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From the Pastor

New classes, new teachers, and new assignments are in order. I'm not talking about school. I'm talking about our new Church Fellowship Program. I'm talking about a new weekday Bible Study.

As I mentioned last month, for a lot of reasons it seems clear that the FEAST program has run its course. What is emerging in its place is exciting. Please keep up with the news as its coming fast. The New Church Fellowship Program. is guided by the capable hands of Patti Strominger. Church Fellowship will be responsive to the needs of the congregation. It will retain some of the best features of FEAST, but will not be anchored to one particular night or to the youth group or the choir or any program in particular. The emphasis will be on periodic fellowship, service, learning, and even worship opportunities.

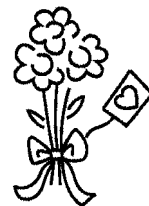
We look forward to meals together. Stimulating programs, seasonal emphases, and experiences and opportunities that are not stifled by a rigid schedule. We will be able to have guest speakers. Music, worship and study opportunities in conjunction with a meal or not, on Sunday afternoon or Monday night or another time that suits the congregation best.

In Summary Church Fellowship will no longer be a regularly scheduled meeting. It will become event driven. Youth Group will still meet on Thursday nights. There may still be meals on Thursday night. Choir will continue to practice at their same time.

There will be a new weekday Adult Bible Study. Having the Bible study by itself will multiply the sort of studies that we can undertake since we won't be locked into anyone else's schedule. Change is unsettling but what we are anticipating promises to be change for the better and not just change. God Bless You.

Sanctuary Flowers

If you would like to purchase flowers for the Sanctuary, there is a sign up sheet in the back of the narthex. Plenty of days are still open! The cost is \$35 for two bouquets.



September Celebrations

BIRTHDAYS

1. Jacob Specht
Ed Burak
2. Nancy Glatz
3. Laura Stratton
Karen Gartley
5. Ken Jones
Clyde Nale, Jr.
Barbara Glover
7. John Ondeyka
8. Marge Shubeyski
9. Michael Duganich
10. Pat Wozniak
11. Zachary Verostek
12. Edward Canonge
Trinity Nobile
14. Terry Canonge
Lois Davie
15. Christine Hurni
16. Shirley Addis
19. Allison Martin
20. Terri Sanders

- Dave Miller
22. Jonathan Hough
Nicholas Barth
 24. Roger Canonge
Christina Murdoch
Alan Byers
Diane Byers
 25. Marlene Leheny
Amber Tackac
Alexa Schomburg
Luke Schomburg
Kaitlyn Rae McIlroy
 26. Emma DiCicco
 27. Bill Broadwater
 28. Ella Mae Spieker
Vanessa Augspurger
 29. Lauren Fouse
Lindsay Fouse
 30. Marcia Mann
Emily Kocher

ANNIVERSARIES

2. Chris & Kristy Otto
9. Ed & Jane Hilliard
10. Jim & Jean Barth
14. Jim & Karen Bauder
Ed & Evelyn Lawson
15. Dale & Kathy Fouse
Chris & Ashley House
23. Craig & Jodi Gregory
25. Donna & Mark Olexick
26. Rich & Eleanor Pike
28. Rob & Connie Harmotto
30. Jack & Diane Gennaro



“Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good; his love endures forever.”

- 1 Chronicles 16:34

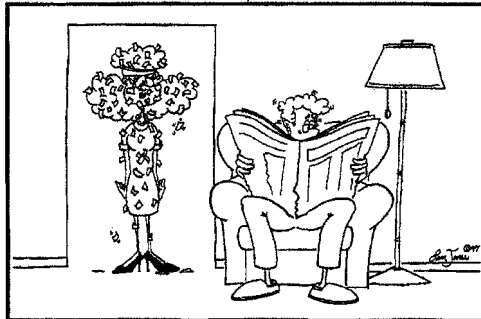


Anyone who is interested in becoming a part of the group of drivers for the church bus and/or helping the trustees to keep up with the routine maintenance, please contact the Church office:
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Adult Sunday School

The Sonshine Class will be studying the Jesus Creed by Scott McKnight. The Jesus Creed is Jesus' summary of the law which is briefly stated, Love God, Love your neighbor. The Path Class will be studying James W. Moore's "When All Else Fails...Read the Instructions" Moore takes a close look at three sections of the Bible, The Beatitudes, The Ten Commandments The New Commandment of Jesus, "Love One Another" which underscore key "instructions" for living. The Wilson Bible Class will continue it's long standing practice of studying the Uniform Lesson Series. This Fall the lessons are clustered around the idea of God's covenant with His people. God has bound himself to human beings with promises and those promises are recorded in the scriptures. This Study is about God's faithfulness to His people even when they forget their promises to God.

ALTAR EGO by Len Jones



"How did your Sunday School class do with the collage?"
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Session News:

Two significant items were discussed at the most recent Session meeting:

-At the request of Presbytery, Session moved to send the remainder of our per-capita apportionment to Presbytery in three installments.

-At the request of Church Army, the Session moved to send an emergency gift to Church Army (The UnCommon Grounds Café), in addition to continuing our regular support.

Worship News:

Reminder! Regular-Worship times of 8:30 and 11:00 am resume on September 13th.

Also, Sunday School classes for all ages begin at 9:45 am on September 13th.

**Trustee Update:**

-All loans from Savings paid; surplus invested in a 9 month CD

-Manse window, water heater, and roof repairs needed.

-Approved up to 3 new tables and 18-24 chairs for Sunday school room.

-Storm damaged roof shingles will be replaced.

-Parking lot maintenance postponed until next year.

-Suggestions made: purchase large tent for outdoor events, add exterior power outlets, trim the large tree, and add motion sensor lighting.

Youth Schedule

September 3rd: Youth Group 5-6:30 PM

September 10th: Special Steelers Tailgate Youth Group 5-6:30 PM

September 17th: Youth Group 5-6:30 PM

September 24th: No Youth Group

Each week we have dinner, Bible Study/Discussion, and games/recreation time.

Special note to Band Members: Feel free to come to the church from practice even if it is before 5:00 PM.

Ohio U.P. Fellowship Kick-Off

We will be changing things around this Fall. Instead of our weekly FEAST Program we will be having Fellowship activities for all ages. To kick-off the year and give you more information about our plans there will be a dinner/bon-fire at Rich and Eleanor Pike's on October 4th from 4-7:00 PM. There will be a sign-up insert in the bulletin over the next few weeks with more details.

Mid Week Bible Study

A mid-week Bible Study taught by Pastor Ted will be held each Tuesday at 1:00 PM. The Study will begin on September 8 at 1:00 PM. Everyone is invited. We will begin by studying the Book of Revelation using a Video Series by Bruce Metzger. If you would like to be a part of this experience come and join us on September 8.

Upcoming Events



On Sunday, September 13th. Sunday School will resume at 9:45 am and the second worship service will begin at 11:00 am.

Fall Fest will be on **Saturday, September 26th**, from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm here at at Ohio U.P. Church.

The Fall Schedule for worship and Sunday School will resume on September 13th. However, **The Date for Rally Day** has been changed to **Sunday, September 27th**. This change will give us more time to promote Rally Day. The Pastor and the CE Committee are also excited about having Rally Day and the Fall Festival on the Same Weekend. Invite your neighbors to both.

3RD ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL

Saturday, September 26th

10 am to 2 pm



Outside, there will be lots of stations with fun children's activities and games. Inside, homemade items and seasonal items such as mums, will be for sale. There will be a number of vendor tables, including SERRV, which sells items made by crafters from third-world countries. Participate in an old-fashioned cake walk, enter a pie in our pie contest (watch for details!), listen to a bible story, and enjoy lunch items or goodies from our bake sale. **See you there!**