

The *Pillar*

Brecksville United Church of Christ

August 2019



***Loving, Serving, and Accepting All People
With God's Life-Changing Power***



Pastor's Ponderings

We have arranged for Pastoral Care during the current period between Pastor Dave's retirement and August 15, when Allan Lane, our Interim Pastor, comes on board. Reverend John King of the Richfield UCC has graciously agreed to be available for Pastoral emergencies or concerns. In addition, Mary Collingwood of the Community of St. Bridget will be available after August 8. Both have asked that you reach them through our church office, 440-526-4364. Or you may contact them through our Moderator, Jim Duffy at 216-644-2784. Thank you.

Guest Leaders in Faith for the month of August are:

August 4: Dave Debick

August 11: Mary Collingwood

Interim Pastor Allan Lane will be arriving on August 15. He will start with his First Worship Service on August 18. Which also happen to be our Church Picnic. Please plan to attend both events to meet our new Spiritual Leader.

WORSHIP IN THE PARK! On Sunday, August 25th, we will head to the great outdoors for our annual Worship in the Park. Come join us in Richfield Woods Park for bagels at 10:00 and worship at 10:30 with our friends from the Richfield UCC. Maps to the park and Richfield UCC [in the unlikely event of rain] are available in the church office.



FROM THE MINISTRIES OF BUCC

FACILITIES MINISTRY

The 'Fund the Roof Campaign' has raised over \$25,000! Another big 'Thank You' to the congregation. The new roof will be installed in mid-August and additionally, the gutters will be cleaned as needed.



The conversion of all church lighting to high efficiency LED's is being reviewed to determine which parts will require a contractor and which parts the Facilities Ministry can do. We hope to be able to begin parts of this project in August.

Dave Bernard has power-washed the front of the building and painted the exterior drainpipes. He also repaired the kitchen faucet. T & G Appliance made a service call to repair a leak in the refrigerator.

The rear entrance doors are scheduled to be painted in the near future. Documenting the various mechanical systems, such as HVAC, sound and electrical continues

MEMBERSHIP



CHURCH PICNIC will be held August 18th from noon to 4pm, following Pastor Allan's first service with us! The cookout will take place at Nora's house (9256 Highland Drive), rain or shine. In case of heavy rain or lightning, we will move the party to Pilgrim Hall.

Activities will include swimming and fishing (bring your own pole). The

theme for the cooking contest will be "Dessert in a Muffin Tin". If you are not taking part in the cooking contest, please bring a side dish, preferably in a disposable container. Burgers and hot dogs will be provided. ►

Please sign up so we can get an accurate count (either sign up at church, or contact Matt Wolbert or Tia Began). Hope to see you there!

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NEWS FROM OCWM

Representatives from member churches of Brookside Cluster Community Meals group met in early July to select dates and sites for hunger meals through the fall of 2020. The BUCC dates for 2019 through 2020 are:

August 4, 2019 at Iglesia Emmanuel

December 1, 2019 at Iglesia Emmanuel

February 16, 2020 at Pearl Road UMC

April 5, 2020 at Iglesia Emmanuel

June 7, 2020 at Iglesia Emmanuel

August 30, 2020 at Pearl Road UMC

It was noted that the bus schedules have changed. This has an impact on how and when meal attendees can get to the meals and get back home. The meals at Iglesia Emmanuel are particularly impacted. Therefore, instead of the usual 5 PM mealtime, the new mealtime will be at 4 PM. That means that the first shift will

start at that church at 2:00 PM instead of 2:30 PM. The new times will appear on the sign-up board when it appears in the narthex.



OPEN & AFFIRMING MINISTRY (ONA)



Join us at the Akron Pride parade and festival on Saturday, August 24 in Hardesty Park, Akron as we represent BUCC. We will be meeting in the BUCC parking lot at 9:15 to carpool to the event. The parade starts at 11:00 am.

Please join us! RSVP to Sue Maier (sueseagermaier@aol.com) or Erin Tomlinson (erin.a.nagy@gmail.com)

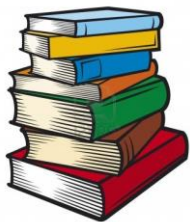
NOTES AND ASIDES

FOOD PANTRY

AUGUST Dish, Hand, and Laundry
Soap



BOOK DISCUSSION



The group will meet Monday, Aug. 5 at 1:00 in the parlor. This month's focus is on Celeste Ng's **LITTLE FIRES EVERYWHERE**. The novel is set in Shaker Hts. where the author Ng takes the readers into the underside of the American suburb and looks at the choices between conformity and community. Please join us for some candid & lively exchange.

MESSAGES FROM BUCC OFFICE

We are updating and publishing our Church Directory in August. If you have anything you would like to change, or add such as Change of address, phone number, email – please email or call me with your changes & I will make sure it's in our August 2019 Directory.



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Kindly let the Office know if you are leaving/donating items to the Church. Please call Jeannette. We appreciate your thinking of the Church, but we will let you know if there is a need for your items. **Please call me at 440-526-4364.** Thank you!

OFFICE UPDATE:

I will be out of the Office the week of August 19 – 23.

There will be someone here to help you with anything you need.

Thanks, Jeannette

****Please take a moment to tidy up your area in the Sanctuary – return books back to holders, straighten the flyers, etc. Your help is greatly appreciated.****



Did you know that our church organ is the result of many years of the giving of time and materials by the Ellenberger family? Ernest Ellenberger was a successful businessman and longtime member of our church with a strong interest in organ, choral and classical music. He helped establish an organ building business with his son, Bill. They have gradually added new components and Bill still helps keep the organ in repair and operation. The core of our organ was recovered, mostly undamaged, from the ruins of the church after the 1965 fire. It has been extensively upgraded and expanded since then.

Did you know that the three historic stained-glass windows in our South Entrance were recovered from our 1800's building destroyed by the 1965 fire? They are three of four such windows that were on the west side of the old sanctuary. The windows were still on the ground after removal from the ruins when some boys started throwing stones at them. Mr. Martini, a building contractor who was not a member of BUCC, saw the problem and quickly got trucks and men to remove them to safety at his facility. They were subsequently returned to our own facility and planning begun on their restoration and incorporation into our building. The fourth window is most badly damaged, and restoration will be difficult.

Did you know that in the early to mid-1900's there existed in BUCC an organization of women's groups, mostly established by age? These included the Mary Martha's, the Abigail's, the Priscilla's, and the Penny's. They met as individual groups and also together monthly as the Women's Fellowship.

Masterpiece

Exploring the Beauty of God's Creation!

**Nondenominational
Vacation Bible School**

FREE!

All Children Ages 3 -12

Monday - Friday, 9 am to Noon

August 5th - 9th

Independence United Methodist Church

6615 Brecksville Road

Call **216-524-6054** for
more info and to register!



PLEASE CALL THE ABOVE NUMBER TO REGISTER



Happy, Happy August Birthdays to the following BUCC Members! Please share in their joy and wish them a Happy Birthday!

August 1:	Shauna Bigelow
August 2:	Mike Corrado
August 4:	Morgan Constanzo
August 6:	Paul Nicholas
	Owen Rees
August 8:	Betty Gifford
August 9:	Rachel Brown
	Kathy Ford
August 11:	Beth Rehling
August 14:	Lee Sanderson
August 15:	Dave Bernard
	George Snider
August 16:	Carol Miller
August 18:	Bettina Ortiz
August 25:	Zachary Novak
August 30:	Claire Novak
Other August Birthdays	Courtnei Began

If you have an August Birthday and are not included above, please contact the church office so we can add you to the BUCC Birthday List!

CALENDAR AUGUST 2019

Thursday, AUGUST 1

1 pm Bible Study

Friday, AUGUST 2

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, AUGUST 3

Sunday, AUGUST 4

10 am Worship

11 am Coffee Hour

*Hunger Meal Iglesia

Emmanuel*

Monday, AUGUST 5

1 pm Book Discussion

7 pm Facilities/Lib.

Tuesday, AUGUST 6

Wednesday, AUGUST 7

7pm Council

Thursday, AUGUST 8

1 pm Bible Study

Friday, AUGUST 9

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, AUGUST 10

Sunday, AUGUST 11

10am Worship Service

11 am Coffee Hour

Monday, AUGUST 12

Tuesday, AUGUST 13

Wednesday, AUGUST 14

7 pm **No Council**

Thursday, AUGUST 15

PILLAR DEADLINE

Interim Pastor Allan Lane

First Day at BUCC

1 pm Bible Study

Friday, AUGUST 16

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, AUGUST 17

Sunday, AUGUST 18

10 am **Interim Pastor**

Allan Lane First Worship

Service at BUCC

11 am Coffee Hour

12 pm Church Picnic

Monday, AUGUST 19

Tuesday, AUGUST 20

Wednesday, AUGUST 21

Thursday, AUGUST 22

1 pm Bible Study

Friday, AUGUST 23

OFFICE CLOSED

Saturday, AUGUST 24

Sunday, AUGUST 25

10am Worship in The

Park

Monday, AUGUST 26

Tuesday, AUGUST 27

Wednesday, AUGUST 28

Thursday, AUGUST 29

Friday, AUGUST 30

OFFICE CLOSED

PARTICIPANTS IN WORSHIP

AUGUST 4, 2019

Lay Reader: Cliff Cribbs
Head Usher: Anne Melfo
Ushers: Dot & Stu Bailey
Acolyte: Joshua Anderson
Peace Candle: Amy Coyer-Westerberg
Sound: Doug Fawcett
Comns Grtr: Sue Stenzel
Flowers: Jan Renovetz
Nursery: Kathy Pastor
C.E Teacher:
Counters: Jon Thompson,
Nancy Stella

Servers: Leroy & Kathy Ford
Clean-up: Bob & Caroline
Chandler

AUGUST 11, 2019

Lay Reader: Bridget Sproul
Head Usher:
Ushers: Joe & Betsey Wilson
Matt Wolbert, Beth
Rehling

Acolyte: Olivia Klonowski
Peace Candle: Cameron Ward
Sound: Kevin Smith
Comns Grtr: Betty Kaul
Flowers: Dot Bailey
Nursery: Courtni Began
C.E Teacher:
Counters: Jim Duffy, Stu Bailey
Servers: Joy Garapic & Joanne
Cook
Clean-Up: Cliff & Jane Cribbs

AUGUST 18, 2019

Lay Reader: Jim Duffy
Head Usher: Sue Maier
Ushers: Dave & Julie Bernard
Chad & Bridget Sproul
Acolyte: Michelina Fawcett
Peace Candle: Natalie Corrado
Sound: David Pastor
Comns Grtr: Lenore Harris
Flowers: Dorie Gabor
Nursery: Erin Tomlinson
C.E Teacher:
Counters: Marge Culver, Kathy
Pastor
Servers: Cliff & Sue Stenzel
Clean-Up: Cliff & Sue Stenzel

AUGUST 25, 2019

Lay Reader: **WORSHIP IN THE PARK**
Head Usher: **WITH RICHFUELD UCC**
Ushers: Bob & Caroline Chandler
Acolyte: ***PLEASE SEE PILLAR**
ARTICLE FOR
ADDITIONAL
INFORMATION*

Peace Candle:
Sound:
Comns Grtr:
Flowers: Outdoor Service
Nursery:
C.E. Teacher:
Counters:
Servers:
Clean-Up:

***If you need to make a
schedule change, PLEASE
MAKE YOUR OWN
SWITCHES* ☺☺☺**

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