

## **Autumn Beauty and Bounty**

October! What a beautiful month. October is when the leaves turn all sorts of beautiful hues. The landscape is painted with the beauty of the creator. On sunny autumn afternoons, I like to drive around "leaf looking". Our Creator is quite the artist!

October is harvest month. As I drive through the country, I see the crops changing colors and drying out. Soon they will be ripe for harvest, combines will be churning, and farmers from all over northwest Ohio will be hauling their grain to market.

Was it during October when Jesus made this tour of Palestine? According to Matthew, "When he saw the crowds, he had compassion on them, because they were harassed and helpless, like sheep without a shepherd. Then he said to his disciples, 'The harvest is plentiful but the workers are few. Ask the Lord of the harvest, therefore, to send out workers into his harvest field" (9:36-38).

With me, your mind drifts to friends, co-workers, neighbors, and family members who are harassed and helpless in the face of life events. Some of them are struggles that have been foist upon them; some are struggles of their own making. But they do look like sheep without a shepherd. If only they could be part of a flock. If only they could have a stronger relationship with the Good Shepherd.

You think, "Chapel would be a good spot for them to find. They could find a supportive church family here. They could find a stronger relationship with Jesus here. They could be to the next level on their spiritual journey here. I wish someone would invite them."

Then your mind drifts to "the harvest is plentiful; the workers are few" comment. You wish that these people could be part of God's harvest. If only, there were workers to gather them in.

Now I don't know how your mind works, but if it works somewhat like mine as we meditate on this Scripture passage, you are praying that the Lord of the harvest would send some workers into his harvest field. Then all of a sudden, you feel this gentle arm on your shoulder. The Lord of the harvest, Jesus, has his arm around you. He looks you in the eye with his soft, sparkling eye, and says, "I send you."

I love October. I love fall colors. I love the sights, sounds, and smells of the harvest. And I really love the people that you will be bringing with you to Chapel. I'm praying for you as you reach out in love to the people around you.

Pastor Bran

See you Sunday,

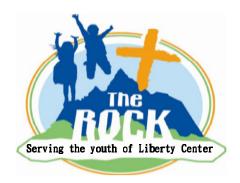
"As water reflects a face, so a man's heart reflects the man." Prov. 27:19



- **T** We have polled your kids and we know what they want to do this year. Here's prayin we can pull it off.
- Mission Trip Update we've had our 1<sup>st</sup> fundraiser and it was a great success. Next month we will be selling candy so warm up your sweet teeth and support your Sr. YF.
- The CrossRoads Café On the youth bulletin Board is a sign up for you parents to help with this meal.

Wednesday, October 1
Menu For CrossRoads Café
Sloppy Joes & Fries
Serving 5:45 - 6:30 pm





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.

### Bountiful Blessings Food Pantry & Clothing Closet

The Pantry & Closet will be open Monday, October 20, 6-7:30 pm & Friday October 24, 9 – 11:00 am

Pays and hours for our new food pantry have been set: 3<sup>rd</sup> 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 earry 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.

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

## Welcoming in October



The Crist Family
Sunday, October 12
One Service @ 10:00 am
Potluck lunch to follow performance

The Crist Family is one of the fastest rising family groups in gospel music today. The group began as a part-time ministry in 1987. In 2004, after seventeen years in ministry on the West Coast, God called them to full-time ministry. They stepped out in faith by quitting their jobs, selling all they had and relocating across the country from Seattle, Washington to just north of Knoxville, Tennessee.

God has clearly placed His hand on this group and has chosen to bless their step of faith for His glory. You will be blessed as you hear this beautiful family group sing songs that glorify God and lift the spirit of every person with whom they come in contact.



### Missionaries Michael and Elaine Peters

Sunday, October 26 Both Services

Missionaries Michael and Elaine Peters will be part of the services. They serve in East Asia with One Mission Society. A love offering will be taken. Michael was part of Pastor Brad's youth group when he was at Wheelersburg.

Sunday School classes will be invited to join together in the sanctuary for a more full presentation and Q and A.

Sunday, October 26, Vespers @ Shafer's Woods
(Details TBA)

Share these ministry events with your family, friends and neighbors.



- **†** Bob Griteman − *Recovering at home following accident.* 
  - Joyce Schwyn- (Max Fetterman's sister) Cancer.
  - Kerry Welch (Husband of Linda Welch) Home following removal of brain tumor; beginning chemotherapy soon.
- \* Cole Spangler (Son of Todd & Liz) Recovering from head injury.
- Pastor Melvin Mozingo (Father of Boyd Mozingo) Cancer; Prayers for healing and good doctors.
- Torla Erford (Grandfather of Trisha Carter) Cancer that has spread to his bones.
- Steve Goldsmith (Brother-in-law of Arita Silveus) Continuing chemotherapy.

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

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

[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

#### October Servant Schedule

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

Oct.	Traditional Service Nursery	Sunday School Nursery	Contemporary Service Nursery	Greeters						
5	Oberhaus Family	Starkey Family	Nash Family	John Sharpe Family						
12	Spangler Family	Ron Saneholtz Family	Zenz Family	John Bowers Family						
19	Shadday Family	Mack Family	???????????????	Marilyn Spiess						
26	Clapp Family	T. Smith Family	Witte Family	Tim Mack Family						
	Little Lambs Kara Estelle									

#### OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS

- 2 Hillary Davis Adreanna Smith
- 3 Stephanie Sharpe
- 4 Ken Carpenter
- 5 Jim Vollmar Jim Leatherman
- 6 Bill Bearley
- 9 Tyler Smith
- 10 Robert S. Griteman
- 11 Margaret Whitman Ellie Davidson
- 13 Casey Bright John Griteman Ron Zenz Jonah Kessler Violet Smith
- 14 Emily Smith
- 15 Joseph Carpenter

- 17 Jim Barlow Kevin Oberhaus
- 18 Bridget Galusha
- 19 Elizabeth Spangler Eric Gutierrez
- 20 Tawni Ernsberger
- 21 Milton Saneholtz Benjamin Tedrow
- 22 Jared Bare Zachary Bare Nikki Shepherd Kim Hite
- 24 Laurie Collier
- 26 Matthew Leuthold
- 27 Tyler Sharpe
- 28 Janet Sharpe
- 30 Patsy Leatherman Conner Strauss
- 31 Cathy Anderson

#### OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 Chinjamba & Julie Masuwa
- 14 Roger & Brenda Saneholtz
- 16 Todd & Liz Spangler
- 17 Keith & Kim Kern
- 18 Steve & Jennifer Clapp Kevin & Denise Mohler
- 24 John & Tricia Frysinger

## Averages through Sept. 21

Average Total Atten.: 163 Average Sunday School: 119 Average to Budget: \$5094.00 Average Offering: \$5231.00



# Liberty Chapel United Methodist

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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





Sunday Worship Times:

8:15 a.m.

Classic Worship

(Nursery Provided) Contemporary Praise (Nursery Provided)

Sunday School:

10:30 a.m. 9:15 a.m.

Classes for All Ages

(Nursery Provided)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 3-5 pm "The ROCK"  WNM CrossRoads Café 5: 45 – 6:30 pm 6:15 pm Ages 3- Grade 8 6:45 pm Sr. Hi Youth	2 3-5 pm "The ROCK"	3	4 7am Men's P.T. @ church 9:00 am Church Work Day
Worship With Us Communion "Encouraging One Another" Hebrews 10:19-25	6:00 pm Trustees 7:00 pm Finance 8:00 pm Ad. Council	7 6:00 am Men's study @ Liberty Café  3-5 pm "The ROCK" 7:00 pm Fair Board	3-5 pm "The ROCK"  WNM 6:15 pm Ages 3- Grade 8 6:45 pm Sr. Hi Youth	3-5 pm "The ROCK"	10	7am Men's P.T. @ church
Worship With Us Crist Family – Southern Gospel Group 9:00 am - Sunday School 10:00 am - One Service Dinner – Potluck	6:00 pm UMM 8:00 pm Worship	14 6:00 am Men's study @ Liberty Café 3-5 pm "The ROCK" 7:00 SPRC	Noon – Sr. Luncheon 3-5 pm "The ROCK"  WNM 6:15 pm Ages 3- Grade 8 6:45 pm Sr. Hi Youth	16 3-5 pm "The ROCK"	17	18 7am Men's P.T. @ church
Worship With Us "Prayer: It's a Heart Thing!" James 5:13-18	6 – 7:30 pm Bountiful Blessings & Clothing Closet 7:30 pm Evangelism	21 6:00 am Men's study @ Liberty Café 3-5 pm "The ROCK"	22 3-5 pm "The ROCK"  WNM 6:15 pm Ages 3- Grade 8 6:45 pm Sr. Hi Youth	3-5 pm "The ROCK" 7:00 Christian Ed.	9-11 am Bountiful Blessings & Clothing Closet	<b>25</b> 7am Men's P.T. @church
Worship With Us "Presence: It's a Heart Thing!" Psalm 84:1-12 Missionaries Michael and Elaine Peters Vespers @ Shafer's TBA	7:00 pm Missions	28 6:00 am Men's study @ Liberty Café 3-5 pm "The ROCK"	3-5 pm "The ROCK"  WNM Fall Festival @  Camp Widewater  6:15 pm Ages 3- Grade 8  6:45 pm Sr. Hi Youth	30 3-5 pm "The ROCK"	31	