

### 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)

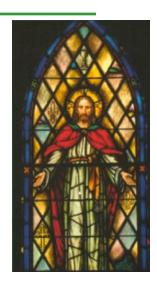
### Scripture Readings for weeks:

July 16- Gen 25:19-34, Ps 119:105-112, Isa 55:10- 13, Ps 65:1-13, Rom 8:1-11, Matt 13:1-9,18-23

July 23 - Gen 28:10-19a, Ps 139:1-12, 23-24, Sol 12:13, 16-19, Isa 44:6-8, Ps 86:11-17 Rom 8:12-25, Matt 13:24-30, 36-43

July 30— Gen 29:15-28, Ps 105:1-11, I Kings 3:5-12, Ps 128, Ps 119:129-136, Rom 8:26-39 Matt 12:31-33, 44-52

Aug. 6— Gen. 32:22-31, Ps 17:1-7, Isa 55:1-5, Ps 145 Rom 9:1-5, Matt 14:13-21



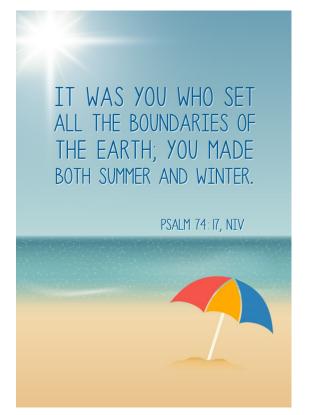
# Greenmont-Oak Park Community United Church of Christ Community United Church of Christ

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### Office Hours

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Shelley Outlaw

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 Jerry Archer
Arlene Uldrich Bob Berk
Linda Oxley Jim Coleman

### **WORSHIP LEADERS:**

Greg Goodner—July 23 Tom Wheeler—July 30

Greeters:

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Dear GOPC(UCC) Family and Friends,

Over the last three years I ended my Chimes articles with the words: 'Until next time..." This time I cannot use those words, since this is my last contribution to the Chimes.

In the three years I served you as pastor, there were good times and there were not -so-good-times. I tried very hard to change the direction of declining numbers during my tenure. My hope to bring about change in the congregation died with your hope of rekindling the fire of yesteryear. With the dwindling numbers in attendance and contributions, it became obvious that the congregation will not be able to afford a full time pastor much longer. I had to make a change in my direction and therefore decided to submit my resignation. I am sad to leave you. It was my plan to retire here. That's why we bought a house here. I guess our plans don't always work the way we want?

On the positive side we made a lot of new- and good friends. Thank you for all the hugs and love we received from you. It will fondly be remembered. If you are in the Tampa/St Petersburg area - please pay us a visit! We will welcome you with open arms!

Cindy asked that I specifically convey her gratitude towards everyone that welcomed and befriended her. She really appreciated the affection you extended to her.

For me it's time to say goodbye. Luckily it's not a farewell - it's a simple: "Goodbye!" This time I will end my greeting to you by saying:

My love and best wishes to all of you!

Gabe.

Attendance -	July 9,	16 201 <u>7</u>	
8:45 service	21,	23	
10:45 service	58,	61	
Sunday School	9,	14	

### Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$14,504) Income rec'd +/- Amt. Dec. '16 \$16,161 +1.647 Jan. 17 -2,360 \$12,144 Feb. '17 \$9,785 -4,719 Mar. \17 \$10,392 -4,112 Apr. \17 \$15,611 + 1,107 May '17 \$10,232 - 4,272

### **Happy Birthday**

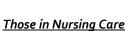
Evelyn Shartle—July 25 Arlene Uldrich—July 29 Suzanne Dull—July 30 Darlene Schafer—July 30 Cindy Archer—Aug. 1 Barb LeBlanc—Aug. 1 Jeana Gastineau—Aug. 3 Helen George—Aug. 7 Mark Rayney—Aug. 11

### In Our Prayers

Kevin Bader
Karen Blake Glenda Boddie Charlene Brown Dorothy Butts Kristi Carr
Nancy Carter Robert Davis
Leigh Davis Alan Dicks
Larry Earwood Pasko Evanoff
Dave Evans Steve Foskuhl

John George Gary Gillett Kim Hinely Edna Holland Sean Humphrey Loretta Liesch Phyllis McCray Carroll Miller Steve Mills Jim Murphy John Parnell Bill/ Judy Price Calire Riccos Laura Ruppert Joyce Seitz Diana Smith Elizabeth Sumner Lvnn Uldrich Gloria Van Camp Larry Van Camp Sue Wagner Larry Wilson

Jamie Geswein Roger Hammond Chris Heine Crystal Hudson Diana Knowlton Kelly McRonney Bob McCray Charles Miller Susan Mills Delbert Newhouse Jovce Pratt Cindy Romano Deb Richey Andrew Saylers Beverly Smith Wavne Stolich Joe Trevan Ray Urbanas Gina Van Camp Steven Vaughn Pat White ein Our A



Ginny Hambrick —Walnut Creek Betty Hine —St. Leonard Center



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#### Christian Education Schedule

The SUMMER schedule:
9:30 AM— Guest Speakers
10:45 AM—Bible Adventure
(during worship - continues for
all 4yr. Olds to 5th graders)
10:45 AM—Nursery (babies to 3yrs)

Chimes Article Deadlines are: Aug. 7 & 21, 2017

Bulletin Announcement deadline is: Wednesday of each week.

### Sunday Guest Speakers 9:30 AM

Barbara Richards has organized several guest speakers to come share with us. They are offering skills and opportunities in many ways that could be helpful and supportive of our church members.

July 23— Outdoor Recreation—by Greene County

July 30-From Medigold—Everyday
items that can save the day
August 6—Jamie Fisher, on Mission
Trip to Guatemala
August 13—The Wright Brothers
Home—Jim Charters

August 20—R3 Interiors—How to

Down size if necessary

August 27—We Care Arts



### Many MORE who Give the Church their Time & Talents

- Jerry Archer, Tom Wheeler, Bob Berk, Joe Von Holle, Pasko Evanoff, Les George, Jim Coleman, Linda Oxley, Mike Robinson, Arlene Uldrich, Gary Etter usher on Sundays.
- Cheryl & Ben Barnett make coffee on Sunday mornings.
- Paul Marcum and Greg Goodner do painting.
- Diana Knowlton and Linda Oxley help fill-in at the office to cover vacation.

### "In Sympathy"

We extend our thoughts and prayers to Roger Fulmer and family upon the passing of his mother. May God comfort the family at this time of loss. - Your GOPC UCC family

### **New Art Display**

Pasko Evanoff has completed nine new landscape paintings and we are very excited to have them on display in our Hilty Room. You are invited to take some time to view these lovely paintings! We appreciate Pasko sharing his talent with us. If you are interested in purchasing one of these paintings, please contact the church office or Pasko at 298-3810.



We welcome guest music talents over the summer months. Please contact Toni Bailey, 643-3795, if you would like to share some special music at the 10:45 worship service.

### Church Directory Updating in Progress

The church office is working on updating member addresses and phone numbers along with email addresses. If you have changes or corrections in your address information, please let the office know your new information.

I hope to have an updated address directory available in late September.

- Nova Kigar



### Weeding Wednesday—July 26th

July 26th will be "Weeding Wednesday". The flower beds in front of the church need to be weeded, therefore anyone who can help with this project please be at the church at 6:30 PM on Wed, July 26th. Bring your gloves and weeding tools. We need as many people as possible to help with this project. Come and help our yard continue to look

### **Church Summer Office Hours**

9 AM to 3 PM Monday—Thursday, Friday just 9 AM to 1 PM, for the month of July and August.

Our Preschool Enrollment is at 104 students.

#### **Area Mission News**

Dear Greenmont-Oak Park Church,

Thank you so much for allowing me to share about the Gospel Mission with your adult Bible class. I was warmly welcomed, and was blessed to spend the morning with you. Thank you so much for inviting me to attend the worship service and to take communion with you.

I pray for God's richest blessings on your church family, and that you will grow in your knowledge of and your love for Jesus.

In Christ, Rich Anglin,

## Corner Cupboard Charities of Greater Dayton Thrift Store

Corner Cupboard charities is proud to acknowledge its recent achievement of reaching 3 million dollars in sales since its inception in 1960. Our continued success will depend, to a great deal, upon its partnership with our various charitable recipient organizations.

Corner cupboard Thrift store depends on a steady stream of donations of household items, clothing, etc. Provided to us for resale. We also count on caring, friendly volunteers to staff our store. Please consider volunteering with us. Contact Wilma for additional information at 937-252-5491.

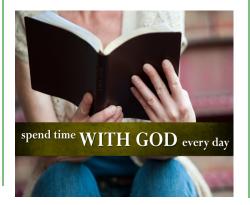
What we can use:

Flat-screen TV's, good condition carpets, Power handheld tools, mechanical hand tools, saws, hammers, wrenches, too boses, etc. Wood living room furniture, wood bedroom sets, wood dining sets, antique items, jewelry, toys in good condition, clothing, purses, luggage, shoes and boots, pots and pans, pet items.

They CANNOT ACCEPT computers, stuffed furniture, or mattresses.

Corner cupboard is located at 504 Xenia Ave. in Dayton. Items can be dropped off weekdays 9:30 AM to 3:30 PM. For pick-up service call 937-252-5491

(The Corner Cupboard has been a dedicated partner with our Food Pantry, giving us annual donation support over the last 15 years. They offer support to many non-profit organizations



### **Trustee Bricks Update**

Thank you for those who have already signed up for Memorial or honorarium bricks. I would like to place the first order in the next month so we can get started on completing the shelter. A sign up sheet is on the bulletin board across from the church office. Please just drop your check in the offering plate with brick in the memo field. We would like to complete the shelter before winter so don't delay in ensuring you have a brick in the final construction.

Thanks— Jacque



### **Our Shelter's Finishing Touch**

Have you ever wanted to honor one of your loved ones in something permanent like a engraved brick? Hear the good news. You now have that opportunity. The trustees need to complete the construction on the shelter which means we need to put 1080 bricks around the posts. We are selling bricks for \$50 with your desired engraving. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board to put in your order. Please put your donation in the offering plate and put brick in the memo for tracking purposes. Please don't be limited to just those immediate family members but think of those great church members who have gone before us that are the reason our church actually exist today. Thanks!! Jacque

### **Moving Forward**

The Staff Committee and Official Board are compiling information (Profile) about our church. When completed, we will present the information to prospective Designated Part time Pastors. We are confident they will view GOPUCC as fine a church family as any in the area.

We are also preparing for "supply pastors" to preach on Sunday's and be available for emergency pastoral care.

Aug. 6 & 13—Rev. Stuart Wells

From Beaver UCC in Beavercreek

Aug. 20-27— Rev. Kathryn Anadein

Recently retired SONKA Assoc. Minister

Rev. Stuart Wells will also be available for any Pastoral Care calls during the month of August. So if there is a specific need, please call the church office and we will contact Rev. Wells to assist you.

### Farewell Tea for Pastor Gabe

Sunday, July 30, marks the final Sunday Pastor Gabe will serve as our Pastor. This will be a Sunday of many emotions for our church family. We are "one in the spirit" in that we wish Gabe ALL THE BEST in his new adventure at Tampa General Hospital. On Sunday, July 30, following the 10:45 worship service, we will have a celebration of cake, treats, and punch to toast Gabe's ministry. The Official Board will present Gabe with a "good bye, good luck, we love you, and don't be a stranger" gift at the 10:45 service on July 30th. If you so desire, you can contribute to this gift. Please place your gift in the offering plate or drop it off at the Church office. If paying by check, please note Pastor Gabe Gift" on the memo line. Sincerely, GOPUCC Official Board