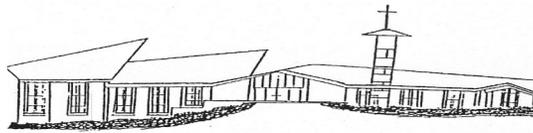


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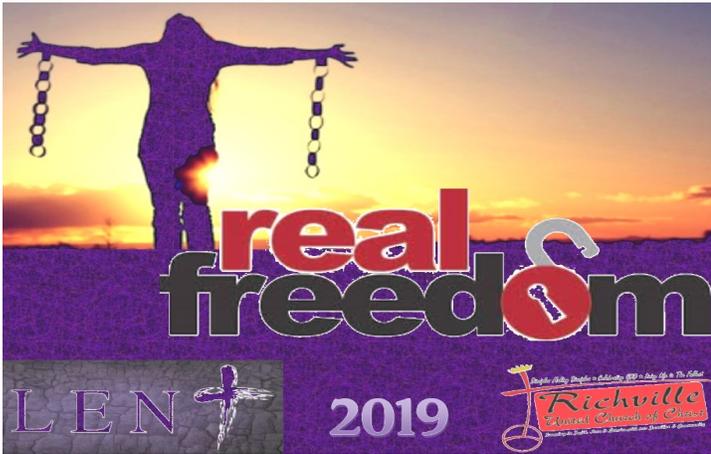
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THIS MONTH AT A GLANCE



ANNUAL EASTER EGG HUNT Sunday, April 14 at 2 PM

Bring the kids, grandkids and neighbor kids! Mark your calendars for our annual EASTER EGG HUNT on Sunday, April 14 at 2 PM! This event is open to toddlers through 4th grade. Please bring your own basket!

Please email your child's name and age to:
richvilleegghunt@gmail.com

Or, register online at:
<https://goo.gl/forms/p36PwGhqTQK9ecJJ3>

You may also sign up in the Welcome Center.

There is a container in the Fellowship Hall for candy donations and small items to fit inside the eggs. There is also a sign-up sheet for cookies and punch. *Cash donations will also be greatly appreciated, as we hope to make an order from Oriental Trading Company. Donations need to be turned in to the church NO LATER than April 7. If you have any questions, please see Beckie Custer or Alisha Dennis. THANK YOU!*



SERVICES AND EVENTS FOR THE 2019 LENTEN SEASON

- PALM SUNDAY** Sunday, April 14, 2019
 10:30 AM Regular Worship Service
 (Offering taken for One Great Hour of Sharing)
 2:00 PM Easter Egg Hunt
- MAUNDY THURSDAY** Thursday, April 18, 2019
 6:00 PM Light Dinner
 6:30 PM Maundy Thursday Service
- GOOD FRIDAY** Friday, April 19, 2019
 7:00 PM Good Friday Service
- RESURRECTION SUNDAY** Sunday, April 21, 2019
 7:30 AM Sunrise Worship Service
 (An Easter Breakfast will follow the Sunrise Service)
 9:15 AM Adult Discussion Groups
 10:30 AM Regular Worship Service



GOLDEN CHARMS

Our next Golden Charms gathering will take place **Tuesday, April 16** at noon. Join us for fun, fellowship and a delicious meal. A program will be enjoyed following the meal. **BRING A FRIEND!**

Reservations are required so please contact Karen Provost at (330) 484-2878.

THE UNDERGROUND will be taking a break in April. We will return on the 3rd Sunday in May (**May 19**) at 5 PM. Following THE UNDERGROUND (at approximately 6:15 PM), our Senior High kids will be holding their Youth Group. *See you then!*



Kids' Chorus will be singing in worship on **Sunday, April 28**. *Mark your calendars!*

MISSION & CORE VALUE STATEMENT

"At Richville UCC we are disciples sharing our faith to make new disciples, so that we all will celebrate GOD by living life to the fullest - growing in faith, love and service with our families and community."

CALENDAR OF EVENTS FOR APRIL

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1 7:00 pm Consistory	2 Tuesday Schedule* 6:00 pm Christian Ed Mtg.	3 Wednesday Schedule* 7:00 pm Choir Practice	4 9:00 am T.O.P.S.	5 12:00 pm Life is Good AA Mtg. [Open]	6 9:00 am Nursery/Sunday School Cleaning Day
7 Sunday Schedule* (with Communion) During Worship Confirmation Session	8	9 Tuesday Schedule*	10 Wednesday Schedule* 7:00 pm Choir Practice	11 9:00 am T.O.P.S.	12 12:00 pm Life is Good AA Mtg. [Open]	13
14 PALM SUNDAY Sunday Schedule* 2:00 pm Easter Egg Hunt	15	16 Tuesday Schedule* 12:00 pm Golden Charms	17 Wednesday Schedule* 7:00 pm Choir Practice	18 9:00 am T.O.P.S. MAUNDY THURS. 6:00 pm Light Dinner 6:30 pm Service	19 12:00 pm Life is Good AA Mtg. [Open] GOOD FRIDAY 7:00 pm Service	20
21 RESURRECTION SUNDAY Sunday Schedule* 7:30 am Sunrise Service (Breakfast to follow) 10:30 am Regular Worship The Underground is on break in April	22 Newsletter Deadline	23 Tuesday Schedule*	24 Wednesday Schedule*	25 9:00 am T.O.P.S. 5:00 pm Family Living Center Dinner 6:00 pm Spiritual Life Mtg. 7:00 pm Finance/Stewardship Mtg.	26 12:00 pm Life is Good AA Mtg. [Open]	27
28 Sunday Schedule* Kids Chorus Singing In Worship After Church Mission/Vision Luncheon 6:00 pm Confirmation Session	29	30 Tuesday Schedule* Newsletter Mailed				

Stay up to date with all our events by visiting our webpage at:
richvilleucc.com

*Sunday Schedule	
9:15 am	Adult Discussion Groups
10:30 am	Updates in the Life/Work of the Church
10:30 am	Worship
10:30 am	Sunday School (Children dismissed from worship)
Post Worship	Fellowship Hour
*Tuesday Schedule	
10:00 am	Staff Meeting
*Wednesday Schedule	
6:00 pm	Bible Study
7:15 pm	Staff Meeting

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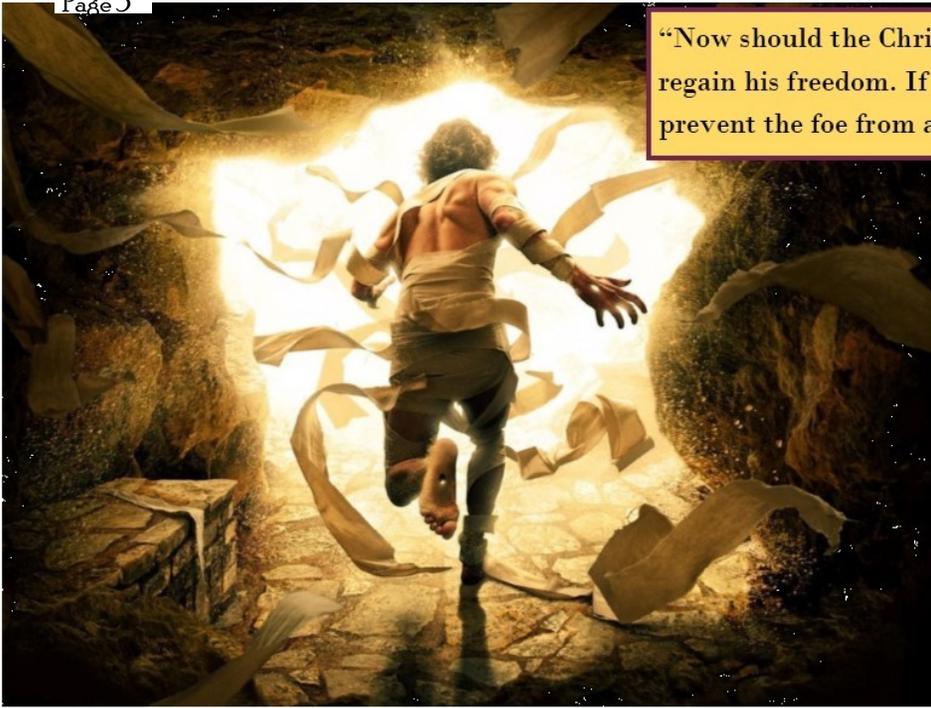
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“Now should the Christian be deceived already, then he fights to regain his freedom. If not, then he strives to rescue others and to prevent the foe from attacking.” -*Watchman Nee*



Long before GOD gave John his famous vision recorded in Revelation 21, The LORD spoke a similar word through the Jewish prophet Isaiah (in chapter 65, verses 17 through 25). In both cases, we are given a glimpse of the creation of New Heavens and a New Earth.

While the respective descriptions are unique from one another, both highlight the importance of:

- **GOD's immediate presence and intimate relationship with the people**
- **The removal of those things which divide or threaten the people**
- **The wounds of the people being healed and their needs being met**
- **The people actively participating in what The LORD is doing/will do.**

This year, as we make our way through Lent (with our focus on the concept of REAL FREEDOM), and get closer to Resurrection Sunday, the last item in the list above is especially important and powerful. True liberty is not just a matter of believing that Jesus broke the shackles of sin and death and Hell. It is also about having a purpose. The truly free disciple of Christ has a reason to get out of bed each day. Their lives having meaning and significance –both for today, and for Eternity.

As we so often note: we have been blessed to be a blessing; forgiven to extend forgiveness; set free to offer the freedom we have received to others. As certain theologians discuss this idea, they talk about our call to be “Co-Redeemers and Co-Liberators” with Christ.

Though it is an enormous responsibility, it is an honor and privilege. It is also such a hopeful notion, because when we know that our lives have significance and are empowered by GOD, then we can face any obstacle, handle any loss, weather great pain and still believe that our contributions and even our suffering make a difference in the unfolding of The LORD's plans for the salvation and restoration of the world!

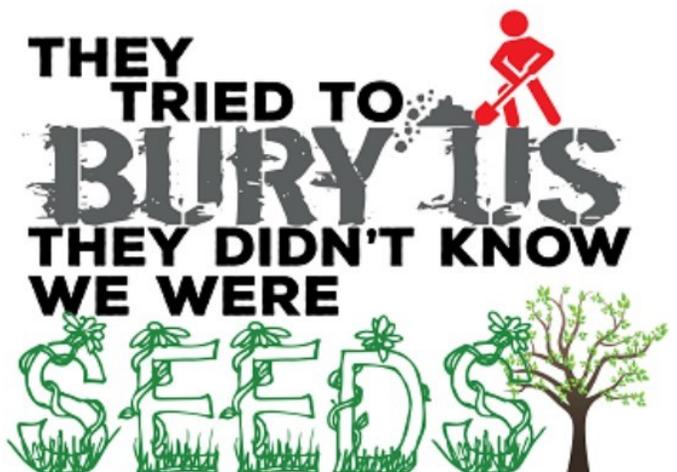
Jesus endured rejection, cruel torture, humiliation and death because he knew that on the far side of that bondage would be the fulfillment of his mission of proclaiming Good News, healing the sick, and setting the captives free.

What difficulties do you need release from right now? Do you feel weighted-down or buried by something especially challenging?

Give it to Jesus –trusting that not only will GOD set you free at the end of time, but that even your current trials can be used by The LORD to bring about Resurrection and Restoration for yourself and others as well!

All Peace, Love & Blessings;
Your brother & servant in Christ-Jesus,

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APRIL 28 MISSION/VISION LUNCHEON

Your elected Consistory members have been working diligently at several Leadership Retreats to work on long range strategies and statements. We would like to share our progress with you at a luncheon on April 28th. We will be sharing our thoughts on a Mission Statement and Vision Statement emphasizing characteristics that you as a congregation identified in our Core Values.

You might be wondering what a Mission Statement and Vision Statement are? The goal of the Mission Statement is to give clarity, focus and direction for our assorted decision-making processes as a congregation, and to guide the stewardship and direction of the ministry into the future - emphasizing those characteristics identified in our Core Values. In other words, the Mission Statement answers the question: ***"What did GOD put Richville UCC on this earth to do?"***



The goal of the Vision Statement is to "give flesh to the ethics of the Core Values and the focus/directives of the Mission Statement". In other words, the Vision Statement answers this question: ***"What will our Core Values and Mission look like in shoe-leather and how will we get there?"***

Confused? Come to the luncheon to hear Consistory share their ideas and share your input and support of strategic planning!

Making Your Dollars Make \$en\$e

Forgot to bring your weekly giving envelope again? Or did it get thrown out with the trash last month? Why not make it easy on yourself and switch to electronic giving. Electronic giving pulls directly from your bank account the amount that you specify on the 15th of each month. You determine the amount, which funds it goes to and when you want to start and stop the process. And it is one less thing you need to remember each month! **If this sounds interesting to you, please see Jackie Schlemmer, Steve Gerber or Debbie Ciesielczyk for more information!**

FOOD, FAIRIES AND PLANTING ***Thursday, May 16 at 6 PM***

Ladies and girls mark your calendars for Thursday, May 16 at 6:00pm! We are planning a fun evening of "FOOD, FAIRIES AND PLANTING". Come and join us for a meal of mushroom chicken quiche, tossed salad, muffins, chicken nuggets, fries and applesauce (for the little ones), dessert and drink. Everyone will then have the chance to create their own "Fairy Garden" to take home.

The price will be \$10 for adults and \$5 for little ones 2-8 yrs. old. Watch the Weekly Messenger and the Welcome Center for more information!

Reservations can be made by contacting Karen Gerber (330)465-7912, Jackie Schlemmer (330)806-7476, or Debbie Ciesielczyk (330)417-9457 by phone, text, or during Fellowship Hour after church. Please indicate number of adults and little ones attending and who will be planting a fairy garden. Flyers will be available in the Welcome Center on April 7.



The application period
is open now...!



HELLO
MY NAME IS

Summer Intern

Pastor Will and the Consistory are excited to announce the creation of:
**The Pastor Roger W. & Mrs. Cynthia R. Stuart
RUCC SUMMER YOUTH INTERN PROGRAM & MEMORIAL FUND!**

The new program will kick-off THIS Summer and will be an annual seasonal position wherein young adults from the congregation (18-22 years of age) will be employed by RUCC for the Summer to serve the congregation, the community, and further our ministry-development into the future.

Interns will be given the opportunity to learn and grow in their own spirituality, receive invaluable work experience, explore the possibility of

professional mission and ministry, earn money doing something they are passionate about, and make an impact for Christ!

The duration of the internship will be 10 weeks, and last from approximately mid-May/early-June through mid-to-late August (based on the interns' school schedules, etc.).

JOB DESCRIPTION

As part of 25 hours/week, interns will be required to attend weekly discipleship and staff meetings. The goal of the seasonal employee's work will be to:

- *Serve existing RUCC programs/ministries consistent with their own areas of gifting, interest &/or education.*
- *Develop a new ministry (one-time, continual, or seasonal) which serves the needs of the youth &/or young adult population (specifically, Jr./Sr. High and College-Age).*

Applicants should submit a cover letter expressing their reasoning for pursuing the internship, a brief reflection on their faith journey, a traditional resume and 3 references (1 personal, 1 academic, and 1 church or civic-related).

Submissions are being accepted currently and the application period will conclude on April 28th. For further information, contact Pastor Will or the church office.

The initial funding for this ministry has been secured to ensure the possibility of 1 intern for each of 3 years. Those wishing to further support the new program can make contributions through RUCC Memorial Funds (designate gifts as "Roger & Cynthia Stuart SYI Fund"). Gifts beyond the existing 3 year commitment will go toward employing additional interns &/or extending the ministry beyond 3 years.



A MESSAGE FROM OUR DIRECTOR OF YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRIES

There is something about waking up and hearing the chirping birds outside the window! Spring is officially here!

With that in mind, Spring cleaning is first on our list of things to do in April. We are paying close attention to the nursery and possibly incorporating Sunday School cleanup as well. We plan on examining the existing inventory of various toys and other nursery belongings. We will toss, organize, and clean (spritz/disinfect) this area accordingly. This event is planned on Saturday, April 6 at 9 AM. All are welcome to come out and help support our efforts. We normally run this cleaning adventure till noonish or so.

On Palm Sunday, April 14, Our Sunday School youth will have their palm processional during the prelude/opening hymn time-frame of the morning service! This is to remember and honor the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. "Hosanna in the Highest Heaven!"

On this same day, at 2 PM, is our Annual Easter Egg Hunt! This has been a huge outreach effort to our own and community. We are blessed to have Beckie Custer & Alisha Dennis as our Director & Co-Director once again this year! Cash donations and volunteers are encouraged. Sunday, April 7 is the final day to turn in your donations to the church! Any questions, please call the church office, Beckie or me for details- or continue to monitor social media and the Messenger.

Speaking of being blessed to have our Director & Co-Director of our Annual Community Egg Hunt, we are also twice-blessed to have Jennifer Schumacher & Amber Cybak returning for our Vacation Bible School this year! Be prepared for ROAR! Life is sometimes wild, but God is always good! We want our kiddos to discover "ferocious faith" that powers them through this wild life! Stay tuned for more details as the months unfold 😊

This month, there was a consensus to bypass Youth Service Sunday on April 21 because of Easter. Therefore, we will have our regularly scheduled Sunday School gathering downstairs on Resurrection Sunday!

I want to also mention that there is a scheduled safety meeting on Thursday, April 25 at the church. I say this because I'm a member of that committee and have been working, off and on, with safe church policy issues for our youth & families. Since "safety" is everyone's concern, we are all marrying our efforts and working on a comprehensive plan and strategy for our church!

The CE Committee has been included with this on-going effort and plays a part with its execution, i.e. sticker/tags for check-in at CE desk, proper protocol during Sunday school, etc. Stay tuned for more developments as this is a work in progress.

Because of the busyness of April with the Lenten season, the Egg Hunt will certainly be the main attraction event this month. I pray it will bring people across our community in our midst and that they might not only get a tasty treat, but that they may "taste and see that the Lord is good"! (Psalm 34:8)

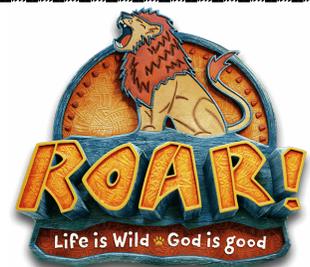
In Christ's Love and Service,
Gary Bickel
 Director of Youth & Family Ministries

ROAR VBS is the "mane event" at RUCC this summer!

Don't miss it! Mark your calendars now!

Sunday, July 14 - Thursday, July 18
6:00 - 8:30 PM

This epic African adventure engages the whole herd! At ROAR, kids explore GOD's goodness and celebrate a ferocious faith that powers them through this wild life.



SIGN UPS AND MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

ATTENTION CONFIRMANDS...

Here are the dates for our confirmation sessions in April:

- **Sunday, April 7, 2019** (During worship, taught by Jackie Schlemmer and Mary Jo Purney)
- **Sunday, April 28, 2019** (6:00 - 8:00 PM, taught by Pastor Will)

ALSO: Mark your calendars for **MAY 5!** This is the date for Confirmation Sunday!

THE SPIRITUAL LIFE COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE THE CHOIR TO SING FOR PALM SUNDAY, GOOD FRIDAY AND EASTER SUNDAY (10:30 AM SERVICE)

Steve Gerber has graciously agreed to make this happen. He will be holding choir practice on Wednesdays at 7 PM on **April 3, April 10** and **April 17**. We invite anyone who would like to sing to join us in the choir room on those dates.



On **Sunday, April 14 (Palm Sunday)**, we will be taking up a special UCC mission offering for **ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING**.

For more information on OGHS, or if you'd like to donate online, visit: <http://www.ucc.org/oghs>

The next DINNER AT THE FAMILY LIVING CENTER has been scheduled for **Thursday, April 25** at 5 PM. We will be serving baked ham, cheesy/scalloped potatoes, cut up raw vegetables, pie and water to drink.

Would you like to donate menu items and/or volunteer to be a server/helper? If "yes", check out the sign up in the Welcome Center! **THANK YOU!**

YOUTH SERVICE SUNDAY



Now starting on our Youth Service Sundays moving forward, our kids will be incorporating the "Noisy Offering" during the worship service. This consists of decorative cans (hand-crafted by our Sunday School kids) that will be passed during the offering time.

Rotating every other scheduled 3rd Sunday, one of the offerings will be directed toward our church renovations, and the other will be allotted for local mission outreach.

Any loose change from under your couch cushions, car floor mats, pants or coat pockets are welcomed with a heart-felt, giving spirit. The kids will celebrate your offering by sounding the clanging containers with resounding high-pitch decibels! **Thank you for giving!**

Mark your calendars now!

SWISS STEAK DINNER

Saturday, May 4, 2019

4:30 - 7:00 PM

ON THE MENU:

Swiss Steak, Mashed Potatoes, Green Beans, Salad (possibly Coleslaw), Rolls, Dessert and Drink

Please join us for a Swiss Steak Dinner on **Saturday, May 4** from 4:30 - 7 PM. This will be a fundraiser to help with the costs of our Renovations/Capital Improvement projects.

Tickets will be available prior to the dinner at a cost of \$12 for Adults and \$5 for Children (age 3-10). **CARRYOUT IS AVAILABLE!**



OUR CONFIRMANDS ARE TEAMING UP WITH THE CRAYON INITIATIVE FOR AN ONGOING SERVICE PROJECT! How can you help? **IT'S EASY!** Just save your unwanted crayons and drop them off at the church any time during the week (church office hours, Sunday mornings, before/after meetings or events, etc.). Look for the marked collection containers in the Fellowship Hall! You can bring in crayons that are used, broken and in all sizes and colors (the confirmation kids will sort them by color). Once the containers are filled, the crayons will be sent to The Crayon Initiative to be melted down and made into NEW crayons! They will then be distributed to area hospitals for kids that are there as patients. Some of the area hospitals they go to are Akron Children's and Cleveland Clinic Children's.

What is The Crayon Initiative? Have you ever wondered what happens to your unwanted crayons? Sadly, more than a half-million pounds of crayons are discarded every year, turning into a waxy sludge that clogs our landfills. This motivated a group of people to start THE CRAYON INITIATIVE! The Crayon Initiative collects donated crayons, then melts them down and remanufactures them, reducing waste. Better yet, the recycled crayons are distributed to art programs at children's hospitals across the U.S., brightening the lives of young patients during their stay. Want to know more about The Crayon Initiative? Visit their website at thecrayoninitiative.org

2019 MEMORIALS

Received for March 2019:

Pastor Discretionary Fund
Mulheim Memorial



FOR THE MONTH OF APRIL

- Apr 1: Grady Lautensleger
- Apr 2: Malena Cybak
- Apr 3: Thomas Daub, Josh Gerber, Sam Kolonchuk
- Apr 4: Betty Tipton
- April 6: Harriette Foltz
- April 7: Cindy Radcliff, Penny Sanko
- Apr 9: Melissa Tryon, Jonathan Whitaker
- Apr 12: Cindy Miller, Holly Lake
- Apr 16: Helena Lautensleger, Elden Cecil
- Apr 18: Shelly Daub
- Apr 24: Hannah Jones, Curtis Lake
- Apr 26: Ed Cybak
- Apr 27: Karen Provost
- Apr 30: Jeremy Noll

Celebrating

An Anniversary This Month

- Apr 1: Don & Pat Jones
- Apr 2: Don & Sandy Long
- Apr 22: Larry & Linda Lautensleger
- Apr 23: Jay & Christina Mook
- Apr 24: Rob & Darlammarie Dorsey
Elton & Sandi Roberts



Recycling at RICHVILLE UCC

Container #104 was picked up in late February, and it weighed in at 4,240 lbs. This puts our total for recycled materials (newspaper, cardboard and junk mail) at 595,760 lbs. (or 297.88 tons). Thanks everyone for your support of this important outreach! Keep up the great work!

~ Pat Jones

OIL/GAS REPORT

Dave Matak of Discovery Oil & Gas has donated to our General Fund the sum of \$3,600. As you know, Discovery Oil & Gas is the driller of the proposed oil well. Dave donated this money because of the substantial period of time it has taken to drill the well. He advises that the well will be drilled this summer but we will not receive our free gas until next year. The money he donated will partially cover the gas expense incurred due to the well not being drilled when anticipated. Thank you to Dave!

Pat Jones would like to report that APS (American Philatelic Society) is no longer doing their canceled stamp program. She would like to thank all of you who saved your stamps. It will be so hard to break the habit of tearing the stamps off the envelopes!

Below is a thank you note received from APS:

Dear Richville United Church of Christ,

We would like to thank you for your continued support of the cancelled postage stamps for our organization. APS Youth programs have been able to continue because of support from people like your church. But it is with great sorrow to inform you that we will not be collecting stamps any longer. It has become too costly to continue. Please know that we have been so grateful your support.

Sincerely,
APS Stamps of America



Dar Wellman-Dorsey will once again be doing a summer reading readiness program. The program will be held from June 11 thru August 16, and will be housed at Richville United Church of Christ. All kids in Kindergarten, 1st and 2nd Grade can sign up (**NO preschool age**).

Sessions focus on individual/one on one tutoring, not groups. The cost is \$200 for 10 sessions. You may pay all the cost at once or choose to pay monthly. Each session takes place once a week, and is one hour long. There is also a \$20 registration fee per child for a workbook and supplies.

If you would like to sign up, or if you'd like more information, please contact Dar Wellman-Dorsey at (330) 685-2633.

MARCH GAS CARD DRAWING

The March gas card drawing will be held on Sunday, March 31. We will announce the lucky winner and card donor in the May newsletter. *God bless and stay safe on the roads!*



~ Pat Jones & Patti Mook



CHANGE OF ADDRESS, EMAIL OR PHONE?

We have an all-church call system in place for emergency announcements, special events, etc. If you change your contact information (address, phone, email) please remember to let the church office know so we can update our records accordingly. THANK YOU!

Richville United Church of Christ Consistory Minutes

Date: February 4, 2019

Members Present: Alisha Dennis, Debbie Ciesielczyk, Nancy Jedel, Karen Gerber, Bonnie Willis, Steve Gerber, Bonnie Shafer, Debby Tryon, Larry Bates, Bob Newlon, Pastor Will Stuart

Members Absent: Elizabeth Whitaker

Guest: Gary Bickel

Meeting Called to Order: President Bonnie Willis

Opening Devotions: Steve Gerber

Minutes of Last Meeting Stand Approved

Treasurer's Report-Filed For Audit

<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Current Year-to-Date</u>	<u>Current Month</u>
Beginning Balance	\$32,133.75	\$32,133.75
RECEIPTS:		
Financial Sec Deposits	\$13,937.25	\$13,937.25
Transfers In From Funds	\$3,536.56	\$3,536.56
Interest	\$5.55	\$5.55
DISBURSEMENTS:		
Expenses	(\$18,216.44)	(\$18,216.44,)
Transfers to Funds	(\$1,280.00)	(\$1,280.00)
Ending Balance	\$30,116.67	\$30,116.67
Appropriated Not Used:		
Outreach FF Monies	\$5,244.10	\$5,244.10
COGS Fund	\$2,308.01	\$2,308.01
Total Appropriated	\$7,552.11	\$7,552.11
Available	\$22,564.56	\$22,564.56

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Written report submitted.

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP: Written report submitted. Pledge donations are down from last year. Digital giving options were discussed; however, they are quite expensive. Finance is going to present at the Monthly Mission Moment during church service on February 10th.

MEMORIAL: Written report submitted.

OUTREACH: Written report submitted.

PARISH/PASTOR RELATIONS: No written report submitted.

PROPERTY & MAINTENANCE: No written report submitted. Janitor job description is still in process of being completed. Larry is going to contact a water treatment company to see about getting rid of the iron in the water. He is also going to check to see how much it costs to hook up to city water and get 2 different quotes for water treatment options.

SPIRITUAL LIFE: Written report submitted.

PASTOR'S TIME: No written report submitted. Summer intern is in progress.

OLD BUSINESS: Consistory gave their blessing to let Lindsey use the building for yoga classes at a freewill offering, with the time to be determined. Multimedia equipment is still in process of being determined what we need to purchase. Emergency Planning Committee is meeting February 10th.

NEW BUSINESS: Please make sure your contact information is up to date in the church office.

NEXT MEETING DATE: March 4, 2019

DEVOTIONS BY: Gary Bickel

Respectfully submitted by Alisha Dennis

On Sunday, March 10, we celebrated the sacrament of adult baptism when Lynne Ann Houston was baptized.



We all welcome Lynne into the care of the Richville UCC congregation.



For worship on Sunday, March 24, we welcomed special mission guests Jeff & Kristina Jones and their three boys. Jeff & Kristina helped Pastor Will bring the message, shared special music and also shared information about The Father's House, a non-profit organization in Hamilton OH created to be a space for families to live in community and thrive.

THANK YOU

I wanted to thank the Outreach Committee and others from the church for the many cards I received. The well wishes (after shoulder surgery) meant so much!

Lynne Houston

Thanks to everyone who collected change for Hammer & Nails (earlier this year). We recently received a thank you letter saying the change collection was over \$1,100...*their best response ever!*

RUCC Congregation and Committees, Thank you so much for all the wonderful cards, thoughts and prayers. I really appreciate it.

Harriette Foltz

The Outreach Committee would like to thank everyone who donated school supplies to their School Supply Drive.

OUR PRAYER CONCERNS



Please remember the following members and friends of Richville UCC with your prayers, cards or visits. Complete addresses for the Resident Facilities and Shut-In information is available on the bulletin board opposite the church office. **Please help us keep our prayer concern list up-to-date and let us know if someone no longer needs to be on the list.**

CONTINUING PRAYER FOR:

- Randy Rhoades (Rich Griffin's step-father) [*Has cancer*]
- Linda (Dee Elliott's friend) [*Has cancer*]
- Laurie Raines (Dee Elliott's close friend) [*Has cancer*]
- Angela Mast (Dee Elliott's daughter)
- Bernie Cybak [*Has Parkinson's, other health issues*]
- Peg (Betty Jo Noll's sister) [*Has cancer*]
- Jarroed Stahl's mother [*Has cancer*]
- John Graber [*Has lymphoma*]
- Art Poorman (Friend of the Perretta's) [*Has cancer*]
- Sharon Masalko (Marilyn Perretta's friend)
- Dick Roan (Violet Earl's friend) [*Has cancer*]
- Mike Armstead (Neighbor of Violet Earl) [*Had stroke*]
- Dennis Wertz (Holly Lake's brother)
- Sandy Krause (Ken Williams' sister-in-law) [*Has lung cancer*]
- Steven January (Raechel Mullen's stepbrother) [*Has cancer*]
- Darlene and Lori (Lynette Collins' friends) [*Have cancer*]
- Nella Mulheim (Gary Mulheim's wife) [*Has cancer*]
- Frank Trace (Debby Tryon's dance teacher) [*Has cancer*]
- David McGrath (Maureen Stetler's brother)
- Robbie Willis (Bonnie Willis' sister-in-law)
- Cathy Sickafoose (Faith Black's mom)
- Jon Hale (Gary Bickel's nephew in law)
- Charles Griffin (Rich Griffin's grandfather)
- Alyssa Parsons (Tracy Kemp's niece)
- Trey Utrecht (friend of Molly Lenarz)
- Maryna Steiner [*has inoperable brain tumor*]

- Diane Wilson
- Debbie Ciesielczyk
- Jerry Risher

- Shirley Kalleker
- Mary Jo Purney
- Harriette Foltz

PRAYER CHAIN: Please call Judy Gopp at (330) 477-6593 or the church office at (330) 832-1891 if you or a member of your family is in the hospital or facing upcoming surgery. If you would like Pastor Will or someone from Called 2 Care to serve home communion or if you would like a visit, please call the church office. For pastoral emergencies, Pastor Will's cell number is (330) 704-2164.

AT RESIDENT FACILITIES:

Altercare of Navarre

Jerry & Linda Risher (Room 118) (330) 806-1439 Jerry's cell

Inn at University Village:

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