

# THE DISCIPLE VISITOR

WEDNESDAY (MARCH 6TH, 7PM WE WILL GATHER WITH OUR UCC BROTHERS & SISTERS IN OUR FCC SANCTUARY FOR WORSHIP

IN THE SOFTNESS OF EVENING, IN THE SOLACE OF SILENCE WE COME TO YOU, O LORD. WE COME FOR ACCEPTANCE; WE COME FOR FOR COMMUNITY; WE COME FOR FORGIVENESS AND LOVE

WORSHIPPING TOGETHER THROUGH LENT ... WEDNESDAY EVENING LENTEN COMMUNITY SERVICES A LIGHT SUPPER WILL BE PROVIDED AT 6 RM. FOLLOWED BY WORSHIP AT 7 RM.. (MARCH 13: MEDINA PRESBYTERIAN, 5020 BURGUNDY BAY BLVD MARCH 20: ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN, 400 N BROADWAY ST (MARCH 27: FIRST CHRISTIAN CHURCH, 4797 SHARON COPLEY RD APRIL 3: (MEDINA UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST CONGREGATIONAL, 217 E LIBERTY ST APRIL 10: MEDINA UNITED (METHODIST CHURCH, 4747 FOOTE RD



THE BEATITUDES (MATTHEW 5:3-12 First Christian Church—Medina (Disciples of Christ)

# TETELESTAT

March 15th and March 16th at 8 pm March 17th at 2 pm The United Church of Christ

"Tetélestai" (Greek meaning "It is finished") is a contemporary musical passion play about the last week in Jesus' life. The ministry vividly portrays His triumphant entry into Jerusalem, His trial, execution and His resurrection.

Cleveland Performing Arts Ministries is a non-profit organization that produces "Tetélestai" in Northeastern Ohio. The play originated in the minds of two young college students, Russ and Joel Nagy from Upper Arlington Lutheran Church in Columbus, Ohio. Under the direction of the Holy Spirit, Russ composed the contemporary music score, while Joel put the script and lyrics together by laying out the Gospels side-by-side. They depicted the words and actions of Jesus in an historically accurate setting with a contemporary message for today's audience.

No tickets, but a free-will offering will be collected at each of the three performances.



# MAUNDY THURSDAY "I give you a new commandment: Love one another as I have loved you." - John 13:34

# Maundy Thursday

We will join the United Church of Christ in their Sanctuary for a joint Maundy Thursday Service April 18th at 7pm 217 E Liberty St

On this night ... We will fall asleep. We will betray. We will run and hide. We will deny we ever knew him.

Knowing what would happen, Christ still broke the bread, poured the wine, and made the new covenant with us.

Mark Your Calendars for the Annual Easter Egg Hunt with the UCC Saturday April 20th at 1 pm on our church lawn



# LENTEN COMMUNITY DINNER and WORSHIP

Hosted at our church on Wednesday, March 27<sup>th</sup>, DINNER will be served at 6pm and WORSHIP begins at 7pm.

We will be providing dinner for about 100 people. 10 volunteers are NEEDED to make casseroles which serve about 10 people. 4 volunteers are NEEDED to provide desserts which will serve about 25 people. We also need to have volunteers to come set-up at about 5pm and people to stay and help with clean up after the event.

Sign-up sheets are in the Narthex.



# EASTER LILY ORDER FORM

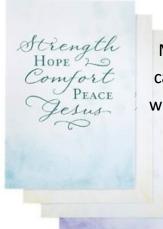
If you would like to place a potted lily in the Sanctuary for Easter in Honor or in Memory of a loved one, place a completed form and check in the offering plate on Sunday mornings. OR contact the church office at 330-723-7021 / fccmedinasec@gmail.com.

Be sure to mark your check's memo line with "Easter Lily".

# Final ordering date is April 7. Cost per potted lily is \$12



# **Important Worship Tidbits**



Missing, praying for, celebrating with someone? Why not send them a card and let them know?! At the end of each pew in the sanctuary you will find a box of cards and envelopes. Please feel free to use them to let someone know you are thinking of them. You can put the card in the offering plate and the office would be happy to mail it for you (or, of course, you can mail it on your own.)

**New! Card Ministry** 

# Have a ministry, activity, or announcement you want to share?

\* Please be sure to give your information to our secretary, Vicki, by Wednesday 10 am for that week's bulletin. If you want it in the newsletter, please turn it in by the 21st of the month.



\* If you want your information on the T.V. screens and/or on social media please email Rev. Laura and/or Meg Guest by Tuesday.

\* If you want to make a verbal announcement, please let Rev. Laura know Sunday morning **before** worship begins. Announcements should be written out. They should be concise, inviting and inspiring.



Do you have a prayer you would like added to the Bulletin, Newsletter, or sent out on email? Do you need to edit or remove someone from the prayer list? Please contact Rev. Laura or our church secretary, Vicki.

Do you have a prayer you would like to share on

Sunday morning during worship? You are more than welcome to share prayers out loud. Please *also* fill out a yellow prayer card provided in the pews or hand Rev. Laura a note. Sometimes it's hard to prayerfully listen and write down all of the information correctly - especially the spelling of names. We care about you and your prayers and we want to be sure the information we put on the prayer list is correct.

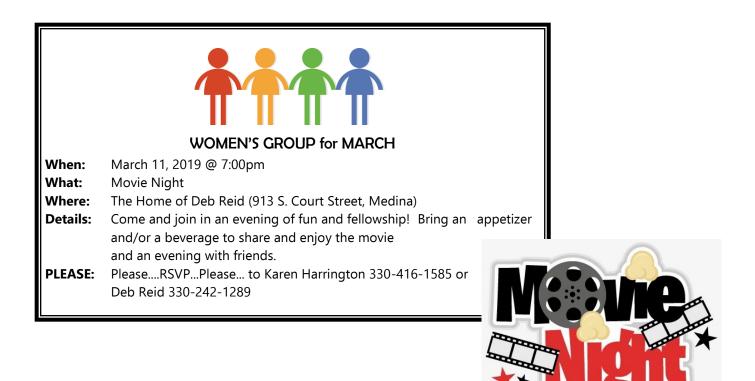


# WORSHIP TEAM

The members of your Worship Team are: Pastor Laura, Ray Yoss, Nicole Steigerwald, Krista Dolan, Jennifer Kotalac, Karen Baker and Karen Harrington.

We are the group that is charged with planning our worship time. Our goal is to plan a time of worship that praises God and nourishes and inspires this congregation of God's people. We meet the second Tuesday of each month at 6:00. YOU are always welcome to join us. You could also talk to one of us if you have questions or suggestions. We not only welcome, but encourage your ideas.







There will be a Christian Education meeting to begin planning for VBS and family summer activities / family outreach ministries on Tuesday March 12th at 7pm. Come join the conversation.



The Youth are invited to the Whittington's home for pizza and games on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> at 5pm

# THANK YOU!

Thank you for continuing to collaborate with us on the St. Pauly Textile clothing drop off shed project! In 2018 roughly 18, 126 garments of clothing were donated to your shed. This was enough to clothe an estimated 2,198 people. This clothing is being used right now by people in one or more of 44 different countries (including the US) to which our clothing is likely to have been distributed this past year. **Your organization raised \$1,101.83 in 2018 through hosting this shed!** 



# FCC BOOK CLUB All Are Welcome!

The FCC Book Club is an interdenominational group meeting monthly on the first Thursday of the month, 4pm at the church (unless otherwise noted).

- March 7, 2019 -The Hate You Give by Angie Thomas
- April 4, 2019 -The Keeper of Lost Things by Ruth Hogan



	Mərch		15th	Sophia Walters
				Don Baird
				Becky Baird
			17th	William Guest
	1st	Bobbi Way	18th	Kaaren George
		Bryan Heinig	20th	Shelley Prandi
	3rd	Judy Swaddell	23rd	Dave Griffith
	5th	Jack Swaddell	25th	Mark Dolan
	6th	Ruth Hawker	27th	Brendan Collins
	10th	Kevin Hutchinson	28th	Brittany Marino
	11th	Reed Hollopeter	29th	Rich Kotalac
	14th	Roxanne Steimle	31st	Sidney Thompson



2nd	Jim and Keri Lichtenberg
3rd	Ken and Meg Guest
4th	Jack and Judy Swaddell
5th	Harold and Kay Kaufman
16th	Bill and Linda Pavlick
20th	Vernon and Polly Robinson

### The Disciple Visitor

# Pastor's Class aka \* Goozack 101 March Schedule

March 6th - Ash Wednesday Service at 7 pm

March 10th - Evening Class - 5 pm, at the Hutchinson's

Talk about Lent - life, death, Resurrection of Jesus. Begin 'I believe Jesus is' statements.

March 17th – No Class. Please go see Tetelestai Musical at the UCC church

\* Friday, March 15 – 8:00 pm

- \* Saturday, March 16 8:00 pm
- \* Sunday, March 17 2:00 pm
- March 24th No Class, Spring Break

March 31st – Class after Worship Topic – Baptism & Discipleship



Creating friendships! love one another

\* The kids renamed Pastor's class. They would prefer calling it 'Goozack 101'. The term comes from a book series 'Wayside School'. The principal in the book apparently doesn't like 'doors' so he renamed them 'goozacks'. The kids don't like the word 'class' (feels too much like school) therefore they renamed it 'goozack 101'.

"Ask and it will be given to you, seek and you will find, knock and the 'goozack' will be opened to you. " Matthew 7:7

Making unleavened bread and grape juice for communion.







## Serving one another

"when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

# Did you know that our Church has a Social Media Presence?



Facebook, Twitter and Linkedin

Social Media allows us to spread the word! But it only works with your help!

> Here's what you need to do ... Find the church on social media. Like & Follow our page. Like our posts. Share out posts.

Doing these three simple things, help spread the word

# Posts Insights

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12 posts published in the last 28 days.

<ul> <li>A real works</li> <li>A r</li></ul>	Hello March! Coming up this w February 28	Reach Engagements	278 17
	Save the dates for Lent, Holy Week a February 25	Reach Engagements	464 34
	Goozack 101 aka Pastor's Class February 23	Reach Engagements	64 2
	Don't forget- Adult Sunday School "Di February 22	Reach Engagements	179 4
	Family Sunday is this Sunday! February 20	Reach Engagements	62 8
	Join us for worship this morning at 9: February 17	Reach Engagements	216 16

# How?

# Here's an example of our most recent Facebook Posts

Reach = How many people saw our post

Engagements = how many people liked, shared, or clicked on our post.

As you can see, engagements impact the reach.

The more we like and share, the more people will see what we are up to!



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Praying For... Praying For...

## DEATHS:

- Bob, Barb Pavlick's son
- Jill Towne, friend of the Prandis
- Bill Dunham, friend of the Nortons

- Toni Sweet, Laurie Kotalac's mother
- The incident & deaths at the Henry Pratt company in Chicago

- **HEALTH CONCERNS**
- AJ Krause

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- Dale Shenk, Norma Watterman's brother
- Davidlee Jeziorski's grandfather
- Eloise, Tim Mosley's grandmother (hospital)
- Gerry, Neal Beck's former wife
- Ida, Bev Kreiner's mother
- Jack Swaddell (recovery)
- Jan and Grace, Naomi Grega's mom and grandma
- Judith Rainery, Debbie Krause's mom
- Karen Dolan's mom (recovery)
- Karen Rule, Katie Baird's mother
- Kelly Jo Love, VanDyck's' friend

## FIGHTING CANCER

- Amy, Hillary Fink's friend
- Ann, Judy Swaddell's friend
- Brother-in-law of Jack Swaddell
- Camryn Colahan, Romy Groves' family
- Dawn Odeli, Nancy Cerny's niece
- Deb Thomas, the Kaufmans' friend
- Gene Clark, Debbie Reid's brother
- Heidi Hodges, Nicole Steigerwald's friend
- Jack Massey, Hillary Fink's grandfather
- Janice, the Bakers' friend
- John, Barbara Woodman's brother
- John K., the Dades' friend
- Judy Dawson, Sheila Peo's friend
- Linda, Polly Robinson's friend
- Lois, the Bakers' friend
- Lucy Parschauer, Chris Mansor's friend
- Marie Barr-Quackenbush, the Van Aukens' neighbor

## SHUT-INS / REHAB / HOSPICE

- Dorothy Sevougian
- Dottie Randall
- Jimmy and Patty, Toni Hollopeter's parents (The Avenue-Wooster)
- John Stachler
- Julie Bevacqua (Brookdale S)
- MILITARY:
- Aaron Mishler
- Bill Stewart
- Corey Jansen
- Daniel Rambo, Pat Rambo's grandson
- Emerson (Carl & Debbie Miller's son)

- Khara Vanderheyden, the VanDyck's family member
  Kimberlee Wittmer, the Jordans' daughter-in-law
- Linda Dempsey's mom
- Lynn Sandrock
- Mother of Krista Dolan's co-worker, Austin
- Nancy Rockwell, Karen Harrington's step-mom
- Norman, Karen Harrington's dad
- Rebecca Miller, friend of the Secoys
- Scott, Pearl Schwandt's son
- Tim Mosley
- Veronica Cross, Nicole Steigerwald's niece
- Mike Minarczyk, Brigitte Dade's daughter-in-law's relative
- Millie Gerak, Evan Hollopeter's friend
- Rhonda Russell, Chris Mansor's daughter-in-law's mother
- Rob Walter, Betty Sandrock's cousin's son
- Ron, Tom Dade's friend
- Ron Ebert, Neal Beck's friend
- Sherri Kerber, the Guests' neighbor
- Sherry Steingass, Van Auken's daughter's former co-worker
- Steve Kerns, Bobbi Way's son
- Susan, Debbie Krause's sister
- Susan Zito, Jennifer Burneson's aunt
- Terry Chesbro, Chris Mansor's brother
- Tino, the Downings' friend
- Todd Bauer, Cari Hiner's friend
- Tony Norton, the Mosley's friend
- Valerie, Christine Walters & Marcia Paladino's friend
- Lyla Calhoun (Concordia at Sumner)
- Nancy Cerny
- Nanny Rogers, Ken Guest's grandmother (rehab)
- Pearl Schwandt (Brookdale N)
- Robert Norton
- Tom George
- Jacob Warren (Karen Harrington's nephew)
- John Hinkel
- Marie Barr-Quackenbush (Van Auken's friend)
- Sean Jaycox
- Stephen Douglas (Ashley Searcy's friend)

# WORSHIP PARTICIPANT SCHEDULES for March 2019

# **TRUSTEE** for March – Scott Reid

# **GREETERS**

March 3:	David and Marcia Jordan
March 10:	Harold and Kay Kaufman
March 17:	Rich and Jennifer Kotalac

- March 24: Rick and Nancy Madiza
- March 31: Steve and Pat Neal

# **ELDERS**

March 3:	Bev <b>Kreiner,</b> Tim <b>Mosley</b>
March 10:	Susan <b>Chaplin,</b> Neal <b>Beck</b>
March 17:	Rick <b>Fitt,</b> Neal <b>Beck</b>
March 24:	Bryan <b>Heinig,</b> Karen <b>Harrington</b>
March 31:	Ray and Kristi <b>Yoss</b>

# **LITURGISTS**

March 3:	Carl <b>Miller</b>
March 10:	Carol <b>Miller</b>
March 17:	Debbi <b>Miller</b>
March 24:	Betty Sandrock
March 31:	Mark <b>Way</b>

# **ACOLYTES**

March 3:	Ali <b>Meisterics,</b> Katherine <b>Hiner</b>
March 10:	Jonas <b>Baird,</b> Lilah <b>Baird</b>
March 17:	William <b>Guest,</b> Mackenzie <b>Guest</b>
March 24:	Brenna <b>Sanchez,</b> Kelly <b>Baird</b>
March 31	Brayden <b>Semancik,</b> Jace <b>Mosley</b>
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\*Acolytes: Please meet Ms. Nicole or Ms. Karen in the Narthex a few minutes before services.



# **SONG LEADERS**

March 3:	Pat <b>Neal</b>
March 10:	Debbie <b>Miller</b>
March 17:	Debbie <b>Krause</b>
March 24:	Bryan <b>Heinig</b>
March 31:	Mark <b>Dolan</b>

# **DEACONS**

March 3:	Kirk and Cindy Van Auken
	Doug and Barrie Whittington
March 10:	Sheila <b>Peo,</b> Reid <b>Miller</b>
	Scott and Debbie <b>Reid</b>
March 17:	Meg <b>Guest,</b> Tanya <b>Mosley</b>
	Ken <b>Guest,</b> David <b>Jordan</b>
March 24:	Steve and Pat <b>Neal</b>
	Reed Hollopeter
	Nicole Steigerwald
March 31:	Doug and Barrie Whittington
	Kirk and Cindy Van Auken

# **HOSPITAL VISITORS**

March 3:	Jan <b>Decker</b>
March 10:	Ron <b>Foster</b>
March 17:	Bryan and Christine Heinig
March 24:	Harold <b>Kaufman</b>
March 31:	Bobbi <b>Way</b>

# AUDIO/VISUAL

March 3:	Rick <b>Madiza</b>
March 10:	Dave Watterman
March 17:	Dave Watterman
March 24:	Rick <b>Madiza</b>
March 31:	Dave <b>Watterman</b>

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# **SUNDAYS**

- > Coffee Café 9:15am Every Sunday
- > Sunday Worship Service 9:45am Every Sunday
- > Adult Sunday School at 8:30am and 11am Every Sunday
- > The Avenue 3pm March 17
- > Elders Meeting 11am following Worship March 17
- > Youth 5pm (at the Whittington's home—see pg. 6)

# MONDAYS

- > Preschool 9am Monday—Thursday
- > Yoga class 6:15pm (downstairs classroom) Every Monday
- > Stephen Ministry 7pm (Library and the Wineskins Room) March 4 & 18
- > Women's Group 7pm (see pg. 5) March 11
- > Red Sari Lunch 11:30am @ Longhorn Steakhouse in Medina March 11
- > Men's Group 7pm (Library) March 25

## TUESDAYS

- > Christian Education Meeting 7pm (Library—see pg. 6) March 12
- > Boy Scouts 6:30pm (Fellowship Hall) Every Tuesday

## **WEDNESDAYS**

- > Bell Choir Practice 6pm (Sanctuary) Every Wednesday
- > Choir Practice 7pm (Library) Every Wednesday
- > ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE, MARCH 6 @ 7PM (see front page)
- > Battered Women's Shelter donations to the Salvation Army by 4pm March 13
- > HeartSpace 12pm Mtg and 1pm Sacred Space (Wineskins Rm/Labyrinth) March 13

# THURSDAYS

- > Women's AA 6pm (Library) Every Thursday
- Scouts 7pm (Fellowship Hall) Every Thursday
- > Book Club 4:15pm (Wineskins Room) March 7

# FRIDAYS

> CLEAR

# SATURDAYS

> AA 8:30am (Library) Every Saturday



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# WEEKLY SCRIPTURE READINGS MARCH 2019

March 3—*Scripture:* Exodus 34:29-35; Psalm 99; 2 Corinthians 3:12-4:2; Luke 9:28-36, (37-43a)

March 10—Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Psalm 91:1-2, 9-16; Romans 10:8b-13; Luke 4:1-13

March17—Scripture: Genesis 15:1-12, 17-18; Psalm 27; Philippians 3:17-4:1; Luke 13:31-35 or Luke 9:28-36,(37-43a)

March 24—Scripture: Isaiah 55:1-9; Psalm 63:1-8; 1 Corinthians 10:1-13; Luke 1-9

March 31—Scripture: Joshua 5:9-12; Psalm 32; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21; Luke 15:1-3, 11b-32

April 7—Scripture: Isaiah 43:16-21; Psalm 126; Philippians 3:4b-14; John 12:1-8

Weekly Bulletin Deadline: TUESDAYS—APRIL Newsletter Deadline: March 18, 2019