



the Disciples' Voice

"Walking Today's Journey of Faith Together"
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SUNDAY SCHOOL - 9:30 A.M.
WORSHIP/COMMUNION - 10:30 A.M.

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Guest Worship Leader

Sunday, Aug. 29
Pete Smith

"Cisterns or Cesspools: You Choose!"

Sunday Morning *AWAKENINGS*

Sundays  9 am-9:30 am

Starting September 12

We've heard you say you want more time for fellowship on Sunday mornings, and we're doing something about it! Please join us every Sunday morning at 9 am on the east side of the sanctuary for Sunday Morning *Awakenings*. We will be serving a selection of coffees, donuts and fruit – all you have to do is provide the fellowship (and if you want, your own coffee mug). Sunday Morning *Awakenings* will begin on September 12. And don't worry, the fun doesn't end at 9:30, it just moves to Sunday School and Small Groups for all ages. Come join us and be *Awakened!*



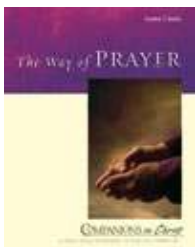
Wed. Night Dinners
Start Sept. 1, 6 p.m.

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"The Journey" starts Sept. 12

Come experience it!

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Fall Small Groups Opportunity:

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Choirs, Choirs, & more Choirs!

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Youth Cookout
Sun., Sept. 12

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PLEASE HELP: We will need two people to help with Sunday Morning *Awakenings* each Sunday. These people will be responsible for picking up the donuts & fruit, making the coffee, setting up, replenishing supplies during Sunday Morning *Awakenings* and cleaning up after church. Please see Katie Baird to sign up for a Sunday, or see the sign-up sheet on the clipboards. This new fellowship time cannot happen without your help!!!

Mason Church League Men's Tournament

Tylersville Road will be in the Middle 6 Bracket - On August 24 at 6:30 p.m., field 2 they play Liberty Heights - With a win they play again on August 31st at 6:30 p.m. and then at 8:45 for final in this bracket.

Come and cheer our men on in this challenge of skills.

TROY TO TRCC

Outreach Opportunities

'Inquire of God that we may know whether the mission we are undertaking will succeed.' The priest replied, *'Go in peace. The mission you are on is under the eye of the Lord.'* Judges 18:5-6

Before beginning their mission, the people in this story sought to discover whether it was under God's eye. Mission and prayer are inextricably intertwined. The many resources I've read on congregational transformation all agree: the heart of living missionally as a church begins in prayer.

Over the past few months the Elders and I have been reading Martha Grace Reese's *Unbinding the Gospel*. The centrality of prayer is a theme within this book as well. She gives a number of pointers for prayer: (1) A prayer life has 2 aspects—individually & with other people; (2) Trusting God for guidance is counter-intuitive; (3) It's a lifelong practice; (4) We need someone to help us learn; (5) We need discernment & accountability.

To engage the missional future God has already prepared for us we'll need to first be open to the Spirit. God is speaking all the time, and by opening ourselves to new ways of praying, the still, small voice of God finds new channels of communication. To hear that holy whisper we need as many hearts inquiring, minds reflecting, ears listening, and spirits seeking as possible. Many of you, or several of you, or maybe just *one* of you through your earnest prayers will hear God's whisper for our future. We cannot do this without you.

Remembering Reese's pointers, as a congregation we're starting "The Way of Prayer" mid-September. In these groups you'll experience praying with others, come to trust God's guidance more, lay foundations for a lifelong practice, receive encouragement and accountability from others who are learning to pray as well, and sample from the wide variety of prayers across the millennia of Christianity. Laying these foundations of prayer will prepare us for the missional journey ahead, all under the eye of the Lord.

Thank you!

A special thank you to all our Walnut Hills soup kitchen volunteers on Saturday, August 14th. They are: Leroy and Julie Owens, Madolyn Mumma, Amy Donnenwerth, John Pohlman, Carole Kubrin, and Jeff Tutt (Bromley Christian). **Our next opportunity for this outreach ministry is Saturday, August 28th at the Over the Rhine soup kitchen.** If God is whispering in your ear to help and you're not quite sure about this ministry, please call me or send an email to ckubrin@cinci.rr.com and I can answer any questions you may have.

Faith Ministries and Gettysburg

I will hurry, without lingering, to obey your commands. Psalm 119:60 *Love your neighbor as yourself.* Matthew 22:39

Our Listening Conferences revealed questions about local community needs and how TRCC can help. Faith Ministries is an example of how we're helping with food and shelter. Jeanne Young represents us there, and shares that while clients have increased 20-40% since last year, donations are down by \$10K because of United Way & supporting church reductions. If current trends continue they'll run out of funds before 2010 ends. TRCC gives \$500 annually, and while less than some other churches Jeanne faithfully volunteers weekly contributing on our behalf. If you're led to "love our neighbors" by a gift then we'd encourage you to "hurry without lingering." Thank you!

A new local ministry this summer has been the Gettysburg Estates Lunch Program. We partnered with West Chester & Mason churches to feed local children a healthy lunch who would normally receive a free school lunch during the year. One week a month, June-August, we've served 9-21 kids per day with an average of 13 lunches daily. Extra lunches were given out to others in the picnic/pool area. As Christians we plant seeds, not knowing how those whom we've served have been touched by God's care. Thank you SO much for helping—whether donating, making sandwiches, or serving. It has been a joy to see their smiles, hear their "thank you's" and know that the body of Christ banded together to feed and nurture these ones dear to Christ's heart.

"Grab Bag" II Sermon Series

Aug. 29 "Cisterns or Cesspools: You Choose!"
Pete Smith, Guest Worship Leader

Fall Offerings

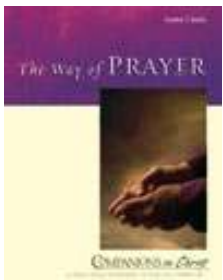
Education & Worship



“The Journey” Begins September 12

Since Abraham’s call, God has been inviting people onto journeys of faith. God’s call continues today, and within small groups you and fellow travelers can discover depths of faith that would be unknown alone.

If you’ve ever wondered about a small group experience, we’ll have a mini-immersion session right after worship. We’ll view an experiential film, gather around tables and discuss briefly some key questions, all within the span of 30 minutes. Afterwards you’ll have an opportunity to sign up for “The Way of Prayer” or other small group opportunities this fall.



“The Way of Prayer” Fall Small Groups Sept. 12-Nov. 14

Earlier this year we had multiple small group opportunities with our Lenten study “Exploring the Way.”

We’re now preparing to launch our next multiple venue opportunity focusing on “The Way of Prayer.”

Most of us grew up with a limited vision of what prayer is and how to pray, and hunger for a deeper, richer, expression of drawing closer to God. This 10 week study draws from the breadth of the larger Christian faith, and is geared to people of different temperaments, spiritual types, and learning styles. You’re invited to experience prayer from a variety of traditions, and to integrate your body, mind, and spirit to expand your understanding and practice of prayer.

Elders will be leading these groups, and Sunday morning sessions will be available. The cost of the book is \$12. Reserve your copy today.

“Way of Prayer” Sermon Series Sept. 19-Nov. 28

Each week Pastor Troy will be reflecting on the themes of the study in his sermon. Dates and topics include:

- Sept. 19—How Do You Pray?
- Sept. 26—Images of God
- Oct. 3—Praying by Heart
- Oct. 10—Praying with Music
- Oct. 17—Praying by Gaze
- Oct. 24—Praying with our Bodies
- Oct. 31—Scriptural Prayer
- Nov. 7—Contemplative Prayer
- Nov. 14—Consecration Sunday
- Nov. 21—Praying with and for Others
- Nov. 28—Prayer and Social Transformation

Adult Baptismal Class Starting October



Earlier this year John Fields and Eric Mayleben graduated from our adult baptismal class and were baptized on Pentecost. Wally Patton sat in as someone who had been baptized, but was looking for a brush up on the basics of faith and how that might apply to his work with the Christian Motorcyclists Association.

Since then other adults have come forward who are either interested in getting baptized, accompanying a friend who’s getting baptized, or wanting a refresher on the faith we profess. If you fall within any of those categories, or others, and would be interested in attending consider yourself invited.

Over the seven weeks of the course we’ll cover: (1) Membership; (2) God; (3) Jesus; (4) Bible; (5) Lord’s Supper; (6) Church & Disciple history; (7) Baptism. We’re planning on baptisms sometime after Thanksgiving. Please contact Pastor Troy to let him know of your interest.

Fall Offerings

Fellowship, Youth & Choirs

Music Director Search Update

The Search team has started the interview process with very good candidates. In addition, we continue to receive more applications. While the process is moving along well, we will not be able to have a final candidate in place for the beginning of this new choir season. Annmarie Lyons, with the assistance of Byron Walton, has agreed to help us by serving as interim music director until our final selection is in place. If you have any questions, contact the Music Director Search Team, Jim Guckert, Annmarie Lyons, Amy Donnenwerth.



Adult Choir Invitation

Starts Wed. Sept. 1, 7:30 p.m.

Adult Choir will begin on Wednesday, September 1, at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary. Past, current, and NEW members are all welcome!

Handbell Choir Invitation

Starts Wed. Sept. 1, 6:45 p.m.

Handbell Choir will begin on Wednesday, September 1, at 6:45 in the modular. We are looking for a few more ringers! If you are interested, please contact Annmarie Lyons at 336-0238 or annmarielyons@hotmail.com.

King's Kids Choir 2010-2011

Starts Wed., Sept. 8, 6:30-7 p.m.

Come ready to: SING! HAVE FUN! BE WITH FRIENDS! MAKE NEW FRIENDS!

This is for any and ALL 3 yr. olds up through 6th graders. We will sing during Sunday morning service at least one time per month. Practice is in the classroom across from the restrooms and water fountain. Leaders are Amy Watson and Kirsten Knapp.

Accompanist Search Update

Over the summer, we have been blessed with the talented accompaniment services of Laura Smith, Susan Hartman and Maria Balfour as AJ Braman has been on a hiatus. Susan and Maria will be continue serving as Interim Accompanists into our upcoming choir season. AJ is planning to return to TRCC late October."

Wed. Night Dinners

Sept. 1, 6 p.m.



Come get to know your fellow TRCC members and friends a little better! Here are a few things to know:

Wednesday Night Dinners are at 6 pm in the sanctuary.

Please bring your own drink or purchase one from the pop machine in the youth room (proceeds go toward youth camp scholarships).

If you are able, a donation of \$4 per person is suggested.

The main dish for the next few weeks will be kept up to date on the Fellowship Team's page on TRCC's website.

We will start cleaning up by 7 pm so that we can start choir practice in the sanctuary promptly at 7:30pm.

Please sign up to bring a side/salad or dessert. We will also need people to sign up to pick up the main dish (it will be ordered and paid for by Fellowship) and be responsible for set-up and clean-up. Please see Katie Baird or the sign-up sheet on the clipboards.

2010 Youth Kick-Off "Field Day" Sept. 12

After Worship until 2:00 p.m.

CCF (3-5 grade) Chi Rho (6-8 grade) CYF (9-12 grade)

We will be grilling hot dogs and playing games. See flyer on Welcome Center.



Attendance, Tithes & Offerings	8/15/10
Worship (10:30 a.m.)	127
*General Fund	
	\$5006.00
* Facility Usage	\$150.00
*Newsletter Postage	\$25.00
*Sunday School Material	\$500.00
† Change for The World	\$6.92
† Helping Hands	\$50.00
▲ Capital Campaign	\$1,928.00
Camp Scholarship	\$4.00
Total	\$7,669.92
*YTD General Fund receipts 2010	\$167,662.40
† YTD Giving to Missions Local/Global	\$8,006.23
▲ YTD Capital Campaign Funds	\$56,134.27
▲ 2010-2011 Capital Campaign	\$28,056.00

Photo Directories Available Sept. 5



Our new 2010 church family album will be available on Sunday, September 5. If you had your photo taken for the directory, please pick up your copy of the album in church starting on September 5. If you did not have your photo taken but would still like to have a copy of the church family album, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the clipboards. There will be a limited number of extra church family albums available on a first-come first-served basis. A \$5 donation is suggested for these extra church family albums.

Prayer Updates

Health: JENNIFER BANNERMAN; MADELINE KLEEMEIER; TERRELL EDWARDS (Pat Swartz's brother); LARRY HAMMER (Pat Swartz's nephew); SCOTT BORCHERDING; HAL MARTIN (father in law of coworker of Tim Werking); EILEEN PEEL (friend of coworker of Tim Werking); Chuck Bentley, Sr. (friend of Seitz); Bob Toms (neighbor of Don & Ruth Phillips); Kelly (Dave Clemon's niece); Jim Toner (friend of Ingram's); Lois Weir (Karen Werking's mom); Jefflyne Sullivan

Personal Concerns: STUDENT & TEACHERS returning to school.; Travel mercies for TROY SYBRANT as he goes to Vancouver.; Those searching for jobs

Joy: WALT & GLORIA ENGLE celebrating their 60th wedding anniversary. (Rich's mom & dad); Farrah Landess (Martha Bourgeois Co-worker) is now home.; SCOTT BORCHERDING's scans are clear!!; Wally & Sheila Patton have a new granddaughter, Morgan Ann Mayleben.; Heidi Bright Paraless beating cancer.

Grief: The Family of LEONARD DEVERS (friend of Buchanan's).; Shaun Renzenbrink and family in death of his aunt, SANDY MICHALAKUS.; The Family of Sister MIRIAM MCDOWELL, Patty Simmons aunt.; Iggy Woods' son is taken off life support, 8 will receive organ donations.; Chinese landslide and Pakistani flood victims.; The Family of JORDAN DAY, Lakota student killed in accident.

Attendance, Tithes & Offerings	8/22/10
Worship (10:30 a.m.)	109
*General Fund	
	\$2,025.22
*Kroger Fundraiser	\$248.20
▲ Capital Campaign	\$1,001.46
Total	\$3,274.88
*YTD General Fund receipts 2010	\$169,935.82
† YTD Giving to Missions Local/	\$8,006.23
▲ YTD Capital Campaign Funds	\$57,135.73
▲ 2010-2011 Capital Campaign	\$29,057.46

Special Guests in Worship

8/15/10: Josie Keresman;

8/22/10: Mary Jo Berry


Elders:

9/5: Missy Frazier & Dan Woods
 9/12: Lindsay Buchanan & Dianne Alexander
 9/19: Rich Seipp & Missy Frazier
 9/26: Tim Werking

September 2010



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5	6 Labor Day  Office closed	7	8 6 p. Dinner 6:30 p King's Kids Choir 6:45 p. Handbell Choir 7 p. Grow Meeting 7:30 p. Adult Choir	9	10	11
12 Sunday School and Fellowship Kick Off	13	14 7 p.m. Elders Meeting	15 6 p. Dinner 6:30 p. Children's Choir 6:45 p. Handbell Choir 7:30 p. Adult Choir	16 7 p.m. Education Meeting	17	18
19 Healing & Anointing	20	21 7 p.m. General Board Meeting	22 6 p. Dinner 6:30 p. Children's Choir 6:45 p. Handbell Choir 7:30 p. Adult Choir	23	24	25 OTR Soup Kitchen
26 After Worship Seekers Class	27	28	29 6 p. Dinner 6:30 p. Children's Choir 6:45 p. Handbell Choir 7:30 p. Adult Choir	30		

MINISTRY OF LOVE 8/29/10

Acolyte Abbey Sybrant
Media Jim Schult, Kurt Freimuth, Charlie Dilbeck
Worship Leader Laura Dailey
Elders Communion Invitation - Amy Watson
Offering Invitation - Sandra Dilbeck
Early Deacon Jeanne Young
Deacons # 3 Dave Diehl, Scott Borcharding, Dave Clemons, Lee Ann Diehl, Christ Drexelius, Debi Freimuth, Kurt Freimuth, Valeri McConnell, Joe Weber, Carol Yarborough, Jenae Yarborough, Jeanne Young

MINISTRY OF LOVE 9/5/10

Acolyte Abbey Sybrant
Media Bob Phillips & Amy Donnenwerth
Worship Leader Dave Clemons
Elders Communion Invitation - Missy Frazier
Offering Invitation - Dan Woods
Early Deacon Ed Vennerholm
Deacons # 1 Ron Alexander, Jane Herrington, Barb Lacy, Mark Lacy, Marlene Perdue, Daun Seitz, Steve Seitz, Patty Simmons, Steve Simmons, Ed Vennerholm, Janell Vennerholm, Adam Werking

September BIRTHDAYS

- 1 RICHARD ROBERSON
- 2 CHAD BLIND; RODNEY FRENCH; TIM WERKING
- 3 JERRY ECHTERNACHT
- 5 DREW SIMMONS; ROBERT WARD
- 6 GEORGE REESE; PAYTON SCHULT
- 7 BILL GUCKERT
- 9 ROBERT BOWMAN; GRACE OVERTURF; EMILY SCHMITT
- 10 SHANE MCCONNELL; MICHAEL HAUN
- 12 BETTIE KOHLER
- 13 ROGER POHLMAN
- 14 BROOKE HARVEY; PAIGE HARVEY; ADAM SCHMITT
- 15 MARY JANE GOOD; BARB LACY
- 16 BETTY BRADFORD; KEN DICKEN; DOUG KENNEDY
- 18 LARRY SCOTT; DAUN SEITZ
- 19 LINDSAY BLACKSTONE
- 20 BOB SWARTZ
- 22 KAYDEN BROWN
- 23 ZACHARY HAGEDORN; KATHY ZOLLAR
- 27 AMY BORCHERDING
- 28 ANGEL HUDSON

ANNIVERSARIES

- 4 RON & DIANNE ALEXANDER
- 6 DON & RUTH PHILLIPS
- 13 DEREK & STACY SIMMONS
- 18 JACK & BETTIE KOHLER
- 19 JIM & HEATHER SCHULT
- 27 GERRY & KIRSTEN KNAPP

Associate Youth Pastor Search Update

Your Associate/Youth Pastor Search Committee effort is well underway and we are making good progress! This is an exciting time for our Youth programs and so we are actively working to find the best match for TRCC. We have divided the work into two different parts – 1) Part-time, interim Youth Leader and 2) Full-Time Associate Pastor.

For the Part-time, interim role, we are actively soliciting interest from both inside and outside our congregation. We have “advertised” internally within TRCC as well as through 93.3 FM’s website and the Northeast Cincinnati Chamber of Commerce. There has been some interest from individuals and we anticipate having discussions with folks over the next week or so. Our hope is to have this high-priority opening covered as soon as possible! In addition, a group of congregation members (i.e. Youth Group Leaders, Education, Search Committee) met on 8/15 to discuss preparations for our Education and Youth Kick-off on 9/12. The group made great progress and has some exciting plans for some great youth activities!

For the Full-Time Associate Pastor role, we are working closely with the Regional Office to identify and review profiles of potential candidates. To date, we have received 11 different candidate profiles and are going through the process of assessing their interests/desires against our needs at TRCC. What we have learned is that this Search and Call process for the Associate/Youth Pastor will be a more deliberate, holistic process that will take considerable time. We are excited by some of the profiles we have reviewed so far, but are also mindful of making sure we find the right match for TRCC.

If you have any questions or input for the Search Committee, please do not hesitate to contact us! We appreciate your prayers and support. Your TRCC Associate/Youth Pastor Search Committee; Dave Diehl, Ainsley Dilbeck, Claire Huller, Todd Overturf, Daun Seitz, Shannon Walton.

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PRAYERS FOR OUR SISTER CONGREGATIONS:

08/29/10 California Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), California, KY; . Church of Christ of West Mason.

9/5/10 Campbellsburg Christian Church (Disciples of Christ), KY; Church of Nazarene, Mason.

PRAYERS FOR OUR GLOBAL NEIGHBORS:

8/29/10 Czech Republic, Poland, Slovakia.

9/5/10 Albania, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Croatia, Slovenia, Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia, Montenegro, Serbia.



MISSION AND MINISTRY

August

- 29 Pete Smith, Guest Worship Leader
- 31 7 p.m. Worship Team Meeting

September

- 1 6 p.m. Dinner
- 6:45 p.m. Handchime Choir
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir
- 6 **Labor Day - Office Closed**
- 7 7 p.m. Elders Meeting
- 8 6 p.m. Dinner
- 6:30 p.m. Children's Choir Starts
- 6:45 p.m. Handchime Choir
- 7 p.m. Grow Meeting
- 7:30 p.m. Adult Choir