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PASTOR'S THOUGHTS

by Pastor Floyd

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I suppose you may be asking, "Why?" Why are we forming all these committees in our church?

It is a good question and one that needs to be addressed. The answer is multi-tenacled, and to tell you the truth, I do not know which of the many reasons is the most important. So, I will offer to you the reasons (in no order of importance) why your Pastor believes that these committees are important.

1. We are Wesleyan Methodist. As such, we have a "methodical" nature for serving Christ.

In other words, we want to be effective disciples of Christ using our faith first, undergirding our faith with organization.

2. Committees share responsibility. We try to avoid overloading or burning out any one person.

The old but true saying shared by the Shaker Church, "Many hands make light work," is good practice among God's people.

- 3. We meet and get to know others in the congregation that we may not otherwise know. I have heard repeatedly, "I had no idea who (fill in the blank) was until we met on this committee. They are wonderful."
- 4. Checks and balances. Committees are very important to hold everyone accountable. Unbelievably, in far too many churches of all denominations, the Pastor or Layperson(s) may try to control more than they should because they are in a position of power or because they may give more in their tithing. I believe and work toward the idea that we are a church of

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MUSIC NOTES

Debbie Forquer 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 service, special services on Christmas and Easter and a couple of concerts each year.

RUBY BELL CHOIR

For children ages 4 years old and up. This bell choir performs a couple of times a year under the direction of Mrs. Peggy Hubbell.

CHOIR CONTACT INFORMATION

for more information or questions

Choirs

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

transparency and shared responsibility. No one person is more important than another.

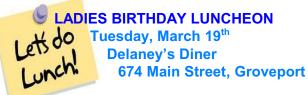
5. Committees are a tool for spiritual growth. As committed Christians, we not only do the business of the church, but we also share our personal faith journey. We pray together and work for the common good in the name of Jesus.

I am sure there are other reasons why we are using our methodical ways through committees, but these sort of head the list. One more thing: if you have not been asked but feel called to be part of a certain committee, please let your Pastor know. It always blesses my heart when I hear, "How can I help?"

In the living Christ's name,

Pastor Floyd

COMING EVENTS MARK YOUR CALENDAR!



Delaney's serves both breakfast and lunch, and you'll need to be there by 11 am. As always, make sure you let Pat know at (614) 309-2384 or pat3duncan@yahoo.com. She needs to know if you will be attending. She will call ahead to reserve the space. If you need a ride, be in the family room parking lot by 10:30 am.

-Pat

IT'S TIME FOR THE PALMS

Palm Sunday is March 24th. You will be receiving your hand "palms" in the weeks prior. Please write a joy. concern, or prayer request on your palm and deposit it in the offering plate. We will again adorn our lawn with palms on this day to show our power of prayer! Thank you!

-Peggy Hubbell

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Palm Sunday, March 24th Following Worship in the family room.

Cost: Donation

"This is a fund-raising event for future social activities and ministry of the church."

See the last page for more information.



RUBY BELL CHOIR

The Ruby Bell choir will play their bells on Palm Sunday, March 24th, at the 9 am service.



EASTER SEASON SERVICES

Palm Sunday March 24 9 am Breakfast following

Maundy Thursday March 28 7 pm

Easter Sunrise March 31 7:30 an Breakfast 8 am

Easter Service March 31 9 am



CONTINUES

Each Wednesday, through March 27th in the family room

Time: 6:30 pm

This is a six-week Lenten study with Pastor Keith Deel.

BIBLE STUDY

Ladies Bible Study

This group meets in the family room on alternating Fridays each month at 10 am. Friday meeting dates for March are the 8th and 22nd. All ladies are welcome.

Bible Study with Dean Jacob

This Bible study is currently joining the Lenten Bible study on Wednesdays and will resume meeting on April 3rd. This group meets on Wednesdays in the family room at 6:30 pm.

Weekly Bible Study

This group meets each Sunday, following worship, at 10:30 in the family room for about an hour. This study is in a Sunday school-type setting and will be based on the scripture reading and sermon from the day's message.

MEETING DATES FOR THE NEW COMMITTEES

These are the new committees' meeting dates and times. We understand that not everyone will be able to make it to these meetings, and that is understandable.

Christian Education Committee

Sunday March 3rd 11:30 am

Worship Committee

Monday March 4th 6:30 pm

Staff Parish Committee

Monday March 11th 6:30 pm

Finance Committee

Thursday March 14th 6:30 pm

Trustees Committee

Thursday March 21st 6:30 pm

COMMITTEE MEETING MARCH

ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

- Saturday, May 4th, at 9 am has been designated as spring clean-up day. The rain date will be May 18th.
- 2. A discussion was held about the committee nomination list. This list was approved.

ARE YOU GETTING YOUR NEWSLETTER AND CHURCH EMAIL?

If not, please check your spam or junk folders. If you don't get a newsletter and would like to, please email *peeb26@outlook.com* to receive it monthly.

BIBLE TRIVIA

What is the shortest book in the Bible?

Answer on page 5

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.

A GREAT FUNDRAISER FOR OUR CHURCH! DAIRY QUEEN CERTIFICATES

Do you go to DQ for your treats?
Buy some coupons from Terry
Roese while raising money for our

church. They are great as gifts as well! Each certificate purchased is worth \$3 and raises \$1.50 for our church.

There are five locations for their use: Circleville, South Bloomfield, Lancaster, New Lexington, and Baltimore.

If you would like to purchase these certificates, see Terry or you can email the church office at southbloomfieldgmc@gmail.com. Checks may be made payable to South Bloomfield MC. Thank you for your continued support!

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

WEEKEND PACKS

We are packing food for school children of all ages. The next packing dates are as follows:

SET UP

Sunday March 17th 5 pm

PACKING

Monday March 18th 5 pm

-Shana

SLEEP MAT MISSION

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

Next meeting date and time:

Thursday, March 21st, 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 any time. It is so easy. There is something for everybody of all ages. You can also do this in your home. Email peeb26@outlook.com for questions.

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 "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 care of 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!

NEWSLETTER

The deadline for articles to be placed in the next issue of The Newsletter is

March 25th, 2024.

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

PRAYER LIST

Jeff Anderson The Border Patrol Isaac Brown Roger Campbell **Gerry Daniels** Connie DeWeese Jan Duffev Stan Echelbarger Norma Egan Howard Emry Karl Finley Dannie Fouts George Gregory Cathy Groves Pam Hannah Mike Havens Scarlet Grey Hedrick

Jack Jackson

Jodie Kirk

Harper Johnson

Richard "Bear" Jones

Rick Knapp
Don Lee
Harold Lee
Joyce Matzenbach
Delores Messick
Sandy Dresbach Meyers
Charlie Moody
JoRita Morrow
Danny Roese
Keith Roese
Sandra Ruh
Ray Sisler
Joyce Speakman family
Vonda Sweeney
Sarah Tipton

We send our sympathy to Jennifer Vance, her family and friends, in the loss of her grandfather, Ernest Booth Sr.

SERVING OUR COUNTRY

Pat Von Ins

Laci VanGundy

Jim Bob Welsh

David Winner

Roman Witryk

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

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

- 6 Charlie and Pam Moody
- 11 Ron and Marilyn Huffman
- 14 Stan and Jo Ann Echelbarger
- 16 Roy and Judy Pruitt
- 31 Richard "Bear" and Janice Jones

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

- 2 Christopher Jordan
- 3 Jamie Groves
- 4 Rick Queen
- 5 Jacob Sharp, Janice Jones, Marilyn Huffman
- 6 Traci Zeimer
- 8 Abigail Sells
- 9 Charlie Moody
- 10 Charlie Dean Morrison
- 12 Joyce Matzenbach, Karen Karshner
- 13 Chuck Malone
- 15 Carole Witryk
- 18 Mike Havens
- 23 Debbie Forquer, Don Tibbs



BIBLE TRIVIA ANSWER

The shortest book in the Bible is: **3 John**.

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

Bruce Roese/Jim McDaniels, *Trustees*Jewell Roese, *Board Chair*Dan Zeimer, *Pastor Parish Chair*Terry Roese, *Finance Chair*John Hammer, *Treasurer*

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
- [☼] 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
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Date	Day	Time	Event
3	Sun	11:30 am	Christian Education Ctme.
4	Mon	6:30 pm	Worship Committee
6	Wed	6:30	Lenten Bible Study -3
8	Fri	10 am	Women's Bible Study
11	Mon	6:30 pm	Staff Parish Committee
12	Tues	6:30 pm	Admin Board Meeting
13	Wed	6:30 pm	Lenten Bible Study - 4
14	Thur	6:30 pm	Finance Committee
17	Sun	5 pm	WP set up
18	Mon	5 pm	Weekend Packing
19	Tues	11 am	Ladies Luncheon
	Tues	6 pm	Social Activity Committee
20	Wed	6:30 pm	Lenten Bible Study - 5
21	Thur	10:30 am	Mat Mission
		6:30 pm	Trustees Committee
22	Fri	10 am	Women's Bible Study
23	Sat	4 pm	Social Committee Set-up
24	Sun	9 am	Palm Sunday
		10 am	Pancake Breakfast
25	Mon		Newsletter Articles due
27	Wed	6:30 pm	Lenten Bible Study - 6
28	Thur	7 pm	Maundy Thursday Service
			Newsletter Sent out
31	Sun	7:30 am	Easter Sunrise Service
		8 am	Easter Breakfast
		9 am	Easter Service

ON DUTY IN MARCH

MARCH 3

Sunday School Teachers:

Becky Brown, Rena Puckett, Dan Zeimer **Greeters**: Shelly Townsend and Terri Feazel **Offering**: Shelly Townsend and Terri Feazel

Invocation: Rena Puckett Scripture: Ellery Elick

Cleaning Team Feb 29- Mar- 2nd: Team 4

MARCH 10

Sunday School Teachers:

Abby Perdew, Amy Peters, Dan Zeimer

Greeters: Josh and Emily Schiff **Offering**: Josh and Emily Schiff

Invocation: Becky Yates **Scripture:** Sandy Burns

Cleaning Team 7th - 9th: Team 12

MARCH 17

Sunday School Teachers:

Izzy Wheeler, Connie McPeek, Dan Zeimer Greeters: Linda Talbott and Paula Cahill Offering: Linda Talbott and Paula Cahill

Invocation: Terry Roese Scripture: Pat Acord

Cleaning Team 14th - 16th: Team 1

MARCH 24 PALM SUNDAY

Sunday School Teachers:

Abby Perdew, Susan Campbell, Dan Zeimer **Greeters**: Terry Roese and Shana Perdew **Offering**: Rena Puckett and Michelle Sturgill

Invocation: Dennis Karshner **Scripture:** Abby Perdew

Cleaning Team 21st - 23rd: Team 2

MARCH 31 EASTER SUNDAY

Sunday School Teachers:

Becky Brown, Kendra Sherman, Dan Zeimer

Greeters: Paul and Donna Calder Offering: Paul and Donna Calder Invocation: Connie McPeek Scripture: Carol Johnson

Cleaning Team 28th - 30th: Team 3



South Bloomfield MC



Palm Sunday

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

March 24, 2024 following worship service in the family room



MENU:

Pancakes and Sausage Coffee, Juice, Water



COST: DONATION

"This is a fund-raising event for the future social activities and ministry of our church."

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Sponsored by the Social Activity Committee