

# Welcome Home!

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



# St. John's

*The 2022 March 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, Mike Boyce, Relna Cornell, Esther Gillham, Helen McGaughy, Charles Foucht, Shirley Imler, Bill Carr, Brian Lensink, Rev. Dr. Winfield Strout, Tegan Picklesimer, Irmgard Rhodes, Susan O'Brien, Robin Lyn Green, Joann Claypool, Jeff and Stephanie Knepp & family & the family of Donna Hewitt.

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

<b>Monthly Faith Promise goal</b>	<b>\$ 8,705.25</b>
<b>Income as of February 20, 2022</b>	<b>\$ 8,684.00</b>
<b>Month to Date Balance</b>	<b>(\$ 21.25)</b>



**Donna J. Hewitt**

Born: November 21, 1938

Died: February 14, 2022

A member of St. John's since 1952

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## **CONSERVATION NOTES**

[LickingSWCD.com](http://LickingSWCD.com)

**AWARD WINNERS CELEBRATED AT ANNUAL BANQUET**

### **2021 Educator of the Year:**

#### **Nancy Taylor**

Nancy Taylor is an educator at heart; she believes teaching the next generation to care about the environment is the key to conserving our natural resources.



Nancy graduated from Butler University with a B.S. in Zoology and Environmental Studies and is the Chemist and Pretreatment Coordinator for Newark Water and Wastewater Treatment Plant.

As a partner in Soil & Water's programming, Nancy has participated in the summer Educator Workshop series, provided training to the Ohio Certified Volunteer Naturalist program, and coordinated creeking activities for the scout day camp. You will find her at community events such as the Downtown Newark Association STEM on the Square and education events at The Works. She provides mentorship and hands-on learning experiences for scout merit badges, science fair projects, career shadowing, and bring your kids to work day.

## Thank You – to St. Johns

Dear St. John's,

Thank you for your generous donation to the Coalition of Care. Your donation makes all the difference in someone's life who is struggling to make ends meet. Together we can be the hands and feet of Christ to our neighbors in need in Licking County.

Blessings,

Melissa Anderson

Executive Director

Dear Members,

Because of your generosity, patients at the Community Health Clinic will continue to benefit from medical care, medications and medical education throughout 2022. We gratefully accept your recent gift.

You are making a difference in the lives of the medically needy of Licking County while allowing us to continue our mission of providing quality health care in an atmosphere of dignity and caring. Thank you again for your continued and generous support.

Sincerely,

The Board of the Community Health Clinic,

Donald DeShetler, MD, Chairman

Ken Quick, BSN, RN, Clinic Director

Thank you for your continued support. We are so thankful and blessed.

Sincerely, Trish & the team @NHO  
(Newark Homeless Outreach)

On behalf of the Board of Directors, staff and volunteers at St. Vincent DePaul Housing Facilities (St. Vincent Haven), we thank you for your continued support of our efforts to end the cycle of poverty in Licking County, Ohio. We are blessed and humbled by your gifts that enable us to carry out this great service.

With our gifts...we battled COVID, and continued to work to expand, and improve the services that we offer. Our approach to offer a "hand-up" to those we serve, ensuring our residents with the necessary tools to escape this vicious cycle once and for all, and to begin to live healthy and happy lives.

We are honored to represent your hard earned money. We promise to be good stewards of it, in offering a "hand-up" to those that we are so blessed to serve. Please continue to give to this great work, and most especially keep us in your prayers.

Thank you!

John Paul Munhall  
Executive Director

John Urban  
President of the Board

Dear Friend of the Look Up Center,

Thank you for partnering with us to assist and minister to those in our community! You are a tremendous blessing!

We appreciate your gifts to the Look Up Ministries. Your generosity has made such an impact on so many people in Licking County and truly makes a significant difference.

Thanks to each of you who prayed, donated, and gave to our ministry to keep our programming going....

Thank you for your continued support of the Look Up Center. We couldn't meet the needs in our community without prayers and partnerships!

God Bless, Lori Hubble Director



### **Ash Wednesday • March 2, 2022**

11AM to 1PM Courthouse Square downtown Newark to receive ashes. Liturgical readings at noon. Sponsored by the Newark Area Ministerial Association.

### **Thursday Prayer Service • March 3, 2022**

7PM Ash Wednesday Chapel Service. In person at St. John's United Church of Christ or Live Streamed on our Facebook page. See [www.stjohnsnewark.org](http://www.stjohnsnewark.org) for Facebook link.

### **Lenten Devotionals**

Lenten and Holy Week devotionals will be available at the 9AM and 11AM services and also in the Fellowship room.

## **2022 Mission Trip News**



**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)

Dear members and friends of St. John's,

After a valiant and determined effort, the Cincinnati Bengals fell short of their quest to be champions in Super Bowl LXVI. Now all 32 teams are back to 0-0 records. As us Cleveland Browns are well known to say, "There's always next year. Now bring on the NFL draft!"

Though there was no parade in Cincinnati, I'd have loved to have thrown one for you in the parking lot (if there hadn't been so much ice and snow)! Your contributions to the Souper Bowl were of championship caliber.

Along with all the soups and stews you brought, we added our regular collection of canned and dried food items. Many of our members and friends may recall that we designate one Sunday per month for this offering. There's a box for it up the stairs at the entrance to our chapel and sanctuary.

Starting on March 27, the last Sunday of the month will be known as Food Pantry Sunday. Then what has been dropped off throughout the month, will be taken to the distribution center.

Please know that the gifts you give are making a big difference. This ministry raises awareness of the great need for basic necessities in Newark and surrounding communities.

Feeding others in body and spirit are two of the most important ways we can respond to Christ's call to "love your neighbor as yourself (Galatians 5:14)." In Jesus' own words, it's the same as if you are feeding him, "for I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in (Matthew 25:35)."

In Christ's love,

Rev. Mark

### Afternoon Circle -

*...will meet on Wednesday, March 2, at 1:00 p.m., in the Meeting Room. We will have a memorial for our dear Donna Hewitt, followed by Ash Wednesday devotions. Then our meeting will become a work day as we plan for our 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary meeting in May. Please bring any pictures, articles, memorabilia you may have, along with your ideas for our celebration.*

### Women of St. John's -

*...you are invited to the Women's Guild's 150<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration on Wednesday, May 4. On May 9, 1872, the Frauen und Jungfrauen Verein (the Ladies and Young Ladies Society) was organized here at St. John's Church. Over the years, the name has changed, and Circles were added. We invite all women of St. John's to join us - especially those who belonged to Afternoon Circle, Evening Circle, Dorcas Circle, and the Sewing Circle.*

*Save the date. More information will be in the next Chimes and Sunday bulletins.*

Whoever is kind to the poor lends to the LORD, and will be repaid in full. (Proverbs 19:17)

Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have, for such sacrifices are pleasing to God. (Hebrews 13:16)



The weather forecasters have gotten it right this year.

These especially cold and wintry months of January and February have heightened our awareness of the great needs right here in Newark and surrounding communities.

Our Mission and Outreach Committee of Owen Lee, Susan Jansheski, Karen O'Hare and Jennifer Lee have been intentional about directing our resources to assist local ministries including the Salvation Army, the Food Pantry, the Newark Homeless Ministry, the Lookup Center, the Warming Center and the Coalition of Care.

Your contributions to the Lenten Offering helps them to continue to do good and share what we have for the poor. Thank you for your kindness and generosity. It is pleasing to God.

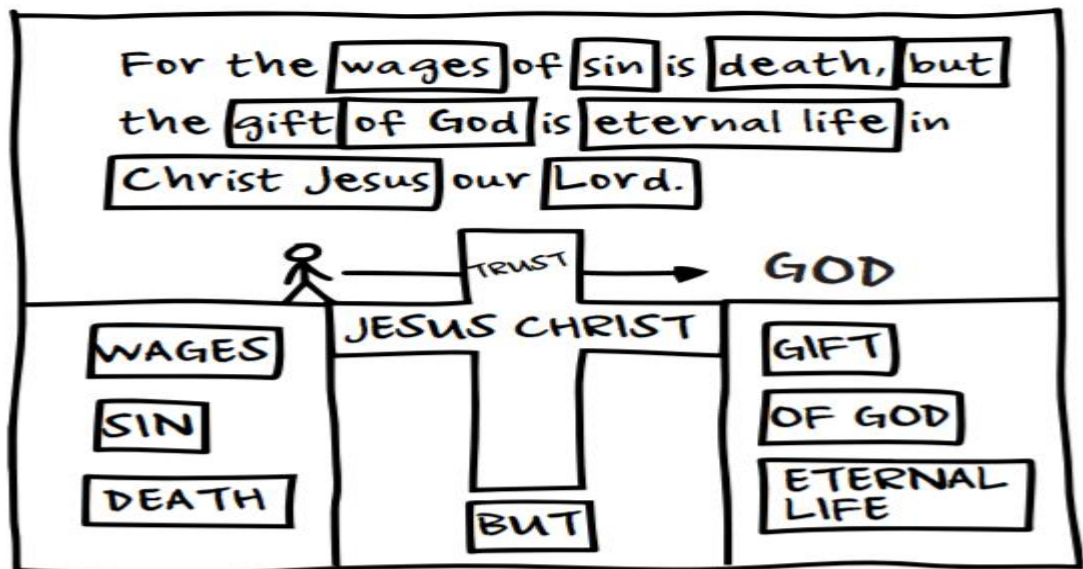
From St. John's Evangelism and Outreach Committee

## ONE-VERSE EVANGELISM:

### HOW TO SHARE CHRIST'S LOVE VISUALLY AND CONVERSATIONALLY

#### One-Verse

**Evangelism** is a simple, interactive way to share Christ's love conversationally and visually. It is based on asking questions and sharing truth simply. It's easy to learn because it uses just one verse. *One-Verse Evangelism* can be shared in just 10 or 15 minutes, but can have impact for a lifetime.



Here's a brief look at how it works. Let's say God is leading you to share the gospel with your neighbor, Jeff. Write out [Romans 6:23](#) on a piece of paper or a napkin: "For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord" (NIV). All you need is contained in this single passage. Ask Jeff if he would like to see a simple diagram based on this verse that will explain God's relationship with mankind (us).



**Wages** - Circle the word “wages” and ask, “How would you feel if your boss refused to pay you the wages that were due to you?” The answer, of course, is that he would want justice—in this case, the wages he had worked for. Deep down, we all know that it is only right that we get what we deserve. Similarly, we earn “wages” from God for how we have lived our lives.

**Sin** - Draw a circle around “sin,” asking your neighbor Jeff what he thinks when he hears this word. You might explain that sin is more an attitude than an action. It can be either actively fighting God or as simple as excluding Him from our lives. You can ask, “Has God ever seemed far away?” If he says “Yes,” you can explain that that’s one of the things sin does—it makes God seem far away. Now draw two opposing cliffs with a gap in between.

**Death** - Circle this word and ask what thoughts come to mind. Explain that death in the Bible always means some kind of separation—in its most basic sense, separation from life. Because God is the author of life, a spiritual death simply means separation from Him.

**BUT** - While circling this word, mention that it is important because it means that a sharp contrast in ideas is coming. What we have just looked at is the bad news; what comes next is the good news.

**Gift** - Draw a circle around this word. Ask, “If wages are what a person earns, then what is a gift?” Remind Jeff that though every gift is free for the person receiving it, someone still has to purchase it.

**of God** - Circle this and explain that the gift you are talking about is free. It is from God Himself. It’s so special that no one else can give it. Ask, “How do you feel when someone gives you a special gift?”

**Eternal Life** - Circle these two words next, and then ask, “How would you define these words?” Contrast one side of the cliff, death, with the other side, eternal life. Ask, “What is the opposite of separation from God?”

**Christ Jesus** - Write these words so they create a bridge between the two cliffs. Help your friend to consider that just as every gift has a unique giver, only Jesus Christ can give the gift of eternal life.

**Trust** - Write this word over the bridge you just drew. Explain that a true friend is a friend you can trust, and tell Jeff that Jesus is offering to be a true friend to him. All Jeff has to do is admit that he is responsible for his sin—either of fighting against God or excluding Him from his life. Trusting Jesus means believing that He has power to forgive us for rejecting God and that He will wash us clean from all that we have done wrong in life. At this point, you can ask him if he wants to start a relationship with God that will last forever. If he says “Yes,” invite him to pray a short prayer in his own words, asking Jesus to forgive him and make him new. Close by reminding him that this simple illustration shows what God is like: Someone who really cares about people—especially him. Invite him to read all about it in the Bible—the Gospel of John is a great place to start.

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## **NEWS FROM CHURCH COUNCIL**

The Church Council of St. John's met on Monday, February 21, 2022.

### **Election of Officers:**

President – Tom Lawyer  
Vice President – Tim Powers  
Treasurer – Frank Davis  
Assistant Treasurer – Brian Lensink  
Secretary – Elaine Gard



### **Treasurer's Report:** Brian Lensink

As of February 7, we are \$607.27 ahead of budget in giving, and expenses are \$908.82 less than budgeted.

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

South Newark Civic Association's Spring Cleanup Day has been moved to April 30, 2022, from 8:30 a.m. until noon. Mission and Outreach will pay for the workers' lunches from Lee's Chicken.

The virtual meeting of the Central Southeast Ohio Association will take place from our sanctuary on May 7, 2022. Several members of St. John's will be participating in the meeting. Pastor Mark is the moderator of the Association. Sunday, March 20, 2022, Dr. Hicks will be the guest preacher.

### **Use of Facility Request:**

Todd Baldosser has Council's permission to hold the Spring Piano Recital for his students in the sanctuary on Sunday, April 3, from 1 to 3 p.m.

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

The Ash Wednesday service will be part of the Thursday, March 3, Prayer Service, streamed at 7:00 p.m. Folks are welcomed and encouraged to come by the church and participate in person from the Chapel.

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

The committee is planning a Car Show sometime after Easter, with all proceeds going to Fostering Further.

Council welcomes Greg Crowthers as a new member of the Church Council, and welcomes back Charles Dudley, Tim Powers, and Mike Dooley as returning members.

The next meeting of the St. John's Church Council will be on Monday, March 21, 2022, at 6:30 p.m. in the Meeting Room. All members of St. John's are welcome to attend.



## **LIBRARY FOCUS FOR MARCH**

***The Greatest Words Ever Spoken: Everything Jesus Said About You, Your Life, and Everything Else by Steven K. Scott.*** Come face to face with the truth and power of Jesus Christ.

***Path to the Cross (That the World May Know vol. 11).*** Discover how the faith of God's people prepares the way for Jesus and his ultimate act of obedience & sacrifice at the cross.

### **For Children**

***Ancient Bible Lands by Charles Alesander Robinson, Jr.*** introduce children to historical Biblical places through text, photographs, drawings, and maps.

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



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

The Bible Discovery Zone will begin looking at the story Jonah 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 planning the Youth Overnight April 23 at 6PM to plan our presentation of The Great Commission.

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



The Souper Bowl of Caring Canned Soup Drive that occurred February 13, 2022 collected 182.2 pounds of food and \$150 to benefit the Licking County Food Pantry. Thank you to the Youth for your hard work.



### 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.

## March Worship Service Duties

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

### Cradle Role with Rachel Lee

6 Michelle Knowlton  
13  
20 Kelsie Pursley  
27

### Bible Discovery Zone

6  
13 Brian Lensink & Pat Farley  
20 Ken Kroah & Pat Farley  
27 Judy Goodman & Matthew Kroah

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

6 Mathew Kroah & William Koser  
13 Emmaleigh Crowthers & Lauren Koser  
20 William Koser & Lauren Koser  
27 Emmaleigh Crowthers & Matthew Kroah

### Thursday Media Worship Team

3 Julie Kroah  
10 Tom Lawyer  
17 Tom Lawyer  
24 Julie Kroah  
31 Julie Kroah

### Sunday Sound Worship Team

6 Julie Kroah  
13 Dick Tulloss  
20 Tom Lawyer  
27 Dick Tulloss

### Sunday Video Worship Team

6 Ken Kroah  
13 Pamela Tulloss  
20 Pamela Tulloss  
27 Tom Lawyer



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>27</b> Transfiguration 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.	<b>28</b>	<b>1</b> 1:00 AM Private Event 4:00 PM Church & Ministry Meeting	<b>2</b> Ash Wednesday 11:00 AM N.A.M.A. Ash Wednesday on the square- Recieve Ashes 11am-1pm. Liturgical reading at 12pm 1:00 PM The Afternoon Circle of the Women's Guild Meeting 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice	<b>3</b> 7:00 PM Ash Wednesday Live Stream Service	<b>4</b> World Day of Prayer	<b>5</b>
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<b>13</b> Daylight-Saving Time Begins 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.	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b> 6:00 PM Private Use- Chorus Practice	<b>17</b> St. Patrick's Day 7:00 PM Live from St. John's UCC Chapel - Join us for our Thursday Prayer Service. Live streamed at 7:00pm.	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 10:00 AM PRIVATE EVENT
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### ***Worship Services!***

9:00 a.m. – Outdoor Drive-In Service  
7:00 p.m. – Thursday Prayer Service  
11:00 a.m. – Sanctuary Service  
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### ***Easter Lilies***

This Easter, we will again beautify our sanctuary and our lobby window with an array of Easter lilies to be displayed at both services, 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.

This is for a 6" pot traditional white - \$11.75 **THE DEADLINE** for placing orders is **Sunday, March 27, 2022.**

☐ 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 below. Thank you!

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 10, 2022** will be listed in the bulletin on **April 17, 2022, Easter Sunday**. Abiding Memorial and Foundation Fund Cards and Envelopes are available in the literature rack in the Narthex or in the office or you can use this form and place in the offering plate with your contribution.

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