

# The Chimes

Welcome Home to the Church you remember.....  
Welcome Home to St. John's!



## Prayer List

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all of our shut-ins and the following members, David Hummel, Lois Boldt, Rev. Harold Beesley, Jean Livingston, Alison Armstrong, Shirley Rohan, Donna Hewitt, Lynn Edgington, Barb Smith, Noah Armstrong, Glenda Prescott, Brooke (McDonald) Hall, Dorothy Zerger, Barbara Cunningham, Judy Armstrong, Kathy Wilson, Mary Lou Hostetler, Sharon Hickman, Jeanette Morris, Faith Kelly, Braxton Picklesimer, Doris Sheets, Billie Lynne Sheets, Sandra Donson, Megan Crase, Paula Hatfield, Marla Crowthers, Michele Reedy & Laura Katrick.

Please call the church office if you know of any sick or hospitalized members. Remember if you want someone on the prayer chain, you can fill out a card and drop it in the offering plate or call or e-mail Bea.

Monthly Faith Promise goal	\$	9,825.00
Income as of February 19, 2017		<u>7,662.00</u>
Month to Date Balance	(\$	2,163.00)



Youth and Family skating party  
March 29<sup>th</sup> at Roll-A-Way  
Skating Rink, in Newark 5pm –  
9pm. This event is FREE for St.  
John's families. Please sign up

in the Fellowship Room or email  
[stjohnsucc.ce@windstream](mailto:stjohnsucc.ce@windstream) to RSVP.

Remember you can go to  
[www.stjohnsnewark.org](http://www.stjohnsnewark.org) and check out  
upcoming events on the calendar!



Also, remember to "Like" us and  
follow us on Facebook. There is a direct link  
on our website!

## Church Family News

### Thank You!

Dear Our Church Family,

We would like to thank everyone for their thoughts, prayers and texts during Billie Lynne's recent hospital stay at Nationwide Children's. We have spent more time in the last three months going to and from and having the support of our church family means the world to us. We would also like to thank Rev Mark for coming and sitting with us for a bit as well. We are happy to let everyone know that she is doing well now we are just fighting med changes. God Bless and Thanks Again

Jessica Paynter, Patrick Sheets, Billie Lynne and our families

I would like to thank Rev. Katrick for the hospital visits and the congregation for the phone calls, cards and especially the prayers. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Marla Crowthers

### ADULT CHURCH SCHOOL

Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 in the Meeting Room -  
"Put Right with God through Faith - Romans"

Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 in the Meeting Room -  
"Sound Teaching for Faithful Living - Corinthians"

Sunday, March 19<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 in the Meeting Room -  
"The Son Shall Set Us Free - Galatians"

Sunday, March 26<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 in the Meeting Room -  
"Our Great High Priest - Hebrews"



### Lunch Bunch!

Lunch Bunch, the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>  
Tuesdays @ 12:00 in the Meeting  
Room

March 14<sup>th</sup> – "Twelve Women of the Bible - Mary  
of Bethany"

March 28<sup>th</sup> – "Twelve Women of the Bible -  
Martha"

## Member News!



**Linda Wolfle** who joined late December, 2016. She enjoys NASCAR and loves spending time with her family.

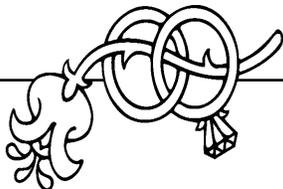
Welcome  
Our New  
Members

**Robin Lyn Green** a new member who joins St. John on February 26, 2017 She is married to Paul and they have a son, Adam, a daughter, Alexis and eight grandchildren. Robin is an attorney and enjoys plays, musicals, camping and reading.



## Congratulations!

Caitlyn Tulloss and Adam Garner are engaged to be married in the fall of 2018. Caitlyn is the daughter of Dick and Pamela Tulloss.. She is a 2013 graduate of Northridge High School and is set to graduate from Capital University in 2017. The prospective groom is the son of Tim and Patricia Garner of Pickerington. He's a 2011 graduate of Pickerington High School North and a 2014 graduate of Otterbein University. He's set to graduate in 2017 from Trinity Lutheran Seminary.



## School & Campus News!

### Congratulations!

**Nathaniel Kroah** was elected Vice President of Finance for AIESEC at Ohio University. AIESEC is an international youth-led organization that strives to achieve peace in the world through global volunteering and experiences

**Colleen Kroah** made the Principal's list at Newark High School.

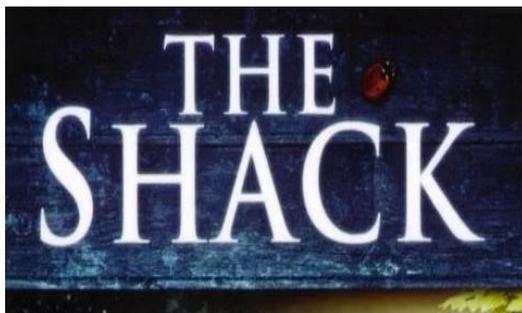
**Lauren French** and **Jesse Chirdon** both made the Otterbein University's 2016 Fall Dean's List. Students must be full-time with a grade point average of at least 3.6 to qualify.

**Caitlyn Tulloss** was named to President's list for Capital University.

**Meghan Tulloss** was named to Dean's list for Mt. Vernon Nazarene University.

**Meghan** is going on a mission trip through MVNU, over Spring break. Her group is going to Ft. Lauderdale to build a playground.

★★★★  
**Well Done!**



Would you like to see the movie with church friends? St. John's is planning a group to see the movie March 5, 2017 at 1:00pm. At this time, we will be traveling to Pickerington, but there is the possibility of the movie coming to the Indian Mound Mall. Please let Julie Kroah or Rev. Katrick know if you are interested.

## Pastor's Thoughts – Rev. Mark Katrick

One of my favorite church cartoons has a minister facing an empty church except for the sexton, who is saying, "Pastor, it's spring forward, fall back." The month of March not only features the first day of Spring, but the day we set our clocks ahead one hour. And on March 1st, we will begin another Lenten journey together with the observance of Ash Wednesday.

If someone asked me to describe the season of Lent in two words, "spring forward" would do nicely. The forty days from Ash Wednesday to Easter (excluding Sundays) provide an excellent opportunity for the renewal of our faith.

In letting go of sin, temptation, guilt and regret, our old lives begin to "fall back". In God, through the redemptive activities of our Lord and Savior, we "spring forward" into the new life Christ gives.

Every step we take with Jesus on our Lenten journeys - in prayer and contemplation, in worship and ministry, in giving up and taking up - brings us one step closer to experiencing "resurrection" in the here and now.

In a sermon, Carl Hoefler puts it this way:

"Lent is not a time to regret our faults or to rehearse our failures as much as it is a time to renew our faith that God is at work creating a promising future out of the mess that we have made of his world and of our lives.

Lent is a time to lift up the cross - not as a pious whip to inflict self-punishment, or as a gavel of judgment to condemn the wrongdoings of others. Rather, lift it high enough to permit the first rays of Easter morn to reflect upon its surface so that the cross might become a beacon of light for all the hopeless, desolate, and despairing people of our world. Lent is a time of renewal and of the restoration of our faith in the redemptive activities of God."

Late one evening, a pastor was practicing his Lenten sermon to an empty church, except for his small son who sat in the back. The sight of his father talking seriously to empty pews struck the little boy as being funny - he laughed.

Hearing this laughter, the father went to his son and gently said, "We don't laugh in church during Lent." "Why?" asked the boy. "Because Lent is the time we remember that Jesus died for us," the father replied.

"Is Jesus dead?" inquired the son. "No," answered the father. "Jesus died but he didn't stay dead. He rose from the grave and is alive in you and me right now." The little boy thought for a moment, and then he said, "I think it must have been the Jesus alive in me that made me laugh."



Chucky

Here are Chucky the Church Mouse's notes from the Congregational Meeting. Susan takes really good minutes but the only place you can find my scribbles is in "The Chimes".

My favorite part was the potluck dinner. My favorite part is always the potluck dinner.

My next favorite part was the dessert table. Did you ever read the book, "If you Give a Mouse a Cookie (he'll probably want a glass of milk)"? It's true.

My next favorite part was when Tom talked about the kitchen. The kitchen is the "bestest" room in the church, but Chester and me ain't allowed in there.

My next favorite part was getting to sign the 175th anniversary scroll. Look closely and you'll see where I signed. Did you know it's really hard to get ink off your paws?

It made me sad that President Terry's term is up. He always has nice things to say about the church mouse. He always has nice things to say about everybody. And he brought muffins to the Christian Ed meetings.

It made me happy when Brian, Elaine and John were elected to council. Now let's talk about a line item in the budget for more Cheetos®. Do I hear a motion? A second?

And did you know that I was really the one to make the motion to adjourn? But Alan beat me to it again!



## **AFTERNOON CIRCLE MEETS MARCH 1**

The Afternoon Circle of the Women's Guild meets again on Wednesday, March 1, at 1:00 p.m., in the Meeting Room of the church. This is Ash Wednesday and Elaine Gard will bring the program entitled "The Wilderness". Devotions will be given by Jeanette Morris; hostesses for the day are Sandy Johnson and Janet Snider.

The Mission Project for March/April will be band-aids for Ben Franklin School. Everyone from the congregation is welcome to attend.

## **LENT BEGINS - Ash Wednesday Service, March 1, 2017 at 7:00 p.m.**

### **Lenten Offering**



Another way to experience the exciting possibilities of this season is through our Lenten offering. Your gifts go towards our Mission and Outreach Committee in support of local and wider ministries

## **NEWS FROM CHURCH COUNCIL**

### **Help needed for the Portrayal 2017**

Church Council is in need of members and friends to help facilitate the Portrayal on April 13<sup>th</sup>, 2017 Maundy Thursday.

We especially need make-up, costuming of cast, decorating and stage assembling persons to provide their skills along with helping hands to make this a great success. This year we will have some cast members from Highwater UCC learning how we present this event.

Are you willing to help? Please! contact Greg Crowthers at 740-522-5702, Rev. Mark or leave a note with Anita for Greg.

## **2017 CHURCH COUNCIL**

**President** – Greg Crowthers – **Property Management Committee**

**Vice-President** – Mike Livingston – **Church & Ministry Committee**

**Secretary** – Susan Jansheski – **Mission & Outreach Committee**

**Treasurer** – Ken Kroah - **Finance & Stewardship**

**Asst. Treasurer** – Brian Lensink\* - **Finance & Stewardship Committee**

**Member/Jeff Knepp** - **Congregational Care Committee**

**Member/Elaine Gard\*** – **Christian Education Committee**

**Member/John West\*** - **Evangelism & Outreach Committee**

**Member/Jeanette Morris** - **Music Committee**

**Member/Adam Crase** - **Personnel Committee**

**Member/Kevin French** - **Property Management Committee**

**Member/ We need one more volunteer!** – **Special Events**

Thank you, Terry Gano, Jeff Conner, Alan Crowthers, and Laurie Homrighouse for your service for the past three years. We truly appreciate everything that you have accomplished during your term serving on St. John's Church Council. Thanks for all you do!

\*New for 2017

from the MISSION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE:

A warm **THANK YOU** to all who brought blankets and gave money for blankets during January, Blanket Month.

February contributions were made to:

St. Vincent DePaul - \$250  
Licking County Jail Ministries - \$250  
Licking County Coalition of Care - \$100  
Church World Service (for blankets) - \$100

Looking ahead, the South Newark Civic Association clean-up day will be on April 22, 2017.

Next meeting will be on March 2, 2017 at 6:30 p.m.

**One Great Hour of Sharing** enables the United Church of Christ to reach people and communities affected by disaster, displacement or poverty. We help provide assistance to families and communities around the world, helping them to become stronger, healthier and better equipped to address hardships and catastrophe.

When we give, as the United Church of Christ, our congregation can stand strong in the midst of need whether it is local or far away. When God's love abides in us, we are moved to respond with our own material goods to the needs of others in God's family.

On March 26th, there will be envelopes in the bulletin for you to donate to this worthy cause. Thank you for your support. Every gift matters.

Mission and Outreach Committee

### MEET OUR NEW ARCHIVIST

Mrs. Cindy Dunn has agreed to be our new Archivist (*a person in charge of the archives*). You have admired Cindy's work with all of the new scrapbooks during our 175<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration. She has agreed to continue to collect and preserve things important to our history.

Cindy needs your help in this huge undertaking! Along with special bulletins, pictures, etc., we want to keep track of what our church family members are doing in the community. When you see an article or picture in the Advocate or other publication, when you see an obituary or receive a funeral card for one of our family, or anything else that pertains to our church family, please cut it out, along with the publication name and date, and place it in the "ARCHIVIST Cindy Dunn" box in the cabinet outside the Church Office. Cindy will collect them from there and preserve them in a scrapbook or other permanent collection for the future. Don't be shy about bringing things in, please, we'd rather have too many copies of something than nothing at all.

THANK YOU, Cindy, for taking on this task. Thank you, Church Family, for helping!

By the way, your Anniversary Committee is still busy sorting and filing, and deciding on the proper storage cabinets for all of our archives.

**URGENTLY NEEDED: DRIVERS to provide transportation for church members to and from church functions, especially Sunday mornings.**  
**Please call the church office (740) 323-2407 A.S.A.P.**



St. John's has changed our RADIO FREQUENCY!

Sunday Services on WCLT 98.7FM

As you know, St. John's 10:30 a.m. Sunday services can be heard at 9 a.m. Sunday mornings on WCLT Radio. In the past, we were broadcast on 1490AM, but that is changing. Now tune your radio to 98.7FM at the same time to hear our worship services. The FM channel is a better quality of signal, even in bad weather. So, if you miss church due to travel, illness or any reason, tune to WCLT 98.7FM to hear what you've missed.



Wednesdays during Lent, we will be having a Bible study, discussing the movie **The Shack** based on the best-selling book of the same name by William P. Young. See the movie in theaters starting Friday March 3, then, join us Wednesday evenings March 8, 15, 22, 29 & April 5 from 6:30 to 7:30pm for study and discussion lead by Rev. Katrick. Soup and crackers will be served. Studies guides are available for a suggested donation of \$7.00. Child care provided. We also have available 4 copies of the book for you to borrow as well.



**Family Roller Skating.** Parents and kids!! Wednesday, March 29 5 – 9pm at Roll-A-Way in Newark. The CE Committee will be covering the cost of admission if you RSVP to [stjohnsucc.ce@windstream](mailto:stjohnsucc.ce@windstream) or the CE office mailbox by March 12. Skate rental is \$1.00 or \$3.00 for speed or in line skates



Easter morning, April 16, come join us for breakfast prepared by our Youth. Enjoy pancakes, eggs, sausage and biscuits. We will be serving from 8am to 9:45am, then enjoy fellowship time until 10:00.



Youth Sunday will start Saturday April 22 at 6:00pm with the Youth overnight and end after Youth Sunday service April 23. **We are looking for a second adult to chaperone this event.** We will have dinner Saturday evening and plan the Youth Sunday service. After that, we will have fun, fellowship and games (if you have a Nerf gun bring it with you.) The next morning, after breakfast we will share our message at the 8:00am service and the 10:30 service.



The Youth are selling Signature brand candy bars before and after the 10:30am service for \$1.00. They have crunch, caramel and almond. Money raised will go toward Youth events.



On February 5<sup>th</sup>, St. John's Youth participated in The Soup-er Bowl of Caring. Thanks to your generous donations, the Youth were able to give \$301.75 to the Licking County Food Pantry. Thank you!



**Adult class 9:00am.**

**Bible Discovery Zone** during the 10:30am service.

**Nursery care and Pre-school class** available at 10:00am.

<u>Cradle Roll</u>	<u>Bible Discovery Zone</u>	<u>DVD FILMING</u>	<u>Acolytes</u>	<u>Sound System</u>
5: Frances Hill	5: Kara Deal & Olivia Workman	5: John West	5: Olivia Workman	5: Julie Kroah
12: Julie Kroah	12: Ken Kroah & Colleen Kroah	12: Dick Tulloss	12: Makayla Sheets	12: Tom Lawyer
19: Kayla Hill	19: Brian Lensink & Connor Boyce	19: Gary Kinser	19: Connor Boyce	19: Dick Tulloss
26: Frances Hill	26: Julie Kroah & Makayla Sheets	26: Ken Kroah	26: Makayla Sheets	26: Ken Kroah



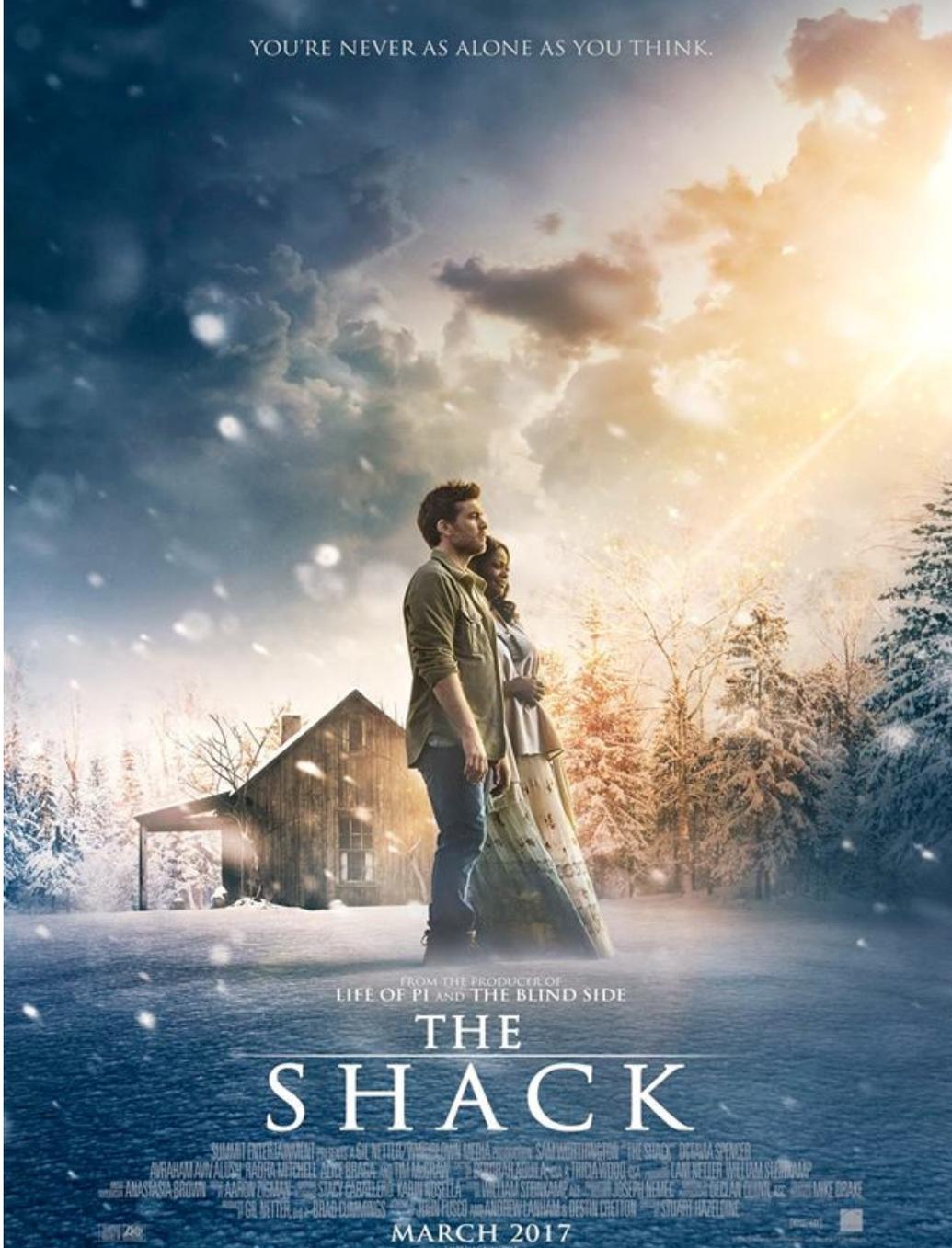
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**SEE THE MOVIE IN THEATERS STARTING MARCH 3**

5-week study based on the movie at St. John's UCC  
Wednesdays during Lent

**MARCH 8, 15, 22, 29 & APRIL 5**

**6:30 – 7:30PM**

# March

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>26</b> 8:00 AM Chapel Service 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service -Sanctuary with Bible Discovery Zone after Children's Moment</p>	<p><b>27</b></p>	<p><b>28</b> 12:00 PM LUNCH BUNCH BIBLE STUDY 6:00 PM Men's Fellowship at South Newark Civic Association Meeting House- Guest speaker Bryn A Bird, Dir. of the Canal Market District and Hub</p>	<p><b>1</b> 1:00 PM Afternoon Circle Meeting 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice 7:00 PM ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE</p>	<p><b>2</b> 10:00 AM Sewing Circle 6:30 PM Mission &amp; Outreach Meeting 7:00 PM Choir Practice</p>		<p><b>4</b></p>
<p><b>5</b> 8:00 AM Chapel Service 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service -Sanctuary with Bible Discovery Zone after Children's Moment</p>	<p><b>6</b></p>	<p><b>7</b> 10:00 AM Church &amp; Ministry Meeting</p>	<p><b>8</b> 10:00 AM Christian Education Meeting 10:00 AM N.A.R.F.E. Meeting 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice 6:30 PM Lenten Study - based on "The Shack"</p>	<p><b>9</b> 7:00 PM Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>10</b></p>	<p><b>11</b></p> 
<p><b>12</b> 8:00 AM Chapel Service 9:00 AM Adult Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship Service -Sanctuary with Bible Discovery Zone after Children's Moment</p>	<p><b>13</b></p>	<p><b>14</b> 12:00 PM LUNCH BUNCH BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM Finance &amp; Stewardship Meeting</p>	<p><b>15</b> 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice 6:30 PM Lenten Study - based on "The Shack"</p>	<p><b>16</b> 10:00 AM Sewing Circle 6:30 PM Music Committee Meeting 7:00 PM Choir Practice</p>	<p><b>17</b></p>	<p><b>18</b></p>
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*Easter Lilies*

This Easter, we will again beautify our sanctuary with an array of Easter lilies, which will be purchased from a local nursery. If you would like to participate in this celebration of Easter, please fill out the form below or contact the church office. 6" pot (6 or more blooms) Traditional white \$ 9.00

**THE DEADLINE** for placing orders is **Thursday, March 30, 2017.**

I desire the office to purchase a lily for me to keep.

I desire the office to purchase a lily to be donated to a shut-in.

Be sure to complete the following to be printed in the bulletin: (i.e.: In honor of or in memory of..... by .....) for lily purchases, Abiding Memorials and/or Foundation Fund Contributions.



Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

You may also choose to remember a loved one with a gift to the Abiding Memorial Fund or the Foundation Fund. All such gifts noted and received **BY April 9, 2017** will be listed in the bulletin on **April 16, 2017 Easter Sunday.**

Abiding Memorial and Foundation Fund Cards and Envelopes are available in the literature rack in the Narthex or use this form and place in the offering plate with your contribution.

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