## EDINBURG UNITED CHURCH

## Pastor's Corner

Good September everyone!
In many ways this September is typical: we will begin apple pie making! Order forms have been distributed. Wednesdays in September and October are filled with apples, flour, cinnamon and lots of fun. Please consider coming to help- it makes the task easier and that much more fun to work together. We also have our Congregational Meeting (September 8 after a COMBINED service at $9: 30$ ). Fellowship will happen and then a business meeting. On the agenda are several things of importance: leadership for our church, a 2020 budget and some ideas for welcoming folks who might not yet call EUC home. Members should make every effort to attend this Sunday and let your voice/vote be heard. This is your church!

A few of the ideas that will be presented include making apple butter to jar and give as a gift to first time guests (someone needs to organize this effort of making the apple butter), "Connect Cards" these cards will be printed weekly with spaces for info. You will be asked at the meeting if you wish to support this effort. A Connect Card will be available to view. You are also asked to fill this out each week. The purpose of asking you to fill this out is to not ostracize any new guest. Why would we require more of them than of you the members? So please consider this as you vote for this idea. The Connect Cards represent a fair amount of work (changing them with themes, keeping up to date and printing/cutting each week) and if you the members won't participate- then it is likely not an effort we should undertake. You will hear about efforts to begin short-term Growth Groups. So far 3 will be offered in the January term with other ideas popping up for the June term. These are chances for you to grow your faith, fellowship with one another and expand those horizons. These ideas will make this September not-so-typical. How you choose to vote and participate (or refuse to participate) have waving effects on the future of this church.

One final not-too-typical event in September will be held on the $24^{\text {th }}$ at 6:00 (you can arrive later). This is our first "Worship Series Planning Party." Dinner will be provided (you need to RSVP with me please). At this event we will go over as a group the Advent Worship series Scripture. We will work on (as a group) ideas to help make worship vital, sensory-rich, communicated to our community, and enjoyable! Folks from both services should attend (all are welcome). This is a chance to connect more deeply with worship planning and get creative. From preparing our stage area to bulletin covers, hymns/songs we sing and how to tie all this together week to week is on the table for discussion. If you aren't able to attend this one- or don't wish to help with Advent, the next opportunity will be November 10 for the "Light of the world" series in January/February. (Each planning party happens about 10 weeks before the start of the worship series).

Have a wonderful happy September,

## SUNDAY VOLUNTEERS/ LECTIONARY

## Ushers @ 8:30 Service/10:30 Service

Reminder: Please make sure to clean up the cookie area after the 2nd service and take count for the service you are ushering. Little papers are located in the drawer in the little desk as you come in the 1st set of doors for you. Thank you!

Sept 1: Lee \& Jim Schmitz / Genny Pavlick \& Jean LeMaster
Sept 8: Sherry \& Richard Blasens
Sept 15: Cheryl \& Tim O’Connor / Harold Mansfield \& Fran Pruchenski
Sept 22: Pam \& Matt Pribanick / Pat Campbell \& Harold Mansfield
Sept 29: Harold Mansfield \& Maxwell Finney / Harold Mansfield \& Sherry Blasens

## September Lectionary

Sept 1: Malachi 1: 6-14
Sept 8: Malachi 3: 6/12
Sept 15: Luke 15: 1-10 w/ Rev. Johnson
Sept 22: Ecclesiastes 12: 13-14
Sept 29: 2 Corinthians 4: 1-18

## Liturgists

Sept 1: Eva Rowley
Sept 8: Barb Rohn
Sept 15: Cindy Jarrett
Sept 22: AVAILABLE
Sept 29: AVAILABLE

## OFFERING TRACKER

| Month | Jan. | Feb. | March | April | May | June | July | August |
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| Building | $\$ 1,195$ | $\$ 1,260$ | $\$ 2,770$ | $\$ 1,245$ | $\$ 1,265$ | $\$ 2,377$ | $\$ 880$ | $\$ 1,610$ |
| Tithes | $\$ 7,365$ | $\$ 7,580$ | $\$ 11,042$ | $\$ 7,816$ | $\$ 8,815$ | $\$ 8,956$ | $\$ 6,816$ | $\$ 5,951$ |
| Budget | $\$ 13,533$ | $\$ 13,533$ | $\$ 13,533$ | $\$ 13,533$ | $\$ 13,533$ | $\$ 13,533$ | $\$ 13,533$ | $\$ 13,533$ |
| Tithes vs. Budget | $-\$ 6,168$ | $-\$ 5,953$ | $-\$ 2,491$ | $-\$ 5,717$ | $-\$ 4,718$ | $-\$ 4,577$ | $-\$ 6,717$ | $-\$ 7,582$ |

## MEMBER INFORMATION/ NEWS

## B S

What a wonderful week we had at VBS this year. We had 75 kids within forty some families. A huge Thank you to all the volunteers, donators, and those who prayed for us. Every child was able to receive a free shirt which they all loved and wore proudly at Friday's Celebration! We couldn't have had such a wonderful time without all your help. I also want to give a special Thank You to my sister, Melissa, who goes above and beyond!

Love, Sara Kinter


## MEMBER INFORMATION/ NEWS CONTINUED

## READING CLUB



Thank you to everyone that helped with our Reading Club. On average we had 40 children and 20 adults every Wednesday. The children loved eating, getting free books and fellowship with other children. Thank you!
~ Cheryl O'Connor

## MEETING

Reminder that there is a Congregational Meeting on September 8th! There will be only one service this day.

## NEW ADDRESS

Alice McConnell has moved!
Her new address is:
1204 Jasmine Drive Apt F
Kent, OH 44240

## COOKING CLASS



In July we hosted a Middle School Cooking Class which was an outstanding success. We expected 14 students, and 23 showed up. Throughout the week we were able to not only feed the students, but send many of them home with extra food for their families. Several families seemed especially in need and grateful for this. The students were profoundly impacted throughout the week, and the results in their self-esteem, leadership and teamwork skills were clearly visible by the final night. Thanks to Missy Mansfield, Agnes Andrasak, Kim Bradley, Barb Rohn, and Crystal Pirri for volunteering to help with this event, and to Pastor Tim for his vision in creating it.

## ELLARY VINIE DIXON

Welcome to the world! Tim, Emily and big sister Olivia (Dixon) would like to introduce their newest family member. Ellary Vinie Dixon was born on July 30th. She weighed 7 lbs 11 oz and was 19 1/2" long! Her Grandparents are Debbi and Jeff Phile and Janise Dixon.


## THANK YOU

IThank you to ēveryone who worked so hard to make VBS and Book Club so successful. It does take a village...or a caring church in the village to make these events possible. I know both events had a positive impact on the kids who attended and I I was a blessing to the parents as I well!
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IThank you to everyone who donated and/or
I helped at the recent yard sale. It was a fun day with little to no rain! Between the table renting, concession stand and the church tables we realized a profit of $\$ 913.50$ ! We also had a generous and anonymous donor that matched the profit. That means $\$ 1827$ will be applied against the I mortgage as a principle payment! God is very ıgood! Thank you again to all who helped and doInated their goods, time and effort.

## VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

## CELEBRATION

Calling all interested in creating a celebration for our church's 200th anniversary! We will gather on October 13th at 3pm to discuss how to celebrate and what we might need to do to begin preparations for the year-long celebration. All are welcome and invited to participate.

## ADVENT WORSHIP

On Tuesday September 24th a group of interested persons will gather to dream for, plan, coordinate efforts and envision an Advent worship series. Will you join the efforts of those willing to help make our worship alive and inviting to our community? Your relative efforts are needed! Dinner will be provided as well as training to help make this Advent series a wonderful experience. In order to have plenty of food for dinner as well as planning supplies please let Pastor Tim know if you are attending.

## FALL CLEAN

Fall Clean will be held on October 5th from 9-12pm this year. The church list will be posted on the bulletin board. If you have any questions please contact Cheryl O'Connor.

## OPEN DOOR

This publication is to help keep all members informed on the happenings of the church. When I initially volunteered it was right when my family and I moved to Wisconsin three years ago. While working on the publication is great I think it might benefit the church to have someone that is attending regularly (or lives in Ohio) to create it. If you are interested at all please contact Pastor Tim or myself. Thanks!

## CONTINUED PRAYERS

1. Ray Aeschelman
2. Patty Bonecutter
3. Mason Cahoon
4. Jordan
5. Angie Lundi
6. Marvin Reid
7. Susie Reid
8. Don Schlather
9. Bill Sholler
10. Adam Sweeney

If you would like someone added or removed from our continued prayer list please contact:
oconnorkati@gmail.com

## Homebound Friends

## Helen Kuhn

7824 Tallmadge Rd.
Rootstown, OH 44272

## Arthur Kirkpatrick

3854 Biltz Rd.
Kent, Ohio 44240

## Members in Nursing Homes

Donna Byers
Longmeadow
565 Bryn Mawr St.
Ravenna, OH 44266
Mary Lou Johnson
The Gables at Kent Ridge
5241 Sunnybrook Rd., Room D23
Kent, OH 44240
330-677-3261

Katie Bauman
Brookdale of Ravenna
141 Chestnut Hill
Ravenna, OH 44266
Esther Burton
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