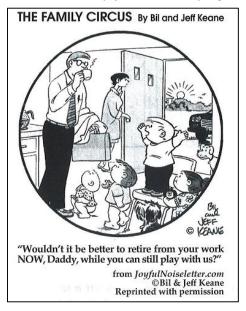




# **Prayer List**

Please keep in your thoughts and prayers all of our shutins and the following member: 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, Charles Foucht, Shirley Imler, Bill Carr, Rev. Dr. Winfield Strout, Tegan Picklesimer, Irmgard Rhodes, Susan O'Brien, Barbara McKee, Phyllis Miller, Debbie Jones and the family of Charles E. 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



## Member News

In Loving Charles E. Foucht
Born: December 19, 1927
Died: May 25, 2022

A member of St. John's since 1954

Baptized and Confirmed June 5, 2022
Parents: Tim and Christie Crowthers
Grandparents: Greg and Marla Crowthers
& Chuck and Cheri Clevenger

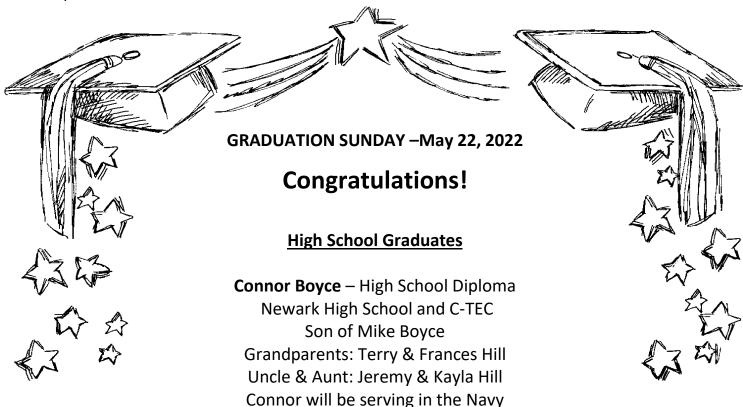
### **Financial Update**

Monthly Faith Promise goal \$ 8,705.25
Income as of June 26, 2022 \$ 6,585.50
Month to Date Balance (\$ 2,119.75)



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

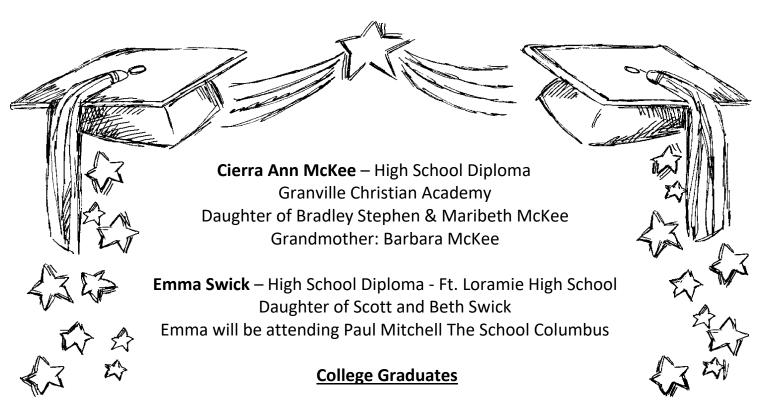




Emily Mai Claypool – High School Diploma – Rossford High School
Daughter of Chris & Beth Claypool
Sister: Amy Mei Claypool
Uncle & Aunt: Larry & Debra Jones
Uncles: Dave Claypool & Scott Claypool
Emily will major in Chemical Engineering
and plans to make pharmaceuticals
She recently won the BCSN (Buckeye Cable System Network) Award
for \$10,000 for college education

Cameron Knowlton – High School Diploma
West Muskingum High School
Son of Loren & Michelle Knowlton
Grandmother: Sharon Hickman
Cameron will be attending college in the fall

Rachel Lee – High School Diploma - Licking Valley High School
Daughter of Stephanie and Eric Lee
Rachel plans to study Criminology & Criminal Justice
at the University of Akron for her bachelor's Degree
and to hopefully work with Child Protective Services



Brian John Boehmer – Kent State University - December 2021

Bachelor of Science in Aeronautics

Professional Pilot Concentration

Parents: Brian and Trisha Boehmer

Grandparents: Bill and Sharla Miller

Brian is a Certified Flight Instructor at Kent State University

Joshua R. Durham – The Ohio State University - December 2021

Degree in New Media and Communication Technology

Son of Randy Durham and Melody Durham

Grandparents: Bill and Sharla Miller

Joshua is employed by Nationwide Insurance

Nathaniel Kroah - Ohio University
Bachelor of Business Administration in International Business
And Business Analytics
Son of Ken and Julie Kroah
Siblings: Colleen and Matthew Kroah
Nathaniel will be an Internal Field Auditor at Sherwin Williams Corp.

Hayley C. Morgan –The Ohio State University
Master's Degree
Daughter of Jennifer Morgan
Grandmother: Sharon Hickman

Dear Members and Friends of St. John's.

As the Sundays and Thursdays go by all too quickly until my retirement from the full-time ministry, I want to be sure and thank those who are taking regular turns leading our prayer and worship services.

So, dear Jeff Conner, Julie Davis, Kirk Homrighouse, Brian Lensink, and Pamela Tulloss: The guidance and inspiration you provide on a monthly basis to those who tune into our Thursday Evening Prayer Services, is an inspiration to us all. I particularly appreciate having the opportunity to "sit and listen" to good preaching and storytelling, something that doesn't happen all too often for a pastor.

Dear Todd Baldosser and Jane Shoemaker: your musical interludes at these prayer services, lift our spirits and soothe our souls. Of course, none of this would be possible without our tech-savvy production team of Julie Kroah and Tom Lawyer.

And when it comes to our Sunday drive-in and indoor worship services, what can be said about Jeff that hasn't already been said. He really and truly has earned his title as the "Liturgizer", leading the calls to worship, opening prayers and reading of scripture.

On a recent Sunday, a certain pastor had forgotten that the 9:00 service has just been changed back to 8:00 for the summer (a week of vacation will do that to a person). And Jeff was there to get things going and give me the time to get out the door and get to the church on time.

Another example of the involvement of our laity is the stirring and deeply personal message that Dr. Jennifer Lee delivered on June 12. This was followed by the testimonies of the Kroah family from their recent mission trip to Big Creek Ministries in Bear Branch, Kentucky.

Besides playing the organ, piano and guitar, one of the first ministries I did in the Catholic church was to be a liturgist. And while attending seminary, I got to do what Jeff does for the Presbyterian Church I attended. I didn't get a catchy nickname, but the Senior Pastor gave me a stick of gum after the service.

It was a wonderful opportunity that I will never forget, and helped to lead me on the path to ordained ministry. With all this being said, I want you to know that there are opportunities for you to lead worship, share and reflect on the word, and read from the Bible, right here at St. John's.

Just let Jeff, Frank Davis, Pat Farley and Sharon Hickman, of the Church and Ministry Committee know if you would I like to get involved. They'll be putting a list together in the not-too-distant future.

And thank you for responding to God's call and for all you do here at St. John's. It has been and continues to be a blessing to be your grateful partner-in-ministry.

In Christ's love, Rev. Mark

## AFTERNOON CIRCLE -

Will meet on Wednesday, July 6, 2022, at 1:00 p.m. in the Meeting Room.

We will be making jump ropes from t-shirts for Operation Christmas Child. Please bring scissors for cutting t-shirts.

**Please Note -** If anyone in the congregation has t-shirts to donate - any color, any size - please leave them in the Meeting Room. The Youth will also be making these jump ropes in the fall and can use all the t-shirts we can get. Thank you.

Dear St. John's human friends,

Chester, Chauncey and me are beside ourselves! Not only is it Vacation Bible School week (we luv kids!), but the theme is Food Trucks (we luv food!)

The Rev even borrowed a bag of snacks for one of his openings (and he didn't give it back.) I wonder what happened to those Cheetos.

Speaking of snacks, Chef Matthew is doin' a great job in the kitchen. His carrot and celery sticks are nibble worthy, 'specially with dip. I'm not so sure about them worms. (Just between you and me, I think it's some kind of candy).

One of the places we like hanging out the most is with Frank the Science Guy and his helper, Vicky. Not only are we gettin' an education, but most of his experiments are edible.

The Rev's always tellin' us we need to work on our table manners. We think he should practice what he preaches. Well, thanks to Pam and Pat in crafts, we now know how to wrap plastic ware. But we'll probably stick to using our paws most of the time.

Well, we're feelin' a little sleepy. It's been so hot, we put a little straw in one of Charlie's coffee cans, Julie D. saved for us from the games. But before we go to sleep, we'll read each other some of the Bible stories Elaine told in front of the church.

Three cheers for Julie K. and Christian Ed. Members, Elaine, Frances, Pam and Pat. UR awesome.

And so is God, God is great and God is good. And Chester, Chauncey and me thank God for our food, (Cheetos®) AMEN!

Your friend,

Chucky

### 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) \$90,098.67 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 <a href="mailto:office@heartlanducc.org">office@heartlanducc.org</a>



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, June 20, 2022.



#### Treasurer's Report - Frank Davis

As of May 31, 2022, Faith Promise is \$1,843.81 ahead for this year per the Budget, and expenses are \$9,460.86 less than budgeted for the year.

The Finance and Stewardship Committee met on June 14, 2022, to discuss our current stock market value. With our current loss due to the market drop we felt we are still ok, but will monitor it closely.

#### Pastor's Report – Pastor Mark Katrick

John West will be taking Pastor Mark's place on the South Newark Civic Association Board. The pastor's last board meeting will be September 13.

Pastor Mark will be using a small part of the Fellowship Room for spiritual guidance during non-office hours after he retires. This will be for non-members only.

Pastor Mark has signed a call agreement with Brighton Presbyterian Church. His first Sunday there will be on October 2, 2022.

#### **Committee Reports:**

#### Search Committee - Tim Powers

The committee has been meeting every week during June.

The committee is interviewing candidates for the interim pastor position.

#### Christian Education Committee - Elaine Gard

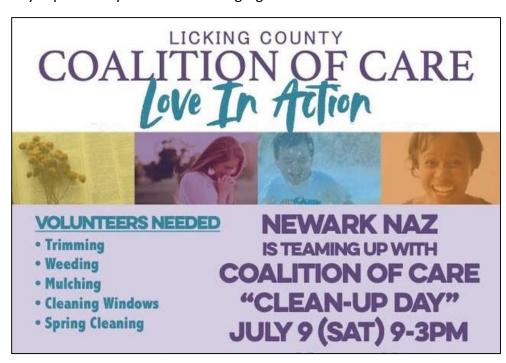
Vacation Bible School is going on this week with 15 students and 13 leaders.

Rally Day will be September 11, 2022.

In conjunction with the 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Tower Bells

The Youth Group will be starting up again in the fall with meetings after the 11:00 worship

The next meeting of the Church Council will be on Monday, July 18, 2022, at 6:30 pm in the Meeting Room. Meetings are always open to anyone from the congregation.



St. John's UCC is a sponsor of the Newark Bison Baseball team.

Be sure to check out their 2022 summer schedule.



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DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
JUNE 4TH	VS. THUNDERBIRDS*	4:05PM	JULY 1ST	@ PIONEERS	7:30PM
JUNE 7TH	@ CAPITALS	7:05PM	JULY 2ND	VS. OHIO ELITE*	2:00PM
JUNE 8TH	@ BRUINS	6:15PM	JUILY 5TH	VS. PIONEERS	7:00PM
JUNE 10TH	VS. CAPITALS	7:00PM	JULY 8TH	VS. BRUINS	7:00PM
JUINE 11TH	VS. PREMIER OHIO*	1:00PM	JULY 10TH	@ OHIO ELITE	7:30PM
JUNE 14TH	VS. BRUINS	7:15PM	JULY 11TH	@ TNT	6:15PM
JUNE 17TH	VS. CAPITALS	7:00PM	JULY 13TH	@ PIONEERS	7:30PM
JUNE 20TH	@ BRUINS	6:15PM	JULY 14TH	VS. TNT	7:05PM
JUNE 24TH	VS. TNT	7:05PM	JULY 16TH	@ CAPITALS	7:05PM
JUNE 26TH	@ THUNDERBIRDS*	2:00PM	JULY 18TH	@ TNT	6:15PM
JUNE 28TH	VS. PIONEERS	7:00PM	JULY 19TH	@ BRUINS	6:15PM
JUNE 29TH	VS. BRUINS	7:00PM	*Doubleh	eader	



# 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 or 740.973.9460



# From the St. John's Evangelism and Outreach Committee KISS Evangelism- Keep It Simple Saints!

By Greg Woodall of the Karns Church of Christ

#### GO Team,

As you pray and show people you care, God will open doors for you to share your faith. The thought can bring on butterflies in the stomach. But don't let that stop you-everyone can share! Following are tips that will help you navigate a Jesus conversation with confidence. Remember, evangelism is simply sharing your faith, in the power of the Holy Spirit, and leaving the results are up to God.

#### 1. Seek to be interested, not interesting.

When having conversations with people God has placed in your life, you can get to know them better by asking good questions! Here are some examples:

#### External:

- What do you do for a living?
- What is your favorite thing to do in your free time?
- Tell me about your family.

#### **Internal:**

- What is your dream?
- How have you coped with \_\_\_\_ difficult thing that has happened to you?

#### **Eternal:**

- I try to pray for the needs of people I meet. Is there any specific way I can pray for you today?
- When you think of God, what comes to mind?
- This makes me think of something. Could I share a quick story with you?

#### 2. Share your story.

If God has changed your life, your story is one of the greatest tools he wants to use within your spheres of influence. What is God teaching you right now? What has Jesus saved you from? Who are you in Christ compared to who you used to be?

Would you pray for God to give you the courage to share your story of Jesus's transformation in your life with those who do not know him this week?

#### 3. Keep the gospel simple.

The gospel is for everyone, and if God has led you to share with someone, you get to be the messenger of this good news. You don't need to add or take away from the truth of the gospel.

God created.

Our sins separated us from God.

**S**ins cannot be removed by good deeds.

**P**aying the price for sin, Jesus died and rose again.

**E**veryone who trusts in him alone can have eternal life.

**L**ife with Jesus starts now and lasts forever!

Let's GO share together today! Praying for each of you.





Vacation Bible school 2022 has wrapped up. With 15 kids and just as many volunteers it was fun to be "On a Roll with God." We learned how God cares for us and takes care of all our needs every day in every way. Our mission this year was to support the Licking County Food Pantry and to supply the St. John's

neighborhood with a Little Free Pantry. We raised \$106.02 and 77 non-perishable food and personal items. On Tuesday, The River radio stopped by with goodies for all and on Friday we had popcorn and snow cone party.

Starting in September, 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 available to borrow in the library.





Looking ahead – mark your calendars – Rally Day is September 11, 2022!



## Sunday School Classes

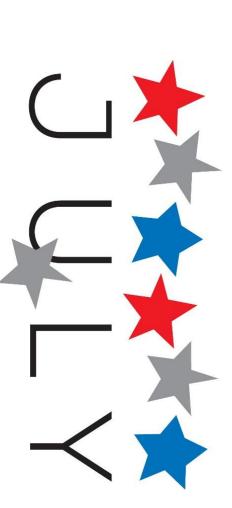
Adult class –No Class June, July, August
Bible Discovery Zone –No class June, July, August
Cradle Role - Child care 10:45 for the 11AM service.

## July Worship Service Duties

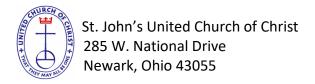
Ushers: Frank Davis, Jeff Conner, Larry Jones

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<u>Cradle Role</u>	Acolytes (11:00 a.m. Service)	<u>Cantors</u>
3 Michelle Knowlton	3 Lauren Koser &	3 Julie Davis
10	William Koser	10 Todd Baldosser
17 Kelsie Pursley	10 Emmaleigh Crowthers &	17 Don Boldt
24	Lauren Koser	24 Todd Baldosser
31 Julie Kroah	17 Matthew Kroah &	31 Julie Davis
	William Koser	
	24 Emmaleigh Crowthers &	
	Matthew Kroah	
	31 Matthew Kroah &	
	William Koser	

Thursday Media Worship Team	<b>Sunday Sound Worship Team</b>	<b>Sunday Video Worship Team</b>
7 Julie Kroah	3 Ken Kroah	3 Julie Kroah
14 Tom Lawyer	10 Tom Lawyer	10 Pamela Tulloss
21 Julie Kroah	17 Dick Tulloss	17 Pamela Tulloss
28 Tom Lawyer	24 Ken Kroah	24 Julie Kroah
	31 Dick Tulloss	31 Pamela Tulloss



Sunday	26 8:00am Outdoor Drive-In Service 11:00am Sanctuary Service	3 Communion Sunday 8:00am Outdoor Drive-In Service 11:00am Sanctuary Service	10 8:00am Outdoor Drive-In Service 11:00am Sanctuary Service	17 8:00am Outdoor Drive-In Service 11:00am Sanctuary Service	24 8:00am Outdoor Drive-In Service 11:00am Sanctuary Service	31 8:00am Outdoor Drive-In Service 11:00am Sanctuary Service
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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 JULY



**From Habakkuk to SARA** A memoir of the Rev. Szilagyi and his founding of the SARA ministry. Sending aid to Ukrain.

**Unbroken** DVD 2014. True story of survival, resilience and redemption.

#### For Children

The Good Samaritan retold by Heather Amery part of the Usborne Bible Tales

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