



Condit Courier

March 2018

Preparing for Easter. . . .

Youth and Children Choirs

Director of Music, Adam Garner, will work with our youth and children to put together vocal music groups to perform for the Easter season. Two rehearsals are scheduled. You may participate if you can attend at least one of these rehearsals. The children's group will be for preschool through grade 5. The youth group will be for grades 6 through 12.

The first rehearsal will be March 4 during worship. Youth and children can leave after the Children's Message to rehearse with Adam downstairs.

The second rehearsal will be March 11 after church. Lunch will be provided.

Order Your Easter Lilies

Teresa Gorsuch is in charge of the lilies to decorate the sanctuary for Easter. The cost of each lily is \$8.00 - the same as the last two years. Orders for the flowers must be turned in to her by March 18.

Complete the Lily Form on page 9 and put it in the offering plate with a check made out to Condit Presbyterian Church for \$8 marked lily. Note on the form if you wish the lily to be a memorial or in honor of someone. Either put it in the offering plate or give it to Teresa.

Devotionals for Lent

Follow the Daily Lenten Devotionals on the website under Spiritual Tools. These are a self study program to help lead you through lent. There is a link from the homepage on our website at www.ConditChurch.org. There are copies in the Narthex.

Celebrating Easter

Palm Sunday, March 25

One Great Hour of Sharing

Money will be collected Palm Sunday and Easter Sunday in the fish banks. A gift to One Great Hour of Sharing enables the church to share God's love with our neighbors-in-need around the world by providing relief to those affected by natural disasters, providing food to the hungry, and helping to empower the poor and oppressed.

Maundy Thursday

On Thursday, March 29 at 6:30 p.m. we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for a soup and sandwich meal. This will be followed by a Communion Service.

Easter Sunrise

As the sun rises at 7 a.m. we will gather behind the church to Worship.

Easter Morning Breakfast

Special Events Co-Chairs Alex Sheets and Chip Welch can use some help getting ready for the Easter Morning Breakfast which follows the Sunrise Service.

Easter Worship

Worship Service begins at 10 a.m. Easter morning, April 1. Bring One Great Hour of Sharing fish bank or donation to Worship.

Easter Egg Hunt

Special Events Committee is in charge of the annual egg hunt following Worship on Easter. This will be fun for children of all ages on the lawn around the church. Eggs will be color coded by age brackets.

No Fooling on April 1st, HAPPY EASTER!

Let Us Love One Another, Because Love Is from God

from Rev. Annie Melick

The church seasons of Lent and Easter are times to reflect on the great love God has for us that he sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins and so we might live through him. There is another side to this great love, though. Since God loved us so much, we are reminded that we also ought to love one another. One without the other makes no sense. Since we receive God's love, we naturally should love one another.



Rev. Annie Melick

I've seen a lot of this love for one another recently! Some of you have taken meals to people recovering from illness or surgery. You've called to check on people who weren't in church on the cold days of winter weather. You've welcomed visitors and new attenders. I've seen forgiveness and restoration of relationships. You welcome our children and youth lovingly week after week. You've given generously toward God's work here and around the world. We have prayed for each other and our concerns, and we have seen prayers answered. There's been a sweet, sweet spirit in this place.

As we recognize once again this season in which Christ loved us enough to suffer for us, let us continue to love one another openly and sacrificially. It's a good time to be in the Condit family, and I pray God's richest blessings for each one of you.

1 John 4:7-12

⁷ Beloved, let us love one another, because love is from God; everyone who loves is born of God and knows God. ⁸ Whoever does not love does not know God, for God is love. ⁹ God's love was revealed among us in this way: God sent his only Son into the world so that we might live through him. ¹⁰ In this is love, not that we loved God but that he loved us and sent his Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. ¹¹ Beloved, since God loved us so much, we also ought to love one another. ¹² No one has ever seen God; if we love one another, God lives in us, and his love is perfected in us.

Clerk's Annual Report to Presbyterian Church USA

Each February the Clerk of Session is required to complete a statistics report on the previous year for Presbyterian Church USA. This report must be approved by Session. Compare the 2016 report and the 2017 report which was turned in this year.

In 2016 Session reviewed long-time members we have not seen in Condit in a long time and made every effort to find the people to see if they still wanted to be members. Our active membership dropped from 89 to 77 members in 2016. We gained 3 and lost 3 in 2017 so we still have 77 active members.

Condit took in \$111,116 regular contributions in 2016 and \$118,114 in 2017. Investment income, bequests and other income all went up in 2017. Our annual expenses were lower than our income in 2017 putting us in the black for the first time in several years.

Sadly the average Sunday attendance dropped from 52 in 2016 to 46 in 2017.



Worship at 10 a.m.



- March 4 Worship and Communion: Rev. Annie Melick
 Liturgist: Doug Kerns. Acolyte:
 Accompanist: Sasha Neverov. Special Music:
 Communion Servers: Sheila Micholes , Mick Sheets, Darlene Ross, Polly Horn and
 John Whitney.
 Ushers and Greeters: Jeff, Beverly and Joe Marshall, Polly Horn.
- March 11 Worship: Rev. Annie Melick
 Liturgist: Jennifer Shick. Acolyte: Sam or Nathan Kirby.
 Accompanist: Sasha Neverov. Special Music:
 Ushers and Greeters: Carmie Joseph, Allison Skinner, Nathan and Samuel Kirby.
- March 18 Worship: Rev. Annie Melick
 Liturgist: Mick Sheets. Acolyte:
 Accompanist: Sasha Neverov. Special Music:
 Ushers and Greeters: Christy Krinn, Kathy Kees, George Justice.
- March 25 Worship: Rev. Annie Melick
 Liturgist: Kathy Kees . Acolyte: Hayden Agnew.
 Accompanist: Sasha Neverov. Special Music:
 Ushers and Greeters: Kaitlin White, Sheila Micholes, Mike and Donna Mucci.
- March 29 6:30 Maundy Thursday Soup and Sandwich Meal in Fellowship Hall
 Maundy Thursday Service with Communion
 Communion Server: Polly Horn.

FLOWERS FOR MARCH ARE PROVIDED BY MIKE AND DONNA MUCCI.



*Remember
in Your
Prayers . . .*

Judy Watts, Joe Krinn,
Max and Peggy Sheets
and Bob Horn Family.



**Add Your
Notes
on Tuesdays**

**Bell Choir at 6:30
Chancel Choir at 7:30**
See Children's and Youth Choirs on page 1
Questions, Call Adam Garner
Director of Music at 740-739-0002



Send Ken Over the Edge

Catch your breath, step up to the edge, and rappel 330 feet down The Chase Tower in the heart of downtown Columbus. The first 115 fundraisers to raise a minimum of \$1,250 will earn a spot to go Over the Edge to end child sex-trafficking benefitting Gracehaven.

More than 1,000 youth are victims of sex-trafficking in Ohio every year. Gracehaven is a faith-based, 501(c)3 non-profit organization founded to care for the growing number of victims under the age of 18 who are victims of sex trafficking and to help prevent others from being enslaved in this life. It operates under Central Ohio Youth for Christ to help boys and girls in central Ohio. This takes money.

Over the Edge is a fundraiser for Gracehaven. On June 14 and 15 those earning over \$1250 will go over the edge. Ken Bartlett is raising money to be one of the 115 people to go over the edge. You can help by giving him money or donating on line at https://www.gracehavenovertheedge.com/Ken_Bartlett/

Ken writes: "I'm excited about the opportunity to rappel for this worthwhile cause. Gracehaven is doing exceptional work in serving Central Ohio victims of human trafficking. Donations will fund counseling and support for survivors, prevention and education training

for middle school girls, intervention training to community professionals, even safe residential care for survivors. Every one of us can help in this cause. Join me in this endeavor as we bring positive change together."



March

- 3 Trent Pettit
- 5 Joe Cox
- 16 Levi Jacob
- 29 Jayne Strouse
- 31 Molly Blevins

March Madness

Condit Kids for grades K-6 will meet Sunday, March 4 from 5:00-6:30 pm. Dinner will be served. If you have a basketball, bring it with you for the games.

Special Events Committee. . . .

Planning for Easter

By Alex Sheets

We will be putting on the Easter breakfast immediately following sunrise service. We will also be doing an Easter Egg Hunt following the 10 am service with different colored eggs for the different age ranges. 5 and under, 6-9, and 10+.

If you are willing to help with gathering food supplies, set-up, cooking, clean up, or hiding eggs let Alex Sheets or Chip Welch know.

Christian Education Committee . . .

Looking for Volunteers

by Pam Sheets

We are looking for volunteers to help with Vacation Bible School in June. For the safety of the children, anyone who volunteers must pass a background check.

VBS dates and program will be determined March 22nd at the Christian Education Meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the church. If you are interested in helping in any way with VBS, please contact Pam Sheets or Grant Bartlett.

Getting to Know You

50 Years Together, Most at Condit

by Jenny Kavage



Harold and Sharon Ramsey

It was a cold windy winter day but Sharon Ramsey was thinking about spring and the forsythia and roses that would be blooming in her yard. Harold Ramsey was thinking about cars, his hobby most of his life.

Sharon, who grew up in north Columbus, went to St. Joseph Academy. After graduation she began work at Ohio National Bank downtown in the department that made up loan books for mortgage holders. After two years she became head of the department and held that job for the remainder of her 16 years there.

Harold was born in Barberton. His family moved to 18th Avenue in Columbus in time for him to go to Linden McKinley High School. After graduation he joined the U.S. Army. Following eight weeks of training at Fort Knox Harold scored 100 on his final test and his superiors asked him if he would be interested in Officer Candidate School. Not sure what that would mean for him, Harold declined. He was assigned to Armor which included tanks and personnel carriers and sent to Aberdeen, MD to work with fuel and electronic systems. After a 13-month tour in Korea it was back to Aberdeen and the motor pool.

Harold got a job at Western Electric when he returned to Columbus. Laid off after six months, he went to work with Columbus Auto Parts and then Continental Can where, as luck would have it, Sharon's brother worked.

At some point a plum and white '55 Chevy came into his life; then a '54 1/2 Oldsmobile with a heavy duty engine and he got into drag racing. Later he bought a '67 Chevy wagon with wood paneling on the sides and rally wheels to tow his racing car.

Sharon's brother got the two of them together on a blind date. Sharon thinks maybe they went to a movie. Harold thinks there was a family gathering and her mother called him "Ralph." Sharon had a gold Camaro, same color as Harold's station wagon. It wasn't long until they were married.

Daughters Jennifer and Kelly came along and in the mid 1970s the Ramsey family moved to Sunbury. Harold and Sharon started bowling on Friday nights at the lanes in Westerville where they met Virgie and Alvin Horn, long-time Condit members, who invited them to church. Later Sharon's sister Mary Jo and her husband Homer Wilson moved to Sunbury and to Condit as well. Harold became a trustee and remembers months of scraping the church outside for painting before siding was put on instead. He installed the three ceiling fans in the sanctuary.

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Condit Blood Drive is Successful!

Condit Blood Drive on February 16th took in 21 pints of blood for goal plus one more pint. Two women gave blood for the first time at this drive.

Laura Mucci donated blood for the first time. Her parents, Mike and Donna Mucci, are regular donors at Condit. Donna bakes cookies and works in the canteen in addition to donating.



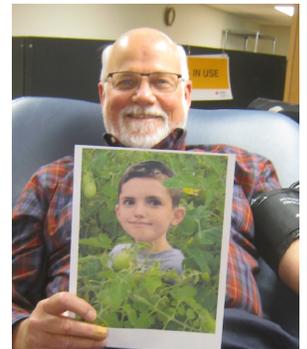
Laura and Donna Mucci



Gail Russell

Gail Russell, owner of Peachblow Pottery on Hartford Road, also donated for the first time at this drive. She came with Don Chenoweth who has been a regular donor at Condit for the past year. This time, Gail and Don wanted their family to know they were thinking about Sam as they donated in Condit.

Sam Lamar was a Don's grand nephew who lived in Des Moines, Iowa. He developed leukemia. His folks did everything possible to keep him alive but it was not to be. He was a 6th grader and lived about a year and a half. His parents started a blood drive in Sam's honor and then memory to recognize all those who gave blood to Sam. Every year the drive grows. This year, there were "superheroes" present and there was a bike raffle. A sister and a cousin of Sam's plugged the event on a local TV show and there were a couple of business sponsors. The drive netted over 70 pints.



***Don Chenoweth
with photo of
Sam Lamar***

Don is holding a photo of a cutout photo of Sam that was glued on to a paint stick. "When we had a family reunion here in Sunbury, we placed his photo in numerous spots, took shots of his picture and then sent them to him so he could know we were thinking of him. In the photo we had at Condit church the cutout had been placed among the tomatoes in our garden here," remembers Don. To learn more, Google *Team Sam and Des Moines Iowa*.

NEXT BLOOD DRIVE IS 1-6 FRIDAY, APRIL 13. Call Polly Horn to Register to Donate.

(Ramseys Continued from Page 5)

When Continental Can closed its plant, Harold devoted most of the next three years to building a bay-windowed family room and a deck on their Greenbrier Road home. Then he went to work for General Electric processing industrial diamonds. It was a good job, he says, with air-conditioning, and he stayed for 16 years.

After the girls started to school Sharon worked in the accessories department at the Westerville K-Mart for many years. Along the way she helped with Vacation Bible School and other church activities for children and youth. She was with Darlene Ross on church errands when Darlene noticed Sharon wasn't quite herself and got her to the hospital. She was having a stroke which especially effected her speech. "There were a lot of people who helped me recover," Sharon says with appreciation.

Retired now, they enjoy time with family which includes six grandsons. Harold is working on getting a new engine put in an '85 red Chevy Cavalier convertible. Sharon plans her summer flower beds. **On April 20, 2018 they will celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary.**

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
 <h1 style="display: inline-block; margin: 0 auto;">March 2018</h1> 						
* ALL SUNDAYS EXCEPT THE FIRST thru May 9:00 Youth (7 th thru college age) Sunday School 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:15 Primary and Intermediate Sunday School (P-K-6)				1 7 p.m. Worship and Music Committee	2	3
4 10 a.m. Worship & Communion Children's Choir after Children's Message 5-6:30 Condit Kids	5	6 6:00 Fitness Club 6:30 Bell Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	7	8 7 p.m. Session & Trustees	9	10
11 * 10 Worship 11:15 Children & Youth Music with lunch Youth- College Group	12	13 6:00 Fitness Club 6:30 Bell Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	14	15	16	17
18 * 10 Worship	19	20 6:00 Fitness Club 6:30 Bell Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	21 11 a.m. Presbyterian Women	22 7:00 Christian Ed to Meet to discuss VBS	23	24
25 * 10 Worship Palm Sunday	26	27 6:00 Fitness Club 6:30 Bell Choir 7:30 Chancel Choir	28 11:30 Lunch Bunch at PJ's	29 6:30 Maundy Thursday meal and Service with Communion	30	31 7 p.m. Euchre Fellowship Hall

Who Is Who?



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On the back of the photo are these names. Trenton Potter, Luta Catchum, Charles Van Kirk, Claud Perfect, Milfred Condit, Byrum Gorsuch, Leet Van Kirk, Harry Van Kirk, Charles Perfect, and Mr. Van Fleet

Tell Polly Horn if you can identify any of these Condit men.

COMMUNITY



**7 p.m. Saturday
March 31**

in
Condit

**Presbyterian Church
Fellowship Hall
15102 Hartford Road**

**Cards and Fellowship
Public Welcome!**

Save a Life
Donate Blood
at the

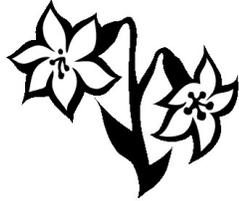
**Condit
Blood Drive**

**1-7 p.m. Friday
April 13, 2018**

in Condit Presbyterian Church
15102 Hartford Road and
State Route 605

*To volunteer to help or
Make an appointment to donate*

Call Polly 740-965-3582 or
GiveBlood@ConditChurch.org



Lilies for Easter Sunday

\$8.00 per plant

_____ how many \$ _____ total enclosed

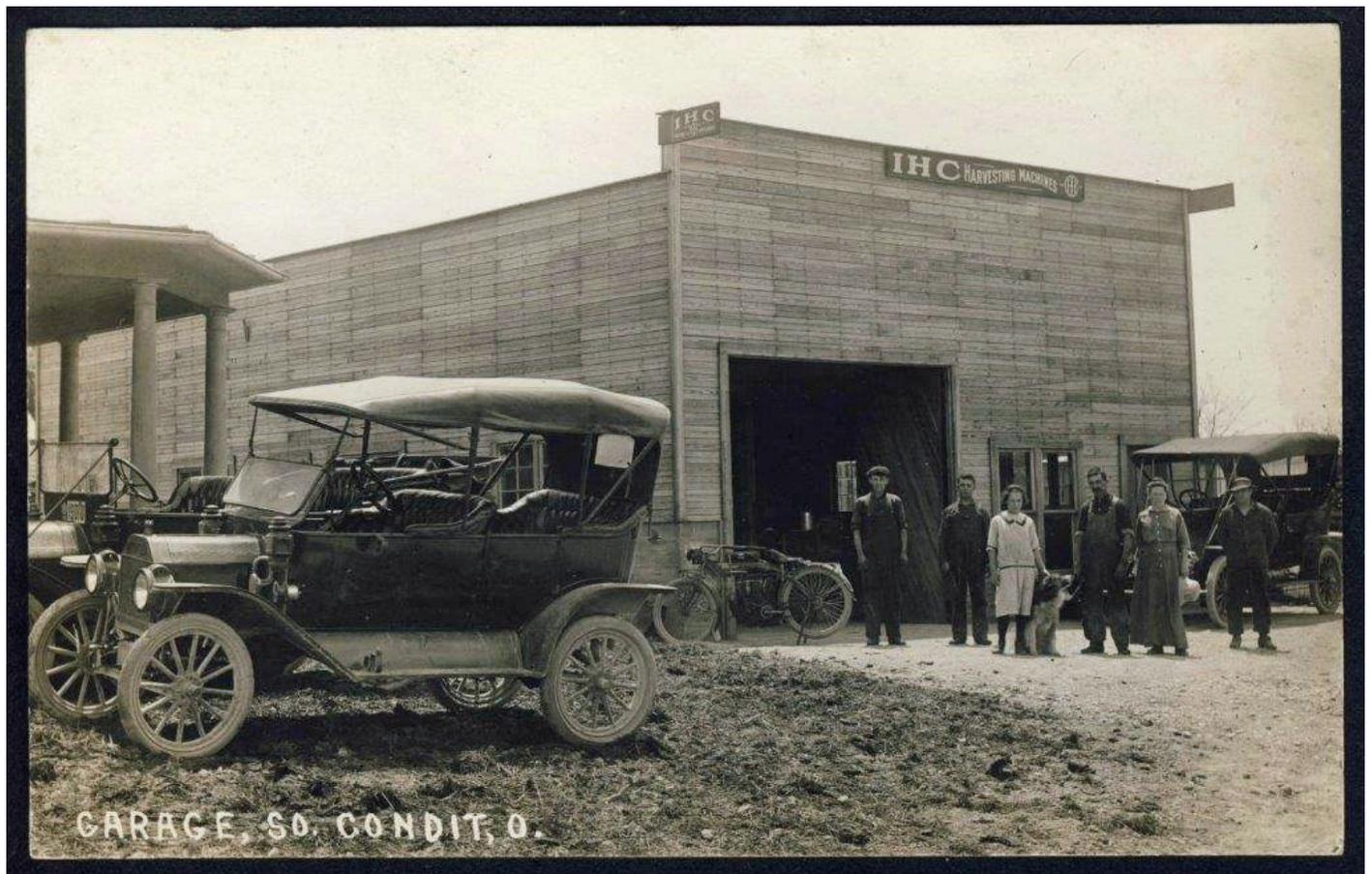
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In memory of: _____

By: _____

By March 18 put in the offering plate or mail to

Teresa Gorsuch 5425 N. County Line Road, Centerburg, OH 43011



Jeff Sellers shared this postcard photo of an International Harvester Company in South Condit. Larry DeWitt thought the house was east of the South Condit Store with the barn behind it. The man second from the left seems to be missing a hand which corresponds to a DeWitt family member who lost his hand in a farming accident. The girl in the white dress could be Riley and Elma (Perfect) DeWitt's daughter, Esther DeWitt (1901-1983) who later married Sidney Boudinot. Do you know more about this photo? Please tell Polly.



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<http://www.conditchurch.org>

Pastor: Rev. Annie Melick

SESSION

Class of 2020

Darlene Ross.....740-965-3482
Sue Overturf.....614-563-2570
Polly Horn, Clerk.....740-965-3582

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Alex Sheets.....937-903-0939
Chip Welch.....614-774-0390
Mick Sheets.....937-765-7697

Class of 2018

Grant Bartlett.....614-915-9698
Jane Markley.....614-306-9884
Sheila Micholes.....740-965-4394

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Condit Presbyterian Church.....740-965-2911

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Adam Garner.....740-739-0002

Church Treasurer

Ken Bartlett.....740-965-1569

Financial Secretary

Darlene Ross.....740-965-3482

Christian Education

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Molly Blevins.....740-225-2640

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George Justice.....740-965-9668
John Whitney.....(w)740-965-8130

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Ken Bartlett.....740-965-1569

Church Directory

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Pam Sheets.....937-902-4779

Nursery Care

Molly Blevins (Nursery).....740-225-2640

Special Events

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