YOUTH NEWS:

Sunday, November 20th: All youth will meet following the worship service for play practice and lunch.

There will be no youth meetings next Wednesday, November 23rd or Friday, November 25th.

Youth Christmas Program: The Youth Christmas program will be held Sunday, December 4th. More information will follow.

"DECK BISH HALL", CHRISTMAS BANQUET, THURSDAY, DEC. 1

While everyone is busy filling in calendars for the upcoming holiday season, we're asking that you mark – in bright red – the annual Christmas banquet. Scheduled for Thursday evening, December 1st, it's a meaningful way to kick off the magic of the season. If you joined us last year, you'll remember the incredible talents of the Les Jongleurs, our entertainers from Lexington and the surrounding areas (and including 'our own' Emily Cooper Spencer). This encore performance is a testimony to their excellence. Tickets to this year's banquet, catered by Kara's Creations, are \$15.00 and will be on sale Nov. 20th and the 27th. Please plan to join us for dinner at 6:00 p.m. in Bish Hall, followed by the entertainment at 7:30 p.m.

MEMBERSHIP & EVANGELISM MEETING

The Membership and Evangelism Committee will meet following the worship service Sunday, NOVEMBER 20th. We will meet in the small Sunday School room across from the church office.

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING SERVICE

The Community Thanksgiving Service will be held at the First United Methodist Church at 6:00 P.M. Sunday, November 20th.

FOOD BASKETS

During the month of December all donations of food and/or cash will kept at the church to make food baskets that will be prepared in December. Items needed for the food baskets are instant potatoes, canned green beans, corn, peas, fruit, jelly, peanut butter, pinto beans, jiffy cornbread mix, cereal, macaroni & cheese and cookies. Please make checks payable to Cynthiana Christian Church.

TOY SALE

The Christian Men's Fellowship will have their 30th annual toy sale Saturday, December 10th. Donations of new toys and/or cash donations will be appreciated. More information will follow.

DECORATE CHURCH

The Worship Committee along with volunteers will meet at 8:00 A.M. Saturday, November 26th to decorate the church for the advent season.

PLEASE NOTE: The church office will be closed Thursday, November 24th and Friday, November 25th.

PLEASE NOTE: There will be no newsletter published next week.

OUR CHURCH FAMILY

An expression of sympathy is sent to Jennifer Lemmings, Steve Fryman and family in the death of their father J. Leslie Fryman who died November 17, 2016.

An expression of sympathy is sent to Charlie and Amy Woodrum and family in the death of Charlie's mother Cindy Hounchell who died November 10, 2016.

An expression of sympathy is sent to Logan and Julie Hines and family in the death of Logan's grandfather Beecher Hines who died November 14, 2016.

----Donna Clifford, sister of Lois Isaac and Terry Johnson is recuperating from surgery....

NOTES OF APPRECIATION

"Dear Lord's Lunch group, We would like to thank the Lord's Lunch group for the delicious meal they provided. The lunch was a pleasant surprise after having surgery." Mary Beth & Bill McNutt

Pat Colvin Tussey, sister of Victor Colvin would like to thank everyone for prayers, cards and support during her recent surgery.

Beverly Cooper and family would like to thank everyone for their cards, prayers, visits, food and concern following the illness and death of Donnie. A special thanks to Bish and Tim for all they have done for our family.

Jigsaw Puzzle and Board Game Exchange: Get ready to "hunker down" during the winter snows with a new-to-you family game. Bring your gently used games (no missing pieces) for the exchange on Sunday, November 20 and 27, in the fellowship hall. The Green Chalice exchanges have a "Bring-One-Take-One or Donation" philosophy.

Family Resource and Youth Service Center: Donations are being accepted for local families. The FRYFC is in need of family-sized personal hygiene items: toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, bar soap or body wash, and shampoo. A donation box will be in the hall by the elevator and in the room across from the office. If you have questions contact any Discussion Class member.

CHURCH CABINET MEETING

The Church Cabinet will meet in the conference room at 6:00 P.M. Monday, December 5th.

OFFICIAL BOARD MEETING

The Official Board will meet in Bish Hall at 7:00 P.M. Monday, December 5th.

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

Elders: Mary Bell, Bruce Florence, Kathy Brown, Victor Colvin

Diaconate: Ray Partin, Ch'm; Rebecca Crowther, Billy Hayes, Susan Hayes, J. Frank Marsh, Hannah

Matthews, Melissa Partin and Joe Rorer

Greeters: Dale Matthews, Mary June Brunker, Ruthie Antle, Ginny Ashbrook

Communion Preparers: Rebecca Crowther and Sandy VanHook

Sound System: Gary Carter

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Cynthiana Christian Church P.O. Box 236 Cynthiana, KY 41031 Address Service Requested Give the gift of warmth: A collection of warm outer clothing will be delivered to the Hope Center in Lexington. They are in need of jackets, coats, hoodies, hats, gloves and scarves for men and women. Collection boxes will be by the elevator and in the class room across from the office. Contact any discussion class member for more information.

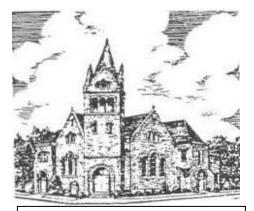
THANKSGIVING OFFERING

Sunday, November 20th & 27th we will receive our Thanksgiving Offering. This offering benefits the colleges, universities, seminaries, and divinity houses affiliated with Christian Church (Disciples of Christ). These learning communities are an extension of the church, challenging students to understand and respond to God's call to serve. Envelopes will be in the pew pockets for your donation. Please make checks payable to Cynthiana Christian Church.

CHRISTMAS ANGELS

Angels from the Community Education Center will be on a table in Bish Hall Sunday, November 20th. Please make sure to put your name and phone number with the number of the angel on the form that will be on the table. They ask that the gifts not be wrapped and need to be turned into the Community Education Center by December 8th.

Cedar Ridge Sunday: Sunday, November 27th is our Sunday at Cedar Ridge. Please meet at 2:00 P.M at Cedar Ridge.



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

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Minister's Message:

Recently I came across these insightful words I choose to share with you at this time.

"The paradox of our time in history is that we have taller buildings, but shorter tempers; wider freeways, but narrower viewpoints; we spend more, but have less; we buy more, but enjoy it less.

We have bigger houses and smaller families; more conveniences, but less time; we have more degrees, but less sense; more knowledge, but less judgment; more experts, but more problems; more medicine, but less wellness.

We have multiplied our possessions, but reduced our values.

We talk too much, love too seldom, and hate too often.

We've learned how to make a living, but not a life;

We've added years to life, not life to years.

We've been all the way to the moon and back, but have trouble crossing the street to meet the new neighbor.

We've conquered outer space, but not inner space; we've cleaned up the air, but polluted the soul; we've split the atom, but not our prejudice.

We have higher incomes, but lower morals; we've become long on quantity, but short on quality.

We have more leisure, but less fun; more kinds of food, but less nutrition."

I do know one virtue we could perhaps use a little more of, the spirit of civility. This Sunday as a part of our Thanksgiving observance will we will discuss the subject, "Civility, A Hopeful Path." Alexis de Tocqueville once stated, "America is great because she is good. If America ceases to be good, America will cease to be great." Without the spirit of civility, our rifts in life widen. Without it, we are all damaged. Today we need community, a community of faith, hope, and love. Civility is a hopeful path that even though we are different, we can sojourn together.Larry