

**JULY 5, 2009**

8:30 a.m. Early Morning Worship Service  
 9:15 a.m. Common Grounds, followed by  
 9:30 a.m. Intergenerational Church School  
 10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
 12:00 noon Chi Rho and CYF gathering  
 3:00 p.m. Chi Rho Camp Portahoga at Camp  
 Christian begins (ends 7/11; Jordan  
 Collins, Jessica Hoover, Katie Kostohryz,  
 Daniel March, and Romeo Walker attending;  
 Dick & Arlene Burch, counselors  
 Address: *Camp Christian, Magnetic Springs,*  
*OH 43036-9999*)

**OPENER:** Bruce Siffert **CLOSER:** Chris Thomas  
**GREETERS:** Ken & Kay Mundorf

**ACOLYTES:** Samantha Moore and Nautica Walker

**WORSHIP LEADER:** Elliot Wainwright

**PREACHER:** The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Long

**TELLERS:** Dan Clark and Ken Oblak

**ELDER (8:30):** **PIANIST (8:30):**  
 Chris Baumgartner Carolyn Long

**ELDERS (10:45):** **HOME COMMUNION:**  
 Ken Mundorf Lauri Warfield

Janet Stevens-Brown Bob Rieth

**DIACONATE:** Team I

**8:30 -** Bud and Polly Simmons (substitutes)  
**10:45 -** Dennis Jackson, Cindy Knapp, Gary Knapp, Jan  
 Moore, Kay Mundorf, Elliot Wainwright, Kathy Wainwright,  
 Mark Wainwright, Dan Walker, and Nancy Walker

**JULY 12, 2009**

8:30 a.m. Early Morning Worship Service  
 9:15 a.m. Common Grounds, followed by  
 9:30 a.m. Intergenerational Church School  
 10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service  
 3:00 p.m. Partnership Camp Badger at Tabled Hills  
 begins (ends 7/18; Colton Anderson, Jacob  
 Anderson, Jordan Anderson, and Cheyenne  
 Remley attending  
 Address: *Templed Hills, Box 575, Belville,*  
*OH 44813*)

**OPENER:** Dan Clark **CLOSER:** Gerald Western

**ACOLYTES:** Romeo Walker and Tyler Schneider

**WORSHIP LEADER:** Sean Kersey

**PREACHER:** The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Long

**TELLERS:** Larry McIntyre and Dan Walker

**ELDER (8:30):** **PIANIST (8:30):**  
 Don Hange, Jr. Rosalie Gainer

**ELDERS (10:45):** **HOME COMMUNION:**  
 Mark Mathes Gerald Western

Barbara Terrell Pam Henry

**DIACONATE:** Team II

**8:30 -** Teri Hayes and Bob Maxwell  
**10:45 -** Karen Davis, Linda Dull, Thomas Dull, Sue McKain,  
 Cheryl McKenna, John McKenna, Lynn Obechi, Bob Rieth,  
 Sandy Rieth, and Jeni Sweeten

# THE SPREE



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## Janet's Jottings

Dear Friends,

Faithful leadership. We need it in government, business, community, schools, family, and church. Leadership is much on my mind today. The "changing of the guard" is taking place in Elyria Rotary this noon. I am beginning my one-year term as president.

This past Sunday, a slate of church leadership for the coming year(s) was elected here at Washington Avenue Christian Church. We are blessed with strong lay leadership.

Before moving forward, we look back and express gratitude to those who are completing terms of service. They include:

Elders – Dan Clark, Nancy Huller (chair), Betty McIntyre, and Tim Widman;

Diaconate – Linda Adkins (chair), Marilyn Bauer, Roger Bauer, Jenny Bliss, Cheryl

Grapes, Fauna Griffiths, Jean Kennedy, Steve McCall, Gary McIntyre, Jack

Price, Sharon Siffert, Jordan Stephenson, Chris Thomas, Keith

Western, and Joan Wilhelm; and,

Committee co-chairs – Betty McIntyre (Church Life & Growth), Gary McIntyre

(Property) and Keith Western (Outreach).

Those who have answered the call to serve include:

Elders – Chris Baumgartner, Tim Haywood, Barbara Terrell, and Gerald Western;

Diaconate – Deanna Forbush, Peggy Haywood, Brian Maddock, Dan Maddock, Tina

Maddock, Cheryl McKenna, John McKenna, Jan Moore, Carol Mosher, Kay

Mundorf, Lynn Obechi, Sandy Rieth, Bud Simmons, Polly Simmons, Kathy

Wainwright, and Mark Wainwright; and,

Committee co-chairs: Jenny Bliss (Church Life & Growth), Jane Hutson (Outreach)

and Dennis Wilhelm (Property).

Praying for all who lead is a crucial way to lend support. May these who have faithfully responded be led by God and blessed in their efforts.

Love,  
  
 Janet Long

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**WACC to Host CW&W Training Event**

Debbie Walker, Washington Avenue Christian Church's Director of Church School Education, will lead a weekend teacher training event for the Children Worship & Wonder program, at Washington Avenue Christian Church, August 14-16.

Through Children Worship & Wonder, children learn about God as they experience God. They hear Bible stories in a way that allows them to enter into the stories and form responses out of their own life experiences. CW&W can be used with children ranging in ages 3-13, and a wide age range can be grouped together in one class. CW&W is a Montessori-based model and often works wonders with children who have attention-deficit problems.

It is recommended that interested congregations send at least two representatives to the training event. Registration is \$120 per person if received by July 31 (\$140 if received later). Participants are also required to purchase the book, *Young Children and Worship*, (\$24.95) by Sonja M. Stewart and Jerome W. Berryman, and bring it with them to each session.

Registration information is available at: [www.discipleshomemissions.org/FamilyandChildren/CWW.htm](http://www.discipleshomemissions.org/FamilyandChildren/CWW.htm) or by calling Disciples Home Missions at 886-346-2631.

Maybe you know of a family member or friend whose church could use a boost in their children's program. Please let them know about this opportunity to explore Children Worship & Wonder.

**JULY 5 LECTONARY**

2 Samuel 5:1-5, 9-10  
Psalm 48  
2 Corinthians 12:2-10  
Mark 6:1-13\*

**JULY 12 LECTONARY**

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19  
Psalm 24  
Ephesians 1:3-14  
Mark 6:14-29\*

\**Sermon focus*

**Intergenerational Church School**

Elder Dan Clark, with help from Brenda Keenan, Shirley Shubert and Barbara Terrell, will share important items from the business docket of this year's General Assembly with this Sunday's Intergenerational Church School class. The session is entitled, "...for the Healing of the Nations" (the General Assembly theme).



The July 12 session will be led by Janet Stevens-Brown as she shares ways of, "Being Green at Home." The class meets at 9:30 a.m. in the youth rooms. Childcare is provided for very young children.

**A Working "Garden Party"**

Join our gardening group on Saturday, July 11, 9 a.m.-noon for a trimming and weeding party. Bring your hedge clippers, weed whackers, hoes, trowels, garden weasels and claws, etc. and help us keep WACC's grounds looking their best.

**Church Office: Closed for Vacation**

WACC's Office Administrator will enjoy some vacation July 6-10. As Pastor Janet may be away from the office at various times, you'll want to call ahead (323-4213) before dropping by. Voice mail will be checked regularly during the week.

**Thank You**

To my friends at WACC,

Many thanks for the expressions of concern for me while I was ill. Special thanks to Pastor Janet and Brenda Keenan for the many visits, and for the kind words and many laughs we had.

I should be in my new apartment early in July.  
- *Jan Henning*

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Bud & Polly Simmons appreciate WACC's ongoing support of the Elyria Hospitality Center. Needed items this month include cereal, tuna, chicken noodle soup, and peanut butter.

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I would like to thank you for allowing my student and me to use your beautiful church for her recital. Everyone at WACC is always so helpful and kind. Mari and her family are so grateful for your warm hospitality. Please accept this check as a token of our gratitude.

Thank you again,  
*Amy King*

**Vacation Bible School Goes Co-Op**

This summer's Vacation Bible School will be an ecumenical experience. Activities will take place on Aug. 11 at St. Paul, on Aug. 12 at WACC and on Aug. 13 at First Congregational. Check future issues of *The Spire* for more details.

**NEWS OF OUR FAMILY**

**Youth to Meet This Sunday**

Youth in grades 6-12 will meet with Tony Hampton this Sunday, July 5 at 12 noon.

**Congratulations!**

Anniversary congratulations go out to: Tony & Jeni Sweeten (6/26, #10); Mike & Carole Weinhardt (6/27, #17); Bob & LaDonna Maxwell (6/28, #34); and Paul & Linda Fridenstine and Chris Thomas & Chris Trunk (6/29, #46 and #13, respectively).

**Family Yearbook Reports Due**

If you were a staff member or program chair during the 2008-2009 church year, your annual report will be needed in the church office by July 31. Contact the church office if you need to see a copy of the previous year's report. Reports may be submitted via email or left in the church office mail slot in the Elders' conference room.

**Coffee and Tea at WACC**

If you would like to host a coffee hour after the 10:45 a.m. Worship Service any Sunday this summer, please contact Hospitality Committee Co-Chair Carol McIntyre (365-4349).

**Prayer Focus**

Please pray for our church's leadership.

**Hospitalized**

No one (of whom we are aware) at press-time. At Home: Bob McNulty

**CALENDAR**



Fri., 7/3: - Church office closed in observance of Independence Day.

Sun., 7/5: - See back page for the day's schedule.

Mon., 7/6: - Church office closed for vacation all week.

- Vacation Bible School organizational meeting, 7:15 p.m. (location pending).

Tue., 7/7: - Christian Education Committee meeting in the Elders' conference room, 6:30 p.m.

- Tuesday Night LaPorte Group (AA) meeting in Fellowship Hall, 8 p.m.

Sat., 7/11: - WACC grounds trimming and weeding party, 9 a.m.

Sun., 7/12: - See back page for the day's schedule.

Sat., 7/18: - Salvation Army Hot Meal served by Team 4 (Mark & Susan Mathes, captains).