion. We will meet on Monday, Feb. 23, at 6:30 pm .

Prayerful Pilates Class

If your Lenten intentions include taking better care of your body, praying more, and giving alms, then make a commitment to join us on five Thursdays during Lent for Prayerful Pilates. Freewill donations will be accepted for the Food Pantry. We will begin and end with prayer, and listen to soft instrumentals and Christian music while we exercise.

Questions: irishlex63@gmail.com
BRING YOUR OWN MAT!
Thursdays— starts @ 6:30 PM
Greenmont-Oak Park Ch basement

Small Groups are Forming!

Small groups are forming, so keep your eyes and ears open for one that might interest you. Are you interested in bicycling, crafts, fixing cars, eating out?? Don't wait to be invited: sign up and jump right in! Or start your own group! Small groups are not tied to the \$10 talent endeavor; that is a different yet important outreach tool, as well. Both of these initiatives, though are ideas to bond our church family together and bring in new members.

Create or join a church group and bring in friends and relatives from outside the group. Socializing with church folks can bring new members to worship on Sundays. As you come up with ideas to grow your \$10 talent, include your neighbors and co-workers. It's all about spreading God's word and making people feel welcome at Greenmont Oak Park Community Church.

2015 is your year to become involved and make new friends!

2015 Constitution Revision Feedback

The Official Board would like the congregation to offer feedback on the revision draft presented this month on the Constitution for our church. This is an ongoing revision process. Draft copies are available from the table at the back of the sanctuary.

Please review and talk with any Board members or Pastor Gabe about questions you have. We want your feedback.



**I will not die but live,
 and
 will proclaim what the Lord
 has done. Psalm 118:17**

Hunger Awareness Dinner

The 10th annual House of Bread Hunger Awareness Dinner will be held Friday, March 13 at 6 PM at 9 Orth Ave, just south of the intersection of Salem Ave. and Edwin C Moses Blvd. This fundraiser meal is sponsored by WSU and the Catholic Order of Foresters.

The menu includes: fish of the day, or chicken, rice, salad, dessert, and beverages. This is the menu that is served daily. The House of Bread serves 230 meals/day on average. And they are the only kitchen in the Dayton area to serve 365 days a year. Tickets are ONLY \$10. All proceeds go directly to the House of Bread. Call 775-2751 for advance tickets or you can purchase tickets at the door.

House of Bread is one of our many mission organizations that we help support through our church mission funding and special offerings.

