

Cornerstone Newsletter of

Manchester Christian Church

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EASTER
 SUNDAY
 APRIL 12,
 2009
 7:30 AM
 SONRISE
 SERVICE
 8:00 AM
 ALL
 CHURCH
 BREAK FAST
 9:00 AM
 SUNDAY
 SCHOOL
 10:00 AM
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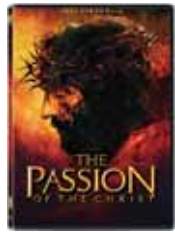


Please sign the list in the hallway if you would like to purchase one of the flowers that will be decorating the sanctuary for Easter. Lilies are \$7.50, Tulips & Hyacinths are \$6.50.



We rejoiced with the angels in heaven on Sunday, March 8, 2009 as Ashley Ford came forward to accept Christ as her personal savior. Ashley was then baptized by Kelly Gowen. Ashley lives with her mom, Margie, and sister, Meghan, at 2803 Bryon Dr., North Canton, OH 44720.

The Jr. & Sr. High Youth Groups will be viewing "The Passion of the Christ" on *Wednesday, April 1st and Wednesday, April 8th at 6:30 p.m.* They have invited the adults to join them. The viewing will be held in the sanctuary.



SENIOR SAINTS LUNCHEON
 TUESDAY, APRIL 21st
 Meet at the church at 11:00 a.m. to caravan to Wadsworth to an Italian Restaurant
 Please RSVP to Mary Frances Cornell as soon as possible.

Do you have a favorite recipe that you would like to have included in a MCC Cook-book? If you do, please turn the recipe in to the Church Office ASAP.



We would like to borrow aprons—we will be putting these on display for our Mother/Daughter Banquet. If you have any special aprons that we can use please bring them to the



church office.

Mother/Daughter Banquet
 Saturday, May 9, 2009
 "The Tie That Binds"
 6:00 p.m.



Tickets will go on sale Sunday, April 19th. The cost will be \$4.00 each.

Senior High & College
TRACK
Wednesdays
6:30 - 8:00 PM


2XL
Wednesdays
6:30-8:00 PM
Grades 6th-8th



S.O.L.E.
(Serving Our Lord Everyday)
Wednesdays 7:00-8:00 p.m. For grades K-5th
Teacher: Kevin Noble



Congratulations to Shawn Hoffman for being chosen to go to State Competition for National History Day.

ATTENTION NURSERY CAREGIVERS.....

There is a list posted of those who are presently serving in our church nursery. Please check off if you would like to stay on the list or be taken off. Also if you would like to be added to the list you must be in 6th grade and up to be a caregiver. All are welcome to serve in this ministry, both men and women.



We are STILL IN NEED of a
NURSERY COORDINATOR
If you would be willing to take on this ministry please contact the church office for the details.



COFFEE SHOP REMINDER

There is no charge for the regular or decaf coffees, nor for the teas, however there is a \$.50 *per cup* charge for all the cappuccino/hot chocolate type drinks. There is also a request that donations be made for the pastries provided (muffins, doughnuts, honey buns etc.)



PARENTS: we really appreciate your help in seeing that your children are supervised in the coffee shop area.



Family Life Center Open for Walkers/Joggers
Monday through Friday the FLC is open
at 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.

Open Gym Volleyball for age 14 and up
Mondays at 8:00 p.m.



FLC OPEN GYM BASKETBALL

for age 18 and up Thursday 8:30 p.m. & Saturdays at 8 a.m.



If you would like to add someone to our prayer list, please write the name down and place it in the top tray on Jinger's desk. Names will be listed for 3 weeks unless we are notified otherwise.

Contact Vi Dickerhoof (330-882-3742) with emergency prayer chain request.

Our Shut-Ins: ALMA DOZMATI, (Maison Aine, Stow), CAROL KOEBERLE (Essex Health Care - sister of Rose Brown), JERILYN DELAUDER (at home), NELLIE SMITH (Sycamore Run, Millersburg), WILLIAM & KATHRYN GREGG (Shady Lawn), ANN HAGELBARGER (at home), FERNE WILLIAMS (Rose Lane) HELEN WELLS, (Pleasant View & Pointe)



Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the Craig Goliath family and the Jim Taylor family. Craig's grandfather, Eugene Goliath, passed away on February 13th surrounded by his family.

Jim's mother, Shirley Bilinovich, passed away suddenly early Sunday, February 15th, in a hospital in Florida. Jim was able to be at his mother's side at her passing.

Our deepest sympathy goes out to the friends of Donna Sweitzer who went home to be with the Lord on February 24th after a 7 year battle with cancer.

May God comfort you all during this time of separation.



Manchester Church, Thank you dear angels for the cards, visits, flowers and hugs during this very difficult time. You will be rewarded someday in heaven.

Thanks, Jim & Becky Taylor

APRIL SCHEDULES

NURSERY CAREGIVERS



- April 5th: 8:50: Maryellen Taylor
9:50: Jinger & Shawn Hoffman
- April 12th: 8:50: Shelly Chappell
9:50: Tammy & Samantha Lair
- April 19th: 8:50: Lilabelle Mullenix
9:50: Linda McGough & Seth Chappell
- April 26th: 8:50: Joan Greenfelder
9:50: June Luli & Logan Gowen

SERVING SCHEDULE

Communion Meditation / Offering Prayer & Servers

April 5th: Richard Brandon & Russ Taylor

Ray Broughton, Jack Brown, Fred Cornell, Ben Ream, Timm Evans, Terry Haddix



April 12th: Russ Taylor & Jack Brown

Jim Baston, John Henderson, Earl Kirkendall, John McDermott, Richard Brandon, Josh Lair

April 19th: Jack Brown & Jim Taylor

Russ Taylor, Lewis Six, Kevin Noble, Don Wells, Bill Wells, Jerry Justiss

April 26th: Jim Taylor & Kevin Noble

Kevin & Mark Noble, Roger & Seth Chappell, Don Wells & Son

OUTSIDE COMMUNION SERVERS

Jerry Justiss (330-745-6250) Jack Brown (330-882-2174)

DEACONESS:








- April 5th & 12th: Jan Cook
- April 19th & 26th: Jinger Hoffman



GREETERS

- April 5th: Ed & Chrissy Simon
- April 12th: John & Tammy Lair
- April 19th: Kevin & Kathy Noble
- April 26th: Bill & Dixie Wells



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			<p>1 Brittney Ayres Brown 6:30 TRACK-Sr. Hi & College Age, 2XL-6th-8th grade 7:00 SOLE K-5 grade, Adult Bible Study Life Preserve</p> 	<p>2 John McDermott M/M Dale Jolly '05</p>	<p>3 Linda McGough 6:00 Volleyball League</p>	<p>4 Kathy Crowder Ashley Ford Chelsea Gillentine 8:00 Open Gym Men's Basket 4:00 Gardner/Hill Wedding</p>
<p>5 Jaclyn Eidom Jenny Thomas</p>	<p>6 Rose Brown Stacy Goliath Mitzi Waidmann 8:00 Open Gym Volleyball age 14+</p>	<p>7 6:00 Volleyball League</p>	<p>8 6:30 TRACK-Sr. Hi & College Age, 2XL-6th-8th grade 7:00 SOLE K-5 grade, Adult Bible Study Life Preservers</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10 Richie Herwick Samantha Ward Don Wells M/M Bob Mullenix '47</p> 	<p>11 Bill Ashley 8:00 Open Gym Men's Basket</p>
<p>12 Sheila Gowen Val Headley 7:30 am Sunrise Service 8:00 am Easter Breakfast</p> 	<p>13 Margie Ford 8:00 Open Gym Volleyball age 14+</p>	<p>14 M/M Lewis Six '79 6:00 Volleyball League</p>	<p>15 Barb Broughton Shelly Chappell 6:30 TRACK-Sr. Hi & College Age, 2XL-6th-8th grade 7:00 SOLE K-5 grade, Adult Bible Study Life Preservers</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17 6:00 Volleyball League</p>	<p>18 Mason Haddix 8:00 Open Gym Men's Basket</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>20 M/M Phil Patton '91 8:00 Open Gym Volleyball age 14+</p>	<p>21 11:00 Sr. Saints meet at the church to go to Italian Restaurant in Wadsworth 6:00 Volleyball League</p>	<p>22 DJ Lair M/M Bill Ashley '82 6:30 TRACK-Sr. Hi & College Age, 2XL-6th-8th grade 7:00 SOLE K-5 grade, Adult Bible Study Life Preservers</p> 	<p>23</p>	<p>24 6:00 Volleyball League</p>	<p>25 8:00 Open Gym Men's Basket</p>
<p>26</p> 	<p>27 Jan Cook 8:00 Open Gym Volleyball age 14+</p>	<p>28 6:00 Volleyball League</p>	<p>29 Jim Taylor</p>	<p>30 Emily Sanderson</p>		

“What in God’s name are you doing here?”

Have you ever heard someone ask that question? Generally it is something said out of surprise in seeing someone in a place they would not expect to see that person. And many people take offense at the question because it sounds as though it borders on using God’s name inappropriately.

Well, that’s a discussion for another time, using the question in that manner. But I’d like for each of us to ask that question of ourselves: “What in God’s name am I doing here?” Examine that thought: just what am I doing here that is being done in the name of God? What does it mean to do anything in the name of God?

“In the name of” is a statement that implies a few different things:

By the authority of...
With the power of...
For the benefit of...
As a representative of...

You get the idea, don’t you? So again, ask yourself: “What am I doing here as a representative of God, with His authority and by His power, for the benefit of His work?” If you’re having a hard time coming up with a good answer, it’s time to make some serious considerations about your faithfulness to the commitment you made to Christ.

Don’t misunderstand; I don’t think you have to question whether you really love Him or not—just whether you have been holding your end of the commitment to following Him and extending His kingdom.

I won’t ask if you love the Lord—I know that you do. But do you love His church and desire to see His kingdom spread throughout the world? If so, what are you doing about it? We can’t all go to foreign countries or preach in mega-churches or lead nationwide programs to strengthen the spirituality of men and women; but we can all do something. What is it that you can do?

Do it.

If you don’t know how to get started, talk with others who share your desire for ministry in that area. Together you can find ways to use those gifts for the benefit of Christ’s kingdom. Don’t wait for someone to ask you to handle a certain task; find a task that needs doing, and that you’re capable of doing, and do it. Seek out ways to minister to others. And whatever it is that you find to do...

...in God’s name—just do it.

Thankful to be serving with you,



*Shall what is formed say to **him**
who formed it. Why did **you** make
me like **this**? Does not the
potter have the **right**...?*