### YOUTH NEWS:

Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>: To be announced.

Wednesday, March 9<sup>th</sup>, 4:00 – 5:00 P.M.- Jr. Chi Rho will meet at the church.

**Friday, March 11<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 A.M.** – Breakfast Club will meet at the church.

### 2016 CHURCH CAMP

Reminder: Forms are now available in the church office for the 2016 church camp. Forms along with a copy of the campers insurance card need to be turned into the church office by March 13<sup>th</sup>.

# **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, March 19<sup>th</sup> 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 March 19<sup>th</sup>.

# UPCOMING LENTEN ACTIVITIES

Sunday, March 20<sup>th</sup>: Palm Sunday, members of the Pastor's class will join church.

Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 P.M. – Maundy Thursday Service of Communion/Baptism

**Thursday, March 24<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 P.M. – 9:30 A.M. Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** – Prayer Vigil will be in the sanctuary. A sign- up sheet will be posted in the Mill Street Entrance.

Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup>, 12:00 Noon: Community Good Friday Service at Cynthiana Christian Church.

**Saturday, March 26<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 A.M.** – All youth and families are invited to the annual Bunny Blast at Marie Hehr Park. There will be an Easter egg hunt, cupcake decorating, face painting and lunch will be served. In case of rain, the Bunny Blast will be held at the church.

Sunday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 A.M. – Easter Sunrise service by our youth; 9:45 A.M. – Sunday School; 10:45 A.M. – Worship service.

### **OUR CHURCH FAMILY**

An expression of sympathy is sent to Cooch & Brenda Hollar and family in the death of their son Trent who died February 26, 2016.

**HMH: Martha Frazier** was admitted due to pneumonia....**Collis Layton** is recuperating from surgery....

#### **NEW MEMBERS**

A cordial welcome is extended to David and Shelbie Sledd who transferred their membership to our church Sunday, February 28, 2016. David and Shelbie have two sons Casey and Alex who are attending the Pastors classes.

## **CHURCH CABINET MEETING**

The Church Cabinet will meet at 6:00 P.M. in the conference room, Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. All members are asked to be present.

### **OFFICIAL BOARD MEETING**

The Official Board will meet in Bish Hall at7:00 P.M. Monday, March 7<sup>th</sup>. All members are asked to be present.

#### PLEASE NOTE: THOSE SCHEDULED TO SERVE THE MONTH OF MARCH:

Elders: Brett Hines, Kandi Hines, Ann Owsley, Bill Helsabeck Diaconate: Hannah Matthews, Ch'm: Nancy Duncan, Lindsey Florence, John Lair, Al Stakelin, Vickie Stakelin, Tony Williams Greeters: Dale Matthews, Mattie Ammerman, Rebecca Crowther Communion Preparers: Wayne and Lois Stewart Sound System: Wayne Stewart

### WEEK OF COMPASSION OFFERING

We will receive our Week of Compassion Offering, this Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. The theme for this year is "Where you go I will go, and where you stay I will stay. Your people will be my people and your God my God. (Ruth 1:16). The offering boxes will be taken up during the children's sermon as well. Offering envelopes will be in the pew pocket for your donation. Please make checks payable to Cynthiana Christian Church.

#### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION COMMITTEE MEETING

All members of the education committee will meet immediately following the worship service on Sunday, March 6th. We will be discussing Vacation Bible School and attempting to set a date and theme. If anyone outside of the education committee is interested in the planning/execution of VBS this summer, please contact Becky Northcutt or Lindsey Florence or plan to attend the meeting on Sunday!

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

#### **BARNABAS TEAM MEETING**

Barnabas Team # V will meet in the conference room immediately following the worship service Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup>. Elders are Karen Adams, Marilynn Ishmael Hopkins.

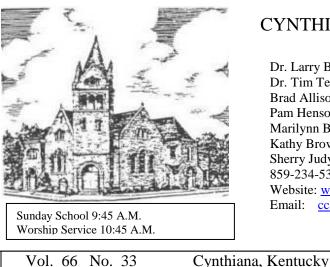
#### COMMUNITY PANTRY SUNDAY

Sunday, March 6<sup>th</sup> is Community Pantry Sunday. Our church is asked to donate canned meats and/or canned pasta meals. Donations of cash are always helpful to purchase needed food items. Please make checks payable to Cynthiana Christian Church.

#### **ADDITION TO THE MARCH BIRTHDAY CALENDAR** March 7<sup>th</sup>: Colin Duffie

#### **EVERYONE, PLEASE NOTE:**

If you are interested in receiving short text messages regarding church events, please respond with your name(s), cell phone number(s) and your cell phone carrier (ie AT&T, Verizon, Sprint, T-Mobile, etc). Remember, you may be responsible for paying for text messages under the terms of your cell phone carrier.



## THE CYNTHIANA CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS Dr. Larry Bishop, Minister

Dr. Tim Teater, Assistant Minister Dr. Tim Teater, Assistant Minister Brad Allison, Youth Director Pam Henson, Choir Director/Pianist Marilynn Bell, Organist Kathy Brown, Secretary Sherry Judy, Financial Assistant 859-234-5332 or 859-234-5339 Website: www.cynthianachristianchurch.com Email: ccc@cynthianachristianchurch.com

March 3, 2016

# Minister's Message:

The Girl Scouts in Los Angeles have run into one bad cookie. Girl Scout Launa Archer was given a counterfeit one hundred dollar bill for some thin mints. Laura's mom was a bit suspicious but gave back to the man \$75.00 in change. Launa and her mom then contacted the police but of course by this time the man was long gone. The Archers cookie sale was located outside a grocery store. They were then approached by a lady who asked what was going on with the selling of the Girl Scout cookies. They relayed their story to her. The lady turned and went on her way. Well, not really, she went home and returned with a \$100 bill for Launa. She would not even accept any cookies for her donation. The kind lady just told Launa's mom, "I didn't want your daughter to have a bad experience, please take this money."

I am glad we live in a world of good people, caring people, and compassionate people. They far outnumber those who are not that way. I mean after all, taking advantage of the Girl Scout cookie sales is about as low as you can go. This Sunday we will talk about a parable told by Jesus which features a young man who had sunk about as low as you could. I don't believe there is a more beloved story in the Bible than that of the prodigal son. Ralph Waldo Emerson called it the greatest story in the Bible, or out of it. Charles Dickens agreed.

I am sure you have heard many sermons on this subject, but after all this story is as one person referred to it as, "the gospel in miniature." Be with us Sunday as we talk about the Agape love expressed in this story. We will even look at the painting of Rembrandt of this scene. Our sermon will be entitled, The Prodigal Father."

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.....Larry