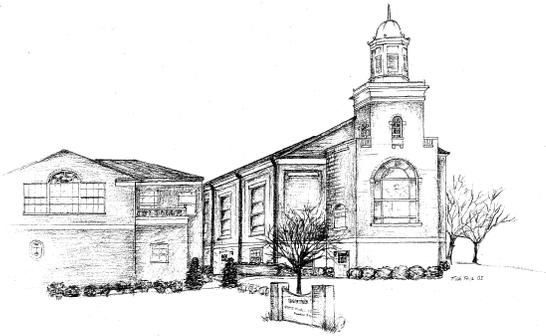


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JUNE 2011 Newsletter



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CHURCH HAPPENINGS

June 3 – Confirmation Dinner

June 5 – Music Sunday

June 8 – Keenagers Luncheon

June 12 – Confirmation Sunday & Sunday School
Recognition, Strengthen the Church Offering

June 15-21 – Confirmation Pilgrimage

June 15 & 29 – Super Summer Specials

June 22 – Summer Picnic at The Grove

June 26 – ONA - P-FLAG Discussion/
Golf Outing & Potluck

June 27 – Trinity Birthday Party

From the Pastor's Desk...

Well, my intention for this month was to write a light 'have a nice summer' column, and remind you to come to church as often as you can. We've had a good, busy Spring and Easter season, plenty going on around the church with the new photo Church Directory and conversations about what it would mean for David's UCC to become an officially Open & Affirming congregation. While the summer will also be busy, in a very different way, with Confirmation Pilgrimage, Wednesday night specials and Church picnics, SALT workers, as well as General Synod for me, and vacations and preparations for the busy fall, I thought keeping the June letter a bit light would be a good thing.

And maybe a wiser pastor would be writing now about how your golf game is a lot like the faith journey, sometimes you're in the rough, sometimes you accidentally hit the ball well and you start to feel like you may just be getting the hang of this game, and God loves you even when you end up 12 over par, with a half a dozen snowmen (8's) on your scorecard. Maybe a smarter minister would come up with a cute, funny note about how the spiritual life, and probably life in general, "is a beach."

But this week, the week before I travel to be with 1700 ministers at the Festival of Homiletics, something small, almost unimportant happened. A small little ad has been created by a group called "Believe Out Loud," a group committed to gay and lesbian inclusion in the life of faith communities. In the brief video ad, a young boy enters a church followed by what one might suspect is his two moms, a lesbian couple. As the trio of visitors make their way down the aisle, looking for a place to sit, the folk in the pews appear to look at them judgmentally, some appear to be laughing, mocking, others fearful and afraid. When they finally reach the front of the small church, the minister greets them and smiles as he says, "Welcome... everyone."

The music that plays as they make that perilous journey into this unknown church, where it's not clear until the very end that someone is glad they are there, that someone intends for them to feel welcomed, is that song "For Once In My Life." It quietly and sadly says "I won't let sorrow hurt me, not like its hurt me before. For once I have something I know won't desert me, I'm not alone anymore. For once, I can say 'this is mine you can't take it,' as long as I know I have love, I can make it. For once in my life I have someone who needs me." It suggests the pain of rejection, the clear sense that there are other places in this family's life where they have known desertion, isolation, loneliness. They want, this little boy wants to be someplace where they are welcome, where every one is truly and lovingly welcomed.

You can view the ad for yourselves on your own computer; it's there on YouTube at this link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=P0buh-1quVs&feature=player_embedded.

While there are all kinds of underlying issues that the brief ad hints at – some churches theology and polity create real barriers for folk who are LGBT, some churches just have a hard time welcoming any stranger, any newcomer is looked at with uncertainty if not downright suspicion – the simple message is not about gay marriage, ordination for gays into the ministry, or anything else. It's simply about welcome and inclusion for all people. After the family is seated, there is a simple message: "Open your heart. Break the silence." And the website of the organization that made the ad, Believe Out Loud.

To be honest, it reminded me of a less ominous, less funny version of ads that were created by the United Church of Christ a few years back, when we were introducing the God is StillSpeaking campaign. You may remember the velvet rope ad, where bouncers stood outside a church and turned away those that weren't welcome. They let in a healthy, attractive middle-class white family, but turned away folk of color, a gay male couple, a person in a wheel chair. At the end it says, simply "Jesus didn't turn people away. Neither do we."

The "ejector" ad followed about a year later, it was a little more pointed, but funny. As an organ played and a family was finding their seats, a woman of color holds a crying baby that's not easily quieted. A hand hits an ejector button and they go flying. A gay couple sits close together and they get the same treatment. A man of color, perhaps a foreigner goes flying, and soon there are folk popping up like popcorn, including someone with a walker. Again the ad ended with a simple message "God doesn't reject people. Neither do we."

You can see these ads again for yourself on your computer. Go to our newly redesigned website at www.davidsucc.org, click on the About the UCC button, then click on the link for those new to the UCC. There you will find four different videos created by the national staff of the United Church of Christ, to carry our outreach message that "whoever you are, wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here." It's a simple, but I believe powerful message of Gospel affirmation, a word I believe many spiritually hungry people are longing to hear, but because they have known rejection or disapproval in some religious settings they don't know there are churches like ours that seek to practice an 'extravagant welcome,' and live into the radically inclusive love of God and neighbor.

You may remember that the UCC got a lot of attention on several news outlets when our ads were rejected by several major networks. CNN and MSNBC and many major outlets did news stories on the ad being rejected, and due to the controversy, the ad was aired again and again at no cost for advertising, getting way more airplay than we could ever have

budgeted as a denomination. I know personally about two dozen people who saw those ads, listened to the news coverage, and sought out a UCC church because of that bold, inclusive stance.

Well, that's all ancient history, or so I thought. The Believe Out Loud people also produced a print version with the same message of "Welcome, everyone," and sought to purchase a placement to have it run in *Sojourners Magazine*, a monthly publication "committed to social justice and peace." The fruit of Jim Wallis, often a voice for progressive evangelical Christians on issues of poverty, and the author of the best selling book, "God's Politics; Why the Right Gets It Wrong and the Left Doesn't Get It," *Sojourners* is an important voice on the intersection of faith and politics, often inspiring both progressive and conservative Christians to lives of greater faithfulness and service.

Sojourners rejected the ad. When pursued as to why, they said they didn't want to choose sides on these controversial issues. Again, this was not an ad supporting gay marriage, at least not directly, or calling for gays to be ordained. It merely said "Open your heart," and called for churches to embody the love and welcome we witness in Jesus as described in the Gospels.

In our conversations about being an Open & Affirming congregation here at David's Church, some have asked why do we have to vote and give ourselves some label, when we already strive to act that way to begin with, why try to fix something that doesn't appear to be broken? And I agree, it's far more important to be truly welcoming to everyone, than to call yourselves by that ONA label.

But as these ads and the little controversies they've created reveal, these tempests in a teacup suggest that for some parts of our population, there is still real brokenness, real rejection. They may have seen so much rejection, so much pain and disappointment over how they've been treated by religious folk, that they need a special invitation, a way to identify our congregation as one that is safe and welcoming for them and their families.

We may already be acting truly welcoming, truly open to loving and including our neighbors "whoever they are, wherever they have been on life's journey," but if we're not letting them know we are Open & Affirming, they may never feel it's safe to come inside. Whether they are straight or gay, whether they have questions and doubts or believe with utter certainty, whether they are healthy or sickly, whether they are well off or going without, whether they have a great family of support or feel lonely and isolated, there are many who need to know that they have someone to lean on, someone who won't desert them, so they don't have to be alone anymore.

Now I truly believe that the very best reason for David's Church to become ONA is because we're already embodying those values, and it's just, plain and simple, the right thing to do. But the reason I'm writing to you about it this month, instead of talking about missing that 5 inch putt or warning you to wear sun-block at the pool cause we want you to stay healthy for a long time, is that little boy in that ad.

All that kid wants is a place where his family, his two moms and he can go and worship God, and feel the love and acceptance of a community that is seeking to embody Jesus' love for the whole world, and all the people. But from the debates that have sprung up online over this silly little ad, and the controversy of *Sojourners* refusing to accept it, it is clear that there are a great many churches, a great many number of Christians who would not embrace that family, who would not make room for that needy little boy and his moms. We can be better than that, we can show families like that one the love and care of Jesus, the way folk have shown that love to each of us. I want that kid to know what it feels like to be loved, for once in his life.

Your pastor and friend,
Brian Q. Newcomb

Notes from Rev. Daria

Summer is upon us and in the church that means trips and camp and Vacation Bible School and all kinds of other summer fun! While I am looking forward to the pleasures of farm stands brimming with fresh produce, swimming pools festooned with bright towels and excited children and long twilights full of outdoor music and fireflies, I am especially looking forward to my first Confirmation Pilgrimage! Along with my intrepid co-chaperones and eight awesome Confirmation students, I will be journeying to Atlanta for fun, learning and service in mid-June. We'll be making a full report to our stockholders later in the summer, so if you want a postcard from Atlanta and a ticket to the Stockholders' Luncheon, you are welcome to purchase stock up until the very last hour. We leave at 7 a.m. on June 15th and if you show up to see us off and buy a stock share or three, we will happily accept!

Another cool thing I get to do with Confirmation kids in June is a tour of the Islamic Center in West Chester. Our visits to worship with other faith communities are fun and informative. It's a shame I can't bring the rest of you along for them because they are a wonderful way to learn about other faith practices as we solidify our own beliefs, but I think Brian might be disappointed to process into an empty sanctuary on Sunday morning! However, since this will happen on a Friday night (June 10th, meet in parking lot at 5 p.m., carpooling encouraged), I would love to have anyone from the wider David's family who is interested tag along with us. Just let me know if you want to come and I will give the tour leader an

advance heads-up. There will be a 30-40 minute talk beginning at 6 p.m., then a tour of the facility, lasting a total of about an hour and a half. There is a suggested \$2 per person donation and visitors are asked to dress modestly, with legs covered at least to mid-calf, arms covered to wrist and scarves for women. Clothes should fit loosely.

June's first Sunday Family at Five event is also an opportunity to experience a bit of another faith community's life. We'll meet at 5 p.m. in the parking lot to caravan to Temple Israel (130 Riverside Drive in Dayton) for their Jewish Cultural Festival. This is a free event featuring music, games, food, crafts, entertainment, a temple tour, a mock wedding and even the chance to blow the shofar! It should be scads of fun and I hope a bunch of you turn out for it!

Kids finishing grades K-6 will also be able to have a ball here at David's for our Super Summer Specials, which will begin on Wednesday, June 15th and continue through July 27th. Our answer to the changing culture is VBS redefined. Parents can drop off kids at 6 p.m. and enjoy dinner out or a bit of shopping while kids have supper, engage with scripture, sing and do a special activity. At 8 p.m., we will close and send kids into the world with an idea for ways in which they can serve God. Each session will be a unit unto itself so that kids can enjoy family vacations or summer camps without missing a crucial piece, but the theme of Service will run through the entire summer. On picnic Wednesdays, June 22nd and July 20th, there will be no program and families are encouraged to attend the picnics. Our SALT workers, Nico Avila-John and Geoff Miller, will be instrumental, along with CE Board members, in orchestrating this program. Please give them a warm welcome on June 5th!

Soak up the sunshine (I am banking on its eventual arrival) and enjoy the lushness of summer!

Blessings,
Rev. Daria

Confirmation 2011



Ciara Boothe, Erin Bruner, Jan Menafee, and Katie Wood will be confirmed on Sunday, June 12 during the worship service. The members of the confirmation class will be honored during the Confirmation Dinner on Friday, June 3 at 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Following the meal, each confirmand will share his or her faith statement with all present. Representatives from each confirmand's family will give individual blessings.

On Sunday, June 12 during the worship service, the confirmands will affirm their baptisms through the Rite of Confirmation. A reception will follow in Fellowship Hall. Indeed, this will be a day of celebration!!

Make an Investment in Our Youth

With the Confirmation Pilgrimage to Atlanta approaching, you have an exciting opportunity to "invest" in the trip. For a donation, you can become a stockholder in our Confirmation Pilgrimage. All stockholders will receive a postcard from pilgrimage participants while in Atlanta and an invitation to the Stockholder's Luncheon set for later in the summer. You will receive the satisfaction of knowing your investment will reap spiritual returns for a lifetime. Please see the confirmands in the Narthex on Sunday mornings to begin your investment portfolio!

Strengthen the Church

On Sunday, June 12, we will be receiving the Strengthen the Church special mission offering of the United Church of Christ. This offering builds the UCC's future. It funds new congregations and renews existing ones. It supports programs for youth and young adults and nurtures current and future leaders.

Directed to local Conferences, Local Church Ministries and the Stillspeaking Ministry, Strengthen the Church gifts help to create vibrant church communities of extravagant welcome. Please give generously to this most important mission.

An envelope has been included in this copy of Dateline. If you receive this copy electronically, envelopes are available on the table in the Narthex prior to June 12, and will be in the pews on June 12.

Thank you!

The Mission Board



Music Sunday - June 5



June Birthday Party at Trinity

The Mission Board is hosting the party for June birthdays at Trinity Community on Monday, June 27th at 6:30 p.m. To make this a special event we're asking for 20 pies instead of birthday cake. Please sign up in the narthex if you can contribute one. You can bring your pie to the kitchen at church on Sunday, June 26th or Monday, June 27th BEFORE 5:30 p.m.

We're also providing balloons, flowers and wrapped candy for the birthday celebrants.

Please join us. We will start setting up at 6:00 p.m. for the party at 6:30 in the Great Room.

Betsy Keyes, Mission Board



Christian Education Corner

Thank you to all the volunteer teachers and shepherds that made the program possible during the school year. We really appreciate everyone sharing their time and talent.

June 5 Music Sunday: Many of the children will be participating in the service. There will be a Nursery and one class for preschoolers. Children from Kindergarten - 6th grade will sit with their parents. There will be packets available for them.

Church School moving into summer schedule: From June 12 through September 4 the church school will have a nursery, pre-school class for 3's-5's and a one room schoolhouse class for Kindergarten through 6th grade. Children will move to their new classes in the fall.

Super Summer Specials to replace Vacation Bible School: Instead of doing the traditional VBS, Christian Education is going to provide several Wednesday evening events for children. Starting June 15 there will be programming at the church or David's Grove from 6:00-8:00 for children, Kindergarten - 6th grade. The program will include supper, song, scripture and a special activity. The Super Summer Specials will focus on service and children will be sent out to service at the end of each session, with suggestions for ways they can be the church in the world. Parents are not required to stay, so plan on going out to dinner or shopping. Each Wednesday will be its own discrete unit so, although there is an overlying theme, children who miss a session or two due to camp, vacation, etc, will not be out of the loop.

Super Summer Specials are scheduled for Wednesdays beginning June 15th and going through the end of July. On picnic dates, there will be no Super Summer Specials and families are encouraged to attend the picnics. Look for more information in the bulletin.

SALT workers: In case you are new to David's, SALT stands for Summer Adult Leadership Training. SALT was started at David's Church in the 90's. It is a program that provides leadership training to young adults about David's church and the greater UCC church. Many of our present members have participated in the program. This year the SALT committee has hired two college students, *Nico Avila-John* and *Geoff Miller*. The SALT program will run from June 6-August 7. The young adults will be working 40 hours a week and will be spending time with both pastors as well as other leaders in the church. *Dotti Ankeney* will be coordinating the program. If you have a project or program that you would like the SALT workers to help with please let Dotti know. There are request forms in the office.

Keenagers

Keenagers will be GOING GREEN on Wednesday, June 8 at 11:30. We are recycling some of our favorite recipes, recycling some of our "table linen" and using real dishes. Please plan to come and enjoy a GREEN salad with lots of trimmings, grandma's lime jello, some yummy rolls, and chocolate chip mint ice cream with Esther Price hot fudge sauce and a chocolate chip cookie.

Following lunch you get to ask questions. Tim Williams, our energetic choir director, has agreed to a question and answer session when you can find out what his favorite music is, when he discovered his love for music, what his pet peeve is - - whatever you're interested in. Ask away. He's ready for you! Tim will follow up with a couple of songs to send us off in high spirits.

A Community Town Hall to discuss Ohio State Bill 5 on June 6 at 7 pm

David's UCC, together with our friends at LIFT Greater Dayton and the non-partisan League of Women Voters, will host a public forum and discussion of this important bill and its impact on our community. In calling for the ending of collective bargaining rights as a necessary provision of meeting a balanced budget for the State of Ohio, this bill has raised important ethical and moral questions about our relationship to public workers, educators and the way our public officials will direct state moneys in the coming years. We're hearing stories of schools losing up to 20% of their budgets, and declines throughout the state in public services at the same time that tax breaks are being offered to corporations. We

want to listen to our neighbors and friends and reflect on the kind of community we envision for our state and community's future. As people of faith, we're asking what is fair, honorable and dignified for those willing to serve as our police, emergency responders, teachers and other public employees? Our State Representative Peggy Lehner will be joining us to listen to both sides of this debate, and to allow folk to share their stories and concerns. We hope you'll come to listen and participate in the conversation.

Two weeks later, LIFT Greater Dayton will reconvene after doing a listening campaign throughout the communities where our religious congregations live and work, to discern if this organization should play a role, take a stand on this issue in the coming election season. That meeting will also meet here at David's on Monday, June 20 at 7 pm.

ONA Discussions Continue

The Board of Elders invites you to a talk by Mark and Patty Thompson, members of Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays (P-FLAG), part of our Open and Affirming series, at 11:15 a.m., Sunday, June 26, in the Adult Ed room.

Jewish Cultural Festival at Temple Israel

130 Riverside Drive, Dayton.

Sunday, June 5

11:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Free Admission!



Enjoy Jewish Music, Play Children's Games, Feast on Jewish Food
Shop for Crafts, Bid for Silent Auction Items, Tour the Temple Building
Blow the Shofar, Attend a Mock Wedding
Answers to everything Jewish you were afraid to ask
Continuous entertainment on two stages



Be there when we present a Torah to a member of a small, Reform congregation in Germany at 6:00 p.m.

Family at Five will meet at the church at 5:00 p.m. and carpool to the festival.

Interested In Taking An Adult Level Confirmation Class?

Over the course of my nearly 28 years of ministry, folk have often enjoyed my classes, whether we were using Kerygma, Living the Questions or doing other Bible or book studies as primary curriculum. Those have been some great times for learning, but often folk have also reported that a real time of learning for them was when they were parenting or mentoring young people through the confirmation process. Either reading the textbook, or engaging in conversation around the topics their children were studying in their confirmation class, folk admitted that they were learning more about their faith, thinking more concretely about it than ever before. You know, people have said to me, you ought to offer a confirmation class for grown ups.

Well, that's what we're going to do this Fall. Rev. Newcomb will convene a class that will meet weekly through the Fall, using the same text Pastor Daria is using with our 7th & 8th graders, "Affirming Faith," and supplementing the topics with DVDs from "Dream-Think-Be-Do" series, an overview of progressive Christianity from the folk who created "Living the Questions." For this to be effective, we need folk to commit to make it to as many classes as they are physically able, and to attend regularly to the reading and writing assignments. As the book is designed to work through the United Church of Christ Statement of Faith, this class would be a great reminder of our faith tradition and values for folk who grew up in the tradition as well as those new to the UCC. By the end of the class we will ask each person to write their own personal faith statement, to be shared with each other, just as our confirmands read their statements as their last act before Confirmation.

So, wish you knew more about the Christian faith, and about the United Church of Christ, or a more progressive approach to Christianity? Looking for a place to ask questions and take your faith journey to the next level? Want to reconnect with your faith, find new ways to express your spirituality, wanting to find a meaningful outlet beyond worship on Sunday mornings? This might be the class for you. We want to make sure we allow folk who are interested in taking the class to help design the schedule so that the greatest number of interested persons can participate. As Tues. evenings are often set aside for Boards and Council, and Thursdays are for Choir, we're looking at Monday or Wednesday evenings, or on Sunday afternoon or evening. If you have interest, please contact Pastor Brian soon, and share your meeting time preference. As the scripture says, "Come let us reason together."



Christian Rock Concert, Saturday, June 18

The veteran Christian rock band Daniel Amos, known for its creative, high energy rock and alternative performances, is doing a reunion tour that comes to middle Ohio on Saturday, June 18. Pastor Brian has been listening to these guys since the late 70's; he says "their albums *Horrendous Disc*, *Alarma!*, and *Doppelganger* are some of the best records ever." The band plays Joe's Listening Room in Wilmington, OH, at 8 pm; tickets are \$20 at the door. Rev. Newcomb will make a sample CD of some of their best songs for anyone interested in attending. This band is a real treat, enjoyable for rock fans of every generation. Contact Rev. Newcomb if you want to attend with him.

“You Asked For It” August Sermon Series

Got a question you'd like answered? Is there a spiritual concern or religious idea that you've never heard addressed fully in a sermon? Well, very likely your question or concern is not entirely unique, there may be others who share your interest. In August, Rev. Newcomb will devote all four Sunday sermons to address any questions you might have—these can be “hot button” issues, theological or Biblical ideas that you find perplexing or difficult, things about life in the church that you think warrants the attention of a sermon for 20 minutes on a Sunday morning. So, please send Pastor Brian an email (brian@davidsucc.org) in the next couple weeks if you have something you'd like him to prepare a sermon and speak about. Please sign the question, and include a phone number, so that if Brian has any follow-up questions to help him understand what you're asking, he can speak directly to you about it. And, if you're going to be away for part of August, include which Sundays you'll plan to be here for worship. While no one will say who asked which question, and we can post sermons on the website, we want to be sure that you can attend on the Sunday your concern, or question, is addressed. The topics will be announced ahead of time in the August Dateline. If nobody asks for anything particular, Rev. Newcomb will return to the lectionary and the assigned texts of the day.

Thank You

Dear Friends,

I am overwhelmed by your generous spirit of giving. Your retirement gift to me will buy a laptop computer with the capability of using skype to communicate with my four precious grandchildren who are out of state. They are growing up so fast and the possibility of talking with them face to face via a computer will be wonderful.

The reception in my honor was lovely and I thank all who made it a special day for me.

I really can not adequately express my gratitude to you all for the times you smiled and visited, shared delicious food, volunteered to help with a task, covered a lunch hour or vacation time, or just thanked me for doing my job. Thank you Brian & Daria for making my job interesting and fun. And a very special thanks to Chris for being a great co-worker and friend through it all! I feel very lucky to be able to say that I really enjoyed coming to work each day.

I appreciate each and every one of you and how you contribute so much to the life of David's Church. I will miss seeing you. I've had a great time here at David's, but it's time for me to begin checking off all the “I'll do that some day” items from my “bucket list.”

Wishing you Peace and Love Always,

Ann Whiteside



Warm Wishes

The days are warm now, but we are preparing for the cold weather to return. Our mission of making scarves, hats, and mittens for those in need will continue through the summer. We meet in Fellowship Hall on Monday mornings from 9:30 a.m. to noon. Please join us anytime or contact Nedra Gockel at 433-7812 if you would like to work for us at hoem. We cannot do this project without many devoted hands. God bless you for caring.

Nedra Gockel

The Bazaar Committee shares that the pre Mother's day sale made \$320. A special thank you to all who helped pull it together and to those who shopped.

Golf Outing and Potluck Dinner

Please sign up in the narthex for the first golf outing of the season at Community Golf Course. It will be held June 26 with tee times starting at 12:30 p.m.

A Pot Luck Dinner at the Dixon's, 5400 Spice Bush, is open to all David's members. Please sign up in the Narthex, including the number in your group, to make sure that we have enough for everyone.

The Dixon's will provide the main dish and drinks. You are asked to bring one of the following dishes that will feed ten hungry members: Those attending with the last name beginning with A - J are asked to bring a covered dish, K - R a salad and S-Z a dessert. The pool will open at 5 PM. Swimmers must provide their own towels and life guard where needed.

Don't miss out on this fun! Any questions? Contact *Paul & Kaaren Dunlap*, 433-0665.

Rummage Sale Coming Soon!

Have you started spring cleaning yet? Ready to donate good, clean, working items you just don't need anymore to the Rummage Sale?

We know July 10 seems like a long time to wait to donate items you've decided you're ready to part with but every space is being used at David's on a daily/weekly basis so we kindly ask that you start a "Rummage Sale Corner" somewhere in your home until July 10. On the 10th and 17th of July, you can bring items between 8:30 and 11:30. During the week, items will be received in Fellowship Hall during church office hours – 9 to 5. Evening drop off times will be announced or call Debbie McCoy (299-9218). If you're going to be gone during the time donations are being received, please arrange for a friend or relative to bring your items to the church or arrange for them to call Debbie McCoy and arrange pick up. We will continue to receive donations till NOON on Wednesday, July 20 with the Annual Sale to be held Friday, July 22 and Saturday, July 23. Proceeds from this sale will go to Women's Activity Guild (WAG) who disperses funds for Mission Projects, Building Improvements, and more.



Soooo, if you've started spring cleaning, please start your "Rummage Sale Corner" at home in anticipation of JULY 10! As always, it takes many hands to have a successful Rummage Sale so please consider volunteering!

Fellowship Hall Activities

June 5

Reception to honor the Music Staff, Chancel Choir, Adult Bell Choir, Children's Choir, Children's Bell Choir
Come and thank all the people who enhance our worship service with music every Sunday.

June 12

Reception to honor The Confirmands and Church School Teachers
Congratulate the newest members of David's Church and thank the Teachers for providing religious education to the David's Children

Summer Picnics

It is that time to be thinking about our picnic gatherings (June/July/August/September) for David's Church folk. Families, couples, singles, young, medium, and not so young are all welcome. This is a great chance to relax, kick back, and enjoy good food & great fellowship. The host home will provide a main dish (burgers, hotdogs, and fixings, etc.) paper products, and drinks. Guests are invited to bring a side dish or dessert for 10 to 12 people to share and a lawn chair. Rain or shine, we're planning on a great picnic season this summer!

Dates of the picnics are as follows: June 22 (The Grove), July 20 (Storar's – pool open), and August 17 (Back's – pool open). Guests are welcome to come one week, or all weeks. You can sign up to attend in the Narthex so we know how many people to plan for! The picnics will begin at 6:00 p.m. and continue until the sun goes down.

We will have an additional picnic on Saturday, September 10 (Porter's – pool open) starting with swimming at 2:00 p.m. and the picnic at 4:00 p.m. We hope you will sign up and join us!

Thank You Christian Educators

The Board of Christian Education would like to extend a sincere Thank You to all of the volunteers listed below who have helped with the Sunday School program during this past school year by being teachers, shepherds, substitutes, or Sunday School superintendents.

Karin Avila-John, John Dixon, Tina Donovan, Tom Hughes, Gary Hutchison, Polli Leighty, Kathe Lindner, Eric Murphy, Pam Storar, Jen Teeters, Heather Vest, Caitlin Wissler, Jill Blum, Alex Bruner, Grant Hutchison, Sean Miller, Sydney Pence, Jered Pritchett, Alice Stone, Andy Storar, Dotti Ankeney, Linda Ford, Judy Jones, Kaitlin Pickrel, Jeannene Schaffnit. Claudia Stolz.

June Birthdays

1 Dotti Ankeney
3 Ian Vest
4 Norma Jean Hendricks
Deb Barnett
Benjamin Hovell
5 Jack Bishop
6 John Lusa
8 Anne Hamm
Amanda Harvey
10 Lu Ann Stanley
Emily Zimmer
Luke Heiner
11 Marilyn Lusa
Jacquie Housel
Mark Miller
12 Colin Stachler
15 Janet Marks
Emily Schlise
16 Mike Pence
18 Sharon Shaneyfelt
19 Jack Dixon
Brad Jordan

21 Anna Tate
Justin Patmon
Jered Pritchett
22 Bev Callander
Georgeene Hale
Mike Cryst
Andrew Randall
23 Miriam Maue
Jean Blum
Steve Hopkins
24 Jim Lewis
John Barnett
Sally Brookins
Linda Deitz
26 Nedra Gockel
27 Sherry Atkinson
28 Darrin Harvey
Casey Stolz
29 Megan Kaloukian
30 Doug Thornton
Brittany Bradley
Ben Roess



Birth

Andrew Walker Stewart was born on Thursday, May 26, 2011 to *Caitlin & Brian Stewart*. Proud Grandparents are *Andy & Pam Storar*. Proud Uncle and Aunts are *Mitch & Sarah Storar*, and *Hannah Storar*.

Member Death

Our sympathy to the *Cliff Johnson Family* in the loss of Cliff, on May 13, 2011.

Deaths

Our sympathy to *Claudia Stolz, Caitlin & Keith Wissler & Family* in the loss of Claudia's aunt, *Emma Kearney*, on April 23, 2011.

Our sympathy to *Ernie & Judith Dalton & Family* in the loss of Ernie's sister, *Evedna Spencer*, on May 22, 2011.

Help Us Help You

We understand that Sunday mornings are a great time for you to speak with the pastors and the church staff about things you may need from them, however, it is very difficult to remember every request that comes through the greeting line or while having coffee in Fellowship Hall. Help us to help you by emailing or calling in your questions and requests to the church office during the work week (9-5 M-F) so that we are less likely to forget what you have asked of us.
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<u>SUNDAY</u>		<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>TUESDAY</u>	<u>WEDNESDAY</u>	<u>THURSDAY</u>	<u>FRIDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
<h1>JUNE 2011</h1> <p>David's United Church of Christ 937-434-2131</p>				1 3:00-5:00 PM Coffee w/Rev. Daria @ Centerville Panera 6:00 PM Yoga	2 5:00 PM Worship Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Adult Bells 7:30 PM Chancel Choir	3 6:00 PM Confirmation Dinner & Rehearsal	4
5 8:30 & 9:50 AM Worship MUSIC SUNDAY Gateway 11:15 AM Reception 5:00 PM Family At Five 7:00 PM Book Study	6 SALT Orientation 9:30 AM Warm Wishes 10:30 AM Staff Mtg. 6:00 PM Yoga 7:00 PM LIFT	7 9:30 AM Quilting 7:00 PM Yoga 6:15, 7:00 & 7:30 PM Board Meetings	8 11:30 AM Keenagers 3:00-5:00 PM Coffee w/Rev. Daria @ Centerville Panera 6:00 PM Yoga	9 5:00 PM Worship Staff Meeting 6:00 PM Adult Bells 7:30 PM Chancel Choir DATELINE DEADLINE	10 5:00 PM Islamic Center Tour	11 8:00 AM Trustee Meeting @ Bob Evans	
12 8:30 & 9:50 AM Worship with Communion Strengthen the Church CONFIRMATION SUNDAY/SUNDAY SCHOOL RECOGNITION 11:15 AM Reception 2:30 PM Private Reception at The Grove 7:00 PM Book Study PENTECOST	13 9:30 AM Warm Wishes 10:30 AM Staff Mtg. 6:00 PM Yoga	14 9:30 AM Quilting 6:00 PM Deacons Meeting 7:00 PM Yoga 7:00 PM Adult Ed Mtg.	15 6:00 PM Yoga 6:00-8:00 PM Super Summer Specials @ The Grove	16 17 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">CONFIRMATION PILGRIMAGE TO ATLANTA</div>		18 8:00 AM Men's Breakfast @ Bob Evans	
19 8:30 & 9:50 AM Worship 7:00 PM Book Study Food & Clothing Outreach	20 9:30 AM Warm Wishes 10:30 AM Staff Mtg. 6:00 PM Yoga 7:00 PM LIFT	21 9:30 AM Quilting 7:00 PM Yoga 7:00 PM Council Meeting	22 3:00-5:00 PM Coffee w/Rev. Daria @ Centerville Panera 6:00 PM Yoga 6:00 PM Picnic @ The Grove	23 24 <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px; width: fit-content; margin: 0 auto;">CONFIRMATION PILGRIMAGE TO ATLANTA</div>		25	
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FATHER'S DAY							
26 8:30 & 9:50 AM Worship 11:15 AM ONA Discussion 12:30 PM Golf Outing 5:00 PM Potluck Dinner @ Dixon's (pool open) 7:00 PM Book Study	27 9:30 AM Warm Wishes 10:30 AM Staff Mtg. 6:00 PM Yoga 6:30 PM Birthday Party @ Trinity	28 9:30 AM Quilting 7:00 PM Yoga	29 3:00-5:00 PM Coffee w/Rev. Daria @ Centerville Panera 6:00 PM Yoga 6:00-8:00 PM Super Summer Specials @ The Grove	30	