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Greenmont-Oak Park

Community Church 1921 Woodman Drive Kettering, Ohio 45420







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#### WORSHIP LEADER:

Apr. 1 - Gary Etter

Apr. 8- Susan Beall

GREETER: Apr. 1 & 8— Elizabeth Sumner & Kay Rearick Office Hours 1921 Woodman Dr Kettering, Oh 45420 9 AM—3 PM Mon.—Fri. Telephone: 252-6705

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Robert Smitley pastor@greenmontoakpark.com 937-307-7874

Office Manager: Nova Kigar office@greenmontoakpark.com

Youth Leader: Sheri Parrett

Admin. Chairperson: Brad Medlin

Choir Director: Rob Duerr Organists: Jacque Fisher Mary Jane McBride Shelley Outlaw

Chapel Worship: 8:45 AM Morning Worship: 10:45 AM Sunday School: 9:30 AM <u>Bible Adventure: 10:45 AM</u>

#### Ushers:

8:45 AM10:45 AMGary EtterLes GeorgeArlene UldrichPasko EvanoffCharlene BrownRon Dill



Palm Sunday, April 1, 2012 8:45 / 10:45 AM services (no communion served)

Maunday Thursday, Apr. 5 7:00 PM service, Communion served

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- EASTER SUNDAY April 8, 2012 6:30 AM—SUNRISE SERVICE Light breakfast follows
- 8:4AM—Early Service H Light breakfast follows
  - **10:45 AM Morning service** (only Nursery services will be available on this day at the 10:45 AM worship service,
  - no Adventure Bible class. No 9:30 AM youth Sunday School





Our Special offering for Easter will be equally divided 4 ways between One Great Hour of Sharing, Bread for The World, World Neighbors, and the Good Neighbor House. Please prayerfully give as God calls you to for these special missions. -Official Board

# Children's EASTER EGG HUNT

Sat, Apr. 7, begins @ 10 AM



All children age 1 to 12 are invited to come hunt for those special eggs, and possibly visit with the great Bunny as well.



A delicious PANCAKE Breakfast will also be served that morning, 8:30 to 11:30 AM, for all to enjoy, sponsored by our youth group. Free will donations will be accepted to benefit the youth summer camp trip. The community and church family are all invited.

| Attendance | Mar. 18, | 25, | 2012 |
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8;45 — 18, 75 10:45 — 27, 57 Sunday school — 28, 24

#### Offering—operating income

| (Monthly budget need is \$14,958) |              |            |  |
|-----------------------------------|--------------|------------|--|
|                                   | Income rec'd | +/- Amt.   |  |
| Dec. '11                          | - \$ 32,991  | + \$18,033 |  |
| Jan. '12                          | - 412,947    | -\$2.011   |  |
| Feb. `12                          | - 10, 593    | -\$4,365   |  |

#### Happy Birthday

Cleta Dicks—Apr. 1 Greg Robinson—Apr. 1 Abbey Roalef—Apr. 1 Les George—Apr. 4 Ken Hambrick, Sr—Apr. 4 Tiffany Kalaitzidis—Apr. 9 Christopher Risch—Apr. 10 Rob Duerr—Apr. 11

#### In Our Prayers

Glenda Boddie Jim Coleman Cletta Dicks Jerry Edwards Beverly Guffey Ken Hambrick Bill Hine Ruth Ingles Dan Jones

Angie Brooks DeAnn Decker CeCe (Cobb) Cole Jamie Geswein David Goldberg Vern Hine Carol Hildebrecht Mollie Huggins Nova Kigar

King family Dustin Knowlton Vince Knowlton Erik Landing Mary Lehman Nancy Lyttle Bob McCray Lauren McClure Marcella Miller Karolina O'Donnell Harriet Shawhan Calire Riccos Laura Ruppert Tom Scheit Wayne Stolich Paul Stutz Danny Tomaz Gloria Van Camp Flo Warner **Evelyn Wheeler** Tom Wheeler Mary Willett Paul White

#### Those in Nursing Care

Rosemary Aylstock— Walnut Creek Ginny Breckler—Trinity Home Mary Lou Chaney – Bethany Vlg. Margaret Cobb – Walnut Creek Margaret Dill – Masonic Home Marion Farren—Trinity Home Sharon Gilmore—Heartland—Kett. Ginny Hambrick—Walnut Creek Mildred Heath – Walnut Creek Lottie Jaeger – The Oaks, West Kett Dan Jones – Patriot Ridge Nursing Lena Patterson – Liberty Woods Charles Warren – East Moline, IL Vera Westfall—Elm Croft, Washington Tnsp.

#### <u>Military</u>

Ian Bader - USA, (Brown's grandson) Scott Certain – USA (Jo Anne Jay's son-in-law) John Meyer - Afghanistan (Nancy Meyer son) Nathanial Nicholas—Afganistan Brian Nicholas—USA (Nicholas family sons) Adam Reeves—USA (Edna's grandson) Sam Rogers—USA (Jen Roger's son) Casey Ryan - USA (Weyrauch son-in-law) Kevin Stites—USA (S Stites grandsons) Ryan Stites - Afghanistan

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# "Greetings and Thanks"

Wishing you and yours a peaceful holiday season. To all our people at Greenmont Church—Health family

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To our Dear Brothers & Sisters in Christ & in life— Our Greenmont– Oak Park family,

Any words of thanks that come to mind, seem so inadequate for the unfathomable gratitude and huge amount of love we feel for you all.

You truly have been our family and when the horrible tragedy happened in our life we knew we needed to e with you all again you have all been there for us, helping our hearts to heal. Thank you for your love for our family, for your cards & calls, for your amazingly generous financial gifts and for so much more!

In Christ's love & ours, Patti, Brittany, Tiffany, Gregory, and Kristen King \*\*\*\*\*

Dear Greenmont-Oak Park Church family,

Thank you so much for all the prayers, cards, hugs and support during this time of grief for our family.

The service was beautiful and the luncheon was delicious. Your care and concern help to sustain us through this difficult period. We are grateful for each and every one of you.

May God Bless You, the family of Marilyn Jones

#### GOPCC Family,

What a pleasant surprise to find a gift on the organ! It's truly a pleasure to share the meager talent God gave me. I hope you receive some blessings as a result! Love, Jacque

#### Disaster Relief from SONKA

Recent tornados affected people and communities in and very near the SONKA UCC area. Immediately our Disaster Relief coordinators and churches near the storm's path went into action offering help in multiple ways.

If you wish to make a donation to help support Disaster Relief, we can send it to SONKA for distribution as they maintain a Disaster Relief Fund. They also can take donations toward the National UCC disaster relief fund. So if you wish to contribute to disaster relief at any level, you may make your checks out to GOPCC and please note in the memo something like "Disaster Relief SONKA area" or "Disaster Relief Indiana/KY tornados" or "Disaster Relief SONKA National". We will make sure this money gets directed to the correct place. SONKA sends ALL funds directly to the relief effort.

As always, please keep our church an dour neighbors in your prayers, especially those who may be experiencing hardships and devastation. Thank you! - Finance Committee

#### **Finance/Stewardship Report**

This is an exciting and challenging time in the history of our Church. Brad Medlin, chairperson, Dr. Bob and the Official Board are seeking new ways and means to guide Greenmont-Oak Park Community UCC to continued success as we navigate this period of transition in our leadership.

Our youth groups are very active and are organizing fund-raisers for their mission work camp in Big Cree, KY the first week of June.

The Neighbor-to Neighbor Food Pantry is meeting the emergency food needs of people in our community in an unprecedented numbers. They also had a very successful Christmas basket program again last December.

The Endowment Committee has \$8,000 of monies available for disbursement, thanks to a very good year of earnings. Many other programs by WINGS and other groups are actively meeting the spiritual needs of our members and friends.

Speaking of needs, we as Christ's disciples need to reflect on our Stewardship as it reflects on our spiritual connection to Jesus and his commandments.

The principle of "<u>tithing</u>" is biblical and addresses the 'need of the <u>giver to give'</u>, and not on the need of the church to receive.

We need to give the first part of our day in meditation to God, We need to give the first part of our week in worship of God. We need to give the first part of our income to God. We need to give the first part of our social life to fellowship with other Christians. Please pray for the Pastoral Search committee as they continue their work and by returning completed questionnaires to help build a profile of our church.

May God Bless You in all you say and do. - Frank Lakins, Search Committee chairperson



Coming Soon

All Church—Tent Sale

"Donate unwanted usable items"

The Trustee Committee is preparing for the annual all church tent Sale to be held April 27 & 28. As you spring clean save your unwanted usable items to bring to the sale.

The Trustees will have a pickup service for large items, beginning Monday evening April 23rd. If you have small items that you can bring yourself, they can be brought to the church during the day or evening hours the week of April 23rd.

Volunteers are also needed to help price items throughout the week and work the sale on Friday and Saturday. Questions can be directed to Gary Etter, or the church office. This is a good couple of days to be a representative of our church to the community as you organize and browse through all the treasures, large and small.

The profits from the sale will go toward church property needs cared for by the Trustees work.

- Trustee Committee

#### Youth News

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Footprints— (K to 2nd grade) 1st Sunday of month, 12 noon Crusaders - 3 to 5th grade 3rd Sunday of month, 12 noon Girls of Grace—Jr High girls 2nd & 4th Sunday of month, 6 PM

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Jr High youth—6th to 8th

- N 1st & 3rd Saturday evenings
- G 8 to 11PM

**5th Quarter**—Sr High youth 2nd & 4th Saturday evenings 8 to 11PM

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The Youth are planning some Spring fundraisers to add to their funds for doing a work camp this summer.

Sat. April 28, from 4 to 7 PM <u>Spaghetti Dinner</u> Adult meal \$6/ child meal \$4

Dine in or carry-out.



Chimes Article Deadlines are: Apr 9, Apr 23, May 1

## Honoring our Graduates

It is graduation time again. We need to know who our 3rd graders, high school, and college graduates are this year. Call, write, or e-mail the church with this information. The information must be in by April 22, 2012..



# IT'S FUN

Come and join the High School and College class that Bob Colvin conducts. Class begins at 9:30 AM.

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The Adult class is reading and discussing the Book of Proverbs. Frank Taylor is the moderator of this class. Come join us at 9:30. We have lively discussions.

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The Contemporary Class is viewing the PBS God and America Series. They welcome all to join them in their discussions.

#### WINGS/Ladies Retreat, April 14

Mark you calendar for Saturday, Apr. 14, beginning at 9 AM, to join us for a special day of renewing. Our Theme is "Seaside Escape". More details will be shared in announcements at church on Sunday.



## Easter Egg Hunt

The Church is planning a Community Easter Egg Hunt for Saturday, April 7 at 10 AM sharp. We are accepting donations of wrapped candies or money. Candy can be brought to the Church Office and monetary donations can be placed in the offering plate marked Egg Hunt. Thank you for your support.



#### Our Doors

## Are Open and Welcoming

The Membership Committee encourages you to invite family and friends to attend worship with us, and join us for fellowship activities, too. Share what a special unique church we really are.

## SONKA SPRING GATHERING

Rev. Smitley encourages anyone interested to attend the Gathering, April 28 from 9 to 3 PM at Oak Creek UCC, 5280 Bigger Rd., Kettering. Registration is \$22 per attendee and you can register online at <u>www.sonkaucc.org</u> between March 19 and April 19. An interesting workshop on CHURCH VI-TALITY facilitated by expert Jim Oates fills up quickly, so please register early.

## **Adult Confirmation Class**

## NOTE: our next class will meet on Monday, April 9, after Easter.

Since I have learned that some know some and some know nothing about the United Church of Christ and how it came about, I have decided to facilitate an adult Confirmation class on the United Church of Christ. We meet in the Hilty Room, on Monday evening from 7 to 8:30 PM. Be sure and bring something to write with and even to take some notes. This will take the place of the Evangelism class for right now. I have talked to both the Official Church Board and the Search Committee with members of both requesting more education on the United Church of Christ.

The class should be very informative and educational for everyone that attends. - Dr. Bob