



# The Open Door

From The Pastor



June should be a pretty exciting month around EUC. On June 4 we will celebrate Pentecost (red clothing!), our graduates, and we will accept new members at both services! There will be a cake fellowship in the Gallery following

both services to congratulate our new members and graduates. Also, that Sunday there will be a booth set up for new pictures for a new directory. EUC has received 33 new members since the last directory (that will include those on June 4, too). So it is time for some new pics! Plus you can shed the winter clothes and put on some spring/summer duds for that new picture. Forms will be available if you wish to purchase the photo (s). If you are unable to make it that Sunday, please send me your picture or family picture

to have it included in the newest directory. We will once again publish our own.

Worship in June will focus on the parables of Matthew 13. These rather odd stories help us to realize that following God isn't done by compulsion, rather we have a choice, and our human response is required. It will be exciting to learn how we can more fully understand the Kingdom of God together. Speaking of more fully understanding, I'd like to introduce a new gathering: Theolo-

gy on Fire! (Can't do Theology on Tap as that is Trademarked!) What is Theology on Fire you ask? It is sitting around the parsonage patio fire pit and discussing Matthew 13 together. The first session will be on **Friday, June 9**, starting around 8. I have a few patio chairs, but you are encouraged to bring your own chair and beverage (whatever you choose to bring is fine, but please be responsible when driving home). We will sit around the fire and talk about our living, breathing, and moving God in our lives and in our community. Reading Club will begin in June (for 3 weeks), and VBS is right around the corner in July! Requests for help, supplies, food, etc. will be forthcoming. Please stay tuned for ways you can help spread the love of Christ to our world.

Pastor Tim

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## Who Am I?

I was born in Cleveland. I had one brother who was born with Down Syndrome and died at the age of 13 of physical complications related to this.

I attended Lakewood High School and graduated from Lutheran Hospital School of Nursing as a Registered Nurse. I married my first husband in 1968. We had a daughter in 1969 and

a son in 1974. We divorced in 1986. I married my present husband in 1987 and acquired two step-daughters, also.

I worked full time as an RN at Summa Health System for 42 years, retiring two years ago.

I enjoy knitting and crocheting as a hobby. In my free time, I also enjoy volunteering at school and church. I have been a member of EUC for nine months. Who am I?

## Workers in June

### Ushers @ 8:30 Service

June 4  
Lee & Jim Schmitz

June 11  
Cheryl & Tim O'Connor

June 18  
Pam & Matt Pribanick

June 25  
Sue Wells/Alice McConnell

### Ushers @ 10:30 Service

June 4  
Beth Lange/Jean LeMaster

June 11  
Ann Kester/Genny Pavlick

June 18  
Beth Lange/Jean LeMaster

June 25  
Dan Mix/Holly DeLaney

### Of Greatest Worth

Not what I get, but what I give,  
This be the gauge by which I live.  
Not merely joys that come my way,  
But the help I give to those astray.  
Not the rewards of money and  
fame,  
But the loads I lift in mankind's  
name.  
This be the pay at the end of the  
day,  
Not what I keep, but what I give  
away.

—Author Unknown

### Open Door Deadline

The deadline for newsletter submissions is **always** the **15th** of the month. If you want to put something in the **July** newsletter, the deadline is **June 15**.

### Liturgists

June 4  
Eva Rowley

June 11  
Ann Kester

June 18  
Cindy Jarrett

June 25  
Cindy Jarrett

### June Lectionary

June 4  
Matthew 13:1-9

June 11  
Matthew 13:24-30

June 18  
Matthew 13:33

June 25  
Matthew 13:44-46

"If a June night could talk, it would probably boast it invented romance."

—Bernard Williams



### Homebound Friends

**Roy & Helen Kuhn**  
7824 Tallmadge Rd.  
Rootstown, OH 44272

**Arthur Kirkpatrick**  
3854 Biltz Rd.  
Kent, OH 44240



the family and friends of:

**Jim McConnell**  
**Prudy Grossenbacher**

### 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

# June Birthdays and Anniversaries



- June 5** Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Phile
- June 6** Mr. & Mrs. Kody Hayes
- June 9** Paul Kubala  
JoAnne Zeigler  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Schmitz
- June 10** Barb Rohn  
Mr. & Mrs. Scott Kinter
- June 11** Lori Knapp  
Mr. & Mrs. Frank DeLaney
- June 13** Mr. & Mrs. Josh Gray  
Mr. & Mrs. Terry Tatgenhorst
- June 15** Maxwell Finney  
Mr. & Mrs. Lynn Alexander
- June 16** Harold Bradfield
- June 21** Tyler Brown
- June 23** Michael Bauman  
William Bauman, Jr.  
Sandra Ulbricht
- June 24** Beth Lange
- June 25** Cody Withey
- June 26** Elden Villers  
Mr. & Mrs. John Steinert
- June 27** Mr. & Mrs. Steve Dorsey
- June 30** Cheryl O'Connor

Thank you to Cheryl & Tim O'Connor for buying the supplies and working at the Top Ten Dinner. Thank you to Jeneen Kubala for supplying the punch. Thank you to Sherry Blasens and Debbie Walvoord for helping with the shopping and serving. Thank you also to Rich Blasens and Lee Schmitz for serving and to Ruth Ann Kirkpatrick for helping to decorate and for washing dishes. Thank you to Sandra Nichols and Julia Hayes for helping to bake desserts and to Jeneen and Lee for preparing the food. Thank you to Kelli Simmons, Cheryl, and Lee for making homemade bread! YUM! Thank you to Heather Mix for taking the awesome picture of the Top Ten students. The Top Ten seniors and their parents are always so grateful for our efforts to recognize their achievements.

*Thank you to everyone who gave to One Great Hour of Sharing. We collected \$412 to send to help with disaster relief throughout the U.S. and the world.*

Dear EUC:

GRIP Ministries, Inc. would like to send you a special thank you for your donation to the ministry. Your donation is appreciated and will go a long way to helping provide necessary food and supplies for men currently in the program.

GRIP Ministries, Inc.  
Dave Traugh, Executive Director

*Dear Friends:*

*Thank you for your extremely generous donation to C.H.A.R.M. We appreciate your support. Your*

*donation will help to further our mission in the Samana Province of the Dominican Republic, where we will work during our October 21-29, 2017, trip. Our goal is to improve the lives of the Dominican people, especially the children, through the funds we receive. We are grateful that your donations help to make this work possible. Thank you.*

*David W. Snyder, D.C.*

From one church to another, Easter blessings to you! Thank you for your donations and support to the Backdoor Pantry.

Laurie Shaw

*Dear EUC Members:*

*Thank you for your recent gift to University Hospitals Portage Medical Center. Your generosity will directly impact the outstanding, high-quality health care our patients receive. Your \$200 was designated to Dr. Paul Jones Chapel Fund at the Portage Medical Center.*

*Sean E. Chamberlin  
Vice President  
Institutional Relations*

Dear Friends:

On behalf of Habitat for Humanity, I would like to express our sincere gratitude for your recent donation to Habitat for Humanity of Portage County. Donations like yours enable us to provide more affordable housing solutions to our neighbors in Portage County. We cannot succeed without your support.

Rachel Kerns  
Executive Director



The steeple will be lit from June 4-10 in memory of **Merle Phile**, whose birthday was June 8, by JoAnn Phile.

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## Prayer List

1. Kyle Bailey
2. Mike Bailey, Sr.
3. Tim Barrett
4. Kristen Braunreitter
5. Tish Brett
6. Martha Budd
7. Esther Burton
8. Jeff Ciuk
9. Carolyn Collidge
10. Fred Craft
11. Doug Cronk
12. Joe Delley, Jr.
13. Robin Deters
14. Dyllyn & Family
15. Nathan Gilliland
16. Prudy Grossenbacher
17. Karen Harris
18. Chuck Harton
19. Todd Hinkle
20. John Horning
21. Lucy Hughes
22. Jake & Family
23. Courtney Janko
24. Jeffie & Family
25. Arnie Klibert
26. Roy Kuhn
27. Kim Lane
28. Rick Lewis
29. Erin Loschetter
30. Pru Love
31. Jenny McCambridge
32. Penny Moretz
33. Bill Nickles
34. Jennie Prentice
35. Cheri Repasky
36. Gilbert Rowley
37. Fred & Debbie Sanders
38. Don Schlather
39. Bill Sholler
40. Tom Steurer & Family
41. Adam Sweeney
42. Ryan Vrudney
43. Jane Wayman

Who Am I?

Barb Rohn



## Graduation Open Houses

Everyone is cordially invited to attend a graduation open house for **Daniel Myers** on **June 3** from **3:00-7:00 p.m.** at 9253 Cableline Road, Diamond.

Everyone is cordially invited to attend a graduation open house for **Jacob Mix** on **June 10** from **4:00-8:00 p.m.** at 3619 Wayland Road, Diamond.

## Church Envelopes

Would you like offering envelopes? We will be printing our own. If you have run out or would like to have envelopes, please tell Pastor Tim or Cindy. You can get them anytime of the year.

## Auction Money at Work

So far this year, Council has approved sending the following organizations money from our Missions fund that was made at the 2016 Auction:

Portage Co. Assoc. for Pastoral Care—  
\$200  
Habitat for Humanity—\$100  
Center of Hope—\$1,000  
G.R.I.P. Ministries—\$1,000  
C.H.A.R.M.—\$500



**Graduation Sunday is June 4. We will be honoring the following graduates:**

Southeast High School

Dan Myers  
Jacob Mix  
Harold Mansfield

NEOMED Stem Program  
James Bearss

## Pentecost

Pentecost is on **June 4** this year. Please wear red to church. **DO NOT** bring flowers to plant in the gardens this year. We will be doing a new church directory. **Pictures will be taken on this date.**

## Church Finances

From Mar. 26-May 22 9 weeks

Amount Given to General Fund:  
\$23,038.96.

This includes \$26.60 from recycled paper.

**As of May 1, 2017, our mortgage total is: \$199,846.78**

**Thank you for your support of EUC.**

“Being a child at home alone in the summer is a high-risk occupation. If you call your mother at work thirteen times an hour, she can hurt you.”

—Erma Bombeck

## Fathers Are Wonderful People    The Joy Ride

Fathers are wonderful people  
 too little understood,  
 And we do not sing their praises  
 as often as we should.  
 For, somehow, Father seems to be  
 the man who pays the bills,  
 While Mother binds up little hurts  
 and nurses all our ills . . .  
 And Father struggles daily  
 to live up to "his image"  
 As protector and provider  
 and "hero of the scrimmage" . . .  
 And perhaps that is the reason  
 we sometimes get the notion  
 That Fathers are not subject  
 to the things we call emotion,  
 But if you look inside Dad's heart,  
 where no one else can see,  
 You'll find he's sentimental  
 and as "soft" as he can be . . .  
 But he's so busy every day  
 in the grueling race of life,  
 He leaves the sentimental stuff  
 to his partner and his wife . . .  
 But Fathers are just wonderful  
 in a million different ways  
 And they merit loving compliments  
 and accolades of praise,  
 For the only reason Dad aspires  
 to fortune and success  
 Is to make the family proud of him  
 and to bring them happiness . . .  
 And like Our Heavenly Father,  
 he's a guardian and a guide,  
 Someone that we can count on  
 to be always on our side.

—Helen Steiner Rice

"When a father gives to his son, both  
 laugh; when a son gives to his father,  
 both cry."

—Jewish Proverb

"You fathers will understand. You  
 have a little girl. She looks up to you.  
 You're her oracle. You're her hero.  
 And then the day comes when she  
 gets her first permanent wave and  
 goes to her first real party, and from  
 that day on, you're in a constant state  
 of panic."

—Stanley T. Banks in the movie  
 'Father of the Bride'

Bob was 16 and finally got hold of  
 his driver's license. In order to  
 celebrate the special day, the  
 whole family went out to the drive-  
 way and climbed into the car to  
 enjoy his first official drive. Howev-  
 er, dad went to the back seat,  
 where he sat right behind his boy.  
 When Bob saw his dad, he said,  
 "Dad, you must be fed up with the  
 front seat after teaching me how  
 to drive all these days, right?"  
 "Nope!" came the quick reply from  
 the dad. "I'm going to sit back here  
 and kick the back of your seat  
 while you drive, just like you've  
 been doing to me for the last six-  
 teen years!"

### The Little Beach Bum

A father was enjoying the day with  
 his five-year-old son at the beach.  
 Suddenly, the boy pointed to a  
 dead bird and asked his father  
 "Dad, what happened to this  
 chap?" The dad coolly replied "Oh  
 this? He just died and went to  
 Heaven." The little boy thought for  
 a moment and then said, "Oh my,  
 did God throw him back down?"

### Thank Dad

How often do you think of thank-  
 ing your father for all the joys and  
 all the little things he has done for  
 you without expecting anything in  
 return? Father's Day is the ulti-  
 mate time to catch up with your  
 dad and have some fun time to-  
 gether, reliving old memories and  
 making new ones and telling him  
 that you care. Fathers are the rea-  
 son why our lives are so special.  
 Being a dad is not easy. Father's  
 Day gives you a beautiful, rather  
 special opportunity to appreciate  
 and honor the presence of your  
 dad in your life. He has been there  
 through thick and thin and has

provided you support whenever you  
 wanted. It is natural to take such con-  
 tinuous support for granted, and  
 though your father may never com-  
 plain of your ignorance or ingratitude,  
 making him feel special and cared for  
 on Father's Day will make him realize  
 how important he is to you.

### The Top 10 Things You'll Never Hear a Dad Say:

10. "Well, how 'bout that? I'm lost!  
 Looks like we'll have to stop and ask  
 for directions."
9. "You know Pumpkin, now that  
 you're thirteen, you'll be ready for un-  
 chaperoned car dates. Won't that be  
 fun?"
8. "I noticed that all your friends have  
 a certain hostile attitude. I like that."
7. "Here's a credit card and the keys  
 to my new car. Go crazy!!!"
6. "What do you mean you wanna  
 play football? Figure skating is not  
 good enough for you, son?"
5. "Your Mother and I are going away  
 for the weekend. You might want to  
 consider throwing a party."
4. "Well, I don't know what's wrong  
 with your car. Probably one of those  
 doo-hickey thingies—ya know—that  
 makes it run or something. Just have  
 it towed to a mechanic and pay what-  
 ever he asks."
3. "No son of mine is going to live  
 under this roof without an earring.  
 Now quit your belly-aching, and let's  
 go to the mall."
2. "Whaddya wanna go and get a job  
 for? I make plenty of money for you to  
 spend."  
 And the number one thing you'll never  
 hear a dad say:
1. "What do I want for Father's Day?  
 Aahh—don't worry about that. It's no  
 big deal." (Actually they might say  
 this, but they don't mean it).

## Thanks, Cont'd.

Dear Members of EUC:

I want to thank you so much from the bottom of my heart for having Southeast's Top Ten Dinner! You were all such amazing hosts, and I really appreciate everything you did for us! I had a wonderful time, and the food was awesome! Everything was just so well done. So I thank you very much.

Keadron Sondereker

*To My Secret Sister,*

*Thank you so much for the Easter & Mother's Day gift. It was so kind of you to think of me. Thanks.*

*Joann Wadsworth*

Dear Pam & Matt,

Thank you for my weekend with you. It gave me a chance to breath a sigh. Church means a lot to me, and I thank you both for that.

Much love to you both.

Vicki

*Dear Church Members:*

*Thank you, my church family, for all the wonderful support for me and my family at the time of Jim's passing. Pastor Gary Hogan of Charlestown United Methodist Church did a great job filling in for Tim. He went over and above his duties for us. Thank you so much! The ladies had a wonderful meal for us—left overs were great, also. The cards and hugs were all very comforting. At a time like this, I was not alone. God bless all of you.*

*Alice McConnell & Family*

Dear Jodi, Kelli, Melissa, Sarah, Trista, and others who helped,

Thank you for all the hard work, time, and energy you spent on making the Easter program awesome! The kids did great! You went above and beyond by adding the lunch and ice cream party during the practices. Vera loved the songs and learning more about God. Thank you for investing in Vera's life in this way!

Tim & Kim Paroz

## Summer Reading Program

The Summer Reading Club will take place for six weeks, two three week sessions. The dates are June 14, 21, & 28 and August 2, 9, & 16. There will be two locations this year: Edinburg United Church and Charlestown Town Hall. Both locations will meet simultaneously for the six weeks on Wednesday nights from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. We are in need of children's books to give away. Please bring them to the church by June 11.

On the final night, we are going to have a Back to School Bash with a school supplies giveaway. We would also like to offer free haircuts. For those who are willing to donate, a list of the needed school supplies will be published in July.

If you are interested in volunteering in any way, email Beth Lange at [blange2250@gmail.com](mailto:blange2250@gmail.com). To register your child (going into 1st-5th grade) for the Summer Reading Club, visit the church website at [EdinburgUnitedChurch.org](http://EdinburgUnitedChurch.org).

"What good is the warmth of summer without the cold of winter to give it sweetness."

—John Steinbeck



## Rose Garden Memorials

Pastor Tim & Family in memory of Jeff Paroz  
 Sherry Sommers in memory of Randy Sommers  
 Jeneen Kubala in memory of Elizabeth Gilanyi  
 Tim & Cheryl O'Connor in memory of Leo & Mary O'Connor  
 Pat Campbell in memory of Leon Campbell  
 Kim Dillon in memory of Greg Barefield  
 Trista Hughes in memory of Grandparents  
 Cindy & Bob Jarrett in memory of Dick & Ginny Walburn & John & Laura Jarrett  
 Deborah Walvoord in memory of C.J. & Fern Walvoord  
 Marie Evans in memory of Don Evans  
 Beth Lange in memory of John & Rosemary Sams & Lori Sams  
 Betty Campbell in memory of Leon B. Campbell  
 Tim & Sandy Pettigrew in memory of Frank E. Pettigrew, Sr.  
 Chet & Nan Wiley in memory of Brenda Thomas  
 Pruchenski & Galloway Families in memory of Larry Pruchenski  
 Agnes Andrasak in memory of George & Elsie Hirko and Phyllis  
 Jean LeMaster in memory of James Edford LeMaster  
 Genny Pavlick in memory of George Pavlick  
 Shirley Wilcox in memory of Gene Wilcox  
 Mansfield Family in memory of Elsie Mansfield  
 Wadsworth Family in memory of Carl Wadsworth  
 Diane & Kelley Ringer in memory of Laura Cordier  
 Sandra Ulbricht in memory of David Ulbricht, Sr.

Roseann Schlather (Brown) in memory of Marty Hatcher  
 Terry & Linda Dillon in memory of Ben Dillon  
 Sara Kinter in memory of Grandma & Grandpa Bailey  
 Lynn & Priscilla Alexander in memory of Patrick Burns  
 Alice McConnell & Family in memory of James A. McConnell  
 Ramona Holloway in memory of James Holloway  
 Lin Dennis in memory of Joe West  
 Eva Rowley in memory of Brian Hartley  
 Harold & Martha Bradfield in memory of Archie & Minnie Bradfield & Floyd & Ruth Hickman  
 Janice Kent in memory of Julia Slack & Helen Buchanan  
 Rich & Sherry Blasens in memory of Edwin Dorsey & in honor of Mary Lou Johnson

Rose Garden costs: \$625.91  
 Donations: \$683.00

## Did You Know...

You can light the church steeple in honor of or in memory of someone? The cost is \$10 a day or \$50 for a week. So if you would like to honor someone on their birthday, graduation, or wedding day, or remember someone on their birthday, see Cindy Jarrett in the office and schedule the date.



Please join us in welcoming our newest members:

Ian Shaw  
 Linda Shaw  
 Zachary Ranta  
 Jessica Earnest  
 Agnes Andrasak  
 Dianne Raubacher  
 Melissa Mansfield  
 Joanne Darrow

## The Giving Tree

Just a reminder of what the Giving Tree is for: We have a Dry Pantry that helps families who need items they cannot buy with food stamps. These items include: shampoo, bars of soap, toothpaste, Q-tips, cotton balls, women's and men's deodorant, toilet paper, laundry detergent, and facial tissues. These items are given away once a month. Dish soap, toothbrushes, and all-purpose cleaner are given away every three months. These items can be placed on the Giving Tree. Grocery items can also be placed on the Giving Tree. Twice a month these items are given to the Center of Hope, and twice a month they are given to the Backdoor Pantry at Palmyra Church.

"Spring being a tough act to follow, God created June."

—Al Bernstein

"It is the month of June  
 The month of leaves and roses  
 When pleasant sights salute the eyes  
 And pleasant scents the noses."

—Nathaniel Parker Willis

"A perfect summer day is when the sun is shining, the breeze is blowing, the birds are singing, and the lawn mower is broken."

—James Dent

"It's not true that nice guys finish last. Nice guys are winners before the game even starts."

—Addison Walker

"Discoveries are often made by not following instructions, by going off the main road, by trying the untried."

—Frank Tyger

"It is often easier to fight for principles than to live up to them."

—Adlai Stevenson

"If you want to be respected, be respectable.  
 If you want to be liked, be likable.  
 If you want to be loved, be lovable.  
 If you want to be employed, be employable."

—William Ward

"It is not doing what you like, but liking what you do that is the secret of happiness."

—James Barrie