

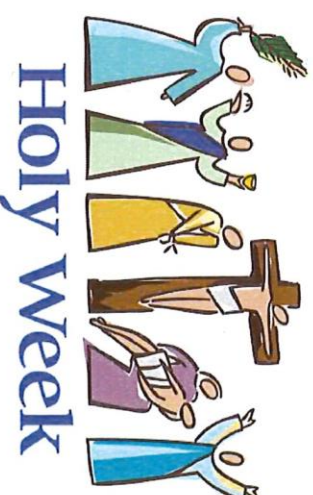


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Holy Week Schedule:

March 28	Palm Sunday
April 1	Maundy Thursday – Worship with Communion 7 pm
April 2	Virtual Community Good Friday Worship
April 4	7 am – Easter Sunrise service with Communion—in parking lot
	9 am – Easter Egg Hunt
	10:15 am – Easter Worship/Communion



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
28 Palm Sunday 10:15am - Worship 11:15am - CE Board 11:30am - Confirmation 1pm - Zoom Chat 5pm - CE Board Zoom	29	30	31 7pm - Kid's Zoom	1 7pm - Maundy Thursday	2 Good Friday	3
4 Easter Sunday 7am - Sunrise Worship 9am - Easter Egg Hunt 10:15am - Worship	5 Easter Monday	6 SHALOM Delivery in am 4:30pm - SHALOM Food 7pm - Spiritual Council	7 7pm - Kid's Zoom	8 5:45pm - Finance Team	9	10
11 10:15am - Worship 11:30am - Confirmation 1pm - Zoom Chat 7pm - Deacon Meeting	12 7pm - Consistory Zoom	13	14 7pm - Kid's Zoom	15	16	17
18 10am - Newsletter Articles 10:15am - Worship 11:30am - Confirmation 1pm - Zoom Chat	19	20 SHALOM Delivery in am 4:30pm - SHALOM Food	21 7pm - Kid's Zoom	22	23	24
25 10:15am - Worship 11:30am - Confirmation 1pm - Zoom Chat	26	27 9am - Newsletter mailing	28 7pm - Kid's Zoom	29	30	1

The Sentinel

St. John's United Church of Christ
I-946 St. Rt. 108 Holgate, Ohio 43527
APRIL 2021

Please Contact us at --

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Church Website: www.stjohnsuccholgate.com
SHALOM Food Pantry open the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 4:30 to 6:00 P.M.

Betty (Bob) Rettig, Admin. Asst.
Fax: (419) 264-1460

WORSHIP and ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SCHOOL Cancelled - WORSHIP 10:15 A.M.

Wednesday Night Schedule

Adult and Youth Bell Choir No practice
Sanctuary Choir No practice
Children's Zoom Session 7:00 P.M.

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We Are Transformed by the Resurrection



*Christ has indeed been raised from the dead,
the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep.
For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive.*
- 1 Corinthians 15:20, 22

Every Easter we celebrate Jesus' breaking out of the tomb. We proclaim, "He is risen!" just as we did last year and as we will in another twelve months. Easter eggs are gathered. People flock to church. Family dinners are enjoyed. Then it is back to ordinary, everyday life.

Perhaps at some point you have wondered: "What difference does the resurrection of Jesus two thousand years ago really make in our lives today?" We are heartened by the prospect of the life to come but is that it? Is the promise of eternity all we have to celebrate?

Ever since humans first disobeyed God, we have lived under the shadow of death. It impacts every aspect of our existence. We became estranged from God and alienated from one another. No relationship was unaffected. Oppression and injustice abounded. Brother murdered brother. We see this brokenness all around us. We experience it in our lives.

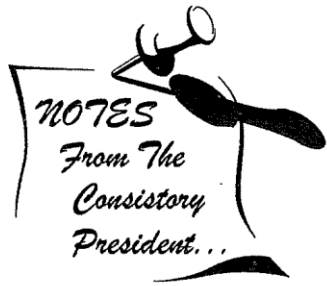
Our loving God, however, was determined that we not live so far from the good life for which we were created. He came to us in Jesus, determined to save us from ourselves and to restore our relationship with himself. The powers of death put up a battle but the resurrection is the sign that the Lord of Life prevailed, for Jesus and for us.

Jesus said, "I have come that they may have life, and have it to the full." (John 10:10) This is the good news of Easter. It is not just about the quantity of life. It is about the quality of our lives, beginning right here and right now. In light of Christ's triumph over the powers of death, everything changes.

When we see that our sins are forgiven, we can come out of the shadows and step into the light of God. When we witness the radical love of God on full display in Jesus Christ, we are emboldened to respond with love toward God, neighbors, and even toward our enemies. The resurrection overcomes our fears and fills us with hope. The risen Christ invites us to let go of deep anger and old hurts and to forgive freely. Because he lives, we can live courageously and generously.

If you look inward with the light of the risen Christ, you will surely see the abundant life that he brings, welling up in you.

Your partner in Christ's work, Pastor David



**Celebrating Easter
April 4, 2021**

We are celebrating Easter, April 4, 2021. He is risen, He is risen, indeed! This, to me, is the most important celebration in the Christian church. Years back, I sang a song in a church service that had these words, "I am one of the Easter people from now on"...and another line that is, "life's exciting to me".

Think back to the empty tomb that was seen by the women the first Easter morning. Imagine the excitement they must have felt, seeing the stone rolled away, and their Lord's body gone. Those women became the first "Easter people".

Music lifts me up in ways that spoken words never will. And when I can use music to express my feelings about being a follower of Christ, it makes me realize that I am a messenger in my own way.

Last year, I was part of the folks who planned to sing in an Easter cantata to be held at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Hamler. Unfortunately, the COVID-19 pandemic cancelled the final practices and the performance. The cantata, Wondrous Love, written by Lloyd Larson, spoke of the Suffering Servant, Crucified Christ, and Risen Redeemer. Through spoken word, and singing, we were going to deliver the message of being Easter people. In order to be Easter people, we must recall the week leading up to Jesus' resurrection. Through our music, we would have delivered the message of the triumphant entry into Jerusalem, "blessed is He!...Hosanna in the highest! Then, singing "The Night Before the Savior Died", we would have sung of the cup Jesus offered, and the broken bread by which we should remember the sacrifice He made. We would have sung of the Lamb who was slain, who bore our sin and pain for us. And, finally, we would have finished with "My Redeemer's Love". The message we would have delivered would have been of Christ's resurrection, the victory over the grave, and His power which has set us free. We were not able to deliver the message in song, but it has remained in my heart.

May you celebrate the victory of Christ's resurrection as Easter people, each and every day!



*Positive Things Seen and
Heard from the
Congregation and Consistory*

- Excited for the Spring-like weather.
- Glad to see folks in the parking lot even when weather was cold.
- Grateful that so many of our Faith Family have been able to be vaccinated.
- Thankful for the wonderful response for a card shower for Ken Rayle.
- Thankful for Greg and Doug's hard work in cleaning and organizing the furnace room.
- Thankful for Maggie's cookies, and for those who help to distribute them.
- Thankful for Kevin Vajen's snow removal (there was a lot to move.)
- Thankful and glad to see Pastor Orr sitting up front in the sanctuary for the mid week message.



*VanCrest of Holgate
Worship Service*

*Due to health restrictions
the Worship Service
is cancelled*



CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

March 8, 2021

- Meeting was called to order and Pastor Orr led us in prayer.
- **Pastor's report:** Pastor Orr is still working on figuring out services for Holy Week and Easter. Arrangements still pending because we do not know whether we will still be outside or if we will be able to worship indoors. He is working with Franell and Kevin to get the next Confirmation class in place. Spiritual Council has approved Pastor Orr's request for vacation July 10 through the 18 (will involve 2 Sundays).
- **Boiler status clarification:** there are no indications of imminent danger of failure.
- **Playground Equipment:** A small group of interested parents and grandparents has been formed to make recommendations.
- **Parsonage:** Eaves troughs are sagging or bent because of the heavy snow this winter. The metal roof also contributes to leaves in the gutters. Motion made to move money from Parsonage maintenance fund to install gutters and leaf guards.
- **CE Board:** They are planning an outdoor Easter Egg hunt, weather permitting, on Easter with April 11 as the rain date.
- **Nominating Team:** Still need a three year CE Board and three year Evangelism member, also need congregational members for the Nominating Team.
- Prayers and concerns were shared and the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

*Respectfully submitted
Maggie Prigge*



Spiritual Council

Meeting Excerpts

March 2, 2021

- Present: Pastor, David Orr Communion: Betty (Bob) Rettig (2022)
 Head Elder: Betty (Don) Rettig (2022)
 Visitation: Maggie Prigge (2024) Scribe: Pam Desgranges (2023)
 Membership: Rick Fruth (2023) Confirmation: Kevin Waisner (2024)
- Pastor Orr opened the meeting with prayer. Congregational concerns were discussed and Pastor gave his report for the month. Special plans are in the works for Holy week and Easter. Confirmation was discussed. Pentecost/Confirmation Sunday is May 23. He is already planning for next year's class with Kevin Waisner and Franell Nelson. Kids' zoom continues on Wednesday evenings at 7 p.m. but attendance has been a little slim lately. He also discussed the Cultivating a Generous Congregation stewardship program. Pastor has requested July 10-18 for his last week of vacation for 2019/2020.
 - We recently made our last two funerals available on Facebook for viewing by folks who could not attend in person due to distance or pandemic restrictions and received a lot of views.
 - **Our COVID team** continues to monitor our local area. The decision to resume worship in the Sanctuary will be based on the coronavirus.ohio.gov report by zipcode, focusing on 43527, 43548, and 43545. This way we only react to local conditions and not outbreaks in other areas of Ohio. We know some folks may not feel comfortable worshipping inside and we will continue to broadcast to the parking lot and to post to Facebook and You Tube. When we do resume indoor worship the same precautions we used last Fall will still be required.
 - **Upcoming Communion dates:** March 7, April 1 – Maundy Thursday, April 4 – Easter, May 2, May 23 – Pentecost/Confirmation, June 6, July 4, August 1, and September 12 – Rally Day.
 - Pastor led us in closing prayer focusing on those in need of healing prayers from the congregation and its friends and family.

Pam Desgranges, Scribe



DEACONS' BENCH

March 7, 2021
Lori Clady, Scribe

- Head Deacon – Christopher called the meeting to order.
- Christine made the motion to accept the February minutes, Rick Desgranges seconded the motion. Motion passed.
- **Deacon schedule for April** was filled. Two services are being planned for Easter Sunday. An Easter egg hunt is being planned for 9 a.m. outside.
- Amanda made the motion to adjourn the meeting, Pat Kirk seconded the motion. Meeting adjourned.
- * **Next meeting:** April 11, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. **via Zoom.**

CHIEF RECEIPTS have yielded another check in the amount of \$276.43 for the Food Pantry.

Thank You everyone for helping in this endeavor!

Marlene Rettig, Teller

The Church office is open by appointment only. Pastor Orr continues to meet with people and is staying in contact with a number of others by phone. Betty (Bob) Rettig is mostly working from home.

Please call before coming to the church to be sure someone will be there.

From the Pulpit...

Worship Services 10:15



April 1 - Maundy Thursday 7:00 p.m. - Drive-In

John 13:1-17, 31b-35

Marching Orders: Love

Our lives are to reflect the love Christ has poured out upon us.



April 2 - Community Good Friday Service

A Stations of the Cross liturgy led by area churches

On Facebook & YouTube



April 4 - Easter

To accommodate everyone in a safe manner we ask that you attend only one of the Easter services.

7:00 a.m. Drive-In Sunrise Service

Communion

Mark 16:1-8

Promised But Unexpected

The resurrection reminds us that we can rely on the promises of God.



9:00 a.m. Sunday School Easter Egg Hunt



10:15 a.m. Sanctuary or Drive-In Service TBD

Communion

John 20:1-18

I Have Seen the Lord!

With the eyes of faith, we see Christ and we are changed.



**From the Pulpit...
Worship Services 10:15**



April 11

1 John 1:1-2:2
Life and Light
Christ frees the world from the grip of darkness
and death.

April 18

1 John 3:1-7
Being Like Christ
We turn away from sin to turn toward Christ.

April 25

1 John 3:16-24
Love In Action
Real love always requires more than words.

Reminder to Graduates



Parents, grandparents, friends – if you know of young people from our Faith family who are graduating from high school, college or other schools, including those who are completing Masters’ level programs, please let the office know the name, school and date of graduation and a brief note about their future plans.

If someone completed a program last fall and has not been mentioned, please let us know that as well.

APRIL WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

	USHERS	ACOLYTES	DEACONS
Apr. 1	Maundy Thursday		Christopher Clady Lori Clady
	No Ushers In April	No Acolytes In April	
Apr. 4	Easter - 1st Service		Ron Hoellrich Jeri Hoellrich
	Easter - 2nd Service		John Hahn Rick Desgranges
Apr. 11			Christopher Clady Lori Clady
Apr. 18			Christine Rettig Pat Kirk
Apr. 25			Amanda Rettig Jeri Hoellrich



**FROM
THE SHALOM
FOOD PANTRY**

FROM THE PANTRY REPORT - February 2021

INCOME

St. John's UCC January Giving	\$ 530.00
St. Stephen's Lutheran Church	38.00
Chief Receipts	276.43
Emanuel's Christian Church	170.00
Memorial Donation	50.00
Hamler Women's Bowling League	<u>15.00</u>
Total	\$ 1,079.43

Submitted by Norma Nagel

FINANCIAL SUMMARY FEBRUARY REPORT

ST JOHNS UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
Analysis of Revenues & Expenses - Summary
Fund: GENERAL FUND
February 2021

	2021 FEBRUARY 2021	2021 YTD ACTUAL	2021 ANNUAL BUDGET
INCOME			
Total OPERATING BUDGET INCOME	\$14,195.29	\$30,575.92	\$211,835.69
EXPENSES			
Total BUILDING & MAINTENANCE	\$2,211.30	\$6,428.96	\$39,000.00
Total MINISTRIES	\$695.54	\$1,499.74	\$7,800.00
Total MISSIONS	\$537.50	\$1,075.00	\$6,950.00
Total ADMINISTRATION	\$4,631.80	\$10,170.81	\$64,565.51
Total PASTORIAL	\$8,689.36	\$14,028.72	\$93,520.18
Total EXPENSES	\$16,765.50	\$33,203.23	\$211,835.69
Net Total	<u>(\$2,570.21)</u>	<u>(\$2,627.31)</u>	<u>\$ -</u>
* Operating Checking Account Balance as of February 28, 2020			\$ 23,702.45

* MISSIONS

Disaster Kits	\$ 895.00
SHALOM	\$ 3,075.00
Mission To Go	\$ 320.00



Remember Those Who Are Ill,
Undergoing Treatment,
In Grief, Or Are Recovering
With Prayers, Cards, And Visits

Within the Fellowship:

Please hold the following persons in your daily prayers...

- Doug Rettig**, recovering from carpal tunnel surgery
- Jaidyn Medina**, undergoing testing
- Rev. Dan Busch**, recovering from cataract surgery on March 4
- Ron Mass**, (Kristine Mass' father-in-law) at Vancrest for rehab
- Jim Desgranges**, (Rick's brother) recovering at home
- Linda Moneghan** (sister-in-law of Lynette and Kirk Fruth, Karen and Dan Brown, and Darlene and Wally Snyder), recovering at home from heart surgery
- Deb Weber**, (Leland Rettig's daughter) recovering from colon surgery
- Tim Meyer**, hospitalized at St. V's in Toledo
- Zach Waisner** (Tim and Amy's son), recurrence of cancer
- Donald Huard**, (Maggie Prigge's brother-in-law) cancer surgery
- Sarah Torres**, recovering from long awaited kidney transplant
- Dan Fortman**, (Betty (Don) Rettig's nephew) testing for kidney transplant

Please pray for our **members and others who are isolated at home or in care facilities**. They would welcome a phone call or card.

Prayers for church members who are working with or near COVID-19 patients and all healthcare workers

Those who are anticipating procedures, testing, and/or test results, or recovering from procedures

- Let us pray for those of St. John's Faith Family who are dealing with health issues or other changes in their lives.
- Let us pray for the church and its leaders and people.
- Let us pray for our service men and women and their families.



Remember With Prayers, Cards and Visits Those Not Always With Us Especially For Services

NURSING HOMES

INDIAN MEADOWS NURSING HOME, 303 West Leggett,
Wauseon, OH 43567
Thelma Breese

THE LUTHERAN HOME, 1036 S. Perry Street, Napoleon, OH 43545
Sue Mohr - #116A

NORTHCREST, 240 Northcrest Dr., Napoleon, OH 43545
Don Huber - #107

SKLD, 28546 Starbright Blvd., Perrysburg, OH 43551
Betty Yaichner

ASSISTED LIVING

GEORGETOWN PLACE, Apt. 226, 1717 Maplecrest Rd.
Fort Wayne, IN 46815
Ken Rayle

VANCREST NURSING HOME, 600 Joe E. Brown, Holgate, OH 43527
Larry Agler - #10 Marlene Rettig - #33

HOME - Send a greeting to these folks or drop by and visit!

Janet Bichan	4746 Co. Rd. 153	Zanesfield, OH 43360
Peggy Franz	15396 St. Rt. 281	Holgate, Ohio 43527
Shirley Huber	E251 St Rt 108	Holgate, Ohio 43527



Mission and Stewardship



OUR CHURCH'S WIDER MISSION

APRIL MISSION

During the month of April, our mission focus is on Our Church's Wider Mission or more commonly referred to as OCWM. So, you just may be asking yourself what is our church's wider mission? Well, let's take a look using the 5Ws: who, where, what, when, and why.

I'm pretty sure most folks probably will say well, the who is easy. That is the congregation here at St. John's UCC in Holgate. And that is absolutely correct. But wait, that question was too easy. You see, St. John's in Holgate is part of a Wider spectrum of congregations throughout Ohio. Like others, we are part of a Conference of Churches, and it doesn't just stop here in NW Ohio. Those UCC conferences stretch far and Wide, from local communities, to state and interstate conferences, and to national and international levels. So, wait now, does that mean we just answered the where, too?

In short answer yes. When we ask ourselves where is OCWM, it's Wide. From our local small town of Holgate (Shalom), to places like Louisiana (Katrina) and now Texas(Ice/Snow), and every community in between (Washington UCC). Wow, that is just absolutely amazing and kind of awe inspiring. Maybe I should give you a few seconds to let that soak in...you see, OCWM is not just here locally, it's Wider, it's out there, a lot of it we don't see every day. Sure, we may get a glimpse of news on TV or newspaper, but do we really have a grasp of what is happening without being in that situation? Typically, (at least for me) anytime I have ever had to try and put myself in someone else shoes, that situation happened spontaneously.

In other words, hunger happens, disasters happen, youth need a place to feel safe and be welcomed in, and this all can occur at any moment in time, without any warning. These are examples you and I see or have experienced. There are hundreds, thousands, millions more, instances in time, when our support and healing are needed, that we don't see or are aware of. There is no specific when for OCWM. It's everyday, every week, and all year long.

Now, one might think the why of OCWM would be difficult to answer. I mean we have it pretty good at St. John's UCC, here in Holgate. But, that's just it. You, our congregation, have the support and resources to assist in those Wider areas. Places away from here, are affected by disaster, or lack the resources and education for both youth and adults, or needing guidance for seeking pastors, or sorting through conflict within the church. We can take what we have so good and share it with others who are hurting. In retrospect, if we put ourselves in their shoes, would we not be looking elsewhere for help, support, a lending hand? And just like that, what was Our Church's Wider Mission is now that Church's Wider Mission to us!

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OUR CHURCH'S WIDER MISSION

APRIL MISSION

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So, did we answer the 5Ws, almost. I'm sure there were one or two readers who saw the mistake. Actually, the fifth W, the **What**, brings everything above together. OCWM is not only the local church and congregation, but includes our conferences and UCC affiliations state-wide and nationally. The congregations are the heart and soul (life blood) of OCWM and their generous support is each brought together. Once brought together, it can be dispersed through mission work in a Wide area both at the Conference and National levels. There is no time table for when mission work is necessary. Our congregation is very responsible in knowing what is taking place all around us, at all times, whether its locally, conference wide, or nationwide. Thanks to the many folks who keep us updated! Because of **YOU** St. Johns UCC Holgate, the what of OCWM is possible! Disaster Relief, Youth programs and Resources, Lay ministry training, support for new congregations and those re-visioning, support for churches in destres, Conference Camps, and guidance for churches seeking new pastors.

You may have noticed that anytime the word Wider was used I underlined it. For one important reason. That was the most important W. We say a lot when we open our hearts to what Our Church's Wider Mission is. OCWM is our, St. John's UCC of Holgate mission out there.

Proverbs 11:25 The generous will prosper; those who refresh others will themselves be refreshed.

Thank You

Note from Ken Rayle:

Thank You everyone who sent me birthday cards and well wishes. All were very much appreciated. It was great to hear from all of you! May God bless all of you very much. Again, THANK YOU.

Ken Rayle

Dear St. John 's UCC Family,

Thank You for your recent gift through the Northwest Ohio Association! We are incredibly grateful for your continued support!

Sincerely, Crossroad Staff and Children

Prayer Plan Mission

Pastor Ed Shonkwiler, Overseer
ed4unc2002@yahoo.com

February 19, 2021



"Every time I think of you, I give thanks to my God. Whenever I pray, I make my requests for all of you with joy, for you have been my partners in spreading the Good News about Christ from the time you first heard it until now." Philipians 1:3-5

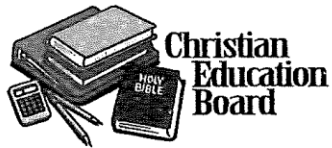
THANK YOU for partnering with us! Lives are being changed and we look forward to continuing to serve Honduras with you!

Please hear these two words spoken with love, gratitude, and passion. THANK YOU! Thank you for your generosity and love this past year and for the work we are doing here at PPM. Thank you for partnering with us as we continue to spread the Good News! Thank you for believing that one day the work will be completed, and we will see the rewards of your investment.

Ed Shonkwiler

Make Today Great!
Live Full! Die Empty!





Highlights

March 7, 2021

Submitted By Caryn Lulfs

- **Sunday School Family March packages** were put together after worship today. Included are homemade "resurrection eggs" which are 12 plastic eggs with items enclosed to teach the children about Holy Week and Easter. Also enclosed is an Easter Craft for each child.
- **The Board will host an outside Easter Egg Hunt** on Easter morning at 9 a.m. for children ages 0 to 13 years. Rain date is April 11. Children over age 2 will need to wear a mask. There will be six age groups in order to promote distancing. Parents can sign their children up for an Easter basket drawing and each child will get a prize in addition to the candy found in the eggs. We will ask the congregation to donate wrapped candy.
- **Board members** are asked to bring ideas to the next meeting for May Sunday School Family packages.
- Since we are unsure when we will be able to gather inside, VBS is on hold. However, we are planning outside family lunch and an activity right after Sunday worship once a month during the summer.
- **Samples of Sunday school curriculum** have been reviewed. A teacher gathering will be planned before Sunday school begins to go over material.
- **Our next meeting** is scheduled Sunday, April 18.

Franell Nelson, acting scribe



"Senior Saints" Our 80+ Members

Roland Rettig

will celebrate his
82nd Birthday
on April 1

K402 County Road 14
Napoleon, OH 43545

Shirley Huber

will celebrate her
84th Birthday
on April 2

E251 St. Rt. 108
Holgate, OH 43527



John and Shirley Tobias

will celebrate their
60th Wedding Anniversary
on April 9

10011 Co Rd Y
Hamler, OH 43524

Larry and Anita Sidle

will celebrate their
57th Wedding Anniversary
on April 11

665 W Maumee Ave
Napoleon, OH 43545

William and Florence Snyder

will celebrate their
61st Wedding Anniversary
on April 23

14224 Co Rd L2
Napoleon, OH 43545



APRIL

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| 4 - 1 | Roland Rettig | 4 - 15 | Jerry Waisner |
| 4 - 2 | Shirley Huber | 4 - 16 | Collin Parcher |
| 4 - 4 | Kirk Fruth | 4 - 17 | Christine Badenhop |
| 4 - 4 | Logan Sidle | 4 - 17 | Tammy Vajen |
| 4 - 5 | Jerry Evers | 4 - 20 | Andrew Borck |
| 4 - 7 | Sue Rettig | 4 - 22 | Don Huber |
| 4 - 8 | Madison Sidle Burke | 4 - 22 | Eldon Sickmiller |
| 4 - 9 | Karen Gilliland | 4 - 23 | Christine Rettig |
| 4 - 12 | Sheila Parcher | 4 - 24 | Lydia Badenhop |
| 4 - 13 | Millie Holzer | 4 - 27 | Tammy Martin |
| 4 - 13 | Wendy Waisner | 4 - 30 | Sean Kobilis |
| 4 - 15 | Taya Franz | | |

This is the list of birthdays that are recorded in the church office. If we have missed anyone, please contact the office so we can add his or her name to our list.

If anyone, for personal reasons, does not want his or her name and birthday listed, please contact the church office and make your wishes known.

(See the Kids Corner pages for the children and youth birthdays.)



PRAYER CHAIN CONTACTS

Contact the Prayer Chain if you have any needs. This Prayer Chain has been updated; they will faithfully pray for you. Contact one of the following persons: Betty (Don) R. at 419-264-4321 Kay A. at 419-592-0589 Church Office at 419-264-4401


PLAN AHEAD FOR UPCOMING MEETINGS

See Calendar on Inside Mailing Cover

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Deadline for news articles to appear in the **MAY** Newsletter is **Sunday, April 18, 2021**

Please leave your article in the folder in the wall file on the South wall (Directly across from the door) of the church office marked **NEWSLETTER ARTICLES**



MISSIONS CORNER

April Mission

OUR CHURCH'S WIDER MISSION

St. John's is a member of the Northwest Ohio Association of the Heartland Conference United Church of Christ. Information and resources are available at www.nwoa.org, www.heartlanducc.org and www.ucc.org.