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Lent



*"My Father, if this cup of
suffering cannot be taken
away unless I drink it, your
will be done."
- Matthew 26:42*

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Diana Knowlton

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Nova Kigar

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Shelley Outlaw

Chapel Worship:

8:45 a.m.

Morning Worship:

10:45 a.m.

Sunday School Hour:

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Nursery - Adult

Ushers:

8:45 -

Gary Etter

Loren Houck

10:45 -

Charles Warren

Frank Taylor

Lent is a time of preparation to walk more closely with Christ.

Christ's life with Mary and Joseph was in preparation for his public ministry. As an adult Christ Jesus committed himself to his Heavenly Father's work. While we are in this 40 Days of Preparation, let us recognize that we are being prepared for action. Recall Matthew's account of Christ's teaching, "...I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink... Truly I say to you when you do it to the least of my family members you do it to me."

There are those who feel no personal responsibility in the matter of helping the least of Christ's family members. They would have government agencies take care of all in need. We must remember that God's relationship with his people is a personal one in which he gave man and woman a personal responsibility. We cannot delegate our responsibility to an organization.

Christian Stewardship is giving and responding to Christ's call to action of our time and talent for God's work on earth. This is the time to prepare ourselves for God's work. Paul said, "While we have time, let us do good to all men..." the first step is to put God first in our lives. As adults we give our time to those who are in need, we give of our talent where it will help bring men and women together in the name of Christ.

Sermon Bible Readings

- Mar. 8 - Heb. 10:23-25 & 11:1
- Mar. 15 - I Cor. 13:1-8a
- Mar. 22 - Isa. 26:1-4; John 15:8-11
- Mar. 29 - Micah 7:18-19; Mt. 11:28-30



Your friend and Pastor,
Greg King

God's Light Shinning Brighter here at GOPCC

- There are 26 ladies signed up for the Women's Retreat !
- The Men's Group has seen recent growth - all men are welcome !
- We have 13 ladies coming to the Women's Bible study on Mondays!

Vital Statistics

Attendance Mar. 1, 09

- 8:45 - 20
- 10:45 - 101
- Sunday School - 38

Offering - Operating Income
(monthly budget need - \$16,125)

	<u>Income rec'd</u>	<u>+/- Amt.</u>
Jan. '09	\$16,653	+ 475
Feb. '09	\$12,298	- 3,827

Happy Birthday

- Julie Sink - Mar. 10
- Ramona Donovan - Mar. 10
- Lena Patterson - Mar. 10
- Jamie Fisher - Mar. 11
- Jim Rogers - Mar. 11
- Wilma Yost - Mar. 13
- Mike Brodowski - Mar. 13
- Bernice Colvin - Mar. 14



In Our Prayers

- Nate Anderson - in Vietnam
- Margaret Dill - Masonic Home
- Jim Farra
- Jamie Geswein
- Gene Gibson

- Dawn Gilmore
- Beverly Guffey
- Mildred Heath - Walnut Creek
- Judy Hirshman (Chaney)
- Opal Hunter - Crestview Manor
- Lottie Jaeger
- Dan Jones - Patriot Ridge Nursing
- Dustin Knowlton
- Jimmy & Mary Lehman
- Peggy Lewis
- Nancy Lyttle
- Ron & Barbara Lyttle
- Bob McCray
- Deloris Miller
- Marcella Miller
- Michael Ourfalian - Iraq
- Mr/Mrs Patterson - Liberty Woods
- Nancy Pratt
- Ron Rearick - in Afghanistan
- Guy Robinette - Walnut Creek
- Cindy Romano
- Mary Sampson - Liberty Woods
- Rich Shea
- Sue Shroyer
- Kathy Steele
- Connie Swanson
- Gloria Van Camp
- Mary Vance
- Flo Warner
- Evelyn Wheeler
- Vera Westfall



Please let the church office know, how God is answering prayers in our lives.

Pancakes, Pancakes, Pancakes...



The men of Greenmont will be having a free PANCAKE Breakfast on Saturday, March 21, between 9 & 11 AM, here at the church. THE PUBLIC IS INVITED to come on in for some Hot pancakes and sausage!

Any male church members are welcome to volunteer, please call Craig Kigar @ 708-6830.

'Healthy News'

Be sure to check out the bulletin board and the "Healthy News" section for the full details..

-United Theological Seminary is hosting an 'How to Save Money" class for the public.

-LifeLine Screening is offering health testing at the end of March at 10 Wilmington Place.

- The Membership & Health Ministry Team

We still need some Usher & Communion Help Volunteers, please sign up on the bulletin board.- Worship Committee

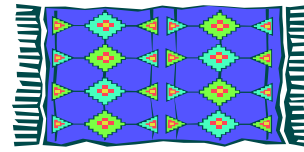
Music Committee Mtg.

The Music/Choir committee will be meeting on March 22, after church in the Laubach room. There will be a short meeting, then a question & answer session. All choir members are urged to attend. Sincerely, Toni Bailey, Music Chairperson, 643-3795

Summer Program Job Openings

Washington UCC in Cincinnati is looking for 3 assistants for their summer youth program. Housing and food is provided, plus a \$2,500 salary. The job openings will be for the weeks of June 15 through Aug. 6, an 8 week program. More details about the positions are posted on the bulletin board across from the Pastor's office.

The youth program will be offered Monday - Thursday, but planning hours and sharing leadership of a Sunday Kids Club will be extra work beyond the weekday schedule. If you are interested in applying for this team oriented, youth program, position, please contact Rev. Pam DeFusco, 513-541-7757 or email to: revpamdefusco@aol.com



BLANKET + PROGRAM, March 15th

For several years, GOPCC has participated in this program, the name has just changed! It was formerly called Tools & Blankets. For over 60 years, Church World Service (CWS) has worked in partnership with local communities, throughout the world, to identify their needs and access the resources they need to build the foundation for a viable future, including:

Blankets, tents, food, and other emergency supplies

Tools and seeds for refugees returning home to replant

Wells for families living in drought prone area for clean water to drink and irrigate crops

Literacy training and microcredit for women

Current help Provided by Blanket + Program:

In Afghanistan, a grave food crisis is occurring due to the most severe drought in a decade, which threatens millions of people with food shortages and possible starvation. CWS plans to assist 1300 farmers, who will directly benefit through educational trainings, rehabilitation of irrigation systems. 1,000 families will have access to clean water supply;

300 people will construct shelter for their families in "food for work" projects; 200 families will receive food packages. 500 farmers will receive tons of improved seeds, fertilizers.

Following a powerful earthquake in Indonesia affecting Talaud Islands, CWS distributed blankets and tarp to assist those whose homes were heavily damaged.

Our Blankets+ Offering will be March 15th. Thank you for your support.

- Social Action Committee



"Crusaders" - Youth Trip Planned

Sheri Parrett has organized a 3rd - 6th grader youth Fun, Fellowship day, at the Cederville College, on Saturday, March 28.

This event is especially created by the college for youth of this age. It will be a full day of sharing great fun & games, and meaningful experiences with other Christian youth from around the area. We plan to leave at 7:30 AM and return around 5:30 PM. Contact Sheri Parrett, if you have questions. 298-6210



I am the door; if anyone enters by me, he will be saved.
- John 10:9



"The Bloomery"

Ladies Join in the Spring Retreat

WINGS, Ladies

Ministry invites all interested women to "The Bloomery". Where women blossom in faith and friendship.

Refresh yourself at our fun, floral retreat! We'll use petals and blossoms to help us explore God's perennial goodness and grow in friendship with each other.

The Bloomery will take place Saturday, Mar. 7, from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM. The festivities will be held at the Shakertown Rd. Retreat Center in Beavercreek. The cost, \$28, covers a light breakfast, catered lunch, fun & refreshing activities, and your personal journal, all in a welcoming and comfortable environment!

We encourage you to join us, even if you have not participated in any WINGS activities... please consider attending this inspiring retreat.

Also, we encourage you to sign up as soon as possible as space is limited. You may pay 1/2 down with the balance due by Mar. 1st. Registration & payment will be accepted next Sunday, Mar. 1, in the Gathering Place, following the morning worship services. Partial Scholarship help is available, if needed.

Please call Nikki, 427-1774 or Diane 938-5246 for more information.



"Green-Oak Preschool Registration & 50th Anniversary"

On Monday, Mar. 2 at 9 AM REGISTRATION for fall classes will begin for parents who have children currently enrolled or who are members of Greenmont-Oak Park Church. If you need a specific class or time, I recommend that you register as soon as possible.

Green-Oak will be having our 50th ANNIVERSARY OPEN HOUSE on Sat., Mar. 7 from 1-3 PM. "The Voyageur Puppets" will perform. Carl Nichols, from Channel 2 will say a few words and cut the anniversary cake. We have invited the teachers of the last 50 years to join in the celebration. Church families are invited to take part in the activities. Also, prospective students and their families may wish to tour the facility, meet the teachers and have some refreshments.

After the puppet show, we will begin OPEN REGISTRATION for fall classes.

Sunday, Mar. 8 at the 10:45 AM church service we will have an ALL CHURCH CELEBRATION of the Green-Oak 50th anniversary. After the service we will have a tea and cut the anniversary cake. Please plan on joining us for this special occasion! - Ruth Fulmer

