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Word from Pastor Alice



It makes headline news!
And the winner is...oops!
It happened at the Miss Universe Pageant in 2015 when Steve Harvey read the winner of Miss Universe is Miss Columbia instead of Miss

Philippines. And once again, only this time at the Oscars, when Warren Beatty and Faye Dunaway were given the wrong envelope and announced Best Picture is La La Land instead of Moonlight. Needless to say, it is quite an embarrassing moment on nationwide television.

As we approach this Lenten Season, let us not make the same mistake in our spiritual lives! Sin is far more embarrassing, and its implications upon our spiritual lives are far more detrimental than a contest. We have the option of choosing the winning attributes when we walk with Jesus!

My sermon series entitled, "And the Winner Is..." will focus upon choosing the "winning" spiritual attributes with Jesus by our side.

March 5	Humility Instead of Pride
March 12	Love Instead of Hate
March 19	Prayer Instead of Worry
March 26	Fasting Instead of Feasting
April 2	Generosity Instead of Greed
April 9	Righteousness Instead of
(Palm Sunday)	Popularity
April 13	Service Instead of
(Maundy Thurs)	Selfishness
April 14	Forgiveness Instead of
(Good Friday)	Grudges
April 16	Life Instead of Death
(Easter)	

Hope to see you in worship as we enter into this sacred time of the year following our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ to the cross and to the ultimate rewarding gift of the Resurrection.

I love being your pastor!

Love and Blessings in Jesus!

Alice



Ash Wednesday

IS ON WEDNESDAY, March 1, 2017. We will have a worship service at 6:30 P.M. with the celebration of Holy Communion and the imposition of ashes. Plan to attend and begin the Lenten season with your church family.



THANK YOU!!! For everyone who donated a blanket to Church World Services. You shared warmth and

hope to someone in need throughout the world. \$1000 was collected to help in this worthy cause.



SERVICE OF
HEALING

The next Healing

Service will be held on March 26.



SESSION MEETING

7:00 pm Tuesday March 14th

TRUSTEES MEETINGS

11:15 am Sunday, March 12th

DEACONS MEETINGS

11:15 am Sunday, March 19th

EVANGELISM AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE

7:00 pm Tuesday, March 7th

Helping with Worship

LITURGIST for March is:

Beth Beach

ELDER GREETER for March is:

Harley Bodenbender

HEAD DEACONS for March are:

Jane Collins and Judy Brady

THE USHERING TEAM for March is:

Larry and Pat Myers
Jim & Karon Kaufman

EASTER FLOWER SALE

Our youth and Presbyterian Women are sponsoring the annual Spring Flower Sale to decorate our sanctuary on Easter Sunday. Plants are priced individually as indicated. Lilies or Tulips or Daffodils (\$10) or Azaleas (\$12)



Watch for order forms in the bulletin beginning March 5 to order and specify honorarium or memorial. Proceeds will be divided between the L.I.G.H.T program and the PW. **Payment can be cash or check payable to PCPC.**

We will collect forms and payment on Sunday, March 5, March 12, and March 19 in the parlor following worship. You may see Judy Bodenbender after worship or **mail your order (with payment) to arrive at the Church office by March 19, 2017.**

Lena Robinson Circle March 21 6:30 pm at the Church Nancy Patterson and Rosemary Anderson, Hostesses



PRESBYTERIAN
WOMEN

Friendship Circle

Thursday March 16
@ 11:00 am Lunch

Semi Circle No Meeting this Month

KUMJOINUS IS MOVING DATES!! Kumjoinus is moving from the first Saturday of each month to the **second** Saturday of each month at 6:30 pm. This will help coordinate better with other Saturday activities. The next fellowship is Saturday March 11 with the Pattersons hosting at the church. Bring a dish to share and your own table service & drink. Come join us for a fun, relaxing time of fellowship and GOOD FOOD!

MISSION TRIP TO PT. PLEASANT

This year the mission team will be traveling to Pt. Pleasant, West Virginia. We will be working to restore, upgrade, or rebuild homes in a poverty-stricken area of West Virginia. Not only will we share our carpentry skills, but we will be able to share the love of Jesus Christ with the people of West Virginia. We will leave on Sunday, June 18, and return on Saturday, June 24. Please let Jim Kaufman know as soon as possible if you desire more information and are considering going.



American
Red Cross

Together, we can save a life

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE COMING THIS SUMMER- The

Deacons are planning a blood drive for July. In order to finalize the scheduling, we need to have 45 people sign up. So help recruit your friends and family members. Please check out the sign up and information sheet in the parlor.

NEW MEMBER CLASSES

Anyone who has been worshipping with our church family and desires to formally unite with our church family, a New Members' Class will be offered in March with individuals joining Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017. If you are interested, please prayerfully consider and contact Rev. Alice. She will set a schedule of meetings.



FEED MY SHEEP FOODBANK UPDATE...

The PCPC Food Bank "Feed My Sheep" continues to grow and thrive as an important mission of our Church. We have truly been blessed with an **amazing "crew" of volunteers** who come faithfully each week to help unload, sort, display and joyfully distribute food to a growing group of people in need.

In recent weeks we've seen MORE clients from our local community. We're always in need of **quart zip lock bags, macaroni and cheese, spaghetti and sauce, and peanut butter.** Your generous donations of food, supplies and money helps keep our pantry filled so we can fill the gap when we have a light week of store donations. Plus they give us enough operating capital to continue this work. **Thank You Very Much!**

If you would like to volunteer, or just see "what's going on" or "how it works" please stop by Church any Saturday afternoon. The food arrives around 4:45 PM and we are cleaning up and heading home a little after 6:00 PM. **"It is a blessing to all of us to be able to do this work and only the support of our congregation has made this mission possible."**

Michael George



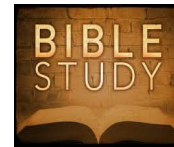
L.I.G.H.T. YOUTH PROGRAM SCHEDULE

School Year 2016-2017

Walk to Emmaus/Paul	Mar. 5, Mar. 12 Off Mar. 19, 26
Lent/Easter	April 2, 9, 23, 30 Off May 1, 7
Psalm 100 (Make a Joyful Noise)	May 21, 28, June 4 Off – June, July, August

If you would like to volunteer with the L.I.G.H.T. program, please contact any of the following: Rosemary Anderson, Carolyn Gibeaut, Rita McCray, or Jerry Smith. Thank you for your consideration in this ministry for our youth.

LEGACY will be meeting Sunday, March 26, 2017 at 4:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. Our theme for February is "From Bulb to Blossom: **SAVED**". Come join us for fellowship, a meal, fun, Bible study and activities! **Legacy is for youth and families and everyone of all ages!** Please let the church office know if you are planning on attending to help in the meal preparation.



SESSION COMMITTEES FOR 2017

Congregational Life: Co-Chairs,
Nancy Patterson, Doug Short,
Roy Woods
Deacon Rep: Mindy Foust

Mission and Evangelism:
Co-Chairs, Cindy Watson Bowen,
Barbara George
Deacon Rep: Janet Johnston

Music and Worship:
Chair, Roy Woods,
Cindy Watson Bowen
Judy Walker, organist
Rev. Alice Phillips, pastor
Members from Congregation: Beth Rihl (2019), Charlene Smith (2018), Janell Tuller (2017)

Personnel:
Chair, Harley Bodenbender,
Bill Pettibone
Deacon Rep: Mike George
Trustee Rep: Whitney Reed

Resources/Gifts/Memorials:
Chair, Bill Pettibone,
Barbara George, Doug Short
Deacon Rep: Judy Brady
Trustee Rep: Bill Bowen
Treasurer: Sally Petznick

Nominating: Chair, Shane Manring
Deacon Rep: Karon Kaufman
Trustee Rep: Gary Gibeaut

BIBLE STUDY OPPORTUNITIES:

SUNDAY

CHRISTIAN CONVERSATIONS

Every **Sunday morning beginning at 9:15 a.m.** in Fellowship Hall outside of the offices (led by Frank and Jerry Smith).

LADIES SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS

BIBLE STUDY AT 9:15 am in the library

Are Studying A Seven Part DVD
Study & Discussion on *Grace*

SATURDAYS – FIRST & THIRD

8:00 -9:00 AM at the church

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Are Studying A Seven Part DVD
Study & Discussion on *Grace*

Come join us!! (Please let Rev. Alice or Bill Pettibone know if you will be attending.) Discussion booklets will be provided free.

MONDAY

PRAYER MEETING 6:00 p.m.

We invite you to join us as we uplift before the Lord in prayer... family, church family, friends, community, country, and world.

BIBLE STUDY 6:30 P.M.

A Study Of Genesis By Bob Russell

A DVD Study With Workbooks In Four Parts

This study consists of Bob Russell's verse by verse teaching through the book of Genesis with discussion questions led by Rev. Alice. The study is helpful in understanding the meaning of the text and applying the timeless truths of God's Word to your personal life.

SAVE THE DATES!!!!
Invite your family and friends.

**Monday, May 1 at
7:00 pm**



**David Ring- A
Cerebral Palsy
victim shares how
he became
Cerebral Palsy
VICTOR! One
Night LIVE
Inspirational
Worship Service**

A love offering will be received. From his website, <http://www.davidring.org> , we learn.....

Few individuals have felt the crushing blows that have besieged David Ring since birth. He was born to lose. On October 28th, 1953, in Jonesboro, Arkansas, David was born with Cerebral Palsy. Orphaned at age 14, he was cast about from family to family with nowhere to call home. He endured constant physical pain, humiliating public ridicule and constant discouragement. Yet in the face of these seemingly insurmountable obstacles, David emerged not victimized...but victorious! Life was worse than hopeless to him until his relationship began with Jesus Christ who taught him self-respect and acceptance of his physical challenges. To most, physical challenges of this magnitude would prove to be a tombstone. For David Ring, this coming of age was and remains a milestone.

Sat June 10 and Sunday June 11- Pastor Bob Russell is Coming!!!

We are excited to be able to bring Pastor. Bob Russell to Plain City for renewal weekend. The Monday night Bible has enjoyed his ministry through his DVD study series but now we can all learn from him **LIVE!** From his website, <http://www.bobrussell.org>, we learn more about his life....

During his senior year of high school, however, Bob realized a desire in his heart to enter the ministry. Soon thereafter, he enrolled in Cincinnati Bible Seminary where he graduated in 1965. At just twenty-two years of age, Bob became the pastor of Southeast Christian Church. That small congregation of 120 members became one of the largest churches in America, with 18,000 people attending the four worship services every weekend in 2006 when Bob retired. Now through Bob Russell Ministries, Bob continues to preach at churches and conferences throughout the United States, provide guidance for church leadership, mentor other ministers and author Bible study videos for use in small groups. Bob's gift of humor and insight, along with his unyielding commitment to honesty and integrity, will inspire the

hearts of those who listen to consider Biblical truths as they relate to life in contemporary culture.

SUNDAY AUGUST 20 WORSHIP SERVICE- HIS BRIDGE BUILDERS QUARTET from Shreve, OH- "His Bridge Builders" was formed in 2009 by a group of men whose desire was "to help bring Jesus Christ into and through people by utilizing His gifts of music, worship and witness." "His Bridge Builders" sings a variety of gospel hymns, current southern gospel, men's choral harmony, and some barbershop styles. A love offering will be received.



MARCH

- 2 - Katelyn Moody
- 3 - Joe Collins
Beth Goode
- 4 - Tom Myers
- 5 - Jay Ferguson
Betty Ferguson
- 8 - Alexis Rihl
- 11 - Sonia Walker
- 15 - Drew Lear
- 16 - D.J. McCray
Arlene Perkins
- 18 - Whitney Reed
- 21 - Mackenzie Johnston Beltz
- 23 - Janell Tuller
- 28 - Brian Berry
- 29 - Vivian Lester
- 30 - Tracy Beach
Bruce Keiser

**MARCH
ANNIVERSARIES**

- 6 - Fred & Brenda
DeLeon
- 13 - Matt & Angie Brown
- 16 - Bryan & Jill Dunham
James & Barbara Berry
- 17 - Larry & Pat Myers
- 21 - Michael & Barbara George





MAX & ERMA'S FUNDRAISER

Enjoy a meal at Max & Erma's on **Thursday, March 2nd** and 20% of your bill will be returned to the Church for our Mission Trip Fund. The voucher for the fundraiser is included below in this newsletter, print it out and take it with you **Gather up your friends and family, and go hungry for lunch or supper! See you there!!**

New Path Pregnancy Resource Centers' Annual Walk4Life 2017

As our ministry continues to shine the light of the gospel and ask the LORD to "Let light shine out of darkness", we are hosting ONE walk at ONE location as ONE family this year.

Saturday, April 29th
@ Marmon Valley Farm
7754 State Route 292 S,
Zanesfield, OH 43360

9:30 Walk Registration
10:30 Lunch & Games after the Walk
Registration will go live on Sunday, March 5th!!

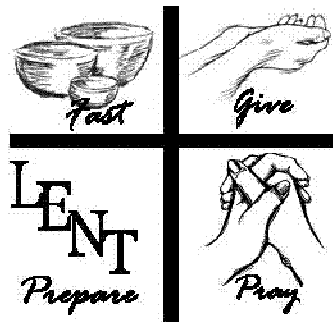
Walkers can register on our website:
www.newpathprc.com

ALL walkers who register by April 6th will receive a FREE t-shirt!

HELP WANTED

TEACHER NEEDED - The St. Paul Early Childhood Center located at the intersection of Rt. 161 & 38 is looking for a part-time teacher M/W/F for the afternoon Enrichment Classroom beginning this fall. Candidates must be Christian, with a Bachelor's Degree in Education, and a passion for teaching and loving children. For further details, please contact Darlene Becker at stpaulearlychildhoodcenter@gmail.com or call 937-349-5939.

LATCHKEY WORKER is needed this September through May at St. Paul Early Childhood Center located at the intersection of Rt. 161 & 38. We anticipate needing someone from 11:00-4:30 Tuesdays & Thursdays. You can let us know of your interest by calling 937-349-5939 OR email at stpaulearlychildhoodcenter@gmail.com.



DNA- Needs Your Fundraising Skills

Looking for a way to get involved in local ministry that employs your gift for networking? DNA is looking for creative and passionate people to join our fundraising team. Persons interested would be expected to be hands on for events or campaigns. Time commitment will vary though out year. This person would need to be a team player and be proficient in email dialogue. Fundraising experience a plus. Email Jared Chase at jchase2882@gmail.com.