

# **Condit Courier**

April 2023

#### Condit Missions . . .

# One Great Hour of Sharing

We are currently collecting a mission offering to support Scioto Presbytery Matthew 25 programs to eradicate hunger, poverty, and social injustice. It is called One Great Hour of Sharing and will end Easter Sunday. There are cardboard fish banks to hold coins for this offering, as well as designated envelopes.

We are all called to do ministry for Jesus. When deciding where to invest your time or money, follow your passion. Your heart will identify your passion.

Last May, we participated in a Presbytery challenge where we logged volunteer hours serving people in need. **Would anyone by interested in doing this again?** Feel free to contact Marianne Westbrook, *mwwsallyride@gmail.com* 

#### Condit Blood Drive

Friday, April 14, is the next Red Cross Blood Drive in the Condit Fellowship Hall. Each pint of blood given helps save three lives. If you are willing to donate and have not made an appointment call Polly Horn at 740-965-3582 or email <a href="mailto:GiveBlood@ConditChurch.org">GiveBlood@ConditChurch.org</a>

# Big Walnut Friends Who Share

Condit is a big supporter of B.W.F.W.S. There is a pink container in the gathering room outside the Pastor's study to collect canned food items and staples between the major drives.

Hats and mittens are also collected at Christmas.

# Wands for Wildlife

Please save your used mascara wands, soak them in warm Dawn soapy water overnight and rinse them the next day. Put the clean dry Wands in the container in the narthex. They are sent to a wildlife refuge and will be used to clean rescued baby birds and animals. They are mailed in January and September.

# Condit to Celebrate Easter



Palm Sunday begins Easter on April  $2^{nd}$ .

Communion will be served during the Maundy Thursday Worship which begins at 7 p.m April 6<sup>th</sup>.

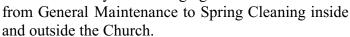
Easter Breakfast is being served at 9:00 Sunday morning, April 9th.

The wooden cross Bob Westbrook made will be outside for people to add flowers to it as they arrive for Easter Worship service at 10 Sunday morning.

# Annual Work Day

By George Justice

Our annual Work Day is scheduled for April 29th. There are many tasks ranging



"Task Lists" are posted on the entrance doors so everyone can pick and choose how you'd like to contribute to the welfare of our Church.

Also, for those who want, any of these tasks can be done during the previous week: April 24<sup>th</sup> thru 28<sup>th</sup>. Trustees are looking forward to getting many of these tasks accomplished and would appreciate any time and assistance you can contribute.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact any of the Condit Trustees. They are listed on the back of this newsletter. Contact information is in the Church Directory.

We hope many of you can come and join us.

Trustees thank you in advance.

#### From the Pastor's Desk. . . .

## Friends in Christ

For the Hebrew faith, the Passover and the Exodus are the defining moments of their relationship with God. Their liberation from slavery and Egypt was all a result of God's loving initiative on their behalf.



Rev. Morrison

Likewise, what God has done for us at Easter, raising our Lord Jesus from the dead, freeing us from our slavery to the wages of our sins, which in death, is the defining moment of our relationship with God.

Easter is also the establishment of God's new covenant with us, which is based on our faith in Christ.

Easter is also a down payment if you will. The Kingdom of God is revealed in Christ but its fulfillment is not yet complete. There is an appointed time, known only to God, when Christ will return and the new creation the prophets foretold will be realized.

Thus Easter is also our incentive to witness to the promise of Easter and be about the work of peace and mercy and generosity and fairness and economic sharing for all of God's people. Although that may seem foolish in our human kingdom, Easter proclaims we will be blessed when Jesus returns and the Easter promise is fulfilled.

So keep the faith my Easter brothers and sisters!

In Christ, Wayne



# WORSHIP



10 a.m. Sundays, April 2 thru April 26

7 pm. Maundy Thursday, April 6 Worship with Communion

With Pastor Wayne Morrison

Ushers and Greeters for April Bethelem Fraser and Grant Bartlett

Flowers for April Sheila Micholes

# Condit Women Will Discuss Bunyan's "Pilgrim's Progress"

Women's Circle will meet at noon on Wednesday April 19. Please bring a sack lunch. Dessert will be furnished.

MaryAnn Counts will lead the discussion of a classic by John Bunyan, "The Pilgrim's Progress from This World, to That Which is to Come." This book was probably started in 1678 when Bunyan was in prison. Let Sandy Thacker know if you will attend. She will be ordering books and study guides.



Next Meeting
Will Be May 12
At Condit

by Sandy Thacker

Faith Filled Women's group met on March 10<sup>th</sup> at the Olive Green Church of Christ in Christian Union for a program and luncheon.

The program was provided by The Bridge. We learned about one of the missions our group supports. The speaker was Jimmy Alexander from Lazarus Life Ministries. He is the Director and Founder of this Christ centered addiction recovery program. The group seeks to transform and restore the lives of men caught in the clutches of drug and alcohol addiction.

Jimmy talked about his past and his personal struggles with addiction and how finding Christ and a good recovery program changed his life. He was helped by Teen Challenge in Cincinnati. In 2018, after turning his life around he wanted to help others and develop a recovery ministry in the Mt. Vernon and Knox County area. With a lot of hard work he was able to get it going, and purchase a house on Rt. 229 for men. This is a privately funded mission with big plans and hopes for the future. They would like to open a women's house in the next 5 years.

After our speaker, we enjoyed a great lunch provided by the Olive Green Church and good fellowship.

Join Us for Food & Fun Wednesdays
April 12 and 26!

#### Getting To Know You . . .

#### **Dave and Melissa Vermillion**

#### by Jenny Kavage

The Vermillions enjoy spending the chilly days of late winter near the wood stove in the Morrow County home of Dave's youth. In February they became the newest members of Condit Presbyterian Church.

Melissa worshiped at the Old Stone Presbyterian Church west of Delaware during her middle and high school years. When she and Dave decided to look for a new church she googled "Presbyterian" and found the church at Condit. As visitors they were impressed by the friendliness of the congregation and soon became involved.

It didn't hurt that John Whitney and his sister Polly Horn had known Dave's maternal grandfather Fred McKay, an Olive Green resident who wrote popular columns for The Sunbury News for years. "Small world," Melissa thought when she discovered their brother was Duncan Whitney. She had known Duncan through church and was in school with some of that family.

Dave and his three sisters were born to William and Mary McKay Vermillion. He lived his first several years on their Morrow County farm and attended elementary school at Marengo.

When his dad quit farming and became a carpenter the Vermillions moved to a house closer to Marengo. It wasn't far from the one-room school where Fred McKay once taught, now the Groovy Plants Ranch near Pagetown.

Melissa and her three siblings grew up in a pleasant Delaware neighborhood with a neighborhood swimming pool. She spent her summers on the swim team. She still enjoys swimming when she can.

After graduation from Delaware Hayes High School Melissa went to Miami University in Oxford, OH where she majored in microbiology. She minored in German and spent her first year after college in Germany.

She came home to a Forest Service job in Delaware working on a project to genetically alter Gypsy Moths to stop their defoliation of trees. A year later she joined the Immunology Department at Battelle doing research and development.



Dave went to Highland High School in Sparta where he played on the baseball and basketball teams.

After graduation he enlisted in the Air Force where he was trained as a lab technician. This training led to a 20-year career at Battelle as a chromatographer in analytical chemistry.

It was at Battelle that Dave and Melissa met. They married and, after some remodeling, moved into Dave's childhood home. Melissa quit working to be a stay-at-home mom for their two sons, Isaac and Eric. The boys are grown now and living in Washington, DC and Columbus.

Melissa had gone back to work in the biochemistry field but that work ended with the pandemic. As empty nesters, Dave and Melissa are enjoying their lifelong activities of reading, travel, gardening, antique shopping and family get-togethers. They are also enjoying getting to know their new friends at Condit Presbyterian Church.



Join the Fun! Play Euchre 7:00 April 2!

# Sunday Morning After Church at PJ's Restaurant



Left to right around table one: Harold Ramsey, Linda Dado, Sheri Linnabary, Georgann Whitney, Bob Westbrook, John Whitney, Doug Linnabary, Sandy Thacker, Bev Saksa and Madison Howard



Front left around table two: Beth Fraser, Marianne Westbrook, Doreen Bartlett, Ken Bartlett and Grant Bartlett.

During pre-covid days, Condit church goers used to rush to Wendy's to beat the other churches in town. Like many things in our lives, restaurants closed for inside dining. John and Georgann started going to PJ's and began inviting the congregation to join them for good food and fellowship. From a table for four the group has grown until a second table was added March 19. The faces may change each week but everyone gets a good catch-up chat together. Please join us at PJs next Sunday!

### Jane Lahmon's Berry Pie Recipe

by Sandy Thacher

At our Valentine's spaghetti dinner in February you might have enjoyed a piece of pie for dessert. Jane Lahmon baked all the berry pies for that luncheon, and they were delicious! She agreed to share the recipe with me - here it is!

**Pie Crust** (enough for 2 double crust pie and a single crust pie)

3 Cups Gold Medal unbleached flour

1 Teaspoon Salt

1½ Cups Crisco Butter shortening

With a pastry cutter, blend the above until thoroughly mixed to fine crumb consistency.

Gradually sprinkle 1/2 cup cold water while stirring into mixture with a fork.

Work together with your hand; remove it from the bowl onto a floured surface.

With as little kneading as possible, roll to "jelly-roll" form. Divide into 5 sections. (If making one double crust pie, roll out 2 sections for the bottom and

top crust. Remaining sections can be wrapped and placed in the freezer for future use.)

#### Pie Filling (for two 9 inch pies)

Used for all berry, peach, and apple pies. \*Granny Smith makes the best apple pies.

Mix together, thoroughly:

1½ quarts fruit

½ teaspoon lemon juice

2/3 cups sugar

2 tablespoons Tapioca Minute pudding (in red and white box)

\*For apple pie add 1 - 2 teaspoons of cinnamon Bake at 425° oven for 55 - 60 minutes.



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# **April** 2023

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10:00 Palm Sunday Worship	6-7:00 Bible Study	6:00 Fitness Group	6:00 Choir Practice	7:00 Maundy Thursday Service with Communion	Good Friday Church Open 3-6 for prayers as individuals	80
9.00 Easter Breakfast 10:00 Easter Worship	01	6:00 Fitness Group	12 5-7 Food & Fun 6:00 Choir Practice	5:30 Fitness Group 7:00 Session & Trustees	1-6 Condit Blood Drive	15
10 Worship	4	6:00 Fitness Group	Condit Women's Circle at Noon 6:00 Choir Practice	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE 6:00 Fitness Group	24	22
23* 10 Worship	24	25 6:00 Fitness Group	26 5-7 Food & Fun 6:00 Choir	5:00 Fitness Group	28	29 WORK DAY 7 p.m. Euchre in Fellowship Hall
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