

St. Mark's Messenger, June 2024



Pastor Doug's Letter

Greetings Good People,

Summer has begun. Memorial Day weekend is behind us. Schools are out. Sunday School is on vacation. Time for Fun, Fun, Fun in the Sun. Summer is also a time when suggestions of good summer reads come out.

When I read Bishop Daniel's weekly column, he always has a list of what he is reading and listening to. He spends at least an hour every morning reading scholarly books. He also practices centering prayer and listens to podcasts. So, I have some suggestions you might consider. These are books I am reading by some of my favorite authors.

I have just finished rereading ***Run with the Horses: The Quest for Life at Its Best***, by Eugene Peterson (InterVarsity Press, 1983). I have read nearly all of his 30 books. He was a Presbyterian pastor (died 2018) who is best known for his Bible paraphrase, ***The Message***. Eugene invited people to live a robust faith in an age of religious shallowness and consumerism. ***Run with the Horses*** explores how the prophet Jeremiah lived out that faith in an era not unlike our own. It is 16 chapters long, and each is about 15 pages (I did about one every day or so).

I am currently rereading for the third time ***The Universal Christ: How a Forgotten Reality Can Change Everything We See, Hope For, and Believe***, by Richard Rohr (2019, Convergent Books). Richard's incarnational theology is expansive and liberating, for he sees Christ everywhere instead of only in the historical Jesus. This book sums up his teaching and practices. The first book of his I read was ***Falling Upward: A Spirituality for the Two Halves of Life***, which describes how great love or great suffering transforms the first half of life that is structured into the second half of life which pours out blessing.

I also read his daily meditations (<https://cac.org/email-sign-up/>) and am listening to his podcast ***Another Name for Every Thing***, which is conversation with Richard on the themes of ***The Universal Christ*** (<https://cac.org/podcast/another-name-for-every-thing/>). At times, his dialogue partners can be a bit smarmy, but he tells great stories.

I am slowly working my way through ***The Way of Paradox: Spiritual Life as Taught by Meister Eckhart*** by Cyprian Smith. A bit deep for most people, Meister Eckhart (c. 1260 – c. 1328) was a German Catholic theologian, philosopher and mystic. I highly recommend ***Meister Eckhart's Book of the Heart: Meditations for the Restless Soul*** by Jon Sweeney,

and Mark Burrows (2017, Hampton Roads Publishing) because it is more accessible. Each page is a short sentence for contemplation. For example, page 3:

Opening the Heart's Door

Ours is not the work
of seeking You here
or there where we

think You might be,
but of opening
the heart's door,

and when we do this
You cannot resist
coming in, since

our opening and Your
entering are one: You
knock and wait, and

when we open we
find that You were
there all along and

will not leave us.

Once a week I get the Weekly Playlist on the ***Sermon on the Mount*** from the Bible Project. There is a new translation of a portion of Jesus' words, commentary by Jon and Tim, and a video. I highly recommend downloading the series on your computer or adding the app to your phone (<https://bibleproject.com/>).

I am also rereading ***Tattoos on the Heart: The Power of Boundless Compassion***, by Gregory Boyle. Father Greg works with the gangs in Los Angeles and is the founder of Homeboy Industries. He tells story after story of how compassion transforms lives that most people see as unredeemable.

There you go. Some books, podcasts and an app. Enjoy.

Peace be with you all,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Doug". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large initial "D" and a trailing flourish.

Preparation for Worship

This summer you are invited to come to worship early enough to become present to the moment. Although it is typical of Americans to be on time, it is also typical to arrive **right** on time, right at the **minute** that the event is scheduled to begin. Too often, however, our bodies arrive before our souls and spirits get there. Our minds are still churning with disturbances, anticipations, and memories. We are still noticing what is new, still searching for what is missing, and still seeking to feel the vibes.

To help us become attentive to the moment, each week Pastor Doug will be preparing practices that bring us to attention and meditations that give us a direction. To that end, it will be helpful if you greet people in the entrance hall or the Gathering Space, and if you give people silence and space in the sanctuary to be attentive and to prepare.

Sunday School Debrief

Sunday, June 2, at 9:30 am, all Sunday School Teachers, parents, and interested persons are invited to meet in the music room, Multi-Purpose Room #2, to discuss how the Sunday School Year went. We will be asking the following questions:

- What went well?
- What did we learn about how to make it work?
- What improvements could we make?
- What changes would be a good idea?



Thank You to Our Sunday School Teachers

Sunday School for children was revived this year under the leadership of Ruth Doll and Carol Garber. We are grateful for all the Sunday School teachers who made this year possible: Ruth Doll, Carol Garber, Dustin Jeanneret, Ashley Schmerge, and Amanda Schmerge. Jen Garber provided the music, Tina Waltz was the support person who helped out with copying materials, Paul Rogers taught the youth, and Julie Miars Golden led the adult discussion group.

Story Time to Begin

Do you love to hear good stories? Come hear good stories *and tell them too* during **Story Time**. Starting Sunday, June 16, and every following Sunday this summer, you are invited to the Music Room, Multi-Purpose Room 4, from 9:30 am until 9:55 am for **Story Time**. Pastor Doug will begin with a story related to the theme of the day (see themes below). Then, anyone else can tell a story that relates to the theme or is prompted by the previous stories.

The purpose of the story time is for folks to get to know one another better and to deepen our connections with one another. The stories can be humorous or poignant. They do not need to be vulnerable or self-revealing; they just need to be stories from your own experiences.

So that everyone feels safe, the following ground rules will be followed:

- Share only as much as you want.
- Be as brief as possible and as long as necessary.
- It is OK to listen and not speak.
- No second story until everyone who wants to share has done so .
- No interruptions of the speaker.
- No judgments, criticisms, or suggestions.

June 16 Tell a story that has your dad in it.

June 23 Tell a story that includes your sibling(s) in it.

(Or tell one about a close friend if you are an only child.)

June 24 When did something go wrong on a trip?

June 31 Water is somewhere in the story.



Seeking Musicians for Musical Offerings during Sunday Worship

Since the vocal ensemble does not sing in the summer, you are invited to make a musical offering by singing a solo or playing an instrument during worship. Contact Melissa Grunden at 419-204-1420 with available dates.

Loaves and Fishes Desserts Needed

Cookies or desserts (preferably individually wrapped) are needed for Thursday June 13 when St. Mark's is scheduled to serve 300 meals at Loaves and Fishes. Please use the signup sheet on the table at our entry. Cookies can be brought to St Mark's by noon on the 13th or to First English Lutheran Church between noon and 3 o'clock at the alley doors on the south side of the building. Call or text Laura Heitz at 419-204-8313 if you can help with meal prep and/or clean up. Thanks. God bless!

Renovation Loans Paid Off This Month

St. Mark's will pay the final installment of \$81,577 on the Renovation Loans on June 31. Thanks to everyone who has donated to this project and those who continue to do so. As of May 29 we have \$43,069 in the Renovation Fund and \$27,246 of pledges yet to be paid. We therefore we will be taking around \$11,262 out of our reserves.

Thank You Note from Mercy Unlimited for Tornado Relief

Mercy Unlimited sent us a thank you note for our gift of \$670 which was donated by members of St. Mark's to assist the victims of the tornado which hit Glacier Hills Campground and other areas in Auglaize County.

Lauren Doll Graduates from Miami

Lauren Doll, graduated from Miami University on Sunday, May 19, with a BA in French, Linguistics, and French Education. She will be teaching French at Granville High School in the fall and is currently serving as a camp counselor at Camp Lutherwald.

Catechism Instruction

A two-year program of instruction in the basic teachings and practices of the Christian faith will begin the second Wednesday in September and will be on Wednesday nights from 7:00-8:30 pm.



Congratulations!

Andy and Courtney Kinninger are proud to announce the birth of their first child, Sophia Rosanne Kinninger. She was born on March 11, 2024 at 4:05 pm.



St. Mark's Now Has a Cell Phone

St. Mark's has recently purchased an iPhone. The number is 567-356-6799. **Please enter this number into your cell phone.** Our Administrative Assistant, Elaine Hawkins, will be the one receiving texts and responding to them. She will text you with reminders and information. You may text her with questions or comments.

Pastor Doug does NOT have access to this cell phone. It is for office use only and will only be monitored during business hours: Monday through Friday, 8 am to noon. To contact Pastor Doug, please use his cell phone number: 419-512-4491. He also receives calls on the church's land line: 419-738-3122. If he is not in the office, the phone system will record a voice message.

The Northwestern Ohio Synod Assembly

The Northwestern Ohio Synod Assembly will be held on Saturday, June 2. Every two years delegates from all the synod's churches meet to elect synodical committee members, vote on a budget, and to vote on other matters pertaining to the synod. This year Pastor Doug will be accompanied by our delegates Shelley Koch and Mark Swaney.

Pastor Doug's Vacation Times

Pastors Doug and Carol will be on vacation June 3-14 and July 1-8. He will not be preaching the weekends of June 8 & 9 nor July 6 & 7.

Blessing the 2024 High School Graduates



Erika Lisi was elected prom queen, yet her favorite memory from high school was being in the student section cheering on the football team. She will attend the **University of Cincinnati** and will major in Interior Design.



Ryan Price enjoyed the feeling of the "pregame fire" that would come before the football and baseball games, even more than making All District First Team outfielder. Ryan will be attending **The OSU** in Columbus as a pre-med student with a major in neuroscience.



Sarah Garber loved her teacher Mrs. Miller and her classmates. Running for class president, she promised everyone pink pencils and mashed potatoes. She will be attending **Turning Point** for several years to gain job and life experience.

Many Blessings to All the Graduates!

National Day of Prayer Photos



Photos by Pastor Deb Monnin



Local gardeners are invited to **Plant a Row** for the Hungry in 2024.

The concept is very simple:

1. Plant a row or even a few extra plants in your garden.
2. When the produce is ready, take it to your local food pantry for distribution to people in need in our county.
3. Hungry people have the opportunity to eat fresh, nutritious food!

Plant a Row for the Hungry programs exist across the United States. **Plant a Row** is organized locally by the social justice collaborative "Fields of Justice." Fields of Justice includes individuals and representatives of parish families in the northern part of the Archdiocese of Cincinnati. Its efforts serve people of all faiths.

PANTRIES PARTICIPATING IN PLANT A ROW:

(We strongly encourage you to call the food pantry before you drop off your first donation.)

- Bellefontaine—Lutheran Community Services, 820 West Sandusky; Evelyn, 937/592-9914
- Bellefontaine—St. Vincent de Paul; Michelle, 937/210-1280
- Celina—CALL Food Pantry, 420 N. Brandon Avenue; Homer or Dick, 419/586-3574
- Jackson Center—Fish Pond Food Pantry, 310 Davis Street; Barb, 937/596-5463
- Sidney—Agape, 209 Brooklyn Avenue, 937/498-4368
- Sidney—Holy Angels Church Soup Kitchen, 119 E. Water Street; Judy, 937/498-0598
- St. Marys—Agape, 1220 E. Spring Street; Patty, 419/394-8700
- **Wapakoneta—God's Storehouse**, 105 W. Pearl Street; Joy, 419/738-7456
- **Wapakoneta—Mercy Unlimited**, 38 East Auglaize Street; Bernardine, 419/738-3161

TIPS FOR DONATING TO LOCAL FOOD PANTRIES:

- If you have a large amount of produce, please call in advance to let the food bank know that you are coming.
- No rotten produce. If you can't eat it, pantry clients can't eat it!
- Offer only good quality, freshly picked produce to food pantries.
- Handle fresh fruits and vegetables safely to minimize the risk of foodborne illness.
- Don't mix produce types. Keep each type in separate, clean containers or bags.
- Clean as much mud and dirt as possible off the produce you plan to donate.
- Choose produce without mold, spoilage, bruising, or insects.



Sunday School Singers

Dominic

Landon

Ben

Jennings

Ella

Evie



Youth Singers

Kerrigan

Addi

Lyla

KK

Ella

Gabby

PD

Evie



Children's Sermon

Landon

Dominic

Ben

Evie

Ella Jennings

Shut-in Ministry Tips

Send notes every 6 weeks

- Tell of something interesting at church, like something cute during kids' sermon.
- Remind them of activities of different church members, such as Chad Doll serving as Council President or church members who coach a sport/play a sport.
- Explain how the **Gathering Space** is being utilized before and after worship for coffee and fellowship, and that the youth have enjoyed making hot chocolate and tea.
- Say one thing you're doing right now (gardening, jogging, wrapping gifts, studying for exam etc.).
- "Paint word pictures" so they have a glimpse of life outside their four walls.

Monthly phone calls/Visit

- 5–10-minute calls, so they don't tire.
- Ask about their grandchildren/great-grandchildren.
- Tell what your children/grandchildren are doing.
- Talk about a recipe you recently made and ask if they have some old favorites.
- Explain that handicapped and family restrooms have been added close to the sanctuary.
- Ask if they have flowers, snow, or bird feeders outside of their windows.
- Inquire if they have prayer concerns.
- Close by saying you will check in with them next month and ask if there is a time of day they preferred being called.
- Deliver Christmas, Easter or Pentecost flowers from church.
- Take bulletin/large print devotional booklet from church.

Take Communion

- Secure portable pre-filled cups from church in sacristy fridge in room behind the organ.
- Deliver a Sunday bulletin.
- Ask if they got the newsletter, and if they would like it if they are not receiving it. Then notify the church office.
- Ask about their favorite hymns and if they would like them played on YouTube with you.
- Ask if they have prayer concerns.

How to Serve at Sunday Worship Services

Below is an updated guide to serve at worship in a consistent fashion.

Please arrive before 10:00 am, except for the Fellowship Server who needs to arrive by 9:00 am in June, July & August.

What to do:

Greeters: You are the welcoming face of the church. Please stand at the door entrance assigned to you. Open the door, **SMILE** at each person, shake their hand, say, "Welcome to St. Mark's," and greet them by name if you know them.

Bulletins/Offering Folks: Before the worship service, one bulletin person should stand near the Pearl St. greeter and the other should stand near the sanctuary entrance by the courtyard. Please give each person a bulletin, smile, welcome them, and greet them by name if you know them. During the worship service you are also requested to **pass out the offering plates**. We are doing the offering differently now. All four of you will come and stand at the bottom of the steps at the conclusion of the musical offering. Pastor will hand each one of you an offering plate. You will collect the offering from **the front to back**. Two will go down the center aisle. The other two will go down the side aisles. If it is just a single person in the pew, you can hold the plate and collect it. If they pass the plate, receive it and start it back down the next aisle. When you have finished the collection, two will bring the four plates forward and give them to the pastor.

Fellowship Server: Please arrive at 9:00 am to make coffee in June, July, and August. (If you cannot do so, notify the pastor.) Instructions on how to prepare everything can be found below the microwave. After the fellowship time, serving treats of your choice, please empty and rinse all coffee urns and the water dispenser, as well as wipe off counters and tables.

Reader: Any special instructions are sent to you with that day's reading, including where to find pronunciations for unfamiliar Biblical words. Please practice reading the text **aloud** several times prior to worship so that you can become familiar with the inflections that will make the text come alive.

Song Leader: The Order of Worship is emailed to you so that you may practice the songs.

Communion Servers: Please come forward during the singing of the offertory. When you hold out the tray of wine and grape juice, please stand four to five feet away from the pastor, which is close to the piano on the lectern side and in the middle of the pews on the pulpit side. Smile, look each person in the eye, and say, "The blood of Christ shed for you."

Sound Tech: Please make sure that the pastor's microphone is turned off during the singing. However, his microphone and the singer's microphone need to be turned on during the responses, such as during the reading of the psalm, so that the responses will be audible for the video stream.

Worship Services for June

June 1 & 2 Joseph and His Brothers Sunday Communion

Psalm 105:1-11, 16-22 Genesis 37:1-36

Who Are God's Favorites?

The story of Joseph is an interweaving of complex family dynamics, of the mystery of dream interpretation, and of how God interacts in history. Listen carefully to today's story to hear how Jacob's favoritism, Joseph's arrogance, and his brothers' resentment combine to condemn Joseph to slavery and exile.

June 8 & 9 The Cupbearer and the Baker TSC Taping

Genesis 40:1-23 Psalm 50:1-6 Acts 16:6-10 Matthew 1:18-25

Joseph was sold into slavery by his brothers. Today we hear how God blessed him with the gift of interpreting the dreams of Pharaoh's cupbearer and baker. Nevertheless, his situation remained unchanged. When life is a mess, we want it to change NOW! But God's timing is not our timing.

June 15 & 16 Pharaoh's Dreams Sunday Communion Blessing of Fathers

Genesis 41:1-16, 25-40 Psalm 72:1-4, 16 2 Corinthians 8:8-15

In Plenty and in Want

The story of Joseph continues with his interpretation of Pharaoh's dreams. God provided a warning of an impending catastrophe, and Pharaoh listened. In our times, it seems like all we hear of is catastrophe. What can we learn from Joseph and Pharaoh?

June 22 & 23 Joseph's Brothers Go to Egypt Youth Sunday

Psalm 56 Genesis 42:1-28

Regaining Broken Trust

When do you trust a person who has seriously harmed you? Joseph dealt with that question when his brothers—who had sold him into slavery—came to buy food from him in the midst of a devastating famine.

June 29 & 30 The Reconciliation of Joseph and His Brothers

Psalm 39:1-7 Genesis 45:1-15

Forgiving Until You Forget

Is it possible to forget the wrong that a person has done? Should you?
Have you truly forgiven a person if you still remember the wrong?

June

2024

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
|---|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|--------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | | | | 1 5:00 pm- Worship |
| 2 10:15 am- Communion | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 5:00 pm- Communion Worship |
| 9 9:30 am – Storytime 10:15 am–Worship 6:00- Jr Climbers Club using gym/mtg | 10 7:30 pm- Property Meeting | 11 8:00 pm- Finance Meeting | 12 | 13 5:00 pm- Loaves & Fishes | 14 | 15 5:00 pm- Communion Worship |
| 16 9:30 am – Storytime 10:15 am– Communion | 17 | 18 | 19 10:30 am– Communion at the Gardens | 20 7:00 pm- Council | 21 | 22 5:00 pm- Communion Worship |
| 23 9:30 am – Storytime 10:15 am–Worship | 24 | 25 | 26 10:30 am– Gardens Worship | 27 | 28 | 29 5:00 pm- Communion Worship |
| 30 9:30 am – Storytime 10:15 am–Worship | | | | | | |

Worship Attendance for May 2024

| | Sat. | Sunday | Streaming | Adult SS | Children SS |
|-------------|------|--------|-----------|----------|-------------|
| May 4 & 5 | 22 | 61 | 52 | 21 | 4 |
| May 11 & 12 | N/A | 62 | 45 | 20 | 6 |
| May 18 & 19 | 26 | 62 | 52 | 16 | 10 |
| May 25 & 26 | 22 | 65 | 48 | N/A | N/A |

St. Mark's Lutheran Church Council April 18, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Laura Heitz called the meeting to order at 6:58 PM.

Members Present: Laura Heitz, Mark Swaney, Pastor Doug, JP Metz, Shelley Koch, Dustin Jeanneret, and Mike Burton via phone.

Pastor Doug opened with a devotional reading from Acts 17 and concluded with a prayer.

Council Meeting Minutes: The minutes were emailed to all the members. Mark Swaney made a motion to approve the minutes, JP Metz seconded; motion carried.

Financial Report: Mike Burton presented the treasury report. The balance in checking is currently \$202,503. Liabilities were reflecting some unusual numbers which Paul Rogers was able to clean up. The dedicated funds balance is \$84,348.

The capital improvement (Line 05) sits at \$41,767. Line 53 reflects a balance of \$9,268, which will be transferred into line 5. The YTD General Fund receipts as of March 31 were \$61,841. The YTD General Fund expenses were \$56,847; we are ahead of the budget. We have a positive cash flow of \$4,994.

JP Metz made a motion to accept the treasury report, Mark Swaney seconded; motion carried.

Pastor's Report: The new member orientation was postponed due to planning conflicts. Pastor Doug's summer vacation dates will come out in the near future.

Old Business: The quote for insurance was sent out and has now been signed. The Sexual Acts Coverage was increased to one million dollars. Mike Burton made a motion to accept as presented and as adjusted, Dustin Jeanneret seconded; motion carried.

Mike Burton has inspected the Child and Youth Abuse Prevention Policy line for line. The council thoroughly discussed the policy and decided upon a small adjustment to include vendors/contractors to have a background check.

Pastor Doug, Shelly Koch, and Laura Heitz moved to accept the adjustment; JP Metz seconded; motion carried.

After consideration, the council will not be implementing the worship family suggestion that came from the strategic planning committee.

New Business: A complaint was made about the LED sign being too small in comparison to the original sign holder box. Dustin Jeanneret offered to research and price out larger alternatives.

The council discussed planning a celebration for when the renovation loans are paid off.

Shelly Koch made a motion to adjourn, Mark Swaney seconded; motion carried.

The next meeting will be on May 16th, 2024 @ 7PM

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer. Cordially submitted, *Dustin Jeanneret*

St. Mark's Lutheran Church Council May 17, 2024, Meeting Minutes

Laura Heitz called the meeting to order at 7:06 PM.

Members Present: Laura Heitz, Mark Swaney, Pastor Doug, Mike Burton, JP Metz, Shelley Koch, and Dustin Jeanneret.

Devotional: Pastor Doug led council in a devotional on Corinthians 12:1-13 and a prayer.

Council Meeting Minutes: The minutes were emailed to all the members. JP Metz made a motion to approve the minutes, Mark Swaney seconded; motion carried.

Financial Report: Mike Burton presented the Treasurer's report. Our savings and checking accounts currently amount to \$128,330. The Betty Winemiller Endowment CD of \$6,000 has been added to our Investment Portfolio.

The monthly income was \$17,410, and YTD, it was \$79,251. We are right where we need to be with the Synod Support percentage.

The insurance was overbudget because we've made some extra payments to the new insurance company to get started. Property/maintenance was overbudget because of repair projects (such as redoing pipes and fixing the preschool bathrooms). However, these overbudget amounts should equal back out.

In June, St. Marks will be paying the remainder of the renovation loans: \$81,577.

Mark Swaney made a motion to accept the finance report, JP Metz seconded; motion carried.

Pastor's Report: Council further discussed the Ministry Family concept. Mike Burton made a motion that the strategic planning committee reactivate for the purpose of implementing the small group recommendation. Mark Swaney seconded; motion carried.

This Sunday, May 19, we bless the 2024 Wapakoneta High School Graduates: Sarah Garber, Erika Lisi, and Ryan Price. This day is also the last Sunday for Sunday School. Laura will prepare thank you gifts to present to the teachers on June 2.

Everyone is invited to a meeting on Sunday, June 2 at 9:30 in room 2, the music room, to debrief this year's Sunday School experience.

The New Beginnings Learning Academy Graduation is Friday, May 24, at 6:30 pm.

Elaine Hawkins is a superb Administrative Assistant.

Pastor met with Dustin and the sign donor at 6 pm before the council meeting to determine the best replacement sign that will be larger and clearer.

Laura Heitz has volunteered to lead a photo directory planning committee.

Pastor Doug has asked Elaine to re-do the phone directory and to work up a proposal for the purchase of a cell phone for use in receiving the Venmo transactions and for contacting the youth and others with volunteer reminder notifications.

Elaine Hawkins has been collecting the acknowledgements that they have read the Sexual Misconduct Policy. Everyone who works with our children and youth have signed and returned their acknowledgements.

As of May 15, we have \$29,861 of pledges yet to be paid. Pastor Doug estimates that \$2,070 will never come in due to changing financial situations. Pastor Doug estimates the rest of them will be paid—but most not until the end of the year and some even into next year.

Pastor Doug vacation dates are June 3-14 and July 1-8. On June 8 & 9, worship services will be conducted by Pastor Mick Althaus, and on Sunday, July 7, they will be conducted by Pastor Ken Pollitz. Saturday night, July 6, will probably be a video sermon.

Old Business:

A much larger outdoor HD LED sign has been purchased.

The Celebration Meal at the repayment of the Renovation Loans was discussed.

New Business:

The church photo directory planning committee will be organized by Laura Heitz.

The proposed cell phone purchase (Apple iPhone SE \$429) with a cellular plan named Visible by Verizon which is \$25/mo. that includes unlimited talk, text, and data with no monthly or startup fee and no contracts was discussed. Pastor Doug made a motion to accept the purchase and plan, JP Metz seconded; motion carried.

The borrowing of church property (tables and chairs) was discussed thoroughly. Currently, none can be borrowed. The council appointed Elaine Hawkins to formulate a policy that will enable tables and chairs to be borrowed with appropriate restrictions and procedures and to bring it back to the church council for discussion and approval at its June meeting.

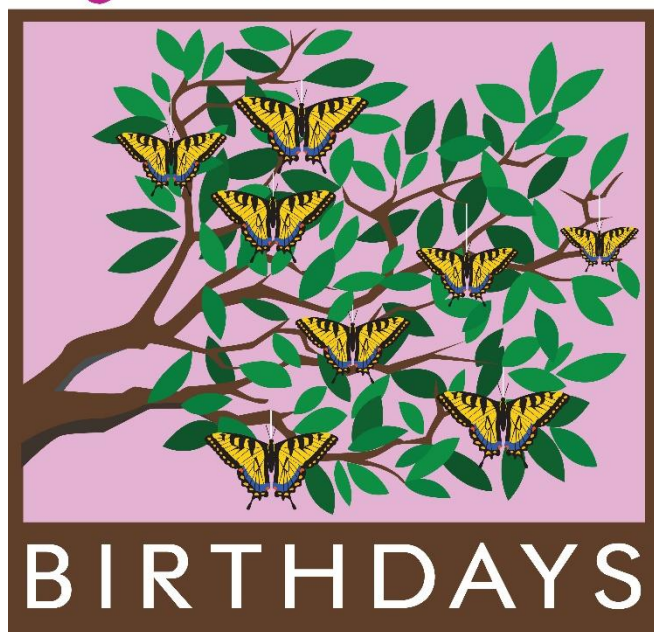
The next meeting will be on June 20, 2024 @ 7PM

The meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Cordially submitted,

Dustin Jeanneret

JUNE



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| Robert Wiesenmayer | June 6 |
| Jillian Price | June 10 |
| Sally Werling | June 10 |
| Jacalyn Retterer | June 12 |
| Shelley Koch | June 14 |
| Cortney Rogers | June 22 |
| Linda Large | June 23 |
| Jonathan Zofkie | June 25 |
| George Klima | June 26 |
| Jeremy Dickey | June 28 |
| Reuben Maki | June 28 |
| Laura Heitz | June 29 |

St. Mark's Motto

Be God's Grace in Action

St. Mark's Mission

St. Mark's Mission is to fulfill the Great Commission by extending God's Grace to all people.

St. Mark's Vision

St. Mark's will transform the Wapakoneta area and the world into a community of love by connecting the disconnected to God's grace and salvation.

We welcome, support, and care for all people.

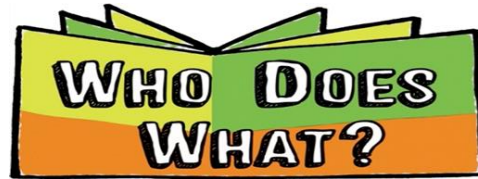
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| Church Musician | Melissa Grunden | | |
| Custodian | Amanda Wilder | | |
| Technology Coordinator | Dustin Jeanneret | | |

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| 10:15 AM Sunday | 2-Jun | 9-Jun | 16-Jun | 23-Jun | 30-Jun |
|---|-----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Greeters, Pearl St | Jen & Sarah Garber | Kevin & Meddy Ruck | Jeff & Thelma Hunlock | Jacob Hicks (Offering) | Delani & Kim Harter |
| | Howard & Carol Garber | | | Ben Wilson (Offering) | |
| Greeters, Seltzer St | John Doll, Tina Waltz | John & Kelli Price | Kent & Karen Welch | Sarah Garber | Bob & Shirley Wiesenmayer |
| | | | | Nate Garber (Offering) | |
| Bulletins, Offering | Brandon & Courtney Wilson | Shelley Koch Kay Ault | Jen & Rich Garber | Landon Baeumel Ethan Jeanneret (Offering) | Ron & Karen Lenhart |
| Reader | Collin Lenhart, Nate Garber | Karl Schlegel | Chris Sorensen | Ella Price | Tina Waltz |
| Communion | Karen Lenhart | X | Rich Garber | X | X |
| Servers | Kerrigan Lenhart | X | Chris Sorensen | X | X |
| Song Leader(s) | Julie Miars Golden | JP Metz | Nelson Golden | Lyla Wilder, Evie Oen Kerrigan Lenhart | Kristin Doll |
| | | | | | |
| Fellowship | Shirley Wiesenmayer | Jen Garber | Amanda & Ashley Schmerge | Carol Rogers | Ruth Doll |
| Sound Tech | Nelson Golden | Nathan Doll | JP Metz | Rod Metz | Chad Doll |
| Video Tech | Rich Garber | Dustin Jeanneret | Dustin Jeanneret | Dustin Jeanneret | Dustin Jeanneret |
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| 5:00 PM Saturday | | | | | |
| Greeter | Marguerite Wallen | Lowell Headapohl | Laura Heitz | Barb Srisongkham | Anne Grove |
| Bulletins | Anne Grove | Gloria Headapohl | Dianne Knipp | Carol Jeanneret | Marguerite Wallen |
| Reader | Mark Swaney | Alex Rompilla | Carol Pretorius | Melissa Grunden | Alex Rompilla |
| Communion | Terry Shoup | Alex Rompilla | Mark Swaney | Betty Elsass | Alex Rompilla |
| Servers | Barb Srisongkham | Connie Rompilla | Sandy Swaney | Carol Jeanneret | Connie Rompilla |
| Singer | | Carol Pretorius | Carol Pretorius | Carol Pretorius | Carol Pretorius |
| Musician | Melissa Grunden | Melissa Grunden | Melissa Grunden | Melissa Grunden | Melissa Grunden |
| Altar Guild for the Month of June: Ruth Doll, Mark Swaney, Tina Waltz | | | | | |