

October 18, 2009

8:30 a.m. Early Morning Worship Service
9:15 a.m. Common Grounds, followed by
9:30 a.m. Church School
10:45 a.m. Traditional Worship Service
12:00 noon Month of the Ministry coffee hour, followed
by Church Life & Growth Committee
meeting

OPENER: Pete Majewski **CLOSER:** Don Hange, Sr.
GREETERS: Dick & Arlene Burch
ACOLYTES: Samantha Moore and Nautica Walker
WORSHIP LEADER: Dan Clark

PREACHER: The Reverend Dr. Janet A. Long
TELLERS: Jane Hutson and Brenda Keenan

ELDER (8:30):
Tim Haywood

ELDERS (10:45):
Lauri Warfield

HOME COMMUNION:
Ken Mundorf
Debby Willets
Arlene Burch

DIACONATE: Team III

8:30 - Jason Higgins and Tina Maddock
10:45 - Pam Henry, Michelle Kazmierczak, Michelle
Kersey, Sean Kersey, Carol Mosher, Karen Schneider,
Laverne Stroup, and Wayne Walker

YOUTH and YOUNG ADULT NEWS

CHANGE IN OCTOBER YOUTH MEETINGS

Due to the number of our CYF members who will be attending the Halloween overnight at Westlake Christian Church this weekend, our Sprouts, Chi Rho and CYF will all meet on the 4th Sunday this month (October 25) in place of the usual 3rd Sunday gathering. Elder Chris Baumgartner will provide lunch.

TOTALLY EXCITED ABOUT MINISTRY?

High school students interested in learning about the field of ministry are invited to a FREE event at Transylvania University (Lexington, Kentucky) November 13-14. Registration forms for "Transy & TEAM" are available on our main bulletin board. Please note that participants must arrange their own transportation.

CAMP FOR YOUNG ADULTS (18-29)

Advance Conference (ages 18-29, post-high school) will have a Winter Retreat at Camp Christian January 1-3. The theme is "Get Personal with Each Other: Diving into Personal Relationships." Registration is just \$80 if received by November 15. Details are posted on our main bulletin board. You may also register online at: www.ccinoho.org.

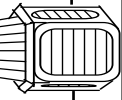
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Janet's Jottings

Dear Friends,

God's Hands — Our Hands

This year's Week of the Ministry theme reminds us of our call to serve.

A 13th century prayer, known as the "Sarum Blessing", is beautiful in its simplicity:

God be in my head and in my understanding;

God be in my eyes and in my looking;

God be in my mouth and in my speaking;

God be in my heart and in my thinking;

God be at my end and at my departing.

I wish the one who penned these petitions had added the line, "God be in my hands and in my serving".

So, may our prayer for the mission and ministry we share as Washington Avenue Christian Church be:

God be in our heads and in our understanding;


God be in our eyes and in our looking;

God be in our mouths and in our speaking;

God be in our hearts and in our thinking;

God be in our hands and in our serving;

God be at our end and at our departing.

Love,

Janet

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Trunk or Treat October 25

You're never too young or too old for this treat—WACC's Trunk or Treat event on Sunday, October 25. The Church Life & Growth Committee will again sponsor this whole-church, all-ages night of costumes, fun, food, and campfire (weather permitting).

The event will start at 6 p.m. with a parade of costumed trick-or-treaters collecting candy and snacks from decorated cars in our parking lot. After that, participants will enjoy food, stories and songs around a campfire. The event will end by 7:30 p.m.

Special Services This Fall

All Saints' Sunday
November 1

Consecration Sunday (and All-Church Thanksgiving Dinner)
November 22

Community Thanksgiving Service
Tuesday, November 24, 7 p.m. at Wesleyan Village
Community choir rehearsals will be held Sunday, November 15 at 4 p.m. at First United Methodist Church, and again the night of the Service, at 6 p.m. at Wesleyan Village (please bring your choir robe)



October 18 Lectionary Corner

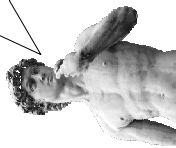
Job 38:1-7, 34-41
Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c
Hebrews 5:1-10
Mark 10:35-45*

*Sermon focus

Art Auction Tickets Now On Sale

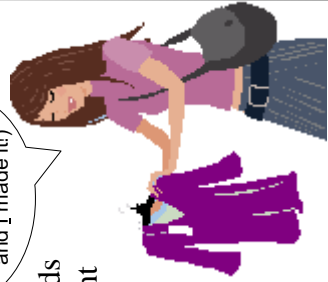
Tickets (\$5 each) for the November 8 Outreach Art Auction will be on sale in the narthex beginning this Sunday. We're still accepting donations of various arts and crafts

Hmmm... I think I'd like to go to that...



(home décor items, wearable art, etc.) as well as store and restaurant gift certificates, collectibles, sports memorabilia, movie tickets, jewelry, and service coupons (catering, yard work, babysitting, etc.). Proceeds from this fundraising event will be shared equally between the Cleveland Christian Home and Neighborhood House Association for children's Christmas gifts. Contact the church office (office@waccelyria.org or 323-4213) with your questions, or to drop off donations.

Better put this on first! (It's wearable art—and I made it!)



Prayer Focus

Please pray for God to use your hands in the ministry of Christ.

Treat Yourself to a Retreat

SILENT RETREAT: Paths to the Holy

The Christian Church in Ohio is offering a "silent" retreat October 26-30 at Camp Christian. Participants will experience quiet meditation, Taizé-style worship, reflection through creative arts, and more. The retreat leader is The Reverend Dr. Carol Vaccariello, a "pastor's pastor" who holds a Doctor of Ministry, M. Div., MBA, MSE, and BA. Registration is \$295. Massage and reiki therapy, and additional spiritual direction sessions, are available at additional charge.

MEN'S MINI-RETREAT:

"And the Disciples Said, 'Teach Us to Pray.'"
Disciples men will gather for a mini-retreat about prayer November 13-14 at Camp Christian. Leaders are the Reverend Harry Bolen and the Reverend Nik Donges. Register by November 1 for only \$45 (\$50 if later).

WOMEN'S ADVENT RETREAT:

Breath of Heaven, Pour Over Me
Disciples women will meet at Camp Christian for a day of Advent reflection, prayer, conversation, and crafts on Saturday, December 12, 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Registration is \$35 if received by November 29 (\$40 after). The optional Friday night slumber party is an additional \$25.

Registration for the above events includes lodging and meals. Complete information is posted on our main bulletin board.

CALENDAR

- Thu., 10/15: - Sarah Circle gathering in the youth rooms, 10:45 a.m.
- Property Committee meeting in the Elders' conference room, 7 p.m.
- Sat., 10/17: - Salvation Army Hot Meal served by Team 2 (Barbara Western, captain).
- Districts 2, 3 and 15 CYF Halloween Overnight at Westlake Christian Church, 6 p.m.
- Sun., 10/18: - See back page for the day's schedule.
- Tue., 10/20: - Tuesday Night LaPorte Group (AA) gathering in Fellowship Hall, 8 p.m.
- Wed., 10/21: - Chancel Choir rehearsal in the sanctuary, 7 p.m.
- Christian Education Committee meeting in the Elders' conference room, 7 p.m.
- Thu., 10/22: - Girl Scout Troop 524 gathering in Fellowship Hall, 6 p.m.



NEWS OF OUR FAMILY

CONGRATULATIONS!

Jim & Sue Stephenson are celebrating their 16th wedding anniversary (10/9), Dennis & Kimberly Wilhelm are celebrating their 30th (10/13) and Wayne & Carol McMullen are celebrating their 42nd (10/14). Continued blessings to all!

NEW ADDRESS

Betsy Grapes now resides at 102 W. Highland St., #3, Saluda, SC 29138.

SYMPATHY

Our love and prayers surround...the Thimke family in the death of Brad's mother, Sandy Thimke, last Wednesday. Services were held in North Ridgeville on Monday.

...the Pahl family in Ed's death today (Tuesday). Services will be held on Friday with Pastor Janet Long officiating.

...Sheri Clemmons & Jason Spradlin and family (including Carrie, Steven and Tyler Charlton and Linda Grogan) in the tragic death of 13-year-old Logan Spradlin on Saturday. Services will be held on Saturday.

...the Long family in the death of Walter Gillespie, Carolyn's brother-in-law and Janet's uncle, on Monday. Services will be held on Saturday in Dayton with Pastor Janet Long officiating.

May God's presence and peace comfort all who mourn.

Memorial Service Set:

A memorial service for Lynn Wallace will be held on Saturday, October 31, at 11 a.m. at the Federated Church of Chagrin Falls, 76 Bell Street (in Chagrin Falls).

HOSPITALIZED

At EMH: Barbara Western
At Home: Barb Boehler
Pat Gohle
Darl Hendricks
Bob McNulty