

Prayer Requests

Prayers

Kathy Wirth

Roz & Jake

Gail & Mike – health issues

Jacob Bell & his family – bone marrow transplant

Wendy Louden brother Warren – cancer surgery on March 25

Graham Clark & Crew and all involved in crash

Carol Harrington Family

Shane Stone Family

Tim & Holly

Cheryl Altizer (Susie's niece)

Dwight Eblin – home from hospital

Dave Allen (Beth's father) – brain bleed

Carol

Becky Wapole – recovery

Deb – sick

Tom Reid Family

Martin Dou Family

Skyler – got drivers license

Carol Park – heart attack

Graham (Brenda's grandson)

Azula

Jayce

James Corwin Sr. – Riverside

Sally

Unspoken prayers

Shut-Ins/Assisted Living

Wally Thomen

Sarah Johnson

Kenny Kasson

Ann Cordle

All name's will remain on the prayer list for 30 days, then transferred to unspoken prayers.

Church office hours are Monday & Thursday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm. Please have newsletter information to me by Monday @ 9 am and bulletin updates to me by Thursday @ 9 am. Thank you! Sharon

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Birthday's in April

We want to wish these special people a very Happy Birthday this month!

Brenda Steele – April 2
Deb Sykes – April 4
Lisa Grizenko – April 7
Gayle Oberlitrner – April 9
Dave Ufferman – April 14

Gary White – April 22
Hunter Myers – April 23
Carol Jasko – April 24
Tanner White – April 26
Dianne Moreland – April 28



If you are having an April birthday please let the office know so we can celebrate with you.

A Note From Pastor Amy



Spring is finally here (hopefully to stay)! It has been a wild few weeks of weather here in Ohio--from snow, to tornado-force winds, summer-like temperatures back to frost, heavy rain, hail and thunderstorms. We have seen a whole year's worth of weather events. In a way, our weather patterns are a lot like Holy Week. We experience a whole range of human emotions in the week between Palm Sunday and Easter--from triumphal entry to crucifixion, from Passover celebration to betrayal, from humble foot washing to questioning, to denying, from friendship to grief, from sorrow to astonishment. And yet, even in the midst of all the chaos in our own lives, and in the story of Holy Week, we have one constant: our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, no matter the weather, the temperature, no matter what is happening, Jesus has risen from the grave and is a living presence in our lives. Though chaos swirls around us, our steady foundation is in Jesus, who lived and died for us, that we might be reconciled to God--to know eternal life. How blessed we are to be an "Easter People" who can put our faith, hope, and trust in One God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, who works all things "for the good of those who love him, who have been called according to his purpose." May we always be an "Easter People" who celebrate that Jesus live in us and with us, today and every day.

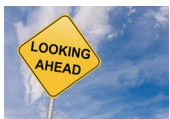
Sunday Morning Bible Study **Bible Study**



A new Bible Study will be beginning on Sunday, April 19th. We will be studying the book of 1st Corinthians. This will be a 5-week Bible Study. The Bible Study group meets at 9:15AM in the Fellowship Hall to share a light breakfast, and then begins the Bible Study promptly at 9:30AM. Newcomers are ALWAYS welcome. This might be just the one for you!! Come give us a try.

Looking Ahead

Sunday, May 3rd – The first Sunday of May, the fifth Sunday of Easter, and our Communion Sunday. We look forward to worshipping with you!



APRIL

April Worship Opportunities

Sunday, April 12th – This is the second Sunday of Easter! The Chancel Choir will be sharing a musical entitled "No Greater Love." This cantata has been graciously purchased by Brad and Janie McDavid in memory of Brad's parents, John and Judy McDavid. We are so blessed to be able to share the Easter story with our church family and friends. Please bring everyone you know! We want to share the Easter story with the world! After the worship service, we will be having a reception, so bring a covered dish and your appetite!

Sunday, April 19th – This is the third Sunday of Easter. The Rev. Alycia Orcena will be sharing the message. The Scripture Reading is John 20:19-31 "Jesus Appears to His Disciples", "Jesus Appears to Thomas", and "The Purpose of John's Gospel." The message will be based on Luke 24:13-35 "On the Road to Emmaus". The Worship Leader and the Scripture Reader is Dianne Moreland. The Chancel Choir will be singing an anthem yet to be determined. Be sure to come worship with your church family.

Sunday, April 26th – This is the fourth Sunday of Easter. The Worship Leader is Georgeann Kinney, the Scripture Reader is Sandra King. Rev. Alycia Orcena will be sharing the message. The Scripture Readings include Acts 2:42-47 "The Fellowship of the Believers", and John 10:1-10 "The Good Shepherd and His Sheep". The Chancel Choir will be singing an anthem yet to be determined. Please make time to fellowship with your church family.

Reception After Church Musical



We will be having a reception after the Choir Musical on Sunday, April 12th. The Kitchen Ladies will be fixing some kind of sandwiches; please bring something to share and join us for some wonderful fellowship. And if you forget, come anyway! We always have plenty to eat!

Easter Egg Hunt



Saturday, April 11, 2026 at 2 pm at Centerburg Pointe, 4531 Columbus Road, Centerburg

Come join us for our annual Easter egg hunt! The hunt will start at 2pm and end when all the eggs are found! The Easter bunny can't wait to take pictures with all the kiddos!

Trojan Spirit Blankets

The Heart of Ohio USA Days festival Association is selling Trojan Spirit blankets to help maintain the festival! They are being made right now and we will have them soon! We will have some to sell at our other fundraiser on May 1st with the comedy hypnotist show at the high school! The blankets are very soft and cuddly and perfect for extra warmth at a Football game or just cozying up to watch TV. Cost is just \$25. We can take orders when they arrive! Stay tuned on Facebook at Heart of Ohio USA Days.





My Guy & I Glow Dance

**Friday, April 17, 2026 from 7 to 9 pm at
207 S. Preston Street, Centerburg**

Centerbrug Elementary School PTO will host a dance for

Centerburg Local School District students from K-5th grade. This will be a special night of dancing, games, and crafts for girls and fathers, father figures, or other special guy.

Early registration deadline is Friday, April 10. Registrations will still be accepted after the deadline, but the price will increase to \$20/couple. My Guy & I Dance is Friday, April 17 from 7-9pm. Walk-ins welcome!

Dress Swap: Do you have gently used dresses your child has outgrown? Bring in those dresses and give them a second life! Whether you are donating, shopping, or both- everyone is welcome! Donations can be dropped off at the Elementary Office April 6-9. Dresses, shoes, accessories accepted Shopping times are April 7 3-4:30pm, April 9 6-7:30pm. Dresses are free and you do not need to bring a dress to take a dress!

The Amazing Jeff Comedy Hypnosis Show

Friday, May 1, 2026 at 7:30 pm in the High School Auditorium

DO NOT MISS THIS!! The Amazing Jeff Comedy Hypnosis Show for the first time in Centerburg! Friday, May 1 at 7:30 in the high school auditorium! See many people you will know and recognize entertaining you! At this point, we have already lined up our now retired UPS Man, George Blocker, our COJFD Fire Chief Mark McCann, CES Principal Miguel Thompson, and CES teacher Cathy Compton, and Village Councilman Daniel Hardwick! Seven more well-knowns will be joining them, and we will announce all as soon as we get them scheduled! You are guaranteed a fun evening filled with a lot of laughs! All proceeds directly benefit the USA Days festival to be held June 19 and 20! Mark your calendars NOW!



May 1, 2026! 7:30!

ONE Adult/child fee will insure both perform for you! For all ages, family friendly! Tickets at the door \$5 and under \$10! Elementary students \$7. Includes High School students \$15 and adult \$20. This is a fundraiser for the Heart of Ohio Ohio State Association to continue bringing you the USA Days Festival! You are guaranteed to have a lot of laughs and fun!



Performers to be announced! DO NOT MISS THIS FABRIZ TIME EVENT!
Our UPS Man George Blocker CES Principal Miguel Thompson Village Councilman Daniel Hardwick
Our Fire Chief Mark McCann CES Teacher Cathy Compton