

Limestone Ohio Valley Emmaus Community

What are you thankful for?

Our Father gave us so much when we did not deserve it. It is only right that we give Him thanks for all that we have received and for what we have not received in accordance with His will. Palms 138:1-2 says "I will praise you, O Lord, with all my heart; before the "gods" I will sing your praise. I will bow down toward your holy temple and will praise your name for your love and your faithfulness, for you have exalted above all things your name and your word."

2018 Women's Walk #37

The LOVEmmaus Community Women's Walk #37 was a wonderful 72 hours! I want to welcome all of our new community members and thank the team and all of the volunteers who made this a successful walk.

Thank you, **Crickett Crase**
Women's Walk #37 Lay Director

Welcome new LOVEmmaus Community members:

Tammy Ast, Cathy Baker, Destiny Baker,
Marlyn Baker, Sandy Baker, Liz Blythe,
Winter Dryden, Amanda Fite, Susan Lee,
Alicia Macentee, Wilma Nichols, Julie Oney,
Debbie Poole, Janie Ramey, Shannon
Smith, Amber Stead, Pat Taylor, Linda Valasek

2018 Community Board of Directors

Lay Director: Troy Farrell
Assistant Lay Director: David Reveal
Spiritual Director: Bill Henry
Secretary: April Henderson
Treasurer: Peggy Richards
LEAD Chairman: Linda Naylor
Hospitality: Mike/Emily Greber
Volunteer Coordinator: Kim Myers
Communications: Mande Payton
Registrar: Joe Chirco
Logistics Coordinator: Jade West
Worship: Kim Jodrey
Music: Elizabeth Jones
Kitchen: Mary Bailey
Agape Chairperson: Bill Boling
Sponsorship: Bill Henry
Ruggles Liaison: Les Grooms
Good Shepherd: Nancy Harmon
Chrysalis Representative: Sydney Gibson
Webmaster: Lauren Doyle
Historian: Mike Burke

Thankfulness

As we say goodbye to the month of tricks or treats, we can look forward to the opportunity to count our blessings and be thankful. One of the things I am always thankful for is Emmaus and my Emmaus family. I have learned so much from Emmaus, and made so many wonderful memories and friends. And Emmaus is the kind of blessing that keeps on giving, because there is always a new opportunity to help at a Gathering, serve during a Walk, or sponsor a pilgrim, where you will make more beautiful memories and find more beautiful friends!

Take some time when you count your blessings this month to consider how you can serve in Emmaus during 2019. Maybe God is calling to you to take a more active role in the Emmaus Community. Or maybe God has someone for you to sponsor in 2019. Be sensitive to His guidance and faithful to the call!

Linda Naylor, LEAD



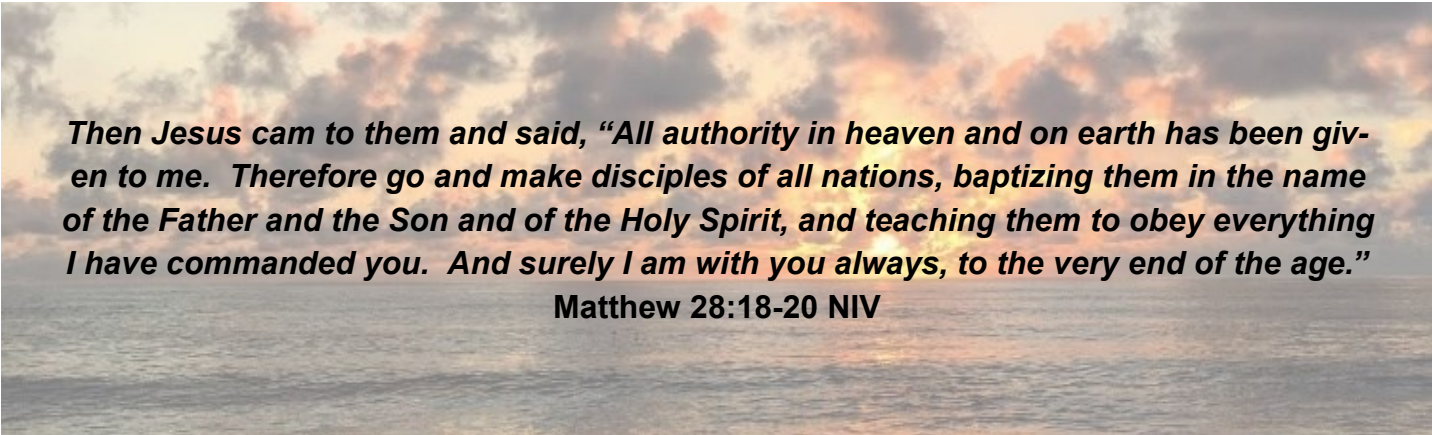
From The Community Spiritual Director

I recently made the comment that in our small communities (which most of us are a part of) the church was at one time one of the focal points. Between the church and the school (if your community was big enough to have a school) the activities of the community were centered. It seems to me that in most of small communities the church is deemed no longer relevant by the general society. There are now so many options for us to choose from as we determine how we will spend our time that the church is far down the list. Very few churches have Sunday night services and even fewer have a mid-week service. Several of us can remember when revival services were a big happening in our towns. When one church had a revival or homecoming, people from all the local churches would attend. We didn't need to worry about people coming, they just came. I tell my congregation that today we cannot sit back and wait for people to come. They are not coming through those doors. In the Great Commission Jesus tells us, "Go, make disciples of all men." Go is a key word. The perception of our churches today is that we are an exclusive club, only open to a privileged few. And sometimes perception is more important than reality. We need to take the love, grace, and mercy of Jesus to our community. We need as Christians to go, go into the lives of the people around us. The world is full of people who are dying and going to hell. We cannot wait and hope they come to us. We are to be the hands and feet of Jesus, sharing what he has done for us, helping them with their needs, loving them where they are, caring about them as Jesus would. A few years ago, a young man in a nearby community committed suicide in his house which was literally a stones throw from 3 churches. The following Sunday the pastor of the Baptist church stood at the pulpit to deliver his sermon. This is his sermon in its entirety. "We must go!" God has blessed us. This blessing was for one reason. That we may be a blessing to others.

DeColores!

Bill Henry,

LOVE Community Spiritual Director



Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

Matthew 28:18-20 NIV

I want to take this opportunity to thank all of the **volunteers** who helped clean the camp ground for the Fall walk. With everyone helping, the task was completed in no time. Thank you all!

Also, as I complete my service as your Volunteer Coordinator, I want to thank everyone who has help make this a wonderful experience.

If you would like to volunteer for anything upcoming in 2019, please let me know and I will get you on a list to hand over to the next Volunteer Coordinator.

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Please begin praying for the Spring Walks. It is not too soon to begin thinking about who you might sponsor for the upcoming walks. Sponsoring is one of the most important aspect of the Walk to Emmaus. As you pray commit the process to God and let Him give you direction, then commit yourself to follow where he leads you.

If you have any questions about sponsorship, please contact our Sponsorship Coordinator, **Bill Henry** (bill.henry31@gmail.com).



Happy Thanksgiving

[The Upper Room: Emmaus Website](#)

[101 AGAPE Ideas](#)

In case you hadn't noticed, we do so enjoy our music in the LOVE community. If you have been blessed with a gift of **music**, then please consider getting involved by contacting our music coordinator, **Elizabeth Jones**, 606-782-0522.



Come gather with us every **4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm** at the Washington United Methodist Church in Maysville, Ky. Join us in praise and worship; and of course, where Emmaus meets, Emmaus eats! Bring a covered dish and join us afterwards as we share a meal!

DeColores!

Kim Jodrey, Worship

***"For where two or three gather in my name,
there am I in the midst of them."***
Mat 18:20 KJV

Calendar

Mark you calendars for these upcoming events:

November 27, Gathering, Washington UMC

December 18, Gathering, Washington UMC

January 22, Gathering, Washington UMC

May 2-5, 2019 Spring Men's Walk

May 30-June 2, 2019 Spring Women's Walk

[Click here for an application!](#)

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