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# The Sentinel

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

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## Jesus: Man of Action

*At once* the Spirit sent Jesus into the wilderness...  
*Immediately* Simon and Andrew followed him.... *Without delay* Jesus called James and John... *Right away* they told Jesus Simon's mother was sick... *Instantly* the man with leprosy was healed... - Mark 1:10, 18, 20, 30, 42

That is just some of what happens in the first Chapter of Mark. There are no genealogies, no long sermons, or extended conversations. From the very beginning, the Gospel of Mark is packed with action.

Matthew and Luke tell about Jesus giving sermons and spinning parables. John describes him confounding his enemies and confusing his disciples with lengthy discourses. In reading their accounts, it is easy to focus on words and miss actions. But when we imagine Jesus as being serene and unperturbed, floating above it all, Mark assures us that he understands completely what life, with all of its pressures and demands, is all about.

Once, when I was berating myself for not devoting hours to private prayer and meditation on the Bible, a friend reminded me of the day when Jesus and his disciples were overwhelmed by the demands of the crowd: "Then Jesus entered a house, and again a crowd gathered, so that he and his disciples were not even able to eat."<sup>1</sup> Mark is the only gospel that gives us this glimpse into the pressures of Jesus' ministry. Mark, alone, also recounts the reaction of Jesus' family. When they heard what was going on, they concluded he had gone "out of his mind: and "went to take charge of him."<sup>2</sup>

When I get tired, Mark reminds me of the time Jesus was weary from teaching the crowd and fell asleep on a cushion in the back of the boat. He was so exhausted that even a life-threatening storm did not wake him up.<sup>3</sup> When I despair about the prospects of the gospel message in this world, Jesus' promise, recorded by Mark, assures me that the seeds of the kingdom of God continue to grow without our toil in ways that we do not understand.<sup>4</sup>

When I feel pulled this way and that, I remember, the time when Jesus was urgently summoned to heal a dying child. While he was going with the distraught father on that urgent mission, he was interrupted by a woman seeking relief from a condition that had afflicted her for years.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Mark 3:20

<sup>2</sup> Mark 3:21

<sup>3</sup> Mark 5:35-38

<sup>4</sup> Mark 4:26-34

<sup>5</sup> Mark 5:21-43

By his example, Jesus taught us the proper place of prayer, fasting, and retreat. All of these are important in our spiritual lives. But Mark, shows us that Jesus was also a man of action, reminding us to respond compassionately to needs as we encounter them. He points out the importance of rest and self-care. Mark reminds us that Jesus said, it doesn't all depend on us. Whether we wake or sleep, our faithful efforts are used by God in ways we can never fully understand.

*Your partner in Christ's work, Pastor David*

## WORSHIP and ACTIVITIES SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SCHOOL Cancelled - WORSHIP 9:30 A.M.

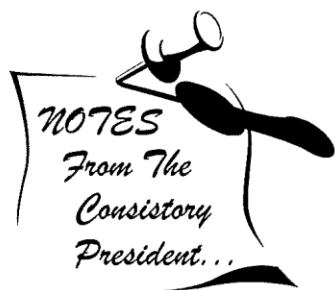
### Wednesday Night Schedule

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

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## June...The Month Of



When we were putting the flags back in the sanctuary after the installation of the new carpet, I was thinking about the significance of those symbols in our sanctuary. Since it is June and we celebrate Flag Day this month, it seemed like an appropriate time to write about both of the flags that we see in our sanctuary.

To the left of the lectern stands the flag of the United States of America. Its colors are red, standing for hardiness and valor; white, standing for purity and innocence; blue, standing for vigilance, perseverance, and justice.

To the right of the pulpit stands the flag of Christianity. Its colors are red, standing for Christ's blood sacrifice; white, standing for purity and peace; blue, standing for fidelity.

Thinking about these symbols, I to look at the pledge of allegiance for each of these flags. Perhaps you did not know that there is a pledge to the Christian Flag.

I am going to share with you, both pledges, and let you see the similarities between them. Each has their own meaning, but each is also intertwined with meaning. Yes, the United States is a country of diversity, and many different religious beliefs, but, as a Christian, I see great meaning in both of the pledges, and hope that all of us can stand up for what each challenges us to do in our lives.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Christian Flag: I pledge allegiance to my flag, and the Savior for whose Kingdom it stands; one Savior, crucified, risen, and coming again, with life and liberty to all who believe.

The Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America: I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands; one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

This year on June 14, Flag Day, take time to think about both flags that stand in our sanctuary. The message is clear when looking at both of them. Much has been sacrificed by men and women for the freedoms we enjoy in the United States. And the blood of Jesus was sacrificed to give Christians forgiveness of sin and liberty in eternal life with Him.

*Christine Rettig, Consistory President*



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

1. It is great to see some folks that we haven't seen in a year!
2. Glad that folks in Assisted Living are able to be out more!
3. Glad we continue to broadcast to the parking lot as some prefer that.
4. Grateful for warmer weather and opportunities to be outside.
5. Grateful for the live streaming, it's going great.
6. Sanctuary looks nice with the new carpet.
7. Enjoy having the children participating in the service.
8. It is nice to be back in the sanctuary.
9. Nice to see the Deacons taking the offering up to the altar.
10. Joyful for the number of vaccines going up.



*VanCrest of Holgate  
Worship Service*

*Due to health restrictions  
the Worship Service  
is cancelled*



## CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

May 10 , 2021

Motion passed to regretfully accept Pastor Orr's resignation effective December 31, 2021, unless an interim or settled Pastor is called before that date; then there could be a mutually agreed earlier date.

Motion was passed that St. John's will not host a garage sale this year.

Motion was passed to keep the remaining Payroll Protection Plan funds in a restricted account, reimbursing for Covid related expenses but not for office payroll expenses at this time, to be re-evaluated in 4 months.

Motion passed to repair the commercial refrigerator and to have Trustee guidance in how this will be done and by whom.

*Respectfully submitted, Maggie Prigge*



We have been using email and USPS mail since the start of the COVID pandemic to try to keep the local folks updated more regularly on happenings at St. John's. Those who have email receive a weekly update (if you have an email on file and are NOT receiving the weekly updates, please check your spam filter.) If you are not receiving these updates and would like to, please contact the office at 419-264-4401.

We also send weekly bulletins to those who are shut-in. If you want to be on that list, please let the office know.



## Spiritual Council

### Meeting Excerpts

April 8, 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)

Our meeting began at 7 p.m. with Pastor leading us in prayer and giving his monthly report. He had talked to Janell Honeck who sends her greetings to all. She is now able to go out one day a week to see Juli and family. He also talked to Jean Brentlinger who will be moving to an assisted living facility in Sylvania, Ohio, which is closer to her granddaughter.

**Confirmation Interviews** took place this past Sunday before the Confirmands went to a church visit. The Confirmation banquet is scheduled for Saturday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m. Confirmation will take place Sunday, May 23 at 10:15 a.m. worship. To celebrate the occasion, the Coppes family is providing a dinner for the entire congregation following the service. This will be a carryout type dinner. There will be some tables set up on the tennis courts if weather permits, social distancing will be followed, and masks must be worn other than when eating.

**Kevin and Franell along with Pastor** are making plans for the future Confirmation Classes this Fall. Because of parenting schedules this will be every other week.

**Reopening plans** are in the works for the various groups/teams and revised office hours are being discussed. Stay tuned to your bulletin and newsletter for further details and guidelines.

**Upcoming Communion Dates:** May 23 - Pentecost/Confirmation, June 6, July 4, August 1, September 12 - Rally Day, October 3 - World Communion, November 7 - All Saints/Totenfest, December 5 and December 24 - Christmas Eve.

Meeting closed with Prayer

**Next Meeting** is June 8, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

*Pam Desgranges, Scribe*



## DEACONS' BENCH

May 9, 2021  
Lori Clady, Scribe

Head Deacon – Christopher Clady called the meeting to order.

Jeri Hoellrich made a motion to accept the April minutes,  
Christine Rettig seconded the motion. Motion passed.

**Deacon schedule** for June was filled.

**Confirmation** Sunday, May 23, 2021.

**Summer Church** schedule starts May 30 at 9:30 a.m.

Rick Desgranges made a motion to adjourn the meeting,  
Christine Rettig seconded the motion.  
Meeting adjourned.

**Next meeting:** June 13, 2021, at 7:00 p.m. **via Zoom.**

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### ELLIS EMERSON MOYER April 26, 2021

**Parents:** Taylor and Ashley Moyer  
**Grandparents:** Rob and Kris Lawson  
William and Jackie Moyer  
**Great Grandparents:** Barney Zimmer,  
Clarice Lawson,  
Jean Keller



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### AALIYAH NISSI RETTIG May 1, 2021

**Parents:** Christopher and Felicia Rettig  
**Grandparents:** Jim and Christine Rettig

## From the Pulpit... Worship Services 9:30 a.m.



### June 6 - Communion

Mark 3:20-35

*Five Things Every Christian Should Know*

16 short verses make 5 important points for us to  
keep in mind.

### June 13

Mark 4:26-34

*Growth of the Kingdom of God*

When we do our small part, faith unfolds in  
wonderful ways.

### June 20

Mark 4:35-41

*Fearless Faith*

When we trust God with our lives, we live  
above our fears.

### June 27

Mark 5:21-43

*Two Kinds of Faith*

Christ honors faith, however it is expressed.

## JUNE WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

	USHERS	ACOLYTES	DEACONS
June 6			Amanda Rettig Christine Rettig
	No Ushers In June	No Acolytes In June	
June 13			Christopher Clady Lori Clady
June 20			Ron Hoellrich Jeri Hoellrich
June 27			Rick Desgranges John Hahn



FROM  
THE SHALOM  
FOOD PANTRY

FROM THE PANTRY REPORT - April 2021

### INCOME

St. John's UCC March Giving (Includes Memorials)	\$ 2,592.64
Chief Receipts	251.21
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 2,843.85</b>

Submitted by Norma Nagel



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...**

**Diana Evers**, recovering from cervical spine surgery  
**Julie Rees**, changing to new chemo as cancer has spread  
**Dorothy Hall** (Dan Hall's mother) in hospice care and husband Larry  
**Zach Waisner** (Tim and Amy's son), undergoing stem cell transplant  
**Dona Sonnenberg** recovering from a fall.

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.

### **Sympathies to:**

**Chad and Caryn Lulfs and family on the passing of** Caryn's Aunt Mindy Sprow.

**Judy English, Michelle Mahlman and family** on the passing of Chuck English on May 17.





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*

**LOGAN ACRES CARE CENTER**, 2739 County Road 91,  
Bellefontaine, OH 43311  
*Janet Bichan*

**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

**CHARTER SENIOR LIVING OF OAK OPENINGS**,  
6805 Sylvania Ave. Apt. 123, Sylvania, OH 43560  
*Jean Brentlinger*

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

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

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

Peggy Franz	15396 St. Rt. 281	Holgate, Ohio 43527
Herbert Fruth	13567 Co Rd. H	Holgate, Ohio 43567
Shirley Huber	E251 St. Rt 108	Holgate, Ohio 43527
Jim and Sue Waisner	1542 St. Rt. 108	Holgate, Ohio 43567
Bernard Zimmer	1040 S. Perry St. Apt. 37	Napoleon, Ohio 43545

## FINANCIAL SUMMARY APRIL REPORT

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

Accounts	APRIL 2021 ACTUAL	2021 YTD ACTUAL	2021 ANNUAL BUDGET
OPERATING BUDGET INCOME			
Total OPERATING BUDGET INCOME	\$14,532.18	\$59,226.45	\$211,835.69
EXPENSES			
Total BUILDING & MAINTENANCE	\$2,384.34	\$12,102.81	\$39,000.00
Total MINISTRIES	\$363.67	\$2,024.00	\$7,800.00
Total MISSIONS	\$537.50	\$2,150.00	\$6,950.00
Total ADMINISTRATION	\$5,899.47	\$20,707.43	\$64,565.51
Total PASTORIAL	\$6,918.36	\$27,874.10	\$93,520.18
Total EXPENSES	\$16,103.34	\$64,858.34	\$211,835.69
Net Total	(\$1,571.16)	(\$5,631.89)	\$ 0.00
Operating Checking Account Balance as of 4/30/21			\$ 20,152.16
MISSION GIVING:			
OCWM	\$	\$ 880.00	
SHALOM	\$	\$ 703.00	





## Kids Corner



## JUNE

- 6 - 8 Olivia Haver
- 6 - 11 Brooklyn Fruth
- 6 - 19 Parker Rozevink
- 6 - 20 Makayla Meller
- 6 - 21 Kinley Brown
- 6 - 24 Jordyn Borck
- 6 - 26 Tanner Davis
- 6 - 29 Ashlynn Highfield
- 6 - 30 Miriam Kibisu



## Kids Corner



### SUMMER FAMILY EVENTS

Due to the uncertainty of inside activity in the church we will not have Vacation Bible School this summer. Instead, the Christian Ed. Board will host one outside event each month for the whole family. This is what we have planned for you:

- **June 13 – Celebrate Dads** – Visit with Noah and learn more about his adventures with the animals in the ark, make a wood craft with dad/mom, lunch on hot dogs and cupcakes
- **July 18 – Family Noah Jeopardy**, playground games for all and maybe a special surprise. Lunch is pizza, fruit and cookies
- **August 22 – Noah scavenger hunt**, kickball game for big kids and little kids, lunch menu is Sub sandwiches and “make your own” ice cream sundaes.

Events will begin right after 9:30 worship and activities should wrap up around 12:15 p.m, plenty of time to enjoy the rest of the afternoon.

**Sign up sheets will be available** or call the church so we know how many to plan for. Notices will come out each month. Hope to see you there!



## CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR GRADUATES!

**Tanner Davis** will graduate from Defiance HS on May 30. He will be attending Owens studying radiology and sonography.

**Leslie Dietrich** will graduate from Holgate HS on May 31. She will be entering the workforce.

**Owen Fry** will graduate from Holgate HS on May 31. He will be joining the workforce, having accepted a position at Tenneco.

**Jacob Highfield** will graduate from Napoleon HS on May 30. He will attend Rochester Institute of Technology to study cybersecurity.

**Anthony Meyer** will graduate from Holgate HS on May 31. He will leave for the Marines on his birthday, June 1.

**Garrett Sidle** will graduate from Holgate HS on May 31. He will attend Northwest State Community College, studying computer science and engineering.

## Confirmation News



### Confirmation Sunday - May 23, 2021

Congratulations to Cody Coppes and Elleigh Franz  
on their  
Confirmation into the faith on Pentecost Sunday

Thank you to all the people who supported them. Special thanks to the Coppes family for providing the meal following the service and to Ron and Jeri Hoellrich for catering the Confirmation Banquet on Saturday evening. Bless you all,

*Franell Nelson and Kevin Waisner,  
Confirmation Coordinators*

## MARRIAGE



*Congratulations to  
LaTasha Newsome*

*and*

*Isaac Solis*

*On their Marriage - April 20, 2021*

## Thank You

Dear UCC Family at St. John's,

Wow! Your generosity towards helping these kids is crucial and so very much appreciated! **YOU** make a real difference in making sure they get the help they need! For kids of abuse, neglect, trafficking, etc. -- you are a life line! Bless you ALL! Thank You!

*Kyle*

# Thank You

A huge thank you to everyone who sent Dad a card, made a phone call, or visited him in the past years. His life was so ever blessed with his faith family. This past year really took a toll on him - unable to attend church services every Sunday, so many tears were shed. He really missed everyone at St. John's.

We give a special mention to Pastor Orr, Linda, Sheri, Betty, and Dawn for preparing Dad's final service. It was perfect. Our lives will be forever changed without Dad, but his words of wisdom and advice will live on forever.

*God bless you all,  
Larry Agler family*

On behalf of the Henry County Health Department, thank you St. John's for allowing the Health Department to use the Fellowship Hall for two community outreach clinics for the COVID-19 vaccination program.

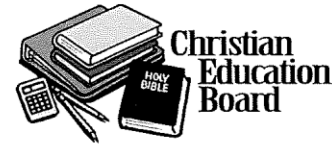
Our barrier-free facility made a great place for southern Henry County residents to have access to vaccinations. The Health Department was also able to get out to St. John's to administer vaccinations on several Shalom Food Pantry days which allowed even more folks to get access to being vaccinated.

The Governor of Ohio is urging health departments to get out to the communities in order to make vaccines as accessible as possible. The only way we can get control of the pandemic is to achieve 75-80% herd immunity. Having these outreach clinics will help to eventually achieve that goal.

*Christine Rettig, RN, CNOR,  
Medical Reserve Corps volunteer*

Many thanks to everyone for the cards, visits, prayers, and well wishes since my hip surgery. A special thanks to my family who are always there for me.

*Carol Lulfs*



## Highlights

May 16, 2021

Submitted By Caryn Lulfs

- Our Sunday school families received care packages in May with goodies for MOMs and the kids.
- Our next event will honor DADs with a "Celebrate Noah Family Gathering" on June 13. Families will enjoy food and do a fun craft involving wood and a hammer! This will be outside on the basketball court.
- We are putting together a facebook group to try to keep our families informed of activities
- Plans are in motion to have in person Sunday school beginning in September. Teachers are needed. Please see a board member or call the office to volunteer.
- Our next meeting is June 13 to plan for the July event

*Franell Nelson, acting scribe*



## "Celebrate Noah Family Gathering"

**Sunday, June 13 10:30 a.m.**

Moms, Dads and Kids,

The Christian Ed. Board invites you to attend a gathering to honor Dads right after the worship service. "Noah" will be on hand to tell us about the flood, ark, animals and God's promise. After a hot dog lunch, we will make a special wood craft that you can take home. We will start around 10:30 a.m. and be finished by 12:30.

This is an outside event so let's hope it doesn't rain!

**PLEASE RSVP** to the office or on facebook by June 6.



**Help Needed in Several Key Areas!** We are especially hoping that some of our younger adults will take an interest in one of these areas. Most do not require an every-week commitment!

- If you are interested in assisting with Audio and/or Video for services. Any help is appreciated and **experience is great but not mandatory**. Contact Linda Rettig or Betty (Bob) Rettig for more info.
- **Peace Garden** – there is always weeding, watering and other work needed to keep this space looking fresh and tended. Work can be done when you have time available. Talk to Norma Nagel for more details.
- **Meals on Wheels**. St. John's is in a rotation so we are responsible for 5 days one week out of 6. Currently there is only 1 client so it only takes a few minutes out of the middle of the day. One person could volunteer for the week or 5 people could volunteer and only have to do 1 day every 6 weeks. Contact Terry (Linda) Rettig at 410-209-0515 for more information.
- **Trustees** – These are the folks who help with repairs and updates on the church and grounds. If you have skills in plumbing, electrical, construction or other areas and would be willing to be called for special projects, please contact the church office, Greg Nelson or Doug Rettig



## *"Senior Saints" Our 80+ Members*

### **Don Rettig**

will celebrate his  
88th Birthday  
on June 13

15976 St. Rt. 281  
Holgate, OH 43527

### **Kay Raines**

will celebrate her  
87th Birthday  
on June 13

4741 73rd St  
LaMesa, CA 91942

### **Herbert Fruth**

will celebrate his  
93rd Birthday  
on June 23

13567 Co Rd H  
Holgate, OH 43527

### **Gene Crawford**

will celebrate his  
84th Birthday  
on June 24

11708 Co Rd N  
Napoleon, OH 43545

### **John Tobias**

will celebrate his  
82nd Birthday  
on June 28

10011 County Rd. Y  
Hamler, OH 43524



**George & Ruth Medina**

will celebrate their  
60th Wedding Anniversary  
on June 9

226 S Turkeyfoot Ave  
Malinta, OH 43534

**Gary & Marilyn Watson**

will celebrate their  
55th Wedding Anniversary  
on June 25

M687 Co Rd 17D  
Napoleon, OH 43545

**Larry & Darlene Hockman**

will celebrate their  
63rd Wedding Anniversary  
on June 29

854 W Graceway Dr  
Napoleon, OH 43545

To my friends at St. John's,



Many years ago, my daughter Dana and I put together a cookbook with all your help. You shared hundreds of recipes. I thank you for all those responses! But now, I'm looking for copies you may not need!

Please let me know if you have any you would part with. Please call Marsha Lambert at 419-966-3619.



*In Loving Memory*

**Larry Agler**

*June 21, 1929 - April 21, 2021*

Larry Agler, age 91, of Holgate, died Wednesday, April 21, 2021, at Vancrest of Holgate.

His legacy ... He was born June 21, 1929. Larry graduated from Holgate High School in 1947. On June 20, 1954, he married Arlene Bortz in St. John's United Church of Christ, Holgate.

He served our country in the United States Army from 1951-53. He was a member of the Holgate American Legion. Larry was a member of St. John's United Church of Christ, Holgate, and served many positions. Larry grew up on a dairy farm and farmed most of his adult life; raising soybeans, corn, and wheat. Her retired in 1992.

His family ... Larry is survived by daughters, Marsha Case, Cumming, Georgia, Linda Arreguin, Napoleon, Anne Greenhagen, Waterville, and Susan (Bruce) Arps, Holgate; eight grandchildren; and 15 great-grandchildren.

Larry was preceded in death by his loving wife Arlene on April 1, 2019; a grandson, Arron Agler; and a son-in-law, Phil Case.

His farewell service ... Friends were received in St. John's United Church of Christ on Monday, April 26, 2021, from 9 a.m. until the Celebration of Larry's Life at 11 a.m. Due to health concerns, a mask was required; social distancing was enforced and the number of visitors were regulated at any given time for admittance.

Arrangement were entrusted to Zachrich Funeral Home and Cremation Services of Holgate.

*Contributions can be made in Memory of Larry to  
St. John's United Church of Christ,  
Vancrest of Holgate  
Or  
The Henry County Fair Board*



*In Loving Memory*  
**Charles "Chuck" English**

August 1, 1948 - May 17, 2021

Charles "Chuck" English, 72, of Napoleon, Ohio, died Monday, May 17, 2021, at McClaren St. Luke's Hospital, Maumee, Ohio.

He was born August 1, 1948, to the late Charles and Delores (Healy) English Sr. On February 6, 1977, he married Judy (Busch) English and they spent 44 wonderful years together.

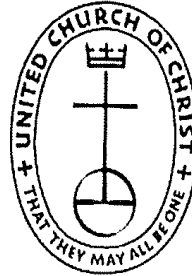
Chuck and Judy owned and operated the former Elery Supper Club for over 31 years. He was an avid NASCAR fan and after retirement enjoyed tinkering around the house and watching TV. He was a member of Defiance Moose Lodge and a lifetime member of the Defiance Eagles.

He is survived by his loving wife, Judy; children, Mark (Amy) Mahlman, Michelle (Matt) Epple, Scott (Amy) English, Michelle Mahlman; 12 grandchildren; and seven great-grandchildren.

A public viewing was held on Friday, May 21 from 2-8 p.m. at Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home, Napoleon. The funeral was held on Saturday, May 22 at 11 a.m. at the funeral home.

*In lieu of flowers and gifts*

*Memorial Contributions are suggested to*  
*Rodenberger-Gray Funeral Home*  
*or*  
*To a Charity of the donor's choice*



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April 27, 2021

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Dear Friends,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$500 to use in our Summer Youth Program. We hope we can see you again in the coming summers.

At this point, it looks like a blend of weeks having kids onsite, when we have volunteers, and other weeks of delivering carryout lunch, next-day breakfast and at-home activities, which we needed to do all last summer.

Your gift will help us buy the more expensive breakfast items when we need to deliver - single-serve milk, cereal, and fruit; cereal bars, and juice. We will also use it toward stipends for two needed summer staffers.

Again, many thanks for your long-standing loyalty to Summer Youth Program.

Sincerely,

*Laurel*

Laurel Humes, Church Council  
Rev. Dr. Aaron Saari, Pastor



## JUNE

6-1	Anthony Meyer	6-13	Don Rettig
6-2	Jenny Kobilis	6-13	Kay Raines
6-2	Chris Coppes	6-14	Melanie Anderson
6-3	Rick Desgranges	6-15	Serapio Medina
6-5	Greg Franz	6-17	Nancy Thomas
6-7	Isaac Franz	6-18	Sean Saneholtz
6-11	Darlene Snyder	6-20	Karen Yaichner
6-12	Virginia Rettig	6-21	Patricia Kirk
6-13	John Vajen	6-21	Eric Shank
6-13	Craig Franz	6-23	Herb Fruth
6-13	Peg Franz	6-24	Gene Crawford
		6-28	John Tobias

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 **JULY** Newsletter is  
**Sunday, June 20, 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**



*June Mission*

**MISSION-TO-GO**

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](http://www.nwoa.org), [www.heartlanducc.org](http://www.heartlanducc.org) and [www.ucc.org](http://www.ucc.org).