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PASTOR'S THOUGHTS

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You have heard it before. It's a saying that has been around for a long time. There have been poems authored and songs written with the saying, "It's been a good day." But what do these five words mean? I have a friend who says, "It's been a good day" if I don't have to take one dollar out of my pocket. He is also one of the wealthier people I know. For those of us who play sports or support a particular sports team, when we claim a really tough victory, we might say (or yell out) "It's been a good day!" In the same vein, after finishing a grand Thanksgiving or Christmas feast with family and friends, we too may say, "It's been a good day," as we loosen the waist belt of our pants and struggle to find a way to sit comfortably in front of the TV.

So, it would seem that in the multiple contexts above, the "It's been a good day" saying is in reference to being happy or content during a twenty-four-hour period. We have managed to dodge the snares and trouble of a world that often seems as if it has turned against us, always pawing away at our joy. There were no bills or past-due notices in the mail, and there is food in the refrigerator . . . "It's been a good day."

May I offer one more prospective? I too have used this saying, but not in the way you might expect. It has to do with loss. Often, at the end of a funeral I officiate. I share these same five words. Why? Because often the person who departed has passed through life's troubled waters. They may have experienced extreme pain from a horrible disease that has been eating away at their body. Or worse (if that's possible), loneliness from a mind that has lost all memory of the past. Family members names,

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MUSIC NOTES

Debbie Forguer Scott Brown Pianist, Choir Director Choir Director Ellery Elick, Instrumental Director e-mail: southbloomfieldmusic@gmail.com

CHOIR

This choir practices each Wednesday from 6:30 to 7:30 pm. The choir sings for worship services, special services on Christmas and Easter and a couple of concerts each year. Bring your voice and join. Everyone is welcome!

RUBY BELL CHOIR

For children ages 4 years old and up. This bell choir performs at special services under the direction of Mrs. Peggy Hubbell.

CHOIR CONTACT INFORMATION

for more information or questions Debbie at 740-601-0112/Scott at 740-604-4772 or email at southbloomfieldmusic@gmail.com Miss Peggy at peghubb@aol.com.

Pastor's Thoughts continued friends, and things held dear . . . gone forever in a private world. Then, there was a day of another funeral. A day we call "Good Friday." The day that Jesus died on the cross for our benefit, paying the supreme price for the sins we, you and I, have committed. Are we able to say in these contexts . . . "It's been a good dav"?

So, which is it? A day that is good because we are physically comfortable without worrying? Or is it "a good day" because, in our loss and in our faith for the future, we have hope? I suppose it can be both, but I think we need to tweak our saying just a bit in light of the latter. How does this sound? "It's been the best day" when we are in the presence of the one who rescued us from certain death.



COMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

Ladies Luncheon

The next ladies luncheon will be held at Goodwin's Family Restaurant 214 Lancaster Pike, Circleville on Tuesday, July 16, 2024 at 1

If you will be attending or need a ride, please let Pat know as soon as possible by email or text at (614) 309-2384 or pat3duncan@yahoo.com. You may also tell her on Sunday. If you need a ride be in the family room parking lot by 11 am.

CALLING ALL CHILDREN BOYS AND GIRLS



Thecala Acord is heading up a group to make pillows for Haven House and Elizabeth's Hope. This may be as simple as stuffing and tying, or possibly

using a sewing machine for older kids. If you have a child (or grandchild) who may be interested, please let us know. The dates we have set aside so far are July 23rd, and 25th, at 11:00 a.m. in the family room.

We are excited about this project!
-Thecala Acord, Peggy Hubbell



THE CHOIR

IS ON SUMMER VACATION.

They will resume practice on August 21st.

CHURCH YARD and BAKE SALE Saturday August 10th, 2024 8 am to 4 pm. YOUR DONATIONS ARE NEEDED!

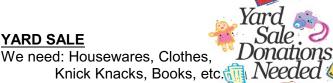
BAKE SALE

We need: Cookies, Pies, Brownies, etc.

Baked goods can be dropped off: Friday - 9 am to 5 pm

Saturday - 7 to 9:00 am

Make sure items are in disposable containers as they will not be able to be returned.



Please! **No large or bulky items**All items must be in good/working condition.

Donations will be accepted each day starting:

Monday - August 5th from 9 am to noon

Wednesday and Thursday

August 7th and 8th - 6 to 8 pm. Drop them off to Jennifer in the church office.

All items not sold will be donated. All proceeds will go to help pay for repairs and updates that are needed on the buildings.

Questions? Call Jennifer at 740-983-2110 or email: southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com.

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IN SEPTEMBER

Mark your calenders now for BINGO night on Sunday, September 8th.

Be watching for more details to follow.

BIBLE STUDY

Bible Study

Join Ken Greene each Sunday following worship at 10:30 in the family room. This group meets in a Sunday School type setting. They study the day's scripture and the sermon.

Ladies Bible Study

This ladies group, led by Peggy Hubbell meets on alternating Fridays each month at 10 am. This is a study by Dr. David Jeremiah. They are currently on the study of Revelation. The date for this month's studies will be on July 12th, and 26th, in the family room. All ladies are welcome.

Bible Study with Dean Jacob

This group meets on Wednesdays in the family room at 6:30 pm and is led by Dean Jacob. This Bible study uses the Les Feldick curriculum. Les's teaching is in a classroom setting. They are currently studying the Book of Acts. Everyone is welcome.

PRAYER GROUP

Each Thursday morning at 8:15 am the men gather to pray. This group, typically composed of men, welcomes anyone who would like to spend time in prayer, asking for God's continued hand on our church and its people. This is a very informal gathering. Please feel free to join us.



PLEASE HELP KEEP OUR KITCHEN CLEAN AND ORGANIZED!

PLEASE NOTE:

<u>Items donated for events:</u> Be sure to write your name, and the event on all item(s): Food, dishes, etc.

Items need picked up in a timely manner after the event or they will be disposed of.

Thank you for your help and cooperation!

-Claud

FAMILY JOYS, ANNOUNCEMENTS AND NEWS

Abby Perdew has just returned from her class trip to Spain and France.

A group of Spanish and French students from her school traveled to Spain and France from June 9th through the 18th. They visited Madrid, Barcelona, and Paris, where they were able to practice the



language they'd been learning. One of her favorite parts was seeing the Eiffel Tower up close. She said it was very big and impressive. She also said that she thought that this trip helped her grow in her understanding of how other countries work because she got to learn



about the monarchies of Spain and France before they became republics. She also got to learn about Euros and experience their culture.

She returned for a couple of days and is now on her way to the Dominican Republic for a mission trip.

If you would like to share an event with your church family just let us know. Email to: peeb26@outlook.com

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD MEETING- June

- The roof estimates are done. The cost will be \$53,223. There will be a deposit amount of \$26,561. This project is estimated to begin around the 1st of July.
- 2. A letter was distributed to the congregation on future projects with projected costs for the upkeep and repair of the church that need to be done.
- Children's ministry will be purchasing a program called "Sermon of the Week." They will also be purchasing a heater for the baptismal pool.

SHOULD WE? or SHOULDN'T WE? DO WE? or DON'T WE?

That was the question for Sunday afternoon on June 23rd. Is the Ice Cream Social going to be held indoors or outside? And the decision wasn't made until the very last minute. There had been intermittent rain and sprinkling; the sun was out and then it was cloudy. So it was; we held it inside and we could have been outside. The weather did clear. None of that mattered, as we had a great time. Ice cream and toppings, cookies, brownies, cupcakes, and lemonade were served, all with a generous helping of fantastic country music. The soloists were amazing, and the choir was at the top of their game.

We need to thank those who jumped in to lend a hand. We thank you, Carol Johnson, for adding the toppings on the ice cream and helping in the kitchen. A big thank you to Alex Perdew for helping in the kitchen and keeping the drink containers filled. We used 5 gallons of lemonade alone!

We must thank all of you for attending and giving very generous donations, for without you none of this would be a success!

Three-fourths of the donations will go to the parish bathroom repairs. The other fourth will go to the choir budget.

CAN YOU HELP JOIN OR VOLUNTEER?

We are looking for volunteers to join our fund-raising committee. Our church has some major expenses coming up in the near future. This committee will be instrumental in coming up with and implementing ideas with the help of volunteers. The goal is to help raise funds for these major expenses.

If you would like to be a part of this new and exciting venture, please let Pastor Floyd know or contact Jennifer in the church office at southbloomfieldqmc@qmail.com.

If you would rather not be on the committee but are willing to help at an event, please sign up to help. Notify Jennifer or let Pastor Floyd know that you will help with a planned event.



HELP US TO UPDATE

It's been a while since the church directory has been updated.

IF YOU ARE LISTED:

If you have a listing in the church directory, please sign in and check your listing to

make sure it is correct. If your picture needs updating, you may also upload it to the directory with your corrections, if any. If you would rather not upload it, please send your updated picture and corrections, if any, to Pam Moody at pammoody2@icloud.com, and she will do it for you.

IF YOU ARE NOT LISTED:

If you are not in the directory and would like to be or would like access to the directory, just follow the instructions on page 8.

It would be very helpful to the church to have at least an email address, if not your phone number, for everyone in our church as contact information.

You must have an email in order to be listed or have access to the directory.

Please do this **as soon as possible**. If you have questions or concerns contact Pam Moody at pammoody2@icloud.com.

BRICKS FOR THE WALKWAY HURRY! ONLY A SHORT TIME LEFT!

The brick order will be sent in August. Order your bricks now! You may order a brick to memorialize or honor a loved one, to mark a special date such as an anniversary, or anything family-related. Order forms are located in the brochure holder in the entryway of the sanctuary. All additional information is on the order form. Bricks may be ordered year-round.

Brick Cost:

Small Brick \$75 Large Brick \$150

Proceeds go to the general fund. For questions contact Jo Ann Echelbarger at: sechelba@columbus.rr.com

INFORMATION ON VARIOUS TRUSTEE CONCERNS

-by Jim McDaniels

I thought I would provide an update on where the Church Trustee's energy has been focused these last few years and how your assistance has created and sustained our church buildings.

I'll begin with Fellowship Hall. It was built almost a decade ago, in 2014. The cost was over \$400,000. It has been paid for by the generous donations and fund drives that have occurred over the last few years. Just last year, it was paid in full. After Fellowship Hall was built, we conducted numerous repairs and upgrades to the parsonage, church, and Fellowship Hall.

The repairs and upgrades included:

- ◆Repaired the 45-year-old ovens \$1,800
- **♦**Two new upright refrigerators
- ◆Storage shed built \$2,500.
- ♦New sound system for the church \$3,500
- ♦New roof for the parsonage \$18,000, installed 2017
- ◆One refurbished lower refrigerator \$3,400
- ♦New range hood \$1,200.
- ◆Sound damper panels \$17,000 in the hall
- ◆New windows for the parsonage \$5,500

All these items were paid for by our insurance and the generous donations of our wonderful congregation. We had a major cost savings on the roof replacement from the physical dismantling of both chimneys by three church members.

Then, literally all of our planned projects were placed on hold with the disaffiliation from the United Methodist Church. This was an unplanned, unfinanced requirement that cost over \$50,000. In keeping with our projected plan for the sustainability of the buildings, we had another unfunded occurrence with an infestation of bats in our church attic. We hired a local company to remove, clean, and disinfect our precious church building. This small, unplanned event cost us approximately \$47,000. Who knew these bats were a protected species?

That being said, you can see that our financial budget has decreased.

Now, instead of repairing our church's roof, a total replacement will have to occur. After contacting our insurance company to assist us in covering the cost, they refuted the claim because of existing water damage. Needless to say, we are persevering with a new metal roof and steeple, which we believe will last another 50 years or more. Of the many contractors we have gotten quotes from, this will set us back another \$53,000 or more, hence the need for additional money to protect our church.

As you can see, we have many requirements for our beloved church buildings. Over the next few years, we hope to accomplish all of these and more.

In conclusion, remember that I mentioned our project list. Here are a few of the items:

- 1. Remodel the single outdated bathroom located on the first floor of the parsonage (plumbing issues) at an estimated cost of \$5,500.
- 2. Install a new full bathroom on the second floor of the parsonage at an estimated cost of \$9,500.
- 3. Remodel the upstairs bedrooms with closets at an estimated cost of \$4,800.
- 4. Remodel the kitchen and utility room. Update with new appliances, cabinets, and insulate walls to protect against the pipes freezing at an estimated cost of \$25,000.
- 5. Replace both HVAC units for the church and parsonage at an estimated cost of \$19,000.
- 6. Replace the garage roof at an estimated cost of \$4,500.

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MISSIONS

ASHVILLE FOOD PANTRY

20 Church St., Ashville, OH

OPEN: 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month HOURS: 10 to 1 pm and 6 pm to 7:30 pm

Donations may be taken to the food pantry or placed in the church hallway on the shelf in front of the window.

If you know someone in need please feel free to give them these numbers:

- * Food Pantry Cell #(614) 687-2442
- * Thecala Acord (740) 497-0552

We appreciate your support!!

-Thecala

SLEEP MAT MISSION

Come, join us. Join this great group as they work diligently to support this mission while having fun at the same time.

This group meets on the 3rd Thursday of the month at 10:30 am.

Next meeting date and time:

Thursday, July 18th, 2024

If you would like to come just for the fellowship, a cup of coffee, and a snack, please do.

This is a very rewarding mission project. You can come at any time. It is so easy; there is something for everybody of all ages. You can also do this in your home.

Questions? Email peeb26@outlook.com.

NOTE TO MISSION WORKERS

If you need plarn, strips to tie, or stuffing for pillows, all are in the restroom hallway on the shelf.

TO DONATE TO OUR MISSIONS

If you feel led to make a monetary donation to any of our missions, please see the following:

ASHVILLE FOOD PANTRY

To give a gift to support the food pantry, please make your check payable to "Ashville Food Pantry" and place it in the offering plate, or mark your cash donation for the "Ashville Food Pantry."

WEEKEND PACKS - for school children

Please make your check payable to "SBMC Women Who Care" and place it in the offering plate, or mark your cash donation for "Weekend Packs."

SLEEP MAT MISSION/HOMELESS MINISTRY

To make a donation for this ministry, please make your check payable to "South Bloomfield MC" and write "Homeless Mission" in the memo or mark your cash donation for the "Homeless Mission".

All donations are very much appreciated!

DON'T FORGET THE FOOD CUPBOARD BOX

This cupboard, sponsored by the Circleville host ministry, helps provide food and toiletries to anyone in need. Simply open the door and take your immediate needs.

If you would like to donate non-perishable food (can and box items) and toiletries you may place items directly into the cupboards. Please - no glass items!

FOOD AND TOILETRIES ONLY PLEASE!

WORDS OF WISDOM OR LIFE LESSONS

We all need to stop and realize we have so little to complain about and so much to be grateful for. Stop stressing an start thanking God for your many blessings.

-Unknown

PRAYER LIST

Roy Bently Don Lee Nate Bethel Harold Lee Ken Bond Bernice McClure The Border Patrol Delores Messick Todd Brown Palma Mills **Gerry Daniels** Charlie Moody Shawn Davidson JoRita Morrow Stan Echelbarger Rena Puckett Rick Queen Norma Egan **Howard Emry** Vernon Remy Bob Forguer Kenzie Richards **Dannie Fouts** Sandra Ruh

George Gregory Shane Shrewsberry

Cathy Groves Ray Sisler

Saudra Haines Joyce Speakman family

Sarah Tipton Pam Hannah Mona Toole Larry Harris Pam Harris Jeff Vance Scarlet Grey Hedrick Laci VanGundy Pat Von Ins Joy Hinton Lisa Holloway Jim Bob Welsh Janice Jones Kenya Williams Jodie Kirk Roman Witryk

Rick Knapp

Our prayers and condolences go out to Janice, her family, and friends at the passing of her beloved husband, Richard "Bear" Jones.

SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Thomas McPeek Logan Karshner
Tristen Teets
Tanner Woodard-Doty Justin Vance

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 4 Don and Bonnie Tibbs
- 14 Scott and Thecala Acord
- 20 Rick and Debbie Knapp
- 24 Brian and Peggy Porter

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 1 Avery Peters
- 12 Arlene Fortner
- 15 Rachel Teets, Jerry Jones
- 17 Helen Roese
- 20 Jim Willeford
- 21 Peggy Porter
- 22 Bonnie Tibbs
- 23 Jeff Perdew, Glenn Groves
- 27 Travis Teets, Jill Teets
- 28 Terry Roese
- 31 Jacob Tipton

ANY CHANGES OR CORRECTIONS? PLEASE NOTIFY THE APPROPRIATE PERSON.

KEEP THESE LISTS UP TO DATE!

Church Directory

Contact: Pam Moody at pammoody2@icloud.com

Email changes for church information

Contact: Jennifer at

southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com

ANNIVERSARY LIST or BIRTHDAY LIST

Notify the church office at southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com.

PRAYER LIST PLEASE NOTE

If a name has been on the prayer list for 3 months and no contact has been made to keep it on the list, it will then be removed.

Kroger Rewards fund raiser for the church

Go to www.kroger.com. Scroll to the bottom of the page and click "community". Scroll down to community rewards - click "sign up". if you need help contact Scott Brown: email at cmboriginals@gmail.com, southbloomfieldmusic@gmail.com, or text at 740.604.4772.

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CHURCH DIRECTORY

There is **no charge for the App** or to be listed in this directory!

On your computer, go to https://members.instantchurchdirectory.com or go to the App Store and download the app to your phone. It is the one with the green square and the little white church in the center. Then follow their instructions.

To have directory access, you must be included in the directory with at least your name and email address. They will send you a code and a password to your email address for access. You can change the password once you access the directory.

To be included in the directory, you can choose what you would like to see listed. You may include in your listing a picture (portrait sent directly to Pam's email), name, address, email address, phone number, birthday, etc., Send all submissions, changes, updates, etc., and pictures directly to Pam Moody at pammoody2@icloud.com. Help keep this directory up-to-date.

SCRIPTURE

Ephesians 2:10 (NCV)

"God has made us what we are. In Christ Jesus, God made us to do good works, which God planned in advance for us to live our lives doing."

NEWSLETTER

The deadline for articles to be placed in the August issue of The Newsletter is Thursday, July 25, 2024.

Please email your articles, information and calendar dates to: peeb26@outlook.com. (Information received after the deadline will be held for next newsletter).

WOULD YOU LIKE TO GET THE NEWSLETTER?

If you do not receive the monthly church newsletter and would like to, just email peeb26@outlook.com.

IT'S SUMMER AND TIME FOR ICE CREAM

Do you treat your team after a baseball game? Do you know a coach who takes their team to get a treat after a game? Do you have your grandchildren for a visit? How about you? Do you like ice cream? If you go to Dairy Queen during the summer, want to give a birthday gift, or just surprise someone with an ice cream treat, how about DAIRY QUEEN?

Just buy your coupons ahead from Terry Roese.

Do you know that if you buy a \$3 coupon, \$1.50 of that is given to the church? The coupon is worth \$3. You may catch Terry at church or email her ahead at *terrylroese@gmail.com*, and she will have your coupons waiting for you on Sunday. Checks may be made payable to *South Bloomfield MC*.

These coupons are good for five locations: Circleville, South Bloomfield, Lancaster, New Lexington, and Baltimore.

Thank you for your continued support!

CHURCH STAFF

Floyd Hubbell, Pastor
Debbie Forquer, Pianist, Choir Director
Scott Brown, Choir Director
Ellery Elick, Instrumental Director
Karen Karshner, Worship Leader
Jennifer Vance, Administrative Assistant

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Jewell Roese, Board Chair
Bruce Roese/Dave Roese, Trustees
John Hammer, Parish/Staff Chair
Terry Roese, Treasurer/Finance
Ken Greene, Christian Education Chair

MONTHLY CALENDAR

MONTHLY RECURRING EVENTS

SUNDAYS:

- ⊕ 9 am Worship Service
- [⊕] Sunday School Children attend worship through Children's Moment and then go to their class.
- † Preschool Kindergarten meet in the family room.

 Teachers: Abby Perdew, Becky Brown,
 Izzy Wheeler, Terry P. Roese
- [↑] 1st grade 5th grade meet in the family room, behind the church.

<u>Teachers:</u> Susan Campbell, Connie McPeek, Amy Peters, Kendra Sherman, Rena Puckett

- [⊕] 6th grade High School meet in the basement.

 Teacher: Dan Zeimer
- ₱ Bible study in the family room at 10:30 am

WEDNESDAYS:

- ₱ 6:30 Les Feldick Bible Study in the family room.
- [↑] 6:30 Choir practice

THURSDAYS:

[↑] 8:15 am Prayer Group



Date	Day	Time	Event		
2	Tues	7:00	Bible Study 101-final		
9	Tues	6:30	Admin Board Meeting		
12	Fri	10:00	Ladies Bible Study		
16	Tues	11:30	Ladies luncheon		
		6:00	Social Activity Committee		
18	Thurs	10:30	Mat Mission		
23	Tues	11:00	Children's Pillow Mission		
25	Thurs	11:00	Children's Pillow Mission		
			Newsletter Articles due		
26	Fri	10:00	Ladies Bible Study		
28	Sun		Newsletter Sent out		

ON DUTY IN JULY

July 7

Sunday School Teachers:

Abby Perdew, Connie McPeek, Dan Zeimer Greeters: Heidi Lewis and Linda Talbott Acolytes: Connie McPeek and Elysa McPeek Offering: Jewell Roese and Susan Seevers

Scripture: Diane Hartley

Cleaning Team 4th - 6^{th:} Team 5 Pew Envelopes: Connie McPeek

July 14

Sunday School Teachers:

Izzy Wheeler, Amy Peters, Dan Zeimer **Greeters**: Paul and Donna Calder

Acolytes: Mayme Wheeler and Izzy Wheeler

Offering: Roger and Susan Campbell

Invocation: Izzy Wheeler **Scripture:** Carol Johnson

Cleaning Team 11th- 13th: Team 6 Pew Envelopes: Connie McPeek

July 21

Sunday School Teachers:

Terry P. Roese, Rena Puckett, Dan Zeimer **Greeters**: Claud Clark and Terrie McDaniels

Offering: Ken and Jean Greene Invocation: Rena Puckett Scripture: Peeb McCathran

Cleaning Team 18th- 20th: Team 7 Pew Envelopes: Connie McPeek

July 28

Sunday School Teachers:

Becky Brown, Susan Campbell, Dan Zeimer Greeters: Shelly Townsend and Terri Feazel Offering: Michelle Sturgill and Rena Puckett

Scripture: Becky Yates

Cleaning Team 25th - 27th: Team 8 Pew Envelopes: Connie McPeek