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This Week's Volunteers

Saturday, May 31

Kids: Nancy Fenske
Nursery: Ashley Youmell
Hospitality: Gail Conrad
Communion Assistant: Julie Perisutti
Greeters: Gail Conrad

Sunday, June 1

Kids Church: Amy Mitchell/Willie Brown
Kinder Church: Katherine Mitchell/ Dana Rogers
Nursery: Sally Hahn/Brook Shippitka
Welcome Table: Cookie Ashworth
Refreshment Table: Stephanie Ibos/Debbie Hodgson
Communion Assistants:
Greeters: Eddie & Sally Hahn
Prayer Team: TBA

Next Week's Volun-

Saturday, June 7

Kids: Nancy Fenske
Nursery: TBA
Hospitality: Julie Perisutti
Communion Assistant: Julie Perisutti
Greeters: Steve Perisutti

Sunday, June 8

Kids Church: Ben Hadde/Linda Fleming
Kinder Church: Ben Hadde/Melanie/Cathy
Nursery: Angela Kaleal/Carlyn Jackson
Welcome Table: Claire Walter
Refreshment Table: Kathy Berhendt/Lynette Pruett
Communion Assistants: Claire Walter
Greeters: TBA
Prayer Team: TBA

1 Church, 3 Locations

Brecksville—Broadview Heights—Lakewood

Last Week's Attendance: 291



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Our Sermon series this week : God-Love-Sex Is there a connection?

31/1 "Better Than Sex...?"

About our upcoming sermon series: Post Modern Parables—fatal flaws, ironic twist, lesser known people in the Bible who look a lot like us. Why are they in the Bible and what do that have to say to 21st century people?

7/8 "Deborah and Barak"

14/15 "Abimelech"

21/22 "Jephtha"

28/29 "Sampson 1"

5/6 "Sampson 2"

June 1, 2008

Sunday, 10 a.m. — Broadview Center

Today's Schedule

Worship in song

Meet, greet and eat — Greet friends and familiar faces, plus take three minutes and break out of your comfort zone: introduce yourself to someone you don't know or talk to someone you've never talked to before!

Children dismissed for Kids Church

Prayer

Offering and collection of communication/prayer cards

Message — "Better Than Sex...?" Doug Seletzky

Announcements

Closing song

Blessing

Personal prayer with Prayer Team — Come to the front

Download a copy of today's sermon at www.coh4u.com. For an audio recording, place your order with the person at the soundboard, then please leave a \$3 donation in the box at the book/welcome table.

Guest Information

We're glad you're here!

Please come to the book table or welcome table so we can meet you! We have a coffee mug for you and, if you'd like one, a Bible for you or a friend.

Enjoy a cup of coffee and pastry with us

Child care (down the back hall)

- ◆ **Nursery** is for infants through age 3 and the room is right of the Men's Locker Room.
- ◆ **Kinder Church** for 3 yr. olds through Kindergarten. This 30 min. class is just right for short attention spans. The room is at the end of the hall.
- ◆ **Kids' Church** is for children 1st through 4th grades every Sunday. Kids stay in the church for the worship songs & are then dismissed before the message. To the right of the Nursery.
- ◆ **Children in 5th grade & above.** Children remain in church with their families during the service.

Restrooms

- ◆ on the main entrance hall near the information desk.

Need prayer?

The Prayer Team is available to pray with you after the service. Come to the front.

About offering

Members of Community of Hope put money in the offering basket as a tangible way to thank God for all He has done. If you're a guest, please do not feel obligated to participate in offering. However, please DO fill out the communication/prayer card and place it in the offering basket. Thanks!

About Communion

Our Lord Jesus invites all people to come to Him (John 6:37). In this Holy Meal, He specifically invites those who trust in Him to receive not only bread and wine, but also His body and blood for the forgiveness of their sins (Matthew 26:26-28). Therefore, if we confess our sins and trust in Jesus as our Savior, He invites us to receive this personal assurance: "Your sins are forgiven!" (1John 1:7-9).

The Bible offers guidance on preparation for the Lord's Supper: the importance of examining not only our faith in Jesus and our understanding of Communion, but also our attitudes, actions and relationships (1 Corinthians 10:6-17 and 1:17-34).

Baptism and instruction in the Christian faith are the formal steps in the process of preparation (Acts 2:38-42). However, personal preparation is still an individual matter between every believer and his Lord.

Guests who desire to commune here on a regular basis are asked to express their oneness in the faith by speaking to our pastor or by attending an instruction class. In this congregation, basic Christian instruction is normally provided to youth in first communion/confirmation classes for 6th, 7th and 8th graders and to all others in adult membership classes.



Prayers & Praises

Need prayer?

Stop by the prayer table near the entrance before after or during the service.

Pray for **Sharon D.** upcoming surgery that everything goes well and recovery is quick.

Pray for **Morris's mom** that her legs and back would be healed. Pray for his family that there would be healing and forgiveness.

Pray for **Deb K.'s sister, Chris** who is dying that God would comfort her. Healing for **Deb K.'s sister, Pam** who is also ill. Strength for Deb at this time.

Those in Iraq: **Bill Vacha, Kevin**

Every Thursday is Pray for COH Day! Pray that COH will continue to grow into a healthy, celebrating church family that draws others to God, and brings glory to God by helping people mature in and become devoted Christ followers.

For those who are ill:

Eddy T. — who has a heart condition and his heart stopped and had to be restarted. Pray for God's heal-

ing.

Jackie— C.O.P.D. lung disease that God would heal her lungs.

Jennifer B. —that a new medication will work to stop the spread of the cancer.

Marge Thiel — recovering from hospital stay with pneumonia; now living with son Michael, 928 Tische Rd., Jefferson, Ohio 44047

Vickie Meerdink (the Dickmans' daughter) — Stroke rehab

For missionaries:

Ruth Munkubanda-Powell (CEF)

J. Suresh & Ajoy Baro (Mission India)

Sandy & Peter Jorgensen (Mali)

Rob & Karen Naim (Campus Crusade)

Greg & Lorie Davis (Japan)

Michael & Laura Clary (Kentucky)

Joanie & Will Feuerstein (Action International; serving in the Philippines)

Jim & Jamie Loker (Campus Crusade Mexico)

Mission of the Month: Joanie and Will Feuerstein

Will and Joanie have been serving in the Philippines since 2001 for FACE-2-Face Ministry. The heart of FACE-2-FACE is relational evangelism with a focus on compassion and mercy ministries. As advocates for the poor and prison inmates, they have followed the Lord from the province of Batangas to the mountains of Nueva Vizcaya to the business district of Makati and into the jails. They have strategic group ministries in the men and women's national prisons, Correctional Institution for Women in Mandaluyong, and maximum security of New Bilibid Prison in Muntinlupa. In January 2008 they launched a children's evangelistic ministry in Batangas. Their evangelism and advocacy continues in leadership involvement with the social welfare programs of the American Association of the Philippines and Philippine-American Guardian Association, assisting both Fil-Am children and Americans incarcerated in the Philippines. They serve with the core team of Couples Who Care at our local church, Greenhills Christian



Calendar

Saturday, 5/31

5:30 p.m. — Worship@Blossom Hill

Sunday, 6/1

8:30 a.m. — Adult Bible Discussion @ Broadview Center (Rich Fleming, 330-659-6819)

10:00a.m. — Worship Service @ Broadview Center

Tuesday, 6/3

5:30 p.m. — Worship Team Rehearsal

7:00 p.m. —Community of Hope Book Club @ Panera in Rocky River

Thursday, 6/5

Pray for Community of Hope today!

Saturday, 6/7

5:30 p.m. — Worship@Blossom Hill

Sunday, 6/8

8:30 a.m. — Adult Bible Discussion @ Broadview Center (Rich Fleming, 330-659-6819)

10:00a.m. — Worship Service @ Broadview Center

Future events:

Couples for Christ

Study of God's Word to enrich marriages. (and food & fellowship with other couples)

Meeting at the Blossom Hill campus on **June 13 from 7pm-9pm. Childcare will be available.**

Potluck dinner

If interested or have questions call Matt & Sandy Slocum at (440) 887-0806

Monthly Prayer of Hope

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Come for a time of prayer

Where: Blossom Hill

When: Once a month, next time, June 2 from 7:30pm-9pm.

Community Events:

Lutheran West Wrestling

Junior High and High School open mats begin Sunday at 4:00 pm. Youth open mats are Friday evenings starting at 6:00pm. Contact David Ressler dressler@lutheranwest.com for more information.

Announcements

Many Thanks

Rachel Fenske wants to thank all who are supporting her with your prayers and gave for her mission trip. She is thankful to have the opportunity to go to South Africa to do mission work there. She would love to keep in contact with you while she is in South Africa. If you wish to find out how she is doing. Here is her email address: rachelfenske1@gmail.com.



P.A.P.A. Fest

The People Against Poverty and Apathy Festival is a convergence of communities and movements coming together to share, dream, and create. We're looking forward to seeing you again this year as a thousand folks from across the country gather again on **June 19-22nd, 2008**. We will be camping out in a farmer's field in IL, a few hours outside of Chicago. This little village of subversive friendships is where we spend some time conspiring in learning workshops, making music and worshipping God, telling stories over campfires, and hiking through the woods. Registration for the festival began April 15th, and there's a limit of 1,000 people for the sake of the land and our hosts- so this means register early! **You can register on line by going to their website papafestival.org.** Jody Adams is taking a group with her if you are interested in traveling with her contact her at yellowroz@lycos.com

Clothing Drive

Redeemer Crisis Center needs your help providing gently used school clothing and supplies to people in their area. Please leave your donations in the container at the entryway of COH Main Campus. If the door is locked, leave them outside by the main entrance.

The Owen's Page of Awesomeness Youth Ministries

High School Bible Study

Meets every Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. at Blossom Hill. Come, bring a friend. We're done at 9. you're welcome to come early to fellowship.

Confirmation

Confirmation and the 5th and 6th grade groups will not be meeting over the summer regularly, though some special events designed for our 5th through 8th graders will be happening.

Frisbee

It's Coming! All Summer long we will be having Ultimate Frisbee from 4 to 6 pm on Tuesdays! Bring a few dollars for pizza (which we'll eat afterwards). This is for all ages. Woot.

Youth Band

Band practice, this week June 2 7:30 to 9:00

Alive

It's time to start thinking about Alive. Alive is a Christian music festival in nearby Canal Fulton Ohio. The festival includes many of today's top Christians bands, including Chris Tomlin, Skillet, Thousand Foot Krutch, the David Crowder Band and more, as well as some of the best speakers ANYWHERE. All of this is held at a Water resort, complete with a man-made lake, a zip line into the water, a rolling Log, 4 white stand volleyball courts, and a ton of campgrounds. This event is open to all ages, whether you're by yourself or with your family, a group of friends, of the local Golden Buckeyes. The Cost for tickets is \$110 a piece to camp with us, or \$85 a piece if you'd rather just get a ticket and camp on your own. That includes all food, admission, camping stuff and everything! The dates for Alive this year are June 18th through the 21st, but we spend the night and camp back on the 22nd. Reserved your tickets now by writing a check to Community of Hope. Please make sure the checks are handed to Owen so I can get a tally on the number of tickets purchased.

Hike

Last year 12 of us spent four days in Central Pennsylvania hiking while studying God's word. This year, we're doing it again, only...higher. We'll be on our way out to New Hampshire's White Mountains as we examine the splendor of the heights of the heavens and what the bible has to say about this creation. Save the dates! Sunday, July 20—Thursday July 24th

Contact Owen

I'm on face book which I'm increasingly using to let people know about events, but it that doesn't work try emailing me at owencoh@gmail.com or calling or texting me (especially if you're on Verizon) 440 554 3470. woot. or AIM WiseGuruMonkey

Hope Classifieds

"Hope Classifieds" is an offshoot of the Community of Hope Needs Ministry. It is a way for you, the people of Community of Hope, to give or receive items and services among each other. These "classifieds" provide a forum for making these transactions. The items and services must be offered without charge. It is our prayer that Christ's love would be reflected in each transaction.

If you wish to be more selective in your giving, you may specify that your service not be listed. In that case, the needs coordinator can contact you confidentially with open needs and let you choose which you will fulfill.

We will assume any needs are confidential unless you specifically state that you want them published.

Needed

1. Family serving our church body in need of a vehicle. Contact: Tim Bohatka (440-838-5205).
2. Church family in need of minivan or other vehicle for family and work transport. Contact: Tim Bohatka (440-838-5205).

Some needs are for the same/similar items. In such cases, please attempt to meet the needs with lower numbers (submitted earlier) first.

Contact Tim Bohatka, Needs Ministry coordinator, at 440-838-5205 (before 9:30 p.m.) for more on how you can help with any of these needs.

Items/Services Available

- Computers, internet routers, computer accessories. Contact: Frank DiMichele, 216-641-0401.
- Tools for loan: Socket set, deep impact socket set, ethernet/telephone cable finder, cordless drill & bits. Contact: Frank DiMichele, 216-641-0401
- Utility trailer for hauling items. Contact Bob Roelle, 216-433-1907.
- Dishwasher, gas range/oven (slide-in style), 25" color TV, and a 19" color TV. Contact: Steve or Carolyn Streitel, 440-622-6212.

ELDER CARE

- Help with elderly, ill or people recuperating from surgery. Contact Heidi Farr, 330-659-3793 (home) or 330-523-0439 (cell).

NOTARY

- Notary public services. Contact Betty Walters at 440-237-1674.
- Notary public services. Contact Jane Roelle at 440-668-9918.

More services available upon request. (See "How Can I Post to this List," below.)

Community of Hope is not responsible for the quality or safety of items and services and is simply facilitating a transfer. It is the responsibility of parties involved to understand the quality of items and services transferred.

How can I post to this list?

Fill out the information under "Needs Ministry" on the response card. Remember, your need can be material, emotional, spiritual, psychological, service oriented, one-time, ongoing, etc. Confidentiality is important to us, so any needs posted to this list will remain anonymous; particularly sensitive needs will not be published but will be handled privately.

Also, use the response card to let us know what items and services you think we should offer!

Bible Studies & Groups

Newcomers welcome!

Adult Bible Discussion Group

Sundays at 8:30 a.m. Broadview Center. (Rich Fleming, 330-659-6819)

7th & 8th Grade Fellowship

Wednesdays at 7 p.m. on the weeks between Confirmation classes. (Owen Rasmussen, 440-554-3470)

5th & 6th Grade Fellowship

Wednesdays at 7 p.m. the same weeks as 7th & 8th graders. (Jim or Linda Morford, 440-546-0820)

Blossoms Mom's Meeting Group

Friday mornings at the Bohatka's House 9:30-11:30am (Kathy, 440-838-5205) Babysitting is provided

Wings

Women's group meeting at the Breimeier's house Thursdays at 9:30 am. We will meet every other week. (Lisa Breimeier, 440-526-2424)

Women's Bible Study

Women's group meeting at the Dickman's house Thursdays at 10 am to 12pm.

(Mary Ann Dickman, 440-838-8448)

At Amy and Jerry Mitchell's Home on Tuesdays from 7-9 p.m. (Amy or Jerry, 440-740-0772)

The Edge Bible Study

meets across the street from Cleveland State University on Tuesdays at 12:00 p.m. (Doug Seletzky and Paul Skoch, 440-503-123)

Men of Hope

Men's group meets at Panera (RT 21 & 82 in Brecksville by Heiness) @8am-10am

The Study of "The Reason for God" by Tim Keller

Contact: Doug 440-570-8441

Couples Bible studies

Couples for Christ

Meeting at the Blossom Hill campus on **May 9 from 7pm-9pm. Childcare will be available.**

If interested or have questions call Matt & Sandy Slocum at (440) 887-0806

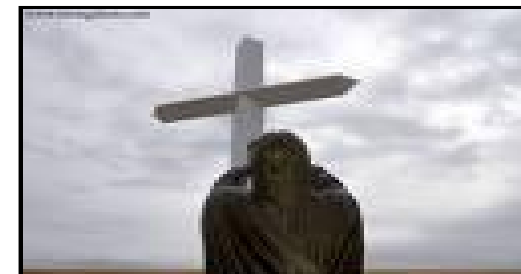
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Are You a Christian?

Many people believe that they are Christians because they were born in a religious home, go to church regularly, try to do their best, or live a "good" life. However, these things alone cannot reconcile us to God. Through the Bible, God tells us that our relationship with Him has been broken through sin and needs to be restored. The good news or "Gospel" of Jesus Christ is that God has restored our relationship with Him. The Bible says, "God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish, but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through Him." John 3:16-17

When Christ died on the cross, He hung there in our place. He took the punishment you and I deserved. With His last words He declared, "It is finished." When He said this, it was as if God the Father sitting as a judge over the whole earth slammed his gavel down and declared the world not guilty. A pardon went out over the whole world. This is the truth; this is the objective reality. This objective reality must become personal. The message of the life, love and forgiveness of Christ must become mine, it must become yours, for it to be effective. If you believe that Jesus died on the cross for your sin and rose from the grave for you, then take these steps:

- * **ADMIT** that you have disobeyed God's laws (Romans 3:23)
- * **ASK** for forgiveness (Ephesians 1:7)
- * **RECEIVE** Christ into your life (John 1:12)
- * **DECLARE** Christ as the Lord of your life (1 John 2:23, Romans 10:10)
- * **DIG INTO** the word of God, the Bible. A good place to start is the gospel of John. If you do not have one we can get one for you.

Here is a prayer you may want to use:

Lord Jesus, thank you for your offer of Heaven and an abundant life for me. I confess to You that I have disobeyed You and ask You to forgive me and restore my relationship with the living God. Thank you for dying for my sins and providing a way that I can live forever. I believe in You, I ask You to come into my life, to be my leader and Savior. Thank you Jesus, Amen.