

**May 13, 2007**

- 8:30 a.m. Early Morning Worship Service
- 9:15 a.m. Mother's Day Breakfast served by our Disciples Men's Fellowship
- 9:30 a.m. Church School
- 10:45 a.m. Traditional Morning Worship Service
- OPENER:** Dan Clark   **CLOSER:** Al Knapp
- GREETERS:** John & Helen Farar
- ACOLYTES:** Deanna Forbush and Britney March
- WORSHIP LEADER:** Jane Hutson
- PREACHER:** The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Long
- TELLERS:** Alan Paul and Lauri Warfield
- ELDER (8:30):** Lauri Warfield
- ELDER (8:30):** Chris Baumgartner
- ELDERS (10:45):** Ken Oblak
- Tim Widman
- Steve Bond
- DIACONATE:** Team II
- 8:30 - Mike & Robin Crocker
- 10:45 - Peggy Haywood, John Henry, Jean Kennedy, Cindy Knapp, Debby Lance, Jack Price, Jim Stephenson, Jordan Stephenson, Sue Stephenson, and Ben Willets

**Youth News**

Have you registered for camp? There's still time:

- Chi Rho Camp Cuyahoga**
- June 17-23 Camp Christian
- CYF Hiram Conference**
- June 24-30 Camp Christian

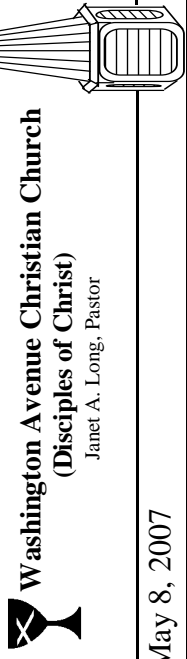
Complete information and registration forms are available on the bench outside my office. On-line registration for these events is available at [www.ccinoh.org](http://www.ccinoh.org).

**Saturday, May 26:** Sprouts and Chi Rho will visit Cascade Park, 12 noon-4 p.m. We'll roast hot dogs, make s'mores, play games, and go hiking.

**Baccalaureate (June 3):** If you are graduating and have not received a letter of invitation to our Baccalaureate, call 440-323-4213.

Love, Glenna

# THE SPREE



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## Janet's Jottings

Dear Friends,

Energy and enthusiasm were in full bloom on Sunday afternoon at the visioning event for our congregation! There was no pre-registration. How many would stick around (or come back) for three hours on a beautiful day? The expectation was 15-20; the hope was 20-25. The reality was that 40 people showed up to participate!

That number of folks committed to actively participating in a process of dreaming and visioning is incredibly heartening. The foundation on which we build is a position of strength and vitality. We have gifted lay leadership, a strong commitment to outreach, healthy stewardship, wonderful facilities, creative programming, and true community.

The reality is that we already have everything we need to move forward as a community of faith. *For, in fact, the kingdom of God is among you*, according to Jesus. That's true because the spirit of God is among us to challenge us and to change us. The risen Christ is with us as we walk the path of faith, seeking to grow in his likeness.

And, according to the prophet Joel, God's very presence will permeate our life: *I will pour out my spirit on all flesh; your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, your old men shall dream dreams, and your young men shall see visions. Even on the male and female slaves, in those days, I will pour out my spirit.* Everyone has a place and a part.

Your abilities, insights, commitments, and love for Christ and this church are needed as we move forward into the future to which God calls us. It is an exciting time as we listen for God's leading and as we learn from one another. When the follow-up visioning event is held on July 15, the winds of the Spirit will surely be felt once again...

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