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"Reaching God through: Enrichment, Education and Extending Our Hands"

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Adult Sunday School 9:15a Worship Service - 10:30a Junior Church - during worship service Youth Group Sundays: 12-TBD



The Sacrament of Holy Communion will be celebrated on Sunday, July 5, 2015

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Attendance

April	May
5 143	386
1276	1080
1977	1768
2665	2463
	3170



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Dear Friends,

Did you know that identity thieves rob more than 500,000 Americans every year? Imagine that an individual you have never met nor wronged has taken your identity with the intention of abusing your good name and unblemished credit profile. Michelle Brown didn't have to imagine this. As she stated in her testimony before the U.S. Senate Committee, she was an ongoing victim of identity theft. Another woman used Michelle's name and good credit to rack up debt in excess of fifty thousand dollars.

Make no mistake about it—there are forces at work in our culture that want to rob you of your identity as a Christian. And there are two methods of operation these forces employ: to steal your identity and/or to entrap you so you willingly give it up. Instead of a pure, peaceful identity as a child of God, they want you to be a confused, weak-willed person, one who is spiritually impotent and emotionally unhealthy.

When Jesus began His ministry, the crowds around Him were huge. Thousands followed Him looking for the Messiah, for healing, for deliverance. In John 6, we read one of the most significant miracles of Jesus, given in great detail. It is so significant that it is one of the few miracles recorded in all four of the Gospels: the feeding of the five thousand...

Do a heart check: Do you most often go to God in prayer only because you need something or need an answer? Make a choice to go to Him in prayer daily to thank and praise Him for just Who He is—the God of love, forgiveness, and faithfulness.

"Jesus answered then and said, "Most assuredly, I say to you, you seek Me, not because you saw the signs, but because you ate of the loaves and were filled." (John 6:26)

You might say they were looking for dinner and a movie. Jesus knew this, and he gave them more than they asked for. In fact, He demonstrated His ability to do so "abundantly," as He promised in John 10:10.

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"Do not labor for the food which perishes, but for the food which endures to everlasting life, which the Son of Man will give you, because God the Father has set His seal on Him. "Then they said to Him, "What shall we do, that we may work the works of God?" Jesus answered and said to them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in Him whom He sent." (John 6: 27-29)*

As we labor through VBS and the Mission Study, my hope is that we always remember WHY we are together: to thank and praise God the Father for our Savior Jesus Christ. Personal faith in Christ is our power in the present and our hope for the future.

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him all creature here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Blessings in Christ,

Pastor Jan

*"Identity Theft: The Thieves Who Want to Rob Your Future", Jay Strack, Thomas Nelson,2006. Pp. 11-12



COFFEE HOUR DONATIONS NEEDED

Would you be able to help the Deacons, by donating a treat for Coffee Hour? You don't even need to cook or bake anything, if that isn't something that you are comfortable with. Feel free to pick up cookies, donuts, breads, cakes, fruit or cheese and crackers at the store. These are appreciated just as much as anything else. Check the sign-up sheets on the table upstairs. Pick a Sunday that you can help and sign your name in that spot. A new sheet is placed there every month. The more people willing to sign up, the better....."Many hands make light work!"

Please let us know if you can help us with our Coffee Hour Time.

Thank you in advance! The Board of Deacons

WOMEN'S GROUP MEETINGS:

There are no Dorcas or Togetherness Circle meetings in July or August

2015 FLOWER CHART

The 2015 Flower Chart is hanging on the bulletin board in our downstairs hallway. If you would like to help beautify our Sanctuary in this way, pick a Sunday and enter your name on that line. If this is a special occasion i.e. Birthday, Anniversary, Graduation etc., simply add the occasion you are celebrating to that line, for your information to be added to our weekly bulletin. If room does not permit on that line, simply call Debbie in the church office, with the wording you would like in the bulletin. To all of you people with the "Green Thumbs", would you consider sharing your talents with us, by bringing some of your flowers in on a Sunday?





May the support ur family and friends

With heartfelt Sympathy

We express our sympathy to Mrs. Betty Mienheartt on the loss of her dear husband, and Ron and Kathy Mienheartt on the loss of Ron's father, Mr. Clyde Mienheartt.

Community Meal Center

As always, help is needed in serving food to the less fortunate at Community Meals Center on the 4th Friday in August.

Please consider helping out and signing up on the yellow sign in the downstairs hallway or call **Sharon Thompson** at 742-9292.

You'll be glad you did!





Please welcome our newest member to Venice Presbyterian Church

Viola Powell



The Deacons appreciate all the generous donations to our food pantry. We have had many requests recently for help with food and personal care items. Any items you can donate will help your neighbors in need.

Breakfast foods

Canned meats

Pasta

Soups and Sauces

Canned fruits and vegetables

Peanut butter and jelly

All types of personal care products, any brand or size.

Shampoo/body soap/body wash/deodorant

Toothpaste/Toothbrushes

Thank you in advance for your support!



Preschool Opening

Administrator

Jennifer Strube (our current administrator) has informed the Preschool Board of her plans to retire at the end of the 2016-2017 school year.

That gives us just two years to find someone to replace her. Jennifer has done an excellent job and we will miss her greatly.

College courses in early childhood development with either a certificate or a degree are required.

If you are interested, or know of someone who might be interested, please contact the Preschool Board through the Church office or any of the following members: Donna Marsh, Sue Toler, Eunice Maynard, Martha Young, or Bob Young.



Venice Preschool News

Our preschool program is on summer break!

Please contact us in the following ways for registration information for the 2015-2016 school year.

738-0158, <u>vpcpreschool@thevenicechurch.com</u>, <u>www.venicepreschool.com</u>





Junior Church



Junior Church is continuing to focus on our Faith Weaver's Bible Study Series. The teachers will also be reading from a Bible Story Book each Sunday. We are trying to reinforce some of the traditional Bible stories and are encouraging the students to learn where those stories are in the Bible. We will also be sending home student study sheets beginning with the summer curriculum. We hope that you will ask your children what

they learned that morning. Encourage them to share the Bible lessons and review the study sheet that they will be bringing home with them. Learning the Bible stories, becoming familiar with the Bible and sharing the information with others is a way for students to help put on the armor of faith to prepare them for the challenges that they will face as they grow into young adults. Junior church takes place on Sunday mornings during the worship service. Bring your children and grandchildren to church and plant the seed of faith.





- 1- Clydene Spangler
- 2 Jim Springer
- 4 Don Eberwine
- 5 Megan Mundy
- 6 Russell (Gene) Oder
- 8 Candace Weppler
- 12 Steven Young
- 16 Dyllan Brandenburg
- 18 Thomas Kirk
- 19 Virginia Schradin
- 23 LaVerne Mehl
- 27 Rebecca Berling
- 27 Brandon Jackson
- 29 Debbie Schwab
- 31 John Krier

July 7 Jerry and Helen Rohrer

July 8 Raymond and Mildred Miller

> July 11 Kevin and Mary Unwin

July 12 Leon and Marcia Collinsworth

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary, please notify the office.

Meet our new Music Director

We are pleased to announce Kwi-im Kim has accepted the position as Music Director at Venice Presbyterian Church! She will begin her position with us on September 1, 2015.

A native of South Korea, Kwi-im Kim started learning piano at the age of three, and developed her professional piano studies at Yewon School and Seoul Art High School with pianist Kyungmi Lee. After graduating her B.M from Ewha Womens University, she moved to the United States, and had been a student of Mr. Edward Auer in Jacobs School of Music of Indiana University in Bloomington in 2006-2009 pursuing M.M. From 2010, Kwi-im Kim has studied with Mr.James Tocco, and she is doing a Doctorate Music of Art degree and Artist Diploma at University of Cincinnati College Conservatory of Music.

Kwi-im Kim received many awards in piano competitions in such as 2014 Los Angeles international Liszt competition, Alexander & Buono international piano competition, Seoul Music Journal Young Artist competition, and Grand Prize from Seoul Union Symphony Orchestra Competition.

Ms. Kim has also performed actively as a chamber musician and collaborative pianist. She was awarded for the Graduate Scholarship and Assistantship from University of Cincinnati, and served as a collaborative pianist for CCM Student Artist Series Presents Recitals in 2013-2014, and now serves as a pianist for CCM starling project under Professor Sassmannshaus.

Ms. Kim has attended numerous international music festivals and masterclasses at Siena Music Academia , St. Petersburg conservatory, Hannover Musikhochschule, and has performed throughout Asia and the United States. She also participated in numerous masterclasses, and performed for Lazar Berman, Joaquin Achucarro, Bernd Goetzke, Alcardi Zenziper, Eugene Pridonoff, Elizabeth Pridonoff, Michael Chertock.

Ms. Kim is studying with Mr.James Tocco at CCM, and her previous studies was with Mr.Edward Auer at Indiana University in Bloomington.



WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO HELP?

Perhaps, at some time, you have heard the term, "Funeral Luncheon" at our church. This is a service provided by the Women's Association's Church Service Committee.

We offer this service, to the members and friends of our church, who are going through a most difficult time in their lives. The luncheons rely on donations from other members and friends at our church.

If you have never been asked to help, by donating food or drinks, and think that this may be a way in which you may serve, please let me know. You don't need to be a cook or baker. We need donations of many items that can simply be picked up at the grocery store.

Please consider helping us in this way. If interested, please call **Martha Young** at 738-1966, so she may add your name to the list of volunteers.

Thank you, in advance for your help!

Worship News

Pastor Jan will be out of town beginning Saturday, July 25th, and will not be returning until Monday, August 10.

During this time if you have a Pastoral emergency, you may contact Pastor John Specht, from The Shandon Congregational Church. He may be reached at 738-4127 or 374-6691.

We are blessed to have Pastor Jan Gallagher lead us in worship during the time Pastor Jan Dillaman will be out of town.

Please give Pastor Jan Gallagher a warm welcome during her time with us.



Please keep **Ray and Mildred Miller** in your thoughts and prayers. You may send cards to Millie and Ray at: PO Box 172, Ross, OH 45061, or give Ray a call at 738-2248.

Here is the updated address for **Russell "Gene" Oder**: Doverwood Village, Russell Oder, Room 16 4195 Hamilton Mason Rd, Fairfield Township OH 45011

Linda Engel is still recovering and could use some prayers, please send a note of encouragement to: 4154 Dry Run Rd, Hamilton, OH 45013

Please send prayers and get well wishes to **Harlan O'Connor**. He is currently hospitalized with congestive heart failure. Send cards to: 2440 Ross Hanover, Hamilton, OH 45013

Please keep **Ray and Audrey Boehringer** in your thoughts and prayers. Let them know we are thinking of them by sending a note to: 3440 Hamilton New London Rd, Hamilton, OH 45013

Clydene Spangler has had a slow recovery, let's keep encouraging her by sending a note of cheer to: 2256 Bella Vista Dr, Fairfield, OH 45014



<u>JULY 5</u>

Youth Group meets in the LOFT from 12:00pm-2:00pm

<u>JULY 12</u>

Youth Group will be attending the Butler County Fair

<u>JULY 19</u>

Youth Group meets in the LOFT from 12:00pm-2:00pm

JULY 27

Youth Group will be swimming at Dan and Gayla's home. Thank you Dan and Gayla!

If you have any questions about Youth Group, or any of our events, please contact our Youth Director, **James Dillaman** at 290-7988.