

**Welcome Home for Easter...**

# St. John's

UNITED CHURCH of CHRIST



**Easter Drive-In: 7:00am – Traditional: 11:00am**

*The 2022 April Chimes*



## Prayer List

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all of our shut-ins and the following members, 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, Harriett Applegate, Charles & Lois Meyers, Mike Boyce, Relna Cornell, Esther Gillham, Helen McGaughy, Charles Foucht, Shirley Imler, Bill Carr, Rev. Dr. Winfield Strout, Tegan Picklesimer, Irmgard Rhodes, Susan O'Brien, Robin Lyn Green, Joann Claypool.

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](mailto:jmichele.reedy@gmail.com)

## Financial Update

Monthly Faith Promise goal	\$ 8,705.25
Income as of March 27, 2022	\$ 7,329.25
Month to Date Balance	(\$ 1,376.00)

## Thank You – to St. Johns

The family of Donna J. Hewitt wishes to express their sincere appreciation and a heartfelt thank you to her church family of St. John's United Church of Christ for all your love and prayers during her illness and recent passing.

With gratitude,  
The family of Donna Hewitt



**June 5—11, 2022**  
**Big Creek Missions**  
**Bear Branch, KY**

**ALL AGES WELCOME!**

Adults, Students, Families

**3 ministry choices**

**Children, Community, or Construction**

Please see or email Julie Kroah for more information or to sign up. [stjohnsucc.ce@windstream.net](mailto:stjohnsucc.ce@windstream.net)



## LIBRARY FOCUS FOR APRIL

**Forgotten God by Francis Chan.** As Jesus ascended into heaven, He promised to send the Holy Spirit so that we could be living witnesses for Christ.

**The Miracles of Jesus by Matt Williams.** DVD 6 30-minute sessions of the miracles of Jesus.

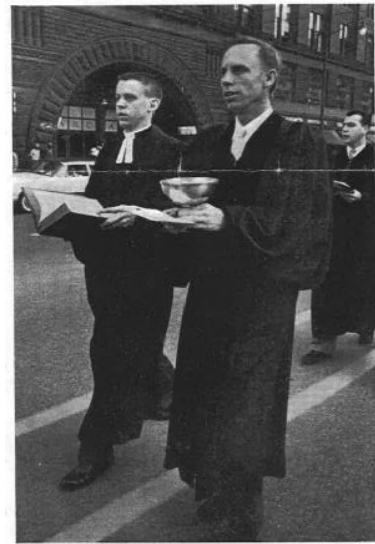
### For Children

**What Is Easter by Michelle Medlock Adams.** Help young readers learn the true meaning of Easter.

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



PROCESSION IN CLEVELAND WAS LED BY DR. JAMES R. WAGNER (LEFT), U. S. R. CHURCH PRESIDENT, AND DR. FRED HODGINS, LEADING CONGREGATIONALIST



BIBLE AND FONT, for the word of God and baptism, are carried by U. S. R. members Ken Meale (left) of Parma, Ohio, Henry Nofke of Westlake, Ohio.

Dear members and friends of St. John's,

The Rev. Donald and Sylvia Yaekle, faithful members of St. John's, once brought this picture essay from *Life Magazine*, into our Adult Sunday School class. Rev. Donald was in and amongst this parade of black-robed marchers, celebrating the birth of the United Church of Christ in Cleveland 65 years ago, this coming June.

In the exact same year of 1957, the brand new sanctuary of St. John's United Church of Christ was being dedicated in March.

Elaine Gard has graciously agreed to offer abbreviated versions of these church histories, shared with our Confirmation Class.

We all belong to the one Christian Church, which includes all those who are the Lord's. But the branch in which we hold membership is the United Church of Christ. This is a union of two denominations, and each of those was formed by a union of two other denominations.

The REFORMED Church began in Switzerland and Germany. Economic hardships caused many reformers to come to this country and settle in Pennsylvania. The first congregations were the work of John Philip Boehm, a Pennsylvania school teacher, who founded a church at Faulkner Swamp in 1725. His friend Michael Schlatter began the formal organization of a synod, which brought the churches together to help one another. This denomination established many schools, colleges, and seminaries to train ministers, and a Board of Foreign Missions.

The EVANGELICAL Church grew out of the Lutheran and Reformed churches in Germany. Unrest over government control of the church led many of these Germans to come to the United States. Many of these immigrants settled in Illinois and Indiana with St. Louis as the center. Hermann Garlicks was asked to be the pastor of the church in Femme Osage in 1833. Louis Nollau brought churches like this together in 1840 in the German Evangelical Church Society of the West. This denomination provided homes for orphans and the aged, hospitals for the sick and care for the underprivileged.

These 2 denominations merged on June 26, 1934, in Cleveland, Ohio, to become the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

The CONGREGATIONAL Church came from the Separatists in England, who did not want to belong to the state church. In 1620, they sailed on the Mayflower for the New World. There were also a group of Puritans who settled in Massachusetts Bay. In 1648, they joined together to form the Congregational Churches. Horace Bushnell advanced the simple idea that "a child is

to grow up a Christian and never know himself otherwise." Samuel J. Mills and friends held a prayer meeting in the lee of a haystack in Williamstown, Massachusetts, which became the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions in 1810.

And the CHRISTIAN Church grew from the search for religious freedom and liberty of the late 1790s and early 1800s in North Carolina, Kentucky and Vermont. James O'Kelly was the central figure in the North Carolina movement. The followers of the movement believed that the followers of Christ did not need a large organization with many rules. Their purpose was to reform the world and to bring all Christians together. In 1810 the groups from the 3 states agreed to join together.

The Congregational and the Christian Churches became one denomination in 1931, the Congregational Christian Churches.

On March 18, 1941, conversations about the desirability of merging the CC Churches and the E&R Church began in Columbus, Ohio. The merger of these 2 denominations officially came together on June 25, 1957, in Cleveland, Ohio.

To celebrate these twin birthdays, we've chosen a Sunday, in-between, April the 24<sup>th</sup>, which is also Youth Sunday. After their presentation, our young people will serve cake after both services.

And in honor of the occasion, we've added a little in-house mystery. Elaine and others in the church believe that the black-robed gentleman with the black hair in the back row of the smaller picture, is our own Rev. Richard Hurdiss.

So what do you think? Take some time to let us know with an email or a note, along with favorite memories of Rev. Hurdiss, Rev. Yaekle, and the dedication of St. John's when Rev. Lammers was still here. We'll share your comments in the May Issue of *The Chimes*.

In Christ's love,

Rev. Mark

# **Volunteers Needed**

## **Vacation Bible School**

**June 20—24**

**9:00AM—11:30AM**

**Leaders, helpers  
& decorators needed.**

Email Julie Kroah if you are  
interested in helping.  
[stjohnsucc.ce@windstream.net](mailto:stjohnsucc.ce@windstream.net)



## Afternoon Circle -

... will meet on Wednesday, April 6, in the Meeting Room at 1:00 p.m. We will have a brief business meeting, and a final planning session for our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration, followed by a Lenten Quiet Time. This was a tradition within our Women's Guild for many years. All women of St. John's are invited to attend.

And then we want you to -



### BE OUR GUEST for the 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY of the AFTERNOON CIRCLE

Wednesday, May 4, 2022  
At Noon In the Fellowship Room  
For a Salad Smorgasbord and Light Sandwiches

The afternoon will include  
A Brief History of the Women's Guild  
of St. John's Church  
And a Lovely Piano Recital  
by Mrs. Jane Shoemaker

JOIN US  
for Food and Fellowship,  
for Celebrating the Past  
and Looking Forward to the Guild  
of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

Please RSVP by April 17, to Vicky Davis

The Afternoon Circle will provide the salad and sandwich luncheon. But we invite our guests to take part in our anniversary tradition of giving an offering of one penny for each year the Guild is old = \$1.50!

We will have a brief history of the Guild, from our 1872 beginning, through the various circles, to today and beyond, looking toward the Guild of the 21<sup>st</sup> Century.

Mrs. Jane Shoemaker will bring us a delightful piano recital of her exquisite music.

All women of St. John's are invited to attend, especially those who were members of Afternoon, Evening, Dorcas, Sewing Circles and Altar Guild (2/3 of whose membership was made up of Circle women).

Come on May 4, 2022, and celebrate the oldest, on-going organization within our congregation, as we praise God for all that He has blessed us with these past 150 years.



## **NEWS FROM CHURCH COUNCIL –**

St. John's Church Council met on Monday, March 21, 2022.



### **Treasurer's Report:** Frank Davis

As of March 4, giving was \$1711.29 ahead of budget, and expenses were \$2237.03 less than budgeted for the year.

### **Pastor's Report:** Pastor Mark Katrick

South Newark Civic Association Clean-Up Day – Saturday, April 30, from 8:30-12.

Lunch in Hermann Hall, provided by Special Events Committee

Thanks to those from St. John's involved in the pre-recorded worship for the Central Southeast Ohio Association Annual Spring Meeting: Julie Kroah, Jane Shoemaker, Julie Davis, Brian Lensink, and Jeff Conner.

### **Use of Facility:**

Permission was given to the Delta Kappa Gamma Executive Board to use our facility for their meeting on June 7, 2022, from 12:30 to 5:30 p.m.

### **Evangelism and Outreach Committee:** John West

The Car Show planned for this month has been cancelled; perhaps moved to next year.

### **Christian Education Committee:** Elaine Gard

A Youth overnight and Youth Sunday will be held on April 23 and 24.

There will be an Easter Egg Hunt on Easter Morning for the Sunday School Children.

### **Mission and Outreach Committee:** Owen Lee

March donations were made to Coalition of Care, St. Vincent de Paul, Vertical 196, Homeless Outreach, Ukraine through the UCC.

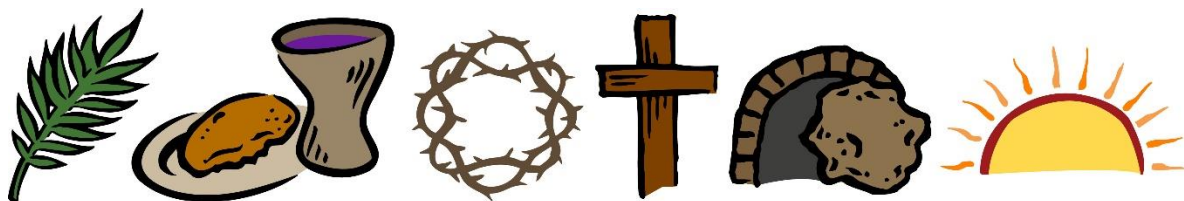
### **Church and Ministry Committee:** Jeff Conner

Decided to return the Prayer Response, Gloria Patri, and Doxology to the Order of Worship during the 11:00 worship, as well as an usher taking the offering plate to the altar during the Doxology.

### **Foundation Fund:**

The Loren and Donna Hewitt Memorial has been opened in the Foundation Fund.

The next meeting of the Church Council is on Monday, April 18, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room. All members of St. John's are welcome to attend.





Easter: Good news for the broken!  
By Dave Miers

*"For Christ died for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God." (1 Peter 3:18)*

### **What has Jesus done to fix our brokenness?**

Jesus died on the cross, on the first Good Friday. He didn't deserve to die on the cross. The "righteous for the unrighteous" means that Jesus is the innocent one dying in the place of the guilty. So his death for sin is a death to take the penalty for our sin and rejection of God.

Imagine you were playing a game of soccer and were exhausted. You are no longer able to run, kick or keep up with the general play. The best thing your coach can do is take you off and put one of the substitutes on in your place. Fresh legs, able to kick and energy for the rest of the game. The substitute takes your place and does what you were unable to do. They play on your behalf.

Jesus' death on the cross is as a substitute on your behalf. He plays on your behalf. Jesus lived the life I couldn't live and died the death I should have died.

### **The broken will be put back together**

Jesus death and resurrection is good news for the broken. Why? Because it was "to bring you to God". The death of Jesus fixes our biggest problem. We can be brought back into relationship with God. That doesn't mean everything will automatically feel better here and now. We will still have to live with the consequences of a world that is broken. But inwardly we will be renewed. And there is a day coming when there will be no more tears and no more brokenness for those who belong to Jesus.

Three days after Jesus died on Good Friday, he rose again on Easter. This guarantees that all who trust in Jesus will likewise be raised again.

# Holy Week Schedule



**Palm Sunday** - April 10 Outdoor Drive-In Service at 9:00AM and Sanctuary service at 11:00AM.

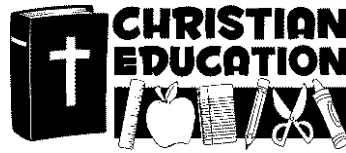
**Maundy Thursday Service** - April 14 during the Thursday Prayer Service. Live action presentation "Remembering the Last Supper" at 7:00PM in person or livestream.

**Good Friday Service** - April 15 at noon on the Courthouse square in Newark. Provided by the Newark Area Ministerial Association.

**Easter Sunday** - April 17 Outdoor Drive-In Sunrise Service at 7:00AM and Sanctuary service at 11:00AM.

**\*\* All Sunday 11AM services and Thursday Prayer Services are available by livestream on St. John's Facebook page. Facebook link can be found on our webpage [www.stjohnsnewark.org](http://www.stjohnsnewark.org).**





Lenten Devotional materials to be available in the Fellowship room and Sunday mornings at the 9AM and 11AM service. See an usher if you would like a copy.

Easter Sunday - The Children's Handbell Choir will perform at the 11AM Easter service. Everyone is welcome to join in, no rehearsal needed. There is also an egg hunt planned for Sunday school classes during the 11AM service.



The Bible Discovery Zone will be looking at the life of Jesus during the 11AM service. The Adult class will be watching a 7-week video series about Elijah. Join the Adult class each Sunday at 9:45AM.

Youth Sunday is April 24. We are having the Youth Overnight on April 23 at 6PM to plan our presentation of The Great Commission. Friends welcome.



Vacation Bible School 2022 – Food Truck Party! June 20 -24, 2022. Join us 9:00AM to 11:30AM as we learn that all good things come from God.



### **Sunday School Classes**

**Adult class** – Class is at 9:45AM

**Bible Discovery Zone** –at 11:00AM

**Cradle Role** - Child care at 10:45 for the 11AM service.

## **April Worship Service Duties**

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

### **Cradle Role with Rachel Lee**

3 Michelle Knowlton  
10  
17 Kelsie Pursley  
24

### **Bible Discovery Zone**

3  
10 Brian Lensink & Pat Farley  
20 Ken Kroah & Matthew Kroah  
24 Judy Goodman & Pat Farley

### **Acolytes (11:00 a.m. Service)**

3 Lauren Koser & Matthew Kroah  
10 Emmaleigh Crowthers & William Koser  
17 Matthew Kroah & William Koser  
24 Emmaleigh Crowthers & Lauren Koser

### **Thursday Media Worship Team**

7 Tom Lawyer  
14 Julie Kroah  
21 Tom Lawyer  
28 Julie Kroah

### **Sunday Sound Worship Team**

3 Ken Kroah  
10 Dick Tulloss  
17 Tom Lawyer  
24 Dick Tulloss

### **Sunday Video Worship Team**

3 Julie Kroah  
10 Pamela Tulloss  
17 Pamela Tulloss  
24 Tom Lawyer



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# FASHION WITH COMPASSION

## STYLE SHOW & LUNCHEON

Saturday April 16th, 2022

- Shopping
- Exclusive Diamond Raffle
- Raffle & Silent Auction



*All proceeds  
to benefit Licking  
County families  
and individuals  
in crisis.*



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12-3:30pm | Tickets \$35 | \$300 /Table | Limited Seating!

Event located at The Trout Club 2250 Horns Hill Rd NE, Newark, Ohio 43055. Pre-register with the QR code or call (740)670-9700 by Wednesday, April 6, 2022.

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# APRIL

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>27 9:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School- 9:45 a.m. 10:00 AM Confirmation Class 11:00 AM Sanctuary Service- Children dismissed to Bible Discovery Zone during the service.</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice</p>	<p>31 7:00 PM Live from St. John's UCC Chapel - Join us for our Thursday Prayer Service. Live streamed at 7:00pm.</p>	<p>1</p>	<p>2</p>
<p>3 9:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School- 9:45 a.m. 10:00 AM Congregational Care Committee Meeting 11:00 AM Sanctuary Service- Children dismissed to Bible Discovery Zone during the service.</p>	<p>4 7:00 PM Scout Meeting</p>	<p>5 1:00 PM Private Use 4:00 PM Church &amp; Ministry Meeting</p>	<p>6 1:00 PM The Afternoon Circle of the Women's Guild Meeting 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice</p>	<p>7 7:00 PM Live from St. John's UCC Chapel - Join us for our Thursday Prayer Service. Live streamed at 7:00pm.</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>9</p>
<p>10 Palm Sunday 9:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School- 9:45 a.m. 10:00 AM Confirmation Class 11:00 AM Sanctuary Service- Children dismissed to Bible Discovery Zone during the service. 12:00 PM Evangelism &amp; Outreach Committee Meeting</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12 7:00 PM Finance &amp; Stewardship Meeting</p>	<p>13 10:00 AM Christian Education Meeting 5:30 PM Mission &amp; Outreach Committee Meeting 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice</p>	<p>14 Maundy Thursday 7:00 PM Live from St. John's UCC Chapel - Join us for our Thursday Prayer Service. Live streamed at 7:00pm. 7:00 PM Mini Portrayal with Communion</p>	<p>15 Good Friday</p>	<p>16</p>
<p>17 Communion Sunday Easter Sunday 7:00 AM Easter Sunrise Outdoor Drive-In Service 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School- 9:45 a.m. 11:00 AM Sanctuary Service- Children dismissed to Bible Discovery Zone during the service.</p>	<p>18 6:30 PM Church Council Meeting</p>	<p>19 6:30 PM Private Use</p>	<p>20 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice</p>	<p>21 7:00 PM Live from St. John's UCC Chapel - Join us for our Thursday Prayer Service. Live streamed at 7:00pm.</p>	<p>22 Earth Day</p>	<p>23 6:00 PM Youth Overnight</p>
<p>24 Youth Sunday 9:00 AM Outdoor Drive-In Service 9:30 AM Adult Sunday School- 9:45 a.m. 10:00 AM Confirmation Class 11:00 AM Sanctuary Service- Children dismissed to Bible Discovery Zone during the service.</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Administrative Professionals Day 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice</p>	<p>28 7:00 PM Live from St. John's UCC Chapel - Join us for our Thursday Prayer Service. Live streamed at 7:00pm.</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 SNCA Neighbor Clean Up</p>



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### ***Worship Services!***

7:00 a.m. – Easter Sunrise Drive-In Service  
9:00 a.m. – Outdoor Drive-In Service (Except Easter Sunday)  
11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary Service  
7:00 p.m. – Thursday Prayer Service

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## ***GRADUATION SUNDAY – May 22, 2022***

Do you know of someone who is graduating from high school or college this spring? We would like to invite them to join us on Sunday, May 22, 2022 to celebrate the momentous event. Please fill out the form and place it in the offering plate or turn it into the office by May 1, 2022!

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parents/Church family \_\_\_\_\_

Graduating from \_\_\_\_\_

Degree \_\_\_\_\_

Plans for the future \_\_\_\_\_

Additional information to share \_\_\_\_\_