



Greenmont-Oak Park Community
United Church of Christ

Chimes



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Greenmont Church is called to:

- S—Support families & youth
- E—encourage spiritual development
- R—Reach out with service & fellowship
- V—Voice the hope of Good News in Jesus Christ
- E—Envision a better world through Christ's example

Church membership is based on the affirmation of the

Biblical covenant:

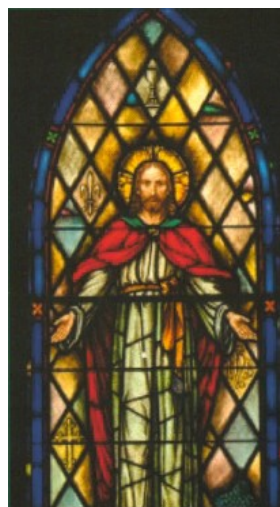
"You shall love the Lord with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. (Mark 12:30-31)

Scripture Readings for weeks:

April 17— Acts 9:36-43, Ps 23, Rev 7:9-17,
John 10:22-30

April 24 —Acts 11:1-18, Ps 148, Rev. 21:1-6,
John 13:31-35

May 1— Acts 16:9-15, Ps 67, Rev. 21:10, 22-22:5
John 14:23-29, John 5:1-9



THEN I SAW A NEW HEAVEN
& A NEW EARTH, FOR THE
FIRST HEAVEN & THE FIRST
EARTH HAD PASSED AWAY...
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Chapel Worship: 8:45 AM

Morning Worship: 10:45 AM

Christian Education: 9:30 AM

Bible Adventure: 10:45 AM

Ushers:

8:45 AM 10:45 AM

Gary Etter Les George/Nov.

Arlene Uldrich Pasko Evanoff/No

Linda Oxley

WORSHIP LEADERS:

Loretta Liesch—Apr. 10

Bob Karl—Apr. 17

GREETERS:

Cheryl Barnett

Dear GOPC(UCC) Family and Friends,

I was asked the question: "I want to help bring new people to our church; how do I do this? Who can I invite?"

Here is my answer: Call FRANK (and once again you are thinking that I am a little crazy!) But, no, I am serious! Call FRANK!

FRANK is an acronym that makes it easy to remember who you can invite to church.

F - Friends. The people with whom you spend time. Your buddies.

R - Relatives. Those you rely on when your friends are not close!

A - Acquaintances. You really don't know them well. Friends in the making.

N - Neighbors. The annoying guy who mows his lawn during your naptime.

K - Kids. Your children. And the Franks of your children!

That was easy! Just call FRANK! I hope that this will answer the "Who" question. Now the "How?" question:

Next time you hang out with your friends - invite them to church. Offer to pick them up! When you talk to your relatives, acquaintances, etc. - tell them how great our church is. Invite them to join in the fun and joy! Next time you drive by your neighbor's place - don't just wave. Pull over. Stop. Talk to your neighbor. Again - tell them the positive things about our church Invite them to church. **The best advertising is done by word-of-mouth!**

Okay - will you now please place a call to FRANK?

Until next time - My Best!

Gabe.

Attendance - Apr. 3, 17 2016

8:45 service	19	18
10:45 service	60,	69
Sunday School	21	18

Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$14,687)

	Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
Nov. '15	\$23,591	+8,633
Dec. '15	\$14,476	- 482
Jan. '16	\$13,404	-1,283
Feb. '16	\$11,748	-2,939
Mar. '16	\$12.057	-2.630

Ken Hambrick	Edna Holland
Crystal Hudson	Sean Humphrey
Lori Keltner	Kristen King
Dustin Knowlton	Kelly McRonney
Bob McCray	Phyllis McCray
Steve Mills	Susan Mills
Jim Murphy	Delbert Newhouse
John Parnell	Sheri Parrett
Linda Peterson	Joyce Pratt
Jack Reger	Cindy Romano
Calire Riccos	Deb Richey
Beverly Smith	Diana Smith
Wayne Stolich	Stutz family
Connie Swanson	Joe Trevan
Lynn Uldrich	
Gloria Van Camp	Gina Van Camp
Larry Van Camp	Chloe Wakefield
Sue Wagner	Mark Webb
Tom Wheeler	Pat White
Diane Yost	

Happy Birthday

- Aaron Steinbrunner—Apr. 21
- Tim Keltner—Apr. 23
- Judy Amundson—Apr. 26
- Ginny Hambrick—Apr. 28
- Ann Smith—May 5
- Barb Etter—May 6



Those in Nursing Care

- Angie Brooks—St. Leonard Center
- Doris Greenwood—Oak Creek Terrace
- Ginny Hambrick—Walnut Creek
- Betty Hine—St. Leonard Center
- Verdena Mardis—Brook Meadows

Military

- Adam Reeves
- Casey Ryan



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In Our Prayers

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|-----------------------|-----------------|
| Liz Ancil | Kevin Bader |
| Glenda Boddie | Ginny Breckler |
| Nolan & Dorothy Butts | Nancy Carter |
| Kara DePew | Robert Davis |
| Leigh Davis | Allen Dicks |
| Larry Earwood | Laura Etter |
| Barbara Etter | Marilyn Foskuhl |
| John George | Jamie Geswein |

Christian Education Schedule

The schedule :
 9:30 AM—Confirmation
 lead by Dave Roalef
 9:30 AM—High School/College
 lead by Bob Colvin/Meg Roalef
 9:30 AM—Adult Bible class
 lead by Frank Taylor/Gary Etter
 9:30 AM—Adult Contemporary
 - lead by Laura Von Holle
 10:45 AM—Bible Adventure
 (during worship - continues for
 all 4yr. Olds to 5th graders)
 Lead by Colleen Karl
 10:45 AM—Nursery (babies to 3yrs)

Chimes Article Deadlines are:
May 2 & 16, 2016
Bulletin Announcement deadline
is: Wednesday of each week.



Graduation 2016

it is time again to find out who the High School and College graduates are going to be this year. Please call the office or Email your information on the graduates by the end of April. - Barbara Richards

Happy Birthday To Our CHURCH!

Our 70th year! Help us grow and lead the start to head towards the next 30 years!

Return our \$71 Challenge by June 30th. Mark it for your Challenge contribution and bring it in or mail it in, and if your heart tells you to do more praise God!

Let's all hurry and get those gifts in to start making it grow! - Finance/ Stewardship



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 items, beginning Monday evening April 25th. Cal the church if you need pickup service. If you have small items that you can bring yourself, they can be brought to the church during the day or evening hours Tues.—Thurs., April 26 to 28.

Volunteers are also needed to help price—sort items throughout the week and work the sale on Friday and Saturday. Any Questions, talk to Gary Etter, Greg Goodner, Ray Urbanas, Ron Lyttle, Jacque Fisher, Connie Medlin.

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

WINGS THINGS!

A big thank you to the 18 ladies who attended our "April Showers Bring May Flowers" Fellowship/Luncheon. We spent several hours being "showered" with lots of fun flowery things, enjoying good food and of course, just spending time with friends. What a great group of ladies!

We appreciate your support so much.

Our next event with be our annual Mother's Day Celebration, "Mom, Our Queen for a Day."

The date is Saturday, May 7, 2016, time and price of tickets will be available soon. We invite sons, daughters, step sons and daughters, grandchildren, adopted children or anyone who calls someone "Mom" and of course, anyone who enjoys the honor of being a mother to join us for this fun day. This has been one of our most popular events and this one will be one of "royal" proportions! Our speaker will be Belinda Grippo from the Dayton Right to Life Organization.



We will be hosting a baby shower to support women who find themselves in

difficult situation. We are opening this to the entire GOPCC congregation and would like everyone to donate a new baby item. What better way to celebrate Mother's Day! There will be more information about the baby shower soon.



shutterstock - 141664171 We are now accepting \$20 deposits to book your space for the **Pike Lake Retreat in September**. More information about this popular event will be coming soon, but we are now taking names and deposits. We can take 16 reservations. This is so much fun!



We also decided at the April Luncheon to do a **specific project in connection with GOPCC's 70th Birthday**. We will create 70 purses filled with feminine hygiene products and then give them to a homeless shelter for women in the Dayton area. Look through your closet ladies, find a purse you can part with and fill-er-up!

If you have any questions about any of these events, you can ask Diana, Toni, Lori or Paula.

Remember Pastor Gabe's Q & A sessions will be held on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month following 10:45 AM worship.

New

A Welcoming, Comforting Ministry is present with us in the sanctuary.

When you join in worship on Sunday's or even any day of the week, you will not be alone in the sanctuary. We have two to three worship/prayer/comfort creatures in each pew to bring comfort and care to those around them.

These little soft creatures come with an introduction tag:

This little creature has spent time in the midst of our congregation. It has heard the Scriptures read, sermons preached, prayers prayed and songs of praise sung. It knows both the joys and they heartaches of people, and has been surrounded by the love so freely shared by our community of faith. It comes to offer you comfort and peace, with all the blessings of worship and love. If you need to have him around for your comfort, this "Creature of God" is yours to keep.

They are free to take by guests, or anyone as a gift of love and peace. We also have our basic church contact information on the tag the stuffed creature wears.

One of our creature friends has traveled to Alabama with Jim Jones., who visited with us in April.

"Many Thanks"

Thank you to all who helped with the carnival, and all of the people who came. Everyone seemed to have a good time.

Thanks again,
Cheryl Barnett



to YOU!

The Fellowship Ministry

is planning a birthday party for **YOU** on May 21 from 7 to 9 PM. We will have a piñata, BINGO with prizes, and other fun games. Please come and join in celebrating your birthday

Preschool News

I received a wonderful Thank You Note from The Baby Pantry thanking us for the diaper, wipes and formula donations! Thanks to all the church members that donated! We are coming to the end of our school year! I'd like to thank Barb LeBlanc and Linda Oxley for volunteering at our activity table and working with the preschoolers this year! You have made a difference! I'm hoping more church members would like to volunteer next year!

Sincerely,

Valerie Baker, Preschool Director



Christian Education Classes

Going Strong.

Colleen Karl shares that **Bible adventure** has a varying number of students from 1 to 8, and she continues the theme of the Children's moment shared in worship.

Bob Colvin and Meg Roalef co-teach the Senior High/College youth. They have three consistent attendees. In March they studied the Passion week events. And did a comparison and contrasting look at the four Gospels in telling the events of Jesus from Palm Sunday through Easter. They also included videos from "The Bible" to explore the topic. Meg & Bob really enjoy their discussions with the youth of their class. The preparation for lessons is really worthwhile. They pray that more youth will be lead to their class.

The Contemporary Adult class has just finished the "Great Figures of the New Testament" video series. It concluded with lectures on apostle Paul and Jesus. They have 6 to 8 in attendance. - Laura Von Holle

The **Adult Bible class** is continuing their study of the book of Mark. They have from 8 to 10 in attendance.

Disaster Relief

For those who want to assist with aid for flooding, earthquakes, tornados, and those displaced due to political or social unrest. The United Church of Christ has a Disaster Relief program, both global and across our nation, to bring immediate aid of water, blankets, basic hygiene kits, clean up kits and food and longer term aid with counseling, and services support until normalizing of life returns.

You may make your donation through the church. Just make your check out to church, and mark in the memo: disaster relief. We will collectively submit donations to the UCC disaster relief program.

The Sewing Interest Group has made pew Reserved seating cloth sashes for the church. They may be of use for weddings or funerals, or any event needing reserved seating. Thank you Lori Keltner, Becky Northern, Yevonne Goodner—Nova Kigar

