



**Our Mission**  
"Centered in Christ"  
"Strength for Today"  
"Hope for Tomorrow"



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What does the Bible have to say about church?

1. A Bible-based church is a church which involves at least two people gathering together in the name of Jesus. "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I among them" (Matthew 18:20). Church consists of believers coming together, in the same physical space, in the name of Jesus Christ. To gather together in the name of Jesus means joining together to publicly worship Jesus, love Jesus and love others. People need to be in church. If you are able, you should be in church. If you are ill or hampered by a physical issue God understands, so do we.

2. A bible-based church celebrates communion on a regular basis.

Jesus said believers are to join regularly to regularly come together to remember and celebrate his death. This is a command, not an optional add-on for the Christian life. The communion meal is for community in which the church publicly proclaims the death of Christ. A Bible believing church will celebrate the Lord's supper.

3. A biblical church is led by qualified leaders. Paul told Titus: "This is why I left you in Crete, so that you might put what remained into order, and appoint elders in every town as I directed you—if anyone is above reproach, the husband of one wife, and his children are believers and not open to the charge of debauchery or insubordination. For an overseer, as God's steward, must be above reproach. He must not be arrogant or quick-tempered or a drunkard or violent or greedy for gain, but hospitable, a lover of good, self-controlled, upright, holy, and disciplined. He must hold firm to the trustworthy word as taught, so that he may be able to give instruction in sound doctrine and to rebuke those who contradict it."

4. A Bible-based church sings together. Ephesians 5:18-21 says, "And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery, but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with your heart, giving thanks always and for everything to God the Father in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, submitting to one another out of reverence for Christ."

We are to be filled with the Spirit, making melody in our hearts to the Lord. We are also to worship with others by worshipping psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs.

5. A Bible-based church maintains corporate holiness through church discipline. Matthew 18:17 says, "If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector." The church really is a place of spiritual protection. We are responsible to each other.

Larry

# 2nd Annual Ross Community UMC Car Show

## People's Choice Winners

1st



Ken & Marsha Kempet  
1967 Shelby Cobra

2nd



Gary Hoffman  
1931 Hupmobile

3rd



Harry Holbert  
Blue Flake Chevy



## Worship Leaders

<b>June</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>2</b>	Nancy Beckman
<b>9</b>	Debbie Gilman
<b>16</b>	Jim Rechel
<b>23</b>	Sally Rechel
<b>30</b>	Greg Conrad
<b>July</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>7</b>	Debbie Kunick
<b>14</b>	Tim Zecher
<b>21</b>	Roger Creasy
<b>28</b>	Nancy Beckman

## Hall & Door Monitor

<b>June</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>2</b>	Doug Beckman
<b>9</b>	Judy Creasy
<b>16</b>	Sharon Mortimer
<b>23</b>	Wayne Estep
<b>30</b>	Phil Brown
<b>July</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>7</b>	Jim Rechel
<b>14</b>	Gary Mortimer
<b>28</b>	Roger Creasy
<b>August</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>4</b>	Butch Foster
<b>11</b>	Doug Beckman



01 June Niederman	21 Eli Rheinfrank
05 Todd Taylor	22 Melody Conrad
08 Bill Wright	25 Caleb Broughton
10 Paul Gilman	28 Chris Foxx
18 Dave Wilson	30 Ruth Estep
20 Earl Whirls	



**Ross Community**

**United  
Methodist  
Women**  
FAITH · HOPE · LOVE IN ACTION

*Submitted by Judy Creasy*



<b>June</b>
<b>2</b>
Phil & Brenda Brown Bill & Linda Wright
<b>9</b>
Butch & Vicky Foster
<b>13</b>
Denzil & Helen Burch
<b>15</b>
Wayne & Linda Estep

We will be handing out five Dorothy Guard Scholarships on Sunday June 9<sup>th</sup>. The five college students receiving the scholarships are: Brandon Armstrong, Melody Conrad, Alex Daiker, Sara McCullough and Emma Schoepf.

The women are having dinner at the Big Buls Roadhouse on Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 6:00PM. It is located at 2461 Ross Millville Road, on route 27 south of Millville. All women are welcome to join us for a night of fellowship and fun.

The women are also helping Nancy sort clothes at her sharing closet on Tuesday, June 11<sup>th</sup> at 9:00AM. The sharing closet is located in the Ross School Administration building. The sharing closet is accessed by going through the first door, in the back of the building. It is on the right side of the building, when you drive into the parking lot.

## What Is Flag Day?

Celebrate Flag Day with fun and surprising facts about the American flag and how to display it.

Jennie Cohen



When the American Revolution broke out in 1775, the colonists weren't fighting united under a single flag. Instead, most regiments participating in the war for independence against the British fought under their own flags. In June of 1775, the Second Continental Congress met in Philadelphia to create the Continental Army—a unified colonial fighting force—with the hopes of more organized battle against its colonial oppressors. This led to the creation of what was, essentially, the first “American” flag, the Continental Colors.

For some, this flag, which was comprised of 13 red and white alternating stripes and a Union Jack in the corner, was too similar to that of the British. George Washington soon realized that flying a flag that was even remotely close to the British flag was not a great confidence-builder for the revolutionary effort, so he turned his efforts towards creating a new symbol of freedom for the soon-to-be fledgling nation.

On June 14, 1777, the Second Continental Congress took a break from writing the Articles of Confederation and passed a resolution stating that “the flag of the United States be 13 stripes, alternate red and white,” and that “the union be 13 stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation.”

In 1916, President Woodrow Wilson marked the anniversary of that decree by officially establishing June 14 as Flag Day. As you celebrate the anniversary of the Stars and Stripes, here are some fast facts about “Old Glory.”

- Bernard Cigrand, a small-town Wisconsin teacher, originated the idea for an annual flag day, to be celebrated across the country every June 14, in 1885. That year, he led his school in the first formal observance of the holiday. Cigrand, who later changed careers and practiced dentistry in Illinois, continued to promote his concept and advocate respect for the flag throughout his life.

- It is widely believed that Betsy Ross, who assisted the Revolutionary War effort by repairing uniforms and sewing tents, made and helped design the first American flag. However, there is no historical evidence that she contributed to Old Glory's creation. It was not until her grandson William Canby held an 1870 press conference to recount the story that the American public learned of her possible role.
- The lyrics of “The Star-Spangled Banner,” America's national anthem since 1931, are taken from a patriotic poem written by Francis Scott Key after he witnessed the Battle of Fort McHenry during the War of 1812. His words were set to the tune of “To Anacreon in Heaven,” a popular British drinking song.
- In the 1950s, when it seemed certain that Alaska would be admitted to the Union, designers began retooling the American flag to add a 49th star to the existing 48. Meanwhile, a 17-year-old Ohioan named Bob Heft student borrowed his mother's sewing machine, disassembled his family's 48-star flag and stitched on 50 stars in a proportional pattern. He handed in his creation to his history teacher for a class project, explaining that he expected Hawaii would soon achieve statehood as well. Heft also sent the flag to his congressman, Walter Moeller, who presented it to President Eisenhower after both new states joined the Union. Eisenhower selected Heft's design, and on July 4, 1960, the president and the high school student stood together as the 50-star flag was raised for the first time. Heft's teacher promptly changed his grade from a B- to an A.
- During the Vietnam War era, some demonstrators burned American flags as an act of protest. The Flag Protection Act of 1968 was enacted in response, making it illegal to burn or otherwise deface the Stars and Stripes. In two landmark decisions 20 years later, the Supreme Court ruled that the government couldn't curb individuals' First Amendment rights by prohibiting desecration of the U.S. flag. Respectful burning of damaged flags according to established protocol has always been acceptable.
- Unlike setting an intact flag on fire, flying one upside-down is not always intended as an act of protest. According to the Flag Code, it can also be an official distress signal.
- Despite the preponderance of “patriotic” gear ranging from tee shirts to swimsuits to boxer shorts, the Flag Code stipulates that the Stars and Stripes should not appear on apparel, bedding or decorative items.
- The practice of draping coffins in the American flag is not reserved for military veterans and government officials. On the contrary, any burial may incorporate this tradition.
- Etiquette calls for American flags to be illuminated by sunlight or another light source while on display.
- When flags are taken down from their poles, care must be taken to keep them from touching the ground. In fact, the American flag should always be kept aloft, meaning that rugs and carpets featuring the Stars and Stripes are barred by the Flag Code.
- When the flags of cities, states, localities or groups are flown on the same staff as the American flag, Old Glory should always be at the peak. When flags of two or more nations are displayed, they should be of equivalent size and flown from separate staffs of the same height.
- The Flag Code strictly prohibits adding an insignia, drawing or other markings to the Stars and Stripes. Some American politicians have been known to defy this regulation by signing copies of the U.S. flag for their supporters.
- Ever wondered how to correctly fold an American flag? First, enlist a partner and stand facing one another, each holding both corners of one of the rectangle's shorter sides. Working together, lift the half of the flag that usually hangs on the bottom over the half that contains the blue field of stars. Next, fold the flag lengthwise a second time so that the stars are visible on the outside. Make a triangular fold at the striped end, bringing one corner up to meet the top edge. Continue to fold the flag in this manner until only a rectangle of star-studded blue can be seen.

(Copied from <http://www.history.com/news95-years-of-flag-day>.

# More pictures from RCUMC Car Show



# Information Page

Ross Community Church

## SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

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### Sunday School

9:15 – 10:00

(For All Ages)

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### Fellowship

10:00 – 10:25

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### Church Service

10:25

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### Thursday Service

Praise Music

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Message

7:00 p.m.

## CONTACTS

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Vicky Foster / Gabrielle Truman

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### U.M. Women

Judy Creasy 513-738-0441

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

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### United Methodist Women

Second Tuesday of the month  
@ 10:00 a.m.

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### Trustees – Nurture & Missions

First Tuesday of the month  
@ 6:30 p.m.

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### Church Council

Second Monday of odd months  
@ 7:00 p.m.

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### United Methodist Men

Last Saturday of the month

Visit the Ross Community United Methodist Church web page at: <http://www.rossumc.org/>

### Prayer Chain

To have someone placed on the Prayer Chain please call Vicky Foster at 513-738-3749 or email [vfoster@zoomtown.com](mailto:vfoster@zoomtown.com).

If you wish to be added to the Prayer Chain send Vicky your email address.

## LORD'S Supper



If you are **home bound** and would like to **receive communion** please contact the church office at (513) 868-2923. Rev Larry Gallaher will return your

**“Prayer Shawl Ministry”**

Please spread the word: -----If anyone has a family member, friend, etc. that is gravely ill, please let me know in the Sunday service, or email me at [www.carolfarmer90@yahoo.com](mailto:www.carolfarmer90@yahoo.com). Also contact me for more information. This program is 100% voluntary, and the Church has not spent a penny. We can also use more volunteers. Have a great day in the Lord.

Submitted by Carol Farmer



If you would like to place flowers on the altar, in memory or in honor of someone, please contact Debbie Kunick at 513-490-0381 or

Office: Emily Adams, Administrative Assistant: Office hours 9:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. **Tuesday & Thursday;** 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Wednesday.**