

Messenger

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VOLUME LVIII – Publication for the week of August 23, 2010

Morning Watch

Sundays 9:00 am
(Chapel)

Christian Education

Sundays 9:15 & 9:40 am

Traditional Service

Sundays 10:30 am

Fellowship Hour

Sundays 11:30 am

Church Office

Monday – Friday
9:00 am – 4:00 pm

STAFF

David P. Turner

Senior Minister

Renita Lewis Whitaker

Office Manager

Anthony Shackelford

Custodian

Tanya Elaine Noffsinger

Chancel Choir Director

Dan Oliver

Bell Choir Director &
Director of Audio/Visual

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Organist

Jenny Garner

Nursery Care Provider



OHIO DISCIPLES WOMEN'S FALL RETREAT

A sacred space is a sanctuary where one can retreat and recharge during changing times; an oasis of peace amidst turmoil; a place of perfection amidst chaos. Retreat to a sacred space and "Feed the Hungry Heart," from September 11th – 13th at Disciples Women's Fall Retreat at Camp Christian. Come and satisfy the holy hunger alone/together in prayer with Jesus. You will enjoy:

Haiku Poetry

Soul Collage

Photo Meditation

Contemporary Psalmist

"This is Your Life!"

Art for the Heart

Mandela Circle Prayer

Journaling

Quite time together/Alone

Create personalized prayer beads

Learn to create a Sacred Space with the use of sound, colors and rituals. Inside the Sacred Space, the spoken word is soft and as you sit in silence the voice of your soul speaks through your heart. Plan to attend! Registration is open now! The cost is \$85.00. You can register online at www.ccinoh.org or through the church office. For more information or the list of items to take to the retreat please contact the church office

DISCIPLES MEN'S FALL RETREAT



King David is one of the most iconic and compelling figures in the Bible. He was a fighter and a poet, a king and a sinner. He was a true renaissance man before such a term existed. This fall our own Felix Ortiz will be leading us in an exploration of David's life, from shepherd to king, from brave child to troubled father, from sinner to redemption, engaging his life using the Bible as well as archaeology. You can choose your own path in the afternoon with a number of different options: fishing, computing, song writing, poetry writing, jam sessions, etc. And then at night we'll be cooking outside and gathering around the campfire. As these adventures are always best when shared, plan to bring friend, relative, or other guest to share your adventure with. We hope that you can join us for this exciting, and interactive experience at the Disciples Men's Fall Retreat on September 17-19. Base Cost:

\$80. Fri-Sat Evening

\$80. Sat Morning – Sun

\$20. discount for men under 30

\$5. late fee after 9/10

\$60. Saturday Only

\$100. Entire Weekend

\$5. early bird discount before 8/27

Don't let money be the reason you don't come! Scholarships are available, contact the Regional Office for more information. Visit the Regional Website (http://www.ccinoh.org/events_details.aspx?id=136) for online registration. If you have any questions you can ask Rob Bernard, Felix Ortiz, or Steve Bentley.

Serving In August

Deacon Captain: Lora Davidson

Deacons Serving: Barbara King, Jim King, John Bucy, John Brown, Claudia McCall, Carol Strine, Don Wilcox, Shirley Wilcox, John Corbin, Jack Willman, Joe Albrecht and John Mohr.

Deacon Prep/Clean Up: Ann O'Diam

Elders for Communion:

Aug 29th Charles Bentley, Jr., and Don Ashbrook

Sept 5th Doug and Mary Lou Pence

Lay Leaders:

Aug 29th Claudia McCall

Sept 5th Jean McCall

Fellowship Hour:

Aug 29th Chancel Choir

Sept 5th No Fellowship Hour (Labor Day Weekend)

The Weeks Ahead

Sunday, Aug 29th	9:00 am	Morning Watch
	9:15 am	Christian Education Max Lucado Class A New Vision Class
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
Monday, Aug 30th	11:30 am	Fellowship Hour
	9:00 am	Quilters
Wednesday, Sept 1st	9:30 am	Senior Fitness Class
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Thursday, Sept 2nd	9:30 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry
Friday, Sept 3th	7:00 pm	Group Interaction

Sunday, Sept 5th	9:00 am	Morning Watch
	9:15 am	Christian Education Max Lucado Class A New Vision Class
	10:30 am	Traditional Service
Monday, Sept 6th	11:30 am	Fellowship Hour
		Church Office Closed
Tuesday, Sept 7th	7:00 pm	All Ministries Meeting Naomi Group
Wednesday, Sept 8th	9:30 am	Senior Fitness Class
	7:00 pm	Inventor's Council
Thursday, Sept 9th	9:30 pm	Prayer Shawl Ministry
	6:15 pm	Laudate Ringers
	7:00 pm	Chancel Choir
Friday, Sept 10th	7:30 pm	Group Interactions

Church Office Closed

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 6th in observance of Labor Day.

Worshiping at Central

Sunday, August 22, 2010

Christian Education	27
Nursery	8
Morning Watch	13
Traditional Service	<u>125</u>
Total Worship Attendance	146

Members & Friends

Hospitalized

Louise Bennett (MVH)

Philip Boyer (MVH)

Home Care

Kathy Anderson

Henrietta Farrow

Earline Grice

Thelma Harman

Regina Kempton

Norma Kirkland

Doyle Ware

Millie Molz

Jean Thompson

Merle and Dorothy Ryan

Liberty Retirement Home

- Janice Lyons

Summersville

- Marian Herron

Spring Creek

- JoAnn Reichbauer

Sterling House

- Elwood Byrkett

Sycamore Glen

- Anne Walters

Waterford Retirement

- Mary Rothenbuhler

Members of Central Christian Church

Thanks to all for your contributions to the family of Phillip Boyer. The total collected for the benefit lunch was \$2,241. The money will provide assistance to the family at this time of need during Phillip's recovery. Identifiable donations will be listed on 3rd quarter statements under the category of "Local - World Outreach"

Beth Bentley

I turned 90 years old on July 3 of this year. Being 90 is hard. Some of my friends from Central called me to wish me a Happy Birthday which was nice. I thought I was forgotten. I joined the Santa Clara Christian when I was 11 years old. I went across town on the street car every Sunday morning. I am sorry that I cannot come anymore. I read the Messenger every week. If I could work in the church- I would go to visit people who come as visitors for the first time and tell them how rewarding it is to be a part of the Christian Church.

Earline Grice

God's Minute

The Lord then said to Noah, "Go into the ark, you and your whole family, because I have found you righteous in this generation (Genesis 7:1). We all know the story of Noah and the Ark. So enjoy this message, "Everything I need to know, I learned from Noah's Ark."

ONE: Don't miss the boat.

TWO: Remember that we are all in the same boat.

THREE: Plan ahead. It wasn't raining when Noah built the Ark.

FOUR: Stay fit. When you're 60 years old, someone may ask you to do something really big.

FIVE: Don't listen to critics; just get on with the job that needs to be done.

SIX: Build your future on high ground.

SEVEN: For safety's sake, travel in pairs.

EIGHT: Speed isn't always an advantage. The snails were on board with the cheetahs

NINE: When you're stressed, float awhile.

TEN: Remember, the Ark was built by amateurs; the Titanic by professionals.

ELEVEN: No matter the storm, when you are with God, there's always a rainbow waiting.



Salad Buffet



Next Sunday, August 29th, the Chancel Choir will host the Fellowship Hour with a salad buffet. We would support a donation to the food pantry so we may continue to feed the hungry in our community even as we feed ourselves. Any choir member who have not had a chance to sign up, please contact Tanya Noffsinger at 294-8720.

Evangelism Ministry

The Evangelism Ministry will meet on Tuesday, September 7th at 7:00 pm in the Meeting Room. If you have any questions, please contact Joan Norman at 254-3846.

Joanna Group

The Joanna Group will meet on Wednesday, September 8th at 12:00 for a carry-in lunch. Service and drinks will be furnished. Bring your favorite dish and join us. If you have any questions, please contact Joan Norman at 254-3846.

Chancel Choir & Bell Choir

The first Chancel Choir rehearsal is Thursday, September 9th at 7:30 pm., with our first performance on Sunday, September 12th (Kick-Off Sunday). The Bell Choir's first rehearsal is also on Thursday, September 9th with a new starting time of 6:15 pm. If you have any questions, please contact Tanya Noffsinger at 294-8720.

"Revised List"

Church World Service Kits

It's time to prepare Church World Service Kits. CWF needs the following items to complete kits for 2010:

- Health Kits:** 14-hand towels
25-sturdy combs
18-nail clippers
13-bath bar soap
- Layette Kits:** 72-diapers (6 doz)
6-diaper pins
30 gowns/sleepers (size 0-6 months)
43-shirts (size 0-6 months)

CWF thanks you for your donations. If you have any questions, please see Nancy Tossey.

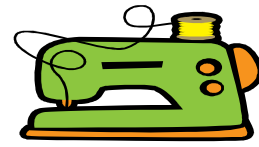
"One Body Clothed In Love"

2010 REGION ASSEMBLY

October 15th & 16th

Columbus Marriott Northwest

Special Opening & Closing Preacher by Rev. Dr. Sharon Watkins, our General Minister and President. Dr. Watkins delivered the sermon at the National Prayer Service for the Inauguration of President Barack Obama. Mark your calendar to be a part of this dynamic Regional Church gathering. This will be a blessed time of sharing and celebrating the transforming work God is doing in our lives as people of faith through the mission and ministry of our congregations. For more information or to register go online at www.ccinoh.org/events.aspx and applications are located in the Narthex.



Alterations

Having trouble finding money in your budget for extra clothes? Don't know how to sew? I can help! I can do your alterations for a fraction of the cost. I am available for all types of alterations...pants, jeans, dresses, skirts, shirts, sweaters, repairs, missing buttons, replace zippers and more. For more information call Gerald Jenkins at 252-1659.

Learning Timelessness



We tend to think of our lives in terms of past, present and future. Therefore, we easily become time-bound, living under the restrictions of clocks, calendars and seasons. The concern of the truly spiritual person, however, is the "now" — that suspension of the flow of hours, days and years. God, who isn't time-bound, breaks in upon our lives, and we sense, however distantly, the eternal. And we're refreshed, healed and lifted up. The experience of the eternal may happen any time, even amid distraction. But the witness of the mystics is that it most frequently occurs in the time of quiet abandonment in prayer. As we grow spiritually, we become less time-bound and discover that the God of grace isn't limited to the passage of the hours, days and years.

Bible Wordsearch

Luke 18:1-8

Wordsearch 169

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The Widow and the Judge

adversary	Lord
always	men
bothering	neither
bring	night
cared	nor
certain	off
chosen	ones
coming	plea
cry	pray
day	putting
disciples	quickly
earth	refused
eventually	says
faith	show
feared	son
finally	tell
find	time
give	told
Jesus	town
judge	unjust
justice	wear
kept	widow
listen	will

After you find all the hidden words the left over letters spell out a Bible verse reading from the top left to the bottom right

Psalm 23

Thoughts for the Week

Man's way leads to a hopeless end
God's way leads to an endless hope.

JOKE FOR THE WEEK

If you can't sleep, try counting your blessings.

The Last Word...

By David P. Turner

I was looking back at my newsletter files from 1998 when I found my “Last Word” for August 24th, the day before my daughter Lauren’s first day of school. Today, exactly 12 years later, Lauren started classes for her senior year (Aug. 24, 2010). Time flies! In honor of my daughter and all of our students, I reprint my thoughts from 12 years ago:

“Tomorrow morning our baby will attend her first day of school. Off she’ll go with her brothers and things will never be quite the same again. I don’t think I’ll tell her that on my first day of kindergarten I cried and clung to my mother for dear life. And I doubt I’ll tell her about how my brother, on his first day, just got up when no one was looking and walked home!

With school starting for many of our kids this week, I thought you might enjoy some excerpts from an article written by Erma Bombeck on the day she sent her last child to school. It’s called, “Miss Chalkdust, Please Be Kind.”

“Boy how I had lusted for that day... But there was no exhilaration in my victory, watching ‘the baby’ sit pathetically at the curb. I thought of the woman he was going to – Miss Chalkdust, or whatever. And I wrote, ‘Miss Chalkdust, give him patience and gentleness. Please have a soft lap and a warm smile. I submit to your tender, loving care my son is who is a

little shy and a lot stubborn... I may sue you for alienation of affection, but for the moment, God bless you.’ Those small pathetic, scared children who are sitting out on curbs this morning for the first time... might confess that they didn’t have breakfast this morning because they couldn’t swallow. They didn’t sleep well last night. They’re afraid. Afraid they’ll get lost. Afraid they’ll goof up. Afraid they won’t find the straw for their milk. Afraid they’ll lose their lunch money. Afraid they won’t get to the restroom in time – or ever. Afraid someone will laugh at their name. Afraid they won’t find a friend. Afraid the wind will blow their papers out of their hands. Miss Chalkdust, this is a day for all the love you have to give.”

Preparing for another first day of school is a reminder to me of how quickly time passes and how precious the time we have really is. It is so easy to get caught up in the things in life that don’t really matter. As school starts once again, remember to not only drive a little more carefully – but also to invest your time in things that count. Business will get done, carpets will get vacuumed, but children and grandchildren won’t stay small for long.

And, Miss Chalkdust, wherever you are, please be kind.”
Amen – again.