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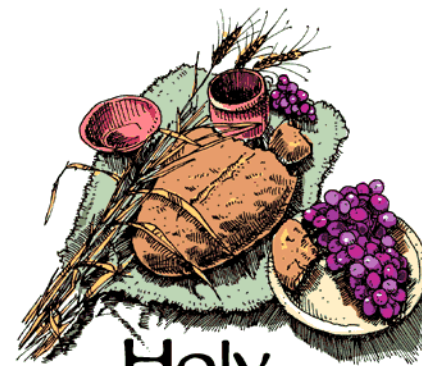
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World Communion Sunday

October 3, 2010



Holy Communion

CROP WALK—SUNDAY, Oct. 3, 1:30 pm

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Barb LeBlanc

Nobu Oishi

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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

"Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your lap. For with the measure that you use, it will be measured back to you," Luke 6:38.

Giving is an adventure which makes one feel good about life. In fact, it makes us feel like God. And that is what God wants us to feel like and to be like. "God is kind to the just and the unjust," Jesus said earlier, (v. 35). "Be merciful even as your Father is merciful," (v. 36). Giving in itself helps us to experience happiness. Giving brings us together because there must be a receiver as well as a giver. Many say that they are striving for happiness, but remain at a distance and in the clutches of monotony.

The adventure of giving releases us from doldrums. And what surprises us most is that it is so easy. Give a compliment to someone. Give 30 minutes to a friend or neighbor. Give a portion of what we have to someone who has less. It is by giving that we become greater than the single person we are. We become like God – a transformation to the collective humanity.

By giving to the church we become a part of the purpose for which it was created – to spread the good news about the love of God, which is salvation to the lonely and the destitute, to the estranged and the miser. When we give of our time and talent, we are actively involved in the church's mission. When we give of our wealth, we support the mission with our own power of life.

"What must I do to inherit eternal life?" asked the rich man to Jesus. "Go sell all you have, give it to the poor, and come, follow me," was Jesus' reply. Giving is related to eternal life, and eternal life means everlasting joy. The adventure of giving leads to exuberant joy. Remember your relationship with Greenmont-Oak Park Community Church and its mission by Christ for God's gospel and for the salvation of our community.

Your friend and pastor, Greg King

Bible Readings for the Coming Weeks are:

- Oct. 3—I Corinthians 11:23-26
- Oct. 10—I Corinthians 8:1-13
- Oct. 17—I Corinthians 9:15-23



Everyone Counts— Statistics

Attendance—Sept. 26 '10

8:45 — 29
 10:45 — 98
 Sunday school — 33

Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$15,850)

	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

Happy Birthday

- Adam Taylor—Oct 1
- Jim Coleman—Oct. 1
- Becky Northern—Oct. 4
- Justin Risch II—Oct. 4
- Bob Foster—Oct. 5
- Jane Lovett—Oct. 5
- Shari Marcum—Oct. 5
- Lisa Davis—Oct. 6
- Chris Donovan—Oct. 8
- Stephanie Marcum—Oct. 8



In Our Prayers

- Doris Alexander
- Robert Andino
- Cheryl Barnett
- Glenda Boddie
- Reagan Bradshaw
- Allen & Cletta Dicks
- Jim Farra
- Gene Gibson
- Donna Foskuhl
- Linda George

- Jamie Geswein
- Beverly Guffey
- Vern Hine
- Loren Houck
- Paul Jarusicwic
- Erik Landing
- Nancy Lyttle
- Paul Marcum, Jr
- Lauren McClure
- Greg Moldovan
- Karolina O'Donnell
- Harriet Shawhan
- Laura Ruppert
- Gloria Van Camp
- Flo Warner
- Evelyn Wheeler
- Vera Westfall
- Mary Willett
- Dawn Gilmore
- Judy Hirshman
- Carol Hildebrecht
- Marilyn Jones
- Dustin Knowlton
- Mary Lehman
- Mantia family
- Bob McCray
- Marcella Miller
- Nancy Pratt
- Cindy Ramono
- Iris Traylor
- Danny Tomaz



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
- 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 – Iraq
- Scott Certain – USA
- Andrew Hayden – Iraq
- Tyler Mantia – USA
- Michael Mantia – USA
- Nathan Nicholas—Korea
- Brian Nicholas—USA
- Adam Reeves—USA
- Kevin White—Afghanistan



**Celebrate
World Communion Sunday
October 3, 2010**

Nearly 70 years ago, on November 1, 1936, World-Wide Communion Day was born. In the winter of 1935, a group of ministers met to study the spiritual needs and possibilities of the church during the dark days of the Great Depression. In the Lord's Supper they saw a great opportunity to unite Christians in dedication to Christ.

In 1937, the date of World-Wide Communion Sunday was changed to the first Sunday in October, where it has remained. The word "wide" has since been dropped from the name, giving us the present observance of World Communion Sunday.

The day remains as it began: "A great opportunity to unite the membership in dedication to the Lord Jesus Christ." **People from the four corners of the world gather together to answer Christ's invitation, "This do in remembrance of me."**

New Art Exhibit in Hilty Room

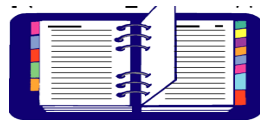
The new watercolor exhibit in the Hilty Room is by Kettering resident Gerald Sharpe. He likes to paint scenes of America, especially old country stores and buildings, seascapes, and landscapes. He feels his paintings show the Heritage of America.

Gerald specialized in Photography earlier in his life, winning many awards. After moving to Ohio he took up watercolor paintings and has been very successful with that.

Gerald belongs to Western Ohio Watercolor Society, Dayton Society of Painters and Sculptors, and the Tripod Camera Club.

Please stop in to see these beautiful paintings—it will be worth your while. The paintings are available with information in the office. You may also call Gerald at 299-3327. - Doris Alexander

New Church Address & Phone Directories are available from the church office.



Pick-up a copy for updating your church family address and phone number information. They can be found on the counter in the office.



**WINGS
MYSTERY TRIP**

Mark your calendar for Sunday, Oct 10, for the WINGS "Mystery trip" event. We will have lunch together and enjoy the afternoon at a mystery location. So please sign-up on the WINGS bulletin board, and remember to bring some money with you to buy your lunch.

The previous two 'mystery' events were beautiful and fun Sunday afternoon events, shared by many ladies of our church. The fall is a lovely time for a mystery trip., not too far away from our own backyards.

1,200 Pumpkins Arrive



Oct. 9 @ 8 AM.

Volunteer help is needed to unload the truck on Saturday morning, Oct. 9. Any help is welcome, this is a big task. Adults and all available youth are needed.

Also a volunteer sales schedule will soon be posted in the Gathering Place, adult help will again be needed, during the school hours. Everyone's help is appreciated, this fundraiser almost covers our youth activities expenses for the year.

- Sheri Parrett, youth leader

CROP WALK THIS SUNDAY

Please join us after the second worship service this Sunday for our annual CROP Walk. The group will be sharing a brown bag lunch in the donut room and then heading to Island Park Metropark for the event. The official walk distance is 3 miles, but walkers are encouraged to go the distance they are most comfortable. It is a wonderful opportunity to join with other Dayton area churches in a meaningful mission effort. This is also the Sunday you are invited to bring your water (bank) bottles to the second worship service for a blessing.

The proceeds of the walk benefit Church World Service. CWS was founded in 1946 and is a cooperative ministry of 36 denominations and communions. It works with partners to eradicate hunger and poverty and promote peace and justice around the world. You are invited to view the world map posted outside the church office door for the many outreach programs it sponsors around the globe. More information can be found at www.churchworldservice.org.

CWS is providing food for some 91,200 people displaced by flooding in Pakistan. More than 100,000 received emergency and preventative care through CWS mobile health units and CWS-managed health facilities. They are also providing shelter kits and planning construction trades training, cash-for-work projects and grants to help the recovery effort.

To financially support CWS through the CROP Walk you can give donations to any of the walkers (checks can be made out to CWS/CROP), make an on-line donation at the CWS web site or see Laura Von Holle. October 3rd is also the Sunday you are invited to bring your water (bank) bottles to the second worship service for a blessing. Thank you in advance for your support. Social Action





Youth Events Calendar

Oct 2 will be a Senior High LOCK-IN



Saturday, 8 Pm to Sunday, 12 noon
Bring \$5 and a snack to share.

Thurs.—Oct. 7— 4 Pm
Crusaders (3rd to 6th grade)

Fri. - Oct. 8—8 Pm
Jr & Sr High Pumpkin setup

Sat. Oct. 9— 8 AM
Pumpkins arrive, ALL Come to help, bring family/friends

Sun. - Oct. 10 6 PM
Jr & Sr—YonCon

Thurs.—Oct. 14—6 Pm
Girls of Grace

Sat.—Oct. 16—8 Pm
5th Quarter gathering



Footprints

First Fall

Meeting—Oct. 10

Calling all kindergartners through 2nd graders to join us at 12 noon—1 pm for our first fall meeting. Bring a sack lunch and we will work on a craft project together. Hope to see you soon, and catch up on how your summer went. — Carol Landing, 256-6702

Pantry Needs

Canned fruits

Canned Peas

Mac-N –Cheese

Pork & Beans

Canned soups

Bath Soap

TP

Any of these items are greatly appreciated by the Pantry staff and the pantry families. All food items can be brought to the wooden chest in the Gathering Place. Thank You

- Mission Outreach

Dear GOPCC Members,

This past summer, Rev. King gave a sermon that referred to blessing same sex unions. Around the same time, the youth group attended a UCC event that promoted LGBT workshops and other materials. These events created much discussion among our board members over the last three months and finally we came to a motion and a vote. The following is the motion:

Rev. Greg King made a motion and it was seconded that would reaffirm an already existing agreement between GOPCC and Rev. King that “same sex” blessings and marriages will not be performed at GOPCC and by their minister; and that all GOPCC church supported education, discussions, and questions concerning homosexuality in our children and youth activities be restricted and referred back to their parents. The motion was unanimously approved.

Due to the events that transpired, the board members also passed the following motion :

The Mission & Outreach committee recommended that Our Church’s Wider Mission (OWCM) of the United Church of Christ be taken out the line item of their budget. The Finance and Stewardship committee after much discussion agreed to that proposal from Mission & Outreach. Upon creating a 2011 budget modifying it from 2010, Finance and Stewardship presented the 2011 budget to the Official Board. After a motion and a second to present Finance and Stewardship’s 2011 budget to the November Annual Meeting the motion was approved. After more discussion and a consensus among the Board members, Rev. King made a motion to include the OCWM as an annual Special Offering at a time not connected with our Thanksgiving, Christmas, and Easter Special Offerings.

If there are any questions about the actions that were made by the official board, please do not hesitate to ask. Please remember that your official board wants to know your concerns if there is any at all.

In Christ,

Ashley Steinbrunner

Official Board Chairman 2010

