

# Welcome Home!

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



The 2022 August Chimes

United Church of Christ

## 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, Relna Cornell, Esther Gillham, Helen McGaughy, Shirley Imler, Bill Carr, Rev. Dr. Winfield Strout, Tegan Picklesimer, Irmgard Rhodes, Susan O'Brien, Barbara McKee, Phyllis Miller, Debbie Jones & Karen O'Hare.

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)

## Afternoon Circle -

will meet on Wednesday, August 3, 2022, at 12 o'clock noon, in the Fellowship Room. Please note that this is a change from what was previously announced. We will have sandwiches from Honey Baked Ham, and desserts from Palumbo's. Our program will be Pastor Mark Katrick, who will lead us in a short Spiritual Direction group exercise, and then tell of his retirement plans. This is the last meeting that Pastor Mark will be attending with us. Please join us as we say 'good-bye' and 'happy retirement' to our long-time pastor.

## Thank you

Thank you to Gary Kinser for building our wonderful "Little Free Pantry" that stands near the church garage. Thank you also to Tom Lawyer for installing the "LFP"

### Financial Update

Monthly Faith Promise goal	\$ 8,705.25
Income as of July 24, 2022	\$ 7,713.00
Month to Date Balance	(\$ 992.25)



### Summer Worship Hours

8:00 a.m. Outdoor Drive-In Service  
11:00 a.m. Sanctuary Service

### **St. John's Pastoral Search Committee Update:**

The Search committee has been meeting weekly with our primary focus on working with the Central Southeast Association of the UCC to post the job for the Interim Pastor position. We have been interviewing candidates and hope to have a person in place soon. The Interim position is important as this person bridges the time after a Settled Pastor leaves, in our case Mark is retiring, and we call a Settled Pastor as his replacement. After we have the Interim Minister in place, we will be communicating and seeking your input on the many items that are included in our Church Profile. The process of developing a profile, posting the permanent Pastoral position and finding that person is typically 2 years. We will continue to keep you updated as we proceed through this journey.

Tim Powers

Chairman, St. John's Pastoral Search Committee



Dear members and friends of St. John's,

One of the things you've learned about me these past 13 years is that I don't have very good teeth. But I do have a very good dentist, Dr. Tyler Anderson.

Along with his brother, Dr. Zachary, and Dr. Brian Stickel, they have gotten me through some difficult and even life-threatening situations (like the infection that led to my needing time off that led to your kindly and generously giving me a sabbatical).

The latest chapter in this ongoing story, is the root canal I had a couple of weeks ago. It ended up being a nearly three-hour procedure. As usual, I didn't feel a thing (not even the shot of Novocain going in). The only discomfort I had was the pain in my neck for not being able to move it. They even did something about that, by moving the chair around in different positions.

So what does a person do to pass the time, when he has half a hardware store being used to work on his mouth or being installed in it? In this particular instance, I did what I do in spiritual direction (either giving or receiving it). I sat and listened to what the Holy One was saying to me. And when I wasn't doing that, I listened to an ongoing conversation between Dr. Tyler and the skilled technician that was working with him.

What I found myself in the middle of was an awesome and amazing lecture on dentistry. It was simply incredible the amount of information that was being exchanged between them. And it opened my eyes to the full scope (pun intended) of all the dental work I've had done by all my dentists and their technicians throughout the years.

As a pastor, I've stored up 40 years-worth of all kinds of useful dental and medical knowledge. It has greatly helped me to better understand and relate to what members of my church are going through, physically, emotionally and spiritually.

Jesus, the Divine-human One has experienced these kinds of discomfort and pain to depths we cannot even begin to imagine. And he did it, not only to better relate to us as Lord and Savior, but to save us from our sins with his sacrificial love.

Which answers one of the many questions I was pondering during that three-hour marathon. Where's Jesus? Well, he's where he always is. In the third chair.

It was the same chair where my father sat, when I was afraid to have my first filling, and where I sat when my three children were experiencing the same.

So the next time you are on an extended visit to have work done on your teeth, take a deep breath, and block out the noise and distractions (like the whirring of a dentist's drill). Then listen for any conversations that may be going on around you. It will enlighten and help you to empathize with what others are going through at that same moment in time.

Say a prayer for them, and yourselves too. Then, look over to the third chair and give all your feelings and experiences over to Jesus, listen for his still, small voice and let him carry the load.

Like my wonderful dentist, and the one who was assisting him, he will take care of you. And you will feel no pain, only "peace that surpasses all understanding." (Philippians 4:7)

In Christ's love,

Rev. Mark



Chester Church Mouse

Hello my St. John's friends. I'm Chester Church Mouse, Chucky and Chauncey's friend that lives at the church with them.

Like Chucky, I love cheese, and snacking on Cheetos®. And on Sunday morning's I awaken to the smell of Charlie's coffee brewing, that helps keep me awake through the Rev's sermons.

I want to tell you the story of how I came here. It will help to explain what Rev. Mark will be doing after he retires from here. He will be serving Brighton Presbyterian Church in Zanesville, a place where he lived for many years, serving Immanuel United Church of Christ, taught at Rosecrans High School, and worked for the Muskingum County Board of Developmental Disabilities.

Along the way, he met up with the Rev. Bill and Dottie Briggs. Bill was his mentor, when he served the New Lexington and Roseville Presbyterian Churches, and Dottie was his spiritual director.

One time, when the Rev was at their home to receive spiritual direction, they gave me to him because Chucky was lonely for a friend. And we've been together ever since. They looked forward to getting *The Chimes* and reading about my exploits, none of which surprised them.

The Briggs' were members of Brighton Church, and continue to watch over the members and friends there from their home in heaven. And that's how the Spirit moved Rev. Mark to preach at and speak with the members of the church that Bill and Dottie called home.

So that is my story. Every bit of it is true, because I always tell the truth. And I'm doing my best to teach Chucky to do the same.

Your friend,  
Chester Church Mouse

### **PRAY FOR UKRAINE – HELP THROUGH S.A.R.A.**

As the war continues, so do our prayers and support. The Heartland (formerly Ohio) Conference/S.A.R.A. (Share American Resources Abroad) partnership is serving as a conduit for aid to partners in Ukraine who are suffering as a result of the war. Daily, our partners are bringing food and water relief to displaced Ukrainians in Transcarpathia. St. John's continues to accept donations and send them on. Please know that your gifts of any size make a difference in this critical time.

To date S.A.R.A. has received (UPDATED) \$97,175.97! from Ohioans! Our donations have helped S.A.R.A. to provide the following: food for refugees, poor families, soup kitchens, overwhelmed hospitals, and orphanages; medication and medical supplies, i.e. glasses, walkers; medical treatment; housing; bedding; gas for heating and for transportation.

The work continues! S.A.R.A. deeply appreciates your generous donations and will continue to accept funds to help support the folks in Ukraine.

From [office@heartlanducc.org](mailto:office@heartlanducc.org)



The Adult Sunday school class will be studying the book ***Gentle and Lowly—The heart of Christ for Sinners and Sufferers*** by Dane Ortlund in the fall, but if you want to get a head start in your reading, copies of the book and study guide questions are available in the church library.

The Adult class will not be meeting during the summer but will start back September 11, 2022.



## **NEWS FROM CHURCH COUNCIL –**



St. John's Church Council met on Monday, July 18, 2022.

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

For the first time in a long time, income was \$108.45 down from what was budgeted year to date through June.

The expenses were \$10,963.28 less than budgeted.

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

Members of the Congregational Care and Church and Ministry Committees are accompanying Pastor Mark as he makes his last round of communion calls.

### **Approval of Use of Facilities:**

Council approved the Use of Facilities to Tina Riffle and Ben Jansheski for their rehearsal and wedding on September 16 and 17, 2022.

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

Rally Day will be celebrated on September 11, 2022, along with the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Installation of the Tower Bells.

Jump Ropes are being made for Operation Christmas Child.

Boxes for t-shirt donations or supplies are in the Youth Room

Our new "Little Free Pantry" is now sitting next to the garage, thanks to Gary Kinser, builder.

LIFEWISE, Christian Education during the school day, is organizing in Newark.

Julie Davis will do a presentation at next month's Council meeting.

### **Congregational Care Committee:** Charles Dudley

Reviewed and updated the prayer list.

Members are doing communion calls and visits with Pastor Mark.

### **Property Committee:** Tom Lawyer

The "Little Free Pantry" was installed near the garage.

The wiring for the third video camera was installed in the Sanctuary.

The parsonage renter will be leaving on or before September 1, 2022.

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

We are looking for new ideas for our ads.

There is a need for more help within the church from everyone interested.

### **Search Committee:** Tim Powers

The committee is still in the process of interviewing interim pastor candidates.

The next Church Council meeting is scheduled for Monday, August 15, 2022, at 6:30 in the Meeting Room. We invite any interested members of the congregation to attend.



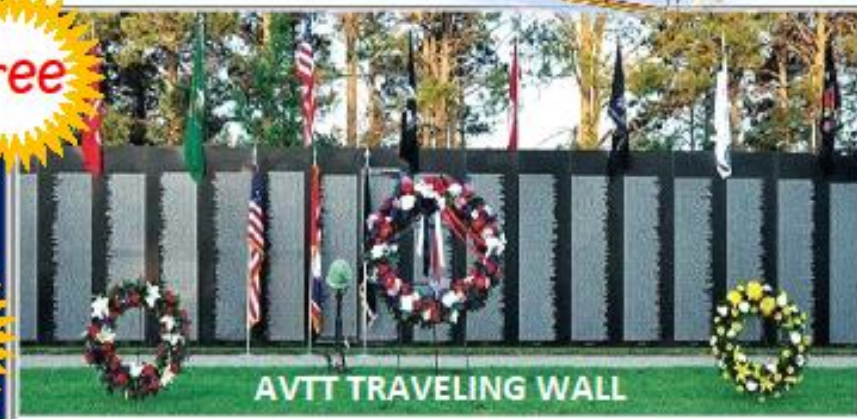
# HONOR THE SERVICE

## ★★★★★★★★ VIETNAM WAR EVENT

**SAT AUG 27 2022**  
**9:30AM-8PM**

**Free**

**Bring  
the  
Family**



AVTT TRAVELING WALL

**NEWARK-HEATH AIRPORT**  
**530 Heath Road Heath, OH**



### ★ FLY-IN 9:30AM

#### HISTORICAL MILITARY PLANES & AIRCRAFT

STEP ON BOARD & RIDES AVAILABLE

Douglas C-47 (Cost \$6) (Rides \$195)

UH-1H Huey Helicopter (Rides \$99)



B-25 Mitchell (Cost \$5) (Rides \$495)

*Fees subject to change.*

*Aircraft appearance subject to weather & maintenance circumstances.*



### ★ OPENING CEREMONY 11:30AM

#### THE VIETNAM WAR

- Tributes to Veterans • Placement of 48 Vietnam KIA Flags
- Placement of Wreaths • Missing Man Table Ceremony
- Vietnam Veteran Recognition Field of Honor

### ★ AFTERNOON ACTIVITIES

MILITARY VEHICLES • STATIC DISPLAYS • EXHIBITS

#### MUSICAL PERFORMANCES

338<sup>th</sup> United States Army Band (10:15 AM)

Granville Christian Academy School Choir

Barefoot McCoy, Singer-Songwriter

Blue Steel, Granville High School

### ★ CLOSING PROGRAMS

#### 6:00PM CONCERT

Bryan Lewis, Licking County Singer-Songwriter

#### 7:45PM CLOSING CANDLELIGHT CEREMONY

Concludes with a candlelight walk in Honor of the Fallen

### FOOD VENDORS ALL DAY

Sponsors

Licking County Regional Airport Authority	Licking County Veterans Service Commission	Vietnam Veterans of America Chapter 55	Licking 387 Memorial Ed Charity	Kevin Cox Mitch Cox Edward Jones	Showcase Lawn & Landscape	Explore Licking County	Mary Lehman & Bill Kunkler Coconis Furniture & Mattress 1 <sup>st</sup> Richard Brown TrueCore Foundation Judge Duke Frost Granville American Legion Post 398 Central Ohio Technical College Linn's Flowers on the Square First Federal Savings
Friendship Club of Licking County	The City of Heath	State Farm Co Foundation	Park National Bank	The Energy Cooperative	Newark Elks 8391	Mid-Ohio Golf Car Inc Phillips 66 Doug Price, WCLT Jeff & Jane Cox Sheetz	
Lucinda Prince	Dana and Barron Collier III	Loyal Order of Moose #489	Kaiser Aluminum	Heath Eagles 3723	L. B. J. Drilling Co, Inc	Draft: Sponsors Incomplete	





September 11, 2022

9:45AM

Fellowship Room

## Ring Out!

*Cry aloud, inhabitants of Zion, ring out your joy, for the great one in the midst of you is the Holy One of Israel. Isaiah 12:6*

Join in the celebration of the 150th year of our church bells as we kick off the start of the new church school year.

**Continental breakfast starts at 9:45am.**

There will be information about our historic bells and about upcoming Sunday school events for all ages.

**Be sure to invite a friend.**



### ***St. John's Little Free Pantry***

**Take what you need. Give what you can.**

Who is Little Free Pantry (LFP) for? LFP is for those who want and/or need to give. LFP is for those not easily able to meet everyday food and personal needs. LFP is for a hungry kid after school or a home cook who forgot to buy an onion. LFP is for everyone.

When you bring items to donate, put them right into the LFP. **Anyone** may access the LFP at any time. LFP is a reminder of our neighbors' need that creates a place for exercising compassion, trust, and mutual aid.

#### **What to put in the Little Free Pantry**

- Canned vegetables, fruits, pasta and proteins
- Peanut butter
- Kid-friendly non-perishables
- Snack-sized fruit cups
- Individually wrapped crackers
- Personal care items
- Paper goods
- Small school supplies
- Wrapped plastic utensils (saved from a restaurant)



# Pastor Mark's Retirement Celebration

## Pastor Mark's Last Sunday in the Pulpit

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 4, 2022**

8:00AM (Outdoor Drive-In) and 11:00AM (Inside)

There will be a basket available at each service to receive your notes and cards.

## A Special Service of Celebration of Rev. Mark's Ministry at St. John's

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2022**

There will be NO 8:00 Outdoor Service.

Rally Day will be observed from 9:45 to 10:45 in the Fellowship Room.

### **Special 11:00 Service in the Sanctuary**

**Following this service there will be a celebration catered Dinner and Ceremony in Pastor Mark's honor, sponsored by Church Council.**

There will be a basket available to receive your notes and cards.

*To best prepare for our luncheon, please RSVP with the number attending by filling in the Reservation Form at the bottom of this page or in the bulletin, tearing it off and leaving in the offering plate; emailing the church at [stjohnsunited@windstream.net](mailto:stjohnsunited@windstream.net) or calling the Church Office (740-323-2407) and leaving a message*

**After almost 14 years as Pastor of St. John's, Reverend Mark Katrick is retiring as of September 30, 2022.**

**He will Preach his last sermon on September 4, and we will celebrate his time with us and his retirement on September 11.**

*(Pastor Mark will be on vacation until September 30, 2022)*

***Come To Worship and Celebrate  
as Pastor Mark Begins a New Chapter in Life.***

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**RESERVATION REQUIRED (by September 4, 2022)**

**September 11, 2022 Celebration Luncheon**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_ Number Attending \_\_\_\_\_**



## THE GOSPEL: GOD'S PLAN FOR ME

The word Gospel means *Good News*. It is the message about Christ, the kingdom of God, and salvation.

- God Rules. The Bible tells us that God created everything, and He is in charge of everything. Genesis 1:1, Revelation 4:11 & Colossians 1:16-17.
- We Sinned. Since the time of Adam and Eve, everyone has chosen to disobey God. The Bible calls this sin. Because God is holy, God cannot be around sin. Sin separates us from God and deserves God's punishment of death. Romans 3:23, Romans 6:23.
- God Provided. God sent his son Jesus, the perfect solution to our sin problem, to rescue us from the punishment we deserve. It's something we, as sinners, could never earn on our own. Jesus alone saves us. Ephesians 2:8-9.
- Jesus gives. Jesus lived a perfect life, died on the cross for our sins, and rose again. Because Jesus gave up His life for us. We can be welcomed into God's family for eternity. This is the best gift ever! Romans 5:8:2, Corinthians 5:21, 1 Peter 3:18.
- We Respond. Believe in your heart that Jesus alone saves you through what He's already done on the cross. Turn from self and sin to Jesus. Tell God and others of your faith in Jesus. Romans 10:9-10, 13.



### Skilled Trades Employment Program (STEP) @ The Look Up Center, beginning August 8, 2022

Certify your skills for CAREERS in **Construction/Electrical** by attending the STEP program.

WHEN: Mondays and Tuesdays from noon to 7 p.m.

WHERE: Look Up Center, 50 O'Bannon Ave, Newark

WHAT: NCCER Core Construction national certification

WHY: To build your CAREER and become INDEPENDENT

Contact: Beth Bronkar at [Beth@LookUpCenter.org](mailto:Beth@LookUpCenter.org) or 740.973.9460





"Ring Out" Rally Day is September 11, 2022 starting at 9:30AM. This year we will be celebrating the 150<sup>th</sup> year of our church bells as we anticipate the start of the new church school year.

Starting on September 18, the Adult Sunday school class will be studying ***Gentle and Lowly*** by Dane Ortlund. If you'd like to read it ahead of time, there are copies of the book and the study guide available in the library.



St. John's Youth group will be meeting in September to kick off a new year of learning, fun, service projects and more. If you would like more information or updates, please contact Julie Kroah at [stjohnsucc.ce@windstream.net](mailto:stjohnsucc.ce@windstream.net)

The Youth are collecting used t-shirts. With the help of the Afternoon Circle they will be making jump ropes for Operation Christmas Child. If you would like to help the Youth with this project, please see one of our Youth for details.



### Sunday School Classes

**Adult class** –Starting September 18 at 9:00AM

**Bible Discovery Zone** –Starting September 11 during the 11AM service.

### **August Worship Service Duties**

Ushers: Frank Davis, Jeff Conner, Larry Jones

#### Cradle Role

7 Michelle Knowlton  
14  
21 Kelsie Pursley  
28

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

7 William Koser &  
Lauren Koser  
14 Emmaleigh Crowthers &  
Lauren Koser  
21 William Koser &  
Matthew Kroah  
28 Emmaleigh Crowthers &  
Matthew Kroah

#### Cantors

7 Julie Davis  
14 Don Boldt  
21 Julie Davis  
28 Don Boldt

#### Thursday Media Worship Team

4 Julie Kroah  
11 Tom Lawyer  
18 Julie Kroah  
25 Tom Lawyer

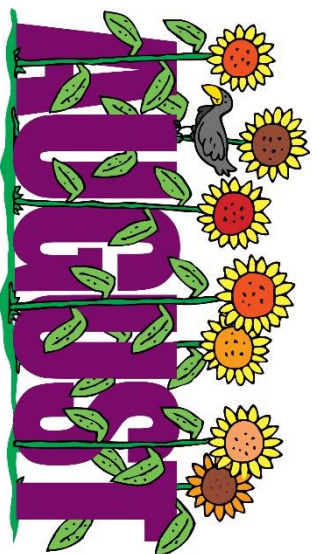
#### Sunday Sound Worship Team

7 Tom Lawyer  
14 Tom Lawyer  
21 Ken Kroah  
28 Ken Kroah

#### Sunday Video Worship Team

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





Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31 8:00am Outdoor Drive-In Service 11:00am Sanctuary Service	1 7:00pm Scout Meeting	2 4:00pm Church & Ministry Meeting	3 12:00pm The Afternoon Circle of the Women's Guild Meeting 6:00pm Private Use- Chorus Practice	4 7:00pm Live from St. John's UCC Chapel - Join us for our Thursday Prayer Service. Live streamed at 7:00pm.	5	6
7 Communion Sunday 8:00am Outdoor Drive-In Service 11:00am Sanctuary Service 12:00pm Evangelism & Outreach Committee Meeting	8	9 7:00pm Finance & Stewardship Meeting	10 10:00am Christian Education Meeting 6:00pm Private Use- Chorus Practice	11 7:00pm Live from St. John's UCC Chapel - Join us for our Thursday Prayer Service. Live streamed at 7:00pm.	12	13
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21 8:00am Outdoor Drive-In Service 9:00am Congregational Care Committee Meeting 11:00am Sanctuary Service	22	23	24 6:00pm Private Use- Chorus Practice	25 7:00pm Live from St. John's UCC Chapel - Join us for our Thursday Prayer Service. Live streamed at 7:00pm.	26	27
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### ***Worship Services!***

8:00 a.m. – Outdoor Drive-In Service

11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary Service

7:00 p.m. – Thursday Prayer Service

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### **LIBRARY FOCUS FOR AUGUST**

***Discovering the God Who Is*** by R.C. Sproul. His character and being, His power and personality.

***A Clash of Kingdoms***. That the World may know. Ray Vander Laan. Experience the Bible in Historical Context.

#### **For Children**

***There's No Such Place as Far Away*** by Richard Bach.

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