The Church Bell





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Tenderly and gently she rocked her newborn baby. She had never been a mother before. She was scared and excited at the same time. She handed her boy over to her husband while she drifted off to sleep.

At 2am she awoke to her boy crying. She got up and checked on him. She took him to the corner rocking chair until her bundle of joy fell back into his dreams. She put him gently back into his crib wondering if every night would be like this. She was exhausted and went back to bed but could not sleep.

Watching her husband call him, she saw her baby boy walk for the first time. Joy filled her body and she was proud to be a mother. Later that night, she wondered what this new world would be like... a world where her baby boy was walking all on his own. She drifted off to sleep.

While washing dishes she gazed out of the kitchen window and watched her ten-year-old boy get off the bus. He was sobbing. He came in the back door and she asked her baby boy what was wrong. He shrugged and went to his room where she went and sat on the corner of his bed. She comforted her son as he told her that he wished his dad was here. He told his mommy of how his friend told him of his dad taking him to the baseball game over the weekend. A tear came to her eye as she thought of her husband who gave his life for his country. That night as she prepared herself for bed, she wondered what she could do for her son.

She called for her son from the kitchen door. They were running late for church. There appeared her 15 year-old boy. He was not dressed and did not want to go, but in patience she loved her son. And kept instilling biblical values in his life. That night she knelt at her bedside and prayed for her baby boy.

One day, while cleaning, she walked up to her baby boy's room and opened the door. She sat on his neatly made bed and looked at all of his knickknacks on his dresser. She took his pillow and held it tightly in her arms. She wished her son had gone to college closer, but he had earned a scholarship to a school on the other side of the

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Monday-Thursday
8am-Noon

Continuing Pastor Casey's article from the front page.

It was morning and the sun was shining through her bedroom door, but she did not arise. She had a bad cough, and her body ached all over. She laid there for some time until she finally arose and looked through her dresser mirror. She saw the wrinkles and gray hair. She wished her son was there, but he was on a business trip. He hadn't called her for some time. Sitting on the edge of her bed she opened her diary where each day she wrote a special prayer for her son.

Soon the day came where she drew her last breath, but just before looked at the door and saw her baby boy. All grown, successful, and handsome – her joy returned to her heart, and in the arms of her son she fell asleep one last time.

---On this mother's day remember that your mom has feelings. She has done her best that she knew how to, and she has always thought of you. Call her today and tell her that you love her.

Happy Mother's Day!

Pastor Care Capman

April — **Financial** Report

Our monthly Budget for 2020 of \$13,000 explains the amount needed to maintain our church.

Jan 1, 2020 to April 30, 2020

Offering Received \$ 46,743.00 Expenses \$ -43,365.00

Balance \$ 3,378.00

Mortgage Payment \$1,883.24

April 1, 2020 to April 30, 2020

Offering Received \$ 9,957.00 Expenses \$ -11,369.00 Balance \$ x -1413.00

Balance \$88,721.70

"Happy Birthday"

May 11 Pastor Casey

May 11 Justin Klamut

May 30 Phyllis Beer



Important Meetings Cancelled

<u>F</u>inance Meeting 6:15pm

Board Meeting 7 pm

Happy Anniversary

May 1 Amy and Mark Popichak

May 4
Phyllis and Charlie Beer

May 8
Chuck and Linda Chagnot

May 12 Judene and Greg Ainsley

May 17
Matthew and Darlene Ball

May 21 Spencer and Cheri Chapman



BAPTISM

If you are interested in being baptized? or maybe having your child or all of you baptized.

please contact
Pastor Casey.

Pastor will put plans in motion.

ATTENTION: If all continues to go well and the State of Ohio gives us the Ok. We would like to open the church up again on May 10th, Mothers Day. We know that everyone is missing Pastors sermons and we are missing each other. It will be nice to be back.

Precautions are a being taken to sanitize the sanctuary, and masks made by the church ladies will be available if you need one. Seating will be scattered and 6 ft apart. Communion will be served a different way so at to protect everyone.



L.O.A.F.

Prince of Peace Church

Pastor Casey - President of LOAF Clders Meetings

Third Sunday in month



Grandfather and Grandchild Reminiscing

Child - "How old are you, Grandpa?"

Grandpa - "I'm 81, dear."

Child - "So does that mean you were alive during the Coronavirus?"

Grandpa - "Yes, I was."

Child - "Wow. That must have been horrible, Grandpa. We were learning about that at school this week.

They told us about how all the schools had closed. And moms and dads couldn't go to work so didn't have as much money to do nice things.

They said that you weren't allowed to go and visit your friends and family and couldn't go out anywhere.

They told us that the shops and stores ran out of lots of things so you didn't have much bread, and flour, and toilet rolls.

They said that summer holidays were cancelled. And they told us about all those thousands of people that got very sick and who died.

They explained how hard all the doctors and nurses and all essential workers worked, and that lots of them died, too.

That must have been so horrible, grandpa!"

Grandpa - "Well, that is all correct.

And I know that because I read about it when I was older.

But to tell you the truth I remember it differently...

I remember playing in the garden for hours with mom and dad and having picnics outside and lots of bbqs.

I remember making things and fishing with my Dad and baking with my Mom.

I remember making forts and learning how to do hand stands and back flips. I remember having quality time with my family.

I remember Mom's favorite words becoming 'Hey, I've got an idea...'

Rather than 'Maybe later or tomorrow I'm a bit busy'.

I remember making our own bread and pastry. I remember having movie night three or four times a week instead of just one.

It was a horrible time for lots of people you are right.

But I remember it differently."

Remember how our children will remember these times.

Be in control of the memories they are creating right now, so that through all the awful headlines and emotional stories for so many that they will come to read in future years, they can remember the happy times.

Author unknown





Old Fellowship Hall Cleanup



This is one corner of the Old Fellowship Hall that is now being renovated.



Spencer is drilling holes to put a drainage system in. Hopefully this addition will stop any water coming in after a rain and release pressure on that wall.







This is a picture to show water damage and how big this room is. It is even bigger than this looks. So there is plenty of painting to be done, and pipe to be installed. This room will be nice for meetings, kids activities, classes, etc.



Best Poem in the World

I was shocked, confused, bewildered As I entered Heaven's door, Not by the beauty of it all, Nor the lights or its décor.

But it was the folks in Heaven Who made me sputter and gasp The thieves, the liars, the sinners The alcoholics and the trash.

There stood the kid from seventh grade Who swiped my lunch money! Twice. Next to him was my old neighbor. Who never said anything nice.

Herb, who I always thought Was rotting in hell, Was sitting pretty on cloud nine, Looking incredibly well.

I nudged Jesus, "What's the deal? Would love to hear Your take How'd all these sinners get up here? God must've made a mistake.

'And why's every one so quiet So somber—give me a clue,' 'Hush child, He said, 'they're all in shock. No one thought they'd be seeing you.'

Judge Not

Remember Just going to church doesn't make you a Christian Any more than Standing in your garage makes you a car.

Joyce A. Seagle

1934-2020

MONROE — Joyce A. Seagle, 85, of Monroe, passed away on Thurs-day, April 30, 2020, at her residence at Ohio Living Mount Pleasant.

She was born May 23, 1934, in Riverdale, Ill., to parents, George and Amy B. Campbell Smith.

Joyce had been a columnist with the Cortland News and the Western Reserve News and was involved with Project Literacy U.S.

As a committed member of her church and patron of community arts,



SEAGLE

Joyce was instrumental in the establishment of the Cortland Community Christmas Concert. She was always active in the communities at Ohio Living Lake Vista and Ohio Living Mount Pleasant. She was a member of Monroe United Methodist Church.

Joyce had many passions, including sewing, crocheting, guilting, gardening and traveling. But her greatest love was spending time with her grandchildren, for whom she published "Grandma's Gazette." Joyce is survived by her devoted husband of 65

years, Stan R. Seagle; sons, Dennis (Carol) Seagle, David (Helen) Seagle and Jeffrey (Debby) Seagle; daughters, Carolyn (Bruce) Bennett and Deborah (Robert) Amend; 19 grandchildren, Christopher (Simone) Seagle, Jennifer (Jeffrey) Carly, Matthew Seagle, Heather (Cole) Harper, Joseph (Kathleen) Seagle, Timothy Seagle, Jonathan (Erika) Seagle, Amy (Sean Daugherty) Santell. Eric (Stacy) Santell, Jeffrey Heller, Skyler Heller, Benjamin Amend, Justin Amend, Anna Amend, Saya Amend, Alyona Amend, Hillary Bennett, Lauren Bennett and Kurt Bennett; and 13 great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her parents; an infant brother; and sisters, Celia Caldwell, Beatrice Babcock and Ruby Parkes.

A memorial service will be scheduled for a future

Memorial contributions may be made to Purdue Seagle Family Scholarship, c/o Robyn Jakes, Material Engineering, 701 W. Stadium Ave., West Lafayette, Ind.

47907 or Monroe United Methodist Church, 206 East Ave., Monroe, Ohio 45050.

Please sign the guestbook at www.wilsonschram mspaulding.com

(special notice).

Joyce and Stan Seagle were members of our church for several years. She was active with the Women Group and Stan was the treasurer for many years.

They have been greatly missed since they moved away.

OUR congregation

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May Day



The first day of May, long celebrated with various festivities, as the crowning of the May queen, dancing around the Maypole, and in recent years, often marked by labor parades and political demonstrations.

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Tucker	Truhan	Swaugers	
Sparhawk	Segers	Scott	
Rogers	Robinson	Peterson	
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Phillips	Peuras	Paynes	
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Miller Family	Ron Miller	Karen Miller	
Cindy Miller	Mason	Martin	
Lewis	Lazar	Klamut	
Kennedy	Kemmer	Johnsons	
Hopkins	Hofius	Hayes	
Hansels	Hanna	Hall	
Gallo	Glancy	Evans	
Elhert	Deemer	Culps	
Corbet	Pastor Casey	Chapmans	
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Bylers	Bradfords Bevans		
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Wear "YOUR" mask. BE SAFE

These people must not have a mask to wear so they became so creative.







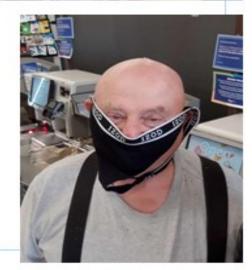












If you've bought a fabric face mask or received one for "free", here's what you should know.

That fabric has a story.

It may have been chosen for a quilt that was never made, or perhaps it's remnants of a homemade Easter dress. It could have been passed from owner to owner or even bought with express intent to make a cool mask. Either way, the sewist assessed its "mask worthiness" and thought it'd be perfect.

The sewist who made it is tired.

She's been sewing for days; she tires of the monotony. She's pricked her fingers with pins and sliced her knuckles with rotary cutters. Yet she continues to make masks...for you

It was worth every penny.

Whether you bought it for \$5 or \$15, you paid fair market value for someone's materials, time and talent. If you received it for free, it has already been paid for with the maker's charity and hope.

The sewist made it to help you, but it's helping her too.

She's decided the best way to work through this situation is to help those who protect all of us.

The maker is being flooded with requests.

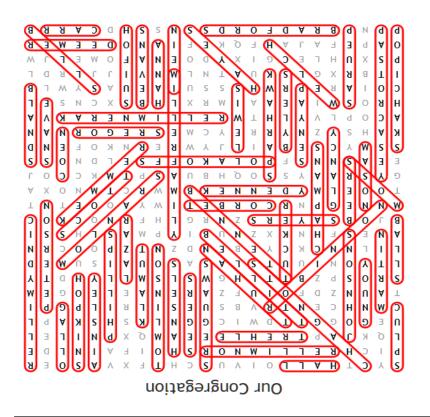
People who haven't spoken to her in years are calling to chat and "ask for a mask". She's being offered money to make more than she can handle; sometimes it's enough, sometimes it's not. If she's got too many to make, she won't turn you down because she really wants to help you.

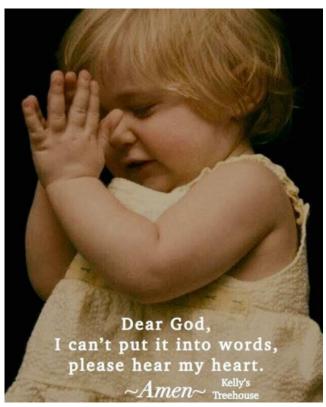
It will make her smile when she sees you wearing it.

She'll remember the fabric, the batch, she may even tell you it was one of her favorites. She'll smile knowing that she did this small little thing that's helping you in such a big way. She'll smile knowing that in the most difficult of times, she has a skill that so many will value.

It should give you hope for a better world.

In a situation where members of our community are struggling, others have risen up, offered their time and talents to provide what they can. It means there's hope for humanity supporting one another and that people truly do care for one another.





With the Corona Virus in full swing, now we are distancing each other, wearing of masks, quarantined, stores and our churches being closed and life in general being disrupted, the singers from Cortland Christian Church helped Dorothy Lazar celebrate her 98th birthday by distancing them selves and singing her Happy Birthday. We celebrated from the yard while she stood on he porch. A cake, many cards and some other items were place on her chair for her to safely get them after we leave. A few neighbors attended and Amy McCollum from Lake Vista was there to take a video and some pictures. It was a good day for her, phone calls from family, facetime with people, and many well wishes at Lake Vista and friends. "Happy Birthday Dorothy". Don't know what next years party will be like.











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3.	4.	Happy May Dayl	6	7. L.O.A.F 10am Online	8.	9.
1r Mother Day	11.	12.	13.	14.	15.	16.
17. Elder Meeting 8am	18.	19.	20.	MAY YOUR DAY BE FILLED WITH YAY	22.	23.
24.	25 Memorial Day	26.	27.	28.	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.



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<u>Katie and John Molnar</u> 2444 Williams Drive Cortland, Ohio 44410

<u>Lauralee Lawrence</u> 124 Willow Street Cortland, Ohio 44410 Edwin and Eileen

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Lake Vista
Apt. 207
Mecca Street,
Cortland, Ohio

Kathie Bates Room 105 369 N. High Street Cortland, Ohio Kathy Miller Room 225

Shepherd of the Valley 4100 North river Rd Warren, Ohio

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Memorial Day History

Three years after the Civil War ended, on May 5, 1868, the head of an organization of Union veterans — the Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) — established Decoration Day as a time for the nation to decorate the graves of the war dead with flowers. Maj. Gen. John A. Logan declared that Decoration Day should be observed on May 30. It is believed that date was chosen because flowers would be in bloom all over the country.

Official Birthplace Declared In 1966, Congress and President Lyndon

Johnson declared Waterloo, N.Y., the "birthplace" of Memorial Day. There, a ceremony on May 5, 1866, honored local veterans who had fought in the Civil War. Businesses closed and residents flew flags at half-staff. Supporters of Waterloo's claim say earlier observances in other places were either informal, not community-wide or one-time events. By the end of the 19th century, Memorial Day ceremonies were being held on May 30 throughout the nation. State legislatures passed proclamations designating the day, and the Army and Navy adopted regulations for proper observance at their facilities.

It was not until after World War I, however, that the day was expanded to honor those who have died in all American wars. In 1971, Memorial Day was declared a national holiday by an act of Congress, though it is still often called Decoration Day. It was then also placed on the last Monday in May, as were some other federal holidays.

Happy Mothers Day In Honor of Women!

They smile when they want to scream.

They sing when they want to cry.

They cry when they are happy and laugh when they are nervous.

They fight for what they believe in.

They stand up for injustice.

They don't take "no" for an answer when they believe there is a better solution.

They go without new shoes so their children can have them.

They go to the doctor with a frightened friend.

They love unconditionally.

They cry when their children excel and cheer when their friends get awards.

They are happy when they hear about a birth or a new marriage.

Their hearts break when a friend dies.

They have sorrow at the loss of a family member, yet they are strong when they think there is no strength

They know that a hug and a kiss can heal a broken heart.

Women come in all sizes, in all colors and shapes.

They'll drive, fly, walk, run or e-mail you to show how much they care about you.

The heart of a woman is what makes the world spin!

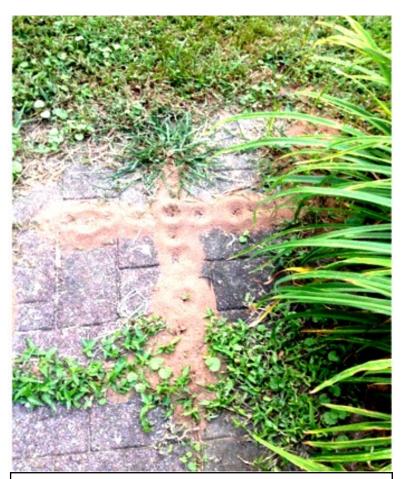
Women do more than just give birth.

They bring joy and hope. They give compassion and ideals.

They give moral support to their family and friends.

Women have a lot to say and a lot to give.





I don't know which is more amazing, the ants making the cross, or the grass making the crown.

FINALLY! BLONDE MEN JOKES:

A blond man is in the bathroom and his wife shouts "Did you find the shampoo?" He answers "Yes but I'm not sure what to do...it's for dry hair and I just wet mine."

A blond man spots a letter on his doormat. It says on the envelope "DO NOT BEND". He spends the next 2 hours trying to figure out how to pick it up.

A blond man shouts frantically into the phone "My wife is pregnant and her contractions are only 2 minutes apart!" "Is this her first child?" asks the doctor. "No!" he shouts, "this is her husband!"

PASTORS SERMONS ONLINE



Pastor Casey has been doing an outstanding job of presenting his sermon on video. He delivers the sermon, edits the video and inserts readable scripture, and pictures on the video and then up-

loads it to Youtube.

You can also find them on Facebook each week.

It is also on our website:

www.cortlandchristianchurch.com/sermon archive

All the sermons including Maundy Service are at the website, it is so easy to find them all.

You can watch them all again if you wish.

Thank you Pastor for all you do for us, so much of your kindness goes unnoticed by many, the little things that make life so much easier and nicer around this church of ours.

Melt in Your Mouth Chicken

1/2 cup parmesan cheese

1 cup mayo

1 tsp garlic powder

1 1/2 tsp seasoning salt 1/2 tsp pepper

Spread mixture over chicken breasts, bake at 375 degrees for 45 mins.



A Simple Gesture

Mark was walking home from school one day when he noticed the boy ahead of him had tripped and dropped all of the books he was carrying, along with two sweaters, a baseball bat, a glove and a small tape recorder.

Mark knelt down and helped the boy pick up the scattered articles. Since they were going the same way, he helped to carry part of the burden. As they walked Mark discovered the boy's name was Bill, that he loved video games, baseball and history, and that he was having lots of trouble with his other subjects and that he had just broken up with his girlfriend.

They arrived at Bill's home first and Mark was invited in for a Coke and to watch some television. The afternoon passed pleasantly with a few laughs and some shared small talk, then Mark went home. They continued to see each other around school, had lunch together once or twice, then both graduated from junior high school.

They ended up in the same high school where they had brief contacts over the years. Finally the long awaited senior year came and three weeks before graduation, Bill asked Mark if they could talk.

Bill reminded him of the day years ago when they had first met. "Did you ever wonder why I was carrying so many things home that day?" asked Bill.

"You see, I cleaned out my locker because I didn't want to leave a mess for anyone else. I had stored away some of my mothers sleeping pills and I was going home to commit suicide. But

after we spent some time together talking and laughing, I realized that if I had killed myself, I would have missed that time and so many others that might follow. So you see, Mark, when you picked up those books that day, you did a lot more, you saved my life."

Clever Kids

A police officer found a perfect hiding place for watching for speeding motorists.

One day, the officer was amazed when everyone was under the speed limit, so he investigated and found the problem.

A 10 years old boy was standing on the side of the road with a huge hand painted sign which said "Radar Trap Ahead."

A little more investigative work led the officer to the boy's accomplice: another boy about 100 yards beyond the radar trap with a sign reading "TIPS" and a bucket at his feet full of change.

Captain:

A navy captain is alerted by his First Mate that there is a pirate ship coming towards his position. He asks a sailor to get him his red shirt.

The captain was asked, "Why do you need a red shirt?"

The Captain replies, "So that when I bleed, you guys don't notice and aren't discouraged." They fight off the pirates eventually.

The very next day, the Captain is alerted that 50 pirate ships are coming towards their boat. He yells, "Get me my brown pants!"