



Convoy United Methodist Church
PARRISH PORTRAIT
March 2008

Come!

All are invited!

On Thursday evening, March 20th, we will conclude this year's Lenten Bible Study with a special evening at 7:00pm we will gather in the social room where we will remember the Passion of the Christ as we receive the sacrament of Holy Communion. This sacrament which lifts up the Lord's Last Supper will then be followed by a film presentation by the A & E Television Company exploring the events which led Jesus to the cross of Calvary.

Following the film will conclude with prayer and return to our homes mediating upon all that Jesus gave in order to secure for the whole world the precious gift of salvation.

Child Care will be provided for those with young children who wish to attend this special event.

Yours in Christ,
Greg Leigh, pastor

***May You Have a
Blessed Easter!***

Convoy United Methodist Church
January 24, 2007

The Convoy United Methodist Church Administrative Board met on Thursday, January 24, 2007. Rev. Leigh opened the meeting with prayer.

SECRETARY'S REPORT- Motion to accept report by Randy, second Margaret. Motion carried.

TREASURER'S REPORT- no treasurers report. It was reported the apportionments were paid in full for 2007.

VALENTINES DINNER - Margaret reported that the dinner will be Sunday February 10, 2008 at 11:30am in the church social room. A dessert bar will be available. A free will offering will be taken with proceeds to go with the mission team in March.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY - Laura reported that all is going well. Great job on the Children's Christmas Program. It was noted that a video camera has been donated to be viewed on the screen for special events to help the persons seated in the back to see.

MISSIONS

The annual missions trip is scheduled for March 1 -9 with 10 going to Louisiana. Mission Sunday will be February 17, 2008. Donna Grimm of Hospice will present the morning program. Soup and Sandwich to begin the evening program with Trina Langdon of the Pregnancy Life Center.

EASTER SUNDAY AT FORT WAYNE RESCUE MISSION - Jon reported that the Dealey's are purchasing 100 pie crust for volunteers to fill and take along with 10 workers to help serve.

MAPS OF THE CHURCH - Ted inquired as to if a map had been created, no one was aware of a map, so he would look into the project.

TRUSTEES - Randy reported that a second opinion on the 30 year old air conditioners will be given by Schumm's Plumbing, Heating & AC, Mark's Heating & AC reported that they were shot and needed replaced. Will be putting together a cost estimate for the elevator from the basement to the top floor, funds are coming in, but an estimated cost has not been done. The roof on the north side of the main church building and the rubber roof on the social room are in need of replacing. The carpet on the entrance steps and the sanctuary carpet are going to need to be cleaned after the use of salt is done.

EDUCATION - Amy reported that a meeting was held on Saturday January 19th. Going to send Birthday Cards and Miss You Cards to kids and adults. Monthly Newsletter for kids, Movie and Pizza Sunday March 2nd. Looking for substitutes for the adult Come Join Us Class. Looking into Summer Sunday School helpers. Inviting the 11:11am service children to join the Sunday School hour. Dave Sellers has started a new class, studying Matthew. Next meeting is April 8th at 7:00pm

PASTOR'S REPORT - Best Buy Geek Squad will be here on Feb. 8th to check out the installation of sound and video for the nursery and social room. Disciple Bible Study will begin Feb. 21st. from 6:30-8:00pm with child care available. Ash Wed. Feb. 6th-Communion and ashes from 6-7pm. Maundy Thursday March 20th 7pm, film "The Cross" and Communion. Confirmation will begin on March 2nd.

Next meeting, Thursday, February 28, 7pm.

Randy moved to adjourn, second by Ted, the meeting was adjourned with prayer.

ATTENDANCE

Ted Kiehl Jon Hall Greg Leigh Vicki Saylor Susan Hughes Steve King Robert Wertemberger
Laura Leigh Margaret Miller Dick Miller Amy Sellers Randy Bullinger

Sunday

9:30/11:11 Attendance

Offering

December 16	No	Church
December 23	246	\$11768.35
January 6	132/47	
January 13		\$2928.
January 20		\$4756.
January 27		\$4485.17
February 10		\$3237.
February 17	133	\$3694.
February 24	123/47	\$2838.
March 2		\$3247
March 9	102	\$1638.

Altar Flowers

Acolytes

January 6	Richard, Maragret & Jean Miller	Oliva & Taylor
January 13	Brad, Susan, Taylor & Katie Hughes	Mallory & Brady
January 20	Rick & Cindy Mollenkopf 28 th Anniversary	Katie & Hali
January 27		Kristin & Hannah
February 3		Kylee & Ashley
February 10	Marhl & Ruth Flickenger	Ally & Emily
February 17	Patti, Lisa & JP Cox Memory of Paul & Permilla Codling	Sidney & Emma
February 27	Robert & Louise Wertenberger	Olivia & Taylor
March 2	Roger & Susie Baksa	Mallory & Brady
March 9	Dave Hummel & Fritzi Stewart Memory of Mother's B/D	Katie & Hali
March 16		Kristin & Hannah
March 23	Warren & Marilyn Reed	Kylee & Ashley
March 30	Romaine Feasby Memory of Murlin Feasby	Ally & Emily
April 6	Jodi & Shawn Thompson 3 rd Anniversary	Sidney & Emma
April 13	Dealey Family Birthdays	Olivia & Taylor
April 20	Justin & Amanda Gehres	Mallory & Brady
April 27		Katie & Hali

Junior Church will be held for all kids in grades Kindergarten through 4th grade. Children may go downstairs immediately following the children's sermon. Volunteers are needed to help continue this program.

The age for the nursery is 0 to Pre-K. Volunteers are still needed during the Worship Service only. The nursery will be open also during the Sunday School hour for those parents who would like to attend a class themselves. If you interested in volunteering during the 9:30am service, please sign up on the bulletin board.

***Cards would be appreciated for Cody Feasby,
husband of Codi and son of Travis & Anita
SSgt. Feasby, Cody
64ESFS/S4A
APO/AEO9852***

p.m. Betty Springer will have the program “Peace: Journeying to Claim It”. All women are encouraged to attend.

2. On Wednesday April 2nd at 7 p.m. we will have our District President Tina Basinger visit our group and lead the program “Charter for Racial Justice”.
3. On Saturday April 19th, our District Spiritual Day Apart / Leadership Training will be held at Lima Trinity UM. Registration will begin at 9:30 and the program starts at 10 a.m. The cost is \$10 per person and this includes your lunch. If you are in need of a registration form, please see Amy Sellers or Linda Holden. Even if you are not in a leadership role, please plan on attending. There will be mission projects for you to work on during officer training. This is a wonderful time to fellowship with other members in our district and learn more about the roles United Methodist Women have in doing God’s work.
4. There is a collection box in our vestibule for items that the “Our Daily Bread” food pantry in Lima is in need of. These items are: instant mashed potatoes, beef and chicken broth and personal hygiene items. All of the items will be taken to Lima Trinity on April 19th.

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***CONFIRMATION WILL BEGIN ON
SUNDAY MARCH 2, 2008 BEGINNING
WITH LUNCH AT NOON AND CONCLUDE
BY 1:30PM.***

Websites

convoyumc.org – Convoy United Methodist Church

westohioumc.org – West Ohio Conference

gbgm-umc.org – United Methodist Women

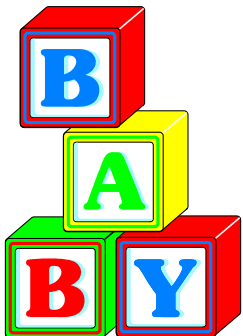


Education Department

By Amy Sellers, Chairman

The Education Team met on January 19th

1. On Sunday March 2nd at noon a pizza/movie party will be taking place for kids in grades K-12. More events will be planned like this for the kids in the upcoming months.
2. The nursery is now open through Sunday School for those parents who would like to go to a class themselves. We are in need of volunteers during the CHURCH Service. Please sign up on the bulletin board in the vestibule and take your turn in watching these children. It is very much appreciated by the Ed. Team and the parents. The nursery is for kids ages 0-preschool.
3. We are now having Junior Church during the church service. After the Children's Moment with the Pastor, your children in grades K - 4 can go downstairs.
4. We are in need of SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL TEACHERS for the kids. Anyone wishing to volunteer (even if it's only for a month), please see Amy Sellers or call her at 419-749-2530. There won't be any particular curriculum to follow, so you can really do you own thing. We will need teachers for the Primary Class (grades 1-3) and for the Older Elementary (grades 4-6). Also, anyone wishing to be a
5. Back-up teacher (you are called if someone is sick or on vacation), please let Amy know. This would include all classes from Pre-K through Adult.
6. Dave Sellers started a new Sunday School class for "young adults". They are studying Matthew.
7. Information Sheets are being filled out on each of the students and the adult students. This will be used to send out birthday cards and "miss you" cards. Also a copy of the new monthly kid's newsletter will be sent to kids in grades K-6. This is just another way to spread the word of God throughout the week, not just on Sunday.
8. A bulletin board will be placed downstairs by the kids' rooms to keep their attention about upcoming events.



New Babies

Dakota, son of Jeremiah & Brandi (Sinn)Eller
Caroline & Careen, twin daughters of Ben & Natalie Winans
Aiden John Helt, son of Steve & Missy Helt
Matthew Thomas Dealey, son of Doug & Sarah Dealey



Easter Week

Palm Sunday – Adult Cantata

“In Christ Alone” @ 7:00pm

Maundy Thursday – 7:00pm

Film “The Cross” and Communion

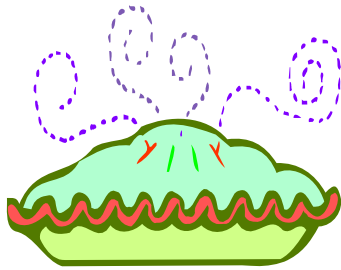
Good Friday – 1:00pm @ Countryside UMC

Easter Sunday – 7:00am Sunrise

UMYF & Crossroads

Sunday School at 8:00am-9:00am

Worship at 9:30am



Pies for the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission

For Easter Sunday Dinner, several persons will be traveling to the Fort Wayne Rescue Mission to serve Dinner and taking pies. 100 Pie Crusts have been donated by the Larry Dealey Family. If you can make a fruit pie or two, the sign up list is on the bulletin board, or if you wish to donate pie filling or monetary donation for pie filling, please do so through the offering plate and mark Easter Pies.



COOKIE BUFFET

By: Taylor & Katie Hughes

Join us on Sunday March 30th after the 9:30am worship service to satisfy your sweet tooth and support a good cause!! Many varieties will be available. Proceeds to Relay for Life.

\$.25 a cookie or \$2.50 a dozen. Donations Accepted