YOUTH NEWS

Saturday, September 10th: All youth and families are encouraged to attend the church picnic. See article below for more details.

Wednesday, September 13th, 4:00 P.M. – Jr. Chi Rho (Kindergarten-5th grade) will meet at the church

UPCOMING CAPITAL CAMPAIGN EVENTS

September 10th: Celebration Sunday and Church-wide Picnic

Distribution of Estimate of Giving Cards

September 17th: Covenant Sunday

September 24th: Victory Sunday; Announcement of total Congregational

Estimate of Giving



CHURCH PICNIC! Mark your calendars for September 10th!

Our annual church picnic will be held at Marie Hehr Park Sunday, September 10th beginning at 12:30 P.M. That Sunday will be "Dress Casual Sunday" and you go to the park following the worship service. You can bring your dishes to church that you will be taking to the potluck picnic. The ovens will be on, the warming unit will be ready to keep your dishes warm and you can put your cold dishes in the refrigerator. Chicken strips, hot dogs and drinks will be provided.

MORNING CIRCLE NEWS

The Morning Circle will have a brunch at Ashford Acres on September 19th at 11:00 A.M. We'll meet at the church at 10:30 A.M. for a brief meeting. Please call Kathy Brown (234-5332) or Martha Snodgrass (234-2592) to make a reservation. Hope to see you!!

Barnabas Team Meetings

Barnabas Team # V will meet Sunday, September 10th. Elders are Marilynn Bell and Ishmael Hopkins.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

An expression of sympathy is sent to Larry & Linda Faul and family in the death of Larry's mother Mary Louise Faul who died August 30, 2017. Mrs. Faul was the grandmother of Leigh Anne Faul and Andy Faul.

----Rose Berry, mother of Rick Dycus is at Cedar Ridge Health Campus....Phyllis Sheats is recuperating from gall bladder surgery....Eden Carter, daughter of Roger & Shelley Coppage, great- granddaughter of Bobby & Vicki Northcutt is recuperating from surgery....
Russ Judy is recuperating from a sports injury....Laura McCarty is recuperating from surgery.

FLOWERS

An arrangement of flowers was placed in the sanctuary Sunday, September 3^{rd} given in celebration of David and Jane King whose 50^{th} wedding anniversary is September 6^{th} .

WEEK OF COMPASSION OFFERING

Sunday, September 10th we will receive a special Week of Compassion Offering to help those affected by the recent hurricanes.

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

"Dear friends of Cynthiana Christian Church, Thank you all for your expressions of kindness and concern during my recent surgery. I appreciate so much all of your calls, cards and the wonderful meal you provided. I want to let you know I'm doing fine and should be up and about in a week of two. Once again, thank you for all the love and kindness you have shown me and my family." In Christian love, Chequita Power.

"A special thank you to the congregation for joining in to help us celebrate our 50th Wedding Anniversary. It was truly a "surprising" and memorable day. We are so blessed to be able to share this with our wonderful church family. Our family certainly appreciated your warm hospitality."

David and Jane King

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS

An installation service for our new officers was held Sunday, September 3rd. Those installed were: **Elders:** Grady Lawson and Sandy VanHook; **Diaconate:** Elizabeth Cook, Valerie Cooley and David Sledd.

A commission service for our Capital Campaign Leaders was also held during the worship service Sunday, September 10th.

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HOW TO MEET A CAMPAIGN GOAL

Recently we received some

information from the Board of Church Extension as to how we can meet our campaign goal of \$500,000. The chart suggests the following. One gift of \$30,000, one gift of \$25,000, two gifts of \$20,000, 2 gifts of \$15,000, and three gifts of \$10,000. Fifteen gifts of \$30.00 per week for three years, adding up to \$70,200, sixteen gifts of \$25.00 per week totaling \$62,400 and nineteen gifts of \$20.00 per week, adding up to \$59,280. You would also need twenty-two gifts of \$15.00 per week which would bring in \$51,480, twenty-five gifts of \$12.00 per week adding up to \$46,800, twenty-six gifts of \$8.00 per week adding up to \$32,448, and finally thirty giving units at \$5.00 per week adding up to \$23,400. These individual gifts would add up to a campaign amount of \$501,008. All of the gifts given per week are for a three year period. Whatever individuals are able to contribute will be deeply appreciated. Some may be only able to support with their prayers and thoughts. Those are equally important to this effort. All gifts of time, treasure and talent will be graciously received.

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

THE CYNTHIANA CHRISTIAN CHURCH NEWS

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Minister's Message:

It is hard to imagine but on November 7 of this year, the evangelist Billy Graham will be ninety-nine years old. Is there any person in the field of religion whose life has been an inspiration to so many? I believe that his efforts place him far ahead of anyone else in that field. During the darkest days of public disgrace, the televangelist Jim Baker found some unexpected friends, Billy Graham and his wife Ruth Bell Graham. Baker was convicted on 24 counts of fraud and eventually served almost 5 years in prison. Billy visited Jim in prison several times. The first Sunday after Jim was released from prison, Ruth hosted him at her own church and sat with him in worship. Ruth Graham was a feisty woman with a sharp wit. When an interviewer once asked her if she had ever considered divorce, she responded, "No, I've never thought of divorce in all these years of marriage, but I did think of murder a few times." The world today calls us to be a Ruth Bell Graham to others. Jesus once told a parable about an "unmerciful servant," who received forgiveness for his million-dollar debt. But instead of forgiving a tiny debt that he himself was owed, he imprisoned the debtor. We must remember that Jesus reminded us to forgive one another seven times seventy. Instead of judging one another, God calls us to protect one another. The words of St. Maximos the Confessor are golden, "The person has come to know the weakness of human nature has gained experience of divine power. Such a person never belittles anyone. He knows that God is like a good and loving physician who heals with individual treatment each of those who are trying to make progress." If you visit the grave of Ruth Bell Graham in Charlotte, you will find a granite stone with an inscription that she herself requested, "End of construction. Thank you for your patience." You and I give thanks to people who are patient with us, imperfect as we are. And because we are imperfect, we extend genuine acts of forgiveness to those around us. Romans 5:20 "Where sin increased, grace increased all the more." See you Sunday morning.Larry