

April 2022



"Follow the Bells"

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# *The Church Bell*



## *A Message From Pastor Casey*

### *"A Place Like A Garden"*

Rest and reflection occur often in places like a garden. A garden is one of the most peaceful scenes us humans can enjoy. There is little wonder of why God placed Adam and Eve in a garden for them to live.

The season of Lent now comes to a close and the celebration of Easter is at hand. Lent has been a time of self-examination, spiritual growth, and seeking a deeper relationship with God. Perhaps it is now time for us to take what we have studied on our own and what we have learned in our churches these past 40 days and meditate upon our Father in Heaven who sent His Only begotten Son to die on a cross for our sin.

Perhaps it is time for us to pray unto the LORD in the place where His Son willingly accepted what He must do to save us. Jesus, the Christ, went to a garden to be alone with His Father. He went to the Garden of Gethsemane and prayed to His Heavenly Father that the Father's Will be done, in Matthew 26. Knowing what He would endure at the cross, Jesus sought the Father.

Whether in a garden or not you, too, can seek the Father. Sometimes we need a place to go to – to reflect upon our life circumstances and to remember that we are not going through this life alone. The Father has sent His Son to us, and His Son has given us the very Spirit of God to dwell with us. Sometimes we need a quiet place to remember this simple truth and to go to our loving Heavenly Father in prayer. A place like a garden.

*Pastor Casey*

## Worship Leaders



April 3 Ron Miller and  
Amy Seger

April 10 Greg Liberatore and John Molnar

April 17 Sharon Hopkins and Spencer  
Chapman

April 20 Carol Deemer and Amy Popichak

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Mon– Thurs.

8am-Noon



## Coffee Fellowship



April 3 Kay and Dave Moore

April 10 Effie and Carol

April 17 Joyce Hall

April 24 Roy and Marsha Nichols,  
Brad and Brenda Bevans

## March Deacons

Chairman: Cindy Miller  
330-980-0520

Barb Bradford,  
Judy Hansel,  
Ronna Nazarini,  
Carol Glancy,  
Floyd Hovis,  
Cindy Miller



“When the news of the day upsets me, I pause and worship the eternal sovereign God who is never surprised or caught unprepared. This keeps me from fretting and getting discouraged, and it helps to keep my life in balance.”

– Katherine Walden

~Resurrection Sunday~  
Happy Easter  
Everyone



HE IS RISEN

*Southern Love and Blessings*



|          |                    |
|----------|--------------------|
| April 4  | Jeff Byler         |
| April 11 | Norma Chapin       |
| April 16 | Melissa Kotanichek |
| April 22 | Kelly Culp         |
| April 29 | Britta Thompson    |

## Anniversaries

**April 18**  
**Dean and Pat Hixson**

## Important Church Meetings

**Tuesday, April 5**

**Executive Meeting**  
**6:30pm**

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**Board Meeting**  
**7pm**



*Church Elders*  
*meet*

*Sunday Morning 8am*  
*when one is called*



## L.O.A.F. Meeting

**April 7, 10 am**

**Lake Vista**

## Bible Study

Sunday Morning  
8:55am - 9:30am

**Baldwin Room**



**"NO"**

**Wednesday Lenten Service or Bi-**  
**ble Study on April 13-April 20**

**"NO"**

**Sunday School before Church on**  
**April 10—April 17**

**Mark your calendars**

## Easter Religious Services

**Maundy Thursday Service at CCC 7pm**

**Good Friday Service—Methodist Church— 7pm**

**Sunrise Service—at the Mosquito Beach— Dawn**



## Church Photo Directory



**Your Pictures are here.  
Every one should have their  
pictures by now.**

**Monday –Thursday 8am-1pm  
If not check with the office .**

**Directory should arrive soon.**



**Palm Sunday  
April 10th**

## Planet Aid — a non-profit charitable organization



Planet Aid has placed a bin for used clothing and shoes on our church premises.

Today's consumer know that a donation to Planet Aid will not only have environmental benefits but will be used to help those less fortunate than themselves.

They have been providing this service free of charge to participating companies, government agencies, colleges schools, and other entities.

With more that 16,000 donation bins in parking lots and along storefronts across the nation, they collect over 100 million pounds of clothing and shoes every year.

Planet Aid supports programs that assist people in developing nations The programs they help found provide HIV/AIDS prevention, fight malaria, train primary school teachers, and educate small farmers in methods that help them increase crop yields and earn a better living.

So... If you have unused, no longer needed. Place them in the Yellow Box in the parking lot. They will be put to good use. Thanks for your cooperation....



## Easter Trivia

1. What is the most popular Easter Candy?
2. When is Easter celebrated?
3. What is the most popular Easter activity?
4. Where did the Easter Bunny come from?
5. How many chocolate bunnies are made every year?
6. How many jelly beans do Americans eat every year?
7. What part of a chocolate bunny do most people eat first?
8. What is the most popular color of Easter candy peeps.
9. What does Gethsemane mean?
10. What does the egg symbolize on Easter?
11. What was the very first egg color?
12. What do Australians use to symbolize Easter instead of a rabbit?
13. What are the 50 days after Easter called?
14. At the Last Supper, what food did Jesus compare his body to?
15. Which bread product is associated with Easter?

ANSWERS IN TOP CORNER OF THIS PAGE.



1. Marshmallow Easter Peeps
2. The date changes every year.
3. Visiting relatives and Easter Egg Hunts
4. Germany, Bunnies tend to have large litters, so the became the symbol of fecundity and new life.
5. 90 million , These delicious treats gained popularity in 1890 when Robert Shroeder created a 5 ft chocolate bunny to promote his drug store.
6. Over 16 million.
7. The ears, exactly 76% of Americans eat the ears first.
8. Yellow
9. Oil Press
10. Rebirth.
11. Red. Symbolizing the Blood of Jesus
12. A bilby
13. Pentecost
14. Bread
15. Pretzels have been an early Lenten bread since the year 600, their distinctive shape is supposed to mimic two arms crossed over the chest in prayer

## Women of Worship W.O.W.



### "Breakfast with Friends"

Saturday, 9th — 10am








Panera Restaurant

Elm Rd



# APRIL

2022

| Sunday  | Monday              | Tuesday  | Wednesday   | Thursday   | Friday  | Saturday  |
|---|---------------------|--|---|--|---|---|
|   |                     |  |  |  | 1.  | 2. <b>Aerobics</b>  |
| 3. <b>Sunday Service</b><br>10am<br><br><b>Bible Study</b><br>8:55am- 9:30  | 4. <b>Aerobics</b>  | 5. <b>Meetings</b><br><b>Executive 6:30 pm</b><br><b>Board Meeting 7pm</b> | 6. <b>Lenten Service</b><br>6pm   | 7. <b>L.O.A.F.</b><br>10am<br>Lake Vista<br><b>Aerobics</b>  | 8.     | 9. <b>Aerobics</b><br>Women of Worship<br>Breakfast -Meeting<br>10am<br><b>Panera</b>                       |
| 10 <b>Sunday</b><br><br><br><b>Palm Sunday</b>               | 11. <b>Aerobics</b> | 12.  | 13. <b>Aerobics</b>   | 14 <br><b>Maundy Thursday</b><br><b>Service 6pm</b> | 15  | 16. <b>Aerobics</b><br> |
| 17. <b>Sunday Service at 10am</b><br><br><br><b>Easter</b> | 18. <b>Aero-</b>    | 19.  | 20. <b>No Bible Study</b>   | 21. <b>Aerobics</b>  | 22.  | 23. <b>Aerobics</b>   |
| 24. <b>Sunday Service</b><br>10am<br><br><b>Bible Study</b><br>8:55am- 9:30   | 25. <b>Aerobics</b> | 26.  | Bible Study 6pm   | 28. <b>Aerobics</b>  | 29.   | 30.   |

Pray for our "Shut-Ins" and "other friends". They would enjoy a Thinking of you card or a joke or story you found in a magazine. Maybe a phone call, just say "hello" to our friends.



Bob and Mary Jo Johnson

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Eileen Niemi

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Cortland, Ohio 44410

Pat Taylor

Room 212  
4100 North River Rd.  
Warren Ohio

Lauralee Lawrence

124 Willow Street  
Cortland, Ohio  
44410



Friday and Saturday

May 13-14



Save your “unwantables” until that week. Bring them here.  
Maybe pick up some new treasures.

### Meatless Sweet Potato Chili – Really Good

3 medium Sweet potato peeled, and cut into 3/4 inch cubes  
1 can black beans, rinsed and drained  
1/2 medium onion -diced  
1 jar medium Salsa  
4 cups vegetable broth  
Salt and Pepper  
1/8 t. -1/4 t. of Cumin, Oregano and Chili Powder



Saute onions until transparent or lightly browned, add cubed sweet potatoes, broth and Salsa. Cook until potatoes are almost done, add beans, and spices.

Simmer 10 minutes more until it thickens and darken.

Add more spices if desired, being careful as this is already a little spicy hot. They have drizzled squeeze cheese on top of the chili in the pictures. I desired not to do that.

Serve with cornbread.... or Italian Bread



A little bird was flying south for the winter.

It was so cold the bird froze and fell to the ground into a large field.

While he was lying there, a cow came by and dropped some dung on him.

As the frozen bird lay there in the pile of cow dung, he began to realize how warm he was.

The dung was actually thawing him out! He lay there all warm and happy, and soon began to sing for joy.

A passing cat heard the bird singing and came to investigate.

Following the sound, the cat discovered the bird under the pile of cow dung, and promptly dug him out and ate him.

Morals of the story:

(1) Not everyone who craps on you is your enemy  
(2) Not everyone who gets you out of crap is your friend.

(3) And when you're in deep crap, it's best to keep your mouth shut!





# Easter Story

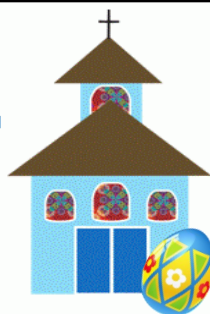
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THORNS  
TOMB



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# JUST A LITTLE DONKEY

JUST A LITTLE DONKEY,  
BUT ON MY BACK I BORE  
THE ONE AND ONLY SAVIOR  
THE WORLD WAS WAITING FOR.

JUST A LITTLE DONKEY,  
BUT I WAS STRONG AND PROUD—  
I GLADLY CARRIED MARY  
THROUGH THE CHAOS OF THE CROWD.

I BROUGHT HER TO A STABLE  
WHERE SHE MADE A TINY BED...  
A PLACE FOR BABY JESUS  
TO LAY HIS LITTLE HEAD.

I PRAY THE WORLD REMEMBERS  
THAT SPECIAL CHRISTMAS NIGHT  
WHEN JUST A LITTLE DONKEY  
CARRIED HEAVEN'S PRECIOUS LIGHT.

—RITA S. BEER



# Women of Worship

*"Breakfast with Friends"*

**Saturday — April 9**  
**10 am**

**Note \*\*\*Panera Restaurant—Elm Road**

**Good Food, Fellowship and a Short Meeting**







**Cortland Scope**

## Inside Scoop from Cortland Scope



Monday -Friday Cards 10am-11am

Monday and Wednesday Arthritis exercise 10am-11am

Monday and Wednesday gentle yoga with Roe 12pm-1pm

Monday bingo 1pm-3pm

Lunch 11am-12pm

Tuesday Line dance with Jan 10am-11:30pm

Chair yoga with Kathy 11am-12pm Lunch 12pm-1pm

Tai Chi with Mallory 12:30-1:30pm Thursday 12:30-1:30pm

Wednesday Lunch 11am-12pm

Bible study 6pm-8pm

Friday Lunch 11am-12pm Line dance with Dori 12:30pm-2:30pm

Looking for card players, corn hole players, Billiard players  
board games and all around fun people. Please call the center at  
330-637-3010 Monday- Friday 9am to 3pm



**Monday April 5 2-4pm Monarch butterfly program with cake and punch**

**Friday April 8 Vince with Family tech connect 10am-11am**

**Tuesday April 12 11am-12pm guest speaker Laura talking on dairy and**

**protein April 20 11am-12pm Laura on food shopping April 26 Laura**

**on whole grains 11am-12pm**

**Wednesday April 13 11am-12pm Easter dinner**

**April 26 Mark from Cortland health care what we have to offer with**

**pizza 11am-12pm**

**153 Grove drive inside the Cortland Christian church M-F 9am-3p 330-**

**637-3010**



Whereas "Christmas brings the promise of peace on earth" to all, within all, "Easter reveals the achievement of full Christhood by the Master and reveals the way by which we can attain immortality." –

Joel S. Goldsmith



## Little Lambs Children's Clothing Sale

Help is always needed Thurs-Saturday .

if you are available to help , "please" sign up in the Narthex.

**Friday, May 6**  
**Saturday, May 7**

**9am – 7pm**  
**9am - 2pm**

Bring you used unwanted children's clothing, toys, equipment here to sell,  
and also purchase any clothing items you may desire, at really good reduced  
prices.



## A Member of our church family is in this photo? Do you see this person?

Recently the 8th Graders of Lakeview School system visited TCTC for Experience Day. TCTC is the Trumbull Career and Technical Center in Champion Ohio.

One of the many stops where students stopped during their visit was the Education and Family Services program where students learned about career opportunities working with children Pre K-12.

These students also toured TCTC's student – run daycare.

Our church family member is Preston Polakoff who is the second young man at the top left of picture.



## YOU KNOW YOU'RE GETTING OLDER WHEN:



1. You can go an entire day without taking one picture with your cell phone.
2. You have to increase your font size to "Billboard".
3. You get carpal tunnel syndrome because you have to scroll down so dang far to find your year of birth.
4. You look down and decide you really need to iron your T-shirt, then realize that you are naked
5. You wake up feeling "hungover" when you didn't eve go out or drink the night before.
6. You realize that the punishments as a child like: naps being grounded, and not being allowed to go to parties, are now your personal preferences.
7. The oldie music at the market and in elevators is now music that you actually like and remember.
8. You no longer refer to your knees (Or hips) as left and right they are now the "good" one or "bad" one.
9. Your memory is getting so bad that you could actually plan your own surprise party.
10. The only one telling you to slowdown is your doctor, not the police



## Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego story of Faithfulness [Daniel 3:1-30] ( A Test of Faith)



Do you remember the story of the three Hebrew boys, Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego? A couple of Jewish captives were taken from their homeland to serve in the Babylonian empire.

But even having to adjust to the ways of this empire, their commitment to God did not change. Still, and just like any faithful men of God, their faith was put to the test.

King Nebuchadnezzar commanded that a golden statue be made and ordered that every person must bow down and worship it. However, when it was time for the three men to bow down like the rest, they refused, and this angered the King.

Because of their refusal, they were thrown in a fiery furnace which was turned up seven times the normal temperature. The fire was so hot that it scorched the guards that were standing outside, but when the King looked inside expecting to see nothing but fire, he saw not three but four men.

Filled with shock, he immediately ordered for the men to be removed from the fire. Because of the three men's faith in God, he showed up while they were going through their fire. The King made a new declaration that they were now going to worship the God of Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego. Like Elijah the three stood boldly for Christ, and it was through their faith that other persons began worshipping the true and living God.

**Life application: Would you stand for God if you were faced with a situation where it was either life or death? We are now living in a time where our faithfulness is tested, and it's going to come a time where you have to decide who you will stand for. Life or death.**

**And the pressures of life sometimes will be turned up like it did for those three men, but once you stand for God, he will show up for you amid your fiery trials. The Bible says when you pass through the waters, he will be with you, or when you walk through the fire you will not be burned, for he is the Lord your God. (Isaiah 43:2-3)**



Do you all remember  
when in School we  
learned that

I comes before E in  
words?

It was a great way to  
remember how to spell  
certain words....

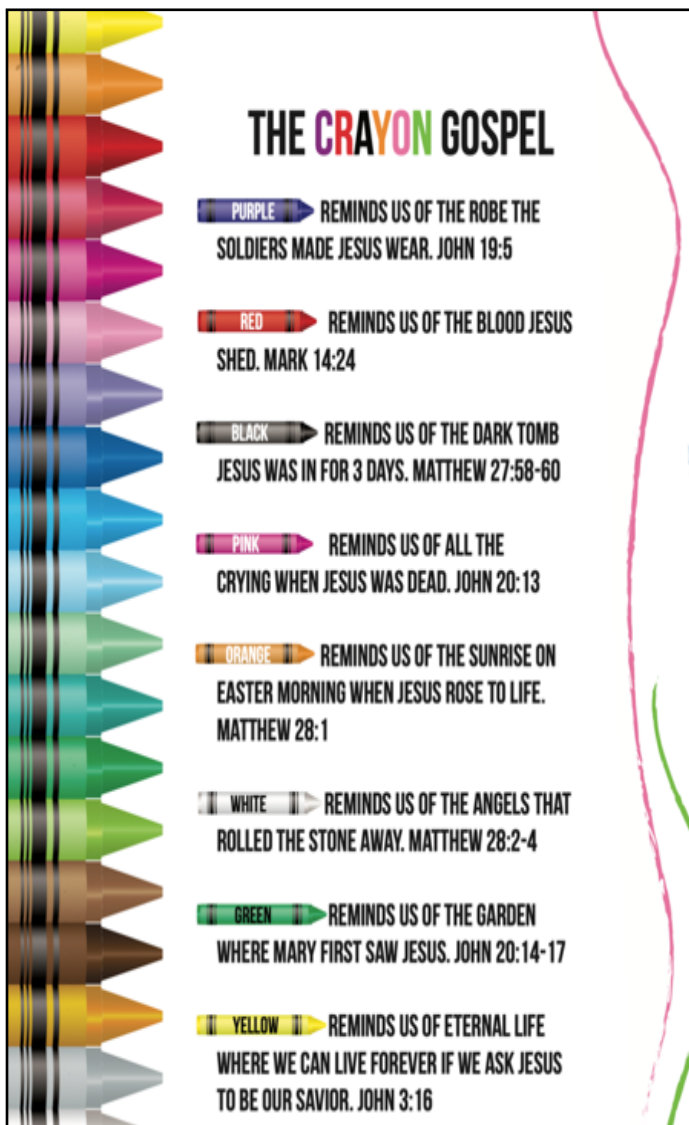
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very Inter-esting....

**Happy Easter  
to all.**

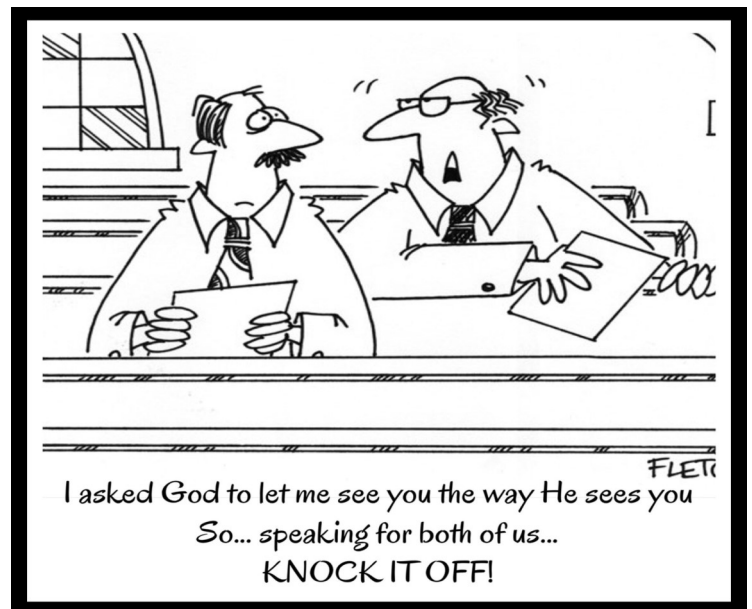
In this issue of  
the Church Bell  
there are many  
hidden or kind of  
hidden eggs  
throughout this  
issue.

**“Easter Egg Hunt”.  
in this issue.**





Rachel we are so proud of you. What an accomplishment. You are truly an inspiration to so many. Stay happy and healthy... We love you



## Potato Bake

Here are just a few of the happy ,fulfilled members and friends at our Potato Bake in March. It is always the " best day " to come here as the tables are filled with delicious baked potatoes and toppings, salad with plenty of added fixins' and lots, I mean lots of delicious desserts to choose from. It is a wonderful day of fellowship and food.

You'll have to wait a year for the next one but start planning to attend and bring a friend.

Thanks to Linda Chagnot and her Helping Hands committee and lots of others who helped set up, clean up , and furnish all those great desserts.

