

Welcome Home!

to the Church you remember....Welcome home to....



The 2021 July Chimes

United Church of Christ



Prayer List

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all of our shut-ins and the following members, David Hummel, Alison Armstrong, Barbara & Mel Cunningham, Mary Lou Hostetler, Jeanette Morris, Sandra Donson, Machele & John West, Dick Boyd, Kate Hannum Rose, Debi Snow, Kathy Wilson, Judy Armstrong, Braxton Picklesimer, Vicky McGee, Virginia Lavelle, Brenda Simross, Paula Hatfield, Donna & Loren Hewitt, Harriett Applegate, Charles & Lois Meyers, Mike Boyce, Relna Cornell, Esther Gillham, Helen McGaughy, Barbara McKee, Martti Saari, Jessica Paynter & Charles Foucht.

Please contact the church office if you know of any sick or hospitalized members. Remember if you want someone on the Bea's Blessings prayer chain, you can email Michelle Reedy jmichele.reedy@gmail.com

Financial Update

Monthly Faith Promise goal	\$ 8,606.92
Income June 27, 2021	\$ 8,058.00
Month to Date Balance	(\$ 548.92)



We congratulate, Joseph J. Landis, Jr.! He graduated from the U.S. Air Force Academy and is now commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in the U.S. Marine Corps.

Thank You

To St John's UCC,
Thank you for the lovely plaque awarded to Gary on Sunday, 5/23/2021 for his service at the outdoor worship. We certainly feel verified, amplified, justified, mystified, qualified, humbled, satisfied, electrified, certified and classified by your kind expressions. The plaque will hang in a special identified place in our home.

Sincerely, Gary Kinser (and April)

St. John's United Church of Christ,
Thank you so much for your donation. We greatly appreciate your willingness to support The Haven financially. It is because of donors like you that we can continue to provide services to the homeless of Licking County.

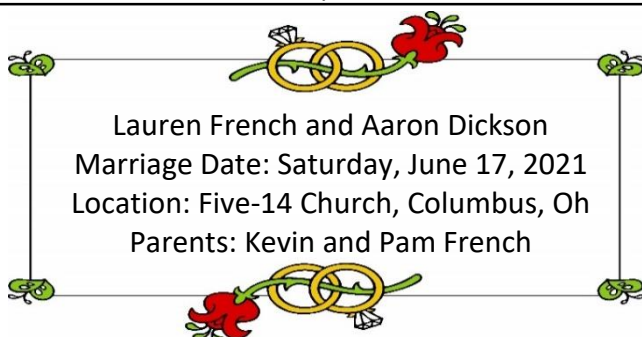
Thank you,
Natalie Freeman

Thank you to St. John's for supporting our trip to Big Creek Missions in Kentucky. Serving the people of Leslie and Clay counties with the others missionaries is a highlight of our summer. Thank you for allowing us to represent St. John's by sharing the Good News to others through worship and work.
The Kroah Family



Avery Rae Powers
Born: July 15, 2020
Baptized: June 13, 2021

Parents: Joshua Andrew and Lindsay Michele Powers
Brothers: Christian Allen and Elijah Andrew
Grandparents: Tim and Beth Powers
Godparents: James and Andrea Gaul





Dear members and friends of St. John's,

"All the brothers and sisters send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss." (1 Corinthians 16:20)

"Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you for the glory of God." (Romans 15:7)

My first preaching assignment as a student at Ashland Theological Seminary, was at the Perrysville Presbyterian Church. The dozen or so worshippers liked my sermon so much that they welcomed me back several more times.

As exciting as it was to preach, I was almost as excited to greet people after the service. I'll never forget how it felt to walk down the center aisle, put on my best preacher's smile and start shaking hands.

Since that Sunday morning, I've preached and shook hands at many churches – 40 years' worth to be exact. As the song says, "I've been everywhere, man!" And it's never gotten old. After 15 months of covid restrictions, it feels all fresh and new to be shaking your hands again in the sanctuary of St. John's UCC.

It's like we're having a rebirth right into this age of hybrid worship. What a blessing it was (and is) to have our drive-in services, even if it meant welcoming you through open car windows, or waving at you from the front steps after the benedictions. And we'll continue to share hospitality in-person and virtually, by worshipping indoors and outdoors and live-streaming.

If I ever took these "How do you do?" moments for granted, I never will again. I stand ready – pun intended, to shake your hands, bump fists, touch elbows or simply exchange smiles. It's all a part of what Paul refers to as a "holy kiss" an ancient practice of affection and friendship much like the modern handshake.

As your pastor and fellow traveler on our faith journeys, I want you to always feel welcome and appreciated for the persons you are, and the gifts you bring. And whether it's for a season, or many seasons in your lives, I want you to know that St. John's is a sacred space, where you can feel safe and secure in the loving arms of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior.

In Christ's love,

Rev. Mark

Afternoon Circle Will Meet on Wednesday, July 7.

We will meet in the church's backyard at 1:00 p.m. It's NATIONAL TELL THE TRUTH DAY, so we will be having some fun with the ninth Commandment, as we celebrate meeting together once again.

We will meet for 1 hour, social distance, wear masks if necessary. Should it rain, we will go inside.

The Afternoon Circle is open to all women of our church family. We collect \$1 dues, and pennies for the Fellowship of the Least Coin.

NEWS FROM CHURCH COUNCIL –

The Church Council of St. John's met on Monday, June 21.



Treasurer's Report: Frank Davis

We are \$8105 ahead in Faith Promise giving, and \$5.76 below budget in expenses.

Pastor's Report: Pastor Mark Katrick

We will continue to use caution regarding hand-shaking, etc.

South Newark Civic Association will hold a Pancake Breakfast at St. John's on August 14 or 21, 2021, benefiting its Community Development Project.

St. John's will host a hi-bred (both in person and virtual) meeting of the Central Southeast Ohio Association on Saturday, October 30, 2021. We will need people for greeters, serving light snacks, etc.

Congregational Care Committee: Charles Dudley

Is working to bring our active military list up to date.

Christian Education Committee: Elaine Gard

A small but very successful Vacation Bible School: 15 children, 15 leaders learned about Jonah.

The Kroah family participated in the Mission Trip in Kentucky.

Property Committee: Tom Lawyer and Frank Davis

Bids are being taken for cleaning and sealing the stamped concrete on the patio.

Work will begin on the concrete slab at the front door and on the concrete driveway in early June.

Church and Ministry Committee: Jeff Conner

Now using a brass offering plate when presenting the offering for dedication outside.

Looking for volunteers to help as liturgist for any of our 3 services.

Mission and Outreach Committee: Owen Lee

June donations were to the Look Up Center, and Vertical 196.

Old Business: Parking Lot Redo: Frank Davis

4 bids have been received from asphalt companies for:

Redoing the 3 concrete catch basins

Milling the lots and putting down 3 inches of asphalt (both parking lots, the alley to Prospect Street, the Parsonage driveway) (including grinding down the old stuff for patching)

Replacing the parking blocks

Restriping

The Stewardship and Finance Committee has set aside \$115,000 for the parking lot from the Reserve Fund, subject to Congregational approval.

A **Special Congregation Meeting** is being called for **Sunday, July 18th**. More detailed information will be coming out prior to the meeting date. Voting will be by ballots at each of the 3 Sunday services, by email, regular mail, or making arrangements to come into the office to vote. All ballots are due by the end of the 11:00 a.m. worship service on Sunday, July 18.

Council will decide on the bids after the vote.

The church building officially reopens for meetings, practices, community events on July 1, 2021.

Tables will be set up again in Hermann Hall.

If you have anything setting out in Hermann Hall, please put it away.

The next meeting of Church Council will be Monday, July 19, at 6:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room. All members of St. John's are always welcome to attend.

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2021 Proposed Parking Lot Repair Expenditure up to \$115,000.00

Name _____



Approve



Against

Licking County Coalition of Care

Volunteers Are Needed:

- Intake Workers
- Assessment Workers
- Housekeeping
- Maintenance
- Grounds keeping
- Painting
- Plumbing

If you would like to volunteer at the COC, please call 740-670-9700 option 2. If you would like more information about what the Licking County Coalition of Care is all about and how you can help support us, please email info@coalitionofcare.com.

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When Bad Things Happen to Good People by Radical by Harold S. Kushner. Six in-depth studies connecting the bible to life.

The Miracles of Jesus—by Deeper Connections edited by Matt Williams. Looks at how the miracles of Jesus shows the power of God and also reveals His character.

For Children

The Bible in Story and Pictures by Harold Begbie

*** These featured books and DVD's can be found in the church library on the center shelves***



We had a great group of kids and volunteers this year at Big Fish Bay Vacation Bible School. We learned the story of Jonah and about God's mercy. Our VBS mission this year was the Back Bay Mission in Biloxi Mississippi. With the help of the Mission and Outreach committee we will be sending \$350.97 to BackBay Mission. Thank you to everyone who helped make this year a success, those who volunteered their time before during and after VBS, who baked cookies, brought in snacks and worked to get kids here at 9am each day.



Cradle Roll childcare will be available starting July 11 during the 11AM Indoor service.

Rally day is September 12. Join us following the 11AM service for a church picnic to kick off the new church year.



Sunday School Classes

Adult class – Summer break – No class.

Bible Discovery Zone – Summer break – No class

Cradle Role - Child care for 11am service starting July 11

July ★★

Worship Service Duties

Ushers: Frank Davis, Jeff Conner, Gary Kinser, Larry Jones



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>27 8:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service - Come as you are.... Stay in your car! 10:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service - Come as you are.... Stay in your car! 11:30 AM Sanctuary Service</p>	<p>28 Office Closed for July 4th</p>	<p>29 8:00 AM Life Line Screening</p>	<p>30 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice - Cancelled until further notice</p>	1	2	3
<p>4 Independence Day 8:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service - Come as you are.... Stay in your car! 10:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service - Come as you are.... Stay in your car! 11:30 AM Sanctuary Service</p>	<p>5 Office Closed for July 4th</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7 1:00 PM The Afternoon Circle of the Women's Guild Meeting - Join us for the Prayer Walk 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice</p>	8	9	10
<p>11 8:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service - Come as you are.... Stay in your car! 10:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service - Come as you are.... Stay in your car! 11:30 AM Sanctuary Service - Child care is available</p>	<p>12</p>	<p>13 7:00 PM Finance & Stewardship Meeting</p>	<p>14 10:00 AM Christian Education Meeting 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice</p>	15	16	17
<p>18 8:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service - Come as you are.... Stay in your car! 10:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service - Come as you are.... Stay in your car! 11:30 AM Sanctuary Service - Child care is available</p>	<p>19 6:30 PM Church Council Meeting</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice</p>	22	23	24
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Worship Services!

8:00 a.m. – Outdoor Drive-In Service
10:00 a.m. – Outdoor Drive-In Service
11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary Service
Volume 21 Number 7

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St. John's United Church of Christ



Bison Baseball

Corporate Sponsor Night

July 14, 2021 at 7:00PM

Hot dogs and drinks provided

Come support Jeff Connor as he throws out the first pitch.

Please RSVP to stjohnsucc.ce@windstream.net