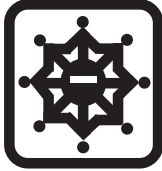


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SAVE THE DATES, SEPT. 6-7, 2008

Announcements have been made the past couple of weeks, offering just a hint of the things to come as part of our Rally Day/Homecoming celebration to be held September 6th and 7th. The committee has been meeting and hammering out the details and now, WE NEED YOUR HELP!!! We have sign-up sheets posted where you can sign up to help out in various ways.

The sign-ups needed include:

- **Participation in the parade** – We’re putting together a group to participate in the Kettering Holiday at Home parade on Monday, September 1st. The details are not final, but it will probably involve kazoos. If you would like to participate in the parade, be sure to sign up.
- **Musicians to play at the rally day service** – Come be a part of the band for our Rally Day Worship service. Drag that old clarinet or trumpet out of your closet and come play a song or two with us as part of our Rally Day/Homecoming Band.
- **Request for pictures to loan for collages to display at the Rally Day activities** – We will be putting together collages to display around the church. If you have pictures that you would like to share, please make sure your name is on them and place them in the box in the church office.
- **Able to loan a card table for the dance**- We need card tables, if you have one you can loan us for the dance on September 7th, please sign-up and we’ll contact you.
- **Request for cheerleaders for the service**- Come share your spirit at our Rally Day/Homecoming festivities. All ages are welcome. Sign up if this interests you.
- **Volunteers to help transport shut-ins to the activities if they are unable to drive themselves**- We want as much of our congregation to participate as possible. If you would be willing to give a ride to someone who needs transportation, please sign-up to help.
- **Bingo helpers for the Sunday bingo** – We’ll have Bingo taking place we need Bingo helpers.
- **People to assist with the construction of the giant banana split**- As part of the Sunday afternoon activities we will be making dessert and constructing a giant banana split. We’ll need folks to sign-up to help with this as well.

Vital Statistics

Attendance July 27, 2008

8:45 - 37

10:45 - 101

Sunday School - 25

Offering - General Fund

(monthly budget need - \$14,543)

	<u>Offerings rec'd</u>	<u>+/- Amt.</u>
Jan. '08	\$9,714	(-\$4,829)
Feb. '08	\$8,867	(-\$5,676)
Mar. '08	\$15,825	(+ \$1,282)
Apr. '08	\$10,930	(- \$3,613)
May '08	\$13,692	(-\$851)
June '08	\$15,880	(+\$1,337)

Our total deficit to date is -\$12,347

Happy Birthday

- Helen George - Aug. 7
- Maggie Roalef - Aug. 7
- Jennifer Rogers - Aug. 9



In Our Prayers

- Mildred Berk
- Margaret Cobb - Walnut Creek
- Mindy Collins
- Margaret Dill - Masonic Home
- Jim Farra

- Jamie Geswein
- Gene Gibson
- Jack Gilmore
- Beverly Guffey
- Judy Hirshman
- Katie Horvat
- Opal Hunter - Crestview Manor
- Lottie Jaeger
- Dan Jones - Patriot Ridge Nursing
- Howard Jordan
- Dorothy & Wayne Knapp
- Dustin Knowlton
- Peggy Lewis
- Nancy Lyttle
- Barbara Lyttle
- Bob McCray
- Deloris Miller
- Marcella Miller
- Michael Ourfalian - Iraq
- Mr/Mrs Patterson - Liberty Woods
- Guy Robinette - Walnut Creek
- Cindy Romano
- Mary Sampson - Liberty Woods
- Sue Shroyer
- Kathy Steele
- Connie Swanson
- Gloria Van Camp
- Flo Warner
- Evelyn Wheeler
- Marlene Wimpy
- Vera Westfall
- Roy Wright
- Diane Yost



"Fill the Bus"



The 2nd Annual 'Fill the Bus' project is currently underway. The yellow buses in the Gathering Place, are filling up with your generous donations. Items still needed are: **college rule paper, two pocket folders, spiral notebooks, colored pencils, highlighters, scissors, rulers, glue sticks, rulers, large pink erasers, & pencil boxes.** If you have any questions, you can call Lori Keltner at 293-5140. - thank you.



Summer Lunch Program Concluded

Last week was the end of our summer lunch program and by all reports it was a success! We served a total of 149 meals to children in our surrounding neighborhoods. To make it possible, we had a terrific collection of willing volunteers that made the burden light for all involved. Some of the families that participated also pitched in and helped as they were able. The families were quite sincere as they expressed appreciation throughout the previous weeks. The Living Word Church is doing a great job serving this community and we consider it an honor to support them in this mission. (See the newspaper article across from the office.)

Again, thanks to all who offered their time and prayers to help those of our community: Elizabeth Sumner, Kay Rearick, Suzanne Dull, Charlene Brown, Helen Hager, Ruth Fulmer, Arlene Uldrich, Steve and Beth Ann Bleeke, Mary Marcum, Joyce Kelley, Steve Simmons, Darlene Schafer, Connie Sink, Bob and Susan Beall, Jamie Medlin, Ellen Earwood, Steve and Lori Keltner, Lisa Bleeke, Karen Brown, Loretta Liesch, Sasha and Adam Taylor, Laura Ruppert, Leigh Davis, Bonnie Urbanas and Brianna Collazo and her friend Carol. Also, we thank Pat White for all the friendly reminder calls she made and Green Oak Preschool for making the playground available. This program was proof in the lesson our Moms taught us that "many hands make light work". Marilyn, Laura and Nova agree that with your continued help and the same support from the Children's Hunger Alliance and the Living Word Church we will provide meals to our community again next summer. Our congregation has a great history of providing food for those in our neighborhood. It is an honor to expand that mission in this dimension. May we continue to be blessed with this opportunity to do the work of His hands.

In His Love,
Marilyn Foskhul
Laura Von Holle
Nova Kigar



"I Found Comfort"

Starting August 28, from 6 to 7:30PM, our GriefShare program will explore our needs to seek and use these program materials, comforts and resolutions for our personal losses with those that have had the same or similar experiences. You will find that you are not alone with your questions and what you are going through. This program has helped many people cope better with the loss of their loved one. Please sign-up to attend on the church bulletin board or contact Rev. King, 252-6705 or Charles Warren, 426-6373 with any questions.

Fall Art Exhibit

An art exhibit featuring adult members of our church is planned for early Sept. to coincide with Homecoming Sunday, Sept. 7th. Three people have agreed to bring in 2-3 paintings but there may be more members who have art work they would be willing to share. The work needs to be framed and wired so it can be hung.

Please let me know if you would like to be included in this exhibit. Don't be shy - the congregation loves to see work by people they know. Call me at 298-4176. -Doris Alexander.



"A Tisket-A-Tasket, God Has Filled My Blessing Basket"

Excitement fills the air as WINGS officers and volunteers plan the 3rd Annual Garden Party! We are counting our blessings as God *has filled our blessing basket* with our WINGS ladies ministry! If you haven't been to one of the previous garden parties, please plan to join us, bring a friend or family member if you'd like! This is so much more than a garden party ... there will be live music along with an inspirational program to help us all get revitalized, recharged & refreshed! We think each and every one of you is special and would love for every lady to be there...if you are new to GOPCC, please join us!

The festivities will be at The Shakertown Farmhouse on Saturday, August 16th at 5:30PM. Sign-up on the WINGS bulletin board. Officers will be available in the upper level of the Gathering Place after the 2nd service on Sundays, July 27, Aug. 3 & Aug. 10 for payment (please make checks payable to WINGS). Cost of the event is \$16.00 and includes a delicious meal prepared *on site* by caterer, Smokin' Joe! Hope to see each one of you there!! - Any questions please contact Loretta Liesch or Nikki Taylor.

"We need Greeters"

We need greeters at the 10:45 service for the rest of the summer and the rest of the year. I know it's hard to remember to sign up while you're at church, so feel free to call me, and I'll put you on the list. Pick a Sunday that's good for you! Thank you so much, Lisa Bleeke, 294-2962

"Blessings of the Backpacks"

We have designated Sunday, Aug. 24th, at the 10:45 worship service, for blessing student backpacks and teacher schoolbags or briefcases. Bring your backpack or briefcase to worship to start off the new school year with a blessing. - Christian Education



Men's Group Weds. 6:30 AM

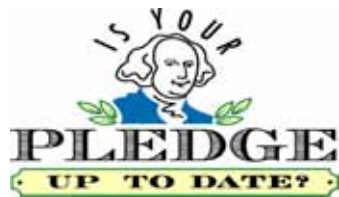
The Men's Group meeting on Wednesday mornings from 6:30 AM to 8 AM. All men are welcome. Our purpose for meeting is to encourage, and support one another as we discern God working in our lives.

The 6 month Financial Statements will be coming out late, due to a computer crash. If you have any questions about your giving account, please contact JoAnne Jay, 299-7153.

"Thank You"

Dear Friends in Christ,
Thank you for your gift of \$643.00 to be used to support the Blankets Fund. Gifts to One Great Hour of Sharing and designated disaster appeals are utilized on an average of once every 2.5 days to support and respond to disasters. Recent examples of relief efforts include: Myanmar Cyclone, the China Earthquake, and the USA 2008 Spring Tornadoes and Floods.

Your generosity ensures that the United Church of Christ is present to walk with our sisters and brothers world-wide when disasters strike. Thank you. - Peace, Susan Sanders, Minister for Global Sharing of Resources



· **Able to loan saw horses for the banana split construction** – Sign up if you have some you can let us borrow.

Even if you can't do any of the above, we will still need your participation to help make this event a success. Mark your calendars for the following: The Recreation Committee will be putting on the **Amazing Race on Saturday, September 6th**.



The Wings will be hosting the **Homecoming Dance** following the Amazing Race on Saturday, September 6th.



There will be a **Magician** performing during the Sunday School hour on September 7th.

Make sure to "vote" for your favorite Homecoming King and Queen. Our court will be announced Sunday, August 3rd. You vote by making a donation in the candidate's name and all monies raised will go to the Church's general fund. The King and Queen will be announced at the Dance. We will have our special Rally Day/Homecoming worship service to be followed by an all Church Photo, Pot Luck lunch, Bingo, Activities for the Kids, and con-

struction of the World's largest banana split.



Make sure you are wearing your official Greenmont Oak Park Church t-shirt during all of this. Ashley Steinbrenner will be taking orders after church so you can place your order and have your t-shirt in time for the festivities. They are only \$10.

Please make plans to participate and **SUPPORT YOUR CHURCH!!!!** If you have questions or would like to sign-up, please contact Anna Slaidins at 252-3345.

Accessibility Plans

Congregational Meeting - Aug. 10

The plans for completing Accessibility for all levels of our church has been on display in the Gathering Place for several weeks now. The Trustees & Official Board invite the congregation to a Special Report and Update Meeting on Sunday, August 10, following the morning worship services to share information about the plans. The Trustees are looking at working on this as a two phase project. Come and learn more about this exciting accessibility plan. We look forward to sharing this information with you.

