



The Lamplighter

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July / August 2017

SUMMER HAPPENINGS!!!

BICENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Mark your calendars for our summer of celebration in honor of the church bicentennial! (1817-2017) Here are some of the highlights you have to look forward to:

Sunday, July 30th Church Picnic – The picnic will happen after worship. After eating, we will host guided tours of a couple sites of our historical church locations – one at the former cemetery located near the Heilman farm and one at the top of the hill next to the West cemetery. These are sites where our ancestors worshiped 200 years ago.

Leading up to Sunday, August 27th - We will feature some short videos and interviews of members of our famous 20/40 group and our Women's Task force who identified so many church needs and raised monies to work on church projects and improvements. These groups are the "roots" of who we are as a church today.

Sunday, August 27th - We will worship like it's 1817 (but with air conditioning)! A guest pastor, who is also a historical reenactor, will lead our service and do a dramatic presentation of a pastor from 1817. The service will be followed by a covered dish luncheon afterward. Other highlights of the day will include historical displays, books, pictures and memorabilia. (We bet a few of you haven't yet been in our historical room in the new building. It's Classroom 2. Check it out!) All present will take part in creating a church family quilt that will be subsequently stitched together, displayed, and become a part of our future heritage.

September (date to be determined) - We'll wrap up the festivities by planting a new tree, together, in the park. As you know, the old tree was dying and removed this past year. It will be the beginnings of "new roots – new shoots and new fruit."

Don't miss out on all the fun!

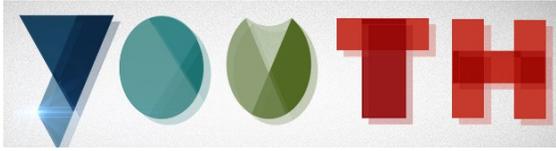
Sincerely,

The Bi-Centennial Planning Team



"Team Rock" Event ♦ July 29th ♦ 7:00 p.m.

FPC is partnering with the Fredericksburg Church of Christ to bring Team Rock Ministry to Fredericksburg for all to enjoy. Team Rock USA Extreme Breaking Team uses martial arts and breaking (of concrete, wood, and brick), along with scripture and testimony, to share God's Word in a thrilling and non-intimidating way. This is a free community outreach event, being held in our sanctuary - so please invite your friends, cousins, grandchildren, neighbors, and all that you know to be entertained by these national award winning martial artists. Light refreshments will follow the show. Learn more about Team Rock Ministry at their website, www.teamrockministry.com, or on YouTube or Facebook.



- Save the date - July 30 Will be a “youth-led” worship service.
- YDOC is planning a hiking trip to Mohican State Park on Sunday, August 6. The group will eat lunch at the church, then carpool to Mohican and hike for the afternoon. (Note: This event will replace YDOC for this week).
- Coming September 10, YDOC will attend worship at the Wayne County Fair. YDOC will cover the attendance fee, youth will need money for lunch. Additional details will be available soon.

LET'S PLAY BALL!

SOFTBALL SCHEDULE

July 7	9:00 p.m.	Wooster Central Christian
July 14	7:00 p.m.	Church of the Savior
July 21	6:00 p.m.	Shreve Methodist
	7:00 p.m.	Millersburg Christian
July 28-29	TBA	Double elimination tourney



Come out and cheer the team on!



G.L.O.W. OUTING IN JULY



Everyone is invited to join the G.L.O.W. FUN group as they enjoy a picnic lunch and canal boat ride on July 12th at Roscoe Village. We will car pool, (let Pastor Darcy know if you are willing to be a driver), leaving the church parking lot at 10:45, enjoy lunch at Lake Park and then go on a 45 minute canal boat ride. Horses tow the boat along the old canal as a guide tells you about the history of Roscoe Village. Please sign up in the gallery if you would like to attend. You will need to bring a sack lunch and 7 dollars to ride the canal boat.

On August 9, our outing will be lunch in Millersburg at the Old World Bakery downtown and to tour the 1876 salon. with a chat about the history of these buildings. We will leave the church parking lot at 10:45 and carpool to Millersburg.

P.S.—The start up date for G.L.O.W. this fall is Sept. 20. Ladies, mark your calendars.



Community Worship
With MCA & Church of Christ at the ballfield
Sunday, September 3 at 10:00 a.m.
Bring your lawn chairs.
No Nursery, Children's Church FUN Groups,
or Sunday School, will meet today.
Rain location: Mennonite Christian Assembly.

FROM THE SESSION

Session has called a meeting of the Covenant Partners on Sunday, August 20, 2017 following worship. The purpose of the meeting is to vote on a motion for dealing with our long-term building debt. The credit line that is carrying this debt expires at the end of 2017. We will have a second capital campaign this fall to retire the debt. Like the first campaign, participants will have a three year period to pay off their pledges. If the campaign is successful, we will have paid off all of our debt by the end of 2020. Our current debt is \$478,823 (as of 5/31/17). In the meantime, however, our options to deal with the debt are as follows:

- **Traditional Mortgage** - Closing costs \$3,000-\$10,000. Interest rate 4-5.5%. Minimum monthly payment \$3,000 -\$4,000. Total interest paid \$97,000-\$150,000. Church building used as collateral.
- **Secured Line of Credit** (as we have now) - Closing costs \$500. Interest rate 3.25%, variable. Minimum monthly payment \$1200. Total interest paid \$20,000. Covenant partners must put up their own assets, in the same amount as the loan, as collateral.
- **Family Trust Loan** (offered by the same Family Trust which provided our matching gift for the building) - Closing costs \$500. Interest rate 1.2%, fixed. Minimum monthly payment \$400. Total interest paid \$7,500. Church building used as collateral.
- **Session moves that we obtain a loan from the family trust.**

FROM THE DEACONS

The Deacons will be collecting not only Kleenex's but Clorox wipes, baby wipes, all size zip lock bags and paper towels this year in our drive to supply the items and divide them up between all of the Southeast Local School District Elementary Buildings. A Donation Box will be in the lobby by July 2 and the drive will continue Drive until August 27th!

Fredericksburg Community Goodwill Drive



The church is participating in a drive for the Goodwill of Wayne & Holmes Co. with community partners Lem's Pizza and the Fredericksburg Market. Donors will receive coupons to Lem's and the Market in exchange for donations to Goodwill. The church will serve as a drop off point for donations on Sat. July 8 & Sat. July 15 from 9 a.m. to noon.

VBS is a fun and exciting way for kids to learn more about Jesus.

This year the Children's Ministry Team wanted to take the VBS experience a step further—from learning about faith to putting faith into action. We also wanted to provide an opportunity for families to serve together. From these two convictions came the idea of our VBS weekend. So, on Saturday evening the kids learned that Jesus is the Light and He wants us to share His light. Then on Sunday morning the kids had the opportunity to serve our community and shine Christ's light alongside friends, family members and church family. The kids were so excited to jump in and help in the community projects. It was a tremendous experience to observe people of all ages working beside each other. We are beyond grateful for every person that pitched in and made the weekend possible. Thank you very much! Whether young or old, we are all "Learning to be the Light" together.



Sincerely,
The Children's Ministry Team

A THANK YOU NOTE FROM BATHA!

We received the gifts of the winter gear and socks and handed over most items to the church overseer and another pastor from one of our rural hospitals called Nono Mission. Some of the items you sent are going to 8 families in Matopo that lost their homes during the floods. I kept some pairs of gloves and hats kids sizes for the children who live near me in Tsholotsho so this week I'm going to be Santa! On behalf of my home church and the recipients of these items we are ever so grateful to you for your kindness. May God be as kind to you as you have been to us and may you continue to bless people far and wide!!



FORMATIONAL PRAYER

Attention Ladies! Pastor Darcy is already in prayer about Formational Prayer class for this fall! If you have seen this group listed on the church schedule and wondered if you might be called to take part, here is a brief description of the program: Formational Prayer is really about learning to examine your own life to better understand God's care for you. You will learn how you best "hear" God, how to relax with God, and how to experience healing of the old wounds in your life by gently opening them up for God to show you his healing truth of scripture and plan for your life as you overcome the old hurts and dispel the lies that get in our way. It's not so much a "way to pray" but an understanding of how God is walking beside you at all times. This year's group will meet during the day on Monday for 2-3 hours, (either mornings or afternoons.) We will start in October and meet for 8 sessions before the Christmas Season, then take a break and finish up the final eight weeks midwinter. If you are wanting more information please contact Pastor Darcy or let her know if God is calling you to this training.

FROM THE FINANCE TEAM

May 2017 Finance Information

YTD Operating Income: \$ 98,579
YTD Operating Expenses: \$ 87,015
YTD Difference: \$ 11,564

Available Cash: \$ 63,363
Building Line of Credit \$ 478,823
Building Pledges to be Received: \$ 73,053

June 2017 Finance Information

YTD Operating Income: \$ 116,642
YTD Operating Expenses: \$ 107,987
YTD Difference: \$ 8,655

Available Cash: \$ 60,497
Building Line of Credit: \$ 461,646
Building Pledges to be Received: \$ 61,620



Secretary Jeann will be on vacation July 9 through July 19. Pastor Jack will be on vacation from July 17 through August 2. If you have need of a pastor's care while Jack is away, please call Pastor Darcy at 330-440-4155.

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July & August 2017

ELDER ASSIST SCHEDULE

July 09 Delores Schlegel
July 16 Jerry Herman
July 23 Michelle Wood
July 30 Val Haver
Aug 06 Jeff Styer
Aug 13 Steve Moffitt
Aug 20 Angie Chapman

CAFÉ HOSTS & GREETERS

July 9 Tanya Chupp & Daphnee Germann
Greeters Val & Jay Haver

USHER SCHEDULE

The ushers for July are Brian Yoder & Shyler Swinehart. The usher for August are Randy Smith & Allison Yacapraro.

CHILDREN'S CHURCH SCHEDULE

July 09 Sherri Machamer & Shad Swinehart
July 16 Shirley & Shyler Swinehart
July 23 Sherri Brown & Hailey Schlegel
July 30 Delores & Natalie Schlegel
Aug. 06 Vickie Rhamy & Nate McClelland
Aug. 13 Lisa McClelland & Brenden Pfeiffer
Aug. 20 Angie Chapman & Sydnee Rhamy

NURSERY SCHEDULE

July 9 Erika Schuch & Shannah Swinehart
July 16 Connie Herman & Becca Schuch
July 23 Ea Fletcher & Trina Shannon
July 30 Molly Parrot & Emmalai Wengerd
Aug. 06 Ruth Graham & Miriam Yoder
Aug. 13 Wendy McKelvey & Emma Pfeiffer
Aug. 20 Judy Badger & Darbee Rhamy

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Office hours for Secretary Jeann are:
Mondays 12 noon - 9:00 p.m., Tuesdays and
Wednesdays 9:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m., Thurs-
days 9:30 - 2:30 p.m. (please note, some
Thursdays the office could close earlier than
2:30). Closed Fridays.

If you leave a message on the church an-
swering machine (330-695-2511), your call
will be returned as soon as possible. You can
e-mail Secretary Jeann at:
fredpresby@embarqmail.com

Please remember Pastor Jack's Sabbath is
Friday. Generally, he will be unavailable on
this day. If you need to reach him at other
times, his cell phone is 330-749-5245 or
e-mail him at: jack.mcclelland30@gmail.com

Pastor Darcy's Sabbath is on Thursday.
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