

**CIRCLEVILLE**  
**Presbyterian Church**

*Pres-Line*

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## **Luncheon & Bake Sale**

Presbyterian Church

134 E. Mound Street

Campbell Hall

Wednesday, May 11, 2016

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Delicious Homemade

Marzetti or

Chicken Noodles

Assorted Salads and

Desserts!!

Dine In or Carry Out

Please...No Phone Orders

If you have not been contacted to help in any way with the May Luncheon and wish to do so, please contact Meg Rorick (474-1741).

## ***Jeri-Lynne's Jottings***

***Go out to the highways and hedges, and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled.***

*Luke 14:23*

### **Preoccupations of Summer**

Summer is a dangerous time for churches! Everyone is preoccupied with “enjoying God’s creation”. Formal worship, church school and Christian fellowship are pushed aside for vacations, weekend excursions, yard work, car washing, hiking, biking, camping, fishing, etc.... This seems to be especially true of the northern regions of the country where weather isn’t always as inviting. I remember when we first moved to Pennsylvania I was shocked that some churches actually have no church school during the summer months, as if God takes a vacation and no longer invites our service and worship? Now that I have been a “northerner” for some 20 years I certainly understand the need to enjoy the beauty of the summer months.

But my plea to you this summer is don’t get ***so preoccupied*** with its enticement that you lose sight of “who” you worship. It has been noted that what we are preoccupied with or devoted to is “what” we worship. Maybe in light of this statement we should all pause and reflect on what it is we are preoccupied with in our lives? Do we spend so much time and energy in this area of our life that it becomes our “idol”?

I guess the thought I wish to leave you with in pondering is “what” or “who” do you worship in your life. Where do you spend your time? Who do you spend your time with? What do you spend your time doing? Where do you spend your money? Answer these questions and it will reveal the focus of your worship.

This summer prayerfully consider preoccupying yourself in Christian mission, worship and fellowship. There will be plenty of opportunities of service this summer at Circleville Presbyterian Church as we prepare the facility for transition. Another way you can serve when you are away on vacation is to check out a community of faith where you are staying and bring back some new ministry ideas! Or use these glorious months to share the good news of the Gospel with your friends and neighbors! Inviting a friend to church and a picnic lunch afterwards is a wonderful way to occupy a beautiful summer day. You have the ability through the power of the Spirit to change someone’s life. Your friend may have been just waiting for someone to notice his or her

yearning for spiritual nurturing in Jesus Christ. Invite your friend to worship with us! And don't forget your stewardship commitment to God. Use Push Pay to schedule recurring gifts so that you do not get behind in your giving.

Have a wonderful summer, enjoy the Sabbath rest, and most of all.... remember the Creator of this glorious season!

Your Friend in Christ,  
Pastor Jeri-Lynne

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## MISSION TEAM NOTES

Responding to a request from the **Circle of Light Homeless Shelter** on North Court, your Mission Team bought 20 pillows, protective pillow cases and cotton pillow cases.

We also voted to support the work of **three PCUSA missionaries who serve in Africa, Dr. Daniel and Elizabeth Turk and Pastor Catherine Day.**

The Turks have worked with the people of Madagascar for 20 years. **Dr. Turk** works with local farmers and teaches them how to improve their agricultural practices which has led to healthier diets and increased incomes. **Elizabeth** trains village health workers, helps communities develop safe drinking water sources and educates church leaders about AIDS prevention.

**Pastor Day (Kay) is a professor at a seminary in Rwanda.** She teaches English and trains her students in ways to facilitate reconciliation and build mutual respect in the aftermath of the 1994 genocide, and to find ways to change the barriers of economic and social oppression. Pastor Day is a colleague and friend of Pastor Jeri-Lynne.

**Plan to join us in welcoming Pastor Day to our church on Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>,** she will tell us about her work in Rwanda during worship. A luncheon in Campbell Hall will follow allowing an opportunity to ask questions. A free will offering to provide additional help for her work in Rwanda will be accepted.

This year we have a new opportunity to help children in need and those adults 19-30 years old who give a year to mission through the Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) program of the PCUSA. The **Pentecost Offering** focuses on these needs and **will be received May 15<sup>th</sup>.** Our congregation may retain 40% of the donations received to help meet the needs of the youth in our community.

For those with the **PushPay** app, please look for "Special Offerings" and then click on "**Pentecost Offering**". This will help Susie and also insure it goes to the right place.  
Thank you!

*Focus on.....*

## *Diana Jones*

She began her earthly journey in a Columbus hospital, but the family headed for Mt. Sterling when she was only six months old and she remained there until high school graduation. With her brother and her sister, she felt that she had good heritage being raised with a lot of love and caring for each other.

Childhood activities included Girl Scouts and 4-H where she even copped a blue ribbon for her bread at the Ohio State Fair. I thought she was going to tell me about the animal she had raised, but she added that her Dad did not believe girls should show animals.

When she matriculated to Ohio University, her dorm roommate was also from Mt. Sterling and together they won second place for their team entry of Frozen Jello Salad at a familiar place - the Ohio State Fair.

Her major at O.U. was Elementary Education with a minor in Social Work. She was adamant that it wasn't the party school for which it is now best known and it was there that she met Woody, her husband-to-be. In 1962 Bob Hope came to Athens to perform and the ushers were to be students in the Key Club and those who were Home Ec. Majors. Her roommate was the one studying culinary delights, but the night before the show, said roommate broke out in those identifying red spots of measles and was instructed, if possible, to get a substitute to usher. So, Diana easily agreed to be the sub.

Don't you love how we become threads in God's weaving of our lives? Woody was ushering in the same audience section for the performance. He was from Chillicothe, but a year behind her in school because his Dad had died and he stayed home to work for a year and help his Mom deal with recent widowhood. During their adult years, they became care-takers for his mother and her grandmother.

About a week after the Bob Hope Show, she had a date with a guy named George. In those days, when your date showed up, a phone call was made to your room to inform you that you had someone waiting. She looked at her watch and thought it strange that George was quite early, however she went down, looked around, didn't see him, and decided someone was playing a joke on her. Then came a voice from across the room. Woody remarked, "I guess I didn't make much of an impression on you if you don't remember me." She cancelled her date with

George and as some say, “The rest is history.”

Diana graduated from O.U. in 1964 and began student teaching in Olmstead Falls, Ohio while Woody finished his university education. They were married in 1965 and honeymooned in various places in Canada after a brief stop at Niagara Falls. There was a small town of note in the land of 1,000 lakes, Kingston, Ontario, where one could purchase a non-refundable reservation for the daily cruise, which they did. The day dawned cold and cloudy, but those newlyweds knew how to keep each other warm, so off they went despite the weather.

Their first home was in Chillicothe where Andy was born and they moved to Circleville in 1970. While Woody was off judging a Rocket Contest, Diana was driving around town looking for a house they would be able to afford as there weren't many available in their price range. She saw a man standing by a “For Sale” sign in front of a home on Maumee. She and Woody returned shortly and agreed this was where they would like to live. Imagine her surprise to learn on the following day that they had bought the home of one of her fellow teachers at Allen Elementary in Chillicothe.

Son, Doug was born in Circleville in 1971. Her local teaching began with a class of three and four year-olds run by the YMCA in the old Armory on Franklin Street. Following that, she taught Pre-school for St. Philip's Episcopal Church for 20 years. As much as she adored getting down to their level, her knees began to object and she knew it was time to find a job where she could either stand or would be able to sit on an adult chair.

One hot Sunday afternoon in 1971, she and Woody were taking out trash and working in their yard. In deference to the temperature, they were wearing short shorts and according to her, “They were rather grimy,” when a car pulled up in front. A gentleman emerged from his auto dressed “to the nines” in a suit, white shirt, and a tie. It was Rev. Henry Walters who said, “I just thought I'd stop by to help.” He took off his suit coat, rolled up his sleeves, removed the shovel from her hand, as he and Woody continued with the yard work while Diana sat on the grass and supervised. Did I hear someone say, “Straw Boss”?

She was a cradle Presbyterian who had taught Sunday school when they lived in Chillicothe, so they joined our church shortly after. She jumped right into teaching Sunday school here and served on the Christian Education Committee or Commission – whatever it was called at that time. When the current D.C.E., Nancy Clendenin, decided to go to seminary, Lynn Kraus asked Diana if she would be interested in the job? That was when Diana knew she could leave

the Episcopal midgets, but still be involved with kids whom she loved so much.

She has a variety of hobbies – most of which she hopes to have more time to enjoy once she retires and moves to a Senior Living Complex in Wooster. Woody will be transferring to a care facility there, too. One goal, when she no longer concentrates on curriculum materials, is to get back to “fun” reading. Like many of us in her era, she grew up when family entertainment was playing cards and board games, which explains her love of Bridge. College football and basketball games more than professional ones spark her interest, as do all types of gardening from flowers to veggies and herbs. Since she became our D.C.E. she has attempted to support all the Presby kids’ sports and artistic endeavors.

With the sudden death of her father many years ago and later her son, Doug, she learned that life goes on and you make the best of what you are dealt. She firmly believes God has a plan for her life. For example: she knew rather recently when it was the right time suddenly to change course and move closer to Andy and his family, which includes triplets who are about to turn thirteen.

Spiritually her favorite hymns are “O Master, Let Me Walk with Thee,” and “In the Garden.” Her grandmother’s favorite scripture is now hers. Romans 8:28: “We know that all things work together for good for those who love God, who are called according to his purpose.”

God Speed, Diana. We will miss you.

*Diane Berger*

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## **FOOD PANTRY NOTES**

Donations from our congregation to the FOOD PANTRY have been low this year. There are many needs in the community to support but we hope you will consider buying non-perishable staples to replenish the Pantry’s shelves.

There are also other ways to contribute. If you would like to help stock the shelves with donations from Walmart and Kroger, come Monday, Wednesday or Friday from 9-10:30. Food is delivered from Mid-Ohio Food Bank on the second and fourth Thursdays beginning at 8:45. To help during distribution Monday-Friday from 1-4, call Mary Easter at 740-477-1655 ext 263.

The FOOD PANTRY is located at the rear of the PICCA building. If going south on Clinton Street, turn left into the drive located just before the railroad track crossing. Follow the road and turn left when you approach the buildings.

## Report from the Facility Care Team of Session

We need maintenance on the organ. Jack Mader has pointed out that some keys on the organ do not work. He says there are problems with the “leathers” and the bearings on the blower which supply air to the organ. He “plays around” those keys, but the problem will only get worse. The organ has not had major repairs in about 20 years.

Jack estimates repairs could cost over \$100,000. We do not presently have that much money.

There are not many options for choosing an organ repair company with the needed experience and skills. One company requires a down payment and a lead time of months. We may need to make a commitment for the repairs yet this year if repairs are to be done in 2017.

There are also not many options when it comes to financing the repairs. If we are to have the repairs made in the summer of 2017, we need to start raising funds now.

These are some options:

(1). We have an endowment account, the Jackie Whitfield Fund, which may be used for capital improvements and repairs. It is presently about \$134,000. However, this fund is restricted so that only the interest, not the principle, may be spent each year. The Whitfield family may agree to alter the endowment to make the principle available. However, if we use all the money available, there will not be money available in the future for routine repairs. The Charles Will Organ Repair has about \$19,000 available which could be used for repairs, but also would not leave any money for future repairs.

(2). Start a pledge campaign to raise \$100,000.

(3). We could do “stop gap” repairs fixing only selected keys. This may not be possible; we need the advice of the organ repair company to determine if this is feasible. This would be the most expensive way to do repairs because it could become a yearly routine.

(4). Do nothing. Abandon the pipe organ. When our current organists choose to retire we may not be able to find future organists to replace them at a reasonable expense.

(5). Replace the pipe organ with a less expensive electronic organ.

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NAME \_\_\_\_\_

CHOOSE AN OPTION, TEAR OFF AND TURN IN TO THE OFFICE OR PLACE IN THE OFFERING PLATE

This is another big decision for our congregation and we would like to have your input. Please take a moment to consider the 5 possible options and choose the one you feel is most appropriate. Session will consider your input and the input of staff when deciding how to move ahead with regards to this project.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. If permission of the Whitfield family is given, use the principal of the Whitfield Fund.  
\_\_\_\_\_ 2. Start a pledge campaign to raise the funds. I will personally pledge \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ 3. Make “stop gap” repairs for now if possible.  
\_\_\_\_\_ 4. Do Nothing  
\_\_\_\_\_ 5. Replace the pipe organ with a less expensive, lower maintenance electronic organ.

*Focus on.....*

## ***Discipleship and Spiritual Formation***

***By Diana Jones, D.C.E.***

**THE TREES ARE FULL OF BLOSSOMS, TULIPS AND DAFFADILS BLOOMING, AND SMILES ABOUND the church these days. The month of May will be filled each Sunday with a variety of activities for everyone to enjoy.**

**MAY 1<sup>ST</sup> IS CRADLE ROLL SUNDAY AS WELL AS ACOLYTE RECOGNITION . This will include introducing our smallest children to the congregation. We look forward to seeing Gweneth, Ella, Drew, and Andy and their parents. We also will be recognizing those young children who provide the candle lighting each Sunday to begin our worship.**

**SUNDAY, MAY 8<sup>TH</sup> , THE CHURCH FAMILY WILL BE TREATED not only by the musical sounds of the Children's Choir, but the service will be presented by the 2016 Confirmation Class. The six young teens will not only be writing some of the parts of the service, but will each present their own journey of faith. I am sure this will prove to be a memorable service for each of them as well as those who listen.**

**MAY 15<sup>TH</sup> WILL BE THE FORMAL CONFIRMATION OF Avery Clouse, Isabella Crego, Abby Hardin, Braden Johnson, Cole Sauerbrun, and Nate Twining. A special coffee hour will be held in their honor following the worship. Since this is PENTECOST SUNDAY (don't forget to wear red), we will have a very big surprise during the children's message time!**

**FINALLY THERE IS GRADUATE RECOGNITION ON MAY 22<sup>ND</sup>. Breakfast for the graduates will start the day followed by pictures in the garden and a special recognition during the worship service. During the coffee hour there will be a surprise for the graduates that they won't see coming!!! There are a total of 11 graduates: Ally Bretthauer, Mac Clark, Jeff Clydesdale, Neal Davis, Monica Gans , Emily Hardin, Andrew Hill, Emma Johnson, Brayden Kershaw, J.T. Lamb, and Flynn Shannon. They represent all four county schools and we congratulate each one of them for a job well done.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BE HELD AS USUAL DURING THE MONTH FOR EACH OF THE CLASSES.**

**OUR YOUTH GROUPS WILL ALSO BE HAVING A MEETING, BUT THE ADVISORS WILL CONTACT THEM.**

**JUNE 5<sup>TH</sup> WILL BE THE LAST DAY BEFORE THE END OF SUNDAY SCHOOL.**

**A BIT ABOUT OUR PRESBY KIDS: We are excited that Isabella Crego is enjoying her dance. She is a beautiful ballerina. Her brother Cameron also dances and is a member of the swim team. You will find so many of our kids on the field playing baseball like Brayden Kershaw for the Tigers, Grant Cline, Drew Tomlinson, Parker and Case Calder, Cole, Reese, Katie Sauerbrun and Michael Clark for Little League. It probably won't be long before you see Julia Weller in another Roundtown production or sister Allison playing melodiously at a piano recital. I am sure that Hannah Johnson will**



continue with her scouting and Braden will be fishing with his friends in the creek this summer. Avery will be practicing his tennis skills while Keller will be continuing with her art. I know that Addie and Elleigh will spend lots of time with “baba” enjoying library time while Andy is being chased by mommy around the house! Nate Twining will be spending time everywhere with his sports, feeding his animals, and travelling. I am sure that Maddy Clark will be gearing up for her soccer next season as well as enjoying the beach. As for our track kids who give 100% at these meets. They were terrific in the all county meet. Neal Davis won first in shot put and second in discus; Emily Hardin comes right off basketball and throws discus; Morgan Tomlinson is beautiful in throwing a discus and watch her run!; Andrew Hill had a great year achieving his EAGLE SCOUT; Mac Clark not only can play football, but heaves a good discus; Jeff Clydesdale’s long legs earned him second in high jump while he flies like the wind around the track; sweet sounds always come from Monica Gans with her voice and flute.; you will find Emma Johnson on the golf course as she was a member of the Westfall team; achieving his EAGLE SCOUT also was Flynn Shannon; I wonder what Molly will learn this summer after a successful run down ski slopes this winter – only 5!; I am sure that Jeremy and Tara will keep their children busy in sports- Sarah, Rachel, Noah, and David.

These are some of the things our children and youth are experiencing in their lives. If I have left out anyone, I am truly sorry but I didn’t know. It has been wonderful over the years being a part of these children/youth lives. Thank you for the opportunity

My love,  
Diana

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### *Diana’s Day*

Sunday, June 5, 2016, will be a day of fond remembrance and thanks to our dear Diana Jones who has led the Christian Education of this church for over two decades. As many of you know, Diana will be moving to Wooster, Ohio. Woody will also be residing in a nursing care center there. Both will be much nearer their son and daughter-in-law, Andy and Julie, and their triplets, AJ, Megan and Lauren.

Please help us remember her many contributions and celebrate her career! Give Diana a royal farewell by attending worship at 10:00 a.m. that morning and staying for a carry-in lunch and program immediately following worship. Just bring your favorite meat, vegetable, salad, fruit or dessert dish. The paper products, drinks, rolls and tableware will be provided.

Questions about details of the occasion? Call Carla Mavis 740-418-4750 or Marcia Smith 614-306-8633.

## GRADUATION RECOGNITION SUNDAY

On Sunday, May 22, we will recognize all those who are graduating from high school, tech school, college, or university with names printed in the bulletin. Please let us know if you or someone in your family is graduating and what their plans are following graduation. We are very proud of all of our people who mark this milestone in their lives. **Names are needed by May 18 for the June/July issue of the Pres-Line and Sunday bulletin.**

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## THANK YOU NOTE

Thank you so much for the lovely tulip plant. It is my favorite flower because of the beautiful variety of colors and because it is a spring flower. A sign that winter is over and spring is on the way or even here.

I also thank you so much for all the cards you have sent. If I put it off a day it is gone and there is no recalling it. I apologize for lack of manners. But forgetfulness seems to take over. I love everyone and will try to be more considerate in the future.

Thank You Again,  
Mildred Dyer  
Mother/mother-in-law  
of Blaine and Ann Keckley

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## CONTAINERS, CONTAINERS, CONTAINERS

We are getting a good collection of your containers. Please stop in the kitchen to see if any belong to you.

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*We offer our condolences to the family and friends.....*



...of Chris Garrett who died March 30, 2016. This is the good friend and carpenter of Bill Richards.

...Diane Gamertsfelder who died April 8, 2016. This is Ann Shannon's mother.

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## The Gift

Sense of humor; God's great gift  
Causes spirits to uplift,  
Helps to make our bodies mend;  
Lightens burdens; cheers a friend;  
Tickles children; elders grin  
At this warmth that glows within;  
Surely in the Great Hereafter  
Heaven must be full of laughter!  
-Eleanor Davies  
Meadville, PA

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## MISSION CO-WORKERS, REV. DR. BARRY AND SHELLY DAWSON TO VISIT

The Dawsons invite all to come and hear the story of PC(USA) mission work in Asia/Southeast Asia on Monday, May 16, 6-8 p.m. at the Circleville Presbyterian Church.

Barry serves as the PC(USA) World Mission regional liaison for Asia and Southeast Asia. Barry brings to mission service extensive ministry experience as a counselor and pastoral caregiver in international settings. He has served Presbyterian congregations in the United States and multicultural churches in Europe, the Middle East and Asia. Shelly, a registered nurse, has worked as an assistant nursing supervisor at a clinic for heroin addicts and has served as a Stephen Minister for congregational care. Email Dagmar: dagmar@psvonline.org, or call the presbytery office (614-847-0565) to sign up for this special mission event.

## **In Our Thoughts and Prayers**

### Brookdale at Lakeview

Woody Jones

### Caring Touch

Linda Stevenson

### Clearmont Retirement Village

Doris Gruebel

### Franklin Woods

Judy Palm

### Logan Elm Health Care

Tom Cooper

Donald Maxson

Nancy Weitendorf (Sue Twining's mother)

### Mt. Carmel West Rehab

Marcella Hostetler

### Pickaway Manor

Mildred Dyer (Blaine Keckley's mother)

Doris Luna

### Convalescing at Home

Ellie Butler

George Butler

Bill Campbell

Carol Campbell

Lou Ann Clark

Scot Clydesdale

Alfred Johnson

Carol Mader

Gwen Painter

Sharon Ryan

Dorothy Sampson

Sage Sill

Sue Twining

Art Wolfe

### Also Convalescing

Eloise Beers (Kathy Studebaker's mother)

Mark Bouterse

Susan Bouterse

Charley Edgar & Corrine Edgar

Sara Mofield Goga (Judy Spicer's daughter)

George Grigg

Marty (Ward) Hart (Marcella Hostetler's sister)

Nathan Mofield (Judy Spicer's son)

Phyllis Smith (Rod Smith's mother)

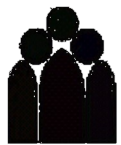
Betty Topliff (LibbyRushley's mother)

Kim Welter (Pastor Steve's daughter)

## **MAY**

- 4 - Nicole Allen
- 5 - John Edgar
- 7 - Greta (Johnson) Bowman  
Katelyn Sauerbrun  
Reese Sauerbrun
- 8 - Alton Hallum
- 9 - Kathy Studebaker
- 10 - William Fisher  
Ann Ellingsworth
- 12 - Brendt Utts
- 14 - Joel Braswell  
Jackson Braswell
- 15 - Betty Barnes
- 16 - Carina Dison
- 17 - Amber Johnson
- 18 - Kay Fisher  
Cole Sauerbrun
- 19 - Doris Luna  
Jennifer Sneed
- 22 - Michael Edge
- 23 - William Adkins  
Neal Davis  
Max Acklin
- 24 - Gwen Painter  
Barbara Brooke  
Grayson Burchett
- 25- Braden Johnson
- 26 - Daniel Steven Bragg
- 27 - Suzanne Brown
- 28 - Larry Kraus
- 30 - Brenda Walker
- 31 - Kristi Gamble  
Emily Hardin

**We are sorry if we have missed anyone! If you want someone added or removed, PLEASE call the church office.**



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## *Looking ahead to... June/July*

### June

- 5 "Diana's Day"
- 12 Summer Schedule Begins-No Summer Sunday School  
Vacation Bible School (June 12-June 16 at Trinity)
- 14 Sorting Day at Clothing Center
- 21 Father's Day  
Super Soapy Sunday  
Pickaway Manor Service
- 27 Hymn Sing at Brown Memorial

### July

- 4 Office Closed
- 10 Church Picnic at Richards Farm
- 12 Sorting Day at the Clothing Center
- 17 Summer Communion  
Super Soapy Sunday  
Pickaway Manor Service
- 19 Deadline for August Pres-Line
- 25 Hymn Sing at Brown Memorial