Christ is Risen!



It's the day after Labor Day. I don't know what you're doing, but I would guess that I'm the only one in the church hunting for Easter eggs.

Correction: Leah and I are the only ones hunting for Easter eggs. Sherry came over to the church to take care of some things. I got to enjoy Leah in my office for a while. Rifling through my cupboards, she found my set of Resurrection Eggs. This carton contains a dozen plastic eggs - each with a symbol of the passion story. Soon, eggs, or "balls" as she called them, where everywhere.

So were some of the parts. There was a stone like the one rolled away on Easter. There was a whip and a nail that symbolized the torture and crucifixion of our Lord. There were pieces of silver like those Judas received for the betrayal.

Instead of this Easter egg hunt, I was supposed to write a newsletter article. I was contemplating fall programming at the church like Wednesday night ministries, youth events, bible studies and prayer groups, senior lunches, and Sunday School. It's always good to encourage persons to plug into appropriate groups.

But here I am crawling around on the floor of my office looking for "balls" with Leah. So far, there are three Easter Eggs in the carton.

I was thinking about the hospitality we have received and all the thanks for help with a good start. I feel like I'm a little behind the curve in organizing my stuff, but I'm catching up. We simply are enjoying life in the country and the spiritual life of Liberty Chapel.

"Leah, where are the rest of the balls." I gave up on finding the rest until all of a sudden she opened a cupboard on the far side of the office. There was a treasure trove of Easter Eggs. She brought them over one by one, and together we filled the egg carton. There were eleven good eggs and three pieces of the purple one.

I briefly considered the Fruit of the Spirit - the Sunday morning study we've been working through. Next week is gentleness, which would certainly include crawling around on the floor with a nineteen-month old. It really was and enjoyable way to spend some time.

With the eggs safely back in the carton, I began to rattle them one by one. There were nine eggs filled with symbols of the crucifixion and resurrection, but three were empty! Those of you familiar with this presentation of the story know that the last egg is empty. This symbolizes the empty tomb. Christ is risen!

Three empty eggs: Christ is risen! The Lord is risen indeed! Alleluia!

So here it is the day after Labor Day, and here is the truth of the Gospel. Jesus died and rose again on Easter! Dying, he paid the price for our sins; rising again, he broke the bondage of sin, death, and the devil.

The risen Christ walks with us every day - the day after Easter, the day after Labor day, the day of your coolest accomplishment, the night of your darkest despair.

Christ is risen!

See you Sunday, Pastor Brad

Pastor Brac



"As water reflects a face, so a man's heart reflects the man." Prov. 27:19

Wow, it's hard to believe that we are gearing up to start WNM already. I for one can't wait.

Sr. YF took a break in August since both the kids and leaders have hectic schedules with sports and fair activities.

We are very proud of all the youth who were involved in the Henry Co. Fair. Writher you showed animals, had a 4-H or FFA project, competed in a contest, worked at the fair or just hung out, it was nice to see you there.

As school activities gear up, we encourage the church to go out and support our youth as they participate in volleyball, football, soccer, cross-country, cheerleading, golf and band. They work so hard to be the best they can be. GO CHEER THEM ON.

I think that will be our theme for this Fall "Be the Best We Can Be at Whatever God has Called Us To Do" We'll study some lessons that will help develop this mind set for our youth. We will also start discussing our youth trip and fund raising ideas.

****Don't miss our 1st fundraiser CrossRoads Café, Wed. Sept. 3, 5:45 – 6:30 pm

Church Camp Changes Lives

I loved church camp at Widewater this past summer! It was a ton of fun and the food was awesome! My favorite part of camp was the mud pit and the slip and slide. The rooms at Widewater are really nice and air conditioned! We spent our time learning about God and how amazing He is. All of the counselors and staff are nice and helpful too. I really enjoy going to church camp there and can't wait until next year! *Aaron Shafer*

Thank you for the great experience at camp this past summer at Widewater. I really like the hot air balloon ride! I like the Romans vs Christians game that we play. I enjoyed the food and the counselors are cool. I really like the ga-ga game that we played this year. We get to meet new kids every year and learn about God. I wouldn't go to church camp any place else! Nathan Shafer



The ROCK open Tues., Wed., Thurs. 3:00-5:00 p.m. Serving Grades 3-12.

Please sign up in the Welcome Center to volunteer for this ministry.

Sign-up Sheets are now in the Welcome Center for the following ministries: THE ROCK, Bountiful Blessings/Clothing Closet, & Cooking Friendzy. Check It Out.

Bountiful Blessings Food Pantry & Clothing Closet

The Pantry & Closet will be open Monday, September 15, 6-7:30 pm

& Friday September 19, 9 — 11:00 am

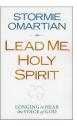
Days and hours for our new food pantry have been set: 3rd Monday of every month 6:00- 7:30 pm and the following Friday of that week, 9:00– 11:00 am. **Six to eight volunteers** are needed to help <u>each time</u> to meet and greet, set-up and takedown, help carry out food and to help people in other ways. The Clothing Ministries is open at the same times as Bountiful Blessings. This is another much-needed outreach. If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please contact the office.

Our Clothing Closets are Full!!

The only donations that we can accept at this time are **Kids School Clothes and Shoes** starting at Children's size 5-6 up to and including Youth Large. "THANK YOU" for your generous support!

Starting in September

Did you know that God's Holy Spirit is as close as your next breath? Best known for her books on prayer, now Stormie Omartian introduces readers to the power and presence of the Holy Spirit in every area of life. Learn to recognize His voice speaking to your heart and your life will never be the same again!



If you are interested, please contact Laura Case to reserve your book.



Juanita Hoffman will turn 90 years old Sept 15, 2014. Her family is having an open house in her honor, Sunday Sept. 14 @ 2:00 p.m. at Terry & Debbye Hoffman's home, U-925 Co. Rd. 8, Liberty Center. Please come an help us celebrate Juanita's life!!! Please no gifts-cards are appreciated.



- All Students and School Personnel who are beginning school this fall.
- **T** Bob Griteman Recovering in hospital following accident.
- \bullet Congratulations to Cody & Janae Elling on the birth of their son, Jaycer Robert, born Aug. 12th.
 - Blake Taylor (Grandson of Steve & Mary Seagrave) At UTMC for severe epileptic seizures.
 - Gary Weaver (Brother of Dave Weaver) Cancer has returned.
- * Kerry Welch (Husband of Linda Welch) Home following removal of brain tumor; beginning chemotherapy soon.
- * Robert Burns (Graduate of L.C.) Recovery from surgery.
- 🕇 Cole Spangler (Son of Todd & Liz) Recovering from head injury.
- Pastor Melvin Mozingo (Father of Boyd Mozingo) Cancer; Prayers for healing and good doctors.
- Orla Erford (Grandfather of Trisha Carter) Cancer that has spread to his bones.
- ✤ Margaret Whitman Recovering from revision of knee replacement surgery.
- ✤ Dave Noaker Health concerns.
- Heather Dietrich (Friend of Joie O'Neal) *Thyroid cancer*.
- T Steve Goldsmith (Brother-in-law of Arita Silveus) Starting new chemotherapy September 8.

Please keep the following long-term needs in your prayers:

Ruth Gramling; Winnie Leatherman; Kent Spiess; Billy Sharpe; Ruth Whitman; Leo "Bud" Zenz; Members of the Military and their Families & Our Missionary Families

 $Eric\ Gutierrez\ (visits\ always\ welcomed)\ Whitehouse\ Country\ Manor,\ Room\ \#201,\ 11239\ Waterville\ St.,\ Whitehouse,\ OH\ 43571$

[Names remain on the prayer list 4 weeks. For continued prayer listing, please resubmit.]

US Military Addresses:

- ✓ OSSR Mr. & Mrs. Danny Leatherman, Dept. OPS/Div. 01, USS Nimitz (CVN-68), FPO AP 96620/2820
- ✓ Mr. & Mrs. Seth Oberhaus, Home
- ✓ Mr. & Mrs. David Hartford, 190 Valencia Dr. Apt. 206B, Jacksonville, NC 28546
- Mr. & Mrs. Keith Rhoads, 1778 B Peleiholani Ct., Kailua, HI 96734

September Servant Schedule

Nursery Coordinators-Chelsea Howe 419-966-9312 & Joie O'Neal 419-533-3525 Little Lambs Coordinator - Kara Estelle 419-966-0242

	Traditional Service Nursery	Sunday School Nursery	Contemporary Service Nursery	Greeters
7	Howe Family	N. Carter Family	Case Family	Bill Quigley Family
14	D. Sharpe & ?????	S. Tedrow Family	Kate Bare & ???????	Steve Clapp Family
21	S. Krugh & C. Leatherman	Masuwa Family	Spangler Family	Jim Leatherman Family
28	Overmier Family	Roger Saneholtz Family	Kelsey Bare & ????????	Kenny Barnes Family
	Little Lambs Clapp Family			

SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Levi Howe Larry Leatherman
- 4 Kayla McLaughlin
- 5 Darren Estelle6 Blake Jones
- Bill Vollmar 8 - Don Meter
- Marcia Bearley 9 - Hannah Tedrow
- 10 Angie Spiess Cheryl Carter Caleb O'Neal
- 11 Cheryl Collier
- 13 Kayla Murrey Vondra Oberhaus Terry Shafer Blaire Mohler
- 14 Kyler Miller Dexter Spangler
- 15 Jesse Jones Angie Wiechers Juanita Hoffman
- 16 Breanna Sharp
- 18 Olivia Leatherman Jason Mohler Julie Masuwa Zeb Orr
- 21 Josh Atkinson
- 22 Morris Myers
 23 Zac Graber JoHanna Clapp Kelly Stites
- 24 Vincent Gutierrez Matt Stites David Kessler

- 25 Shaina Proudfoot Megan Peterson Bev Griteman
- 26 Paul Amstutz
- 27 Levi Frysinger
- 28 Dan Bare
- 29 Penny Jones

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 5 Ben & Peg Zientek
- 6 Tom & Gretchen Tedrow
- 9 Mark & Penny Jones
- 11 Joe & Carla Gillen
- 12 Kent & Sharon Stites
- 13 Tom & Tammy Oelkrug
- 15 Tom & Kathy Wolf
- 16 Terry & Debbye Hoffman
- 18 Ross & Amanda McLaughlin
- 21 Mike & Marty Hamlin
- 23 Randy & Teresa Bostelman
- 27 John & Kathy Hartford
- 28 Bill & Marcia Bearley
- 29 Kenny & Leslie Barnes

August Averages Average Total Atten.: 173 Average Sunday School: 115 Average to Budget: \$5281.00 Average Offering: \$5781.00

September

"The golden-rod is yellow; The corn is turning brown; The trees in apple orchards With fruit are bending down.

The gentian's bluest fringes Are curling in the sun; In dusty pods the milkweed Its hidden silk has spun.

The sedges flaunt their harvest, In every meadow nook; And asters by the brook-side Make asters in the brook,

From dewy lanes at morning The grapes' sweet odors rise; At noon the roads all flutter With yellow butterflies.

By all these lovely tokens September days are here, With summer's best of weather, And autumn's best of cheer.

But none of all this beauty Which floods the earth and air Is unto me the secret Which makes September fair.

T'is a thing which I remember; To name it thrills me yet: One day of one September I never can forget.''

- Helen Hunt Jackson, September



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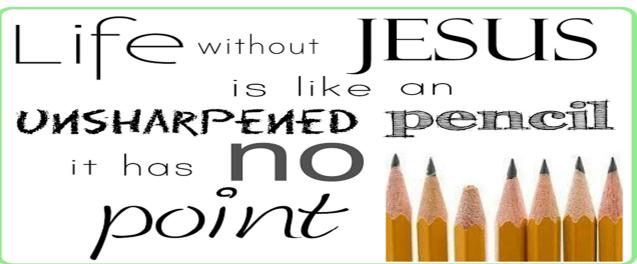
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SUNDAY WORSHIP HOURS - 8:15 A.M. & 10:30 A.M. SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:15 A.M.

"A body knowing and growing in Christ so deeply that He is overflowing to others."

Returned Service Requested







Sun day Worship Times:

Sunday School:

8:15 a.m.Traditional Worship(Nursery Provided)10:30 a.m.Contemporary Praise(Nursery Provided)9:15 a.m.Classes for All Ages(Nursery Provided)

Church Office Hours 10:00 am – 2:00 pm Monday - Friday

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday V	Vednesday T	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:00 pm Trustees 7:00 pm Ad. Council Vision	2 6:00 am Men's study @ Liberty Café 1 -3 pm "The ROCK"	3 1 -3 pm "The ROCK" WNM Café 5:45- 6:15pm 6:15 pm Ages 3 - Grade 8 7:15 pm Sr. Hi Youth	4 1 -3 pm "The ROCK"	5	6 7am Men's P.T. @ church
7 Worship With Us <i>"Fruit of the Spirit"</i> "Goodness"	8 6:00 pm UMM at Jones' Pond 7:00 pm Finance 8:00 pm Worship	9 6:00 am Men's study @ Liberty Café 1 -3 pm "The ROCK" 1:00 pm Pre-Conf. Briefing 7:00 pm SPRC	10 1 -3 pm "The ROCK" WNM 6:15 pm Ages 3 - Grade 8 7:15 pm Sr. Hi Youth	11 1 -3 pm "The ROCK"	12	13 7am Men's P.T. @ church 1:00 pm Cooking Friendzy
14 Worship With Us <i>"Fruit of the Spirit"</i> "Faithfulness"	15 6 – 7:30 pm Bountiful Blessings & Clothing Closet 7:30 pm Evangelism	16 6:00 am Men's study @ Liberty Café 1 -3 pm "The ROCK"	17 1 -3 pm "The ROCK" WNM 6:15 pm Ages 3 - Grade 8 7:15 pm Sr. Hi Youth	18 1 -3 pm "The ROCK"	19 9-11 am Bountiful Blessings & Clothing Closet	20 7am Men's P.T. @ church Liberty Days @ THE ROCK
21 Worship With Us <i>"Fruit of the Spirit"</i> "Gentleness"	227:00 pm Missions	23 6:00 am Men's study @ Liberty Café 1 -3 pm "The ROCK"	24 Office Closed 1 -3 pm "The ROCK" WNM 6:15 pm Ages 3 - Grade 8 7:15 pm Sr. Hi Youth	25 1 -3 pm "The ROCK" 7:00 pm Christian Ed.	26	27 7am Men's P.T. @ church
28 Worship With Us "Self-Control" Picnic in the Park Following 10:30 service.	29	30 6:00 am Men's study @ Liberty Café 1 -3 pm "The ROCK"				