

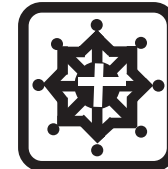
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*Think on Stewardship this month.
Look at your Mission Plan Book
mailed out to your home. Be a
part of God working in our world
through serving Him.*

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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 -

Les George

Pasko Evanoff

Ron Dill

Yesterday, at our Annual Congregational meeting the budget for our mission plans for 2010 was presented and passed. Our Mission Plan for 2010 was mailed to members of our church, describing how our financial contributions will be used (If you did not receive our Mission Plan Book for 2010, please contact the church office, and we will make sure you receive one). Our Stewardship & Finance committee presented pledge cards to those who attended the congregational meeting and will mail the other pledge cards to the rest of the congregation, asking us to prayerfully consider the pledge amount we will contribute to our 2010 mission projects and our various ministries.

This is a good time for me to share with you the meaning of stewardship. We hold as truth that God has given us all we have. The Psalmist declares our faith when he announced, "The earth is the Lord's, and all its fullness, the world and those who dwell therein," Psalm 24:1. God gave you your life, health and property, the earth and the Gospel. Everything we see, we hear, we smell, we taste, we feel, we have is a gift from God. As disciples of Christ we committed ourselves to walking the way of Christ and that means committing "with all our heart, with all our soul, with all our mind and with all our strength" to God. Being a steward is part of discipleship. What does being a steward of God mean? Being a steward of God means being generous with our time, talent, and treasure for the care of God's creation and Christ's church. Because God is loving and lavishly giving and because we are created in the image of God, our stewardship is an expression of love – love toward God and toward God's people and God's creation. Stewardship is part of our vocation. We have been given unique and special gifts for God's special purposes. Using those gifts is a lifelong responsibility. How we use God's gifts and the possessions we have is key to Christian living.

Stewardship means returning the "first portion" of all God has given us. It is a way of thanking God for blessing us. It is a rewarding way of life in which our personal relationship with Christ Jesus is enriched and deepened every day. It is the key to peace by making God's world we live in a better place for everyone.

We are to be content with enough, which means we need to learn to distinguish our needs (enough food, enough clothes, enough shelter, enough money) from our wants. Financial stewardship means giving generously, honestly, and regularly.

Because there is so much of God's work to be done, there is no time to waste. The time spent on each of our activities reflects its importance to us. How are we using our time? God has given us talents. We should not focus on what we can't do, but on what we can and to use them to improve the lives of others. Our relationship with others is a reflection of our relationship with God. Family care should come before work, hobbies and friends. We are members of a very special community – the body of Christ. We are called to care for and serve members of our faith community. And we should treat others as we want to be treated by them. Jesus also commanded us to share our faith and make disciples of others. That means sharing the Good News of God's salvation through Christ. It means being a Christ-like example toward others. It means being active in regular worship and with the services and affairs of our church. It means being conservative in the use of God's earth – its soil, air and water.

Let us remember who we are and to whom we belong. Let us consecrate ourselves to God through Jesus Christ and the stewardship way of life. Our consecration celebration is on Sunday November 22. A Consecration & "Giving Thanks" meal will follow the Morning service. You are invited. You pastor and friend, Greg King

Vital Statistics

Attendance Nov. 1, 09

8:45 - 25

10:45 - 104

Sunday School - 36

Offering - Operating Income

(monthly budget need - \$16,125)

	Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
Jan. '09	\$16,653	+ 475
Feb. '09	\$12,298	- 3,827
Mar. '09	\$14,598	- 1,527
Apr. '09	\$13,466	- 2,659
May '09	\$17,198	+1,073
June '09	\$10,176	- 5,949
July '09	\$11,929	- 4,196
Aug. '09	\$13,373	- 2,752
Sept. '09	\$14,255	- 1,870

Happy Birthday

Charles Warren - Nov. 9

Sasha Taylor - Nov. 9

Jim Farra - Nov. 11

Paula Geswein - Nov. 12



In Our Prayers

Doris Alexander

Glenda Boddie

Nolan Butts

Margaret & Robert Davis, Sr.

Mitch Deis

Harriett Edwards



Fran Ericson

Jim Farra

Linda George

Jamie Geswein

Gene Gibson

Dawn Gilmore

Beverly Guffey

Tom Hine

Judy Hirshman

Katie Horvath

Lottie Jaeger

Marilyn Jones

Dustin Knowlton

Eric Landing

Mary Lehman

Peggy Lewis

Nancy Lyttle

Barbara Lyttle

Lauren McClure

Bob McCray

Deloris Miller

Marcella Miller

Greg Moldovan

Karolina

O'Donnell

Nancy Pratt

Rama Rengan

Cindy Romano

Harriet Shawhan

Sue Shroyer

Kathy Steele

Connie Swanson

Danny Tomaz

Gloria Van

Camp

Flo Warner

Evelyn Wheeler

Vera Westfall

Those in Nursing Care

Mary Lou Chaney - Bethany Vlg.

Margaret Dill - Masonic Home

Mildred Heath - Walnut Creek

Opal Hunter - The Sanctuary

Dan Jones - Patriot Ridge Nursing

Mr & Mrs. Patterson - Liberty Woods

Charles Warren - Vlg. of Westerville

Wilma Yost - Kingston of Miamisburg

Military

2nd Lieut. Andrew Hayden - USA

Capt. Adam Reeves - Iraq

Corp. Ryan Stites - Japan

"Special Thanksgiving Offering"

The Official Board decided to combine the Thanksgiving and Christmas Special Offerings again this year. We will equally divide the offerings up to a value of \$2100 between Day-break, House of Bread, Neighbors in Need, St Vincent de Paul, Veterans of the Cross, and YWCA's Battered Women's program. If we exceed the total of \$2100, the donations above the 2100 will then be given to the church operating budget. Special giving envelopes have been included in this issue of the Chimes.



"Giving Thanks Dinner - Nov. 22"

The Giving Thanks Dinner will be held after the 10:45 service on Sunday, Nov. 22. **We need a lot of help to make the meal possible.** A sign-up sheet for volunteers to help with the preparation has been posted on the bulletin board across from the office. If you would be willing to prepare a turkey, peel, cook and mash potatoes, or prepare dressing please let us know by signing up on the sheet on the bulletin board. We can also use some help with the set-up on Saturday and the clean-up on Sunday after the meal. We are also asking for dessert donations (please bring your dessert cut and ready to serve). If you have any questions, please call Kelley Hager at 312-0203.



"Footprints Group"

Our Kindergarten to 2nd graders have selected a new name for their group, and will next meet on Sunday, Nov. 8, following the morning worship services. All K to 2nd graders are welcome to join us. - CarolLanding

What a Great Success!

THANK YOU ALL for helping out with the pumpkin patch fundraiser sale. We raised \$2,783 from the pumpkin sales, for the Jr & Sr High youth programs and activities. It was a huge success! Even more sales and profit than last year. Also the sale of dried corn, bales of hay, and the fall festival activities broke even on costs for the first year, we hope next year that this event will lead to more profits for our youth programs and church.



Our left over pumpkins will be going to a farmer to help feed his cows, we are told they enjoy pumpkin very much.

We couldn't have done it without you. We are very grateful, Sheri Parrett & the Youth Groups

Upcoming Youth Events

- Crusaders - Nov. 5 @ 4 pm
- Jr & Sr youth meet -Sunday, Nov. 8, @ 6pm
- Jr & Sr LOCK-IN, Nov. 13 & 14, 7pm to 10 am
- Youth to participate in "Giving Thanks Dinner" - Nov. 22

The New Church Directory is here!

The Membership Committee will be handing out our new directories, to those families who had their picture included in the book, on Sundays throughout November, following the morning worship services. - Lisa Bleeke, Membership Committee



Help Support 2 Great Organizations!

The Society for the Improvement of Conditions for Stray Animals is gearing up to sell it's 2010 calendar. When you purchase a SISCA Calendar for \$15, your money goes directly for the medical care and feeding of the animals in their program. When you order your calendar through Greenmont-Oak Park, our church will make \$5 from each calendar sold. The monies raised from this fundraiser will be used to go toward the church's general fund.

Please sign up on the order form on the bulletin board or watch for the "Calendar Sale" in the Gathering Place on select Sundays. If you have any questions or would like more information, please contact Suzanne Slaidins-Dull at 434-5368

"Home-Bound Holiday Card Shower"

We will again shower our Home-Bound with Christmas greetings. A box will be in the back of the sanctuary to receive the cards, starting Nov. 15. The cards will be needed by Tues. Dec. 1, to be delivered by Rev. King on his holiday visits.

Our shut-ins are: Rosemary Aylstock, Harold Goldberg, Lottie Jaeger, Harriet Shawhan, Vera Westfall, Nancy Lyttle, Barb Lyttle, Delores Miller, Sharon & Jack Gilmore, Evelyn Wheeler, Jim Farra, Marion Farren, Opal Hunter, Jim & Norma Haines, Hugh Culbertson, Howard Jordan, Marcella Miller, Karolina O'Donnell, Kenny/Ginny Hambrick, Dan Jones, Margaret Dill, Margaret Cobb, Mildred Heath, Allen & Lena Patterson, Flo Warner, Wilma Yost, Charles Warren, Mary Lou Chaney,



Hanging of the Greens will be Sunday, Nov. 29.

Join the Social Action Committee and many other volunteers in decorating the church for the Advent and Christmas season. Watch for more details in the coming Chimes issues.

"In Sympathy"

We extend our prayers to the Joe Von Holle family for the passing of Joe's father onto eternal life. May God comfort the family at this time of loss.. - Your GOPCC family.

Community Support & Fun Night for Nursing Center

The Patriot Ridge Community Nursing center where church member Dan Jones and church friend Ginny Rambler are living is holding a fund-raiser on Nov. 17 @ Bob Evans restaurant on Colonel Glenn Hwy. If you wish to participate see the flyers on the church bulletin board across from the church office.



Worship schedule:

Nov. 8 - 2 Timothy 1:11-2:7 Everyone Needs an Onesiphorus
Nov. 15 - 2 Timothy 2:8-26 Our Work for God
Nov. 22 - 2 Timothy 3:1-17 Coping in Troubled Times

SONKA Friends.

We're wanting to call your attention to a need by our Global Partners in Kenya ...

KNIT 1, PURL 2 FOR RUBATE HEALTH CENTRE BANDAGE PROJECT

When Rev. Bill Youngkin packed for his trip to Kenya this past summer, he managed to squeeze into his luggage some hand-knit bandages for the health centre run by our Global Partners at Rubate College. The bandages were the handiwork of Bev Barnes of Cross Creek UCC, who has been knitting for Rubate for years. The white bandages were so well received by the clinic staff... especially for arm and leg wounds... that our Kenyan friends have asked for more. Bev needs your help!!! Bandages may be knitted or crocheted. Complete instructions and requirements for materials may be found on the SONKA website, sonkaucc.org, under the "Ministries" tab. Call Bev at 937/643-3197 with questions about making the bandages.

Completed bandages can be dropped off at the SONKA office. They will be delivered to Rubate Health Center by work/study groups that are traveling to Kenya. -Thanks for your attention to this need! Bill Youngkin & Bev Barnes

2 Great Events!

News from WINGS !!!

Ladies, please remember to sign-up on the WINGS bulletin board to attend the "**Autumn Afternoon Carry-In Luncheon**". Also, if you will please indicate if you are going on the shut-in visits and what dish you plan to share at the luncheon, it will help us in our coordinating the luncheon and visits. You can come to either the luncheon or the visits...or you may do both, we hope to see you there, all are welcome!

We are very pleased and honored to have **Esther Frye sharing her ministry "Gospel In Art" with us on Sunday, November 15th at 6:30 PM.** Esther has traveled throughout the world presenting her chalk art programs to churches, youth groups, Missions, Indian reservations and civic groups. At 95 years young, Esther is an inspiration to us all and we are delighted to have her again. At last year's presentation there was standing room only! The children and adults were fascinated to watch her draw and narrate the bible story, "Jesus Calming of the Storm". This year Esther will be presenting "Shepherds

on the Hillside" the story of the nativity from Luke Chapter 2 she will be using fluorescent chalks with a dimensional effect. Esther's presentations and her love for Christ transcends to all ages. Please bring a dessert to share after the presentation, there is a sign up sheet on the WINGS bulletin board to help us in planning. We welcome you to bring your family and friends and share with us in this very special evening. There will be an offering taken to help defray the costs of Esther's art supplies. In Christ, Nikki Taylor



Veteran's Day Remembrance

Sunday, Nov. 8th we will hold a special Veteran's Day remembrance presentation during a portion of the 10:45 AM church service. Please join us for this special worship service. - the Worship Committee

