YOUTH NEWS:

Sunday, January 29th: All youth will meet at the church from 4:00-5:00 P.M.

Wednesday, February 1st: 4:00 – 5:00 P.M. – Jr. Chi Rho will meet at the church.

Friday, February 3rd,7:30 A.M. – Breakfast Club will meet at the church.

Sunday, February 5th: Super Bowl Party. More information will follow.

<u>Youth Volunteer Opportunity:</u> Are you looking for a way to earn credit towards your **Beta Club** hours? The Membership & Evangelism Committee is seeking volunteers to work during the Potato Fest on February 5th. Contact Jane or Lee Stritesky at 235-8493 to volunteer. Thank you!

CYNTHIANA CHRISTIAN CHURCH RELAY FOR LIFE FUNDRAISERS:

Sunday, February 26th Chili luncheon following the worship service

Saturday, March 25th Family Fun night at the home of Tim and Bonnie Teater

Saturday, April 22nd Pancake breakfast

The Relay for Life team is selling tickets for a chance to win an overnight stay at Ashford Acres Bed & Breakfast Garden Suite. The Garden Suite is detached from the house allowing added privacy, has a king sized bed, a private bathroom with jet-tub, and fireplace. A free breakfast is provided with each overnight guest. Free coffee and snacks are also available to overnight guests. This also includes a gift card/certificate to a restaurant or similar business for lunch/dinner. The amount and place will be determined at a later date. A donation of \$5.00 equals one ticket. A \$10.00 donation equals 3 tickets. Tickets will be sold until the night of Relay. Please see Kathy Brown for tickets.

More information will follow in the upcoming newsletters.

<u>Potato Fest:</u> You have an opportunity for hospitality and outreach on February 5th. Invite friends and potential church members to join you on that day for our annual Potato Fest, a festive occasion of fellowship. Join the Membership & Evangelism Committee in Bish Hall after the Worship Service. Partake of a wonderful meal of potatoes with all sorts of toppings such as chili, cheese, onions, broccoli, bacon bits, hot dogs, chips & queso, and more. A free will offering will be taken to support the winter Garden of Eden Ministry.

COOKIES FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

Let's take some time out of our busy days and remember our kids that are enrolled in college. Next to a hug from mom or dad, there's nothing like home-made cookies to offer some of the comforts of home. The CWF will host the project of gathering and organizing the cookies. YES...this is for our undergraduate students enrolled full-time in college. NO...you do not need to be a member of CWF to participate. Please bring your home-made cookies to the church kitchen on Saturday, February 11th at 9:00 am. The CWF will provide the containers needed for the cookies. Please call Cathy McCord at 588-2608 or the church office with any questions. See you in the kitchen on February 11th.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

An expression of sympathy is sent to Darren and Pat Collins and family in the death of Pat's mother Donal VanHook. Mrs. VanHook died January 23, 2017.

Harrison Memorial: Joyce Courtney was admitted for tests and observation.

----Amy Woodrum is recuperating from surgery.....Lauren Brown is recuperating from a heart procedure....Ed Ratcliff is home following a stay at HMH....Liz Tussey, is recuperating from recent surgery....Dorothy Hanna is at Grand Haven recuperating from a broken hip....Josh Hamm is recuperating from a recent procedure.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

"I want to thank the Cynthiana Christian Church for the many cards, calls, visits and prayers sent during my recent surgery. I appreciate everything you've done for me. I want to thank Bro. Larry for his visits to the hospital, Bruce Florence for bringing communion and the Lord's Lunch Group for the delicious meal. God Bless you all!" Billy Grayson

Amy Woodrum would like to thank the Sunday School classes and church family for their thoughts and prayers, love, concern, calls and cards following her surgery.

FLOWERS

An arrangement of flowers was placed in the sanctuary, Sunday, January 22nd in honor of Jack Marsh and his twin sister, Joy Rice (Wilmore, KY). They celebrated their 90th birthdays on January 18, 2017. The flowers were given by his children Steve, Scott, Julie, Daniel and Karen and their families.

CHURCH CABINET MEETING

The Church Cabinet will meet in the conference room at 6:00 P.M. Monday, February 6th.

OFFICIAL BOARD MEETING

The Official Board will meet in Bish Hall at 7:00 P.M. Monday, February 6th. All members are asked to be present.

PLEASE NOTE: THOSE SCHEDULED TO SERVE THE MONTH OF FEBRUARY:

Elders: Brett Hines, Jim Snodgrass, Karen Adams, Charlene Dawson

Diaconate: Cathy Brunker, Ch'm; Tracy Childers, Seth Florence, Judy Letcher, Will Renaker,

Martha Snodgrass, David Swinford, Tina Swinford

Greeters: Dale Matthews, Mary June Brunker, Al Stakelin, Vickie Stakelin **Communion Preparers:** Jerry & Charlene Dawson and Gary & Cathy Brunker

Sound System: Wayne Stewart

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> Mr. and Mrs. David Batcheller 4595 Sabal Palm Rd Miami, FL 33137

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COMMUNITY PANTRY SUNDAY

Sunday, February 5th is Community Food Pantry Sunday. Our church is asked to donate soups and or crackers. Donations of cash are always helpful to purchase needed items. Please make checks payable to Cynthiana Christian Church.

5TH SUNDAY OFFERING

Sunday, January 29th is a fifth Sunday when we will receive our special Fifth Sunday offering to benefit Christian Care Communities who provide assistance and nurturing to older adults and children and adolescents in need of safety and long-term rehabilitation. Other programs benefit those with acquired brain injuries and young people who suffer from abuse and neglect, mental health issues and behavioral disorders. Envelopes will be in the pew pockets for your donation. Please make checks payable to Cynthiana Christian Church.

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAY CALENDAR

(Feb. $1^{st} - 9^{th}$)

Feb. 1st: Kenny Ross,

Charlotte Paynter

Feb. 2nd: Jennifer Gossett,

Doug Scott,

Judy Morris

Feb. 5th: Lois Isaac,

Wanda Marsh
Feb. 9th: Julie Henson Hines,

Betsy Griswold

The remainder of the February birthday calendar will be in the next newsletter.

If there is an addition to the birthday calendar, please contact the church office.



Sunday School 9:45 A.M. Worship Service 10:45 A.M.

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Minister's Message:

When I began to study the lectionary lessons this week, I noticed the one from the Old Testament. I then decided rather quickly that this passage often referred to as the "golden text of the Old Testament" would be our study for Sunday morning. I think my decision was also influenced by an event in my life last Saturday. I was attending the funeral of a family member of a close friend. The minister shared some of his thoughts and then asked for members in the congregation to perhaps share some of their thoughts regarding this life. My friend arose to the occasion and shared some humorous thoughts about his close family member and then he took his Bible and selected this passage as a concluding tribute to his loved one. He read from Micah 6: 8. The King James version speaks to us in this manner, "He hath shewed thee, o man, what is good, and what doth the Lord require of thee, but to do justly, and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God?" I also appreciate the words of Eugene Peterson's translation, The Message. It challenges us as saying, "But he's already made it plain how to live, what to do, what God is looking for in men and women. It's quite simple: do what is fair and just to your neighbor, be compassionate and loyal in your love, and don't take yourself too seriously – take God seriously."

I know that people who have dogs love them so much. They are loyal, man's best friend. But every now and then they go places and get into things that do not prove to be of benefit for all. Many times we call them when they are missing and when they return we know they have been up to something. There is outward evidence of what they have been up to. In the same manner, we show evidence of our inward faith by the things we do on the outside. What perhaps will be read regarding our lives? We will talk about this scripture Sunday as our sermon will be entitled, "God Files a Lawsuit."

.....Larry