VCDC NEWSLETTER

VINEYARD CHURCH DELAWARE COUNTY EVENTS & MINISTRY NEEDS

VCDC's Holiday Schedule

We wanted to share our Holiday Schedule, which gives an overview of December. Please note that the church office will have special holiday hours over Christmas and New Year's, and there will be no services on Sunday, December 27th. The schedule is available to view online at vcdc.org.

BWFWS Hot Cocoa Mix & Christmas Candy Collection

Drop-off by December 6th

Each year VCDC has the privilege of partnering with Big Walnut Friends Who Share to come alongside the local community with Christmas boxes. This year we have been asked to supply 60 boxes of 8-count hot cocoa packets and 60, 10-16oz. bags of Christmas Candy. These will be included in a gift that each family receives to help with their Christmas meal. Please drop off your donations at the table in the lobby during our Sunday services.

Quick Connect

Sunday, December 6th, in the Hub

This gathering, offered after both services the first Sunday of the month, is a great time for guests to explore their next steps as they move towards greater connection in our church community. No registration is necessary & children are welcome.

Angola Missions Update With Tim & Betsy Kubacki

Sunday, December 6th after each service

Join us in the Youth Room with Tim and Betsy Kubacki. The Kubackis have been ministering to the people of rural Angola, Africa since 2012. Their work includes building relationships, sharing the Good News, and leading community efforts to improve physical and spiritual health. Everyone is welcome, and if you are newer to VCDC and our connection to Angola, we'd especially love for you to join. Children are welcome, though childcare will not be provided.

Food Pantry

Monday, December 7th, 5pm

Our Food Pantry continues to have an URGENT NEED of canned tuna in water, box cereal, chunky style soup, Hunt's pasta sauce (24oz), and canned pasta. A more detailed list of items is on our food pantry sign located next to the food drop off rack in the lobby. If you would like to volunteer, email us at foodpantry@vcdc.org.

Vision & Values

Saturday, December 12th, 9am in the Hub

Whether you are a long time attender or newer to VCDC, if you have never attended this class, please join Michael & Andrew as they share the vision and values of VCDC. This is an opportunity to ask questions, find out how you can get involved and become a member. Childcare is available with advanced registration by 5pm Thursday, 12/10. To register or for more information, go to our Church Center app, vcdc.org, or call the church.

Vineyard Kids Christmas Eve Choir-Sign up!

Thursday, December 24th, 2pm & 3:30pm services

We want to invite our Vineyard Kids, ages preschool–5th grade, to join our Vineyard Kids Choir and sing on Christmas Eve. Please consider having your kids sing at both services, then feel free to leave right after the choir sings for the second time. The choir will have a short rehearsal on Sunday, December 20th after the church service from 12:30-1:15pm. To sign up and receive an email with a video link and song lyrics, go to our Church Center App, vcdc.org, or call the church. We look forward to seeing you on Christmas Eve in the auditorium 15 minutes before the service begins. Questions? Email Pam at pamwhite@vcdc.org.

Christmas Eve Services

Thursday, December 24th, 2pm, 3:30pm, & 5pm

We hope you will join us in celebrating Jesus' birth! Be sure to pick up some Christmas Eve invites at church this Sunday to give to your neighbors, family & friends. No Kids Ministry will be available, but children are welcome to enjoy this 1 hour service with their parents.

Blue Christmas

Friday, December 25th, 10-11am

You're invited to join Michael & Helen for this hope-filled holiday gathering. This is a time of celebration with special sensitivity to those who need hope, comfort, and encouragement during this holiday season. No Kids Ministry or childcare will be available during this Christmas morning gathering.

Family Promise: Matching Gift Opportunity
Family Promise is a ministry that VCDC has partnered with for many years. They are the only family homeless shelter in Delaware County. Last year, 195 people—including 74 children—received a safe, home-like place to sleep through Family Promise, along with support to find work and a home of their own. If you're interested in supporting their mission, please visit their website (https://www.familypromise-delawareohio.org/). Every gift given now through December 1st will be matched dollar-for-dollar, up to $100,000. Please consider taking advantage of this matching gift opportunity.

Legacy Campaign: Investing in Our Next Generation
Last year, we launched our Legacy Campaign as a response to both the continued growth of our youth ministry and the number of families moving into Sunbury. As our youth group has outgrown its current space, our first goal is to expand the youth wing to better accommodate our growing number of students and provide room to continue investing in the next generation. Thank you to everyone who has pledged and faithfully contributed! If you're new to the church or would like to learn more, stop by the Info Counter after the service to pick up an information booklet or visit the campaign page on our website at vcdc.org.

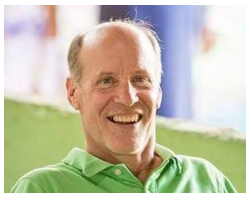
Paid Childcare Workers Needed
VCDC has an immediate need for adult childcare workers to provide supervision for small groups and special events. If interested please fill out the application at https://vcdc.churchcenter.com/people/forms/426114.

Caring for One Another
If you know of any VCDC attenders that may have an illness or be in the hospital, please let us know. Call the church receptionist, ext.10, so our pastors can be aware.

Adult Changing Area Available
If you have an adult child with disabilities who deals with incontinence, we have a private room available with an adult changing table. Just ask any staff person for help.

Snow Policy
Level 1* - Church Open
Level 2* - Church Open (unless informed otherwise)
Level 3* - Services Canceled
For ministry events during the week, watch for an email or call the church. (*Levels for Delaware County)

Missionary of the Month



Please pray for Bob Lesher who is currently serving in Brazil.

MINISTRY NEEDS

Join Our Ignite Sunday Service Ministry Team
We are still in need of volunteers to help lead our Ignite Youth Ministry middle school Sunday service at 9am & 11am, twice a month. As a leader, you'll create a safe space and a welcoming small group environment where students feel supported and encouraged in their walk with God by leading a Bible study with a ready-to-use curriculum! If interested please email Jamie at jamiemckinley@vcdc.org or call the church.

Place 4 Grace
Is God Calling You to Walk Alongside a Young Mother?
At Place 4 Grace, we provide more than a safe place to stay. We walk alongside pregnant women as they move toward safety, housing, healing, and hope. Right now, two simple volunteer opportunities can make an incredible difference. **Overnight Volunteers:** Serve one night a week or one weekend a month giving our moms the peace of mind of knowing an adult is nearby through the night. **Daytime Volunteers:** Drive a mom to an appointment, share a conversation over coffee, help her work on goals or simply spend time encouraging her. Small acts of kindness remind her that she is not alone. No special training needed, just a few hours of your time. Contact place4grace.com Kandee@place4grace.com, or call/text at 740-324-5244.