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The Church Bell



A Note from Your Pastor

"Always Learning"

By Pastor Casey Chapman

An expert in the Old Testament of the Bible was convinced that he completely understood all that it contained. That is until he met the Lord on the road to Damascus. Saul who became known as Paul was blinded for three days by the Lord. Jesus Christ revealed Himself to Paul so that Paul could preach Him among the Gentiles. Paul's worldview was turned upside down by his encounter with Jesus. So much so was his understanding challenged that, in Galatians 1:17-18, he went to Arabia for three years for prayer, study of the scriptures, and to be alone with Christ. Paul was taught for three years by Jesus, just like the other Apostles. They were also taught for three years by Him.

This season marks the start of school for many, both young and old. I, myself, am taking college classes for continuing education credits. Many professions require today some sort of continuing study in their respective fields. We are never too young or to educated to learn. Paul was a man who was well educated, yet when he learned the truth of this Jesus, Whose people he persecuted, he retreated for three years devoting himself to the study of the same text that he was already considered an expert in.

There are many people who claim to be an expert in the Bible. A lot of them are leading people astray by reinventing the Bible for modern times. How is it in this season of learning do we learn the Bible and who Jesus Christ is? While church is very important, one should not rely on the pastor or Sunday school teacher alone. We make mistakes from time to time. Rather one should do their own study of the Holy Book, the Bible. They should learn it. Compare what they have been taught to the entire context of the scriptures. One should also pray, as Paul did, and talk to the Lord. It is one thing to know what the Bible says; it is another thing to know the One who wrote the Bible. So many people know the words on the page, but they do not know the author who wrote them. His name is Jesus. He is the Son of God.

By knowing both His Word and Him you may head the Apostle's warning in Romans 16:17 to watch out for those who cause dissensions and obstacles contrary to the teachings you have learned.

Let us all draw close to Jesus Christ today.

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August 2019 Worship Leaders

August 4 Jeff Byler and Amy Popichak

August 11 Amy Seger and Carol Robinson

August 18 Ronnie Miller and ????????

August 25 Sharon Hopkins and Curtis Bell

Deacons: Captain: Judene Ainsley (330-637-9938)

Brenda Byler, Betty Evans, Ron Miller Chuck Corbett, Joyce Hall, Bob Bradford

Deaconess: Diana Martin

Organ and Keyboard: Jonathan Gallo



Pastor Casey is in the office 8am-1pm Mon-Thurs.

If you need anything call the office 330-637-4611

Office is open

Monday-Thursday

8 am-1Pm

August Coffee Fellowship

August 4 -- Ron Miller and Cindy Miller

August 11 — Darlene Ball

August 18 — Ruth Young

August 25 — Terry and Linda Swauger



July 2019 Financial Report

Month — July 1 to July- 31 2019

Offering Received \$ 9,064.00

Expenses \$ 10,268.00

Balance \$ -1,204.00

Monthly Mortgage Payment \$2047.67

Year to date— Jan 1,2019 to <u>July 31 2019</u>

Offering Received \$72,271.00

Expenses \$ 79,285.00

Balance \$ -7,014.00

Mortgage \$49,311.00

Jesus Loves Us

Desley Finedon

"Jesus loves me this I know, for the Bible tells me so." This is a very special thought: to young and old it ought be taught.

God's love was there before our birth, even before He made the earth. In our mother's wombs He formed our parts; knit together body, soul and heart.

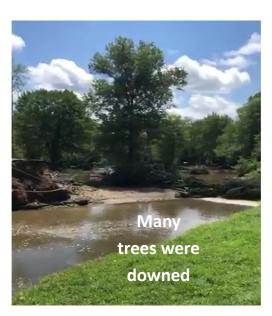
He loves as a shepherd loves his sheep; as a mother when her child weeps. He is our Father, saving, caring, protecting and our burdens bearing.

His love never fails, is always warm, giving peace inside when outside's a storm. He is gentle too, patient, kind, and with good thoughts fills our minds.

When we know God loves us so, we are strengthened to face our foes; not run away, feeling low, alone, uncertain how things will go...

For He makes secure, brings hope to life, boldness to stand for what is right; changes us to consider other's needs: God's love is shared through kindly deeds.

Jesus loves us: all may know what the Bible tells is so.





Helping Hands and Little Lambs

What a blessing these two missions have been!

Two of our missions,

"Helping Hands" and

"Little Lambs" have together donated \$350.00

towards helping the people affected by the lake damage in Kinsman.

Even though we may all pray for them, they really need financial

help too.

Thank You



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Happy Birthday

August 8	Charlie Beer
August 7	Linda Chagnot
August 12	Betty Evans
August 14	Preston Polakoff
August 16	Carol Peterson
August 20	Curt Miller
August 21	John Molnar
August 21	Eileen Niemi
August 22	Abbie Lawrence

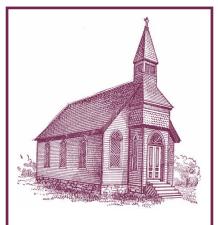


Happy Anniversary

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August 5 Terry and Linda Swauger

August 25
Bob and Mary Jo Johnson



Clders Meetings

Third Thursday in month at 8 am or whenever they call one.



No Board Meetings until September

Are scheduled for the summer.

One may be called if and when one is deemed necessary.



"Sorry, that doesn't apply to your mother."

A baby is all of God's grace in one tiny face.



2019

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1.	2.	3. Aerobics
			Joyful Noise	Aerobics		
4. Sunday Service10 am	5.	6 Lighting The Way Kids 6pm	7. Joyful Noise	8. Aerobics	9.	10. Aerobics Breakfast with Friends 10am at Four Star
	Aerobics			Aerobics		Restaurant
11. Sunday Service 10 am *	12. Aerobics	13.	14. Joyful Noise	Aerobics	16.	17. Aerobics
18. Sunday Service 10am	19. Aerobics	20. Lighting The Way Kids 6pm	21. Joyful Noise	22. Aerobics	23.	24. Aerobics
25. Sunday Service 10 am	26. Aerobics	27.	28.	29.	30.	31. Aerobics

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.

Phyllis Beer

Lake Vista 41 Heron Circle Cortland, Ohio 44410 330-637-1456

<u>Grace Wagner</u> Gillette Rehab Room 613 3310 Elm Rd. N. E. Warren, Ohio 44483 Katie and John Molnar 2444 Williams Drive Cortland, Ohio 44410

Lauralee Lawrence
124 Willow Street
Cortland, Ohio
44410

Edwin Niemi

Lake Vista Apt. 207 Mecca Street, Cortland, Ohio

Kathie Bates Room 105 369 N. High Street Cortland, Ohio 44410 Kathy Miller 416 North High St Cortland, Ohio 44410



Lighting the Way

Ministry for children 3 years-Kindergarten



Lesson, activity or game and snacks.

Meet new friends, and have fun together.

Come and bring a friend.

Classroom in CCC Education Building

Invite small children for a night of fun and learning about Jesus to "Lighting the Way". We have 7-8 coming now and Karen Miller is doing a fantastic job with them. They are loving it. They are learning about Jesus. LET'S get them as excited in Jesus as they do in dance, baseball, football, soccer, game systems etc. And we are only asking for an hour or so each week.

Definitions you won't find in the dictionary:

ADULT: A person who has stopped growing at both ends and is now growing in the middle.

BEAUTY PARLOR: A place where women curl up and dye.

CANNIBAL: Someone who is fed up with people.

CHICKENS: The only creatures you eat before they are born and after they are dead.

COMMITTEE: A body that keeps minutes and wastes hours.

EGOTIST: Someone who is usually me-deep in conversation.

GOSSIP: A person who will never tell a lie if the truth will do more damage.

HANDKERCHIEF: Cold Storage.

INFLATION: Cutting money in half without damaging the paper.

MOSQUITO: An insect that makes you like flies better.

SECRET: Something you tell to one person at a time.

TOOTHACHE: The pain that drives you to extraction.

TOMORROW: One of the greatest labor saving devices of today.

"In The Garden"

Ever wonder who writes the words or/and music for our hymns we love so much.

C. Austin Miles was a pharmacist who began writing gospel songs and eventually became an editor of hymnals and songbooks; he was a popular music director at camp meetings conventions, and churches. His hobby was photography, and he found his darkroom perfect for developing, not just his photographs, but his devotional life. In its privacy and strange blue glow, Miles could read his Bible in total privacy.

One day in March 1912, while waiting for some film to develop, he opened the Bible to his favorite chapter, John 20, the story of the first Easter. Miles later said., "As I read it that day. I seemed to be part of the scene.. My hands were resting on the Bible while I stared at the

light blue wall. As the light faded, I seemed to be standing at the entrance of a garden, looking down a gently winding path, shaded aby olive branches. A woman in white, with head bowed, hand clasping her throat as if to choke back her sobs, walked slowly into the shadows. It was Mary. As she came to the tomb, upon which she placed her hand, she bent over to look in and hurried away. John in flowing robe, appeared, looking at the tomb; then came Peter, who entered the tomb, followed slowly by John.

"As they departed, Mary reappeared, leaning her head upon her arm at the tomb. She wept. Turning herself, she saw Jesus standing; so did I. I knew it was He. She knelt before Him, with arms outstretched and looking into His face, and cried, 'Rabboni!' (Rabbi Or teacher)

"I awakened inf full light, griping my Bible, with muscles tense and vibrating. Under the inspiration of this vision, I wrote as quickly as the words came; the poem formed exactly as it has since appeared. The same evening I wrote the music."

By polls, "In The Garden" is the second most popular gospel song, next to "The Old Rugged Cross"

We celebrated PASTOR CASEY'S 1rst ANNIVERSARY at CCC on July 14





Lovin' the special occasions and lovin' the food.













We are off to a good start with one wonderful year behind us.

7/14/2018 to 7/14/2019

BACK TO SCHOOL

WORD SEARCH

Find and circle all of the words from the word list below.

BOOKS BUS CRAYONS GLUE GYM LEARNING LIBRARY MUSIC PAPER PLAYGROUND PRINCIPAL READING RULER SCHOOL SCIENCE SCISSORS SPELLING STUDENT STUDY WRITING





This might be for the kids, but surely the adults will enjoy doing these puzzles also, when they are drinking their coffee in the morning. Simple or not they are fun.



"In case God is tired of the same old prayers, I recited Humpty Dumpty for him."

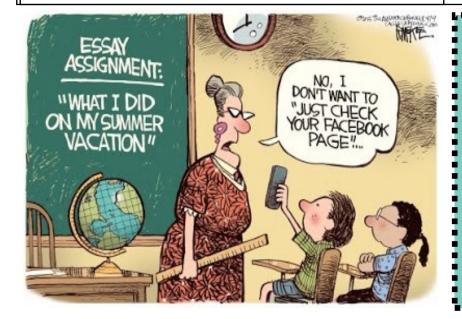
Coming in August

Soon we will have a new roof on our church and a paved and lined parking lot.

No more potholes.

Be watching for it.

If you would like to contribute to these projects, drop your marked donation in the offering plate on Sunday morning.



New Members Luncheon

We welcomed 3 new members to our congregation last Sunday the 21st, with a potluck luncheon of lots of good food and desserts .

We welcomed Linda Tucker and Susan McCrimmon and Tom Sacca into our membership. When you get a chance,,congratulate them. This is a special time for them and for our church.

Thanks to all who provided all the food and desserts for us.



Books in Our Library

Among a 100 others

July 7 "Humor of Christ

July 14 "Couples Devotional Bible"

July 21 "God Calling"

July 28 "JESUS" Video on VHS

August 4 Living Beyond the Limits

Franklin Graham

Come visit our Library in the Education Wing of the church across from the offices.



THINGS ARE NOT ALWAYS WHAT THEY SEEM

Two traveling angels stopped to spend the night in the home of a wealthy family. The family was rude and refused to let the angels stay in the mansion's guest room. Instead, the angels were given a small space in the cold basement. As they made their bed on the hard floor, the older angel saw a hole in the wall and repaired it. When

the younger angel asked why, the older angel replied, "Things aren't always what they seem."

The next night, the pair came to rest at the house of a very poor, but very hospitable farmer and his wife. After sharing what little food they had, the couple let the angels sleep in their bed where they could have a good night's rest. When the sun came up the next morning, the angels found the farmer and his wife in tears. Their only cow, whose milk had been their sole income, lay dead in the field. The younger angel was infuriated and asked the older angel, How could you have let this happen? The first man had everything, yet you helped him," she accused. "The second family had little but was willing to share everything, and you let the cow die

"Things aren't always what they seem," the older angel replied. "When we stayed in the basement of the mansion, I noticed there was gold stored in that hole in the wall. Since the owner was so obsessed with greed and unwilling to share his good fortune, I sealed the wall so he wouldn't find it." "Then last night as we slept in the farmer's bed, the angel of death came for his wife. I gave him the cow instead. Things aren't always what they seem." Sometimes, that is exactly what happens when things don't turn out the way it seems they should.

God's Wings

An article in National Geographic several years ago provided a penetrating picture of God's wings.



After a forest fire in Yellowstone National Park, forest rangers began their trek up a mountain to assess the inferno's damage. One ranger found a bird literally petrified in ashes, perched statuesquely on the ground at the base of a tree.

Somewhat sickened by the eerie sight, he knocked over the bird with a stick. When he gently struck it, three tiny chicks scurried from under their dead mother's wings. The loving mother, keenly aware of impending disaster, had carried her offspring to the base of the tree and had gathered them under her wings, instinctively knowing that the toxic smoke would rise.

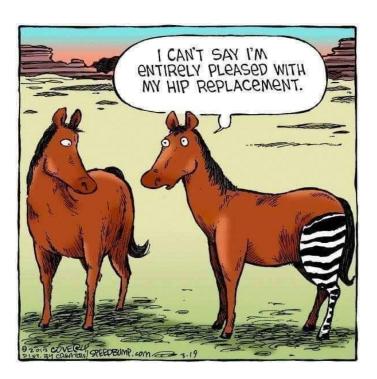
She could have flown to safety but refused to abandon her babies. When the blaze had arrived and the heat had scorched her small body, the mother had remained steadfast.

Because she had been willing to die, those under the cover of her wings would live.

"He will cover you with his feathers, and under his wings you will find refuge." - Psalm 91:4

Stats About Samson

- How many sheets did Samson promise to those who could explain his riddle? Judges 14:12
- 2. The Philistines could not solve Samson's riddle before how many days? Judges 14:14
- 3. How many years did Samson Judge Israel in the days of the Philistines? Judges 15:20, 16:31
- 4. How many Philistines did Samson kill with the jawbone of an ass? Judges 15:15
 - Samson told Delilah to bind him with how many green withes? Judges 16:7
- 6. Judges 13:1 tells us that the Lord delivered Israel into the hand of the Philistines, for how many years?





Samson and Delilah Word Search

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Hair						Philistines						
Honey						Pillars						
Jawbone						Ropes						
Judges						Samson						

Lakeview Schools resume classes on August 15.

Summer has gone by way too fast. However with the oncoming of school opening, there are a lot of fun activities to attend.

Band Night, football games, Homecoming, concerts and much more.

Two Friends

A story tells that two friends were walking through the desert. During some point of the journey they had an argument, and one friend slapped the other one in the face.

The one who got slapped was hurt, but without saying anything, wrote in the sand;

"Today my best friend slapped me in the face."

They kept on walking until they found an oasis, where they decided to take a bath. The one who had been slapped got stuck in the mire and started drowning, but the friend saved him. After he recovered from the near drowning, he wrote on a stone;

"Today my best friend saved my life."

The friend who had slapped and saved his best friend asked him;

"After I hurt you, you wrote in the sand and now, you write on a stone, why?"

The other friend replied;

"When someone hurts us we should write it down in sand where winds of forgiveness can erase it away. But, when someone does something good for us, we must engrave it in stone where no wind can ever erase it."

Moral of the story:

Don't value the things you have in your life. But value who you have in your life.







September 1,2019

WHAT IS LABOR DAY?

Always held on the first Monday in September, Labor Day was the idea of Peter J.

Maguire (although recent research has shown that it might have been his brother

Matthew's idea), a labor union leader who in 1882 proposed a celebration honoring the American worker.



The date chosen was simply "convenient," according to Maguire, because it was midway between the <u>Fourth of July</u> and <u>Thanksgiving</u>.

Although the day's focus on organized labor has diminished over the years, the holiday has become a way to mark the end of the summer season—and the start of the school year.

Summer Salsa Salad

8 ears of corn, husked

Dressing:

1/2 cup vegetable oil

1 1/2 teaspoons lemon juice

1 Tablespoon chopped fresh basil or

1/2 teaspoon dried basil

1/2 teaspoon cayenne pepper

1/4 cup apple cider vinegar

1/4 cup minced parsley

1 teaspoon salt

2 teaspoons sugar

Other Salad Ingredients:

1/2 cup chopped onion

2 large tomatoes, seeded and coarsely chopped

1/3 cup chopped green bell pepper

1/3 cup chopped red bell pepper



In a pot, boil corn for 5-7 minutes or until tender. Drain and set aside to cool. In a bowl, whisk together oil, vinegar, parsley, basil, sugar, lemon juice, salt and cayenne.

Cut cooled corn off cob and add to oil mixture. Add tomatoes, onions and pepper to corn and oil mixture. Stir to combine. Chill in the refrigerator for several hours or overnight.

Great on Nacho chips. Or serve as a side dish.

Have a safe, fun Labor Day Weekend

