

THE CIRCUIT RIDER

Jerome United Methodist Church
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November 2008

RELY ON YOUR FAITH

Remember being a kid and waiting expectantly during the days leading up to Christmas? You were probably on your best behavior, making sure that if Santa really did check that list twice, you'd be on the right side of it. Hours felt like days, and days felt like weeks, until the moment finally arrived: Christmas morning.

If you were like most children, you probably hopped out of bed before dawn, before your parents were even awake, and headed expectantly for the gifts wrapped and waiting under the tree. Who knew what wonders awaited?

During these next few weeks, as we continue in the sermon series "*Treasures of the Transformed Life*", we're headed toward another wonderfully special event: Consecration Sunday, November 16. That is the day we will be able to commit our prayers, presence, service, and financial gifts to the church for 2009. And just like Christmas morning, you have no idea what wonders await.

God always meets us where we are. Any time we take a step closer to him, He responds, likewise by stepping closer to us. When we're ready to say yes to all that God asks of us, we can know for certain that He will richly reward us for it, and continue to draw us closer into relationship with Him.

As we move forward, even if you feel the tiniest bit apprehensive about taking the next step, rely on your faith to get you there. Consider what Vincent Van Gogh said about doubt, "If you hear a voice within you say 'You are not a painter,' then by all means paint, and that voice will be God, the Master Painter, the one who created you with beautiful strokes of His brush, awaits. So as Consecration Sunday arrives, greet it with expectancy and know that God will honor your new levels of commitment and help you stand firm. Keep this in mind:

"And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to live in obedience to him. Let your roots grow down into him and draw up nourishment from him, so you will grow in faith, strong and vigorous in the truth you were taught. Let your lives overflow with thanksgiving for all he has done." Colossians 2:6-7 (NLT)

The Stewardship Committee

CHURCH CONFERENCE

The 2008 Church Conference will again be held in a cluster with other churches for worship, followed by individual Church Conference sessions. The date is Thursday, November 6 at Indian Run UMC, 6305 Brand Road, Dublin. The evening schedule is:

- 6:30 p.m. Gathering with light refreshments
- 7:00 p.m. Worship celebrating the ministry of each congregation present
- 8:15 p.m. Individual Church Conferences led by a Presiding Elder

At the individual Church Conferences, decisions are made regarding pastoral salaries, election of church officers, and other items which the congregation needs to discuss.

At a Church Conference, anyone who is a member of the church has both voice and vote.

This will also be an opportunity to worship with neighboring congregations and to meet District Superintendent, the Rev. Cyndy Garn, and Assistant to the District Superintendent, the Rev. Roger Grace.

You are cordially invited to attend this important meeting in the life of our church. No reservations are necessary.

"Treasures of the Transformed Life"
Sermon Series continues . . .

November 2
“Pennies in the Fountain”
Mark 12:41-44
Communion at both services
Rev. Gloria Brooks

November 9
“Offering a Drink to Others”
Romans 12:3-18
Rev. Gloria Brooks

November 16
“Filling the Bucket to Overflowing”
Ephesians 3:14-21
Rev. Gloria Brooks

November 23
Thanksgiving Sunday
“Thanks-Living”
Luke 17:11-19
Rev. Gloria Brooks

COMMITTEE UPDATES

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The Board of Trustees has scheduled their annual Fall Clean Up Day for Saturday, November 8, 8:00a.m.–noon. Please consider donating a few hours to help with this twice yearly clean up of the church and grounds.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

Dublin Food Pantry

Each November Jerome United Methodist Church provides assistance to the Dublin Food Pantry. This year we have three opportunities to help.

1) Our church has offered to provide volunteers on each Tuesday in November to assist patrons and to stock shelves. The pantry requires seven volunteers to assist from 9:30 -11:30 and seven to assist from 11:15

– 1:30. If interested, please see sign up sheet in narthex.

2) The pantry is also looking for up to six families to volunteer on Friday, November 14 and November 28 from 6 – 8:00 pm to restock the pantry shelves. Please see the sign up sheet in the narthex.

3) A collection box for the food pantry will be placed in the narthex for the month of November. Items needed are baby food, baby products (shampoo, soap, diapers, etc.) boxed potatoes, canned fruit – except applesauce, Hamburger/Tuna Helper, pancake mix and syrup, canned meats, canned vegetables and canned pasta.

Please contact Melinda Bryan at 793-0311 with any questions you may have.

TAILGATE PARTY AT JEROME

Saturday, November 8, will be a fun day at Jerome Church as we cheer on the Buckeyes at our 2nd Annual Tailgate party before the Ohio State vs. Northwestern game. Invite your friends to join you for Woody’s BBQ pork sandwiches and hot dogs, live music, games for all ages, a silent auction, to watch the game on the BIG SCREEN, and much more!

Donations are needed for the silent auction, including certificates for homemade dinners, baked goods, football, basketball, baseball, or hockey tickets, craft items, theme baskets, vacation packages, and gift certificates. Please sign up on the lobby bulletin board if you plan to donate an item.

If you would like to help with the party, please call Chip or Jenney Seely at 764-8971.

The time for the game has not yet been announced. If it is a noon kick-off, the party will be 11:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m. If it’s a 3:30 kick-off, the party will be 2:30 – 6:30 p.m.

GO BUCKS!!!

OHIO STATE vs MICHIGAN
Food Collection Competition

Jerome Church will join King Avenue UMC and other local churches to collect food for local food banks in the time leading up to the OSU/Michigan game. We will call in the number of bags of food we've collected and take our contribution to the Dublin Food Pantry. Other churches will contribute to their local food pantries. The information will be sent to the University of Michigan Wesley Center to be tallied to see who has the most generous fans – Ohio or Michigan. Go Bucks!

WORLD VISION – A CHILD IS WAITING

OCTOBER 19 – NOVEMBER 9

Jesus encouraged His disciples to consider the needs of children with the words, "Let the little children come to me" (Matthew 19:14). **Through November 9th**, you will have the opportunity to demonstrate Christ's love to a child in need by helping to meet his or her physical, emotional, and spiritual needs through World Vision Child Sponsorship. God calls each of us to make a difference in His name. Look for the *A Child is Waiting* sign-up table in the lobby on Sunday!

Christmas Gift Alternative at Jerome

Are you having trouble deciding what to give that hard-to-buy-for person for Christmas this year? Stumped about what to give your great aunt, in-laws, boss or coworker?

Consider giving a non-material gift this year. Again this year, the Missions Committee is sponsoring an *Alternative Christmas* gift giving opportunity.

The *Alternative Christmas* gift giving opportunity is a wonderful way to honor friends and loved ones while supporting some of the mission ministries of Jerome. For your donation, you will receive a hand-made Christmas card (naming the mission organization) and ornament to give to the person in whose name you are making the donation.

Alternative Gift Giving Ministries

Habitat for Humanity – help to support our Dublin Partnership group

Heifer International – help the homeless and hungry become self-sufficient

Soup for the Soul – help for our Southside friends who need a nourishing meal in times of hardship

Jerome Mission Trips – help with the needs of those being served

United Methodist Free Store – help our local friends with employment by purchasing one of their hand-made cross pins or necklaces

Bring your Christmas list and join us in the Fellowship Hall on Sundays in early December. The booths will be open after both services.

Soup for the Soul

Please consider offering a regular donation to our Soup for the Soul ministry. Several members provide bread and eggs on a weekly basis. If you can provide a pot of soup, lunch meat and cheese, fruit, drinks, desserts or any food item on a regular or occasional basis, please contact Melinda Murphy (766-9002). You are also invited to join us on our weekly trip to the Church for All People to serve. We leave our church promptly at 3:30 p.m. each Friday, returning by 6:00 p.m.

Blankets and Sleeping Bags For the Homeless

With the onset of cold weather, the ministries that serve the homeless, such as the "United Methodist Free Store" and "Take It to the Streets" are in need of blankets, sheets, comforters and sleeping bags to give to those who are sleeping on the streets of Columbus. Daytime Serendipity will also use these materials to make sleeping bags. If you have any of these items that you would like to donate to this ministry, please bring them to the Denise's office. If you are interested in helping assemble sleeping bags, please call Kim Solomon (766-6987).

CALLING ALL DOCTORS FOR 2009 MEDICAL MISSION TRIP

The last two mission trips to LaCeiba, Honduras were a huge success, thanks to the generous donation of your time and talents. Charlie Bynner and Debbie

Trego are assembling a dual team of construction and medical personnel to serve in Honduras in 2009. It's necessary to have a doctor on the medical team before the planning can continue. The tentative dates will be the last week of April or first week of May 2009. If you are a doctor or know of a doctor who feels called to share his/her talent with God's people who are in need, please consider joining HIS team. Matthew 25:40 says, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me." If God speaks to your heart, please call Debbie Trego at 889-6041 or Charlie Bynner at 873-5188.

It's hard to believe but Christmas is just around the corner! Can you spare a few hours on Saturday, December 6 to help the Worship Committee decorate our church home for Advent and Christmas?

We will begin at 9:00 a.m. and work until finished, usually around noon. Donuts, coffee, and juice will be provided. If you can't come for the whole morning, come for as long as you can. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

PARISH WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Blood Pressure Screening

Blood pressure screening will be done Sunday, November 9. Come to the office conference room to have your blood pressure checked. The screening is done from 9:30-10:30 a.m. All are welcome.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Please plan to sign up to donate blood at the American Red Cross blood drive to be held at Jerome Church on Saturday, November 15, 8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Look for the sign up sheet in the narthex or call Leslie Herchline (873-4712). Give the gift of life!

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

UMW News: The United Methodist Women have become Grandma pen pals with the first grade class at McCurdy School in Espanola, NM. Teacher Berniece Coriz is a friend of George and Ann Woerner, who have been volunteers at the School many times.

The UMW will meet at the Church on Thursday, November 6 at 1:00 PM for a Thank Offering Program. All ladies are invited to attend.

Hangings of the Greens

Music Ministry

John Holsinger

Director of Music

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CHANCEL CHOIR

Rehearsals continue every Wednesday evening; 7-8:00 p.m. in the Music Room. Come and add your voice to our choir and enjoy this spirit filled evening of music.

NO REHEARSAL ON WEDNESDAY, NOV. 26!

Happy Thanksgiving Eve!!

HIGHER GROUND

Rehearsals continue every Thursday evening; 8:00 p.m. on the stage in the worship center. If you are interested in substituting as a vocalist or instrumentalist, please contact John Holsinger.

NO REHEARSAL ON THURSDAY, NOV. 27!

Happy Thanksgiving!

JEROME RINGERS

Rehearsals continue on Wednesday evenings from 8:00 – 9:00 p.m. in the Music Room. We will next ring on Sunday, November 23 at the 8:30 Thanksgiving service.

Jerome Ringers will also be a special part of our Christmas Musical. If you are interested in becoming a substitute for the group, please contact John Holsinger.

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CONSECRATION SUNDAY

Sunday, November 16

Consecration Sunday will be a ONE SERVICE Sunday! Our music will be led by Higher Ground and special music will be provided by the Chancel Choir, Children's Choir and Higher Ground.

JEROME CHRISTMAS

Sunday, December 14, 7:00 p.m.

FESTIVAL CHOIR

Our first rehearsal for Festival Choir is set for Sunday, November 9. We will practice from 1:00 to 2:15 in the music room. We will prepare a Christmas Musical written by Lloyd Larson. Our program will be performed for the Congregation and friends on Sunday, December 14, at 7:00 p.m. Everyone in the congregation who loves to sing is welcome to participate. If you are interested, please contact John Holsinger.

FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA

Festival Orchestra will begin rehearsals on Sunday, November 9. Rehearsals will be from 2:15 to 3:15 in the music room. We will provide LIVE accompaniment for the Christmas Musical. Any youth or adult who plays a band or string instrument is welcome to participate. For more information, please contact John Holsinger.

JEROME RINGERS

Jerome Ringers will also be a special part of Jerome Christmas. Our rehearsals will continue on Wednesday evenings, as usual.

***** Children's Music *****

YOUTH BELLS

Youth bells have been learning "Good King Wenceslas" for the Christmas season. Rehearsals for November will be determined after discussion with parents. Check your email for current info.

CHILDREN'S MUSIC

Children's music continues as an integral part of TWIST, which meets on the first and third Wednesdays of each month. Grades K through 5 meets with Mr. John from 5:30 to 6:00.

We will join the Chancel Choir for a special selection on Sunday, November 16 – CONSECRATION SUNDAY! We are in the process of making a rehearsal CD for the children.

The Children's Music program is coordinated by Children's Pastor, Donna Montgomery, and led by John Holsinger.

Don't forget to set your clocks back one hour before you go to bed on Saturday, November 1.

Jerome United Methodist Church
KidConnections
Connecting Kids to Christ and Christian Community
Donna Montgomery
Director of Children's Ministries
614.873.8851 or donna.jumc@gmail.com

Nursery – We need you.

About 50 people assist Kristi Smith, our faithful childcare provider on staff, and serve our littlest bundles of joy. Your work is essential to our ministry at Jerome on Sunday Mornings. Thank you!

Beginning in January, we would like to do the nursery ministry differently to allow people to serve according to their gifts. **We are looking for people who enjoy rocking an infant or playing on the floor with a toddler** and would like to show them God's abundant love. **We need 12 people to serve regularly in this ministry...**four people at 8:30, four people at 9:45 and four people at 10:45. If you know this is something you would like to do, we want to know. The requirements are: First, a love for children ages 0 – 3, second, a background check and third, your time. We will ask people to serve 13 times in a year at one of the time slots. Our hope is that people feel good about their ministry service and that they and the children get to know one another.

TWIST MISSION PROJECT...

Operations Christmas Child (OCC) is a project of Samaritan's Purse operated by Franklin Graham (Billy Graham's Son). The motivation behind OCC is to provide millions of children, world-wide with a dose of God's love at Christmas time in the way of shoe boxes filled with toys, school supplies, hygiene items and other items (ideas are listed below).

Gift ideas:

Toys - small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc..

School Supplies - pens, pencils and sharpeners, crayons/markers coloring books, writing pads, solar calculators, coloring and picture books...

Hygiene items - toothbrushes, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth...

Other items - Hard candy and lollipops (please double bag all candy), mints, gum, T-shirts, socks, ball caps; sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

Do not include - Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans.

BIBLE SUNDAY

Sign up for your Third Grader to receive a Bible. On Bible Sunday third grade students are invited to receive a personalized Bible from the Jerome Church congregation.

And, just like grace, the only thing they need to do is accept the gift. This is a long standing tradition at Jerome. Children may receive Bibles at either service but **we need you to sign up**. This is important so that we have the correct spelling for names on the covers of the Bibles. Sign up by calling the church office or by contacting Donna @ 614-873-8483 or donna.jumc@gmail.com.



BEGINNER'S BIBLE STUDY

3 YEARS OF STUDY

We will begin a 10 week Bible study for 3rd – 5th grade students on January 11. **The Bible Study is open to any 3 - 5th grade student and can be attended for 3 years without repeating information.** Beginner Bible Study is where kids use their Bibles and they begin to develop a lifetime pattern for spiritual growth.

They will have loads of fun, eat pizza, and play games in the gym.

Please Sign up on the Jerome church forum (www.makeusone.org/jerome/) or contact Donna Montgomery at 614-873-8483 or donna.jumc@gmail.com.

9:45 SUNDAY SCHOOL

It is wonderful to work with the children at Jerome U.M. Church. The kids are full of life and they love to serve and worship Jesus Christ. Proverbs 22:6 says “Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it. Thank you for your faithfulness. Please consider bringing a snack for your child’s Sunday School class. Some Teachers are providing food from 9:30 – 9:45 each week.

THANK YOU ROGER HAYSLIP

Roger Hayslip has been busy taking many pictures for us to put in the directory and on the church web site. Roger’s gifts are evident in the quality of pictures taken. Thank you, Roger for sharing with Christ’s church. Roger also recently restored the “Seely’s General Store” playhouse and put it in the courtyard for children to enjoy.

CHILDREN’S SUNDAY OFFERING

The offering collected on Sunday mornings in Children’s Worship will go towards blankets for children in the United Methodist Children’s Home. We need a considerable amount more before we can purchase the fleece for this mission. Children will make the blankets during Twist.

KidConnections: Our hope is to help children know how **awesome** it is to have a personal relationship with the all-knowing, all-loving, all-powerful one and only true God through Jesus Christ. We want to help develop a love for God, a love for others, a love for His Word and a desire to follow Him. (Mark 12:30-31)

FROM THE MINISTER OF YOUTH & CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

TWIST ... 1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAYS 5:30 – 7:00

People like TWIST because it is a time to build relationships with other families. It is a time of weaving our families together with fellowship, faith, and fun. We hope you will come.

We will meet the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month through May. Come when you can. Twist includes music, a meal, a simple Bible lesson, service projects, and recreational games. Twist is geared for families with Preschool and Elementary age children. Contact Donna Montgomery 873-8483 for more information or to RSVP. Friends are encouraged, as well.

HOLIDAY GREENERY YOUTH FUNDRAISER

The youth annual holiday greenery sale will run through November 6. The live holiday greenery will be delivered the week of November 30. Both middle school and senior high students are encouraged to participate in this fund raiser. Sale forms are available in the church office.

Students will sell greenery to help earn money to pay for Fall retreats and the Mountain T.O.P. work camp. Students will earn 50% of the profits from the amount they sell. The money earned may be used for retreats, Mountain T.O.P. or the Middle School work camp in July.

The following items are available:

26 "Balsam Wreath	\$20
34" Christmas Wreath	\$31
36" Mailbox Swag	\$22
24" Wall Swag	\$16
18 ft. Garland	\$26
26" Gift Box Wreath	\$31
(Great to send to family or special customers. This includes mailing costs.)	
Plaid bow	\$4
Brass Hanger	\$5

Orders will be taken during fellowship time. You may also call the church (873-8851) to place your order or say yes to one of the youth who will contact you so they may earn money for their youth activities. If you have any questions, please call Denise (873-8851). Thank you in advance for supporting the youth ministry of our church.

**THANKSGIVING DINNER
AT THE CHURCH FOR ALL PEOPLE**

The youth of our church will serve the annual Thanksgiving dinner at the Church for All People on Tuesday, November 25, at 6:00 p.m. Last year we served over 200 adults and children at the dinner. Both middle school and high school students are encouraged to participate in this important ministry. We also need plenty of adults to help make the dinner run smoothly. We will prepare the food on Sunday, November 23, 3:00 p.m., in the church kitchen. Please mark you calendars for these two important dates.

We will need the following items for the Thanksgiving Dinner at The Free Store. Please call the office or see the sign up sheet in the church lobby.

- 5- 20 pound turkeys
- 4-12 pound hams
- 50 pounds of potatoes
- 10 gallons of milk
- 10 gallons of chocolate milk
- 10 gallon of cider
- 8 Large cans of Sweet potatoes
- 15 pies
- 4 dozen cookies
- 20 pounds of butter (Sticks)
- 25 boxes of Jiffy Muffin mix
- 6 dozen dinner rolls

- 10 dozen eggs
- 6 large cans of green beans
- 4 pounds of bacon

CHRISTMAS SHOP

The annual "Christmas Shop" will be held at the United Methodist Free Store on Saturday, December 20. Christmas gifts will be given to people in need. It has been a tradition at our church for the Middle School youth to participate in the Christmas Shop by helping families gather gifts. We will meet at the church on Saturday, December 20, at 11:15 p.m. and return by 4:30 p.m. If your son or daughter would like to participate, please email Denise at swajum@aol.com or call her at 873-8655 by December 15. Adults are needed to help with this event. Please let Denise know if you can help. The Free Store is also asking for donations of new toys and children's clothing for the Christmas Shop. Even donations of new socks and gloves would be appreciated. Please bring the items to Denise's office.

CONFIRMATION 2009

The Confirmation process at Jerome United Methodist Church will begin in January with a parental informational meeting at noon on Sunday, January 13, at the church. The mandatory Confirmation weekend, to be held at Camp Wesley, is Friday-Sunday, March 13-15. The Confirmation dinner is Friday, May 1, at 7:00 p.m. Confirmation Sunday is Sunday, May 3. All students who are currently in 7th grade and older are invited to join this year's Confirmation class. Please mark your calendars now with these important dates. If you have any questions please call Denise (873-8851).

PRINTER CARTRIDGE RECYCLING

Thanks to everyone who has donated used printer cartridges. Please continue to save your used cartridges. There is a collection box in the narthex on the shelf above the coat rack. Proceeds from these collections will go to Mountain T.O.P. 2009.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH

Rust Machine (Boys Only Bible Study) will meet at Rusty Woerner's home, 11111 Jerome Road, for Bible study, pizza and dessert on the second Monday of the month (November 10) at 7:30 p.m.

Buckeye Angels (Girls Only Bible Study) will meet at Denise Gorden's home, 7866 Harriott Road, for Bible study, pizza and dessert the second Monday of the month (November 10) at 7:30 p.m.

BREAKAWAY – Middle School fellowship, which includes dinner, Bible Study and activities for both boys and girls, will meet the fourth Monday of the month (November 24) 6:30-8:00 p.m. at the church. Parents are asked to sign up to provide a dinner for twenty students.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH

Boys Only Bible Study- will meet on the third Monday of the month (November 17), 7:30 p.m., at the home of Rusty Woerner.

G.R.A.P.E.S. (Girls Only Bible Study)- will meet at the home of Denise Gorden for pizza, dessert and Bible study on the third Monday of the month (November 17), at 7:30 p.m.

OASIS- Senior high boys and girls are invited to join us every Wednesday, 7:30-8:45 p.m., in the Teen Room at the church for pizza and Bible study.

FALL RETREAT- will be held at Faith Ranch Friday-Sunday, November 8-10. Faith Ranch is a Christian Ranch in Jewett, Ohio. During our stay, we will experience God through study, worship and Christian fellowship, which includes horseback riding, hayrides, a chuck wagon lunch and barn games. There will be no sign up sheets. Cost of the retreat is \$95. Please bring your check to the church office ASAP to make your reservation. There will be no refunds once the number of students attending is called in to the retreat center.

SPIRIT CAFÉ

Sunday mornings 9:30 a.m.-10:00 a.m.

Both middle school and high school students are invited to join us at the Spirit Café. Donuts, bagels, hot chocolate and juice are served from 9:30 a.m. until 10:00 a.m. Parents are asked to take turns providing three dozen donuts and/or two gallons of juice each week. Look for the sign up sheet in the church lobby or call Denise if you would like to provide the food for any given week. We need donuts and juice for all the Sundays in October. Call Denise if you can help.

RECREATION & FUN

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

Mark your calendars for the men's breakfast at Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City Saturday, November 1, 7:30 A.M. This is open to all men of the church and their guests.

EUCHRE PARTY

Sign up for the euchre party on Friday, November 14, 7:00 p.m. in the church narthex. Penny Sullivan will host. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. Call Marie (873-8239) if you have any questions or would like to host for a future month.

GIRLS' NIGHT OUT

Join us for a night of laughter and fun at the Anita Renfro comedy concert. Anita, "with her unique brand of estrogen flavored musical comedy and blend of sass, edge and slightly offbeat takes on All Things

Female,” is a regular performer at the Women of Faith conference.

Date: Sunday, November 23

Place: Grove City Church of the Nazarene

Time: Concert begins at 6:00 pm, doors open at 5:00

General Admission Tickets: \$14.00 with a group of 15 or more.

If you would like to join us for the concert write a check to Jerome UMC and drop off at church for Chris. Valerie Altfater (889-8421 or altfaterobx@sbcglobal.net) will buy tickets as soon as we have a group of at least 15 or more. If you would like to car pool to the concert please leave a note with your check indicating this. We can meet at church by 4:30 to car pool.

WOMEN’S RETREAT 2009

The annual Women’s retreat will once again be held at the Kirkmont Center. This year the retreat will be held January 23-24. Please mark your calendars. Space will be limited to twenty four participants. More detailed information regarding the retreat will be available in the upcoming newsletters. Call Denise if you have any questions.

MEN’S RETREAT 2009

The annual Men’s retreat will be held at the Kirkmont Center on February 28-March 1. All men of the church family and community are invited to attend. Space will be limited to twenty four participants. Please mark your calendars for this special weekend. More detailed information regarding the retreats will appear in the upcoming newsletters.

Thank You!

Regina wants to thank everyone for their prayers, concerns, visits and cards during her recent visit to McConnell Heart Hospital and is home now doing fine.
Don Beatty

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Once again, thank you for the generosity of your mission team and the entire Jerome UMC. The tools you have donated will be put to good use, as you know.

We look forward to having you build another home next April or May.

God Bless,
Gary – Total Home

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Thank you for your gift of \$150.00, which will be designated for the Dublin Partnership Adopt-A-House. Your gift will help make the dream of a safe, affordable home a reality for a hard working, low-income family in Columbus. Making strides towards eliminating substandard housing in Franklin County would simply not be possible without the generosity of churches like yours.

Thanks you again for helping to give more deserving families a decent place to call home, and with it, the hope of a better life.

E.J. Thomas, CEO
Habitat for Humanity

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Thanks to....

- Larry Herchline for fixing the side door on the red church van.
- Myra Brennehan and Pauline Scott for caring for the flower gardens in the front and the entrance to the church.
- Melinda Murphy, who organizes Soup for the Soul, and everyone who provides soup and other food items

each week, as well as those who help serve 100 persons in need each Friday at the Church for All People in downtown Columbus.

-Stuart Staples for making the coffee on Sunday mornings

- volunteers who set up and take down the fellowship hall chairs weekly

BIRTHDAYS

- 11/1 Stephanie Palmer
- 11/2 Barb Carpenter, Jan Manring
- 11/3 Roy Helms, Jenny Beatty,
Pete McDowell
- 11/4 Hugh Leslie, Vianne Stegmaier
- 11/5 Trudy Earl
- 11/6 Jason Lambie
- 11/7 Cyndi Barrera, Kevin Murph
- 11/11 Tom Webb, Jeff Greiner, Matt DiCesare
- 11/14 Michael Fields, Ryan Lambie, Amy Plank
Ron Kemmerling
- 11/15 Terry Bally
- 11/16 Amanda Seely
- 11/17 Gretchen Mordecai, Scott Decker,
Wayne Phelps
- 11/18 Erin McCarthy, Adriane Welcker
- 11/19 Emily Bucklin, Marc Mattmiller
- 11/20 Karen Guthrie, Lisa Hoppe,
Tripp Breitmayer, Marlene Wells
- 11/21 Chris Holcomb
- 11/22 Bill Rueger, Jr., Bill Mordecai,
Anjie Stanko, Kevin Keiffer
- 11/27 Myra Brenneman, Maggie Mattmiller
- 11/28 Alan Hoover, Ashley Zanko
- 11/29 Lizzy Bryan
- 11/30 Stewart Seely

CIRCLE OF CONCERN

BEREAVEMENT

- family and friends of Taj Brown

HOSPITAL or HOME ILLNESS

- Forrest & Ginny Albright
- Sarah Chapman
- Mike Clark
- Maxine Evans (Joan Hayslip)
- Loran Faulk
- David Ingram
- Barb Keith
- John Manker
- Martha Morley
- Dottie Neill
- Dick Noland
- Madelaine Petruas (Dawn Stanko)
- Dawn Sargent (Becky Neill)
- Catherine Schaal (Amy Moberger)
- Timothy VanHorn and family (Larry Tinlin)
- Bob Woodard (Chip Seely)
- Andrew Zanko

NURSING HOME:

- Medrith Carson

MILITARY:

- Kelleigh & Brad Bennett (Kristi Smith)
- Beau Castilla
- Brian Doyle-Wenger (Dave & Valerie Altfater)
- Willy & Betsey Griffith (Kristi Smith)
- Jeremy Holcomb (Chris & Sarah Holcomb)
- Michael Hoover (Steve & Diana Hoffman Harsh)
- Joshua Kline (Kim Solomon)
- Jodi McFee (Vicki Bowman)
- Seth Miller (Charlie & Gerri Miller)
- Michael Moran (Marla Anderson)
- Jordan Neill
- Ben Potts (Mattmiller family)
- Zach Yeager (Charlie & Gerri Miller)

MISSIONARIES:

-Dave & Donna Jacobsson: MAF

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NOVEMBER VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS

11/2 8:30 Bob & Stephanie Middlestead
 10:45 Steve & Sandy Montee
 11/9 8:30 Dick & Joan Hayslip
 10:45 Rusty & Terry Woerner
 11/16 **10:00** Roger & Becky Hayslip
 11/23 8:30 Robert & Karen Guthrie
 10:45 Bruce & Leslie Lauer
 11/30 8:30 Valerie Bowerman
 10:45 Kathy Feightner

USHERS

11/2 8:30 Bill Gossard & Larry Herchline
 10:45 Scott & Jennifer Sonnenberg
 11/9 8:30 King family
 10:45 Mark & Kim Solomon
 11/16 **10:00** Gary & Kathy Grauer
 11/23 8:30 Mathew & Hayley Neumeier
 10:45 Brian & Julie Jackson
 11/30 8:30 Jud & Kathy Smith
 10:45 Paul & Shelly Detwiler

SCRIPTURE READERS

11/2 8:30 Anita Norris
 10:45 Linda Pettit
 11/9 8:30 Katie King
 10:45 Steve Roggenkamp
 11/16 **10:00** Tom Boyd
 11/23 8:30 Ed Kauffman
 10:45 Jon Pettit
 11/30 8:30 Brenda Warne
 10:45 Terry Woerner

ACOLYTES – 9:00AM

11/2 Seth Transue
 11/9 Holly King
 11/16 Nick & Ben Yost **10:00**
 11/23 Ushers
 11/30 Ushers

FELLOWSHIP TIME VOLUNTEERS

11/2 9:30 Bill & Julie Gossard
 10:45 Paul & Shelly Detwiler
 11/9 9:30 Don & Ann Grove
 10:45 Frank & Vicki Dicesare
 11/16 No Fellowship – Consecration Sunday
 11/23 9:30 Robert & Karen Guthrie
 10:45 Chuck & Carol Dyer
 11/30 9:30 Phil & Dana Hammond
 10:45 Carl & Ellen Erikson

ALTAR FLOWERS

11/2 Marian Webb – in honor of Tom’s birthday
 11/9 Ron Kemmerling – in honor of his and Sharon’s
 43rd wedding anniversary
 11/16 Tom & Ruth Elliott – in honor of our 37th wedding
 anniversary
 11/23 Chris & Sarah Holcomb – in honor of our 39th
 wedding anniversary
 11/30 Barb Keith – in remembrance of Carl’s birthday

CHILDREN’S NURSERY

11/2 8:30 Kathy Smith
 10:45 Kim Solomon
 11/9 8:30 Kathy Smith
 10:45 Brenda Hancock
 11/16 **10:00** Kelly Transue
 11/23 8:30 Kelly Transue
 10:45 Brenda Hancock
 11/30 8:30 Stephanie Eye
 10:45 Amy Daniels

CHILDREN’S WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

8:30 service

	Teacher	Shepherd
11/2	Donna Montgomery	Abby Clark
11/9	Donna Montgomery	Jennifer Sonnenberg
10/19	Consecration Sunday – one service at 10:00 Kelly Transue	
11/23	Donna Montgomery	Amy Page
11/30	Donna Montgomery	Cody Middlestead

10:45 service

Pre-K

	Teacher	Shepherd
11/2	Adrienne Welcker	Sherrell Welcker
11/9	Adrienne Welcker	Sherrell Welcker
11/16	Adrienne Welcker * 10:00	Sherrell Welcker
11/23	Adrienne Welcker	Sherrell Welcker
11/30	Donna Montgomery	Tracy Moldovan

Elementary

11/2	Becky Hayslip	Roger Hayslip
11/9	Kathleen Rose	Lori Greiner
11/16	Greg Jaudzems * 10:00	Erica Pettit
11/23	Kathleen Rose	
11/30	Becky Hayslip	Roger Hayslip

FELLOWSHIP HALL CHAIR SET UP

11/2 Bob Warne
 11/9 Sonnenberg family
 11/16 Bowman family
 11/23 Bryan family
 11/30 Sarah Holcomb

**PANERA BREAD/ SOUP FOR THE SOUL
PICK UP VOLUNTEERS**

11/7 Scott Sonnenberg
11/14 Valerie Altfater
11/21 Penny Sullivan
11/28 Kathy Smith

November Calendar

Saturday, November 1

7:30am Men's breakfast at Der Dutchman
9-1pm District office meeting – narthex and Rm. 109
10-5pm Directory photography – Rms. 106, 107, 108
1:00pm Middle school retreat – Camp Wesley
1-5pm Open house for Everett Buckner's 94th birthday – teen room

Sunday, November 2

8:30am Traditional Worship, Nursery
9:30am Fellowship time
9:45am Sunday school for all ages
10:30am Fellowship time
10:45am Contemporary Worship, Nursery, Children's Church
2:00pm Middle school retreat attendees return

Monday, November 3

7:00pm Boy Scout meeting

Tuesday, November 4 – Election Day

Voting in the fellowship hall
7:00pm Worship Team meeting
7:30pm Final Tailgate planning meeting

Wednesday, November 5

9:45am Serendipity
5:30pm Twist
7:00pm Chancel choir rehearsal

7:30pm Oasis
8:00pm Adult handbell rehearsal

Thursday, November 6

1:00pm UMW meeting
6:30pm Church conference at Indian Run UMC
7:00pm Serendipity
8:00pm Band rehearsal

Friday, November 7

3:30pm Soup for the Soul
4:00pm High school retreat – Faith Ranch

Saturday, November 8

8:00am Recycling pick up
9-noon Fall clean up – church and grounds
Fall Festival Tailgate – OSU vs. Northwestern

Sunday, November 9

8:30am Traditional Worship, Nursery
9:30am Fellowship time / blood pressure screening
9:45am Sunday school for all ages
10:30am Fellowship time
10:45am Contemporary Worship, Nursery, Children's Church
1:00pm Festival choir rehearsal
2:30pm Festival orchestra rehearsal
3:00pm High school retreat attendees return

Monday, November 10

7:00pm Frogs & Toads book club at Mary Jo Edwards'
7:00pm Boy Scout meeting
7:30pm Buckeye Angels (Jr. High girls) at Denise's
7:30pm Rust Machine (Jr. High boys) at Rusty's

Wednesday, November 12

9:45am Serendipity
7:00pm Chancel choir rehearsal
7:30pm Oasis
8:00pm Adult handbell rehearsal

Thursday, November 13

7:00pm Serendipity
8:00pm Band rehearsal

Friday, November 14

3:30pm Soup for the Soul
7:00pm Euchre party

Saturday, November 15

8-1pm Red Cross blood drive

Sunday, November 16

8:30am Traditional Worship, Nursery
9:30am Fellowship time
9:45am Sunday school for all ages
10:45am Contemporary Worship, Nursery, Children's Church
1:00pm Festival choir rehearsal
2:30pm Festival orchestra rehearsal

Monday, November 17

7:00pm Boy Scout meeting
7:30pm G.R.A.P.E.S. high school girls Bible study at Denise's
7:30pm High school boys Bible study at Rusty's

Tuesday, November 18

7:00pm H.O.W. Team meeting

Wednesday, November 19

9:45am Serendipity
5:30pm Twist
7:00pm Chancel choir rehearsal
7:30pm Oasis
8:00pm Adult handbell rehearsal

Thursday, November 20

7:00pm Serendipity
8:00pm Band rehearsal

Friday, November 21

3:30pm Soup for the Soul

Sunday, November 23

8:30am Traditional Worship, Nursery
9:30am Fellowship time
9:45am Sunday school for all ages
10:45am Contemporary Worship, Nursery, Children's Church
1:00pm Festival choir rehearsal
2:30pm Festival orchestra rehearsal
4:00pm Thanksgiving dinner food preparation – church kitchen
6:00pm Girls' Night Out – musical comedy at Grove City Church of the Nazarene

Monday, November 24

6:30pm Jr. High "Breakaway" in the gym
7:00pm Boy Scout meeting

Tuesday, November 25

5:00pm Meet at church to serve for Thanksgiving dinner at Church for All People

Wednesday, November 26

No Serendipity
No Chancel choir rehearsal
No Oasis
No Adult handbell rehearsal

Thursday, November 27 – Happy Thanksgiving

Church office closed

Friday, November 28

Church office closed
3:30pm Soup for the Soul

Sunday, November 30

8:30am Traditional Worship, Nursery
9:30am Fellowship time
9:45am Sunday school for all ages
10:45am Contemporary Worship, Nursery, Children's Church
1:00pm Festival choir rehearsal
2:30pm Festival orchestra rehearsal

