



Disciples' Voice

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WORSHIP/COMMUNION -

8:15 A.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:30 A.M.

WORSHIP/COMMUNION - 10:30 A.M.

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JEFF & KIM KSANDER transferred their membership to Tylersville Road Christian Church on March 7th.

Kim grew up in Wadsworth, Ohio and there she attended First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) throughout her childhood. Jeff grew up in West Lafayette, Indiana and attended St. Thomas Aquinas Catholic Church, at Purdue University, where they both were students. Jeff moved to the Cincinnati area for his first job right after graduation, and after dating long distance Kim eventually followed. Jeff is an Aeronautical Engineer working at Belcan Engineering and Kim is a Special Education preschool teacher for Little Miami Schools. Kim is due with their first child, a little boy, on March 23rd!

"We truly are so excited to be part of a wonderful and supportive community. Everyone has been wonderful and kind and we have had such a warm and inviting experience thus far. We are excited to jump in and get involved wherever we can."

Child Dedication

On Sunday, March 7th, **Jon & Jamie Moore** brought **Liam Alexander** forward to be dedicated to God's continued care and love. Jon & Jamie pledged their intention to nurture Liam in the Christian faith and do their best in loving and caring for this wonderful gift from God. We commend them on this important step in their lives and we pray for them and Liam as they grow together in love and faith.



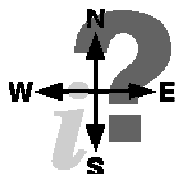
Jazz, Coffee & Conversation Sunday, March 14, 6-8 p.m.

Join us in the sanctuary Sunday, March 14th for a relaxing evening of live jazz and fellowship. A.J. Braman, our new accompanist, is an accomplished jazz pianist and will be providing part of our musical entertainment. A.J. is a student at UC's College-Conservatory of Music (CCM) and can often be found playing at the Blue Wisp Jazz Club downtown and other venues on a Friday night. We will also have the jazz quintet Stormy Weather on stage. Stormy Weather has played at events throughout Cincinnati and comes to us highly recommended. In addition to getting to hear some great jazz, this is a wonderful opportunity to invite the community to meet Troy in a relaxed setting. We've waited a long time for Troy, now let's tell others about him and what's happening at TRCC! Please invite neighbors, friends, and those you meet on the street to Jazz, Coffee & Conversation at TRCC. This is a free event and ALL are welcome! Child care will be provided.

****Please bring a dessert or snack to share and, if you wish, a favorite coffee house game.****

Seekers Class, Sun. Mar. 28, Noon

Maybe you're exploring God's call on your life, and wondering how this congregation might assist you in responding to that call. Perhaps you're interested in meeting others with similar questions. If so, consider yourself invited to an informal gathering of seekers to share pizza, fellowship, answer questions, and a video presentation. Please contact the office to let us know you're coming!



TROY TO TREE

The Lord gives and the Lord takes away; blessed be the name of the Lord. Job 1:21

What do you do when tragedy strikes? Job faced that question as he lost his children, homes, wealth, and health. His wife encourages him to curse God and die, yet he refuses and gives the above reply. A husband and wife each react in polar opposite ways to the tragedy both have endured.

Consider the Desarmes family of Haiti. Having survived the devastating January 12 earthquake there they fled for refuge to Chile two weeks later, only to find themselves surviving the February 27th earthquake there. One brother, Stanley said, "I don't know what I can do, but staying isn't possible. I could die and I could lose my family. I have to leave. I don't know where, I don't know how. But I don't want to die with my family here." Luigene, a family cousin said, "God is looking out for us. Our family didn't die in Haiti so they aren't going to die in Chile either." Two family members react in polar opposite ways to the tragedies both have endured.

The tragedies that Job suffers are epic; the Desarmes' disasters are modern equivalents. Most of us, God willing, won't experience such magnitude of misery in our own lives. However, tragedy of some sort will strike as it does for all of us. A loved one will die suddenly, a friend will contract a terminal illness, a relationship will crumble before our eyes. And we'll sit upon our pile of ashes like Job, or huddle like the Desarmes family and wonder what it all means.

Should we react in fear, or faith? Should we curse God, or praise God still? Does our view of God change with our current situation, or is God the same yesterday, today, and forever? Do my life circumstances define who God is, or is God bigger than those circumstances?

“A Way Through the Wilderness”

Our current sermon series is tied in with our Lenten Study. Join us in exploring the stories of the Israelites and the first disciples as we seek to discover God's path for us.

Mar 14—“Drink for the Journey”

Mar 21—“Companions on the Way”

Mar 28—“Reaching Out in Love”

When you think of Stewardship what image comes to mind? For many of us it is something like this...



It's sad, but true. The saddest part is that when we equate stewardship with money it becomes a taboo topic even when we have so much yet to learn about what it means to be true stewards of faith.

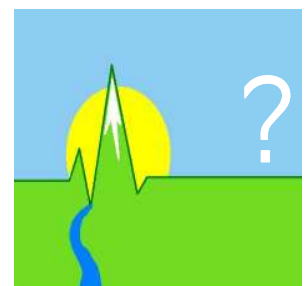
Did you know that Jesus talked more about stewardship than ANY other topic in the Bible? More than forgiveness, more than love, more than salvation, Jesus talked about Stewardship most by far. Yes, that does mean that Jesus talked about money, but Stewardship is also so much more. It is an attitude of both mind and spirit; a way of living that acknowledges, in joy, that all things are of God and it is our privilege to offer those blessings toward God's continued work in the world.

When we think of Stewardship this way we are forced to see the larger picture, that we are called to tithe more than just our treasure but also our time and talents. God wants to bless more than your money. God wants to bless ALL of you and that is why we are called to give our whole selves to God's ministry.

Following Easter we'll be offering a small group study that will explore this bigger picture and how we can be a part of it without feeling like we have to be at the center of it. I hope that we will all take this opportunity to learn how God can use us more fully in the work of, not just the church, but all the world.

Blessings, Debbie S.

P.S. Debbie Saxe has a new personal email. It is revsaxe@gmail.com. You can continue to reach her at the assocpastor@trcchurch.org as well.



Attendance, Tithes & Offerings	2/28/10
Worship (8:15 a.m.)	21
Sunday School	24
Worship (10:30 a.m.)	142

*General Fund	\$4,842.75
*Wednesday Dinner	\$42.25
*Recycling	\$14.79
* Books	\$10.00
†Week of Compassion	\$392.00
▲ Capital Campaign	\$1,855.50
Total	\$7,157.29
*YTD General Fund receipts 2010	\$44,170.13
†YTD Giving to Missions Local/Global	\$2,173.83
▲ YTD Capital Campaign Funds	\$11,883.75

Attendance, Tithes & Offerings	3/7/10
Worship (8:15 a.m.)	18
Sunday School	12
Worship (10:30 a.m.)	157

*General Fund	\$8,190.33
*Wednesday Dinner	\$77.00
*Sunday Flowers	\$72.00
* Music	\$200.00
*Easter Flowers	\$154.00
†Week of Compassion	\$60.00
† Helping Hand Fund	\$3000.00
▲ Capital Campaign	\$2,170.64
Nancy Pigg Camp Scholarship	\$220.00
Total	14,174.97
*YTD General Fund receipts 2010	\$52,863.46
†YTD Giving to Missions Local/Global	\$5,233.83
▲ YTD Capital Campaign Funds	\$14,054.39

PRAYER CONCERNS as of March 10, 2010
(These are new additions. If you know of names to be removed from the list, please tell us!)

Health: LELAND PHILLIPS (Don's brother)
DAVID HOLM (Friend of Grace Overturf)
MARIAN JOHNSON 5 yr old (Shannon Walton's niece)
BERNIE HAGEDORN (Tom's father)
BOB SANDERS (Alex, Noah, Sam Tietzort's grandfather)
LINDSEY GHOSN (cousin to Ray & Mary Jane Good)
JUDI HENDERSON (Kim's mom)
JUDY EMERSON (friend & coworker of Carol Yarborough)
CHAD ZOLLAR
BOB SWARTZ
IAN BOWMAN HENDERSON
DEWITT WATSON (Dave's dad)
ERIC GOOD
SCOTT BORCHERDING

Personal Concerns: TIM DAILEY (Lyle's brother)
KIMBER OWENS & group from Wilmington College travel to Italy.
HELEN LOUISE CURTIS and daughters (Martha Bourgeois mother)
Bettie & Jack Kohler
Erin Larsen & Daniel Kalogerini in Chile.

Grief: The HINSON Family (friends of Broz's)
The Family of KIERS MUCHNICKI (Barb Lacy's daughter in law's grandmother)

Joy: OREO is certified therapy dog (Dailey's dog) and CALVIN DAILY received unanimous superiors in piano contest.

Ginny Mahne's great grandsons were born March 2nd. EZRA was 5 lbs 14 oz. and his brother ELIJAH was 6 lbs. 12 oz. Both are great and back home.

ELEANOR BUCHANAN received 2 medals in Science Olympiad.

NEW FRIENDS in Worship 3 /7: CHRIS LANE; MIKE & AMBER JOHNSEN; JOANNE FANCHER; JEREMY EMBRY.

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PRAYERS FOR OUR SISTER CONGREGATIONS: 3/14/10 Mount Moriah Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), Butler, KY; Newcomer Community Church, Mason. 3/21/10 Mt. Healthy Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), OH; North Cincinnati Community Church, Mason;

PRAYERS FOR OUR GLOBAL NEIGHBORS: 3/14/10 Cambodia, Laos, Vietnam 3/21/10 China, Hong Kong, Macao



PRAYERS FOR CONGREGATIONS BURNED SINCE 1990:
3/21/10 Williams Temple Church, Gainesville, FL

March 14th, so reset your clocks on Saturday night!

MISSION AND MINISTRY

March

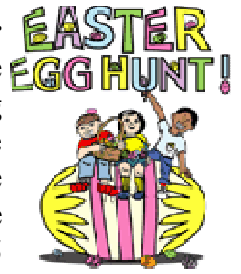
- 12-14 Advance Spring Retreat
- 14 1:30 p.m. Pastor's Class
6:00 p.m. Jazz, Coffee, Conversation
- 15 7:00 p.m. Praise Team Practice
6:30 p.m. Listening Conference @Patton's
- 16 6:00 a.m. Bible & Breakfast
6:30 Worship Team Meeting
7:00 p.m. Church Conflict Management Webinar
- 17 6:00 p.m. Supper
6:30 p.m. Children's Choir
6:45 p.m. Hand Chime Choir
7:30 p.m. Adult Choir
- 18 7:30 p.m. Advance Bible Study
- 21 9:15 a.m. Elder's Prayer Circle
1:30 Pastor's Class Trip Meeting

Thank You!
THANK YOU!

Thank you to our volunteers who helped at the OTR Soup Kitchen:

John Pohlman, Charlie McCurry, Leroy Owens, Debbie Hagedorn, Laura Dailey, Kristen Ingram, Amanda Jackson, Eleanor Buchanan, Diana Hipple, CJ Yarborough, and Calvin Dailey.

Get your cameras ready for **Easter Sunday!** We will be treating the kids to "**The Great Easter Egg Hunt**" immediately following the service. The plan is to hold the hunts (age appropriate) so that the event is completed within 45 minutes of the conclusion of the service. We need your help providing TONS of plastic eggs, candy, inexpensive trinkets, stickers, and perhaps, if you have any connections, coupons or gift certificates for things like a free ice cream cone or a happy meal. Be creative!



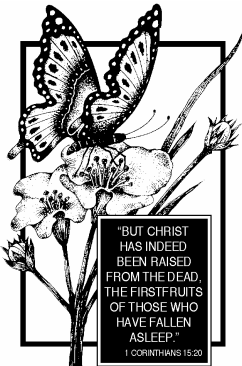
Easter Brunch Sign-Ups!



It's time to start planning our annual Easter Brunch pot-luck. There is a sign-up sheet posted on "clipboard alley" (the hallway next to the nursery). Please sign up to bring your favorite breakfast item – casserole, muffins, coffee cake, fruit, etc. The Easter Brunch will be Easter morning at 9 am in the modular. Thanks for your help in filling our bellies with yummy food Easter morning!

I'm also looking for willing volunteers to "stuff" after Palm Sunday service and/or "hide" on Easter. I'm new here, so don't hesitate to help me out by volunteering! Beth McClary 513-703-4075 or even better: bethmclary@gmail.com

SEE SECRET BOX ABOVE COATS LABELED "EASTER SUPPLIES"!



ORDER EASTER SUNDAY FLOWERS

Indicate how many of each

___ Lilies ___ Hyacinth ___ Tulips ___ Daffodils
\$12.00 each

in Memory of, in Honor of or in Celebration of
(please circle your preference above)

Please print or write clearly how you want us to list this

Given By _____

You may pay for these by putting in a blank envelope marked "Easter Flowers" or on the memo of your check "Easter Flowers" and place it in the offering plate.

Listening Conferences

Monday March 15 @ Patton's 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Monday March 22 @ Woods' 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Monday March 29 @ Dilbeck's 7:00-9:00 p.m.

Monday April 5 @ Seipp's 7:00 - 9:00 p.m.

Thursday April 15 @ Buchanan's 7:00-9:00 p.m.

The purpose of these discussions will be to begin laying the foundation for a visioning process in the future. There is much we can learn in sharing our dreams together.



TRCC'S Got Talent... Sunday April 11, 6:00 p.m.

And we can prove it! It's time to brush up on your special talents and reserve the evening of Sunday, April 11 at 6:00 for another exciting TRCC Talent Show. Whether your gift is in music, song, dance, comedy, or otherwise; whatever your specialty may be we want to celebrate our diversity of gifts. It will be an all around treat for the senses as we also plan to have a lot of fantastic desserts available to tickle your taste buds. Sign-ups will begin soon, so don't be shy when the search begins, and be sure to mark your calendars now. Come one, come all, for a joy-filled evening of delights. Invite your friends, coworkers, relatives, neighbors and others to join you and be amazed at the breadth and depth of talents among our community. You'll not want to miss it!

MINISTRY OF LOVE 03/14/10

Flowers	Celebration of Jim Guckert's 50th Birthday
Bulletin Host	Don & Ruth Phillips
Greeter	Scott & Missy Frazier
Acolyte	Brooke Harvey
Media	Byron Walton & Brian Saxe
Worship Leader 10:30	Rich Seipp
Elders	Communion Invitation - Amy Watson
	Offering Invitation - Lindsay Buchanan

Early Deacon	Kurt Freimuth
Deacons # 3	Dave Diehl, Scott Borcharding, Dave Clemons, Lee Ann Diehl, Chris Drexelius, Debi Freimuth, Kurt Freimuth, Ellen Hartman, Valeri McConnell, Carol Yarborough, Jenae Yarborough, Jeanne Young

Nursery Staff	Anna Mezhvinsky,
Eugenia Shtoyko, & Erin McClure	
3 yrs old - preschool	Lois Hofmann

Special Worship Services Ahead...

March 21st : Introducing our Elder Mentors for our current Pastor's Class kids AND Camp Letters delivered

Holy Week

April 1 Maundy Thursday Dinner at 6:30 p.m.

April 2 Good Friday Service at 7:00 p.m.

April 3 Holy Saturday Prayer Vigil 12-6 p.m.

April 4 Easter Sunday - Breakfast 9:00 a.m.

- Worship 10:30 a.m.

- Egg Hunt following worship

MINISTRY OF LOVE 03/21/10

Flowers	Memory of Irma Hofmann
Bulletin Host	
Greeter	Mark & Barb Lacy
Acolyte	Sydney Frazier
Media	Benjy Weisenburgh & Bob Phillips
Worship Leader 10:30	Andy Hicks
Elders	Communion Invitation - Rich Seipp
	Offering Invitation - Dan Woods

Early Deacon	Myke Haun
Deacons # 1	Benjy Weisenburgh, Debbie Hagedorn, Lisa Haun, Myke Haun, Jane Herrington, Marlene Perdue, Daun Seitz, Steve Seitz, Ed Vennerholm, Janell Vennerholm, Adam Werking, Rebecca Woods

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TRCC Budget Update

The purpose of this information is to provide the Congregation with an update on the 2010 contributions to date in comparison to our recently approved budget. As you may recall, the Congregation approved a 2010 budget in February that had a “gap” showing expected expenses greater than expected revenues in our General Fund. The gap was approx. \$1,250/month and monthly income of approx. \$22,500 is needed to balance the budget (i.e. eliminate the gap). One of the commitments made to the Board and Congregation at the time was that we would provide updates every 30 days showing our financial status.

In looking at contributions through February 2010, here is the data:

Monthly Income needed:	\$22,500.00
January 2010 Contributions:	\$21,599.70
February 2010 Contributions:	\$22,544.43
YTD Income needed:	\$45,000.00
YTD Contributions:	\$44,144.13

Net, contributions are close to what is needed, but a gap still exists. The TRCC Board will be discussing this situation during the March 9th Board meeting to determine what, if any, actions are recommended.

Please feel free to contact Amy Borcharding, Todd Overturf, or Steve Seitz if you have any questions.



Feedback Welcome!

It's been about a month since we've started having Wednesday Night Dinners in the modular. As was noted in a previous newsletter, this change is on a trial basis and is intended to allow for separate areas for fellowship (dinner & conversation in modular) and worship prep (choirs practicing in sanctuary). The Fellowship Team, which organizes the dinner, will be deciding by Wednesday, March 24 whether we will continue to dine together in the modular, or move the dinners to the sanctuary. If you have a preference, modular or sanctuary, please let Katie Baird or another member of the Fellowship Team know by March 24.

Cincinnati Civic Orchestra Concert a Success!

If you didn't make it to the Cincinnati Civic Orchestra's concert at our church Sunday afternoon, you missed a great performance! We were at near-capacity crowds with over 160 in the audience and over 40 musicians. The musicians and conductor complimented us many times for having a great church building and very friendly and welcoming people. The majority of the audience was from outside of the church, so this was a great opportunity to open up our doors to the community and show Christian love and hospitality. We look forward to hosting the orchestra again next year, and hope you'll be able to join us!



Whiz Kids Invites You...

March 18th, 6:00 p.m.



A special dinner is being held to support our local tutoring program, Whiz Kids. A table has been reserved for TRCC members who would like to come and learn more about this unique ministry. The event is being held at the Cincinnati Marriot North - Union Center, and begins with a Silent Auction and Social 6:00 p.m. with dinner to follow at 6:50. There are only **two seats remaining** at the table, so if you are interested in attending please RSVP to Lindsay Buchanan, first come first served.

Pastor's Class Trip Info. Meeting Sun., March 21, 1:30 p.m.

Parents are asked to stick around so that we can over the itinerary for our trip to Lexington, KY. We'll have permission slips and other important information to share. Parents come get your questions answered! Remember this trip is open to **all youth** in 5-8th grades.

Leadership for Church Transformation Seminar, Sat. April 24, 8:30 am-3:30 pm

Legacy Christian Church along with the Christian Church in OH is hosting "Ignite Your Church" with keynote Rev. Emery from Louisville, KY.

The cost is \$30 per person, or \$20 per person with groups of 4 or more from the same church. This price includes lunch. More info @ www.harrisonlegacy.com. **More information to come.**



Pastor Troy will be out of office...

Tues. Mar. 23-Thurs. Mar. 25 with required Regional orientation, training, and workshops.



Christian Children's Fellowship Grades 3-5

- March 14th - Church Scavenger Hunt
Bring your lunch, your energy, and a friend
- March 27th - Soup Kitchen
We'll make goodie bags at the church and then head down to help serve lunch at OTR

Chi Rho Youth Grades 7-8

- March 14th - Food Pantry Collection
We'll head over to Kroger with a list of needed items for our Church food pantry and see what help our community can offer. Pack your lunch, and we'll eat before we head out. Pick up will be at 3:00 to give us some extra time.
- March 21st - Bible Scavenger Hunt
We'll need drivers for this one, parents. Let's see how creative our kids can be on this unique search. Lunch will be provided and pick up will be at 2:00.

CYF Youth Grades 9-12

- March 14th - Super Hero Devotional
Last week we saw a movie where a regular teenager received special gifts and talents from his divine father. Let's explore what divine gifts our Heavenly Father has given us. Bring your lunch, your Bibles, and a friend. Pick up will be at 1:30.
- March 21st - Special Worship Planning
This year TRCC is going all out for Holy Week. Our youth have a special opportunity to participate in these unique services. Today we'll start planning for the April 3rd Prayer Vigil with Pastor Troy. Lunch will be provided and pick up will be at 1:30.

Watch e-mails for details as events draw closer.