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#### **WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

We ask that **both members and guests** fill out a "Connection Card" located in the bulletin and place it in the offering tray.

#### **NEW HERE?**

If you are new around here, stop by our Connection Counter, turn in your Connection Card, and receive a gift.

#### **IMPORTANT NOTE TO PARENTS**

If you need assistance locating any of our children's areas [nursery through 5<sup>th</sup> grade] please don't hesitate to ask one of our greeters.

#### **COMMUNION & OFFERING**

Our communion service is intended for followers of Jesus Christ. If you wish to participate, take the bread and juice as they are passed. Gluten Free? Pick up a communion cup in the back of the worship center on the table. Guests with us today should not feel obligated to give during our offering time. We simply hope you are blessed by worshiping God with us today!

#### **BAPTISM OR CHURCH MEMBERSHIP**

If you are interested in being baptized or becoming a part of our church family, talk with one of our staff members after worship, contact the office or note it on your Connection Card.

**Notice:** On occasion pictures will be taken to use on our website. If you do not wish to have your photo used in this way please contact the office.

See the bulletin, newsletter and calendar at:

communitychristian.cc



**Community Christian Church, Bethel OH** 

[fh] fellowship hall [wc] worship center [sc] student center [cp] connecting place



### **Small Group for K-5th**

#### Wednesdays, April 29-May 20, 6:30-7:30pm

God provides each family with resources to help them grow and thrive. Some of these resources include emotional and relationships, spiritual, money, and time. For four weeks we will come together as families to thank God for what he has provided and learn how to best manage our resources as a family.

These sessions are designed for elementary age children [K-5th] and their families. Younger and older siblings are invited to join us with one or two parents or other primary care givers. Contact: Lianne Pierce



Coming in August - Youth Flag Football
PreK [4 before Feb 1] through entering 6th grade
Early online registration: May 1-June 30 \$75
Facebook: Bethel 3C Sports League
Twitter: bethel3csports1
Instagram: bethel3csportsleague



Pick up a 3C Ministry Catalog from our east foyer book rack or check it out on our website under resources. It will give you a description of all of our ministries. Fill out the last page and drop it in the Connection Counter slot or contact Connie Cravens. She would love to help you find a place to serve!



#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

[birth-5th grade]

Over the next few weeks I will continue to post Facebook live object lessons on Sundays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays at 11:15am. Feel free to tune in live or check it out later in the day if that works better for you. I will continue the Easter Science Series and will do another series of object lessons about Easter after that. Each lesson comes from the curriculum we have been using on Sunday Mornings at 11:00 and Wednesday Night Kids. Children's Ministry Deals provides parent information that I post with my lesson to help parents talk to their children about what we are learning together.

- Lianne



6th-8th Graders [Middle School]
9th-12th Graders [High School]

Not sure if you know this or not, but we have a problem. I'm sure many of you might think this is Kyle doing a pretty lousy Captain Obvious impersonation. Obviously, our world has changed soooo much in the past 5-8 days. Everything seems to be messed up. I never could have thought things that have happened have....happened. Seems like everything is cancelled and messed up.

Why do these things happen? Well, there's a short and a long answer. I'll try to bridge them together. We are under a curse. Wait? What? Like a sports curse? Similar to when every time I do my laundry I lose a sock curse? Or when I try to find a phone charging cord it magically gets tangled up with every other cord in our house? Not quite. But LONG ago in the book of Genesis (3:6) Adam and Eve sinned and that messed everything up. Child birth became much more painful, ground became harder to work. Thorns came into existence and they HURT. Why did so many terrible things enter the world? Sin, that is why. Why do we die? Because of sin. The good news though is that we don't have to fear it. As disappointed and hurt as God was with Adam and Eve he still offered them clothing (Gen 3:21) as still a loving gesture despite his hurt and disappointment and we know the story doesn't stop there. Jesus came to repair the damage done by sin. We are so thankful he takes that punishment for us. So in this time of confusion, isolation we know that seasons come and go, letting us not lose focus of our Heavenly Father and his love for us.

June 14-19: Summer in the Son [current 8-12 grades]
KY Christian University, \$50 deposit due ASAP
No refunds after May 1. Total Cost \$175.

Allow me to say thank you, to you who have remembered the continuing needs of our church family at this point in time with your offerings. I stood in the church kitchen earlier this week talking with several of our ladies who were serving a funeral meal, when someone mentioned how good it is to be debtfree with all this uncertainty going on! I know this situation, both here and around the world, is one we will all remember for a long, long time. Our people, like many others, have current needs in their families, so we certainly want to be praying for them as well as reaching out to serve them and others who are hurting as a result of this world-wide crises.

As a church family we are called by Christ to help people be that from our local community or for sending support to our longtime friends involved in mission work here or around the globe. As you also know, we continue to pay our church staff and our ongoing fixed expenses such as utilities. It all happens as a result of your generosity and your concern for the Kingdom of God. Thank you!

At Community, we of course have no Sunday offerings to carry us at this time. However, we have suggestions below as to how you might continue to give. In any of these situations we thank you for thinking of others in the name of Christ as we live through these extraordinary days here in Bethel and around the world.

Thanks, dan



During these difficult times find new ways to give to your church.

- Mail a check to the office
- Drop off your gift during office hours
- Use your bank's on line bill pay
- Givelify [instructions and link below]

<u>Use Givelify to conveniently give</u> <u>and track church giving from your</u> <u>Smartphone or through our website.</u>





If you have a request please email or call the office so that we can share it with our church family. If you would just like your needs/concerns to remain private it will only be shared with the elders and staff.

Don't fret or worry. Instead of worrying, pray. Let petitions and praises shape your worries into prayers, letting God know your concerns. Before you know it, a sense of God's wholeness, everything coming together for good, will come and settle you down. It's wonderful what happens when Christ displaces worry at the center of your life. Philippians 4:6-7



All events are dependent upon the current status of the nation and leadership decisions.

#### **FACILITIES**

Apr 4: All Church Clean Up, 9am-Noon

Coffee & Donuts @ 8:45am Contact: Paul Morford

#### MEN

Apr 2: ROMEOs [retired old men eating out]

LaRosa's/Leave 11:30am Contact: Bill Graham

PRIMETIMERS [50+] Contact: Mabel Gelter

Apr 9: Once For All [Landmark Baptist] 30 tickets available

May 3: Balance Due - Sr Saints in the Smokies

[Johnson University] June 1-5

June 26: Cincinnati Red's, \$20

#### RECREATION

3C Riders [motorcycle] Contact: Steve Miller Apr 26: Lunch Blue Lick's State Park, 2pm May 25: Yellow Springs/Waterfalls, 10:30am

#### WOMEN

<u>Apr 20</u>: JULIETs [just us ladies intentionally eating together]

TBD/6:30pm Contact: Kim Torok

Click here to see the summer camp schedule. Call the office for a \$10 per night code. One camp per child.



# WOODLAND LAKES christian camp & retreat center

#### **Current Elders:**

Frank Renn [Chairman], Scott Wedemeyer [Vice Chairman], Bernie Nuhn [Secretary], Eric Ely, Bob Turner





## Stay in touch with us through our FB page and YouTube channel

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Office Hours: M-F, 8:00am-4:00pm Closed: Noon-1pm



Every person in our 3C family can access over 15,000 Bible studies. Studies for individuals, small groups, families, students, leadership development, and much more. The content comes from over 250 top Christian publishers and ministries.

If you are not already plugged in to this 'no charge to you' opportunity, contact Kyle Dickerson. He will be happy to send you an access code.