



Condit Courier

May 2018



Condit Food and Fun

Doreen and Ken Bartlett are spearheading the inter-generational program featuring good food, fun and fellowship. The program is for our congregation, neighbors, friends and anyone wishing for a home-cooked meal.

On the second and fourth Wednesdays of the month Bartletts will serve homecooked meals to anyone who comes to the church between 5 and 8 p.m. The first meal in April featured lasagna with salad, garlic bread and dessert and the trimmings. The second was meatloaf with mashed potatoes, a vegetable and dessert. All very yummy.

This is a chance to have those meals better made in quantity. Many of us love but without children at home, we no longer cook them. Tell Doreen your favorite and it may find its way to her menu.

In May, Food and Fun will be 5-7 on Wednesdays, May 9 and 23. There is a donation box if you wish to help with the cost of food but it is not necessary.

Food and Fun is co-sponsored by Outreach and Congregational Care Committees.

Looking Ahead

- June 2 - Mission: Barn Painting
- June 15 - Blood Drive
- June 18-22 - Vacation Bible School
- June 24 - Vacation Bible School Program
- June 24 - Potluck at Marshall's after Worship Service
- July 29 - BWFWS Backpack Filling Project
- August 25 - Condit Ice Cream Social
- August 25 - Condit Auto Show

Trustees Report Many Items Done But Many to Still Be Done



Condit Trustees are grateful for all who helped with the Spring Clean-Up Day on April 28. Check the lists on the church doors to see which items are not checked off.

Tasks run the gamut from highly skilled to others which may need just elbow grease. If someone must be paid to do all of these tasks, the church and grounds maintenance bills would be very high.

Is there one you can do?

Big Walnut Friends Who Share

Annual Food Drive

School will soon be out so many of the families who relied on food through the schools will be short food to keep their families healthy.

Kathy Kees is spearheading the Condit Food Drive again this year. Each Sunday from May 20 through June 10, a different food will be collected in the narthex at Condit. **See the list on page 2.**



**7 p.m. Monthly on Last Saturday
Cards and Fellowship
Public Welcome!**

I LOVE YOU – YOU SAY IT FIRST

Rev. Annie Melick

I love you. Those three words have so much power.

Do you remember falling in love, and debating whether to say, “I love you” first? You want to tell them. You want to know if they love you. But if they don’t love you too, or won’t say it, it’s going to be awkward, embarrassing, and painful. What a dilemma: say it first, or wait for them to say it?

You don’t have to go through all that when it comes to the love of God. He said it first! He loved us first! The apostle John expressed it beautifully:

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. (1 John 4:9-11 NRSV)

It matters that God loved us first. It is a central part of our faith and beliefs that God initiates the relationship. It is important that God loves us as we are, sins and all. *God the Father* sent *God the Son* to lay down his life for us, and for those who choose to love him back, *God the Holy Spirit* continues to abide in us. We demonstrate our love for God in several ways: by worshiping Him, by obeying Him, and by loving one another.

We ought to love one another. The apostle John repeats this over and over in his gospel and his letters. I think John already saw how difficult this would be as he pastored the 1st century churches in and around Ephesus. I believe John already observed and experienced some unloving behavior in the early church, so he wanted to make it real clear to the followers of Jesus that loving one another is nonnegotiable.

We ought to love one another. John urges us to choose love. First, choose to love God back. Then, choose to love one another, even when it’s difficult, not earned, not convenient, and not *felt*. Even when we don’t *feel* love for one another, we ought to choose to act in love toward one another.

Well, John, challenge accepted. I’m choosing love. The church here at Condit chooses love. I can’t wait to see how God uses us in each others’ lives! Condit, I love you.



Rev. Annie Melick



Happy
Anniversary
May 5
Larry and Jayne Strouse
May 26
Mike and Donna Mucci

Big Walnut Friends



**Who Share
STOCK THE FOOD PANTRY**

Sunday, May 20
Pasta (not spaghetti)
Canned Spaghetti Sauce

Sunday, May 27
Cereal

Sunday, June 3
Peanut Butter
Jelly

Sunday, June 10
Pancake Mix
Syrup

**Put items in containers
in Condit Narthex**



Worship at 10 a.m.



- May 6 Worship and Communion: Rev. Annie Melick
 Liturgist: Grant Bartlett. Acolyte:
 Accompanist: Sasha Neverov. Special Music:
 Communion Servers: Alex Sheets, Darlene Ross, Chip Welch. Polly Horn, John Whitney
 Ushers and Greeters: Chip Welch, Molly Blevins, Pam Sheets and Alex Sheets.
- May 13 Worship: Rev. Annie Melick
 Liturgist: Alita Markley. Acolyte: Sam/Nathan Kirby.
 Accompanist: Sasha Neverov. Special Music:
 Ushers and Greeters: Allison Skinner, Sam and Nathan Kirby, Kaitlin White.
- May 20 Worship: Rev. Paul Kim.
 Liturgist: Jennifer Shick. Acolyte: Hayden Agnew.
 Accompanist: Sasha Neverov. Special Music:
 Ushers and Greeters: Jeff, Beverly and Joe Marshall and Sheila Micholes.
- May 27 Worship: Rev. Annie Melick
 Liturgist: Darlene Ross. Acolyte:
 Accompanist: Sasha Neverov. Special Music:
 Ushers and Greeters: Connie and Jaden Jacob, George Justice and Kathy Kees.

THANKS TO JEFF AND BEVERLY MARSHALL FOR THE MAY FLOWERS!

Remember in Your Prayers . . .

Max and Peggy Sheets,
Wayne and Carol Weiss
and all students facing
their end-of-year exams.



Your Cards and Notes Make a Big Difference

Polly Horn recently visited a Big Walnut classmate who has been in hospitals and rehab since November 3rd when she went into Septic Shock. After 8 major surgeries, she has lost a hand and foot but her attitude has never wavered. Peg's motto: It is what it is!

"I do not know why God has put me on this path. I do know God and all the support from family and friends is getting me through it. Almost every day I get a card and note from someone," Peg said as she held her three cards she got that day.

"For years I have sent cards to people wondering if they really helped. Now I know how important they really are," Peg concluded.

Music at Condit Is an Asset To Our Sunday Worship

Bell Choir at 7:00

Chancel Choir at 7:30

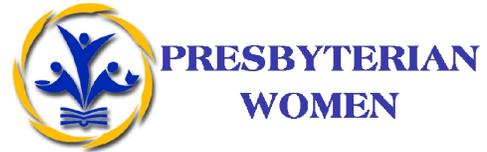
Bell Choir will not be active in the summer.

Questions, Call Adam Garner, Director of Music at 740-739-0002



Knives, Forks and Spoons

When extra silverware from the Condit kitchen was made available through Congregational Care Committee, twelve families took advantage of the offer. Several Girl Scouts took some for camp. The Mission and Outreach Committee gave the remainder of the implements to Big Walnut Friends Who Share so even more families will be able to have it.



Condit Presbyterian Women will meet at 11 o'clock Wednesday, May 16, in the Fellowship Hall to stuff toys for Children's Hospital. At noon they break to eat their sack lunches. A member of the group will furnish dessert. MaryAnn Counts will lead the circle in a discussion of Chapter 7 of "Knowing God's Word."

Condit Youth Group and Adults Will Paint Barn on June 2

Mission and Outreach Committee and Condit Youth Group with Allison Skinner and some other adults will gather at the church on Saturday, June 2, and go to a neighbors' to paint their barn. Owners of the barn will provide the paint and pizza for lunch. Sheila Micholes does not expect the task to take longer than a day because prep work will be done. Talk to Allison or Sheila if you want to help. Sign up sheet will be on the church door.

Granddaughter Earns Scholarships

Linda Dado recently attended a reception for her granddaughter Olivia Dado at Kent State University. Olivia is a freshman at Kent pursuing an interest in merchandising through Journalism and Communication. She applied for a scholarship and invited her grandmother to attend the reception where it was to be awarded. Imagine her surprise when she received not one but two scholarships. In high school, Olivia played soccer for Upper Arlington. At Kent she plays club soccer so she has more time for her studies. She made the Dean's list this past semester.

Condit Youth Broadcasting

Isaia Jacob, freshman Broadcast Journalism major at University of Indianapolis, was heard at the Condit Blood Drive. For a radio broadcast class, he is a one-man DJ for an hour of airtime each Friday. He is by himself, so he does everything from run all the soundboards, selects the songs, and as DJ, plays them. During the hour he also gives the weather, public-service announcements and a couple of special interest stories of his choice - usually sports, new movies, etc.

"We were able to listen in Ohio because it is also broadcast via the Internet," noted Aunt Kathy Kees.



MAY

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|--------------------|---------------------|
| 10 Kathy Longshore | 20 Polly Horn |
| 11 Adam Garner | 26 Rebecca Bergmann |
| 12 Sheila Micholes | Jessica Bergmann |
| 15 Hannah Shick | Todd Jacob |
| 16 Peggy Sheets | 27 Joe Krinn |
| 17 Noah Agnew | 29 Ryann White |
| 31 Jim Lahmon | |



Meet Sunday, May 6
from 5-6:30



Getting to Know You

Trisha Gilbert

by Jenny Kavage

As she sat on the bench behind Condit Church Trisha Gilbert took a few minutes to write down the words that had come to her as she drove to our interview. Her daughters, Megan, 9, and Helen, 7, climbed all over the wooden playset and slid down the slide. Helen was wearing her long blue Elsa dress from the movie “Frozen.”

Megan, Helen and Trish Gilbert

Trisha, the daughter of Condit members Mary Jo and Homer Wilson, was born in Columbus. Her older sister, Carmie, picked her name - “Trisha,” not short for “Patricia.” Her father’s brother, a Methodist minister, baptized her with water from the River Jordan. When she was two her parents moved to their Sunbury-area loghouse and the whole family has been part of Condit Church ever since.

A 2006 Big Walnut graduate, Trisha started to Columbus State to become a LPN and soon was working at St. Ann’s Hospital. By the time she finished her studies and got her license to practice in 2012 she had married her high school sweetheart Austin Gilbert and given birth to her two daughters. She recently went to work for a home health company providing medical assistance to patients in their homes. The move gives her the flexibility she needs to get the girls to their Johnstown elementary school and pick them up in the afternoon.

Austin works as many as three jobs. His weekday job is in security for a federal building and on weekends he may work security at movie theaters. He has served in the National Guard and been deployed twice; once to Vermont to build roads after a severe storm and to Afganistan for six months. He is still in the Army Reserve.

Last year Trisha was a Girl Scout leader and this summer plans to help with scout day camp at Blendon Woods. Helen is a Daisy scout and Megan is a Brownie in the process of memorizing The Lord’s Prayer as she works on her God and Me patch under the guidance of Rev. Annie Melick. They try to get to church every Sunday. The girls sometimes serve as greeters with their mother and Megan is always ready to be an acolyte. They participated in the Easter children’s choir and bell choir.

When Vacation Bible School comes in June the girls will be there and if Trisha can arrange her patient schedule she will be helping. Thanks to a scholarship Megan will go to Camp Kirkmont, a Presbyterian camp near East Liberty. She’s been there before and reports she’s the only one who caught a fish. The final ceremony last summer reminded Trisha of her experiences as a youth at Geneva Hills Presbyterian Camp.

Megan loves playing soccer, all positions but is especially good at defense. Helen likes soccer, too, and will be playing this fall. Both girls had a speech delay and have benefitted from speech therapy. Megan struggles with reading comprehension but is good at math. “I am awesome at multiplication,” she says. “Remember what we say,” Trisha tells her, “People learn differently. Just treat all people nicely no matter what. All are created equal in God’s eyes.”

It is important to Trisha to have the girls grow up in a church family, to have people who care about them that they can lean on emotionally when needed. Megan is clear about her favorite part of church - “sitting in the same pew with Grandma and Grandpa.”

Before we all went our ways Helen wanted a picture of her new toy cat on top of the playset.



Sunday

Monday

Tuesday

Wednesday

Thursday

Friday

Saturday



May 2018



<p>6</p> <p>10 Worship & Communion</p> <p>5:00 -6:30 Condit Kids</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>1</p> <p></p> <p>6:00 Fitness Club</p> <p>7:00 Bell Choir</p> <p>7:30 Chancel Choir</p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p> <p>6 pm Fitness Club</p> <p>7 Worship and Music Committee</p>	<p>4</p>	<p>5</p>
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<p>20</p> <p>10 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>14</p> <p></p> <p>10 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>15</p> <p>6:00 Fitness Club</p> <p>7:00 Bell Choir</p> <p>7:30 Chancel</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>6 pm Fitness Club</p> <p>7 p.m. Christian Education</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p>
<p>27</p> <p>10 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>6:00 Fitness Club</p> <p>7:00 Bell Choir</p> <p>7:30 Chancel</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Lunch Bunch 11:30 at PJs</p> <p>5-7 Food & Fun in Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>24</p> <p>6 pm Fitness Club</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p><i>7:00 Community Euchre Night</i></p>
<p>28</p> <p>10 a.m. Worship</p>	<p>29</p> <p>6:00 Fitness Club</p> <p>7:00 Bell Choir</p> <p>7:30 Chancel</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	<p>6:00 Fitness Club</p>	<p>Bring Food to Stock Pantry for Big Walnut Friends Who Share</p> <p>See Article on Page One</p>	



Registration Form

(One Per Child)

Condit Presbyterian Church Vacation Bible School

9-11:30 a.m.
JUNE 18-22, 2018

Child's name: _____ Child's gender: _____

Child's age: _____ Date of birth: _____ Last school grade completed: _____

Name of parent(s): _____

Street address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Home telephone: (_____) _____

Parent/caregiver's cellphone: (_____) _____

Home email address: _____

Homechurch: _____

Crew number or name (for church use only): _____

Allergies or other medical conditions: _____

Relationship to child: _____

Return Completed Form to: Condit Presbyterian Church
15102 Hartford Road
Sunbury, Ohio 43074

Questions: Call Pam Sheets, 937-902-4779



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 Sunbury, OH 43074-9725
<http://www.conditchurch.org>

Pastor: Rev. Annie Melick

SESSION

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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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Jaden Jacob.....614-674-1511

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

Music Director

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

Church Treasurer

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

Financial Secretary

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

Christian Education

Grant Bartlett.....614-915-9698

TRUSTEES

Class of 2020

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

Class of 2019

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

Class of 2018

Karen Kerns.....740-965-2238
 Ken Bartlett.....740-965-1569

Sunday School and Bible School

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

Nursery Care

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

Special Events

Alex Sheets, co-chair.....937-903-0939
 Chip Welch, co-chair.....614-774-0390

Ushers/Greeters/Flowers

Sheila Micholes.....740-965-4394

Acolytes

Bill and Teresa Gorsuch.....740-965-3742

Custodian

Lynette Waldo.....614-562-7769

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