

THE CIRCUIT RIDER

Jerome United Methodist Church
10531 Jerome Road, Plain City, Ohio 43064
614/873-8851

February 2009

2008 – What a Year It Was!

We have just come through the wonderful celebrations of the Christmas season. Year end reports for the District and Conference are complete. We praise God, and thank you, the Jerome congregation, that all our financial obligations for 2008 were met, including District and Conference apportionments! In addition to financial giving, there is much more to celebrate! During 2008 we welcomed 35 new members, celebrated the baptisms of one adult and 5 children and 27 first time professions of faith.

Jerome has always been a mission minded church through financial gifts and hands on work by children, youth and adults. In 2008 nine persons went on the Honduras Mission Team to build a house in La Ceiba. An anonymous donor from Jerome provided the funds to buy the materials needed to build the house. Nineteen persons joined the Appalachian Service Project Team to work on a variety of projects helping those less fortunate than we in Kentucky. Other special mission gifts given throughout the year are listed in the first column of page 2 of this newsletter.

The first Sunday of January 2008 we welcomed John Holsinger as Director of Music and have seen growth in every aspect of our music program.

Last Fall, during the 2009 Financial Campaign, in small groups and in Sunday services, we thought together about the “Treasures of the Transformed Life”. Ninety persons participated in these life transforming small groups.

Worship attendance has been steadily increasing in the last few months of 2008 and Roger Gorden, reporting for the Great Expectations Team, says, “It is exciting to note that from September 1 through December 28, 2008 weekly worship attendance has increased 8% over the previously monitored 12 month period. Jerome United Methodist Church can be joyful that it is a growing church, not only in people, but also in the number and effectiveness of so many ministries.”

2008 – what a year it was! Thank you, Jerome Congregation, for your faithfulness and generosity in giving of your time, abilities, and finances to support God’s work through Jerome Church.

ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

February 25 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary

Special music by the Chancel Choir

Imposition of Ashes

Sacrament of Holy Communion

Ash Wednesday message by Rev. Gloria Brooks

Please join us in this special time of worship

as we begin the Season of Lent.

SPECIAL GIFTS IN 2008

In addition to fully funding the operating expenses for 2008, these financial gifts have been given to District, Conference, and special mission and ministries through Jerome UMC in 2008:

APPORTIONMENTS

Conference Apportionments	\$46,047
District Apportionments	\$7,559

MISSION GIVING

Missionaries–Dave and Donna Jacobssons	\$2,185
Habitat for Humanity	\$1,800
Appalachian Service Project	\$1,195
Children’s offerings for Missions	\$ 54
Honduras Mission Trip	\$6,536
Dublin, Marysville, Plain City Food Pantries	\$1,115
Nothing But Nets	\$2,293
Howard United Methodist Church	\$1,000
United Methodist Free Store	\$1,200
<u>Alternative Christmas Gifts to Mission</u>	\$1,723

which includes:

Heifer Project	\$485
Appalachian Service Project	\$360
Soup for the Soul	\$385
Circle of Hope (Free Store)	\$ 66
Habitat for Humanity	\$140
Appalachian Service Project	\$360
<u>Special Christmas Offering</u>	\$4,782

which includes:

Central Asia Institute	\$1,594
Marysville Food Pantry	\$1,062
Plain City Food Pantry	\$1,063
Dublin Food Pantry	\$1,063

Total **\$77,489**

Giving of time and talent as teachers, committee members, small group leaders, scripture readers, greeters, ushers, vocalists, instrumentalists, actors, tech team, graphic artists, web hosts, workers with children and youth, blood pressure and glucose checks, participants in various hands-on local missions, Mountain T.O.P., Faith Ranch, ASP, Honduras and other mission trips, CROP Walk, Habitat for Humanity, Soup for the Soul, working at the Dublin, Marysville, and Plain City Food Pantries, Bethlehem on Broad, McCurdy School, Fall Festival, and Flea Market . . . **PRICELESS!**

Thank You, Church Leaders

Thank you to the elected Committee and Team Chairpersons and members and to the Staff who attended the Leadership Orientation Luncheon on January 11. We had a great time of fellowship during lunch, heard details about our work together for this year, met the new folks on the teams, and had a brief meeting of each team before we adjourned. What a great way to begin our work for 2009! Thanks for coming!

Mailboxes Can Help

Some folks have asked, “If I have a question, concern, suggestion, or compliment to give, how do I make it known?” We have the answer! Use the Staff and Committee Chairperson’s mailboxes. In the church office, between the lobby and Education Wing, there are mailboxes for each Staff person and the Chairperson of each Committee or Team. On the side panel of the mailboxes is a picture and the phone number and e-mail of each Staff member and each Committee or Team Chairperson. You may call or e-mail the person or you may leave a note in his or her mailbox.

Don’t know which committee does what? We can help you with this, as well. Along with the list of Staff and Chairpersons and the title of the committee or team each chairs there is a brief description of each. This will help you know to whom your note, call, or e-mail should go. It is hoped the use of the mailboxes will make communication a bit easier for everyone.

Would you like to have a list of the Committee and Team Chairpersons and members? They are available on the desk in the office area on Sunday morning and during the week. If all have been taken when you look, please call Penny or Chris at church, 614-873-8851, Monday through Friday between 9:00 a.m. and 3:00 p.m., and one will be mailed to you.

CHURCH PARKING

With cold and icy weather upon us, we ask that if all possible, people who are able to leave spaces near the front door of the church for the elderly and our visitors. There are plenty of spaces in the back of the church to park. Thank you!

COMMITTEE UPDATES

PARISH WELLNESS COMMITTEE

Blood Pressure Screening

Blood pressure screening will be done Sunday, February 8. 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.

Get Hooked on Fish ... Have you heard about all the great benefits of fish but don't know where to start? Well, mark your calendar for Thursday, February 12, 7:00 p.m. Barry Moffitt from Barry's Perch 'n More will be here to demonstrate several different kinds of fish. You will get to taste test! Here is the catch - We need you to sign up in the Narthex and prepay. We will need to have 15 prepaid for this program to occur. Please prepay in the church office and it is \$10 per person. This is a Parish Wellness sponsored event.

Personal Training in your OWN home! Cindy Brewer, a member of Northwest Methodist Church, is personal training certified, cardio kick boxing certified, group fitness certified, yoga certified and has taken a lot of Pilates teacher training for personal trainers that can be integrated into personal training sessions. Contact Cindy at 614-580-4758, cindtrtr@aol.com or twosisterstraining@gmail.com. if this sounds like a good fit for you.

MISSIONS COMMITTEE

THANK YOU, JUMC congregation, for your heart warming support to ALL the Mission activities at our church. We send this message because so very many of you are so wonderful about helping, not only to support projects physically, but by serving through financial giving. We praise your generosity and love! Indeed, there are many opportunities! If it is in your heart and your passion is for a particular person or event, anonymous or named monetary gifts are yet another opportunity to serve and glorify our Lord. You can never out give God! Thankful and blessed are we!

The Mission Committee

Alternative Christmas Market

The Missions Committee is thankful to all who purchased Alternative Christmas items to benefit many of the adult missions programs at Jerome Church. We're certain your friends and loved ones will not only cherish the gifts, but also the fact that you made a contribution in their honor that will be put to good use in serving God through serving others. A special thank you to everyone on the Missions Committee who helped make this year's Alternative Christmas a success. The missions programs that benefited are:

Habitat for Humanity - \$140

Heifer Project - \$485

Soup for the Soul - \$385

Appalachian Service Project - \$360

Honduras - \$287

Circle of Hope (Free Store) - \$66

Special Christmas Offering

Your awesome giving to the 2008 offering resulted in the following donations to:

\$1,594 Central Asia Institute

\$1,062 Marysville Food Pantry

\$1,063 Plain City Food Bank

\$1,063 Dublin Food Pantry

THANK YOU!

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.

United Methodist Free Store

The United Methodist Free Store is in need of donations of gently used blankets and slightly used or new candles for their clients. Please bring donations to the church and leave in the coat area near the office. Thank you!

Music Ministry

John Holsinger

Director of Music

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Holsinger.4@osu.edu

CHANCEL CHOIR

Rehearsals continue on Wednesday evenings. We rehearse from 7-8:00 p.m. in the Music Room. All who love to sing are invited. We sing every Sunday at the 8:30 service.

HIGHER GROUND

Rehearsals continue on Thursday evenings from 8:00 to 9:30 p.m. We lead worship every Sunday at the 10:45 service.

JEROME RINGERS

Rehearsals continue on Wednesday evenings from 8:00 to 9:00. We will ring on Sunday, February 8 for the 8:30 service. We will also ring as part of The Easter Musical. We are also preparing for the Greater Columbus Hand Bell Festival, which will be held on Sunday, May 3.

EASTER MUSICAL

Festival Choir

We are in the process of selecting an Easter Musical. Our first rehearsal for the Easter festival choir will be held March 1, 1:00 p.m. Anyone who loves to sing is welcome to participate. Our Easter Musical will be held Sunday, April 5. (Palm Sunday evening) and will include Jerome Ringers, Festival Orchestra and Festival Choir.

FESTIVAL ORCHESTRA


Practice will begin Sunday, March 1 and will be held following the choir rehearsal. (2:30 to 3:30) We will prepare music for the Easter Musical and for Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday.

JUNIOR BELLS

Rehearsals continue in the month of February. We practice following the second service (12 noon to 12:45) Children in fourth through eighth grade are invited to participate.

CHILDREN'S MUSIC

Children's music will continue as a part of TWIST which is held on the first and third Wednesdays of the month. (Feb. 4 & 18) We sing and ring from 5:30 to 6:00 in the music room. Come and join the fun.

Jerome United Methodist Church

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

OPEN GYM PLUS

Tuesdays, 9:30 – 11:00

Open Gym Plus for preschoolers is back this winter. Tell your friends about this free play time and a snack to chase away the winter blues and help everyone from going "stir crazy." Open Gym Plus will be held weekly on Tuesdays from January 20 through March 24. See Dax Pitts with questions regarding this ministry.

NURSERY LEADERS

We need one more person to help in the nursery on Sunday Mornings at either the 8:30 or the 10:45 Worship Service. The commitment includes helping our childcare provider, Kristi Smith, in caring for infants and toddlers up to 3 yrs old, obtaining a background check, completing the training, and

serving once every four weeks. Our leaders who will begin in March are Lynn Boston, Becky Neill, Rosemary Pitts, Mike Anderson, Tom Montgomery, Brenda Hancock, Anne Allen, Amy Plank, and Amy Smith. If you would like to be the one to complete the team, contact Donna Montgomery, Kristi Smith, or Amy Plank.

NURSERY CHANGES....

We are currently working on a parent packet with revised policies and procedures in the nursery. We hope to have this ready and to begin to implement these policies in March. If you have a nursery aged child, we will give you the packet when it is printed and explain some of the new procedures. If there is something that you feel needs to be included, you can communicate ideas with Kristi Smith, Amy Plank, or Donna Montgomery. We are striving to make the nursery a place where parents have no question about their child's safety and care.

TWIST

1st and 3rd Wednesday each month

Twist has been an encouraging, unifying time for Jerome families. It is a joy to share a **meal** together and to interact with the children and to see their excitement for serving others. Consider joining us...here are the details:

- Families with children thru Grade 5
- 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month
- 5:30 – 7:00 p.m.
- Music at 5:30
- Pizza at 6:15
- Meals are \$3 per person and may be paid that night
- Music, Recreation, Bible Devotion, Activities
- Parents attend with their children

EASTER EGG HUNT SCHEDULED

Sarah Holcomb will organize the Easter Egg Hunt this year. Mark your calendars and think about who you can invite. It will be Sunday, March 29 from 3 to 5pm. We also invite you to be a part of the team. We will be asking for donations, people to set up, people to clean up, and people (especially teenagers) to run

the games and hide the eggs. Contact Sarah or Donna if you'd like to help.

BEGINNER'S BIBLE STUDY SUNDAYS 5:00 – 7:00PM

Becky and Roger Haylip, Marla Anderson, and Greg Jaudzems have been helping to lead the BBS (Beginner's Bible Study) that began on January 11. **The Bible Study is open to any 3 - 5th grade student.** Beginner Bible Study is where kids have a lot of fun while they learn to use their Bibles and develop a lifetime pattern for spiritual growth. There is about 15 minutes of "Home Bible Study" given each week. Pizza is served at 5:00, followed by Bible study and recreation ending at 7:00. Come and join us and bring a friend.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

Mark your calendars and plan your vacation around VBS...reserve August 3 – 7. We are beginning to put together our **VBS team** for this year. Last year we had many new families visit JUMC during VBS week. If you would like to be on the planning team for this ministry, contact Donna Montgomery.

<p>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)</p>

FROM THE MINISTER OF YOUTH & CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The West Ohio Conference of the United Methodist Church has extended an invitation to all the churches that will be sponsoring a Confirmation class this year to attend a tour of the West Ohio Conference Building and the United Methodist Children's Home in Worthington on Monday, February 16. During the tour, the students will learn about the many ministries that the United Methodist Church is involved in, as well as learning more about the structure of the United Methodist Church. I also think it would be a wonderful experience for the kids to tour the Children's Home.

I would love to take as many of the kids from the Confirmation class as would like to go. We would meet at the church on Monday, February 16 at 8:45 a.m. We need to be in Worthington at 9:30 a.m. for refreshments. The tour begins at 10:00 a.m. and runs to 12 noon. Again, this is not mandatory, but I do think the students will learn a great deal about the United Methodist Church as a whole and how we at Jerome are connected to it. Please email or call Denise if your son or daughter would like to go.

BREAKAWAY

The Middle School fellowship group, Breakaway, will meet Monday, February 23 at 6:30 p.m. If you would be willing to provide a simple meal for about 20 students for that night, please call Denise (873-8851) or email her at swajumc@aol.com.

MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH

Rust Machine (Boys Only Bible Study) meets at Rusty Woerner's home, 11111 Jerome Road, for Bible study, pizza and dessert on the second Monday of the month (February 9) at 7:30 p.m.

Buckeye Angels (Girls Only Bible Study) meets at Denise Gorden's home, 7866 Harriott Road, for Bible study, pizza and dessert the second Monday of the month (February 9) at 7:30 p.m.

SENIOR HIGH YOUTH

Boys Only Bible Study- meets on the third Monday of the month (February 16), 7:30 p.m., at the home of Rusty Woerner.

G.R.A.P.E.S. (Girls Only Bible Study)- meets at the home of Denise Gorden for pizza, dessert and Bible study on the third Monday of the month (February 16), 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.

TOOLS FOR MOUNTAIN T.O.P.

We are always looking for tools for our Mountain T.O.P. ministry. We especially need hammers, weed wackers, axes, sledge hammers and garden tools, such as grass clippers, rakes and hedge clippers. Please call Denise if you have any questions about this ministry.

SPIRIT CAFÉ

We are in need of three dozen donuts and juice each week for the Spirit Café. Each Sunday, beginning at 9:30 a.m., donuts, juice and hot chocolate are served to the Middle School and High School students in the teen room. If you can provide donuts at any time, please email Denise at swajumc@aol.com or call her at 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.

ADULT MINISTRIES

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The UMW will meet at the Church at 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, February 5. Please bring wrapped cookies, candy or fruit for the Valentine plates we will assemble for homebound members of our congregation. Pat Breeding will present the program. All ladies of the church are welcome to attend. Call Marie Faulk at 873-8249 with any questions.

MEN'S RETREAT 2009

Men of all ages - sign up now for a weekend of fun, fellowship and faith development. The men's retreat is Saturday, February 28th - Sunday, March 1 at the wonderful adult retreat center at Kirkmont. We begin after lunch on Saturday and return home after lunch on Sunday. In addition to time for games, hiking and relaxation, Steve Harsh will lead a discussion of how we can more faithfully align our goals in life with our true Christian values and purpose. "The Bucket List," a recent Morgan Freeman/Jack Nicholson movie, will focus our discussion about what we really want to accomplish in our lives before we "kick the bucket."

Your check for \$65, payable to JUMC, will reserve your spot, and includes lodging, linens, dinner, breakfast and lunch, and marvelous fun and fellowship. Please sign up by February 15.

RECREATION & FUN

MEN'S BREAKFAST GROUP

Mark your calendars for the men's breakfast at Der Dutchman Restaurant in Plain City Saturday, February 7, 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, February 13, 7:00 p.m. in the church narthex. 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.

Preparations for Flea Market.....

Please keep in mind that Jerome Church's annual Flea Market fundraiser will be held Saturday, April 25. Box up or bag up items in good condition that you no longer use and save them to donate for the flea market. We need all types of items: sporting goods, tools, toys, electronics, housewares, furniture, clothing, linens, decorative and holiday items, etc.

Also, a list of supplies needed for the flea market is posted at the church. If you could supply any of these items, please sign up.

Thank You!

Dear friends of Jerome Church,

My family and I are very appreciative of your outpouring of support, cards, food and love during this time in our lives that must come but still hurts beyond belief. The special Christmas cards Rick and I received were a highlight for him. He missed his friends at church very much but his heart was always with you.

A special thank you to Pastor Brooks, who helped our family through this time and for the beautiful service she prepared. To the wonderful ladies who provided such a tremendous spread of delicious food after the funeral, our heartfelt thanks to each and every one of you. Please know we are always here for you, as well. God is so good and He shines through every member of our church.

With loving appreciating to all,

The Friday, Pharis, DeFrancisco and Cyphers families

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Thanks for all the cards, prayers and concerns expressed to us after Mike's medical problems in October. We appreciate all your love and concern.

Mike, Marie and Abby
Clark

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The church ministry staff wishes to thank the following people for providing a wonderful meal for us on Christmas Eve: Lynn Boston, Jan Manring, Melinda Bryan, Amy Plank, Pat Breathing, Sarah Holcomb, Kim Weaver, and DeeAnn King. You are appreciated!

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Dear Friends,

What an amazing year 2008 was! With the economic environment in question, it is very heart warming to see the continued generosity of our community.

We want to extend our deepest gratitude for all that you have done to help us in our mission to provide food to those who reside in the Marysville area. Whether it was a monetary gift, participation in a food drive, donation of fruits and vegetables grown in your own gardens, time volunteered or prayers said, it was all received with humbled hearts.

In 2008, we were able to provide food to 3,209 families, a total of 11,533 individuals. This could not have been accomplished without the assistance of caring people such as you. We are truly blessed to live in such a generous community.

From all the volunteers at the Marysville Food Pantry, we wish you God's richest blessings in the coming year.

Marysville Food Pantry,
Gary & Keitha Simpson
Mary Alice Mohn
Myron Rausch

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Jerome Church,

We thank our friends for all the Christmas cards, with many nice notes – and my birthday cards! It's so nice to be remembered. Thanks, especially, to Marie

Faulk and Marie Clark for their part. Thanks to several folks for visits, including Rev, Gloria. Lee is at Heartland and is not very well nor happy.

We appreciate our friends at Jerome Church.

Sincerely,
Mary Alice Schacherbauer

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Dear Friends of Dublin Food Pantry,

Thank you so very much for your generous donation of \$1,063 to the Dublin Food Pantry. Your contribution enables the pantry to provide food assistance to needy families in our community.

Sincerely,
Julie Schofield, Director

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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your recent gift to the ministry of Samaritan's Purse. Operation Christmas Child worked to send millions gift-filled shoe boxes to boys and girls in more than 100 countries. Along with the toys, school supplies, and candy, we pray that these children and their families will also receive the greatest gift of all – Jesus Christ. During times of uncertainty, it is comforting to know that God, who sent His Son to die so that we might live, will never forsake us.

Sincerely,
Franklin Graham

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Dear Staff/Parish Committee and Jerome congregation,

Thank you very much for the gift certificate to Jimmy Vs I received for Christmas. As someone who isn't that fond of cooking, I really enjoy a dinner out! I appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,
Penny Sullivan

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We want to thank the congregation and the SPRC for the gift certificate we received at Christmas. It is a

special blessing to be a part of this church family.
Steve and Diana Hoffman-Harsh

Dear Members of Chancel Choir and Festival Choir,
Thank you so very much for the VISA gift card at Christmas time. I will enjoy looking for just the perfect way to use it! I can't tell you how much I enjoy working with you and accompanying your rehearsals and performances. You are all dear friends and you enrich my life more than I can tell you!
Lovingly, Julie Gossard

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To the SPRC and the Jerome Congregation,
I offer my sincere thanks for the thoughtful gift at Christmas time. I certainly will enjoy dining out at Jimmy V's and of course will take Bill along as my guest! Any night off from preparing dinner at home is a welcome evening out! I love playing for the 8:30 service and I look forward to seeing each of you every Sunday morning!
Sincerely, Julie Gossard

Thanks to....

- everyone who helped with and/or provided food for our funeral and memorial services in January
- 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

CIRCLE OF CONCERN

BEREAVEMENT:

- Zanko family (Kim's mother)

- family and friends of Jimmy Crum
- family and friends of Rick Priday

HOSPITAL or HOME ILLNESS

- Forrest & Ginny Albright
- Al Bessette (Wendy Bynner)
- Ruth Bush (Marilyn Trux)
- John Castellano (Valerie Bowerman)
- Sarah Chapman
- Bill Clarkin (Karen Matrka)
- Maxine Evans (Joan Hayslip)
- Anthony Figliola (Tom Elliott)
- Kathy Kise (April Keiffer)
- Helen Hartman (Ruth Elliott)
- Bill Hayslip (Joan Hayslip)
- Micki Hinker (Kathy Grauer)
- Sharon Kemmerling
- John Manker
- Dale Motter (Vicki Bowman)
- Nancy Pimm
- Carl Rothgab (David & Madeleine Breitmayer)
- Dawn Sargent (Becky Neill)
- Eva Torbin (Steve & Diana Harsh)
- Barb Wilcox
- Bob Woodard (Chip Seely)
- Andrew Zanko

NURSING HOME:

- Medrith Carson
- Loran Faulk
- Lee Schacherbauer (Heartland)
- Tom Webb

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
- Zach Yeager (Charlie & Gerri Miller)

MISSIONARIES:

- Dave & Donna Jacobsson: MAF
- E-mail: djacobsson@maf.org
- Debbie Trego (Jan. 26 - Feb. 9 in Brazil giving medical treatment to people along the tributaries of the Amazon River)

February Calendar

Sunday, February 1

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
5:00pm Beginners' Bible study

Monday, February 2

7:00pm Boy Scout meeting

Wednesday, February 4

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

Thursday, February 5

1:00pm United Methodist Women meeting
7:00pm Serendipity
8:00pm Band rehearsal

Friday, February 6

3:30pm Soup for the Soul

Saturday, February 7

7:30am Men's breakfast at Der Dutchman

Sunday, February 8

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
5:00pm Beginner's Bible study

Monday, February 9

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

Tuesday, February 10

7:00pm Administrative Council meeting

Wednesday, February 11

9:30am Serendipity
7:00pm Chancel choir rehearsal
7:30pm Oasis
8:00pm Jerome Ringers rehearsal

Thursday, February 12

7:00pm Parish Wellness Comm. fish tasting and information
7:00pm Serendipity
8:00pm Band rehearsal

Friday, February 13

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

Saturday, February 14

8:00am Recycling pick up

Sunday, February 15

8:30am Traditional Worship, Nursery
9:30am Fellowship time
9:45am Sunday school for all ages
10:45am Contemporary Worship, Nursery, Children's Church
5:00pm Beginner's Bible study

Monday, February 16 – Presidents' Day (church office closed)

8:45am Confirmation class trip to West Ohio Conference Building and United Methodist Children's Home
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, February 17

9:30am Open Gym Plus

Wednesday, February 18

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

Thursday, February 19

7:00pm Serendipity
8:00pm Band rehearsal

Friday, February 20

3:30pm Soup for the Soul

Sunday, February 22

8:30am Traditional Worship, Nursery
9:30am Fellowship time
9:45am Sunday School for all ages
10:45am Contemporary Worship, Nursery, Children's Church
5:00pm Beginner's Bible study

Monday, February 23

6:30pm Breakaway
7:00pm Boy Scout meeting

Tuesday, February 24

9:30am Open Gym Plus

Wednesday, February 25 – Ash Wednesday

9:45am Serendipity
7:00pm Chancel choir rehearsal
7:30pm Ash Wednesday worship service

Thursday, February 26

7:00pm Serendipity
8:00pm Band rehearsal

Friday, February 27

3:30pm Soup for the Soul

Saturday, February 28

Men's retreat at Kirkmont Center

FEBRUARY VOLUNTEERS

GREETERS

2/1 8:30 Clark & Pat Breading
10:45 Scott & Cara Hanhart
2/8 8:30 Charlie & Wendy Bynner
10:45 Carl & Ellen Erikson
2/15 8:30 Ron & Myra Brenneman
10:45 Rob & Sara Meriweather
2/22 8:30 Sharon Dunn
10:45 Chris & Sarah Holcomb

GREAT EXPECTATIONS TEAM GREETERS

	Inside	Outside
2/1	8:30 Stephanie Middlestead	Tom Pierce
	10:45 Kathy Feightner	Tom Montgomery
2/8	8:30 Laurel Benefiel	DeeAnn King
	10:45 June Booher	Sandy Montee
2/15	8:30 Vickie DiCesare	Tom Pierce
	10:45 Sarah Holcomb	Steve Mark
2/22	8:30 Sharon Dunn	Dan Sutphen
	10:45 Dennis Decker	Cindy Decker

USHERS

2/1 8:30 Randy & Amy Page
10:45 Andy & Marilyn Trux
2/8 8:30 Randy & Pam Palmer
10:45 Bob & Melinda Murphy
2/15 8:30 Scott & Melanie Danhof
10:45 Woody & Jane Green
2/22 8:30 Wayne & Kathy Tummonds
10:45 Don & Gail Lambie

SCRIPTURE READERS

2/1 8:30 Myra Brenneman
10:45 Jan Manring
2/8 8:30 Dan Schmidt
10:45 Steve Mark
2/15 8:30 Tom Pierce
10:45 Kim Weaver
2/22 8:30 Jud Smith

10:45 Chip Seely

FELLOWSHIP TIME VOLUNTEERS

2/1 9:30 Chris McDowell
10:45 Chris & Sarah Holcomb
2/8 9:30 John & Jeanne Means
10:45 Alan & Kathy Hoover
2/15 9:30 Bob & Stephanie Middlestead
10:45 Bob & Lisa Hoppe
2/22 9:30 Charlie & Gerri Miller
10:45 Kenan & Nancy Ikels

ACOLYTES – 9:00AM

2/1 Abbie Clark
2/8 Nick Page
2/15 Usher
2/22 Madilyn Zimmerman

ALTAR FLOWERS

2/1 Dick & Joan Hayslip – in honor of our wedding anniversary
2/8 Roger & Denise Gorden – in honor of Heath's birthday
2/15 Marian Webb – in honor of Rose's birthday
2/22 Brenda Warne – in honor of Bob's 78th birthday

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS

8:30 service

	Teacher	Shepherd
2/1	Donna Montgomery	Abby Clark
2/8	Donna Montgomery	Jennifer Sonnenberg
2/15	Donna Montgomery	Amy Page
2/22	Donna Montgomery	Cody Middlestead

10:45 service

Pre-K

	Teacher	Shepherd
2/1	Janell Bolte	Michelle Pettit
2/8	Donna Montgomery	Tracy Moldovan
2/15	Janell Bolte	Michelle Pettit
2/22	Donna Montgomery	Open

Elementary

2/1	Katheen Rose	Lori Greiner
2/8	Greg Jaudzems	Erica Pettit
2/15	Sarah Holcomb	April Keiffer
2/22	Becky Hayslip	Roger Hayslip

CHILDREN'S NURSERY

2/1 8:30 Lynn Boston
10:45 Jan Bambach
2/8 8:30 Valerie Altfater
10:45 Jan Bambach
2/15 8:30 Cara Hanhart
10:45 Sue Steuerwald
2/22 8:30 Penny Sullivan
10:45 Karen Matrka

FELLOWSHIP HALL CHAIR SET UP

2/1 Bob Warne
2/8 Sonnenberg family
2/15 Bowman family
2/22 Bryan family

PANERA BREAD/ SOUP FOR THE SOUL PICK UP VOLUNTEERS

2/5 Scott Sonnenberg
2/12 Valerie Altfater
2/19 Penny Sullivan
2/26 Kathy Smith

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

2/3 Chris McDowell, Andrew Zanko
2/4 Chris Dunn
2/5 Jon Kundtz
2/7 Marie Faulk, Pauline Scott
2/10 Heath Gorden
2/11 Dan Schmidt
2/12 Barb Ingram
2/13 Ann Hugill, Tom Boyd
2/14 Kim Zanko
2/15 Mike Rose
2/16 Jennifer Sonnenberg
2/18 Fred Seely
2/19 Rose Webb, Scott Weaver
2/20 Charlie Miller, Carl Erikson
2/23 DeeAnn King, Kayla Smith, Brandon Flagg
2/24 Bob Warne

