



**United Methodist Church**

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# *The Leaflet*

*September 2021*



## Dedication

Lord, make this humble home  
Thy dwelling place,  
That all who enter here  
May feel Thy grace.

That none who comes may go  
Unrested or unblest.  
Lord, here with us abide,  
Our friend and guest.

Let no unkind word or deed  
Drive You away.  
Be with us, Lord, our friend indeed,  
Through every day.

Mabel M. Howard

## Financial Snapshot

General Fund Total Income - **July:** \$ 26,286.69

All sources, including Online Giving

General Fund Online Giving: \$ 4,722.24

General Fund **July** Expenses: \$ 29,873.16

[only 50% of Conference monthly apportionment payment paid for funds 2-5 paid; 100% of Conference Fund 1 paid; 100% of District monthly apportionment payment paid]

Received from the Child Care Center\* \$ 2,910.60

Capital Campaign Funds [Building Fund] received in **July:** \$ 2,900.00

Monthly Mortgage Payment: \$ 6,852.57

Building Fund Balance [pays the mortgage payment] as of 7/31/2021 \$ 79,919.67

Avg. Weekly Attendance in **July** [this includes Live Streaming through Facebook and YouTube] 259

Amazon Smile Donations Received to date in 2021: \$68.41

\* Child Care Reimbursement included in above figure towards the cost of utilities, copier lease, trash and security monitoring, etc.



### *Interested in a Moms' Weekly Getaway?*

*Join us between services in the Event Center Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> to discuss times and dates to start a group designed for moms with kids who still live at home to refresh, encourage each other and get spiritual parenting advice. We will read a few books together on motherhood and parenting according to God's Word and we'll also have spa nights, game nights, craft nights, take walks on the beach, or whatever the group is interested in doing for two hours a week that helps members re-energize for the important and demanding privilege of being a mom! (Some nights in the winter we might even meet in our PJs)*

*If there is enough interest the group will begin the week of October 3<sup>rd</sup>.*

*Contact Lynn Ham, 740-610-6703*



### September Birthdays

- 3 Norieta McMunn
- 4 Keaton Kelner, Elizabeth Bernardini
- 5 Jayson Kent
- 7 Edith Rodgers
- 8 Tom Edwards, Jr., Debora Trigg, Lois Wheatley, Jackson Alexander
- 9 Julie Applegate
- 10 Joshua Reitz, Chuck Kent
- 11 Jennifer Eubank, Madeline Woodworth
- 12 Winnie Anderson, Mike Kennedy, Giada Martinelli
- 13 McKenna Lehtonen
- 14 Brad Tisdale, Diane Schreiber
- 15 Theresa Morrison
- 16 Larry McKay, Julie Flagella
- 17 Sue Prime, Michelle Tisdale, Elijah Bones
- 18 Brianna Cole
- 19 Daric Wise
- 20 Linda Kauppila, Doris Myers, Ashley Hummer
- 23 Louis Krieg
- 24 Robert Lebzelter, Tyler Strader, Shelby Fertig
- 26 Terri Church, Jillian Jafarace
- 27 Tom Batchelor, Maci Carlson
- 28 Kelly Carlson
- 29 Janet Raines, Moria Blood

**Happy Birthday**



#### **Birthday & Anniversary List:**

If you would like your name on our list, please call the church office between 9:00 a.m. & 3:00 p.m. @ 593-2525

### September Anniversaries

- 1 Tim & Debbie Baldwin
- 3 Craig & Beth Meier
- 4 Bob & Annette McBride
- 5 Jason & Bambi Alexander
- 9 David & Lynda Blood
- 19 Ron & Joanne Williams

*Happy Anniversary!*

### Happenings at New Leaf Church

#### Weekly

Sun	9:00 am	Contemporary Worship Service
	11:00 am	Traditional Worship Service
	6 to 7:30 pm	Youth Group
Mon	9:00 am	Aerobics ~ Fit for Christ
	10:30 am	Tai Chi ~ at the lake
	6:30 pm	Praise Team Rehearsal
Tue	4:00 pm	Silver Sneakers
Wed	8:30 am	Silver Sneakers
	9:00 am	Aerobics ~ Fit for Christ
	7:00 pm	Adult Choir Practice [when resumed]
Thurs	10:00 am	Tai Chi ~ at the lake
	4:00 pm	Silver Sneakers
Fri	8:30 am	Silver Sneakers
	9:00 am	Aerobics ~ Fit for Christ

#### Monthly

Good Grief	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 3:30 pm
Board of Directors	Bi-monthly
Worship Team	4 <sup>th</sup> Monday at 7:30 pm
Bell Choir Practice	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Saturdays at 10:00 am
United Methodist Women	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 1:00 pm
Yarns of Love	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Saturday at 10:00 am

## Announcements

Our annual charge conference  
will be on Sunday, November 14<sup>th</sup>  
at Andover UMC starting at 2 pm.

If you would like the mid-week devotional  
on line, rather than checking on Facebook -  
call the office during the week (593-2525)  
and let us know.

### **Nursery Workers Needed:**

Nursery for ages birth to 5 years old has resumed during our  
Sunday morning worship services. If you're at least 18 years old  
and interested in helping out for the 9 am, 11 am, or both ser-  
vices please contact the church office for an application. The  
position pays \$10 per hour.

### *"Good Grief" Group Resumes*

On the 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 3:30 pm, a small group of women meet  
at the church to discuss personal loss and their grief journey. We welcome  
anyone suffering a loss [i.e. death of a loved one or divorce]. Our discussions  
are confidential and we have a strong support network for new members.

#### Questions/Contact:

Suzanne Bernardini  
440.593.5577

[bernardini288@gwcmail.net](mailto:bernardini288@gwcmail.net)

#### Next Meeting:

Tuesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>

3:30 pm @ New Leaf UMC

*"May you find comfort in the memories that are yours to cherish always, and strength  
in the companionship of those who share your loss."*

*Western Reserve District UMW Fall Gather-  
ing will be at Mentor UMC on October 16<sup>th</sup>.*

*Program starts at 10 am,*

*The theme is*

*Transforming Lives: Renewing Hope for  
Our Children.*



Please join with us for

### *A Day of Prayer: Thursday, September 9*



It is God's desire for prayer to be a central part of each of our lives. Prayer is also the foundation  
for God's work through the New Leaf Childcare and Learning Center.

The Childcare Board of Directors invite you to partner with us on **Thursday, September 9** by committing yourself  
to spending **10 minutes** on that day in prayer for the Childcare Center.

### **Here are some ideas to guide you in praying for our mission and ministry:**

For guidance for the Staff, Administration and Board of Directors. "For the Lord gives wisdom, and from His  
mouth come knowledge and understanding." *Prov. 2:6*

For God's constant and abundant provision for the needs of the Center. "And my God will meet all your  
needs according to His glorious riches in Christ Jesus." *Phil. 4:19*

That a Christian witness would be evident throughout our day-to-day operations. "And whatever you do,  
whether in word or deed, do it all in the name of the Lord Jesus..." *Col. 3:17*

That families and children would be pointed to the love and mercy of Christ through their involvement with  
the Center. "...let your light shine before men, that they may see your good deeds and praise your Father  
in Heaven." *Matt. 5:16*

And ALWAYS that God would know our thankfulness. "Thanks be to God for His indescribable gift!" *2 Cor.*

*Love the Lord † Love One Another † Make Disciples Of Jesus Christ*

## Prayer Concerns

Nancy Horton, Danny & Ethan Soller, Pastor Scott & Jan, Peggy Ward, Kris Zemla, April Shubitowski and her family, KyKy, Kim, Joni and family, Jamie and family, Pam & Katie, Pennie, Brian, Tina, Lisa Brown, JP, Dave, Twila Dewey, Families of Marines killed, Liz Ogren, Amy (Richmond) Cantrell, Mike Smith, Colton Ohrn, Jackson Ward, Penny Mitchell

## Prayers of Joy

**Pastor Scott update:** X-rays are normal. Muscles around his back hardware have to be re-programmed as Scott has not stood up straight in over 3 years so the muscles are having big spasms. He is home and doing P.T. & O.T.

Jim Lutz's rendition of Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone on Sunday ... Beautiful!!

## Entered into Glory

Debbie Mullens, Ryan Brown, Nathan Morton, Doris Lattimer,  
Steven Bickelmeier, Dennis Courtney, Alice Koob, Nathan Morton



### Give Praise

Give praise to God for autumn,  
For gold-splashed maple trees,  
For gorgeous crimson sunsets,  
For woodland tapestries,  
For dappled paths a-winding  
Around a peaceful hill  
Where redbirds in the distance  
Glad songs of rapture spill.

Give praise to God for autumn,  
For yellow, ripened days,  
For bounty of the harvest ~  
Oh, let us sing God's praise!  
For all of autumn's blessings  
Are gifts from God above  
Who fashioned golden autumn  
And blest it with His love.

*Beverly J. Anderson*

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# The Editor's Thoughts

*Well, September is now 'coming 'round the corner' and our children are heading back to school [physically]. It's a chance for them to reacquaint with classmates they might not have seen for over a year. What joy! Hopefully they will be able to remain in school and that we are not hit again by a virus. Our church is open and we are seeing more and more old faces that we have been missing. Please consider joining us on Sundays ~ we miss you all so much. Pastor Russ is stirring us with his awesome sermons but seeing so many empty seats is disheartening. Come and let's fill them up and feel the presence of God in our midst.*

*Child of God,  
Penny, Editor*



## Update

Pastor Jan had put a list of requested food to be donated in the last devotional. The response was overwhelming. Many bags were filled; refillable Wal-Mart bags, so they were quite large. At least a dozen bags were filled. Some have been given out to transients and also families in the Conneaut Area needing food. There were monetary donations that also came in; but at this time, there has not been a need to replenish items.



Thank to Everyone!

**FAITH**  
is like Wi-Fi,  
it's invisible but  
it has the power  
to connect you to  
what you need.

**WHAT:** Trunk or Treat

**WHEN:** Saturday, Oct 30 from 1:00 – 3:00

**WHERE:** New Leaf UMC Parking Lot

**WHO:** New Leaf members, along with local businesses & organizations.

**WHY:** Provide a Welcoming, Loving, & Safe experience for children.

**Trunk or Treat:**

30 Spaces to be designated. Each sponsor is requested to decorate with a “G” Rating.



boo and stuff.



Children's Organ Transplant Association®

# 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Reverse Raffle



**Annika Kelner needs a life-saving double lung transplant. Show your life-saving support for COTA in honor of Annzie the Brave and join us at the reverse raffle. 100% of funds raised assist with transplant-related expenses.**

**Date: November 13, 2021**

**Location: The EXPO Building and Event Center at Ashtabula County Fairgrounds. 127 N. Elm St Jefferson, OH 44047**

**Time: Doors Open 4:45, Dinner 6:00**

**Price: \$45 Single, \$80 Couple**

**Price includes main board ticket, dinner, and open bar**  
**\$1500 Main Board, Chinese Auction, 50/50**

The Children's Organ Transplant Association (COTA) is a 501(c)3 charity.

For more information contact:

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Visit [www.COTAforAnnzieTheBrave.com](http://www.COTAforAnnzieTheBrave.com) for more information.



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 Silver Sneakers 8:30 am Fit for Christ 9 am Child Care Bd. 11 am	2 Tai Chi 10 am Silver Sneakers 4 pm	3 Silver Sneakers 8:30 am Fit for Christ 9 am	4 Event Ctr in use Yarns of Love 10 am
5	6 LABOR DAY ; office closed	7 Silver Sneakers 4 pm	8 Silver Sneakers 8:30 am Fit for Christ 9 am	9 Tai Chi 10 am Silver Sneakers 4 pm Event Ctr Bd. 6 pm A Day of Prayer for Child Care	10 Silver Sneakers 8:30 am Fit for Christ 9 am	11
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Trust  
in the Lord   
with all thine heart;  
and *lean* not  
unto thine own understanding.  
in all thy ways  
*acknowledge* Him,  
and He shall *direct* thy paths.  
Proverbs 3: 5-6