



THE CLARION

June 2006

Our Purpose: To Love the Lord, love one another, and make disciples for Jesus Christ!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

- June 1 – Nancy F, Michael H
- 2 – Seth B., Darla K., Vickie L.
- 3 – Janice G., Kim M.
- 4 - Lucy L.
- 5 – Liam B., Gene H.
- 7 – Gretta P., Christa W.
- 10 - Betty D., Andrea H.
- 11 – Jim D., Cindy S.
- 12 – Kelly A., Bob W.
- 14 – Babe C.
- 16 – Leigh H.
- 17 – Jan W.
- 19 – Russell B., Amanda S.
- 20 – Brenda H.
- 24– Sandy T., Jon S.
- 25 – Tim T.
- 26 – Shelley K., Annie S.
- 27 – Don P.
- 29 - Richard P., Joshua N., Jonah N.,
Darlene M.

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!!

- June 2 – James & Dorcella G.
- 5 – Lee & Christy E.
- 6 – Russ & Melanie V.
- 8 – Bill & Sharon C.
- 10 – Aaron & Bridget T.
- 11 – Jim & Ella C.
- 12 – Richard & Mickey P.
- 19 – Kenneth & Nancy M.,
Mike & Lisa N.
- 21 – Matt & Crystal W.
- 22 – John & Teresa N.
- 23 – Harley & Kim C.
- 24 – Charles & Brenda H.
- 28 – Don & Diane W.

Scripture for June

Train a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not turn from it.
Proverbs 22:6



THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH

**A well-worn Bible is
is a sign of a well-fed
soul.**

**We could learn a lot from crayons;
some are pretty, some are dull, some
have weird names and all are
different colors...but they all have to
learn to live in the same box.**



CHURCH NEWS

CHURCH COUNCIL will meet Monday, June 5th at 7:00 p.m.

SOUTHERN HILLS D.S. Wanda Wilson will be speaking at the morning worship service on June 11th.

GOSPEL SING & MEN'S QUARTET Sunday evening June 11th. The offering will go towards supporting the Marriage Enrichment Weekend this fall.

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE - Christ UMC team plays the following dates: June 6, June 13, June 20 and June 27. Games are at 6:00 p.m. or 8:00 p.m. Schedule is posted on the bulletin boards in the church.

MARRIAGE ENRICHMENT FUNDRAISER – There will be a fundraiser breakfast on Sat. June 17th from 8:00-11:00 a.m. in the Old Fellowship Hall. The menu is: Sausage gravy & biscuits or French toast and sausage links, orange juice, coffee or hot tea. All proceeds will go to defray costs of the Marriage Enrichment weekend. Also, Cindy S. will be in charge of a bake sale table. Contact Cindy if you wish to donate for this bake sale.

DON'T YOU KNOW IT'S TIME TO PRAISE THE LORD(Psalm 145:1-2)

Joyce B. praises the Lord for a wonderful week. Even though it started with a funeral, she was blessed. Her car broke down, but relatives were nearby to help and she spent the time enjoying God's beautiful clouds and sky. Also, prayers were answered for her nephew Shawn when his truck broke down.

Margo J. praises God for Connor, her grandson, who is doing great after heart surgery a year ago.

Robbie B. praises the Lord for Guernsey Industries softball games.

Laura E. is thankful for a recent camping trip (13 people) that was great in spite of bad weather.

Janice G. praises God for her family (son, wife and granddaughter) being in church with her Sunday.

Tom S. praises the Lord for preparing him to lose his mother. The United Methodist church taught him how to deal with death and make it a joyous celebration of her life instead of sadness.

Cheryl T. thanks everyone for their prayers for Evy when she was recently taken to Children's Hospital. She was having spells, but after tests everything is fine.

Nancy J. thanks God for blessing her in many ways. Her mother is healing and she knows God works things out in His time.

Dorothy T. praises God for her children and grandchildren. They have been blessed with good jobs and good health.

Cindy S. is thankful that her grandson Davey is doing well in school after being diagnosed with ADHD. It is wonderful watching him grow and learn.

Vickie L. praises God that Terri's husband Danny is coming home from Iraq for a two week leave.

Harley C. thanks God for protecting his children. Brandon had an auto accident and wasn't hurt.

Sandy B. praises God for touching Don F., who attended our church and we prayed for him after his heart attack. Also requests prayers for her mother-in-law, Virginia, who fell and is still grieving loss of son.

Freida S. is praising God for the recent Bible study led by Terri S. and for getting rid of the clutter of our minds. She hopes to hear more from our young folks.

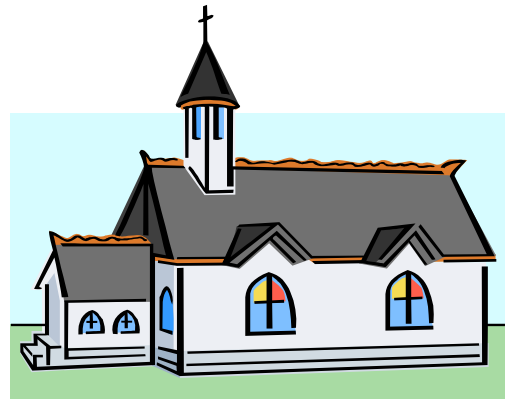
SUNDAY EVENING SERVICES

June 4 – SPEAKER: Jane Collart

June 11 – Men's Quartet with Gospel Sing

June 18 – NO SERVICE - Father's Day

June 25 - SPEAKER: Pastor Scott



Christ UMC Children's Fellowship Choir

The Christ UMC Fellowship closed their 39th year of existence with "Journey of Praise" on Sunday, May 7, 2006. Shirley B. started the program in September 1967. This year's members are: Katie A., Levi A., Brandy B., Sophia B., Brittany B., Erica B., Alexys C., Tyler C., Taylor D., Jordan G., Destini H., Wayne H., Darnell H., Bethany K., ShaShawna K., Zak K., Hannah M., Hayly M., Davey M., Kinsi M., Kirsten P., Janessa S., Jesse S., Jasmine W., Blakeleigh W., Brianna W., Mariah W. and Abbey W..

"Journey of Praise", created by Pam Andrews, is a combination of narration and songs. The youth that narrated were: Jesse S., Brittany B., Tyler C., Blakeleigh W., Sophia B., Abbey W., Destini H., Mariah W. and Levi A..

The Fellowship Choir opened with "How Majestic is Your Name." The soloist, Abbey W. was accompanied by the choir in "All Creatures of Our God and King." The third song of the night was "The New 23rd." The Children's Fellowship Choir accompanied soloists Hannah M. and Brittany B. in "I Surrender All." Other soloists were: Levi A., Mariah W. and Erica B. singing "He is The Way" and Destini H. singing "I Sing Praises." The choir also sang "Immanuel, Immanuel, Jesus is My Lord" and "In My Father's House."

Gretta P. is the Children's Fellowship Program Coordinator. Jenny B. is the teacher and Cheryl T. is the choir director. Joyce B. oversees the attendance and Shirley D. takes care of snacks. Tim T. is the sound tech. Helpers for the program are Allen A., Shirley B., Cory N., Gary P., Cindy S..

The children and adults would like to thank Pastor Scott W. for designing and ordering the great T-shirts the group had for the program.

Cindy S.

Cindy S. has lived in Guernsey County all her life except for one year. She lived in Cleveland for a year after she met and married her husband, Hank. Cindy has been a member of Christ United Methodist Church all her life. Hank and Cindy attended a church in Pleasant City for a while, but then they returned back “home”.

Cindy has been an active church leader at Christ UMC throughout the years. She has been a Sunday School Superintendent, an Evangelism Chairperson, Board member at large, Sunday School teacher, MYF leader, Bible Study Leader, Food Pantry Chair. Her favorite role is being a church pianist. Cindy has also been a member of the CUMC choir for forty two years. “I think I was thirteen when I joined. I remember sitting next to Erna B. and Shirley B. as they ‘trained me by example’ how to sing harmony.” Cindy’s favorite hymn is ‘Wonderful Grace of Jesus.’ “It’s hard to pick one favorite scripture, but I’ll say ‘Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him and He’ll direct your path.’”

“God is my life!” exclaims Cindy. “He’s shown me to trust Him and to love others and to witness to others. He’s given me compassion for the hungry and acceptance for others. Only He can accomplish the good things in my life.”

Cindy’s family includes Hank, her husband; Georgie M., her daughter and Mike & Alicia S.. She has two grandchildren, Tory S. and Davey M.. Tim and Cheryl T. are her brother and sister-in-law. Mary D. is an aunt and Jim and Betty D. are cousins.

-Submitted by Laura E.

MISSION NEWS

The following are excerpts from an eMail from Jerry & Sherri M., missionaries in La Esperanza, Honduras, Central America. We at CUMC are supporting the Murphy’s monetarily and with our prayers.

They praise God for:

Beginning our work here in La Esperanza.

Four people saying yes to Jesus as their personal Savior.

Getting to know families and have small group meetings in homes.

Seeing God move in the lives of those around us.

A good time with our team.

For each of you and the sacrifice that many of you make so we can be serving in Honduras.

Prayer needs are:

Continue to remember our language studies, as each day is a new lesson.

Our family at home.

Allison’s travel arrangements; she will be visiting the end of July to the first part of August.

That the Lord will prepare our hearts as He prepare the hearts of the Hondurans that we meet and work with.

LAUGHTER'S GOOD FOR YOU!

The Husband Store

A store that sells husbands has just opened in New York City, where a woman may go to choose a husband. Among the instructions at the entrance is a description of how the store operates. You may visit the store **ONLY ONCE!** There are six floors and the attributes of the men increase as the shopper ascends the flights. There is, however, a catch . . . you may choose any man from a particular floor, or you may choose to go up a floor, but you cannot go back down except to exit the building!

So, a woman goes to the Husband Store to find a husband . .

On the first floor the sign on the door reads: Floor 1 – These men have jobs and love the Lord.

The second floor sign reads: Floor 2 – These men have jobs, love the Lord and love kids.

The third floor sign reads: Floor 3 – these men have jobs, love the Lord, love kids and are extremely good looking.

“Wow,” she thinks, but feels compelled to keep going. She goes to the fourth floor and the sign reads: Floor 4 – These men have jobs, love the Lord, love kids, are drop-dead good looking and help with the housework.

“Oh, mercy me!” she exclaims, “I can hardly stand it!” Still, she goes to the fifth floor and sign reads: Floor 5 – These men have jobs, love the Lord, love kids, are drop-dead gorgeous, help with the housework and have a strong romantic streak.

She is so tempted to stay, but she goes to the sixth floor and the sign reads: **Floor 6 – You are visitor 4,363,012 to this floor. There are no men on this floor. This floor exists solely as proof that women are impossible to please. Thank you for shopping at the Husband Store. Watch your step as you exit the building and have a nice day!**

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CHRIST UMC SOFTBALL

Christ United Methodist Church members and visitors have once again extended their fellowship to Spring softball this 2006 season. Their first game of the season was cancelled because of rain. The first game they played was on Tuesday, May 2nd at 6:00 p.m. Their friendly competitors were Stop Nine.

Eleven athletes that made up the first set of games for CUMC were: Bill C., left center; Lee E., left field; Matt W., second base; Josh (Snag) B., shortstop; Aaron (Boomer) T., first base; Tom H., right center; John S., third base; Scott (Slugger) W., pitcher; Tim T., designated hiter; Mike (Mr. Hustle) W., catcher and Crystal W., right field.

In the first game, CUMC scored four runs. Getting hits for CUMC were Bill C., Lee E., Matt W., Josh B., Aaron T., Tom H., Scott W., Tim T., Mike W. and Crystal W.. Stop Nine scored twelve runs.

In the second game Bill C., Josh B., Matt W., Aaron T., Tom H. and Scott W. got hits for CUMC. The team tallied three runs. Stop Nine sluggers were on fire in the second game as they scored four runs in the first inning and never looked back. The game ended 16-3.

Aaron T. is this year's Coach for CUMC. The team would love to have the stands full for their games. The spring softball church league season ends at the end of June. The team plays on Tuesday evenings.

- submitted by Laura E.

NOTICE

We are interested in making the Clarion better and more newsworthy. So, we need your help! Please get your announcements, meetings, articles, events, etc. in to Sandy Tittle by the deadline. The deadline for July Clarion will be June 28th. If you wish you can use the blanks below to turn news in. Thanks for your help!

ODDS & ENDS

VOICE LESSONS and music theory study will be offered by Aaron T., starting this summer. Lessons will be a half-hour in duration and will be given here at the church. Seventh grade through adult age are welcome. Call Aaron @ 439-9700 for more details.

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