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Word from Pastor Alice



Dear Church Family,

May is one of my favorite months of the year. It is the height of springtime...and this year aren't the flowering trees absolutely beautiful? There is just something about everything coming to life after a long winter! Actually, there is just something wonderful when there is new life whether it be in the flowering trees, in the tulips, daffodils, and crocuses popping us through the ground, or when new life comes to a person. That is the most important of all. Jesus gives us new life, and He wants us to share that new life with others.

Many individuals who are cancer survivors know what new life is. One can experience a sense of new life when the surgery is complete and the treatments are done, and one hears that there is no sign of cancer! There is a sense of freedom and hope and a greater appreciation for life itself.

Two years ago this week, we began the cancer support group at church entitled Gentle Spirit. We have been meeting monthly and share a meal compliments of Der Dutchman, have devotions, and pray. There has been a special bond between those of us in the group. The majority are all cancer survivors and none of us right now is currently battling cancer. We lost a very special member of the group, Sue Alderman, as she went home to the Lord last month.

We decided at our last meeting to broaden our scope...we want to be a mission group as well. So in addition to meeting each month for devotions and dinner, we will also be working on no sew fleece blankets to be given away to individuals who are dealing with an extended illness. The blankets will be praved over and sent with love to those who are ill.

We are inviting anyone who wants to join our group, whether you have had cancer or not, to come enjoy the fellowship and prayers and take part in this great mission project.

May sending our love and prayers in Jesus through this blanket project help to spark some "new life" to those who receive them.

Love being your pastor!

Love and Blessings in Jesus!

Alice



Spiritual Support for Cancer Patients and Their Families

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<u>Upcoming Meetings</u> No Trustees in May: Session: Tues, May 14 at 7 pm Deacons: Sun., May 19



May 26 Judy Bodenbender and Barb Berry

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FLOWER CALL- Last year many of you donated a extra flower from your summer planting for the flower beds here at church. Many enjoyed the variety of types and colors. So we are putting out a call again this year.

Bring in an extra flower that you might have and we'll

add it to the bed to bring color and interest for our summer enjoyment. Let's use God's gift of flowers beautify his house of worship. Just drop off in box by the church office.

Thank you to the Deacons for hosting the Easter Breakfast. It was enjoved by all.

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- Thank you to all you purchased Easter flowers. The Women's Circle and Light appreciate your support. Attend on Easter and enjoy their beauty!
- Thank you to everyone who helped with the Township Road Clean up. Your efforts not only helped clean up our community but also helped fund the Mission Trip. Thanks to the Darby Township Trustees for allowing us the opportunity.
- Thank you to everyone who contributed to and helped with the Mayer family funeral dinner. It was very much appreciated by the family.
- Thank you to Janell Wilcox for donating 50 cup coffee urn to the church.
- Thank you to all the Lenten Candle lighters- Judy and Harley Boden-



bender, Nancy and Don McKelvey, Steve and Nancy Patterson and Morgyn Craney, John and Linda Watson, Chris, Whitney, Ian, Henleigh and Olivia Reed, Maddie and Connor Johnston, Gary and Carolyn Gibeaut.

Thank you to all those helping with preparations for the Maundy Thursday Seder Meal- Carol Burkhart, Pay

Myers, Judy Brady, Karon Kaufman, Beth Beach, Judy Bodenbender.

- Thanks to Beth Beach, John Rihl, and Drew Lear for helping with Good Friday services.
- Thank you to Judy Walker and choir for all the wonderful special music at Easter.
- Thank you to all who donated cookies and helped in setting up for to the National Day of Prayer. It was much appreciated!! A special thank you to Charlie Stenner for being the featured speaker.

A Note of Thanks from John and Pat Jordan:

John and I would like to thank everyone for the cards, flowers, delicious food and your prayers. Your generosity has been overwhelming. Your visits brighten my day. May life bring all of you a reflection of the kindness you have shown to us.

Come share in the study of God's word with each other.



Our ever faithful **CHRISTIAN CON-**

VERSATIONS group meets every Sunday at 9:15 am in the Fellowship Hall outside the church offices. This group is led by Frank and Jerrv Smith. Come join the conversation.



Ladies Sunday School Class led by Rev. Alice Sundays at 9:15 am Come join us for this Mini- Bible Study on finding Unexpected

Strength when disappointments leave you shattered.

MONDAY NIGHT PRAYER /STUDY Begins again May 6

Prayer time <u>6:30 pm</u> & Bible Study begins 6:45 pm Begins a Study on James as we learn to grow in Christ.

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Jim Kaufman

Bob Watson

Teresa Perkins

Mary Lou Rihl Ray Russell

Deidra Hurlev

Karen Stewart

pitalization during the month.

Senior Recognition Sunday on May 5



Please join the Presbyterian Women's Circle as we honor our graduating seniors, Nick Bodenbender and Thomas Stapp.





Nick Bodenbender will be graduating from Hilliard Davidson High School and will be continuing his education at Bowling Green State University, studying sports management.

<u>Thomas Stapp</u> will be graduating from Fairbanks High School and Tolles Career and Technical Center with training in welding and will continue his education at the University of Northwestern Ohio focusing on either auto or diesel mechanics. He also plans to join the Army Reserve.

Best wishes to these two fine young men!

May 19 - Installation of New Acolytes

We thank Katelyn Rihl, Sara Gordon, and Sophia Manring for accepting the responsibility of serving as new acolytes.

We owe a **HUGE "THANK YOU"** to **Alexis Rihl** and **Ian Reed** for their long time faithful service as weekly acolytes. Your service was VERY MUCH appreciated!!



Please keep these church members in your thoughts and prayers as they go through a time of loss for a dear family member or friend.

The family and friends of Betty Mayer The family and friends of Sue Alderman The family and friends of Pete Spike

The family and friends of Bill Dobbins (Richard and Joyce Harper brother- in- law)

Those gone but known within our hearts.

MISSION TRIP OPPORTUNITY:

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 car-



pentry 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 16, and return on Saturday, June 23. Please let Jim Kaufman know as soon as possible if you desire more information and are considering going.



PPC PRESSING NEWS

Mark your calendars now for Vacation Bible School 6/24-6/28

Invite your kiddos and grand-kiddos, neighbors and friends.

Explore Where God's Power Can Take You with To Mars and Beyond Vacation Bible School. Galaxy voyagers journey from their galactic outpost on special missions to collect power sources. Along the way, they'll learn how God walked with heroes of the Bible, and that God is always with them, too. Everyone enjoys the amazing space theme. Our fearless leader, Rosemary Anderson, is need of volunteers so please let her know if you can help in any way.

June 24-28, 2019

LIGHT (Learning in God's House <u>Together) Begins again May 5</u>

LIGHT will begin again on May 5 with

Rosemary sharing the Abraham's about covenant and his wife Sarah and the his son Issac.

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There are children

bulletins and puzzle sheets on the back table for activity during our off-weeks while encouraging your children to experience worship.

Thank you to Whitney Reed for leading our 6th Grade and older students in their own study called **Dealing with** Doubt.

REMEMBERING OUR SHUT-INS



If you know someone is at a facility, take the time to stop by and say hi. Driving by the home bound? A quick visit always makes the days go faster.

Mary Mitchell- Prestige Gardens Marysville

Liz and Bob Schlitz—Home Our Shut-ins Dick Harper—Home

Fred DeLeon - Home

Marian Thomas- Dublin Retirement Village Independent Living

Pat Stenner—Dublin Retirement Village Assisted Living

Pat & Chuck Stoker—Home

Alice Shalosky— Home

Bryan Becker—Home Tara- The Convalarium

Arlene Perkins- Walnut Crossing Assisted Living, Marysville

Ray & Jean Russell, Emily Baker, Malcolm Lear- Edgewater Assisted Living

TLC- This new ministry is for ALL the members and friends of our church family who may need some extra help at different times in life. After a hospital stay Following a crisis in his/her life Following the death of a loved one Seniors needing extra help Rev. Alice will be coordinating the team. If you have a need, call her on her cell phone 740-391-2531. The T.L.C. team will help with Phone call visits • Personal visits in your home • Help with chores around the home (changing light bulbs, raking leaves, shoveling snow, etc...) • Transportation to and from doctor appointments (YOU MUST PROVIDE AT LEAST 24 hour notice • for this service) Meals at time of illness or difficulty • Companionship service for an ill loved one at home while family member runs errands, etc.

Grocery shopping and/or delivery of groceries.

TLC WILL NOT provide housecleaning services or any type of medical services.



FEED MY SHEEP FOODBANK INFO...

The PCPC Food Bank "Feed My Sheep" continues to grow and serve 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 distrib-

ute food to a growing group of people in need. We're having over 30 families on a regular basis.

Here are a list of items that we can always use as donations:

- Quart Zip Lock Bags (especially needed)
- **Macaroni and Cheese**
- **Box Cereals**
- **Spaghetti and Sauce** •
- Peanut butter
- Plastic grocery bags

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

Gentle Spirit - May 2 at 6 pm

Are you or a family member struggling emotionally with cancer and its treatments or life after treatment? Come join Gentle Spirit, a Christian

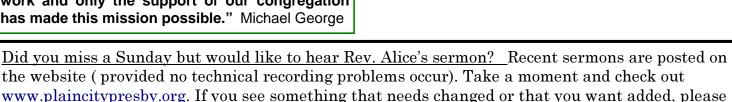


emotional and spiritual support group for help during this difficult time. Rev. Alice and Beth Beach, both cancer

survivors, are co-facilitating this group at the monthly meeting. With the generous support of Der Dutchman, each gathering begins with a light meal, followed by a Scripture meditation, sharing and prayer. Please let the church office or Rev. Alice know if you plan to attend.

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Have you been saving your pop tabs this year? Ask your family and friends to collect too. Our collection jar in the parlor is still pretty low. LET"S GET IT FILLING UP! You may not think those tabs mean much but when many are collected it does generate funds. Plus your efforts remind those dealing with ill children that they are remembered and supported. They will go to the Ronald McDonald House in Columbus for their work in supporting patients and families.



let Carolyn know.



Max & Erma's-Come support the mission trip and enjoy a meal out on Thursday, May 2 the first Thursday of each month. lust share the coupon with your server to

give our church

credit.





THANK YOU For answering the call for Chairs for Stenner Hall



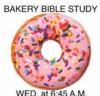


GOOD NEWS: We have accumulated enough funds to pur-

chase 30 chairs with arms and 60 chairs without arms for Stenner Hall. We thank the congregation for their generosity; and also the Plain City Lions Club for their generous donation of \$1,000.00. We anticipate their delivery sometime in June.

POTENTIAL NEW BIBLE STUDIES TIMES





Are you interested in bible study, but Monday evenings just don't work for you?? In the fall, there may be more opportunities. These will be identical studies as the Monday night bible study but at a different time. If you are interested, please use the sign- up in the bulletins or let Rev. Alice or . There will need to be at least three persons sign up for a new section to begin.









Sunday Schedule:

9:15- Christian Conversations -Outside Offices/ Ladies SS Library

10:00 Worship

LIGHT after Children's Sermon based on Schedule

11:15 Fellowship in Parlor

			1 7 pm Choir	2-Max and Er- mas-National Day of Prayer Noon Past Time	3	4 4:30 Food Bank
5 Senior Tea after Worship Mission Trip Mtg 6 pm	6 6:30 Prayer 6:45 Bible Study Cubs 7pm	7 Scouts 7 pm	8 7 pm Choir	9 7 pm PC Lions	10	11 4:30 Food Bank
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05/15	Mary	Mitchell		Richard	Meeker	5/26	Drew & Sherline Lear
05/16	Michael	George	09/91	Kicharu	Wieeker		
05/16	Kim	Bodenbender					
05/17	John	Jordan					
05/19	Meghan	Andrews					
05/19	Leonard	Rihl					