

# Messenger

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**Morning Watch**  
*Sundays 9:00 am*

**Christian Education**  
*Sundays 9:15 & 9:40 am*

**Traditional Service**  
*Sundays 10:30 am*

**Fellowship Hour**  
*Sundays 11:30 am*

**Church Office**  
*Monday – Friday*  
*9:00 am – 4:00 pm*

## STAFF

**David P. Turner**  
*Senior Minister*

**Renita Lewis Whitaker**  
*Office Manager*

**Anthony Shackelford**  
*Custodian*

**Tanya Elaine Noffsinger**  
*Chancel Choir Director*

**Dan Oliver**  
*Bell Choir Director &*  
*Director of Audio/Visual*

**Lois Sutherland**  
*Organist*

**Jenny Garner**  
*Nursery Care Provider*

## AMERICANA FESTIVAL PARADE

In just two weeks, we will be participating in our third scheduled parade, the Centerville "Americana Festival" parade. It will be on Monday, July 5<sup>th</sup>, as the fourth is on Sunday. We need four people to pass out American flags and about 8-10 to ride on the trailer. This year's theme is "We the People.....Celebrating Our Freedom. Our plan is to have a church scene depicting the celebration of the 1<sup>st</sup> Amendment..."Freedom of speech, religion and assembly". If anyone has some extra ideas for the float or can participate in the parade, please contact John Brown at [Jojocen@aol.com](mailto:Jojocen@aol.com). It's a lot of fun and you can enjoy a great festival afterwards.

## VBS IS ABOUT TO BLAST OFF!

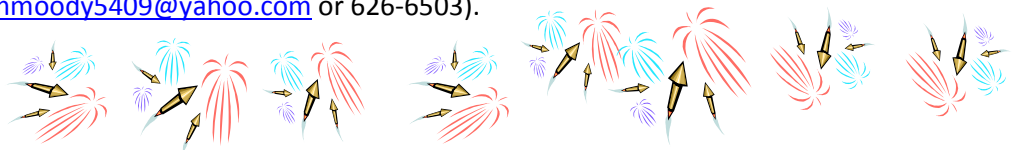
This summer, our cadets will voyage into outer space praising God. Through daily missions our kids will see space like never before, gain a new perspective on our planet Earth, and learn easy "green" tips they can practice at home. This cosmic combination of faith and fun will have your cadets developing a personal relationship with God through Jesus Christ. Registration is taking place and there are 2 ways to sign up your children: (1) Call the church office or (2) Fill out a registration form (located in the Narthex) on Sunday morning. We are working on online registration through the church's website.

We have volunteer opportunities to help make this year's Vacation Bible School a success. Below is a list of how you can support VBS:

- ★ Group Leader for 3-4 year olds - you will be responsible for taking this group from station to station through the week. (We would like this person to be here all week as you will be their primary point person, and we like to try to keep that person consistent for the younger ones.
- ★ Group helpers for the 3-4 year old, Pre-K/Kindergarten and 3rd through 5th grade groups. These are great opportunities if you are only able to help out for a day here and there. You will assist the group leaders in taking the kids from station to station and helping with their activities.
- ★ Station helpers for all stations (Story time, snacks, games, and service). These helpers will assist the station leaders and group leaders with the various activities they will be doing during the week. This is another great opportunity if you can only help for a day here or there.
- ★ Decoration Crew: We need people who can be available on Sunday, July 11 to help transform our church into a space station. We are in the process of getting the supplies needed and will just need people to help get it all ready.



To volunteer to help in any of these roles, please contact Melissa Moody ([mmoody5409@yahoo.com](mailto:mmoody5409@yahoo.com) or 626-6503).



## Serving In June

**Deacon Captain:** Melissa Moody  
**Deacons Serving:** Andrew Green, Anne Keeton, Carol Strine, Jenness Sigman, John Mohr, Lisa French, Lora Davidson, Mark Keeton, Ruth Sempritt, Scot Burnett.  
**Deacon Prep/Clean Up:** Ann Bates and Lorie Sigman  
**Elders for Communion**  
**June 20<sup>th</sup>** Bob Bentley, Sr. and Chuck Bentley, Jr.  
**June 27<sup>th</sup>** Don Ashbrook and Moniqua Suits  
**Lay Leaders**  
**June 20<sup>th</sup>** Ron Babcock  
**June 27<sup>th</sup>** Calle Burnett  
**Fellowship Hour**  
**June 20<sup>th</sup>** Joanna Group  
**June 27<sup>th</sup>** Bell Choir

## The Weeks Ahead

<b>Sunday, June 20<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Morning Watch
	<b>9:15 am</b>	Christian Education Max Lucado Class A New Vision Class
	<b>9:40 am</b>	10 Commandments Study
	<b>10:30 am</b>	Traditional Service
	<b>11:30 am</b>	Fellowship Hour
<b>Monday, June 21<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Quilters
	<b>9:30 am</b>	Senior Fitness Class
<b>Wednesday, June 23<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:30 am</b>	Senior Fitness Class
	<b>7:00 pm</b>	Kettering Toastmasters
<b>Thursday, June 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:30 pm</b>	Prayer Shawl Ministry
<b>Friday, June 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	Group Interaction

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<b>Monday, June 28<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Quilters
	<b>9:30 am</b>	Senior Fitness Class
<b>Wednesday, June 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Dayton Ministers of- Higher Education Meeting
	<b>9:30 am</b>	Senior Fitness Class
<b>Thursday, July 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>9:30 pm</b>	Prayer Shawl Ministry
<b>Friday, July 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>7:00 pm</b>	Group Interaction

## Church Office Closed



The church office will be closed on Monday, July 5<sup>th</sup> in observance of the Fourth of July weekend.

## Messenger Summer Publication

During summer months the weekly Messenger will be published bi-weekly with editions published the week of: June 28<sup>th</sup>; July 12<sup>th</sup> and July 26<sup>th</sup>; August 9<sup>th</sup> and August 23<sup>th</sup>; and September 6<sup>th</sup>. After September 6<sup>th</sup>, we will resume weekly publication.



## Members & Friends

<b>Hospitalized</b>	Frances Mayes (MVH)
<b>Home Care</b>	Kathy Anderson
	Henrietta Farrow
	Earline Grice
	Thelma Harman
	Regina Kempton
	Norma Kirkland
	Doyle Ware
	Millie Molz
	Jean Thompson
	Merle and Dorothy Ryan
<b>Liberty Retirement Home</b>	- Bob Thompson
	- Janice Lyons
<b>Summersville</b>	- Marian Herron
<b>Spring Creek</b>	- JoAnn Reichbauer
<b>Sterling House</b>	- Elwood Byrnett
<b>Sycamore Glen</b>	- Anne Walters
<b>Waterford Retirement</b>	- Mary Rothenbuhler

The Sanctuary Flowers on Sunday, June 13<sup>th</sup> were given by Jean McCall in honor of Dave's 74<sup>th</sup> birthday and in memory of their fathers and their son, Michael.

It's A Boy...Congratulations to Heather and Stuart Hicks on the birth of their son, **Stuart Edward Hicks, V.**, born on Friday, June 4<sup>th</sup> (7lbs., 9oz., and 19 1/2ins). Congratulations to great-grand father, Bob Bentley, Sr.

## Sanctuary Renovation

The vote in favor of contracting for a professional design for a possible renovation of the sanctuary/narthex was 81 of 114 cast or 71%, compared to the 75% super majority required by the Executive Board for action. The vote did not pass but was extremely close. It was an emphatic demonstration that a large percentage of our members believe there is a need for renovation. Our process intentionally gives a lot of respect, concern, and weight to minority opinions. May we humbly follow the Lord wherever He wants us to go.

## Morning Watch

Morning Watch Services are being held in the more intimate setting of the chapel at 9:00 a.m. This service is especially popular in the summer when families often have plans for later in the day. Morning Watch includes prayer, scripture reading, sermon and communion and runs about 45 minutes each week. We look forward to a great summer of worship!

## Worshipping at Central

Sunday, June 13, 2010

Christian Education	35
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Nursery	8
Morning Watch	22
Traditional Service	<u>117</u>
<b>Total Worship Attendance</b>	<b>147</b>



**Missing Keys** – On Sunday, May 30<sup>th</sup> a butterfly key chain with 2 keys and a Kroger card was placed on top of a bulletin on the table next to the coffee station in the Fellowship Hall. If found please turn them into the church office.

### Seniors Chair Exercise Program

**Attention Seniors** - Improve your strength, balance, flexibility and endurance by participating in the Seniors Chair Exercise Program every Monday and Wednesday from 9:30 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. We follow a DVD workout program designed by Certified Fitness Instructor for seniors to develop strength and enhance the ability to function in daily life. For more information, please contact Joan Norman as 254-3846.

### The Commandments

Perhaps the most foundational document of our faith and one of the greatest untapped spiritual resources to understanding the covenant between God and Man – “The 10 Commandments” continues through July 25<sup>th</sup>. Rev. David Turner presents the Commandments to explore what is meant, how they have been interpreted through history and how they can renew our faith and covenant with God today. Presented at both worship services; a discussion study is held each week following the Contemporary Service in the Chapel from 9:40 a.m. to 10:20 a.m. A lecture guide will be provided at both services so bring your Bible or make use of those provided in the pews. Be certain to invite your friends, family and neighbors to share in this time of worship and study of the constitution of the covenant.

### Support the Troops

My son, MSGT. Robert Brown has recently been stationed in Kardahr, Afganistan. He reports that this barren area, many of the “niceties” that we enjoy are not available. He has requested that we help make the troops lives a little more tolerant. They are O.K. on personal items. What they would like are the following all in individual size:

**Drink packets**

(Tubes like Crystal Lite, Kool-Aid, etc)

**Gum**

(not juicy or the like)

**Crackers and cookie packets**

**Anything else you might think they will enjoy.**

(No chocolates, they will melt in the heat)

**Magazines**

(Sports, cars, motorcycles, weight/body)

Please place your item in the box located in the Narthex. When the box is full, I will replace it. If you have any questions, please contact me at Jojocen@aol.com. Thank you for supporting our troops – John Brown.

## Thought for the Week...

*Go never ask about our ability or inability-  
just our availability,*

## Revised Copies of the Annual Reports

Various modifications were made in this year’s annual Report. Revised copies of the 2009-2010 Annual Report will be made available in the Narthex.

## VBS Supplies Needed

Below is a list of supplies needed for this year's VBS. In order to minimize cost we are requesting donations of a variety of supplies. If you can provide any of the items below, please contact the church office or Melissa Moody, or sign up at the VBS table in the Narthex on Sunday morning. Please note that some items can be returned to you at the end of VBS - those items are noted with an asterisk.

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| Silver metallic fabric   | Space fabric                  |
| Styrofoam balls (assorted sizes)   | Old CDs                       |
| Planetarium projector *  | Dowel Rods                    |
| Paper Towel tubes  | Glow in the dark paint        |
| 1 roll of clear fishing line   | 20 pairs of work gloves       |
| 1 roll of clear contact paper  | 200 rubber bands              |
| 250 index cards  | 20 bandanas (any color) *     |
| 1 orange soccer cone *   | Star stickers                 |
| 100 tube socks   | 2 packages of white cardstock |
| 2 packages of construction paper   | 3 large trash cans *          |
| Mineral salts (for foot soak kits)   | 3 hula hoops *                |
| 2 packages of white cardstock  | 5 small buckets *             |
| Foam Ball *  | 1 box of large trash bags     |
| 12 large boxes (will be used to make recycling bins - so the bigger, the better) |                               |
| 4 large boxes of powder laundry detergent  |                               |

## Remember our Campers!

Please remember the following members as they enjoy their week at Camp Christian for Otter Camp the week of June 20<sup>th</sup>. Serving as counselors in training are Alexis Garybush, Matt Pence and as counselor, Doug Pence. **Campers include:** J. T. Merkle, Aaron Moody, Alyssa Pennington, Taylor French, Alyssa Goubeaux, Xavier Hasty, and Brendan Garner.

**PS:** It’s a known fact that campers love to get mail. You can write to your favorite camper using the address below. Just be sure to mail your letter early in the week.

**Camper’s name**

**Camp Christian**

**10299 Maple Dell Road**

**Marysville, OH 43040**

## Camp and Conference Schedule

Here are dates for Otter Camp, Chi Rho camp, CYF Conference, and Advanced Conference. If your child has never been to Camp Christian before, now is a great time to start!

**Chi Rho Camp** for those who have finished 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, or 8<sup>th</sup> grades. Our district attends Camp Miami – this year set for **August 8 -14<sup>th</sup>**.

**Wilmington Conference** planned for **August 1-7<sup>th</sup>**. For those CYF folks who are unable to attend Wilmington Conference.

**Hiram** is **June 27-July 3<sup>rd</sup>** and **Phyo** is **July 4-10<sup>th</sup>**.

**Advanced Conference** is set for **August 15<sup>th</sup> – 22<sup>nd</sup>**. Eligible attendees are ages 19-29 years.

All of the above listed camps are held at Camp Christian. A newly revised application for all camps and conferences can be found on the Christian Church in Ohio website – go to the Camp Christian tab. Applications are also located in our Narthex or call the church office for more information. **Note:** Anyone needing assistance with camp fees, please contact church office.

## **The Last Word...**

**by David P. Turner**

This Sunday is Father's Day. It also happens to be the Sunday in our series on the Ten Commandments when we consider the Fifth Commandment to "Honor your father and your mother." I wish I could say it was impeccable planning that juxtaposed Father's Day and the Fifth Commandment, but I'm not that clever. It is, however, a very happy accident – or providence. Either way, it provides an opportunity to look carefully at relationships between children (especially adult children) and their parents and how we might faithfully conduct those relationships.

Like the other Commandments, there are many questions about what it means to honor fathers and mothers. For instance, some of us come from homes that were characterized by abuse or serious dysfunction. How does one honor parents whose lives weren't particularly worthy of honor? Questions like this one are "live" issues for many people. And while the Commandments themselves are short on details, there are plenty of other places we can turn in scripture to fill in the details.

One thing the Fifth Commandment hints at is that honoring our parents is actually in our own self-interest: "that your days may be long in the land I am giving you." I read that: "take care of your own folks because little eyes

and ears are paying close attention – someday they'll do the same for/to you."

Children watch as you relate to your own parents. They listen to your opinions and beliefs. And, whether you realize it or not, they are taking it all down.

A few years ago, I taught a class on parenting and one of the chief lessons I learned was that "new" parenting techniques and philosophies aren't always the answer to healthier, happier children. The only way we can achieve those results is by becoming healthier and happier ourselves.

In the Old Testament, God made a covenant with Abraham and Sarah. He promised Abraham that if he would be faithful, God would bless him and all the generations that would follow in his line. I believe that principle is still at work today. The power of God at work in the life of one man or woman is enough to change a family and thereby change the world.

So, on this Father's Day, remember your children are paying attention – not nearly so much to what you say as to what you do. Therefore, bring your family to worship, that together we might remember the God who blesses and redeems us all.