

THE COURT STREET COURIER

October 2023



CORNERSTONE
Global Methodist Church



A Note from Pastor Nathan

Organize to Beat the Devil!

As I've talked with people of advanced age through the years, one thing I've learned is this: the devil never stops coming at you regardless of how old you are!



Once there was an 81 year old man sitting in church by his wife, five rows from the front on the left side of the sanctuary. The devil crept in through the entrance to the church, at the back of the sanctuary, and slowly stalked down the center aisle with foul breath and hatred in his eyes. Scanning the sanctuary for someone to attack, he slid up behind the man and was about to grab him by the throat with his cold claw – when the man slowly turned his head, looked the devil square in the eyes, and said, “Devil – you don’t scare me! I’ve been married to your sister for sixty years!”

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Satan doesn't stop coming after us! He'll remind you of what you've lost through the years, he'll remind you of what you're missing out on, he'll ring in your ears the mean words you've heard and remind you of the memories that hurt, and he'll do whatever he can to get you isolated, lonely, and too sad to pray.

James 4:7 says, "Submit yourselves then to God. Resist the devil, and he will flee from you!"

Resist him, friend! He's having a party of joy when he's got you lonely or when he convinces you not to worship, or pray, or call a friend, or reach out to a loved one. He's so happy when we get too busy or stressed or lonely or bored to shine some of Jesus' light on the people around us. Be a heart-breaker: Break the heart of the devil! "I won't give in to your lies and deception and depression, devil! Get behind me Satan! Be gone – I'm a child of the King, a child of God the Father, filled with the Spirit of Christ – be gone in the strong name of Jesus!"

A scholar who studied early Methodists called his book, *Organizing to Beat the Devil: Methodists and the Making of America*. Let's organize our days and hours to keep our eyes on Jesus, His love and joy and strength, and organize our time and relationships to keep our connection with the Lord AND other believers strong. The devil's coming for you, but he's gonna be disappointed!



Reception in honor of

Pastor Mark's Ordination

October 15th

Proverbs 18:10
The name of the LORD is a strong tower; the righteous man runs into it and is safe.

In the Cafe
Immediately after both services



TO REGISTER:
Church Website
Church Center App
Call Church Office (937-642-4712)
Email Greg Williams at greg@ourcornerstone.org

Men's Retreat October 14, 2023



Registration Deadline: October 9

Retired Members' Birthdays/Anniversaries, Financial News & Announcements

Happy Birthday!

Birthdays

- 3 Nell Still
- 4 Donna Rausch
- 4 George Deringer
- 5 Ginny Green
- 9 Beth Wible
- 10 Paul Lazenby
- 14 Marilyn Smith
- 19 Pat Metcalf
- 21 Larry George
- 22 Maria Tong
- 22 Maxine Norris
- 23 Bill Schwaderer
- 24 Jeannette McConnell
- 24 Sherry Fleming
- 25 Jim Hall
- 29 Tom Rausch
- 31 Liz Herron

Happy Anniversary

Anniversaries

- 8 Clay & Tami Bauserman
- 21 Ken & Jeannie Stults
- 23 Kevin & Nancy Mabry

SENIORS:

WANT YOUR NAME
ADDED TO OUR BIRTHDAY
AND/OR ANNIVERSARY LIST
IN THE COURT STREET COURIER?

WE'D BE HAPPY TO ADD YOU!!

Please notify the office:
janet@ourcornerstone.org
or call
937-642-4712

100% \$421,282
80% \$337,933
10%

**Funds received for
Disaffiliation Payment
as of August 2023**

**Still owe:
\$83,348.67**



Finally, brothers and sisters, whatever is true, whatever is noble, whatever is right, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is admirable—if anything is excellent or praiseworthy—think about such things. Phillipians 4:8

Financial News

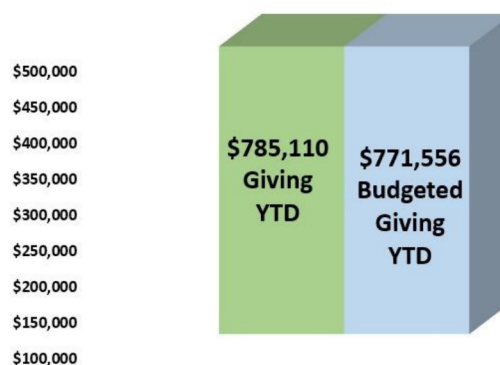


Giving vs Expenses Year to Date Aug 2023



* Budgeted new hymnals purchase and all annual apportionments are paid in full

Giving vs Budget Year to Date Aug 2023



College Care Packages



Can you help
us fill this box?

- *Poptarts
- *Packs of Gum
- *Breath Mints
- *Microwave soups
- *Scripture cards
- *Granola Bars
- *Toothpaste
- *Microwave Mac & Cheese
- *Ramen Noodles
- *Hot Chocolate
- *Popcorn
- *Small Wrapped Candy
- *Small Agape

NO PEANUT ITEMS

Please bring items to
BFLC or Sanctuary
Entrances
by **October 15th!**

Jerry and Lori Meckstroth



Hello! We are Jerry and Lori Meckstroth

I met Lori at the Short Shop where she was working. Her sister would not let me date her until she turned 16, and she was 17 before I had the nerve to ask her out and the rest is history. We just had our 40-year wedding anniversary this last August. We traveled to Alaska to celebrate.

In high school, I was an FFA/agriculture kid who liked to have a good time, but never got in too much trouble. Lori was in band. She loved marching band, but not so much concert band. She was in Art Club also. She would say she was pretty shy and reserved, except around close friends.

We have 2 adult daughters; Meghin lives in Columbus and works in purchasing for a chemical company and Mallory lives in Marysville, works as a DOR (Director of Rehabilitation) for a nursing home in Delaware, is engaged and plans to get married in April 2024.

I enjoy gun collecting (WW II), being outdoors, baseball and football. Lori enjoys traveling, flower and vegetable gardening, and sewing/crafting.

We came to be members at Cornerstone church because a co-worker of Lori's asked us to attend Marysville FUMC. Lori was baptized and raised in the Methodist Church. Jerry was Lutheran. We were married in the Methodist church.

We like to volunteer at the church. I deliver the church food donations to the Hope Center and help with the rummage sale set up. Lori is on the Missions/Outreach Team. The community of worshipers at this church are so friendly and filled with the love of Christ. They want to get to know you, as do we, and the best way is through being a church volunteer.

One of Lori's favorite volunteer memories, is attending SOS Memphis with one of our daughters and the worship time. It specifically was very Holy-Spirit filled. And yes the roofing was HOT!

We are part of the Fernandez Sunday evening Bible study group. Lori has participated in the Bible Believing Sister Wednesday night group since the start and also does the Bible Study Fellowship Study that meets on Thursday evenings at the Church of the Nazarene.

You might be surprised to know that I was in law enforcement in my younger years, until I was hired at Honda and decided to make a career change. I am now retired from Honda,

Member Spotlight

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after working there for 32 years. Lori recently retired after having worked in the travel industry for over 39 years, mostly making corporate travel bookings.

Both of us were raised as Christians. We truly believe the Bible is the word of God, and Jesus, as the son of God is the way, the truth and offers abundant life. Sharing His love with others and growing our relationship with Him gives us peace. Following the world does not.

My favorite scripture is Psalm 23 - 1 The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. 2 He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. 3 He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. 4 Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. 5 Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. 6 Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever. (NIV). Lori's is Romans 12:2 - Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is — his good, pleasing and perfect will. (NIV)



Walk to
Emmaus
THE UPPER ROOM

WOMEN'S WALK
OCTOBER 19-22, 2023

PRAY for the Team!

SPONSOR a Pilgrim!



**American
Red Cross**



**GIVE
BLOOD.
GIVE
LIFE.**

Blood Drive
Cornerstone Church

Burnside Family Life Center
207 S Court Street
Marysville, OH 43040

Tuesday, October 24, 2023
10:30 am to 4:30 pm

To schedule an appointment call
1-800-RED CROSS
or visit [RedCrossBlood.org](https://www.RedCrossBlood.org)
Sponsor Code: Cornerstone

Happenings Around Church

Women's Retreat September 9th

We met at Middleburg Community Church, along with Raymond and Irwin women, for a day of fellowship, learning and fun. We started our morning off with a group session singing praises to our God and testimonies. Next was a delicious lunch and lots of table fellowship. The afternoon held our breakout sessions that included journaling, craft, prayer, and singing. We met together at the end of day for a closing that had us breaking bread together. It was a great day being with sisters around our community.



Hymn Sing @ Mabry's September 10th



Happenings Around Church

Meet and Greet September 17th



L to R: Linda Forry, Teri Dunlap, Lana Rush, Carol Bowlin, Marsha & Dave Myers, Chlois Fletcher, Niklas & Irene Moore (Ludwig, Astrid), Diana Rauch, Eric Ley, John, Marilyn and Molly Van Gilder, Nathan Custer, Violet Trumbore, Paula Spears-Jones and Michael Jones, Reardons (Jenny, Symone, John, Samantha, Frank, Joe), Blaine & Michelle McKinney, Judy & Scott Bierlein, Ellie Blanton, Josh Zimmerman, Amber & Tyson Ross (Hudson & Logan)

Creation Museum/Ark Encounter September 15th



Upcoming Dates

Wednesday mornings at the church

7am Men's Bible Study (All welcome)

9am Golden Girls (All welcome)

10:30am Faith Sisters (All welcome)

Wednesday evening at the church

6pm or 6:30pm start times

Multiple ages welcome for spiritual growth and development classes and activities

(please email Pastor Peggy for more info: peggy@ourcornerstone.org)

October 1	10:30am	Join Our Church Family (Room 155)
	1pm	Men's Fellowship Trapshoot (Indian Lake Fish and Game Association)
	2pm	Rose Tea (BFLC)
October 3	12pm	Crocheters (Room 157)
October 8	10:30am	Join Our Church Family (Room 155)
October 9	9:30am	Quilters (Room 157)
October 14	8am	Men's Fellowship Retreat (Kirkmont Center)
October 15	9am	Join Our Church Family (Room 155)
October 17	10am	WIM - Women In Mission (Mills Lounge)
October 19-22		Women's Emmaus Walk
October 23	9:30am	Quilters (Room 157)
October 24	10:30-4:30	Red Cross Blood Drive (BFLC)
October 29	9am	Join Our Church Family (Room 155)

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