



Chimes

June 2013
Christ Presbyterian Church

On a recent early Saturday evening, I sat on the deck of the manse as yellow clouds of pollen blew from pine trees behind the house. In shorts and t-shirt, I relaxed into a moment that was a harbinger of summer. Now, six days later, I write this column wearing a sweatshirt, sitting indoors. On a run this morning I wore long pants and a jacket, and wished I'd put on gloves. Though it is a late May afternoon, the wind chill makes it feel like 33° outside. "Sounds like spring in Northeast Ohio," you might say. I say, it also sounds like life.

Our lives have weather of sorts. With ups and downs, joys and sorrows, life's weather is rarely constant. Anxiety and fear interrupt days happily begun. Days with gloomy-hearted beginnings can spark with laughter and joy. Some describe life as having seasons that correspond to stages in life. There's something to this. But on the whole, life's weather defies such neat organization.

Jesus was not a climate-controlled Messiah. The bulk of Jesus' teaching, preaching, healing and praying happened outdoors. Jesus illumined God's kingdom through stories of planting and harvest, sparrows and lilies. He instructed disciples' faith by walking into storms. The witness of Scripture and the doctrine of the incarnation suggest that no human has lived closer to the earth than the Son from heaven. As Hebrews puts it, Jesus truly "shared our [flesh and blood]," becoming "like his brothers and sisters in every respect" (Heb 2:14, 17). Since this is so, some of the weather to which Jesus attended took the form of systems blowing through his heart.

Jesus makes weathered disciples. They marvel at wildflower bursts and fluorescent snowfields. They revel in days of strength and of happy heart. They also watch storms approach and take stock of damage in their wake. They unmask sorrow and name hurt for what it is. They refuse to hide from life's weather, for doing so would make them less human than Jesus.

Three times this summer, on **June 30, July 28 and August 18**, we'll worship outdoors at the Pavilion. I believe Jesus approves. He will be there, as he always is. In our sunshine and gale days, in our average, seasonable days, he is with us as one who has known them all. Jesus is Lord not only over the storm, but is Lord precisely *in* it. He is Savior not only in hard times, but in the days of our greatest joy.

May Christ refresh you this summer,

NEW SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Beginning, Monday, June 3rd the CPC Office is open 9:00 A.M. until 2:00 P.M. Mondays through Thursdays. Regular hours will resume in late August.

GET INVOLVED!

**The KING'S BRASS
in Concert
June 8 at 7:30 pm
Federated Church in
Chagrin Falls**



This is a great event for the whole family to enjoy. A musical treat that's hard to beat!

The King's Brass is a widely-acclaimed Christian-oriented group that plays in church and community settings around the country. The group utilizes trumpets, trombones, percussion and more in a unique way to fill every corner of the Sanctuary as they perform Christian music and toe-tapping American favorites drawn from jazz, marches, and spirituals.

**General Admission
tickets are \$15 in
advance, \$20 at the door.**
Children 12 years and
younger can attend for no
charge.
Contact Pat Gedeon at 440-
729-9992

LAKE COUNTY CAPTAINS GAME

JUNE 14



A sign-up for tickets to the Lake County Captains game on June 14th at 7:00pm is available in the Fellowship Hall. Each ticket costs \$9.00. The game will be preceded by a Christian concert and another Christian concert and fireworks will conclude the evening after the last out has been made. Please make checks payable to CPC and write **Fellowship / Captains** in the memo line of your check. Contact Bill Gripp at 440-729-9539.

CHAPEL CIRCLE LUNCHEON

JUNE 19TH

12:00pm

Welshfield Inn, Burton

Reservations must be made.

RSVP: Regrets Only

Call: Janet McIntee at 440-834-4014

Car pool meeting at the church at 11:30am

THE CPC FINE ARTS COMMITTEE

The purpose of our ministry is to create a welcome feeling of community and hospitality here at Christ Church. Our long-term goal is to give warmth and a feeling of "hominess" to the inside of the building that flows from one room to the next. The process is one of slow, deliberate consideration of what we strive to be as a church. Our belief is that the changes you will see in the next several years, will reinforce the church life that we want to live and the church we want to be. So bear with us as we proceed step-by-step and hand-in-hand with the support of the Property and Maintenance Committee. Feel free to join us to lend your thoughts as we move forward with our vision. Next meeting is June 6th 12:00pm. Contact: Karen Perko with questions at 440-286-9820.

FELLOWSHIP

ANNOUNCING UPCOMING FELLOWSHIP EVENTS

The Fellowship Committee is pleased to announce events you will want to mark on your calendars as you make your plans for the coming months.

First, as was reported in prior Chimes, we will again be in attendance at the Captains Stadium as the **Lake County Captains take on the Great Lakes Loons** (really, that is their name) on **Friday, June 14, at 7 p.m.** The game will be preceded by a Christian concert and another Christian concert and fireworks will conclude the evening after the last out has been made. Tickets for the game and entertainment will be Nine Dollars (\$9.00) each and will be available through the Church Office or by contacting Bill Gripp. A sign-up sheet has been placed on the Narthex table, as well, and you are encouraged to sign up so we will know how many tickets we will need.

On **Tuesday evening, July 16, the Hillcrest Concert Band** will be returning for an outdoor concert performance of their 2013 Tour, "**DRAMA**", which will include music of Broadway shows over the past century. It promises to be a memorable evening as CPC's own Paul Lawrence conducts the Concert Band. More information will be forthcoming about the show, but for now, simply note it on your calendar. The event will commence at 7:30 p.m. and admission is free, although donations to support the Band will be welcomed.

And to round out our plans for the summer of 2013, plan to attend the **Annual Church Picnic and Golf Outing at Fowlers Mill Golf Course on Sunday, July 28.** The Golf Outing will begin at 12:30 p.m. and the Picnic will run from 3 to 6 p.m. More details will follow but for now, it is just good to mark your calendars for this fun and thoroughly enjoyable day with fellow members and friends of CPC.

We hope you will participate in as many of these events as you can. Each will present a great opportunity to join others you know and to bring your friends or family members who may either not have a church home or are simply at a point in their lives where a little relaxed fellowship would come at a good time. If physically getting to any of them is an issue for you, let us know as we do not want transportation to hinder your participation. If that is an issue for you, feel free to call Sam Martillotta at (216)-310-3367 or send him an email at smartillotta@mggmlpa.com.

More will be announced for the Fall, but for now we will just go a season at a time! We hope you will join us!

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JEN CONGDON
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JUNE 15th KIDSFEST,
10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.
CPC will join area churches for a day of children's activities and community fellowship at Chesterland City Park. **We need volunteers to take shifts staffing our booth,** which will offer a fun and simple craft. To help, contact Jen Congdon at: 440-622-6563 or sign up in Fellowship Hall.

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS JUNE 2.

DISCOVERY TIME:

9:30am - 10:20am

Children Kindergarten through 5th Grade

Jen Congdon will be reading C.S. Lewis' book,

The Lion, The Witch and The Wardrobe.

During Discovery Time, the children will have the opportunity to participate in follow up activities that pertain to each chapter.

WORSHIP SERVICE

10:30am

Following the Children's Moment in worship, children, Preschool through 2nd Grade will head downstairs for a group Sunday School lesson. We will be learning from the book of Genesis.

CHILDREN/YOUTH

Third Grade and older will remain upstairs for the worship service. There will be Children's Bulletins available for them each week.

SUMMER OUTDOOR WORSHIP

Sunday, June 30

Sunday, July 28

Sunday, August 18

There will be a programming for all children Preschool age through the 5th Grade.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2013

We are still accepting registrations for the *Journey through Athens with Paul*. Only a few short weeks until our journey will begin on June 17th. We hope that you will be able to join us for this exciting adventure as we travel in *Oikoi*, small house church groups, to explore ancient Athens' markets and streets, and take part in Olympic style games.

Come join the fun June 17th – 20th 9:00am to noon. If you have any questions, please call Beth Boucek at 440-338-1926. See you there!

June

ANNIVERSARIES

Jason & Shannon Monsman	06/02
Bob & Marilyn Russell	06/02
Mickey & Pat Gedeon	06/10
Larry & Peggy Evans	06/11
Peery & Rita Elswick	06/12
Bill & Jeanette Mann	06/12
Jay & Jayne Fairfield	06/18
Bruce & Nancy Cline	06/19
Dan & Michele Dawson	06/21
William & Jane Larrick	06/21
Brad & Nancy Moritz	06/21
Dave & Brenda Varner	06/27

BIRTHDAYS

Ali Martillotta	06/01
Ralph Hetrick	06/03
Karena McCandless	06/03
Barbara Hollingsworth	06/04
Elia Congdon	06/05
Sam Chenoweth	06/07
Bruce Cline	06/08
Sue Scott	06/08
Christianne Russell	06/09
Ellie Havel	06/13
Nancy Moritz	06/14
Bill Gripp	06/15
Sheila McKenzie	06/16
Logan Moritz	06/17
Kristin MacLellan	06/18
Mike Tropf	06/20
Pat Schmies	06/21
Dave Starke	06/22
Michael Lyman	06/23
Paula Martillotta	06/23
John Carlton	06/24
Linda Russell	06/25
Ben Metcalf	06/26
Colton Milnar	06/29
Meg Zimmermann	06/29
Christine Pauley	06/30

CPC MISSION COMMITTEE CONTINUES THE DONATION DRIVE FOR ALTERNATERM

In June, we will continue collecting the following items for Alternaterm Pregnancy Services in Cleveland Heights:

- Diapers -newborn through size 6
- Baby wipes
- Powder
- Lotion
- Baby wash
- New baby clothes (onesies, sleepers, wash cloths, blankets etc.)

There is a basket labeled "Missions" in Fellowship Hall.

THE MISSION OF ALTERNATERM is a Christ-centered ministry dedicated to preserving life now and for eternity. They provide spiritual, emotional, medical and practical support to individuals as they deal with issues relating to sexual responsibility and pregnancy.

IN JULY & AUGUST we will be collecting women's under garments (new socks, bras, underwear, ALL sizes). All items will be donated to **Laura's House** which is affiliated with the City Mission. **Laura's House** is a homeless shelter for women and children located on the west side of Cleveland. Contact Jayne Fairfield at 440-729-8214 for more

PAST SERMONS, WORSHIP SERVICES AND CPC EVENTS are available on VCR Recordings. Help yourself to a great archival experience! Located in Fellowship Hall.





Pilots for Christ International, Inc.

"Our Lord's Air Force"

Latrobe, Pennsylvania – On Monday, April 15th, the Northeast Ohio Chapter of Pilots for Christ, successfully completed its fourth Mercy Flight. At 9:45 am, PCI-NEO members Scott Kriessler & Eric Milnar departed the Northeast Philadelphia Airport in a Beechcraft A36 Bonanza bound for the Arnold Palmer Regional Airport in Latrobe, PA. The passengers onboard the flight were Ethel and her son Ethen who were returning home to Western PA after spending 10 days at the Cancer Treatment Center of America in Philadelphia for follow-up treatments and doctor appointments that are crucial to Ethel's recovery from cancer. Light rain and clouds gave way to blue skies and sunshine as "Compassion Flight 519" made its way westward across the mountains of Southern Pennsylvania. After a smooth landing at Latrobe, we thanked God for His many blessings and wished Ethel and Ethen safe travels and good health until we meet again.

About Pilots For Christ, International

Pilots For Christ, International (PCI) is a non-denominational group of pilots and aviation enthusiasts, dedicated to the promotion of the Gospel. In gratitude to Almighty God for the gift of flight, we endeavor to use our interest in aviation to promote His Gospel throughout the international aviation community, in particular, and the world in general, through service. The MERCY FLIGHT program is a service provided by pilots and/or aircraft owners within Pilots for Christ International, who are willing to fly individuals and/or families to get to appointments, treatments, doctor visits, and other necessary, urgent travel. These individuals use their own aircraft & provide this service free of charge. Through their Love for Jesus Christ, they have dedicated themselves to spreading the Gospel and helping others.



Pilots for Christ - Eric & Scott



Ethel & Ethen



Philadelphia



COFFEE HOUR HOSTS FOR SEPTEMBER 2013

People to host coffee hours in September 2013. The Deacons are unable to host the five Sundays in September and need your help. Please call Cyndie Trof at 440-729-3764 if interested. The Deacons provide the coffee and cookies. The hosts bring the coffee creamer for that Sunday and prepare everything for coffee hour and then stay to cleanup.

DEACONS MEETING

May 6, 2013

- Minutes and Treasurer's report were approved and committee reports were reviewed and discussed.
- Frank Lyon was our Session representative for the evening and covered pertinent session information.
- The Youth Director position will be posted locally and on our website.
- Pastor Matt's "call pastor" position and process will be discussed in May. This is a transition to Permanent status for Matt. There will be a congregational meeting to vote on this when completed.
- The CPC Work day that was held May 18th was a huge success. Matt also mentioned that the Session retreat was a very positive day of Fellowship and planning. He covered the Adult Sunday School program. Many feel it is a big plus.
- The Deacons and many from our congregation served the first community dinner at Dave Stark's church, Beachland Presbyterian Church in Cleveland on May 15th. There are plans to continue that joint event shared with our church and Beachland.
- Beth Boucek was a guest at this meeting to fill us in on Vacation Bible School. Deacons will make a monetary donation to help support the program again this year.
- Our outreach committee told us about the new family we will now be helping. This mom has three boys, ages 2, 5, and 15 as well as a 14 year old girl. We will be getting more information on the family soon. A motion was made to give them a gas card and a Drug Mart gift card this month.

As always, please keep our CPC family and friends in your prayers and thoughts when needs arise.

Barb Albrecht

DEACONS TO ASSIST LOCAL FAMILY

A single mom with 4 children will receive aid from Deacons. She has a 15-year-old son, a 14-year-old daughter and 5 and 2-year-old sons. The mother is working part time and is receiving food stamps but no child support. The younger children are in day care.

Their immediate needs are for hygiene and household items--laundry detergent, toilet paper, salt for water softener, soap, shampoo, toothpaste, etc. The 2 year old needs pull ups for day care--size 3/4. The younger children can use new or gently used clothing. The 15-year old son, who is 5'8", likes sweat pants, basketball pants, t-shirts, etc. Gift cards to Kohl's, Wal-Mart, Giant Eagle, or gas cards would be appreciated.

Any gift cards should be left with Karen in the church office. There will be a box in Fellowship Hall for donated items. Thank you so much for your love and support.

Contact Joy Kule at: 440-729-2992 or Marsha Zimmermann at 440-338-1898 with questions.

DEACONS NEEDS YOUR HELP

The Geauga County Dog Shelter is in immediate need of laundry detergent, canned dog food, and dog treats (none from China please). There will be a box in Fellowship Hall for any items during the month of May. Thanks.

-Marsha Zimmermann

HAVE YOU LEFT ANY SERVING UTENSILS AT CHURCH? If so, take a look! You might just find the missing piece. Lost & Found pieces are in the CPC Kitchen.



June

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
						1 8:00am Men's Tres Dias Reunion - CPC
2 *Sunday morning schedule	3 9:30am Children's Ministry Meeting 7:00pm Deacons 7:30pm Men's Discussion Group	4 9:30am Prayer Group 6:30pm Bootcamp	5 6:30am Men's Bible Study	6 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal 8:15pm Grateful Praise Rehearsal	7	8 8:00am Men's Sat Bible Study - Clyde's Home
9 *Sunday morning schedule 11:45am Mission Committee Meeting	10 11:00am Staff Meeting 7:00pm Youth Committee Meeting 7:00pm Adult Ministries 7:30pm Men's Discussion Group	11 9:30am Prayer Group 10:00am Evangelism Committee Meeting 6:30pm Bootcamp	12 6:30am Men's Bible Study	13 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal 8:15pm Grateful Praise Rehearsal	14 7:00pm Couples Bible Study	15 8:00am Men's Tres Dias Reunion - CPC
16 *Sunday morning schedule	17 9:00am-noon VBS 7:00pm Property & Maintenance 7:30pm Men's Discussion Group	18 9:00am-noon VBS 9:30am Prayer Group 7:00pm Session 7:00pm Worship Meeting	19 6:30am Men's Bible Study 9:00am-noon VBS 11:00am Chapel Circle	20 9:00am-noon VBS 7:00pm Choir Rehearsal 8:15pm Grateful Praise Rehearsal CHIMES DEADLINE	21	22 8:00am Men's Sat Bible Study - Clyde's Home
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30 OUTDOOR WORSHIP	*SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ 9:30am Sunday School for Adults and Youth ○ 9:30am Discovery Time for K-5th grade ○ 10:30am Worship ○ 10:30am Sunday School for 3 years-5th Grade 					



CPC PRAYER REQUESTS ON THE WEB

For your convenience, you may now share your prayer requests via our Web site. You may choose to hide your request from public view or make it visible to those computer users who read the page. In either case, your request will be submitted for prayer chain circulation so that members and friends can pray for you. You will find the Prayer Request page under the Contact tab or type the following address in your browser: <http://www.christpcusa.org/prayerrequest.cfm>

**Church office hours:
9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Monday - Thursday**

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matt@christpcusa.org**

SHARE IN THE PER CAPITA APPORTIONMENT: Each year CPC contributes an apportionment per member toward the administrative and missions ministries of the Presbytery, Synod, and General Assembly. This year's per-member apportionment is \$25.00. Please consider sharing in this cost by contributing all or part of your household's per-member amount using the per capita envelope in your offering envelopes box, or by submitting a check with "per capita" on the memo line. Contributions help free CPC budget funds for other ministry efforts.

-Jim Hart, Finance Chair

**CPC FINANCIAL UPDATE
2013 OPERATING BUDGET**

Month	Actual Income	Actual Expenses	Difference (Income-Expenses)
Jan-Apr	\$89,714.13	\$77,585.77	\$12,128.36
Reserve as of January 1,			\$ 9,875.51
Operating Fund Balance			\$22,003.87