

#### **LEDGEWOOD LIGHT**

Ledgewood Christian Church (Disciples of Christ)

A BEACON ON THE HILL"



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#### APRIL/MAY 2019

#### CELEBRATING THE ART OF SISTERHOOD

Our very own Artists-in-Residence, Ellie and Erin Angle, have artwork on display as part of the YMCA's District Art Show which runs through May 2<sup>nd</sup>. Congratulations to both of these young ladies who continue to amaze us with their talents!

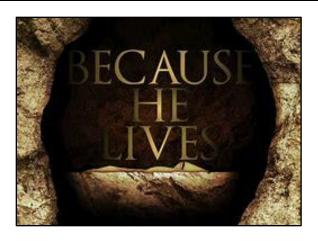


Ellie received "Best in Show" for Sunflower Lady.





"Michigan Sunset" by Erin Angle



#### A Note from the Pastor:

As I reflected on the events of Holy Week and Jesus' journey to the cross, I could not help but think about something that took place on Good Friday several years ago. Although the actual date was different back then, the significance of what happened was nonetheless poignant. It was on Good Friday 2015 that my grandmother went home to be with the Lord. And what made this so amazing was the fact that earlier in the week, Grams had been talking quite a bit about Good Friday... that is, until she was no longer able to speak as she seemed to be approaching the end of her earthly journey. The hospice nurses that were caring for her were all surprised by the strength of spirit that allowed Grams to hang on for several days, despite every indication that the end was imminent. That is why when I got the call early that Good Friday morning, letting me know that Grams had finally gone to be with the Lord, all I could do was rejoice for her. Could there be a more precious time to enter into eternal life than the day on which Christ gave His very life for us?

And so, as we remember that first Good Friday, when Jesus went to that cross at Calvary, we must keep in mind that the story does not end there. The scriptures tell us that very early in the morning, when the women went to the tomb where Jesus' body had been laid, the stone that covered the entrance to the tomb had been rolled away and an angel of the Lord declared that there was no need to look for the living among the dead because He had risen, just as He said he would! The heartbreak that the disciples must certainly have felt on that Friday was soon replaced by joy and celebration on Easter.

May our hearts be filled with that same joy and celebration throughout this Easter season and beyond for Christ is risen indeed!

With much love, your Pastor and friend,

Pastor Heidi



#### A Little LIGHT Reflection

#### WHAT IF GOD HAD AN ANSWERING SERVICE...

By Jonathan McLeod

#### **Imagine hearing something like this:**

"Thank you for calling Heaven. Please select from the following four options:

Press 1 for requests.

Press 2 for thanksgiving.

Press 3 for complaints.

For all other inquiries, please press 4.



#### What if God used the familiar excuse:

"All of the angels are busy helping other customers right now. Please stay on the line and your call will be answered in the order it was received."

#### Can you imagine getting these kinds of responses as you call on God in prayer?

- If you'd like to speak to Gabriel, press 1.
- For Michael, press 2.
- For any other angel, press 3.
- If you want King David to sing you a psalm, press 4.
- To find out if your relative or loved one is here, enter his or her date of birth and listen for the list that follows.
- For reservations at My Father's House, simply press the letters J-O-H-N on the key pad followed by the numbers 3-1-6.
- For answers to nagging questions about dinosaurs, the age of the earth and where Noah's Ark is, wait until you get here!
- Our computers show that you have already called once today. Please hang up immediately.
- This office is closed for the weekend. Please try your call again on Monday.

Thank God, we can't call Him too often! We only need to ring once and God hears us.

We will NEVER get a busy signal!

#### PRAISE GOD FOR THE PRIVILEGE OF PRAYER!

#### A Little LIGHT Humor...

#### A FEW EASTER CHUCKLES

- Q. What do you get when you pour boiling water down a rabbit hole?
- A. A hot-cross bunny!
- Q. What days do eggs dislike the most?
- A. Frydays!
- Q. Why did the egg go to a baseball game?
- A. To see the egg-stra innings.
- Q. What kind of plants would eggs keep?
- A. Eggplants, silly!
- Q. Why was the little girl sad after the race?
- A. Because an eggbeater.
- Q. How do eggs stay healthy?
- A. They egg-cercize!
- Q. Why won't eggs go out after dark?
- A. They don't want to get beat up.
- Q. Where do Easter bunnies go to get new tails?
- A. A retail store.
- Q. Why was the egg sleeping so much?
- A. He was egg-zosted.
- Q. What did the egg do when the light turned green?
- A. He egg-celerated.
- Q. What did the egg say to the clown?
- A. You crack me up.
- Q. Where do eggs get off the highway?
- A. They take the eggs-it!

Submitted by Eva Henderson



#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS...

#### **REGULAR SCHEDULE**

Worship Service Sundays - 11:00 a.m. Sunday School for all ages Sundays - 10:00 a.m.

Official Board Meeting Next meeting, Thursday, June 13<sup>th</sup> 7:30 p.m. FREE Community Breakfast Every **Third** Saturday 8:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Fourth Friday Family Fun Fellowship Every **Fourth** Friday 7:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 14<sup>th</sup> Palm Sunday! Jesus made His triumphal entry into Jerusalem to waving palm

branches and shouts of praise, "Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Hosanna in the highest!"

Thursday, April 18<sup>th</sup> Maundy Thurday Service of Tenebrae and Communion at 7:00 p.m. We gather

together to commemorate the day when Jesus celebrated his final Passover with

His disciples and washed their feet in an extraordinary display of humility.

Friday, April 19<sup>th</sup> Good Friday is the Friday of Holy Week and commemorates the crucifixion,

suffering, and death of Jesus Christ.

Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> Resurrection Sunday! He is risen indeed!

Monday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> Earth Day - various events are held to demonstrate support for environmental

protection. First celebrated in 1970, Earth Day events in more than 193 countries

are now coordinated globally by the Earth Day Network.

**Thursday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>** National Day of Prayer is observed on the first Thursday in May when Americans

are encouraged to give thanks and turn to God in prayer and peaceful meditation. The theme for 2019 is "Love One Another," based upon the words of Jesus as

found in John 13:34.

Sunday, May 12<sup>th</sup> Mother's Day was created by Anna Jarvis in 1908 and became an official U.S.

holiday in 1914. It is celebrated on the second Sunday in May and traditionally

involves presenting mothers with flowers, cards and other gifts.

Monday, May 27<sup>th</sup> Memorial Day is observed on the last Monday of May to honor the men and women who

died while serving in the U.S. military. Originally known as Decoration Day, it originated

in the years following the Civil War and became an official federal holiday in 1971.

Sunday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> SUMMER HOURS BEGIN! Worship service will start at 10:00 a.m. Sunday School

will resume in September.



#### **APRIL BIRTHDAYS**

Pastor Heidi Barham	April 6	Rita Johnson	April 11
Cade Jeric	April 9	JoAnn Seckel	April 15

#### **MAY BIRTHDAYS**

Elsie Mohr	May 10	Jeana Morris	<b>M</b> ay 11
Tim Srnka	May 10	Jim Lucas	May 13
Marilyn Lucas	May 11	Gwen Washington	May 31
Blane Ruble	May 11	_	

#### **JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

Kathie Morris	June 3	June Kocsis	June 26
Karen Jeric	June 9	Sue Johnson	June 27
Perry Howland	June 11	Ja'Meir Washington	June 28



#### **APRIL ANNIVERSARIES**

Ruth Ann & Don Angle April 27

#### **MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

Kim & Kevin Gearhart May 19

#### JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Jeana & Clint Hardman June 17 Marilyn & Jim Lucas June 25

#### REMINDER

The Ledgewood Christian Church Youth Ministry continues their outreach efforts to collect donations for the on-going support of the Geauga County Hunger Cupboards. We have beem partnering with the Burton United Christian Church (the location of one of the county's seven food cupboards) in answering a "special need" each month. The "special need" for May is **canned fruits and vegetables.** Donations may be placed in the plastic bin under the coat rack in the narthex. As always, your contributions of non-perishable foods, paper products and "special need items" are all greatly appreciated!















#### REMEMBER, HUNGER NEVER TAKES A HOLIDAY!

# LEDGEWOOD CHRISTIAN CHURCH FREE MONTHLY COMMUNITY BREAKFAST SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2019 SERVING 8:30 AM - 10:30 AM Menu includes: Pancakes, Scrambled eggs, Sausage Salmon patties, Orange juice, Coffee, Tea ... and more! 8261 Kinsman Rd. (Rt. 87 just west of Rt. 306) Novelty, Ohio 44072 Questions??? Please call Jeff Angle 440.564.5912 WWW.ledgewoodcc.org



## Social Service

GATHERED TOGETHER IN ONE PLACE WILL BE LOCAL AGENCIES DEDICATED TO HELPING PEOPLE IN TIMES OF CRISIS

> MAY 18, 2019 11:00AM-5:00PM

Bainbridge Community UCC 17751 Chillicothe Rd, Chagrin Falls, OH 44023 For more info check out bainbridgecommunityucc.org











#### GEAUGA COUNTY JOB & FAMILY SERVICES





### GENDER ROAD CHRISTIAN CHURCH 5336 Gender Rd., Canal Winchester, OH 43110 May 11th, 2019 ~ 9:00am - 4:00pm ~ Lunch Included

Join us for a Called Regional Assembly on May 11th at Gender Road Christian Church. The Regional Transition Team (RTT) will be presenting your thoughts, ideas, and concerns. We will also have the honor of our General Minister and President, Rev. Terri Hord Owens being present at the Assembly and speaking to us as a Regional Church.

It will be a time where we will covenant with God and one another to follow God's call, as one Regional Church, toward a future that will no doubt be different. Come and renew your hearts and refresh your spirits as we have a lot to celebrate!



To register online, go to:

http://www.ccinoh.com/regional-calendar.aspx?events=8267&action=details

Or complete the registration form on the following page.

#### **Regional Assembly Choir!**

During the called Spring Regional Assembly, we will be featuring a Choir assembled of persons from all around the Region. If you are planning on attending the Assembly and would like to join the Choir, or have any questions about this, please contact Lillian Collins no later than May 5th via email at <a href="mailto:Lillian.dudley519@gmail.com">Lillian.dudley519@gmail.com</a>.



#### CHRISTIAN CHURCH IN OHIO

Disciples of Christ

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\$25.00 Late/Onsite Registration

Per Person (age 13 & up) paid May 6th or after

\$15.00 Child Late/Oncite Registration

#### Registration Form

Fill out the form, and return with payment to: Christian Church in Ohio, 10335 Maple Dell Rd., Marysville, OH 43040.

You can also register online at www.ccinoh.org

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Please Print Clearly		Anyone under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.			
Last Name (1 attendee per form)		First Name			
Address		City			
State	Zip	Date of Birth			
Email Address					
Church Name		Church City			
Cell Phone		Home Phone (if Applicable)			
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#### Basic Schedule

\$20.00 Pre-Registration

\$10 00 Child Pre-Registration

Per Person (age 13 & up) paid by May 5th

 Registration & Gathering:
 8:00 - 9:00am
 Lunch:
 12:00 - 12:45pm

 Opening Worship:
 9:15 - 10:00
 Small Group Reports:
 1:00 - 2:00

 Report of RTT:
 10:15 - 11:15
 State of the Region & Celebration:
 2:15 - 3:00

 Small Groups:
 11:15 - 12:00pm
 Closing Worship:
 3:00 - 4:00

For more information go to <a href="www.ccinoh.org">www.ccinoh.org</a>, or for questions, contact <a href="ccio@ccinoh.org">ccio@ccinoh.org</a> or 614-433-0343.