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**Experience the Community**

**September 2011**

# STATE OF THE CHURCH

## *NOTES OF THANKS*

Our **Sharing Tree Project** was once again a blessing to **55** children from **23** families in Bellefontaine City Schools. Thanks to the **113** families from our church that responded to the call to provide shoes, backpacks and school supplies to help these children have a great start to the new school year. The mission & outreach ministry team members wish that you could see the faces of these youngsters as they came to the church to get their gifts. The parents are very appreciative of our help and always let us know this. Again this year, the Deacons purchased Bibles and these were presented with the school supplies. This is a very worthwhile project for these families and our community.

**THANKS TO EVERYONE** who contributed supplies, ice, coolers, buns, soda, baked pies, prepared the shredded chicken or helped set-up, serve, cashier or clean-up for the annual **Holland Theatre Cruise In**. It was another successful event – we raised over \$1,000.00 to benefit all Mission Projects here at First. The Mission & Outreach Ministry team couldn't have pulled this off without A LOT of help!!!!!!!!!! **Thank you!!**

**Dear FUPC Family**, we would like to thank you for all your prayers and support during and after our pregnancy. From the prayer chain/prayer announcement before Drake was born, to the beautiful vibrant red rose, to the announcement of Drake's birth and the picture of Drake once he was born. You have always been there and we want to thank you from the bottom of our hearts! It is such an honor to be lifted up by such an awesome church family. We surely felt all the prayers along the journey and appreciated the church family for the strength you continue to provide to individuals like us. We wish the entire FUPC family great health, continued blessings and the ability to continue lifting up families like ours through the power of prayer. May God bless each and every one of you and once again we say "Thank you!" Love, **Brett, Maribeth and Drake Peters**

**Dear Members of the Scholarship Committee:** Thank you so very much for awarding me this honor for the 2011-2012 school year. It will certainly be most helpful as I continue my education. All my best, **Rob Storm**

**I would like to thank** the Scholarship Committee for awarding me with a scholarship. It will be very helpful as I continue my education at the College of Wooster. Thank you, also, to all the members of the church for all of your kindness and support over the years and now as I go off to college. Blessings, **Katie Stephens**

**Thank You** for choosing me to received the Richard & Evaline Knief Memorial Scholarship this year. I plan to attend Rhodes State College this fall majoring in Physical Therapy. The scholarship will help pay for my expenses towards achieving my goal in receiving a college degree. IT was greatly appreciated. Thank you. **Cody Wood**

**Dear Family**, I just want to thank you all for the support you have given my and my family over the years. This scholarship check continues to help me on my way to completing my goals. Also, I would like to thank you for sending all the kids to Kirkmont this summer. God bless and much love, **Nik Wunderle**

**Giving Statements have been mailed out. Please review your giving statement and contact the church office with any questions.**

**Thank you for sharing your  
Time, Talent and Treasures with First UPC.**

**Dear Church Family and Scholarship Selection Committee,** I wanted to take a moment to say thank you for awarding me the Richard & Evaline Knief Memorial Scholarship and the Nancy J. Merriless Scholarship. This will help me so much in my final year at Bowling Green State University where I will be student teaching an Algebra 2 class at Bowling Green High School. I have received so much support from my church family in my years growing up and even in my years away. The scholarships, care packages, and newsletters remind me that I always have a place to come home to. Thanks for all you do to support me and my family. I always feel so blessed! Love, **Amanda Ark**

**Dear First UPC Family,** thank you so much for the scholarship money! It means so much to me to have the great support I've received throughout my life from the people here at church. This semester I will be student teaching 1<sup>st</sup> grade at a local elementary school. I am nervous and excited at the same time but I can't believe I am already a senior. Again, I can't express enough my appreciated for all of your support! Love, **Alyssa Elliott**

**Hi Church Family,** thanks for the caring cards and the We Care Poster. My doctor says I should advertize as a "Stunt Car" driver. I said no, I should wear a sign that says, "Yes, I do know the difference between the brake and the accelerator." It's no fun being attacked by a seat belt or air bag – but thank God for both. In Christian Love, **Janice Bowsher**

**To the Members of the Scholarship Committee,** thank you so much for supporting me financially for the upcoming school year. Receiving the Richard & Evaline Knief scholarship has been such a blessing. I will use the scholarship to pay for books and a portion of my tuition. Thanks again! Sincerely, **Devyn Brunner**

**A BIG THANK YOU** to all the volunteers involved with this year's *Island Odyssey: To the End of the Earth with Jesus Christ!* **We had a great week!!**

**THANK YOU** to the 28 people who helped with snacks for our Island Odyssey VBS. With your help we provided 100 snacks two times a day for five days.....Wow – a thousand snacks. So whether you baked, bought or served, your contribution is very much appreciated. Thank you also to those who provided buns, ice cream, soda, helped cook or serve at lunch that Friday.

**Dear Scholarship Committee and 1st UPC family,** I would like to thank the scholarship committee for awarding me a scholarship for this coming school year. This means a lot to me and I really appreciate the generosity the church has shown me. Also I would like to thank the church for their kindness and support they have given me as I further my education. Thank you! **Adam Wunderle**

**To My Church Family,** I would like to say 'thank you' for all the prayers, meals that are delivered to me and the weekly bulletins. I feel very blessed to be a part of such a caring and loving church. God bless you all. **Audrey Lambert**

**Dear Church Family,** Thank you for your caring poster that I received. I had Endovenous Laser Treatment to my right leg and the procedure went well. This procedure is to treat varicose veins and to relieve discomfort and pain in my legs. I will have more treatments if all goes well. So, thank you for your concern. As you can tell, this is a blessing to correct genetic and aging issues. Isn't modern medicine a blessing? You are all a blessing to me and my family. With love, **Sue Crawfis**

Once again I am reminded about what a supportive membership we have here at 1sst UPC! From the We Care posters to cards, calls, and help to Bev and my family I could feel the support in prayers as I spent two weeks at Green Hills for therapy after my recent fall. God does move in mysterious ways as I met my roommate Herbert Plank and discovered he was Sue Dearwester's brother. I found out what a good place Green Hills is with Pam Ark working with activities. Good food and exeptional nursing care also assisted my recovery. The people in the rehab and therapy department made my arm & shoulder hurt, but they were doing what was necessary to help restore better function. Several times I was reminded of the curse when I fell (I wish I han't done tht) ! In that two weeks I found out why God gave me two arms: if the right one doesn't work, use the left one! I definitely decided that at my age I should be careful and not fall down. I still cannot shake hands with my right hand, but it is good to be able to be in church. God Bless You All...**Jim Collins**

# Church News

**Comings...and Goings.....**

**Randy, Staci (Lloyd), Rylee and Hayden McCully** have found a church home at Gretna Brethren Church. We send our love and blessings to the McCully family.

**A VERY WARM AND JOYOUS WELCOME TO JOANNE SHARP & MARY JANE SULCEBARGER** who joined 1<sup>st</sup> UPC in August by Letter of Transfer.

**It is a joy to welcome you to 1<sup>st</sup> UPC JoAnne & Mary Jane!**

## Angel Food Lives!

Although the Angel Food program is no longer available to the general public locally, our Mission and Outreach Ministry Team continues to provide food assistance by ordering boxes of groceries through the AF program in Marysville.

Those wishing to assist in purchasing boxes (\$35 each) may do so through the church office. The team picks up the boxes on the third (or fourth) Saturday of each month and then delivers them to designated families in our community.

Thank you for your support. The assistance is greatly and gratefully appreciated.

**THE SYMPATHY AND LOVE OF THE 1<sup>ST</sup> UPC FAMILY OF FAITH** is shared with

**Jill and Family** and brother **Ed**, following the death of husband, father and brother, **Ben Peters** who died on July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Betty Hunt** following the recent death of her brother, Sam Allen, in Tucson, AZ

**Our thoughts and prayers are with you all!**

# ATTENTION: COLLEGE STUDENTS & PARENTS

**We Need College Addresses!!** As soon as possible, please call (592-6611) or email us (1stupc@bellefontainepres.com) your college address. You don't want to miss out on those Life-Saving College Care Packages and our Entertaining and Informative Newsletters!!

Don't forget.....send us your addresses **TODAY!!**

**ATTENTION MEMBERS WITH EMAIL ADDRESS:** Many of the email addresses that are published in the directory are charter.net-and many sent in new addresses when Colbridge took over, but JoAnne is having a great many emails bounce back now that Time Warner has come to town...**PLEASE** if you have a Time Warner email or any other new email address, send JoAnne an email so she can capture it...this is primarily for parents but others please feel free to do the same. **Thanks!**

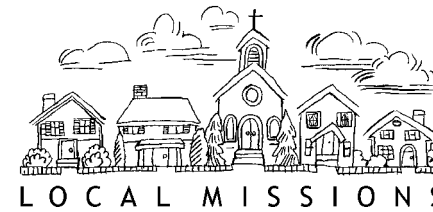
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**ATTENTION: NOODLERS AND NOODLE MAKING SUPPLIERS:** We are going to begin making noodles a bit earlier this year. So mark your calendars and plan to join the party!!

The dates are: **Mondays, September 19, September 26, October 3, 10 and October 31.** Starting time to be at 5:30, but come anytime and ending time will be when we are too tired to roll anymore! **Big thanks in advance.**

We want enough for cooking at the Election Day luncheon and to have LOTS to sell at our Craft Bazaar.

**October 2011 Newsletter Deadline: Monday, Sept. 26**



**LAST TUESDAY COMMUNITY DINNER.** Our church serves an evening meal on the Last Tuesday of each month. This is a great opportunity to serve others in need. Please see Ranae Lentz to volunteer.




An ongoing project of our Board of Deacons, our **2-cents-A-Meal Offering** is an attempt to help meet hunger needs locally, within our own community. The basic idea is this: Bring 2 cents for every meal you have eaten in the previous month and place it in the **2c-A-Meal** boxes at each of the entrances to the sanctuary. Our Board of Deacons will see that these funds go to help feed the hungry locally through Our Daily Bread and the Lutheran Food Pantry. Remember the parable of Jesus feeding of the 5,000! Five loaves and two fishes fed a multitude! It only takes a little on your part – but it sure helps a lot when it comes to helping to feed hungry people!

## Habitat for Humanity

*“Building a Strong Community takes a Community”*

Building a strong community takes a community. Habitat for Humanity in Logan County can use our help. Keeping Habitat in our prayers, sharing of our treasures and of our time. If you are interested in serving others through Habitat, please contact the church office or Kathleen Bow 539.0275.



It is the easiest, quickest, and fastest way for our organization to raise money!

Simply shop at any of the participating Community Cash supermarkets, save your cash register receipts and 1% cash back will be donated to us for qualifying purchases (tobacco, alcohol, purchased services and sales tax not included). Simply shop, save and support our organization!

**Remember, save your cash register receipts and return them to our organization!**

You'll get great prices, service and value by shopping locally, and our organization will receive much needed charitable funds.

Thanks for your Support!

Our Organization: First United Presbyterian  
Our Community Cash Stores: Fulmers & Community Mrkts.  
Our Organization Contact: Joyce Core

Remember Community Cash on your next shopping trip!

**All proceeds benefit our 'In Church Sharing Fund'**

# Serving in September:

**Deacons "On Call": Ryan Lane and Phyllis Lyons**

**Sept. 4:**

Greeters: East Entrance: Marge Hines  
West Entrance: Nancy Stokes Back Door: Marty Marine  
Ushers: Frank Turner, Audrey Hurley, Toby & Jennifer Oelker, Betty Lloyd,  
Jeanne Zupp, Steve Cox, Adam Wunderle & Betty Kindell  
Sound Tech: Eric Caughenbaugh  
Nursery: The Amey's Preschool: Jeremiah & Theresa Vigansky & Connor Adelsberger  
Elder Greeters: East: Elder Rob Storm West: Elder Bill Wical

**Sept. 11:**

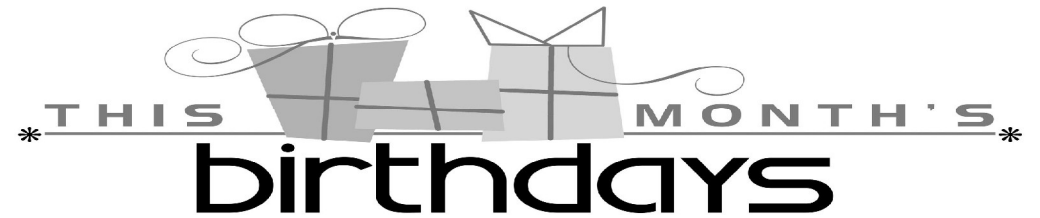
Greeters: East Entrance: Mark & Susie Barlow West Entrance: Jeanne Zupp  
Back Door: Becky Weber  
Ushers: Margaret Appel, Bud Eichholtz, Jim Hilliker, Bridget Hawkins, Mark &  
Landyn Butler, Rose Shoemaker, Janice Bowsher & David Ritter  
Sound Tech: Rodney Willis  
Nursery: The Amey's Preschool: Krista Adelsberger & Camryn Clark  
Elder Greeters: East: Elder Eric Adelsberger West: Elder Tony Core

**Sept. 18:**

Greeters: East Entrance: Joyce Core West Entrance: Toby & Jennifer Oelker  
Back Door: Carla Murdock  
Ushers: Steve Mast, Michael Brady, Jon Hines, Betty Hunt, Mary Ann Patterson,  
Vance Holloway, Cathy Draper, Allen Huffman & Ryan Lane  
Sound Tech: Paul Deardurff  
Nursery: The Amey's Preschool: Molli Jackson & Jenna Fannin  
Elder Greeters: East: Elder Sue Dearwester West: Elder Carla Murdock

**Sept. 25:**

Greeters: East Entrance: Betty Hunt  
West Entrance: Bill & Judy Wical Back Door: Celynn Taylor  
Ushers: Todd Heydinger, Judy Wical, Michael Chervenak, Eric Caughenbaugh,  
Paula Wurtsbaugh, Vicky Petty, Pam McBrien, Bev & Jim Collins  
Sound Tech: Colin Yoder  
Nursery: The Amey's Preschool: Brad & Laura Flora & Abbi Adelsberger  
Elder Greeters: East: Elder Judy Wical West: Elder Gene Marine



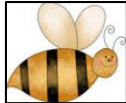
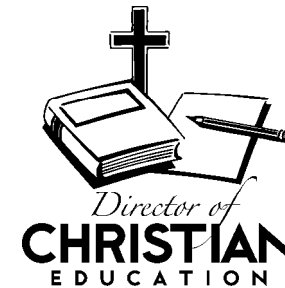
- September 1: Caroline Baker & Mekenzie Flora
- September 2: Hal Miller
- September 5: Julie McCarthy, Jack Costin & Owen Standley
- September 7: Jaymen Neff-Strickland
- September 8: Mark McIntyre, Bud Eichholtz & Larry Brunke
- September 10: Lauren Heydinger
- September 11: Becky Mast
- September 13: Ranae Lentz & Christian Golden
- September 15: Howard Lambert, Elliana Lloyd, Reagan Standley & Hayden Hoffman
- September 16: Dave McCormick, Tim Irwin, Bill Patterson, Carol Champion,  
Keyne Strickland & Dylan Cooper
- September 17: Reilly Robson
- September 19: Jeff Core
- September 20: Linda Hanson & Jennifer Crisler
- September 21: Elaine Munion, Art Lloyd, Ben & Gabe Core
- September 22: Carrie Yoder
- September 23: Karen Baldwin & Kelley Forsythe
- September 25: Kaeleigh Flora
- September 27: Vera Miller, Frank Turner & Jenny Jervis
- September 28: Catrina Smith, JoAnn Clark & Robert Hanson
- September 30: Jesse Jervis

Happy Birthday to You .....

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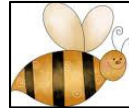
And many more.....!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

If we have missed a birthday, please call the office at 592-6611. We don't want to leave anyone out!!



**The Secret Life of the Bee-Attitudes**

You are cordially invited to the  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Presbyterian Women's Fall Retreat**  
**September 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>**



The Lodge at Camp Wesley—653 County Road 37 East

Following the success of two spirit and laughter filled retreats; we encourage all women of the church to gather with PW for:

- An Introductory Study of the Beatitudes
  - Songs of Worship and Praise
    - A Take-Home Craft
  - Making Apple Butter for Fundraising
    - Good food—Sara is in charge!
- Laughter and Bonding and Fun Beyond Measure

Plan to arrive at the Lodge between 6 and 7 on Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup>. The Retreat will conclude no later than 4 pm Saturday the 24<sup>th</sup>. You may stay overnight—which is suggested—or commute. If you are staying overnight, please bring a **pillow, bed linens, blanket, towel and personal items**.

All are asked to bring a **snack to share** on Friday evening. Breakfast and lunch will be provided on Saturday.

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Name \_\_\_\_\_

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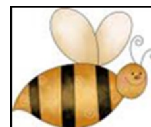
\_\_\_\_\_ Overnight Guest (\$25)

\_\_\_\_\_ Commuting Guest (\$20)

Send registration and check to the church office or drop it in the offering plate during worship.

**Registration is due no later than Sept 18, 2011.**

**\*\*\*Please donate jelly and pint jars!\*\*\***



**What summer is over??? Tell me it isn't so! Where did it go???**

Last week I met with other Educators from our area for lunch and a time of sharing and the comment around the table was, "summer is over, here comes fall!" Already my mailbox has Vacation Bible School ads in it and we haven't even had Christmas yet! Ads for Christmas programs were out in June! Sad thing is that as soon as we returned from Montreat on June 18<sup>th</sup>, I began to plan for summer 2012.

In the Christian Education world there really is no down time...we are in constant motion! Yet isn't that what the Church is all about...constant motion...constant sharing...constant presence.

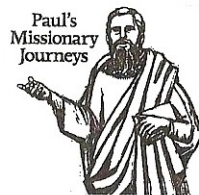
September 11<sup>th</sup>...a day that forever changed our lives, much as December 7<sup>th</sup> changed the lives of our parents and grandparents...so let's let September 11 again be a day that changes our lives...as we begin our new year in Christian Education, let's all make the commitment to be active in a Sunday morning group, take advantage of every Bible Study, book study, youth gathering, children's gathering that we offer here at First UPC. If you are already active in a Sunday morning group, I challenge you to invite someone from within our family of faith that isn't active to come join you on Sunday morning! Then I challenge you to invite a friend, a relative, an acquaintance or a neighbor who doesn't attend worship to come join us on Sunday morning and/ or evening, Wednesday noon, Wednesday evening, Thursday evening, or Friday evening.

**Where did the summer go??? It's fall!**

**Ms JoAnne**

# *Journey in the Footsteps of Paul* Pilgrimage to Turkey and Greece

With an Optional 4-Night Greek Island Cruise



**Study Tour Led by Pastor Rob**  
**March, 2012**



Plans are currently underway for a 8 day/7 night **Journey to Turkey and Greece** to explore the travels and ministry of the Apostle Paul, the # 1 "Ambassador for Christ" in the early days of the Christian faith! No other individual is more important to the rapid spread of early Christianity throughout the Mediterranean world than Paul. Our journey will focus mainly on Paul's 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Missionary journeys, with primary emphasis on Paul's efforts to carry the Gospel into the European world (Acts 16:6-10). Stops will include cities Paul no doubt encountered as he spread the Gospel and founded churches along the way!

Our journey will begin in **Istanbul in Turkey**, and then, as Paul did, we will "travel over into **Macedonia (Greece)**" where we will visit **Philippi, Thessaloniki, Corinth and Athens**, all cities where Paul visited, preached, lived and worked in his effort to make Jesus Christ known among the Gentiles!

We will also visit sites of significance in ancient Greek world as well, including **Delphi** and **Meteora**, the **Acropolis** and **Parthenon**.

And then, if you choose to join us, we will embark on a **Optional 4-day Cruise to the Greek Isles**, stopping at the ports of **Ephesus** in Turkey and **Patmos** where John was imprisoned for his faith and wrote the Book of Revelation, as well as the islands of **Mykonos, Rhodes, Crete** and **Santorini** before returning home to celebrate Palm Sunday, Holy Week and Easter with a renewed joy for our Christian faith!

Official brochures and registrations will be available soon, but if you are possibly interested in joining us or would like more information, please contact Pastor Rob ASAP so you can be included for an "early bird discount." Church Office 592-6611 or [rob@bellefontainepres.com](mailto:rob@bellefontainepres.com)

Think about it! Pray about it! Spread the word! And then join us on this faith-enriching, eye-opening "**Journey in the Footsteps of Paul!**" It promises to be an adventure you'll treasure for a lifetime!

## 1<sup>st</sup> UPC to Host the Presbytery of the Miami Valley in September

It's been 12 years since 1<sup>st</sup> UPC hosted a meeting of the Presbytery of the Miami Valley (the regional body of Presbyterians in this part of Ohio) but we have that opportunity again on **Tuesday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**. 100-150 Presbyterians from churches throughout the Miami Valley will join us to conduct business and focus on our shared ministry within this part of God's good world!

**LOTS OF HELP** will be needed to help make the meeting possible – everything from host and hostesses to greeters and guides...parking assistants to potato peelers...cooks to dishwashers...table setter-uppers to kitchen cleaner-uppers!

If you can help in any way, please use the sign-up below or contact Presbytery Meeting Co-ordinators, Sue Crawfis and Judy Wical. **And thanks in advance for you help in making Presbytery meeting a smashing success!!**

### Presbytery Meeting September 13<sup>th</sup>

**Yes! I'll be glad to help! Sign me up to:**

- Greeter     Guide     Host Refreshments     Bake Cookies  
 Parking     Dining Room Setup     Decorate Tables  
 Help Prepare Dinner     Help Serve Dinner     Wash Dishes  
 Clean up Dining Room     Operate Sound System  
 Technical help with Computer Projector     Childcare

YOUR NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Phone # \_\_\_\_\_



## Ushers Needed



The Worship and Congregational Life Ministry Team is in the process of updating our usher teams and searching for men and women, high school age and older, who would be willing to serve. If you are currently serving as an usher, we thank you and hope you are willing to continue. If you have not served as an usher, but think you might enjoy participating in this important part of the worship service, please indicate your interest on the provided form. This is great opportunity to meet others in the congregation, to enjoy the fellowship of other ushers, and to enhance the overall worship experience for everyone who worships at First UPC as we assure that all feel welcome and comfortable.

\_\_\_\_\_ **Yes, I am willing to become an usher, again or for the first time.**

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Please return this form to the church office, place in the offering plate or call Margaret Appel at 937-935-2872. Thank You!

*Worship & Congregational Life*

## DivorceCare Seminar / Support Group begins September 14, 2011

**DivorceCare** is a video seminar series featuring some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on divorce and recovery topics as seen from a biblical perspective. The video seminars are combined with support group discussion of the materials presented during the video.

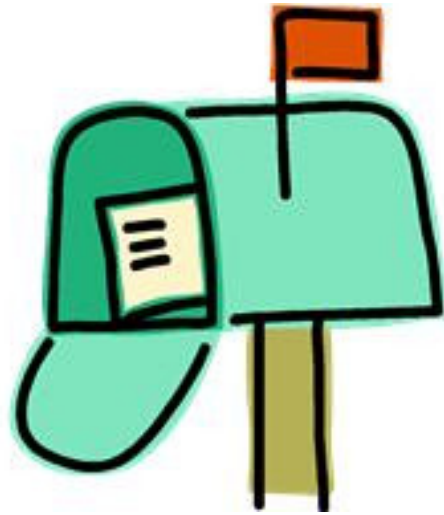
The next session will begin on Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, at Hillcrest Baptist Church, 1505 S Main St, Bellefontaine. We will meet from 6:30-8:30PM.

Feel free to call Pastor Greg Haisley (593-2851) or Steve Birt (650-2307) if you have questions or would like more information about the DivorceCare seminar.

### Weekly Seminar Topics

- What's Happening to Me?
- The Road to Healing/Finding Help
- Facing My Anger
- Facing My Depression
- Facing My Loneliness
- What Does the Owner's Manual Say?
- New Relationships
- Financial Survival
- KidCare
- Single Sexuality
- Forgiveness
- Reconciliation
- Moving On, Growing Closer to God

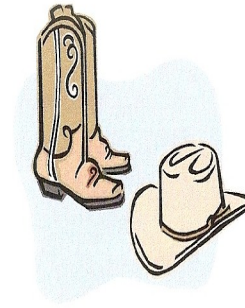
# Mission Projects



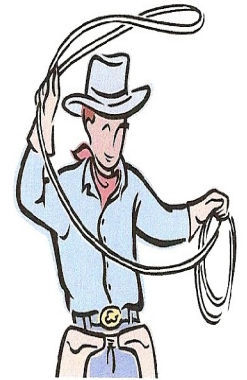
Our church is participating in the Community CASH Program sponsored by Community Markets and Fulmers Community Markets.

In the month of September, you will see a mailbox located at Community Market on Main St., designated for 1<sup>st</sup> UPC. Please drop your grocery receipts into the mailbox and encourage your family and friends to do so also.

We receive 1% of the total. All proceeds benefit Mission Projects!



It's Round-up Time  
At the  
First UPC Corral



Sunday, September 11

Breakfast at 9:30

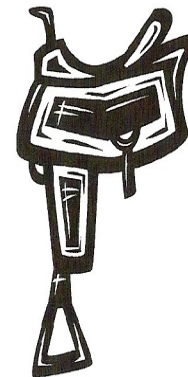
Fun at 10:00

Class gatherings at 10:15

Come join us as we...

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# Fall Offerings in Christian Education

## Sunday morning 9:30-10:30

**Koininia Class...***Love Wins, A Book about Heaven, Hell and the Fate of Every Person Who Ever Lived* by Pastor Rob Bell

...meets in the Church office...Pastor Rob Fulton will facilitate the discussion.

**Faith Journey...** “James, Walking the Talk”

...meets in the class area at the bottom of the ramp... Rachel Lang facilitates and provides breakfast.

**Families of Faith...** “Soul Surfer”

...meets in the Library...Pam McBrien and Kelly Kite will facilitate the discussion.

**Faith Talks...** “Figures of the Bible, Some Well Known, Some Not So Much”

...meets in the Lounge off of the Chapel...This discussion is facilitated by a rotation of leaders from within the group.

**Children...** “God’s People Together” ...class location depending on the age...maps of classrooms are posted throughout the building.

**Youth...** “Faith Questions” ...class location depending on the grade level...maps of the classrooms are posted throughout the building.

## Other opportunities for Study during the week

**Wednesday Book Study...** *The Evolution of Faith: How God is Creating a Better Christianity* by Philip Gulley...meets in the Library at 11:30AM  
Pastor Rob Fulton facilitates... **Starts September 21.**

**Ruach Bible Study...** *The Story: The Bible as One Continuing Story of God and His People* ...meets in the Library at 7 on Thursday evenings...  
JoAnne Sharp, DCE will facilitate... **Starts September 15.**

**Youth Fellowship...**Middle school and High School...meeting at the church...5:30-7:00PM **Starts September 11.**

**WN@P... Starts October 5.**

**First Friday...**4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders meets at the church...6:30-8:00..  
**Starts October 7.**

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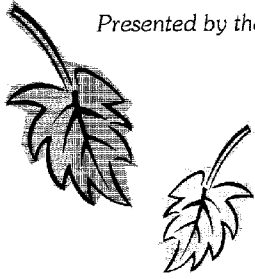
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Translated means:

**Experience the Word**  
**Experience the Community**

# Fall Day at Kirkmont

Presented by the Ministry of Older Adults Network of the Presbytery of the Miami Valley



**Tuesday, September 27, 2011 at 9:30am**  
**Kirkmont Center ~ Goodrich Lodge**  
**6946 Co Rd 10, Zanesfield, Ohio**

**Speaker ~ Raelene Phillips**

**“Together...for Good” and “Where is your Pineapple?”**

Raelene grew up in a Christian home with loving parents and four older brothers. She is so thankful that she came to know Jesus Christ at an early age.

By her own admission, Raelene is much too ornery to be a pastor's wife . . . but that is the role that God – with his amazing sense of humor – has chosen for her.

Her husband, Dan, has been in full time ministry for over 25 years.

Raelene is the author of eight books – “Puppy in the Pulpit”, “Birds in the Belfry”, and “Towpath to Truth” – are just a few. She is also highly sought after as a speaker. Recognized by CLASService, Inc. As a “CLASS Communicator,” Raelene is listed in *Who's Who of American Women*.

- 9:30am Registration and Refreshments**
- 10:00m Welcome & Opening Prayer**
- 10:15am First Presentation “Together...for Good”**
- 11:45am Break**
- 12:00 noon Lunch & Door Prizes**
- 1:00pm Second Presentation “Where is your Pineapple?”**



You may wish to visit *Maries Candies & The Market Place* in West Liberty and enjoy the trails and labyrinth at Kirkmont before or after our day together. Dress is casual.

**Deadline for reservations is September 20th!**



## Fall Day At Kirkmont Registration

Complete the registration form below and return with a \$10.00 check made payable to Presbytery of the Miami Valley. Send check to Annette May at 5411 Plainfield Road, Dayton, Ohio 45432. Call Annette May at (937) 258-0014 or you may email Annette at [annette@maygourmet.com](mailto:annette@maygourmet.com).

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Church: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**See reverse side for directions to Kirkmont Center.**

## Midweek Fall Book Study

Beginning Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>

11:30 am - 12:30 pm

*The Evolution of*  
**FAITH**



*How God Is Creating a Better*

*Christianity*

**Philip Gulley**

For too long, American Christianity has been poisoned by a narrowness of mind and spirit, demanding we believe the implausible, affirm the absurd, and despise the different. Thus thoughtful people leave the church in droves, no longer willing to diminish their lives or the lives of others for the sake of faith.

But what if there were another way? What if God wanted us to grow and change, both in our theology and our beliefs? In *The Evolution of Faith*, Phillip Gulley invites us to put aside slavish obedience to antiquated faith claims and worldviews that no longer ring true, and to discover what we really believe, rather than just what we've always been taught. Our faith, Gulley believes, should always be evolving, a constant “work in progress.”

Come join us as we explore, examine, discuss, and share based on Gulley's newest book, *The Evolution of Faith!*

**Study books are available in the church office. Please stop by, sign up and pick up a copy! Make sure to read the first chapter for Wednesday, September 21<sup>st</sup>!!**

# 50 Years Ago 1961

In international news the Peace Corps organized its first project in Tanganyika and received its official charter. The Berlin Wall was erected in East Germany to separate East and West Berlin in April. It stood as a division between the Soviets and the Allies for 28 years.

Nationally John F. Kennedy at 43 became the youngest person to fill the Oval Office in January. In his farewell address, President Eisenhower warned the American people to beware of the “military-industrial complex” that is usurping power.

Locally the Rev. Alun O. Jones was the pastor and P. Q. Freeman was the clerk of Session. A Memorial committee was instituted in December of 1960. The first committee was comprised of P. Q. Freeman, chair, Don Hilliker, W.O. Ritter, Faye Rarick and Mary MacGillivray. Membership in January was 618 down from 634 in 1960. Elders for the year were H. A. Dodd, Freeman Dick, Dr. Joseph Springer, Joe Yoder, David Coover, O. C. Elshoff, John Unterweger, Dr. F. G. Wood, W. F. Blinn, L. T. MacGillivray, John Diehl, and Howard Mitchell.

Worship for the summer months of July and August was united with the Methodist church. Rev. Jones preached at the Methodist in July and Rev. Bauders preached at the Presbyterian Church in August offering two services each Sunday.

Rev. Jones announced he had received a call from the First United Presbyterian church in Marietta, Ohio on May 7, and requested the Session approve his departure on Aug. 20, 1961. After serving our congregation for 18 years, his resignation was accepted with regret. A resolution was read and approved at the July 6 meeting of Session commending Rev. Jones for his well-delivered sermons, his concern for the ill and aged, his much sought-for counsel, his work with the youth, and his interest in the varied activities of the community.

The Rev. Malcom Hooker of Urbana was appointed Moderator of Session after August 20. A pulpit committee was organized composed of L. T. MacGillivray, Howard Mitchell, Wayne Lawrence, Russell Schuler, Mrs. Ann Dick, Mrs. Faye Rarick and Robert Kerns.

More next month on the search for a new pastor.

**Marty Marine**

## CURRENT CHURCH UPKEEP! A WORD FROM YOUR PROPERTY COMMITTEE

We like to think that the beauty of our church is appreciated by all who attend here. As dedicated members of the property committee, we personally take pride in maintaining our home! As can be expected with all home ownership, maintenance issues are an ongoing need. This being said, we recently discovered that the air conditioner compressor unit for the sanctuary needed to be replaced. After looking into bids and determining the most cost effective means, we decided to contract with Reliant Mechanical. The total cost for replacement will be \$2,433.00. Further, throughout this beautiful yet sometimes wet spring/summer, we discovered that the window in the choir room is allowing rain to enter into the walls. Therefore, we decided that the best approach to prevent future damage was to brick up this window. The total cost of this project is \$850.00. As always, if you have any specific questions please feel free to speak with Art Lloyd.

Graciously,

The members of the 1<sup>st</sup> UPC/PC ☺

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