A Note from Nathan

It’s GRADUATION SEASON! Our preschool has a graduation that is absolutely adorable – with little hats, little diplomas, little boys and girls ready to launch into the new world of big kids’ stuff. It reminds me of that commercial – “I’m a big kid now!”

When my sons completed their final year of elementary school and middle school, the school held a ‘clap out.’ The younger kids, teachers, staff, and parents all lined the halls and clapped and shouted and whistled as the oldest students took their final walk out of the building. It made the students feel like they were getting launched into their next phase of life with excitement!

And then for high school graduation there’s at least one “commencement address.” Commencement. I’ve always liked that word because rather than just remembering the good ol’ years gone by, it’s forward-looking and optimistic. Commencement is about taking the next step forward into your preferred future. At least, that’s what it is supposed to be! At my high school graduation, a girl giving a commencement address
angrily yelled at the teachers, “You’ve got yours and now WE’RE GONNA GET OURS!!”

We have a choice leading up to our graduation and commencement: will we be appreciative and optimistic, or will we be bitter and self-centered?

In the Bible, Matthew 25 speaks of graduation time for humanity (our death and subsequent judgment) and says there are different potential commencement speeches that can be given to us depending on our attitudes and actions leading up to that day.

- Well done, good and faithful servant! You have been faithful with a few things; I will put you in charge of many things. Come and share your master’s happiness!
- Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world!

    OR

- You wicked, lazy servant! ... throw that worthless servant outside, into the darkness, where there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.
- Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels!

Our attitude, faith, and actions now will make a huge difference then, when our final graduation day comes. As we interact with people this May, I pray we may follow Jesus as our Savior AND Leader such that our attitude, faith, and actions will lead to godliness of heart and hands. And in return, at your graduation day, may Jesus give you the best commencement speech you’ve ever heard as you enter his eternal new earth!

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**Men's fellowship trap shooting event**  
**on Sunday, June 11th**

**Where** – Indian Lake Fish and Game club  
**When** – Sunday, June 11 at 2:00 pm  
**Who** – Adult men. Can bring son age 12 and up. No experience is necessary.  
**What to bring** – 12 gauge shotgun. 12 gauge ammo provided.  
Meet at the church at 1:15 pm for the group to ride the bus to the event.  
*Register through Church Center app or notify the church office*
Retired Members' Birthdays/Anniversaries, Announcements & Financial News

Birthdays

02  Joel Allen
    Shirley Ormeroid
06  Cres Gacusan
    Sherry Herriott
10  Bruce Zorman
12  Dave Green
14  Jo Martin
15  Jan Bright
18  Dick McConnell
    Clint Wagner
19  Peggy Henman
27  Mary Freeman
28  Greg Hanson
31  Joan Griffin

Happy Anniversary

Anniversaries

28  Bill & Joan Schwaderer
31  Lorin & Erma Johnson

Financial News

Giving vs Budget Year to Date Mar 2023

$289,164 Giving YTD
$289,334 Budgeted Giving YTD

Giving vs Expenses Year to Date Mar 2023

$289,164 Giving YTD
$350,938 Expenses* YTD

Cornerstone VBS 2023
STELLAR
JUNE 19-22
6-8PM
VOLUNTEERS NEEDED
REGISTER HERE

There will be an Honor Flight at Home on June 10th in Marion for all those Veterans who are unable to make the Honor Flight trip to Washington DC. The deadline to apply is May 20th.
Contact the church office for more information!

Jim Hildreth and Valorie Adams-Hildreth
"Duo Celeste"
Organ and Flute Concert
May 7th, 2023  5:00 PM
In the Sanctuary

Notify the church office, if you would like added to the Court Street Courier mailing.

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Happy Birthday

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OF CHOSEN TO BEAR FRUIT
John 15:16

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We are excited to share some information about ourselves, our family, and our church life. Allen (Al) was born in Cleveland, Ohio in 1941. He had an older brother, Donald, and a younger one, Kenneth; both of whom are deceased. Al was involved in Boy Scouts with his dad being Scout Master and his mom Den Mother.

Upon graduation from Brecksville Senior High School, Al attended Baldwin-Wallace College (now University) on a Methodist Scholarship. Following graduation, he worked in New York City on Wall Street with Price Waterhouse & Company. In 1965 he decided to move back to Ohio to assist in opening a new office in Columbus. Once in Ohio, he developed the internal audit program and trained the audit staff for Huntington National Bank. Over the years, he has also held other positions in local companies which provided him travel assignments to various states.

Anne was adopted in 1946 in Columbus to adoptive parents that provided her with so much faith, hope and love. As a baby, she was Baptized in the Methodist Church in Cambridge, Ohio. Family, friends and her faith community were and continue to be her guides. In December of 2010 her biological mom died, and then in 2011 Anne’s brother and sister found and contacted her. Now, there is a story that she loves to tell!

Throughout her school days, she was very involved with her church friends, Brownies, Girl Scouts, Camp Akita, confirmation, Church of the Block of Wood, honor clubs, dances, choir concerts and musicals. Upon graduation from Upper Arlington High School, Anne attended The Ohio State University which included Kappa Alpha Theta Sorority involvement, Ohio Union Board of Activities, honor clubs, and football games.

Once she graduated from OSU, she moved to Copley, Ohio where she taught 1st grade. She eventually returned to her previous hometown of Upper Arlington and team-taught 5th, 6th, and 7th graders at St. Andrew School. She attended, and was a member of
Trinity United Methodist Church and enjoyed working with the kids there. She was the Co-Chair of Vacation Bible School and helped paint the church’s nursery.

When Al and Anne met, they both had moved on to other jobs and met at work. Al was the Controller of Allied Mineral Products. Anne had been working at State Savings (now Heartland Bank) as the Branch Supervisor. An opportunity came open for Anne to hold the International Sales position at Allied Mineral Products. THAT move began the next chapter of their lives together.

Prior to their marriage in 1984 at Trinity United Methodist Church, each had been married; Al 21 years and Anne 12 years. After getting married, they purchased a home in Dublin and later joined Indian Run United Methodist Church. During St. Patrick’s Day Weekend in 1974, Al attended the 42nd Cum Christos Catholic Walk, and then after they were married, Al sponsored Anne on her Walk to Emmaus while they were members of Indian Run United Methodist Church. Al also sponsored the first male member of Indian Run to go on a Men’s Emmaus Walk. Anne is still in her original Share Group with two women from her Walk, and they have welcomed four more into their group.

Al and Anne will be married 39 years in July this year and have a blended family. Anne has a daughter and a son. Her daughter is Kristie (husband Adam) with two daughters. Anne’s son is Scott (wife Amanda), and they also have two daughters. Al has two daughters. One daughter is Stacey (husband Greg) and they have a daughter and a son. Christy is his other daughter (husband Ron) with three daughters and a son. Al’s son is Allen Jr (Chip) (wife Angie) and they have a daughter and a son. That’s a happy dozen of youth and young adults for now. While their children grew, the kids were involved in many activities and graduated from Dublin Coffman High School and then from Ohio colleges. All of their kids are happily
married with twelve grandchildren for them to enjoy!

Anne managed a local Irish hotel gift shop, which led them to purchase the Ha’penny Bridge Imports of Ireland in Dublin’s historic district and many years of participating in Dublin groups and events.

In 2005 they made the move to Marysville and joined Marysville First United Methodist Church. There are many ways their time is spent serving others at our now Cornerstone Global Methodist Church. Former Pastor Joe Ziraldo introduced Life Groups a few decades ago, and Al and Anne were part of his group, which has evolved and is now the McConnell Life Group. Al enjoys helping serve and greet in the Traditional Worship Service, and Anne sings in the Chancel Choir. Anne has been a part of the Prayer Team, participated in two mission trips to Cuba, and currently teaches in the Methodist Creative Preschool.

Their words of advice:

Get involved! The more you get involved and the more you volunteer, the more you will meet others and grow longtime friends.

And, it’s good for the soul!

Funds received for Disaffiliation Payment as of March 2023

$257,577

Still owe:

163,705
Holy Week Activities

Maundy Thursday - "Encountering Jesus" Drama

Good Friday - Joyful Noise, Chancel Choir & the Hand Bell Choir presented "It Is Finished"

Palm Sunday - Waving of the Palms Processional

Easter Sunday - Nathan praying with the kids after the kids sermon.
Wednesday mornings at the church
7am Men’s Bible Study (All welcome)
9am Golden Girls (All welcome)
1030am Faith Sisters (All welcome)

Wednesday evenings at the church
6pm or 630pm start times
Multiple ages welcome for spiritual growth and development classes and activities
(please email Pastor Peggy for more info: peggy@ourcornerstone.org)

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