



CALENDAR OF EVENTS

AUGUST ~ 2019

All events are at the church building
Unless otherwise noted.
* Indicates an article is elsewhere in this newsletter

- Aug 8 – S'mores Night at Wally & Iris Krenik's*
- Aug 11 – Monthly Building Offering
- Aug 13 – Dorcas Fellowship at 1:30pm*
- Aug 13 – Church Board meeting at 7:30pm*
- Aug 15-18 – Le Sueur County Free Fair, visit www.lesueurcountyfair.org
- Aug 22 – September Newsletter articles due



LONG RANGE PLANNING

- Sept 1 – Gideons presentation
- Sept 2 – Labor Day
- Sept 8 – Monthly Building Offering
- Sept 10 – Dorcas Fellowship at 1:30pm
- Sept 10 – Church Board meeting at 7:30pm
- Sept 12 – S'mores Night at Wally & Iris Krenik's
- Sept 19 – October Newsletter articles due
- Sept 21 – Cleveland Community Health Fair
- Sept 29 – Annual FRIEND DAY*

S'MORES NIGHT

Wally & Iris Krenik invite everyone for a fellowship time at their home on Thursday, August 8 at 7:00pm. They are located just east of Cleveland at 1493 Dodd Road. Wally & Iris are hosting S'mores Nights on Thursday Sept. 12th too.



DORCAS FELLOWSHIP

The ladies will meet on Tuesday, August 13 at church at 1:30pm.

CHURCH BOARD MEETING

Members will meet on Tuesday, August 13 at 7:30pm at church.

RANDY & REGGIE TO SHARE DUTIES



We have been blessed to have Randy Hardy of Faribault with us for 16 months serving as our Interim Pastor. Randy announced on Sunday, July 21 that our Cleveland church Elders have brought Reggie Camarse on board to help with the

Interim Pastor duties. Reggie will be preaching 2 Sundays a month and Randy will continue to cover the other Sundays. This gives Randy a bit of a break from his duties and gives us a chance to hear Reggie preach on a more regular basis. Reggie has filled in for Randy for a few Sundays prior to this new arrangement.

Reggie is the pastor at the Life Fellowship Church in Circle Pines, MN, a northern suburb of the Twin Cities. Life Fellowship Church was planted in 2017 by Reggie and other Christians seeking to start a new church fellowship. Their rented meeting space is already in use on Sundays, so Life Fellowship has its worship service on Saturdays at 4:30pm (www.lifefellowshipmn.com). Reggie graduated from Crossroads College in 2008 and served at New Brighton Christian Church from 2008 to 2017. While at Crossroads, Reggie met his (now) wife Miriam who is a Worthington, MN native. Their son Carter is 9 years old and daughter Lucy is 7 years old. We welcome Reggie and his family to Cleveland!

SUNDAY BIBLE CLASSES

9:00-10:00AM

Our children's Sunday class meets in Room 3 and is led by Ellen Dickie. Our adult Sunday classes that meets in Room 5 is currently reading/studying through the New Testament. The adult Sunday Bible class using a DVD series will begin a new study on Sunday, August 4 by Dr. David Jeremiah of Turning Point Ministries. The series is titled "OVERCOMER" with the subtitle of "Live a life of unstoppable strength, unmovable faith, and unbelievable power." It based on the Bible text of

Ephesians 6:10-18. Please join us in one of these studies and grow strong in the Word of God.

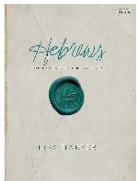


The **AMERICAN RED CROSS**

will be holding a blood drive in our church building from 10:00am-4:00pm on Friday, August 16, 2019. Donations for blood are needed – this is an opportunity to help.

STOCK UP

August is a great time to pick up school supplies and personal items for Operation Christmas Child! We are planning for an OCC Packing Party on Sunday, November 24.



LADIES – JOIN US!!!

The ladies will be doing the DVD Bible study “Hebrews – The Nearness of King Jesus” by Lisa Harper. Jo Rupe will be leading the study on Wednesday evenings, September 11 through October 23 from 6:30 P.M. – 8:00 P.M. Jesus is our accessible King. He is not a faraway God, but an up-close Redeemer who kneels beside us. Join us as we dig into Hebrews with Lisa Harper in this 7-session study. Hebrews reminds us that Jesus resigns supreme, but He also draws near to us with compassion, empathy and love to no end. Sign up at the back table at church on or before September 1st. Cost for the book is \$10 payable the first night of class.



THE GIDEONS will be with us on Sunday, September 1 during the worship service.

FRIEND DAY 2019

Our annual Friend Day will be Sunday, September 29, 2019. It is a great time to invite your friends, family members and neighbors to join you for a Sunday church service here in Cleveland. Watch for invitations to be available in August.

MANCAMP

August 16-18



GRANT SNYDER of the Minneapolis Police Department is a nationally recognized human trafficking expert. He is breaking a new trail, as MPD’s liaison to Minneapolis homeless. Grant will be the featured speaker taking us on the journey of contending for the gospel with compassion and accountability.

MANCAMP is a camp offering at Pine Haven Christian Assembly. The Weekend event is designed to help men grow in faith and in community with other Christian men from around the state. Guys will be able to choose from a number of recreational alternatives including fishing, motorcycle riding, target shooting, biking/hiking and golf. Register at www.PINEHAVENCAMP.ORG Plan to come and enjoy great food, great fun and great fellowship. Contact Gary Kunz for more details. We would love to take a group to camp from Cleveland.



Christian Camping 2019

Pine Haven Christian Assembly near Park Rapids, MN
www.pinehavencamp.org

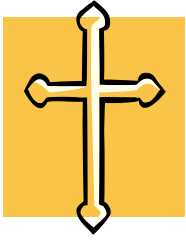
World View Camp	Wed-Sun	Jul 31-Aug 4
Greenhorns: 3rd-4th, First time 5th	Sun-Wed	August 4-7
Family Weekend	Thurs-Sun	August 8-11
MANCAMP	Fri-Sun	August 16-18
Ministry Leadership	Sun-Tues	August 18-20
Scrapbook/Craft	Thurs-Sun	Sept 12-15

Fees and other camp information are posted at www.pinehavencamp.org

➔ **Cleveland Youth Campers** ←

The Cleveland Church is giving you 1/2 scholarship of your regular camp fee. We will also pay for 1/2 the regular fee for a friend you have come with you to camp.

Invite a friend and go to Pine Haven Camp this summer!



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OUR HEAD: Jesus Christ
OUR LEADERS: Our Church Elders
CHURCH SECRETARY: Lisa Koppelman
SUNDAY SCHEDULE
9:00 a.m. – Bible Classes
10:00 a.m. – Fellowship Time
10:30 a.m. – Worship Service

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BIRTHDAYS: August 4- Max Miller; 5- Roxanne Goodrich; 6- Mel Lloyd; 7- David Rupe; 10- Marilyn Fahning; 11- Brian Schmidt; 12- Judy Lloyd, Andrea Schmidt; 16- Gladis Samuel (missionary daughter in India), Alice Will; 17- Lowen Richter; 18- Shane Rogers; 19- Orbbe Chadderdon, Charlie Zalusky; 23- Bev Hesch; 25- Karen Rogers; 26- Wayne Fahning, Gary Guentzel; 30- Jaci Christensen, Jim Rogers; 31- Mandy Filter, Mattie Glancy, Jarod Schmidt

ANNIVERSARIES: August 10- Mel & Monie Lloyd; 13- Fanny & Martha Nyamutora (missionaries in Zimbabwe); 18- Kevin & Karen Gibbs; 22- Patti & Bruce Zuelch; 24- Orbbe & Joyce Chadderdon; 25- Clint & Helen Godden; 27- Glenn & Cindy Schmidt, Doug & Annette Swedberg

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Patience is a Virtue

By Sherm Rupe – Elder

When I was a kid, there was some cereal boxes that advertised some little toy you could get for several box tops. We would do our best to eat a lot of cereal so we could get the box tops. We would send them in and then...wait. It seemed like an eternity waiting for the mail man to bring us our treasure. I remember pacing back and forth waiting for the mail. It was a good day when the prize finally came. I know my mom was relieved for us to stop being impatient.

In my adult life, I have come to realize that the Lord is patient. He is patient with me. In 2 Peter, we read: *"But do not forget this one thing, dear friends. With the Lord, a day is like a thousand years, and a thousand years are like a day. The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. He is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance. The Lord's patience means salvation."*

We are in the midst of a pastor search. We have one candidate, Nate Sales, who is interested and willing to come to us. However, he has some obligations to his old church that need to be fulfilled. This church has offered him the full-time pastor job three times, but he has declined the offer. He feels called here. So, we have been waiting.

In this situation, it would be easy to get impatient and take whatever person came our way. As someone once put it, if he can fog a mirror, he's in. The pastor search committee knew this was not the way we should go. We are relying on God's good timing to bring us the right man for the job.

As it turns out, this time waiting has been well spent. As God wants us to be patient, he does not want us to just sit and wait. Nate has used this time to gather some experience in preaching and leading a congregation. Here in Cleveland, we have established a worship committee, a pastor search committee and a church development committee. These are all designed to help us move forward.

We have been blessed to have Pastor Randy Hardy and his wife, Laura, serve us as interim pastor. We have also been privileged to have guest speakers come and share. I would be remiss if I didn't mention VBS. This program promises to be an exciting time for the youngsters (and to the adult volunteers).

The Cleveland Church of Christ is moving ahead. The Elders are excited about our future. While we do want to have a full-time pastor now, we know he will come in God's good time. So, help us to be patient and be in prayer for our future.

God bless you all and be peaceful.