A Note From Pastor Georgette

By the time you read this, June will be upon us and Jim & I will be reveling in the joy of "Grandma/Grandpa Camp. 2016 is the 5th anniversary of "Camp" with our youngest grandchildren at the Gaston house. We plan, prepare and ENJOY every minute of it! Aahhh… summer! Warm days, sun, fun, vacation, relaxation.

For many, summer is a time we intentionally take a step back from normal routine to renew our lives with family and friends. A shift from everyday responsibilities to truly rest and allow ourselves to be refreshed. For others, summer is a time of "coming home". Those who've escaped Ohio's wintry blast, now back home from the blasting heat of summer in warmer climates.

What a blessing to have the freedom to come and go! What a blessing to have the resources to "vacate", "stay-cate" and sometimes simply "vegetate". As we shift, slow down to enjoy the blessings of life's richness this summer, my prayer is that we slow down enough to seek God's face. A very wise teacher once told me, "we are human beings, not human doings." What a relief that "good news" has been to my Hyper-Martha personality! In the years that have followed, I've learned that being WITH God, is more important than doing FOR God. Redirecting my energy toward God, choosing intentional time for rest, devotion and prayer fuels my passion to serve God more fully.

Are you feeling worn out, overwhelmed with your "to do" list? Is your worship, prayer life, service to Christ's kingdom more obligation than exuberance? If so, take a step back from your normal routine. Choose intentional time for rest, devotion and prayer. Invite God to speak his heart to you AND for your service to Christ's kingdom in the Ohio Valley and beyond. This summer, come home to Jesus!

Agape, PG
### A NOTE FROM GREG BUSH:

Discipleship transforms us into the image of Christ. James Harnish writes, “I know of no other way to experience the fullness of Christ’s presence without being a part of a Christian community in which to worship and grow as a disciple of Jesus Christ.” Being part of a community is one of the first steps in becoming a disciple. John Wesley noticed that those Christians that were active in small groups were the ones that grew their faith. He also noticed that those that did not become involved in the community of faith quickly fell away.

Is there anything keeping you from growing your faith in a small group or Sunday School class? Pastor Georgette completed a series from A Disciple’s Path by James Harnish. It was a wonderful series that allowed us to reflect on what it means to be a disciple of Jesus. We were able to go into greater detail during Sunday School about the characteristics of discipleship. Some excellent question and answer periods were held in the Kitchen to Corner class. If you have not yet gotten involved in discipleship; there are still plenty of opportunities to jump on board. Vicki Gogikar will be leading the young adult discipleship class. On June 5th, they will begin meeting during the Sunday School time in the room across from the nursery. They will be conducting a study on the book of James. I encourage everyone to activate their own disciple’s path and attend one of these studies.

Blessed in Christ, Greg Bush

### RICHMOND COMMUNITY VBS

Sun., July 24–Thurs. July 28
6:00 - 8:30 p.m.

VBS will be held at the Richmond United Methodist Church. Kindergarten, 1st & 2nd grade teachers are needed. Please contact Amy Browning (765-0422). Donations of cookies will be appreciated.

### PASTOR ON VACATION

Pastor Georgette will be on vacation from June 1-7.

Please call the church office for pastoral care (765-4957).

### RELAY FOR LIFE

Fri., June 17 - Sat., June 18
6 p.m. - 6 a.m.
at Indian Creek HS

Thanks for your support!

### UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

UPCOMING EVENTS:

June 13 - 8 a.m., Joshua Breakfast

June 23 - 12:30 p.m. Summer outing at J.C. Winery

RSVP by: June 20 Call Marge Andres (740) 282-8090

### MUSICAL GROUP COMING COMING

June 5 - “Splendid Sound”

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**YOUTH VOLUNTEERS**

**JR. CHURCH**

- June 5: No Jr. Church
- June 12: Charli McConnell
- June 19: Tommi McConnell
- June 26: Malania Birney

**NURSERY**

- June 5: 8:45 - Mary McConnell
- June 12: 8:45 - Brittany Jenkins
- June 19: 8:45 - Mary McConnell
- June 26: 8:45 - Brittany Jenkins

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**JUNE**

Kevin Browning,
Tom Grimm,
Ja Pollock &
Roger Hilliard

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**USHERS**

3 Stephanie &
Kenny Porter
4 Ron & Marge
Andres
5 Jennifer and Rob Webber
6 Darrin & Tina Judy
8 Calvin and Sandy Russell
9 Dianna and Randy Snyder
12 Sandy and Bill Burrell
14 Donna & Charles James
15 Jim & Man Wang Ramsey
20 June & Larry Crago
22 Tammy & Hoop Sutherlin
25 Amy and Bob Scott
27 Judy & John Slater
28 Debbie & Joe Campana
29 Connie and Dave Somerville
30 Joe & Cindy Carducci
30 Suzanne and Jim McConnell

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**ACOLYTEs**

- June 5: TJ Birney &
Max McConnell
- June 12: Josie Proffitt &
Katie Phillips
- June 19: Gracie & Emma
Phillips
- June 26: TJ Birney &
Max McConnell

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**JR CHURCH VOLUNTEERS**

- June 5: No Jr. Church
- June 12: Jamie Phillips
- June 19: Tera Scholl
- June 26: Sharon Kramarich

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**JUNE GREETERS**

8:45 a.m. Service

- June 5: Karen Hibbs
- June 12: Bob & Marge Alpino
- June 19: Peggy Pratt
- June 26: Peggy Pratt

10:30 a.m. Service

- June 5: Mary & Chuck Price
- June 12: Pam Linn &
Karen Hibbs
- June 19: Phil & Sandy Judy
- June 26: Ruth Steiner & Zip
Grimes

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**Thank you to the Outreach Comm.
and all those who helped with the
“Blessing of the Animals”!

There were 44 dogs, this year!**

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**MEMORIAL DAY**

**THANK YOUS:**

To Norma & Eugene Brown &
the Outreach Committee
and to
all who helped
with the
Memorial Day Breakfast. A special
thank you to the Boy Scouts
for their help, as well. Proceeds will be split
among The Relay for Life & the
RUMC Youth Group Mission Trip.

**PARADE:**

Thanks to Brooke & Vance
McConnell for decorating the float, to
Tera Scholl and family for filling the
candy bags and to all the walkers
that helped pass out treats.

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**SR. YOUTH MISSION TRIP**

Next month, July 10th-16th, the Sr. Youth
group will be going on a mission trip to
Blue Rose Mission in Mansfield, OH.
Please keep us in your prayers as we
prepare for this trip.

Here is a list of our mission team:

**Students**

Jadyn Bennett
Andrew Carroll
Conrad Gump
Mary McConnell
Brennan Scott

**Adults**

Betty Powley
Cindy Carducci
Paula Jenkins
Greg Bush
Mark Judy

The Men’s group will be taking the
summer off for regular meetings and
will resume in the fall.
HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATES
Brett Ferrell is the son of Patty Ferrell and Ron Ferrell and the 2016 Valedictorian of Edison High School. Brett plans to attend the University of Akron in the fall majoring in Pre-med.

David Isaac Harris is the son of Jim & Amanda Harris and an Edison H.S. graduate. He plans to attend EGCC in the fall, then transfer to a 4 year university majoring in Accounting.

Wes Householder is the son of Jeff & Jane Householder and a graduate of Utica Shale Academy. He will be attending Ohio University majoring in Engineering Management & Technology Program.

Evan Longo is the son of Joe & Lindy Longo and an Edison H.S. He will be attending Rosedale Technical College in the fall majoring in Diesel Technology.

Eleni Maria Maragos is the daughter of Gus & Jan Maragos and granddaughter of Donna Grimm. She is a graduate of Hilliard Davidson High School. Eleni plans to major in Nursing at Capital University.

Joelle Skye McCoy is the daughter of Shauna McCoy and an Edison High School graduate. She plans to attend EGCC for a year studying Nursing, then will further her studies at either Mount Union or Trinity School of Nursing.

Collin Robert Scott is the son of Robert & Amy Scott and an Edison H.S. graduate. He plans to attend the University of Mount Union where he will pursue a degree in Accounting while playing baseball for the Raiders.

Nicholas Sinicropi is the son of Mario & Amy Sinicropi and an Edison H.S. graduate. He plans to attend Kent State majoring in Exercise Science.

Celia Whisman, is the daughter of Bobbi & Kevin Whisman and granddaughter of Hope Eimer & Ron Huggins and the late Bob Eimer. She is a graduate of South River High School in Edgewater, Maryland. Celia will continue her education at the College of Charleston, pursuing a career in Psychology.

COLLEGE GRADUATES
Jordan Byrley is the daughter of Donna McCutcheon and a graduate of Franciscan University with a BS in Education. She is pursuing a Masters Degree in Integrated Curriculum: Mathematics and Science.

Kimberly Marie Judy is the daughter of Mark & Gina Judy and a graduate of Bethany College with a B.A. in accounting. She plans to begin working as an Accounting Assistant for Richmond Engineering Works.

Dylan Kramarich is the son of George & Sharon Kramarich and a graduate of Kent State with a BS in Nursing & a minor in Public Health. He is employed at Akron City Hospital in the Medical ICU with plans to begin a Masters program in the fall.

Ryan Kramarich is the son of George & Sharon Kramarich. He will graduate from UNOH on June 12 with a degree in Diesel and Agriculture Technologies. Ryan is currently pursuing career opportunities as a Diesel Mechanic.

Shane Sanders is the son of Jim & Traci Sanders and grandson of Warner Sanders. He is a graduate of Slippery Rock with a BS in Sports Management. Shane is currently working for the National Cheering Assoc. while pursuing a career in the cheering industry.

Ethan Tice is the son of Mike & Shari Tice. He is a graduate of Franciscan University with a BS in Education. Ethan is presently pursuing a Masters of Educational Administration while completing the requirements for a school treasurer’s license.

CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES!

SPECIAL THANK YOUS
“Thank you for all the prayers and support for Ed and myself as Ed faced his back surgery. All went great and he is able to walk without pain. He’s still under restrictions for a while, but is really feeling the difference. We are so fortunate to have a wonderful church family of friends. May God continue to bless you all!” Ed and Pat McLain

Just a note to say thank you to our church family for all your prayers and for just being there when Jack & I needed you all. We don’t know what we would do without all of you.” Jack & Henni Crain

Dear Church Family, “I would like to thank everyone for their prayers and cards during my illness. I’m hoping to be back in Ohio soon. God Bless!”

Love to all, Charlie Heckathorn

Thank you to Sharon Kramarich for organizing our graduate information and for preparing the graduate power-point.

THE ROOF FUND
$24,622.84 remains on our fundraising goal for the roof. You may help with this by making donations to the “Roof Fund”.

CONGRATULATIONS!
To Jack & Henni on the renewing of their wedding vows on May 1.

MONEY MATTERS
The following financial report was submitted by Connie Somerville, treasurer:

Balance 4-1-16 $36,787.69
April Revenue $16,478.50
April Expenditures $20,403.78
Balance 4-30-16 $34,102.41
Year to Date Revenue $75,407.00
Year to Date Expenditures $94,279.03

GIFTS WERE GIVEN:

To the Roof Fund in honor of Rev. Carol Smith, Dave & Matt Somerville, Connie Somerville & Debbie Thomas

To the Memorial Fund in memory of Thelma Hill

CELEBRATION OF BAPTISM ON MAY 15
Addaline Marie Grimes
Parents, Marie Holt & Keith Grimes
Grandparents: Deborah & Michael Holt and Cathrine & Lester Grimes
Sponsors: Jimbo Knight, Valerie Stromack and Stephanie Pethel

Brayden James McConnell
Parents, Kyleigh & Ed McConnell
Grandparents: Mollie & Tom McConnell and Jamie & John DeFrank

Kyleigh Marie McConnell
Parents, John & Jamie DeFrank
Grandparents: Rose & John DeFrank and the late James & Barb Grimm

June 5 at 9:30 a.m.
Please meet in the sanctuary.

Free Blood Pressure Checks

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