

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
**COMMUNICATOR**



**FROM THE PASTOR:**

**Grace and peace to you from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ . . .**

In his letter to the Christians in town of Ephesus, Paul writes this: *Ephesians 2:4-7* "Because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, <sup>5</sup> made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved. <sup>6</sup> And God raised us up with Christ and seated us with him in the heavenly realms in Christ Jesus, <sup>7</sup> in order that in the coming ages he might show the incomparable riches of his grace, expressed in his kindness to us in Christ Jesus."

In less than two weeks we will conclude the CONSUMED journey. On Sunday November 14th, we will have a day of celebration including a Mission and Ministry Fair, testimonies and the opportunity to make a financial pledge to Church. I hope that you will plan to be present as we directly apply to the ministry of our church some of the things that we have been learning about being consumed by God and nothing else.

We will have a mission and ministry fair for a couple of reasons. First, we all have talents that God has given for use in his kingdom. Some are called by God to preach. Others are called by God to comfort those in grief. Still others are called by God to visit the sick and downcast. When you come to the ministry fair, you will be able to see some of the ways that you can use your gifts for God. And when we use our gifts for God's glory and His kingdom, God is able to multiply our efforts. God takes what is offered and transforms it into more than enough (just think about that many times Jesus talks about sowing seed or the feeding of the five-thousand). Second, the ministry fair might introduce you to a ministry that God wants to use to meet a need that you are currently feeling.

We will have testimonies on the 14th because when we hear the ways that God is moving in the lives of others, it is easier to see how God is moving in our own lives. If you have experienced a specific blessing during the CONSUMED journey, please let me know. It may be that God want you to share your testimony (in person or through writing) on the 14th.

We will also be invited to make a financial commitment to the ministry of our congregation on the 14th. Simply put, we are most like God when we give. When we give of our time, talents and treasure. Jesus commands us to give away forgiveness. In his parable of the talents, Jesus rebukes those of us who are inclined to hide our talents in the ground. When Jesus taught his disciples that they were not to be like the world around them, he included as a primary principle that they were to give. We will be given the opportunity to make a financial commitment to participate in ministry that Jesus will do through our congregation's ministry.

I hope that you have been blessed by the CONSUMED journey as we have spent time in individual journals, small group conversation and Sunday morning reflection. My prayer has been and will continue to be that God will reveal to you His incredible generosity in Jesus Christ. My desire as your pastor and friend in Christ is that you will be freed from anything that has bound you and be able to live daily in the riches of God's mercy.

In Christ,  
Jonathan

NOVEMBER 2010

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**Forward in Faithfulness:  
Celebrating 200  
years of witness  
for the Lord  
Jesus Christ**

Hebrews 12:1-2

Therefore, since we are surrounded by such a great cloud of witness, let us throw off everything that hinders and the sin that so easily entangles, and let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before him endured the cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

**Sundays: Sr. High Fellowship 6-8:00 pm (starts Sept. 12)**

**Thursdays: Jr. High Fellowship 6-8:00 pm (starts Sept. 16)**



Nov. 11<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup> 30 Hour Fast 4pm (Thurs.) - 10pm (Fri.)

If you have questions or concerns, feel free to talk to Kyle

Nov. 12<sup>th</sup> 30 HR Famine Event Noon – Midnight Come hungry, leave filled.

Cost of event is \$15 (unless you raised \$30 or more.) The event will take place at Mulberry St. Methodist

Nov. 13<sup>th</sup> 5K for the Hungry 8:00 am

Want to go a step further for world hunger?

Support the cause in our community in the 5K. Cost is \$15 and 2 canned goods.

## Simplicity

So perhaps you've seen posters, heard sermons, discussed in small groups, and done individual study on this concept, "Consumed" over the past several weeks. The teens have also been working through the materials, and recently we were challenged to find freedom in simplicity. Here are some practical tips that we have gone over on:

### How Not to Give Your Heart Over to Stuff

**1. Buy according to usefulness rather than status:** Cars should be bought for their usefulness, not their prestige. Don't buy the latest cell phone so that others may envy you. Choose a cell phone that has the basics – it doesn't need computer capabilities if you already have a computer. Consider your clothes. Most people have no need for more clothes. They buy more clothes because they want to keep up with the fashions. Hang the fashions! Buy what you need and wear them until they wear out.

### 2. Reject anything that is producing an addiction in you:

Learn to distinguish between an authentic need, like a meal, and an addiction. Eliminate or cut down on addictive and unhealthy drinks like coffee, energy drinks, pop, and so on. Try to be aware of and control how often you text someone. If there is any media in your life that you feel that you cannot do without, get rid of: TV's movies, internet, books, etc. If money has a grip on your heart, give some away and feel the inner release. Simplicity is freedom, not slavery. Refuse to be a slave to anything but God.

How do you discern an addiction? Very simply, you watch for undisciplined impulse. Someone told me about one morning when he went out to get the newspaper and found it missing. He panicked, wondering how he could possibly start the day without the newspaper. Then he noticed a paper in his neighbor's yard, and he began to plot how he could sneak over and steal it. Immediately he realized that he was dealing with a real addiction. He rushed over and called to cancel his subscription. The receptionist, obviously filling out a form, asked courteously, "Why are you canceling your subscription to the paper?" My friend blurted out, "Because I'm addicted!" Undaunted, the receptionist replied, "Would you like to cancel your entire subscription or would you like to keep the Sunday edition?" to which he exclaimed, "No, I'm going cold turkey!" Now obviously not everyone should cancel their paper, but for this man it was a very important act.

### 3. Develop a habit of giving things away: If you find that you

are becoming attached to some possession, consider giving it to someone who needs it. Masses of things can complicate life. Look around your room for things that you don't really need and bring them to the church rummage sale.

**4. Refuse to get caught in the trap of always changing gadgets:** Propagandists try to convince us that because the new model of this or that has a new model of this or that has a new feature, we must sell our old one and buy the new one. Often "new" features seduce us into buying what we don't need. Remember, they create such things with the intention of making them obsolete within 2-3 years.

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*Jesus said, "Let the little children come to me, and do not stop them, for it is to such as these the kingdom of heaven belongs." Matthew 19:14*

### **CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADES K-5**

We have been having so much fun during Sunday School! We learned about several parables including shepherds and lost sheep, How do you get the sheep to go where you want them to go? Do you ring a bell? Push them from behind? Yell GIDDY UP and chase them? No! The shepherd does not have to chase them. They know his voice so they follow him when they hear it. Just like us! Jesus speaks to us in many ways. We need to spend time getting to know him. The kingdom grows when God's Word takes root in people's lives. We are God's sheep and we should follow him when we hear his voice. Just like the shepherd, Jesus never takes a break to care for us, his lost sheep. Jesus loves to seek out people who are lost. God loves all of us, even those others look down on.

In November we will be learning the following lessons:

#### **NOVEMBER 7 - WON'T YOU BE MY NEIGHBOR**

Jesus teaches us that we need to treat everyone as our neighbor - Luke 10:25-37

#### **NOVEMBER 14 - YOU CAN'T TAKE IT WITH YOU**

Jesus teaches us to live for God, not things - Luke 12:13-21

#### **NOVEMBER 21 - THE BRAGGER AND THE BEGGER**

Jesus teaches us to be humble before God and other people - Luke 18:9-14

#### **NOVEMBER 28 - HERE COMES THE GROOM**

Jesus reminds us to always be ready for his return - Matthew 25:1-15

Thank you to the following volunteers who have been giving their time and energy to our children: Marsha Bibart, Amanda Gebhardt, Carly Haas, Missy Kaufman, Kyle Peters, Bonnie Stone, George Stone, Carole Waugh.

In Christ's Service,  
Michelle Shillito



As most of you are aware, Kroger grocery stores give non profits up to 5% back on many grocery item purchases. First Presbyterian Church (youth mission trip) has already received a substantial amount of money by this great fundraiser. To continue to have the youth group reap the rewards of your Kroger purchases, all you have to do is take the adjoining page in to your local Kroger store and have them scan the barcode on the page and scan your Kroger card too. Tying your Kroger card to our Church fundraising does not affect your Kroger points that you may be saving for gas purchases. It is truly a win-win situation! If you already belong to this program, then pass along the card to your friends and family. They may want to help our church as well. I sent a copy to my sister who lives in another part of the state but shops at Kroger. She was happy to register.



If you have any questions, call the office at 393-1326 and Kyle or Holly would be happy to assist you. Many thanks!

Kroger Community Rewards

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NPO # 81151  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH MINISTRY  
Attention: KYLE PETERS  
106 NORTH GAY STREET  
MT. VERNON, OH 43050

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH MINISTRY:

Thank you for your interest in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. We are happy to be a part of your fundraising.

Here is your Organization's Scanbar code as requested. This supplemental process allows your members without access to a computer to be a part of your fund raising through our Community Rewards Program.

**How it works**

- Make copies of this form and give the copies to members of your organization who wish to enroll with your organization, but do not have access to register online.
- Members take this form the next time they go shopping at Columbus and hand it to the cashier to scan within their order IN ADDITION to either their Kroger Plus Card, or phone number entry that is linked to their Kroger Plus card.
- Within 72 hours, your members will then begin giving a percentage of each shopping trip for the duration of the Community Rewards Term (5/1/09 - 4/30/10) to your organization.
- You only have to scan this letter once to create the link between your card and your organization. You must continue scanning your Kroger Plus Card/phone number during all purchases to get credit for your organization.

**Please note:**

If your member(s) register for the Community Rewards Program using this Scanbar method AND do not have their correct information updated in the Kroger Plus Card Database, you will not see their names on your quarterly statements. Also, using the Scanbar method of registration, the name of your organization will not appear on their receipt. Please have each member call 1-877-576-7587 to update all their information.



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**5. Learn to enjoy things without owning them:**

Owning things is an obsession in our culture. If we own it, we feel we can control it; and if we control it, we feel it can give us more pleasure. The idea is an illusion. Enjoy the beach without having to buy a piece of it. Borrow books, music, shows, and movies from the library instead of purchasing.

**6. Develop a deeper appreciation for creation:**

Walk whenever you can. Listen to the birds. Enjoy the texture of grass and leaves. Smell the flowers. Marvel in the rich colors everywhere. Simplicity means to discover once again that "the earth is the Lord's and the fullness thereof" (Ps. 24:1).

**7. Look with a healthy skepticism at all "buy now, pay later" schemes.** They are a trap and only deepen your bondage. Jesus denounced usury as a sign of the old life and admonishes his disciples to "lend, expecting nothing in return" (Luke 6:35).

**8. Shun anything that distracts you from seeking first the kingdom of God:**

It is so easy to lose focus on God's kingdom in the pursuit of good things. George Fox warns, "...there is the danger and the temptation to you, of drawing your minds into your business, and clogging them with it; so that ye can hardly do anything to the service of God."

May God give you-and me-the courage, the wisdom, the strength always to hold the kingdom of God as the number one priority of our lives. To do so is to live in simplicity.

*-These tips are based on excerpts from Celebration of Discipline by Richard Foster.*

With utmost Sincerity,

Kyle Peters

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**Need your leaves raked?** As the teens have worked through the "Consumed Series", we have been challenged to find ways to give generously. As a response to that challenge, we will be raking leaves next Sunday evening (November 7th) for anyone who needs help. If you would like your leaves raked, please contact Kyle or Holly in the church office. Please note that we cannot dispose of the leaves, we can only rake them for you.

**30 Hour Famine:** Currently, our teens are working to raise money that will go to World Vision to fight world hunger. Every dollar that we give, feeds and cares for 1 child for 1 day. Our group has set a goal of \$1,000. To help reach that goal, our teens are willing to do some dirty work! If you have a job that needs done this fall, and you would like to help others who are less fortunate around the world, call Kyle to schedule some student workers.

Kyle



### Church Fall Cleanup Day– November 6th Saturday

Volunteers are needed for our annual fall cleanup of church flower beds and shrubbery pruning. Many hands will make light work, so please come to lend a hand at 9 AM in the church parking lot. Please bring your favorite gardening tools and gloves. Contact Mead Weil at 740-397-4300 with any questions."

**KNOX COUNTY CANTATA CHOIR** Once again, the Knox County Cantata Choir will present a Christmas music program at Memorial Theater the weekend before Christmas. This Years program is entitled- "The Voices of Christmas" and is a wonderful way for family and friends to enjoy the true meaning of Christmas. Please see Anne or Bob Meldrum to order tickets for the Friday, (12/17) 7:30 PM or Saturday (12/18), 3 PM program.



### PASTOR APPRECIATION

is generally recognized in October but our church recognizes our Pastor in the month of November. Any cards, notes or tokens of appreciation that you would like to pass on to our Pastor, please take this opportunity to do so. You may address correspondence to his home, the church address or leave it in the office. Thank you and any questions please call Holly in the office.

### . Got Mail?

Are you a snowbird? A college student? Bought a new home? Started a new job out of town? If so, please notify the church office of your new postal address, phone number, email address and other contact information so you can continue to receive "The Communicator", emails and other communications. If your postal address is temporary, please indicate a start and end date. The church data base will automatically change your address if the dates are entered (this needs to be done each calendar year). Parents are encouraged to provide current information for kids in college or are grown, have moved away and wish to stay in touch until they find a new church home. You can put the information in the Sunday offering plate, phone the church office or send an email.

**MEN'S FELLOWSHIP BREAKFAST:** will meet on Saturday, December 4 at 9 a.m. This will be a joint November-December meeting due to the holidays. All men and their guests are welcome and encouraged to attend this time of fellowship and enjoy a hearty breakfast! Please call the office with any questions.

**THANK OFFERING:** Each fall the women of the Presbyterian Church collect a Thank offering to support medical missions throughout the world and also new creative ideas of mission. The Thank offering originated in 1888 when Eliza Clokey of Springfield, Ohio, urged each woman to give one dollar over and above her usual contribution to the Women's General Missionary Society as a "Thank offering to her Lord". In 2009, 31 projects were chosen (16 National and 15 International) received funding from \$870,058 collected in 2009. At least 40% of the Thank offering funds go to health-related projects. One of the 31 recipients was local—The Synod of the Covenant—Central College Presbyterian Church, Westerville, Ohio. They received \$50,000 for DIRT (Disaster Immediate Response Team) to purchase equipment and vehicles for response team, and support deployment operations for five years.

Thank offering envelopes will be placed in the church pew racks in November. If you would like to contribute, put your offering in the envelope and place in offering plate or send to church offices and earmark Thank Offering. Any further questions contact Brenda Schultze (392-7833).



Help for those dealing with Grief during the holidays

## **SURVIVING** THE HOLIDAYS

No matter how long it's been since your loved one died, grief can make the holidays a painful time. But there's hope. Join us for an encouraging seminar that will help you survive the holidays and discover new reasons to enjoy them again.

Call the church office (740:393-1326) for more information on this free seminar which will be held on November 18th and repeated on December 9th at 6:30 PM.

## CHANGES

Seasons' change...the years do roll....Yes, changes occur on a daily basis and how we react to change can encourage or discourage us. We resist change, as we like things "the way they are" and our comfort level is threatened when too many changes occur.

Deacons see this on a daily basis, in their rounds of ministry and mission. The changes they see may be traumatic, or for the better. Ministering as deacons to assist is a calling that is a special one. We are very grateful for these dedicated deacons who are willing to "go the extra mile" to assist their fellow church family members, as well as others. We must remember to ask for assistance, compassion and caring, as it is there for us. Even as Jesus is an ever present solace in our time of need as well as our daily lives.

Let us continue to make Jesus Christ known in our community and the world. Jesus will never change. He is the one constant on whom we can count. Ask him to be in your life.

Peace and Blessings, Ellen

### TREASURER'S REPORT by BOB MELDRUM

Our accounting year is October 1 through September 30 but, because it is not the calendar year nor the tax year, it sometimes sneaks up on us and the year quickly ends. This happened to us this year and when September 30 arrived, our current Year Pledge Contributions were \$220, 783, which was nearly \$17,000 short of our \$237,400 annual Budget.

Most of our Congregation stayed current but some fell short during the nine month period of the calendar/tax year, which caused the short fall. Hopefully, we will all be able to finish the calendar/tax year in December current with our Pledge amount.

Fortunately, our Non-Pledge Contributions exceeding our annual Budget. As a result, we finished our accounting year with Income of \$311,593. Our expenses were \$316,505 so we had to take \$4,912 out of our Reserves to cover the deficit.

We have been continually blessed as a congregation and we continue to grow. What this means is I simply have to do a better job of reminding everyone of how important it is to stay current with contribution's during our entire accounting year.





**Poinsettia Order Form**

*Help Decorate the Sanctuary with a Christmas Poinsettia*

Cost: Red or White Large \$7.00 each or Small Red Pixie \$4.00 each

***Orders must be received by December 6, 2010***

Given by:	In Honor of:	Red Lg/Sm	White

Given by:	In Honor of:	Red Lg/Sm	White

Given by:	In Memory of:	Red Lg/Sm	White

Given by:	In Memory of:	Red Lg/Sm	White

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Amount enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

**Please make checks payable to:** First Presbyterian Church

**Please designate "Flower Fund" on the check memo line**

*(Please do not include flower monies in the same check as your pledge or offering.)*

What: **Moms2Moms**

When: **2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month at 9 am  
in Fellowship Hall**



This fall our church launched an exciting **new ministry for mothers of babies and preschoolers** called **Moms2Moms**. The group is a ministry of support, encouragement, and friendship for both Christian and non-Christian mothers in Mount Vernon and surrounding areas. Early motherhood is a time of trials as well as joys, both of which cause women to reconsider and redefine themselves in many ways. Moms2Moms will give these women the opportunity to develop relationships and receive advice that will strengthen them for the task of caring for small children. Each meeting will include an ice breaker; a talk, lesson, or activity of some kind; and a snackchat time of fellowship. Childcare will be provided, allowing women to enjoy much needed interaction with their peers. Moms2Moms will also schedule play dates, Moms Nights Out, and weekend retreats so that mothers' who cannot attend regular meetings can benefit from this group. Even though this ministry is geared towards mothers of young children, there are many ways you can participate::

\*Pray that our Lord would use this ministry to strengthen and encourage women in our community.

\*Use the flier included in this month's communicator to invite a mother of young children that you know from your neighborhood, workplace, or other involvements.

\*Be present at meetings to greet attending mothers and help them find their way to the fellowship hall, nursery rooms, and other places in our church.

\*Help provide childcare by working in the nursery on an occasional or regular basis.

\*Share your gifts and talents with these young mothers in the form of a lesson or activity. Topics suggested so far include parenting, cooking, crafts, exercise, etc. We would love to hear your ideas for curriculum! \*Prepare a snack for a meeting.

If you yourself are a mother of a baby or young children, we would love to have you attend!

**Please contact Amber Vanderhoof (7405011340 or [ambervander@yahoo.com](mailto:ambervander@yahoo.com)) if you are willing to participate or have any questions.**

## MINISTRY FAIR

**WHEN:** Sunday, November 14th

**FOR:** Church Congregation

**WHY:** Opportunities to serve and use our God given talents



Come and join us after worship to see the many opportunities available to help further our mission statement, “To grow in the knowledge and love of our Lord Jesus Christ, and to make Him known in our community and the world.”

There will be tables set up in Fellowship Hall with information on each opportunity that our church offers to get involved. Where can your talents be useful? Let us help you decide. Perhaps you are musical, bake a great cake, work well with teenagers, would love to be an usher, have a passion for Alpha, Public relations, Divorce care to name a just a few ways. Last year we offered over 30 tables with an opportunity to serve Christ. Come and see which opportunity you are called to sign up to help with this year.

**Leaders:** Please contact the office or Eric Vanderhoof to pick up your trifold and supplies for your table. Thank you.



## HANGING OF THE GREENS



Do you love decorating for Christmas? Join others who would like to lend a hand to put up garland and bows for the "**Hanging of the Greens**" on Dec.

5. It will be a *Dress-down Sunday*. We have small and large jobs for anyone to transform our sanctuary for the Christmas Season. The Fellowship Committee will be serving a light lunch following the 11:00 A.M. Worship and after we will begin decorating .



**BIBLE STUDY** Please join us as we delve into a study of **Daniel: Lives of Integrity, Words of Prophecy** written by Beth Moore helps to demonstrate how individuals can live with integrity in today's self-absorbed society. Just as the prophet Daniel faced unbelievable pressures- to compromise his faith, to live in a hostile culture, and confront temptations and threats—we face many of the same trials. We will examine the life of Daniel in an extremely contemporary way. In addition, explore the fascinating prophecies from the time of Daniel through the second coming of Christ.

**What: Women Bible Study**

**When: Starts Monday, November 8<sup>th</sup> Time: 7:00 p.m.**

**Where: Mary Beth Frank's home at 510 East Chestnut Street Mount Vernon, OH 43050**

Contact Georgene Risko for additional information: 740-392-9037

[grisko@columbus.rr.com](mailto:grisko@columbus.rr.com)

## INTERCHURCH NEWS



Interchurch Social Services of Knox County is located in their new building at 306 West Gambier Street with branches in Centerburg, Danville, and Fredericktown. Interchurch is a Christian faith-based ministry, uniting community resources to meet the needs of those in crises. Various services are provided, including clothing assistance, pantry assistance, financial aid, medical assistance, Turn the Tide, Information and Referral. Volunteer opportunities are available for receptionist, pantry, resale shops, Fish driver, and special events, i.e. Turn the Tide. They are serving more and more new people each month.

The current Mt. Vernon pantry needs are cereal, cranberry sauce, boxed potatoes and gravy (any). Please see our outreach committee newsletter below.

If you have any further questions about Interchurch, you can contact Joy Harris, Executive Director at 397-4825.

### From your Outreach Committee

Our congregation in the past has had a wonderful response to our monthly 200 items drive for various needs and causes throughout the past. It is a tangible display of your warmth and caring for our community; a real hands-on way to continue the church's mission by reaching out to the community and the world.

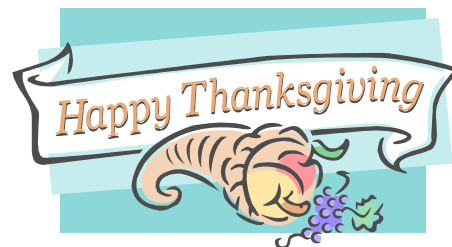
We resume our Thanksgiving food drive and in November we will be collecting the above Interchurch food needs of cereal, cranberry sauce, boxed potatoes and gravy (any). Please put your donations in the bookcase by the coat rack in the hallway and they will be delivered to Interchurch.. Again, we have the goal of 200 items for the

month. This can be a difficult time of year for many families, especially during the current economic climate. Please help us reach out and give assistance to these families. Thank you in advance for your generosity!



## Standing calendar events

Please remember to fill out a building use event form for all events and return to the office.



### Sunday:

**7:30 a.m.** Worship Team Practice    **8:30 a.m.** Early Worship Service with Communion

**9:55 a.m.** Church School for everyone.

**11 a.m.** Traditional Worship Service with Communion served on the first Sunday of the month.

**6-8 p.m.** Sr. High Fellowship-Youth Room

### Monday:

**5:30 p.m.** Hot Meals    **7 pm** Cub Scouts

### Tuesday:

**2nd & 4th Tues. 9 am– Moms2Moms**

**Noon** Men's Prayer Lunch-Kitchen    **6 pm** Prayer Meeting    **6:45**-Girl Scouts

**7 PM**-Boy Scouts    **7PM**-Divorce Care

**1st Tuesday of Month 7 p.m.** Finance Meeting-Chuck Waugh

**2nd Tuesday of Month 7 pm** Session Meeting

**3rd Tuesday of Month 6 PM** Leap Service

**4th Tuesday at 7 pm** Committee Meetings– Building & Grounds-M. Weil & Missions Committee –B. Malek

### Wednesday:

**9:45 am** Women's Bible Study    **6 pm** Hand Bells    **7 pm** Worship Team Practice    **7 PM** Chancel Choir

### Thursday:

**9:30am** Women's Bible Study –Parlor    **11 am** Bridge Club-Knox Meeting Room

**Noon-AA** meeting –CE bldg.    **6-8 pm** Jr. High Fellowship-Youth Room    **6 pm** Alpha –Parlor

**Saturday: Last Saturday of the month 9 a.m.** Men's Fellowship Breakfast-Parlor

SPECIAL EVENTS

*Please see our many invitations throughout this newsletter.*

**DEACONS CARE & COMPASSION**

"...pray for each other so that you may be healed..." James 5:16

**At the Ohio Eastern Star Home**

Linda Fox      Katherine Garzieri  
Maxine Peters   Martha Warden  
Edith Whitney (*Sally Martin's grandmother*)

**Autumn Health Care**

Helen and Everett Chrisman

**The Living Center**

Jean Fribley    Myra Philpott

**At Home**

Rebecca Grove    Ruth Grove  
Treva Haltermon  
Ellen Proper  
Dorothy White

**Special Prayer Concerns**

Jerry and Mary Ellen Baugher (*Jerry-cancer, Karen Bell's parents*)  
Madeline Blamer (*kidney-Weil's granddaughter*)  
Darla Brown (*Niece of Sally Conway*)  
Glenn DeBoard (*Liver cancer*)  
John Ewalt  
Jennifer Hatton (*Tyson's granddaughter*)  
Kathy Lapp *surgery*  
Jackie Lehr  
Reverend and Mrs. Markle (*friends of Toby Lord*)  
Matt Palmer (*Lung cancer-friend of Sally Martin*)  
Barbara Reitsma  
Lowell Rollins (*heart surgery*)  
Robert Kidder (*Polly Patterson's father*)  
Harriet Sells (*Toby Lord's sister.in law*)  
Red Shaw (*cancer*)  
Lindsay Smith (*Crones disease*)  
Jason Southern (*malig. Tumor-V. Donnelly cousin*)  
Tom Spaulding (*leukemia*) former member  
Kirk Swartz (*cancer-Ketner's nephew*)  
Misty Whitmann (*Lupus-family of Shillito's*)

**In the Military**

Jacob and Curtis Hahn-USMC-Afghanistan (Moreland's nephews)  
Brian Short - USMC-Afghanistan (*son of John Short*)  
Matt Patterson-USN (*son of Polly Patterson*)

**COMMUNION**

*If you have an update to the Deacons Care & Compassion list please let the Church Office know as we would like to stay as up to date as possible. Also, If you are a shut in or know of a shut in who would enjoy having communion, please contact the office with your name, date, time and location as there are friends who are willing and anxious to come to you and share the sacraments. Thanks!*



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You can access the Interactive Church Calendar, Sermon Audio Archives and much more. The web site is constantly updated, so be sure to check it out!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU!

November 2  
Sara Lawhon

November 17  
Amy Crumm

December 2  
Rebecca Grove

December 11  
Sharon Ewalt  
Jennifer Reynolds  
Ian Richardson

December 27  
John Carhart  
Jen Highnam

November 3  
Jared Hathaway  
Donald Watson

November 18  
David Lehr

December 3  
Joe Hathaway  
Julie Wilbur

December 12  
Rebecca Hinch  
Brenda Schultze

December 28  
Beth Ruth  
Bonnie Stone

November 4  
Katherine Franks

November 20  
Pam Neighbarger

December 5  
Carrie Swingle

December 15  
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November 21  
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December 16  
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November 9  
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November 23  
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December 7  
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November 10  
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