



Greenmont-Oak Park Community

United Church of Christ

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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:

GREETERS:

Cheryl Barnett

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:

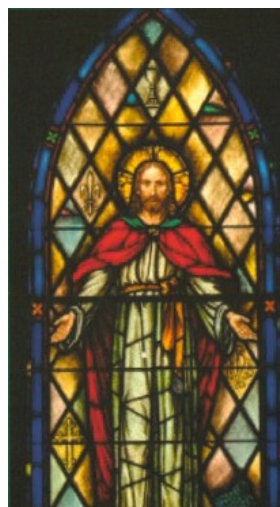
"You shall love the Lord with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and with all your strength. You shall love your neighbor as yourself. (Mark 12:30-31)

Scripture Readings for weeks:

Jan. 31—Jer 1:4-10, Ps 71:1-6, I Cor 13:1-13,
Luke 4:21-30

Feb. 7— Ex 34:29-35, Ps 99, 2 Cor. 3:12-4:2,
Luke 9:28-36 9 37-43)

Feb. 14— Deut 26:1-11, Ps 91: 1-2, 9-16,
Rom 10:8b-13, Luke 4:1-13



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Dear GOPC(UCC) Family and Friends,

I thought that 2015 went by too fast. The one moment it was January - and the next moment it was Christmas! Now we already are in February. It feels like 2016 did not have a January!

The office and the Worship Ministry are currently planning the Lenten season. You know - the Ash Wednesday service (February 10th at 7:00p.m.) followed by five Lenten Sundays before we reach Palm Sunday on March 20th. On March 24th we will have an International Agape Feast (6:00p.m) followed by the Maundy Thursday Communion service(7:00p.m.) And of course - it all culminates in Easter, celebrated on March 27th. Lent is the subdued time of the church year. It will be reflected in the music and preaching. But Easter - well, that's the biggest CELEBRATION Christians can have! You are invited to join us in this Lenten journey!!!

Please "like" Greenmont Oak-Park Community (UCC) on Facebook. And, please "share" the activities of our church on your own page. It's free advertising for GOPC (UCC.) You are welcome to send me Facebook invites. I will gladly accept your friendship! For ethical reasons I am no allowed to invite parishioners to be friends; but I can accept your requests!

On a personal note: Thank you very much for the generous staff appreciation gift we received. All of us really felt appreciated!

Until next time - Best Wishes!

Gabe.



February 10, 2016
7:00 PM service

The Worship/Music Committee have been working on making some changes to the Order of the Worship Service . These changes will be offered to see if they will make our worship experience more refreshing and meaningful and bring awareness to each important part of the service.

Attendance - Jan. 10, 17

8:45 service	17	19
10:45 service	47	76
Sunday School	22	23

Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$14,958)

	Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
Nov. '15	\$23,591	+8,633
Dec. '15	\$14,476	- 482

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| Jamie Geswein | Dawn Gilmore |
| Ken Hambrick | Edna Holland |
| Crystal Hudson | Sean Humphrey |
| Kristen King | Dustin Knowlton |
| Charlie Mayfield | Kelly McRonney |
| Bob McCray | Phyllis McCray |
| Steve Mills | Susan Mills |
| Jim Murphy | Delbert Newhouse |
| Ester Oxley | John Parnell |
| Sheri Parrett | Joyce Pratt |
| Jack Reger | Cindy Romano |
| Calire Riccos | Deb Richey |
| Roalef Family | Beverly Smith |
| Diana Smith | Wayne Stolich |
| Stutz family | Joe Trevan |
| Lynn Uldrich | Gloria Van Camp |
| Gina Van Camp | Larry Van Camp |
| Chloe Wakefield | Sue Wagner |
| Mark Webb | Pat White |
| Diane Yost | |

Happy Birthday

- Karen Hammonds—Feb. 4
- Mary Schwarz—Feb. 7
- R C Walker—Feb. 8
- Jessica Donovan—Feb. 12
- Gavin Rayney—Feb. 13
- Lisa LeBlanc—Feb. 13
- Kyle Barnett—Feb. 18



In Our Prayers

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| Judy Admundson | Liz Ancil |
| Kevin Bader | Glenda Boddie |
| Ginny Breckler | Cindy Brodowski |
| Nancy Carter | Kara DePew |
| Robert Davis | Leigh Davis |
| Ahmad Doucet | Laura Etter |
| Pasko Evanoff | Marilyn Foskuhl |
| Donna Foskuhl | John George |



Those in Nursing Care

- Angie Brooks—St. Leonard Center
- Doris Greenwood—Oak Creek Terrace
- Ginny Hambrick—Walnut Creek
- Vern /Betty Hine—St. Leonard Center
- Verdena Mardis—Sterling House

Military

- Adam Reeves
- Casey Ryan



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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:
 Feb.15 & 29 , 2016**

**Bulletin Announcement dead-
 line is: Wednesday of each
 week.**



2016
 Please consider greeting as an added bonus to the worship hour. Sharing a hello and hug with those joining us in worship, starts the service with a very good feeling, releasing or empowering the Holy Spirit within.
 If you would like to be a greeter for just a Sunday or an entire month, please sign up on the sheet posted across from the church office.

**Preschool Open House
 & 2016-17 Class Registration**

On Monday, Feb. 29th we will begin Registration for fall classes for parents who have children currently enrolled, and Greenmont-Oak Park Church members. Then beginning March 7, open enrollment will begin.

Green-Oak Preschool will be having an OPEN HOUSE on Saturday, March 5, 12 to 2 PM for families of prospective students and current students. Fun refreshments will be served, balloons handed out and tours of the school offered.

Check out the school website for more information:

www.greenoakpreschool.com

We will continue to take registrations until the class enrollments are filled. If you would like to visit the school, I am available most mornings to give a tour.
 - Valerie Baker, Preschool Director

Ladies Book Club Feb. Choice

The Ladies will be reading, "The Girl You Left Behind" by Jo Jo Moyes. All ladies are welcome to join the book club in any book reading. They will meet on the last Monday of the month for a light supper and discussion. In Feb. that will be the 29th, at 6:30 pm.

Join our Adult Bible Class

Do you enjoy a lively conversation? How about a difference of opinion? We have just the place for you on Sunday Mornings. Join us in the Donut room at 9:30 on Sunday. We are reading the Book of Mark and the miracles that Jesus did. All opinions and arguments are welcome. Barbara Richards



Reminder— Sandwich pick up is Friday, Feb. 5th , 7 to 8 PM

All church member orders proceeds will go toward Trustee projects.



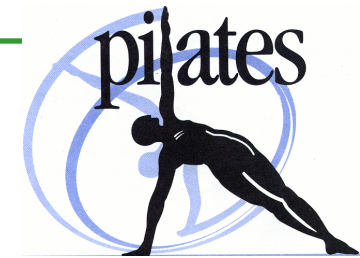
The next Fellowship event is the **Valentine's Day Party**, Saturday, February 13, 7 - 9 pm.

We will be making Valentines, playing games, making music with toy musical instruments, dancing, fellowship and food. Everyone is welcomed. **Please RSVP to Cheryl Barnett at: 937-231-8077 or Cbarnett456@sbcglobal.net**

Cheryl Barnett



A Coloring Day is planned for Saturday, February 20, 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. at Doris Alexander's home, 3951 Maricarr Drive, Kettering. Bring your coloring books, pencils, or markers. If you haven't gotten into coloring yet, you are welcome to join us. We'll have extra pages available for you. If 1:30 is not good for you, just drop in later. To let us know you are coming, please call Doris at 298-4176 or Barb LeBlanc at 256-6490.



Prayerful Pilates

If your Lenten intentions include taking better care of your body, praying more, and giving alms, then make a commitment to join us on the six Tuesdays during Lent for Prayerful Pilates. Freewill donations are accepted to support the Neighbor to Neighbor Food Pantry, a joint mission of Greenmont-Oak Park Church and Ascension Parish. We will begin and end with prayer, and listen to soft instrumentals and Christian music while we exercise.

Pilates is a no-impact exercise form in which you use your body weight against gravity as you move through a series of controlled movements that focus on building core strength and increasing flexibility. All fitness levels are welcome. It is always a good idea to check with your physician before beginning an exercise program. Taught by American Council of Exercise-certified instructor and Ascensions member Alexis McLaughlin. Questions: irishlex63@gmail.com

Bring Your Own Mat

When: 6:30 –7:30 PM, Tuesdays
 starting Feb. 16th
 Where: Ascension Church Witzman Center (lower level)

The class had a good attendance last year, and can help continue to build ongoing relationships.

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



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WEB SITE**

www.greenmontoakpark.com

2016 Bulletin and Flower Calendars are ready for donors to sign-up to assist worship by purchasing bulletins or flowers. Sponsoring either bulletins or flowers is a nice way to remember a loved one or special event. Thanks to all who sign up!

Bulletin sponsorship will be \$15.00 this year, 2016 and can be placed in the offering plate, indicate what payment is for.

Flower donations are \$20.00 and must be paid for in advance by at least two weeks. Again, place in the offering plate and indicate what payment is for.



Christian Education is planning to meet Wednesday, February 24th at 7pm for the first VBS planning meeting.

We need lots and lots of helpers! If you haven't ever helped with VBS 2016 is the year to step up! Please join us in the planning stages!

You won't be sorry, it's a great ministry to the community youth and a service to the Lord. Actually lots of fun too!

We need all the help we can get! If you can't make the first meeting please let the church office or Nikki Taylor know you're interested.

An Electric Stove was Gifted to the Church

The church would like to thank the Goodner family for the stainless steel electric stove they gave to the church this past November. We have it in use now, and ask that everyone using it, wash it off good (mild soap and water) after each use and dry it with a dish towel to keep it from streaking.

We are very grateful for this wonderful gift.

- Anna Slaidins and the congregation

A Prayer for Midday

O God, through whose good gifts our bodies are again refreshed, may the lifting up of our thought to thee refresh our souls with strength and purpose for the unfinished day. Amen.

I wait for the Lord, my soul waits, and in his word I hope; my soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning, more than those who watch for the morning.

Psalm 130:5-6 NRSV

Thank You All,

I am very grateful for the Christmas Staff gift. I still find my work here a blessing, and at the same time a challenge. A way to serve God and you my friends and family in Christ.

I thank you again, in Christ's love,
Nova Kigar

BIBLE Treasure Hunt

Let the search — and the fun — begin! Try one or both of the variations below, adjusting for age-appropriateness as needed.

What you need:

- Bibles
- Self-stick notes or pieces of paper
- Pencil
- Treats
- Boxes (treasure chests)

What you do:

Locations Treasure Hunt

1. Find Bible verses that mention a place inside or outside your house. The location for Matthew 7:8, for example, is a door.
2. Write each verse on a self-stick note and hide all but the first clue. Give the first clue to the player(s).
3. Leave the treats at the final clue destination.

Object Treasure Hunt

1. Find Bible verses that mention objects that can be found nearby. The object for Matthew 16:19, for example, is a key.
2. Give each player an empty box, a Bible and a list of verses as clues.
3. Have players return their collected items for a final prize.