

THE CHIMES

August 2017



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MISSION TRIP 2017

Last month 41 youth and 25 adults from Church of the Saviour spent a week in Zanesville, Ohio for the 2017 COTS Youth Mission Trip. The Rolling Plains United Methodist Church welcomed them with radical hospitality by providing a home for the week as well as a welcome dinner on Saturday night and Sunday breakfast. The three goals for this year's trip were to work on the homes of those who either cannot afford or are physically unable to do the work for themselves, to show Christ to others through example and to help our youth grow spiritually. These goals were met as the group worked at seven sites around Zanesville repairing the porch and roof of a clothing and food bank, replacing shingles on the New Lexington parsonage, completing repair work on a modular home and completing 4 wheelchair ramps for a total length of 113 feet of safe access to private homes. While working on these projects the youth and adults also built meaningful relationships with the warm and welcoming folks who were in need and deeply grateful for the work done in their community. Many thanks to everyone who supported this year's mission trip through your prayers and or your contributions to the mission trip stock sale.



SummerFest 2017 is happening Saturday, August 5 from 5-9 p.m., and we need you! The purpose of SummerFest is to reach out to neighbors, friends, and family to provide a fun, safe event for the communities in the Greater Heights. Once again, this event will be COMPLETELY FREE - free food, free games, free admission. We hope everyone from Church of the Saviour can come and enjoy the evening with our church family and our community. To be as welcoming and hospitable as possible, we are especially seeking individuals who can commit to simply being present for all or a portion of the evening, and are willing to offer a friendly greeting to folks you don't yet know. Other roles are available, also. To volunteer, contact Curt Campbell at curt@chsaviour.org or call the church office.

SUNDAY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sermon Series Title: Called to Excellence

August 6

Worship at 8:30 a.m. in Myers Chapel, 9:30 a.m. in the Great Hall and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Rev. Andy Call preaching. Holy Communion at all three services.

August 13

Worship at 8:30 a.m. in Myers Chapel, 9:30 a.m. in the Great Hall and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Rev. Andy Call preaching at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Rev. Gregory Kendrick Jr. preaching at 9:30 a.m.

August 20

Worship at 8:30 a.m. in Myers Chapel, 9:30 a.m. in the Great Hall and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Rev. Gregory Kendrick preaching at 8:30 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Rev. Andy Call preaching at 9:30 a.m.

August 27

Worship at 8:30 a.m. in Myers Chapel, 9:30 a.m. in the Great Hall and 11:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary. Rev. Andy Call preaching.

FROM THE PASTOR



What an exciting time in the life of Church of the Saviour! This season of our lives together promises to be challenging and filled with opportunity. While my role as lead pastor/senior pastor is a new one, the relationships we hold together are ongoing. I have joy because of you and because of what I see God doing in us and through us.

Over the past few months, I have been working with key leaders in the congregation in prayerful discernment to develop a clear direction for our congregational life and ministry engagement. Out of that discernment process and in keeping with our 20/20 vision plan, our focus in the coming year is growing in discipleship, aligning our lives as disciples of Jesus Christ. We will do this by focusing

on three key areas:

1. We will renew our commitment to who we are called to be – as Christians and specifically as Church of the Saviour – by recalling and holding fast to our core identity in Christ.
2. We will challenge ourselves to go deeper in our relationship with Christ and with one another – specifically, by taking bold steps toward our audacious goal of 80% of the worshipping congregation engaging in intentional spiritual formation through participation in a small group.
3. We will grow in generosity, our willingness to share our hope and joy with those around us and give our time and resources to being who we were made to be. I am committed as your pastor to leading us in this season of spiritual growth, and I am counting on you to pray with me for our church and for what God is calling forth.

Created by God, called by Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we live to be disciples, to make disciples, and to transform the world into God's reign. This is who we are. This is who we are becoming.

- Rev. Andy Call

ANNUAL CONFERENCE REPORT

By Arleen Twist

As many readers of The Chimes know, Church of the Saviour is connected to other United Methodist churches through its Annual (regional) Conference which, in turn, is part of the North Central Jurisdiction of the UMC, one of the five geographical areas in the United States that supply support and leadership to the Annual Conferences. Each Conference, comprising pastors and laity and led by a bishop, meets annually to ordain new pastors and deacons and to do the business of the regional church.

This past June, Church of the Saviour's representatives to the East Ohio Annual Conference were our three pastors, Rev. Judy Wismar Claycomb, Rev. Andy Call and Rev. Dianne Tobey Covault. Church of the Saviour was also represented by our elected church lay member, Thelma Tucker, as well as Mary Holloway and Arleen Twist as elected delegates from the North Coast District. COTS members participating in the Monday evening memorial service procession were Helen Barr, Estelle Covault and Spencer Short. ShaRon Johnson was the liturgist for the service.

Conference activities enable delegates to appreciate more fully the connectional aspect of United Methodist churches. Delegates hear and affirm reports from Conference committees and administrative officers; they attend inspirational worship services, listen to meaningful preaching; hear and participate in a variety of uplifting musical styles; consider and vote on resolutions regarding various local and national issues of concern to the church.

For those who would like to see photos and read additional details about the June 2017 East Ohio Annual Conference, please click on or enter the following URL in your browser: www.ecumc.com/eoac17



SCHOOL SUPPLY COLLECTION

Students are heading back to school this month and once again we are collecting school supplies to help the teachers in our congregation who work in Cleveland and East Cleveland. Each year, these teachers personally purchase the needed supplies for many of their students who begin the school year with no supplies of their own. You can help support these teachers and their students by purchasing supplies and bringing them to church on or before Sunday, August 13. Suggested supplies include: #2 pencils, lined notebook paper, rulers, crayons, manila art paper, white art paper, 1.5 inch three-ring binders, glue sticks, pencil cases, highlighters, colored pencils, graph paper (1/4"), spiral notebooks, pocket folders, #20 weight copy paper, multi-colored construction paper, and composition books. You may also write a check, payable to Church of the Saviour, with "school supplies" in the memo line, and we will do the shopping.



Join us for a Christmas party in the parlor after the 11 a.m. service on July 30. Enjoy cake, cookies, coffee, Christmas music, and find out how your Christmas gifts to COTS have given us a reason to celebrate! Please bring a dozen of your favorite Christmas cookies to share. (Results on July 30 are only preliminary – you can still participate in Christmas in July through July 31!)

WELCOMING INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS

Be God's ambassador to the world's future leaders through the international student ministry of InterVarsity Christian Fellowship at CWRU and CSU. In order to live our call to welcome the stranger, we need volunteer hosts for temporary housing and drivers to pick up students from the airport. In addition, please save your donations and some time to volunteer at the International Student Furniture Giveaway Event on Saturday, August 19 in the Great Hall. Donations of household items will be accepted after August 1. Contact Bok Chew at bokchew@yahoo.com or call 216-371-3114.

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

At the start of each new school year Church of the Saviour invites all students to bring their backpacks with them to worship for a blessing of the backpacks. This year, on August 13, we will offer a special time of prayer during worship to offer encouragement to excited students, offer comfort to anxious students and to remind all students that God's love and the support of the congregation will be with them through the coming school year.

THANK YOU FROM UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

Church of the Saviour United Methodist Women wish to thank you for your contributions to the two Flea Markets held during the past year. Whether you donated goods, time or made purchases, your generosity enabled us to disperse more than \$16,000 to the following organizations: Africa University for Scholarships, Midwest Distribution Center, Ohio Living Breckenridge Village for Intergenerational programming, West Side Community House, Nehemiah Mission, Wesleyan Village for life care, Flat Rock Homes, The Mission Society for the work of the Davidsons' in Liberia, SIM USA for mission work in Ecuador, United Methodist Women's Legacy Fund, Ganta Mission Liberia for scholarships, Cambodia for the work of Esther Gitobu, Church of the Saviour Breathe Respite program, Stephen Ministry, Eucharist Ministry, Pastor's Discretionary fund, the Early Learning Center, and to support Kevin Schaner's missionary work. These funds have gone to very worthwhile projects and services locally, nationally and internationally.

Please start saving your best fleas for our next Flea Market which will be October 20 and 21, 2017. We will start accepting donations on Monday October 16th.

FINANCIAL SNAPSHOT

Church of the Saviour operating finances through June 2017 are summarized here. For the month of June, we ended with a surplus of \$1,600. For the year, receipts are 2.75% below expectation. This is good news! Last month, receipts were 5% below expectation. Expenses are still well below budget. Christmas in July is in full swing, and Sunday offerings have been strong for the last few weeks. Your continued support will enable us to start the fall program year on strong financial footing.

Receipts:		Expenses:			
Actual	\$658,147	Actual	\$677,305	Net Actual	(\$19,156)
Budget	\$677,066	Budget	\$689,891	Net Budget	(\$12,825)
Difference	(\$18,919)	Difference	(\$12,286)	Difference	(\$6,331)

WEBSITE AND PODCASTING

chsaviour.org

MINISTRY TEAM

Andy Call, Lead Pastor

Gregory Kendrick, Jr., Pastor

Lois Annich, Pastoral Counselor

Brian Smart, Director of Emerging Ministries

David Gilson, Director of Music

Robert Day, Organist

Curt Campbell, Director of Youth Ministries

Penny Neisen, Properties Manager

Loretta Dahlstrom, Business Administrator

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COOKIE COLLECTION FOR USO

Church Women United is collecting cookies for USO. The cookies will be much appreciated by the young people and their families as the recruits are waiting to be inducted into the service. Cookies can be store-bought or homemade and can be delivered to Church of the Saviour by August 13.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY'S BULLETIN BOARD

Heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of **Ronald Nelson** who passed away on April 30 and to the family and friends of **Lorraine Henery** who passed away on June 24.

Congratulations to the family of **Joshua Earl Jordan** who was born on July 7 (6 lbs. 9oz.) Joshua is the son of **Jocelyn Landrum** and **Bryan Jordan** and Grandson of **Diethra Cox** and **John Landrum**.

UPCOMING DEADLINES

Monday, August 14

Mid-Month digital reminder page

Monday, August 21

September Chimes newsletter

SAVE THE DATES

Playground Brunch: Sunday, August 13

Blessing of the Backpacks: Sunday, August 13

Upward Registration Opens Tuesday, September 5

Youth Group Kick-Off: Friday, September 8

Kick-Off Sunday, September 10

Kids Club Kick-Off: September 15

Awarding of Second Grade Bibles: Sunday, September 17

