
THE BEACON

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Dear Jesus, sometimes I'm like Mary and sometimes Martha. Whether I'm quietly listening or busily serving, remind me that you are the "one thing" I need (Luke 10:42). Amen.



Union Hill Church Members,

At the June 9th Administrative Board Meeting, the Board decided to look into the possibility of disaffiliation from our membership with the United Methodist Church. This is something that we as a Board feel is something that we should consider, but obviously this is a Church wide decision within our membership. As members of the UMC, we are under the impression that it would cost our church roughly \$100,000 to disaffiliate from the conference. We would like to take a straw vote to feel out the opinion of the congregation and where we stand moving forward. This **WOULD NOT BE** an official vote, only to see where we go from here. This straw vote will take place Sunday, July 17th after the service. If we move to an official vote, that vote would have to pass by a 2/3 majority vote by members of the congregation, which would happen more than likely after the August Board meeting.

On July 17th, Brenda Widder and myself will be leading the meeting. A representative from the East Ohio Conference may be here to answer any additional questions you may have.

Sincerely,

Justin Elmore
Administrative Board President

Brenda Widder
Union Hill UMC Lay Leader



United in Christ

The psalmist wrote "How good and pleasant it is when God's people live in unity!" (Psalm 133:1 NIV) As the church has discussions about disaffiliation from the United Methodist Church, we must not let our house of the Lord be torn apart. I pray that each of us will be in intentional prayer for our church, and may we have love and respect for each other, even though we may interpret Scriptures differently. Ephesians 4:15 says "Speak the truth in love." We will grow to become in every respect the mature body of Him who is the head. That is CHRIST!

If we live this Agape love, we will be patient and kind to one another. Let Union Hill collectively ask for Godly wisdom as Scripture says, "If any of you lack wisdom, let them ask God." (James 1:5)

This conversation must take place with the laity of the church. I will be here to pray for each of you. I will be here to answer any technical questions you may have. Please show up for the meetings; decisions are made by those who show up. And remember to respect and love one another as our Lord has commanded us!

As always,

Grace Abounds!

Pastor Jeff

SUMMER BIBLE READINGS: JULY

Interest was expressed for our Bible Reading Challenge to continue for the summer. Pastor Jeff has compiled readings. The readings for July:

July 4 - 9: 2 Chronicles 1:1-12
2 Chronicles 6:12-7:1
2 Chronicles 9:1-12

July 10-16: Esther 1:1-2:23
Esther 3:1-4:17
Esther 5:1-6:14
Esther 7:1-10:13

July 17-23: Job 1:1-22
Job 2:1-10
Job 19:1-27

July 24-30: Job 38:1-18
Job 40:1-10
Job 42:1-17

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



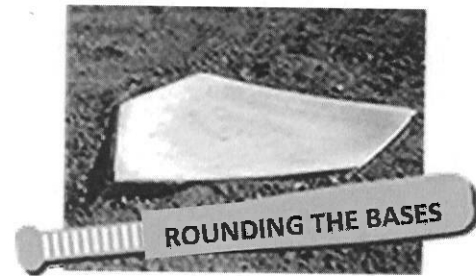
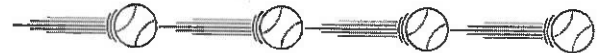
All kids are invited!
The Sugarcreek
Community
Vacation Bible
School will be

July 13th - 15th
5:30 - 7:30 pm

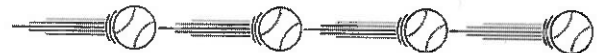
at the First United Church of Christ in Sugarcreek. Registration has begun! Forms are in the narthex or contact the church office to have it emailed to you.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed to help at the sound desk. If you are interested, please see Nick Schwartz.



Beginning Sunday, July 3rd.
Sermon Series: "Rounding the Bases"
Wear your favorite team's jersey, t-shirt, cap, etc.! July 3rd will also be "Wear Your Jeans to Church Sunday"



TATC SUMMER SCHEDULE

The TATC youth group will be meeting on Sunday evenings 6:00 - 7:30 pm with special activities planned throughout the summer. For the month of July, there will be no meeting on July 3rd for the holiday weekend and no meeting on July 10th.



Columbus Zoo
Saturday
July 9th

CHRISTMAS IN JULY

Join us
Sunday
July 24th



Come and celebrate Christmas!



SUGARCREEK MUSIC FESTIVAL

Sponsored by the churches of Sugarcreek
Sunday, July 10th

4:30 – 7:00 pm



Come and enjoy a night of music,
food, fellowship, and worship!

At the pavilion behind the fire station.

See bulletin board for more details.

KITCHEN MINISTRY NEWS

We had a very busy spring in the kitchen ministry area. The following is a list of banquets and the net profit from each one:

Ohio Forestry Assoc. - \$848.48

Garaway Senior Center - \$663.61

Ohio Retired Teachers - \$515.94

Jerusalem Church MB - \$471.10

At the end of May, we were asked to do something new. We prepared breakfast sandwiches for the high school seniors. What a blessing to work with this team! The profit for this project was \$181.30.

Our total net profits for the first half of the year were \$2680.43, so after a tithe to the general fund, we were able to put \$2,331.04 in the building fund. We are so blessed to have many willing hands that make this possible! Thank you

OCC ITEMS FOR JULY



Clothing Items

July

BARRS MILLS FOOD PANTRY

Soup &
Macaroni and Cheese



July 1: Randy Alleshouse
Denny Egler
Alivia Roach
Jill Starner

July 2: Brenda Gordon

July 4: Preston Elmore
Alexia Swihart

July 7: Clayton Fisher
Trevor Miller

July 9: Mary Zumbach

July 11: Shirley Gordon

July 14: Nick Schwartz
Quinn Schwartz

July 16: Chris Andrews

July 17: Amanda Gerber
Bob Gerber

Jeff Hershberger

July 22: Janet Miller



July 2

Don & Joyce Rufener

July 4

Jacob & Erin Mahaffey

July 14

Don & Gladys Andrews

July 18

Jeromy & Jill Starner

July 20

Gabe & Katie Elmore

July 24

Tony & Heather Kinsey

July 26

Barney & Charlotte Barnhart

John & Wanda Croft

July 29

Scott & Denise Cooley

Von & Shirley Gordon

Church Directory

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Church School: 9:30 am Worship: 10:30 am

Deadline for copy: third Monday of each month.

Sun

Mon

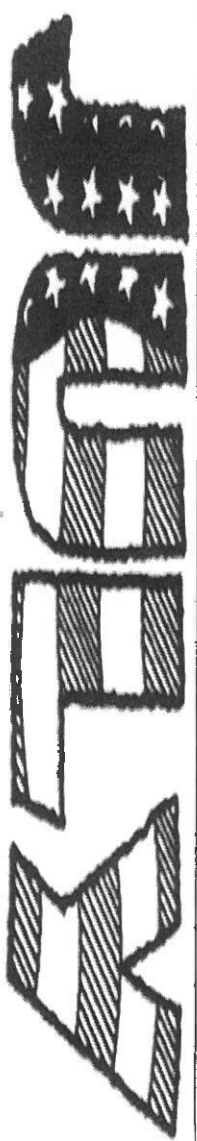
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Thu

Fri

Sat



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
3 6pm - TATC 31	4 Office closed 4th of July 9am - Busy Bees	5 9am - Trustees	6 VBS 8:30 - 7:30 pm Sugarcreek UCC	7 9am - Confirmation	8 9am - Confirmation	9 TATC: Columbus Zoo Trip to the Zoo
10 2pm - 4H 5pm - Music Festival	11 Lynette - Vacation Office closed	12	13	14	15	16
17 Church Meeting after Worship 6pm - TATC	18	19	20 7pm - SIS	21 9am - Confirmation	22 9am - Confirmation	23
24 6pm - TATC Church Meetings	25 Newsletter Items due 7:30pm - Missions	26	27	28	29 9am - Confirmation	30

