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Feb. 2019

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Secretary Hrs. 9:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m.
Monday through Friday

8368 Hill Church Street, SE
East Canton, OH 44730

Sunday Mornings
8:00 a.m. – Worship Service
9:15 a.m. – Sunday School
10:15 a.m. – Worship Service
Sunday Evenings
6:00 p.m. - Social Time
6:30 p.m. – Youth Group
6:30 p.m. – Bible Study

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED



The Book of Chronicles

Chapter 272 in the ongoing annals of the people on the hill.

219,000 ways to glorify Christ in 2019

Scrap	1551 pounds	Goal - 100,000 pounds
Paper	3420 pounds	Goal - 60,000 pounds
Garden	0	Goal - 30,000 pounds
\$ for other ministries	\$1,916	Goal - \$25,000.00
Pantry Items	32 Items	Goal - 2000 (Canned, boxed, or bagged food items.)
Pairs of Eyeglasses	40 Pairs	Goal - 2000 (Pairs of Eyeglasses are donated to the Cross-Eyed Mission.)

January brought the usual weather challenges but God led us through them. We began our Wednesday morning Breakfast Bible Study which has been great despite the weather. We had a good turnout for the Third Wednesday community fellowship dinner despite the weather. We were about the only local congregation to hold services on January 20 despite the weather and though our attendance was small, we enjoyed the time – despite the weather. Bunco was a blast as usual. We ask everyone’s continuing prayers for **Bill Picciano** who is in the midst of a rough recovery from major back surgery. We expect to hear shortly from **Chase Sanders** and hope for good news! And, with the usual mixture of sadness and hope, we report that our friend and brother Bill Monteith passed away. God bless the Monteith family. See you in chapter 273.

January 2019



For The Birds



Every once in a while I take a gander (get it?) at the Ohio Rare Bird Alert List. I like to know when unusual species show up in the state and since the listings are generally referenced by area – I can tell if any show up in my part of the state. And the sightings are designated as ‘confirmed’ or ‘unconfirmed’ so I can tell the difference between ‘maybe’ and ‘definite’ sightings. Let me tell you that there is something odd going on with the list right now.

My latest perusal yielded the startling information that a Turkey Vulture (Buzzard) has been spotted at the Bolivar Landfill. Sadly, the sighting is unconfirmed so we can’t be sure. What?! My first thought was that the sighting was unconfirmed because no one responsible for the list was going to go check out a stupid Turkey Buzzard sighting – though I imagine sightings can be confirmed by submitting a photograph. Either way, it would be a rarity on any given day not to see a Turkey Buzzard in Ohio generally or a landfill specifically. As if the Buzzard wasn’t bad enough, the RARE bird sightings included a dozen sightings of Killdeer. KILLDEER! Several of those sightings were (gasp) CONFIRMED! Most of the confirmed sightings were on the Rocky River Reservation nature trails. And now – prepare to be shocked – someone who didn’t care to list their address or even neighborhood – probably because they knew people like you and I would be packing our binoculars and digital cameras and invading their yard as soon as we heard – someone, at their private residence, sighted a Black Capped Chickadee! Confirmed! What’s going on here? Further listings included Eastern Phoebes, Gray Catbirds, Brown Thrashers, Baltimore Orioles, Juncos,.... I wondered if maybe I was missing the fact that these were winter sightings – after you would expect the Turkey Buzzards and Killdeer to be gone. But then, what about the Chickadees and Juncos? And, I checked the dates. Winter not a factor. So, I ask again – what’s going on? Are there a bunch of enthusiastic newbies to bird watching who have found the list and want to be included but just don’t know the difference between rare and common? Whatever, the value of the rare birds alert list is destroyed for me if it’s going to be filled with listings of commonly seen species. News Flash – Cardinal seen at local feeder. Now if it was the Pope...

The apocalyptic portions of the Bible cause us a lot of unrest. I suppose it could be partly by design but I typically find the purpose of the Apocalyptic books and passages is to give us comfort. There will be much evil and distress but God is in control! We seem to have trouble receiving it that way. For instance, we frequently trouble ourselves with calendar predictions (Long history of absolute failure there!) based on readings of ‘signs of the times’. And we were told to watch the signs of the times. But we ignore most of what Jesus said on that subject. Don’t be fooled by wars and rumors of wars. Such things are common as sparrows. False Messiahs making outlandish claims? Sooner be surprised that a rooster crows in the morning! Some things are common and some things are not – some things are worse than anything like them that has ever happened before or ever will happen again – and some endings are that much better too. But don’t be fooled by the common posing as the rare. Matthew 24:4-8

Terry

Talking Leaves

December 2018

Church

Balance December 1	\$29,886.31
Deposits	20,266.02
Expenses	<u>(11,585.17)</u>

Balance December 31 \$38,567.16

Missions

Balance December 1	\$ 0.00
Deposit	2,991.00
Expenses	<u>(2,991.00)</u>

Balance December 31 \$ 0.00

Special Gifts

Balance December 1	\$10,977.40
Deposits	2,217.00
Expenses	<u>(1,995.00)</u>

Balance December 31 \$ 11,199.40

New Building Vision Fund

Balance December 1	\$9,996.25
Deposits	1,460.41
Expenses	<u>(0.00)</u>

Balance December 31 \$11,456.66

Total Balance December 31 \$61,223.22

~ Attendance ~

Date	8 am Service	Sunday School	Worship
Dec. 30	66	58	134
Jan. 6	43	80	145
Jan. 13	43	48	117
Jan. 20	23	--	22



- Exodus 13-14, Mark 4
- Exodus 15-16, Mark 5
- Exodus 17-18, Mark 6
- Exodus 19-20, Psalm 9, Mark 7
- Exodus 21-22, Mark 8
- Exodus 23-24, Mark 9
- Exodus 25-26, Mark 10
- Exodus 27-28, Psalm 10, Mark 11
- Exodus 29-30, Mark 12
- Exodus 31-32, Mark 13
- Exodus 33-34, Mark 14
- Exodus 35-36, Psalm 11, Mark 15
- Exodus 37-38, Mark 16
- Exodus 39-40, Luke 1
- Leviticus 1-2, Luke 2
- Leviticus 3-4, Psalm 12, Luke 3
- Leviticus 5-6, Luke 4
- Leviticus 7-8, Luke 5
- Leviticus 9-10, Luke 6
- Leviticus 11-12, Psalm 13, Luke 7
- Leviticus 13-14, Luke 8
- Leviticus 15-16, Luke 9
- Leviticus 17-18, Luke 10
- Leviticus 19-20, Psalm 14, Luke 11
- Leviticus 21-22, Luke 12
- Leviticus 23-24, Luke 13
- Leviticus 25-26, Psalm 15, Luke 14
- Leviticus 27 – Numbers 1, Luke 15

February Activity Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Rotary Chili Cook-Off	2 Biscuit Supper & Needhams Concert at 5
3	4	5 Elders Meeting 6:30 pm	6 Breakfast Bible Study 8am	7	8 	9 American Legion Pancake Breakfast
10 Board Meeting 7:00 pm	11	12	13 Community Fellowship Dinner 5pm Breakfast Bible Study 8am	14 	15	16 Valentine's Dinner
17	18	18	19 Breakfast Bible Study 8am	20	21	22
23	24	25	26 Breakfast Bible Study 8am	27	28	

February Prayer Calendar

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
27	28	29	30	31	1 Chris Patzell	2 Will & Jen Picciano and Family
3 Russ S. & Jeanelle Thorn and Family	4 Cliff & Nancy Griffith	5 Denny & Brenda Griffith and Family	6 Gene & Clara Ginter	7 Kyle & Beth Wagner and Family	8 Bob & Sharlene Hudy and Family	9 Dorothy Bell
10 Steve & Janice Iles	11 Dwain & Kathy Foltz	12 Gary & Connie Johnson	13 Mark & Debi Stark	14 Norma Johnson	15 Carolyn King	16 Joanne Snider
17 Paul Jr. and Pamela Fox	18 Paul & Nancy Long	19 Cliff DeWees	20 Brian Lowery and Family	21 Marion Lowery	22 Archie & Mary Sanders	23 Alliance Pregnancy Center
24 Al McGilton	25 Mike & Megan Felcyn and Family	26 Joyce Carroll	27 Susie Burgess	28 Mark & Brenda Renicker	1	2



We love because He first loved us.
1 John 4:19

IRCC Youth Annual Valentine's Day Dinner

\$20 a person

*Date: Feb. 16, 2019
Saturday Evening*

**Please sign up
by Feb. 13th.**

**Serving times:
5:00 p.m.
6:30 p.m.**

Join us this year for our
**Annual Valentine's Day
Dinner.**

This year we will start out
with Salad and an Appetizer.

Main Course is Ham, Scalloped
Potatoes, Green Beans and a
side of Penne Pasta.

Finish the night off with
Cheesecake

Seating is done in 2's but
group tables can be
arranged in advance.

Contact the church office at
330-488-2938 call or text for
more details or see Jeanelle
Thorn.

Sign up sheet located at
the Information Center.

Scripture Search for February



The answers to last issue's search were as follows:

1. The water dried up. Genesis 8:13
2. The 15th. Numbers 33:3
3. The 20th year of the king's reign. Nehemiah 2:1
4. The 12th year of Ahasuerus' reign. Esther 3:7
5. The 24th day. Daniel 10:4

Diane Gross, Cheryl Costello, Lynn Schaeffer and Russell E. Thorn all know their Bibles a little better for having sought out those answers. Join them with this new search on – leaping.

1. Which tribe of Israel was referred to as a lion's whelp leaping froth from Bashan?
2. Who looked out a window and saw David dancing and leaping before the procession bearing the Ark of the Covenant?
3. In what two passages did David speak (poetically) of being able to leap over a wall by the power of God?
4. Which prophet describes the happy future of Israel saying (among other things) the lame will leap like a deer?
5. Whose seven sons were leaped upon in a less than successful attempt at an exorcism?

When you know the answers and the references, get them in to the church office and remember, you cannot know your Bibles too well.

Please join us on
Feb. 20 for our
Free Community
Fellowship Dinner
from 5:00-7:00
p.m. All are
welcome! There
will be no charge
for this meal.



YOU +
CAN MAKE A
DIFFERENCE

Pantry items for February are boxed potato dishes such as mashed potatoes, scalloped potatoes, potatoes au gratin, etc. There is a box across from the office for your donations. Each item you donate will help us achieve our goal of 2000 items. Thank you!



January: Joy

Focus: Help kids...

- recognize that joy isn't found in possessions, activities, or other people.
- find joy in God's goodness, presence, protections, and sovereignty.
- be joyful in all circumstances.

Memory Verses

- ✓ "Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength." Nehemiah 8:10b
- ✓ "The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in Him, and I am helped. My heart leaps for joy and I will give thanks to Him in song." Psalm 28:7
- ✓ "Be joyful always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus." 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18
- ✓ "Satisfy us in the morning with Your unfailing love, that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days." Psalm 90:14

Rejoicing in Salvation (Acts 8:26-40)

- **Key Concepts**

The good new Phillip explained is that, because of Jesus, our sins can be forgiven and we can have eternal life in heaven with Him. Knowing that we are God's children and our sins are forgiven, and that someday we will go to heaven to be with God, is a very good reason to be joyful!

Looking for Joy in All the Wrong Places (Luke 15: 11-31)

- **Key Concepts**

Jesus told this story to illustrate how much God loves people and how readily He forgives those who confess their wrongdoing. The life lesson we can learn from this story is that as long as we go looking for joy and satisfaction anywhere other than God, we will never be satisfied.

Joy and Strength (Mark 15:16-32; Hebrews 12:1-2; 1 Peter 1:3-9)

- **Key Concepts**

The Bible tells us to "fix our eyes on Jesus" or to look at Jesus as an example when life gets hard. The "joy" that helped Jesus die on the cross was knowing that His death would allow everyone to experience forgiveness for their sins so that we all can have a close friendship with God. At times, there may be other children who make fun of you for choosing to follow Jesus and do what is right. These are the times that you can remember that Jesus had people hurt Him too. He helps us feel joyful when things are hard by giving us His Holy Spirit.

A Joyful Celebration in Heaven (Luke 15:8-10; Psalm 32:1-5, 11)

- **Key Concepts**

This story was told to teach people how much joy there is in heaven when one person asks God to forgive their sins. As much as sin causes God pain, repentance brings Him joy. Not only does repentance make God happy, it also brings a great sense of freedom to the person who repents. In Psalm 32, David talks about how awful he felt when he was quiet about his sin and what great relief he felt when he confessed his sin.

The Vine with a Special Secret (John 15:4-13, 16-17; Galatians 5:22-23)

- **Key Concepts**

Just as a branch needs to stay connected to the tree trunk or vine in order to grow leaves and bear fruit, God tells us to "remain in Him" so that we can "bear fruit." By "fruit," the Bible means that others will be able to tell that we have God's Spirit living in us because of the things we say and do. The fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control. The Bible tells us we can "remain" in God by obeying His commands. When we obey God's commands, His love will be in us and we will experience joy!

God Bless,
Jeanelle Thorn

*Lesson materials pulled from Kids of Integrity
(<http://www.kidsofintegrity.com/lessons/confidence>).*



HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

And now abide faith, hope, love, these three;
but the greatest of these is **love**.

1 CORINTHIANS 13:13 NKJV