

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



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Happy Spring, Church Family,

As we were arriving home yesterday after church Cindy mentioned our neighbor's mailbox had been hit and knocked over. The first thought that went through my mind is how are they going to get their mail?



There are probably a multitude of people that really wouldn't care if they received mail or not. I'm the one at our home that checks the mail. Normally there are at least three or four requests for a credit card or a line of credit, neither of which I want. Then there's the Meijer ad, a magazine from Ulta for makeup and various other advertisements. All of which hit the recycle bin as I walk through the garage.

Then this morning as I was driving to church down Timberman Road, I saw mailbox after mailbox, different sizes, different colors and even made from different materials. Today someone will be going to them to get their mail. I'm sure they'll get a lot of what Cindy and I receive daily.

How do we apply the principle of receiving mail from USPS to that of receiving mail from God? His mail to us is more important than anything I mentioned above. I will be the first to admit there are days I get busy and I miss the trip to His mailbox. It can catch all of us off guard if we're not careful. I'm reading a book by Bill Bright entitled "*Discover The Book God Wrote.*" His book is making me more aware everyday we need to receive mail from God. The question is how do we do it? Here are thoughts:

- Accept that God has created each one of us for friendship with Him. We love to get cards from our friends, His word sends us cards every day.
- What do you want to hear from God, what is it we want to tell Him or hear Him tell us?
- Make it more than hearing from Him; make it a time of thanking Him for all that He has done for you. He wakes you up, puts your feet on the floor and that's just the beginning. Let Him know you care as much as He does.
- Realize that we are important to God and each in a particular way because we all have different needs, let Him know you care for Him.
- Sometimes we wait at the mailbox for something we are expecting, and we go to it every day. God sometimes knows what we need. Sometimes it is patience before He can answer our most recent prayer. Remember, mail comes when it is sent by the sender, be patient and expectant knowing it will arrive.

Pastor Larry



The next U.M. Women's meeting will be on Monday, May 6, 2019 in the church at 10:00 a.m. We will be setting the tables for the dinner the next day.

The Mother and Special Others dinner is on Tuesday May 7, 2019. We are having Judy Rambo's Women Gospel trio singers for entertainment. Dinner is going to be catered by Dave's Quality Meats of West Chester. We are having hot sliced ham with honey glaze with veggies, salad and ice cream sundaes for desert. If you made a reservation make sure you have paid Linda Estep.

We will be doing a silent auction again to contribute to the Dorothy Guard scholarship fund. Anyone that has anything to donate to the auction, feel free to bring it to the church. We will be displaying the items before the dinner, so all (even men) can bid in the auction.

The women are helping Nancy sort the clothes that have been donated to her, for the RAMM, 3<sup>RD</sup> Saturday Food Pantry. In May we will be helping Nancy on Tuesday, May 14 at 9:00 a.m. We will meet at the Administration Building in her sharing closet room, to get the clothes ready for the following Saturday.

We will be presenting the U.M. Women's Dorothy Gard scholarships at the worship service on Sunday, June 9, 2019.



# Birthdays

02 Kyle Rheinfrank  
 06 Bishop Cecil  
 06 Katie Rheinfrank  
 11 Linda Wright

14 Karen Riehle  
 21 Grant Montgomery  
 23 Joyce Jones  
 27 Vicky Foster

### Worship Leaders

<b>May</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>5</b>	Greg Conrad
<b>12</b>	Debbie Kunick
<b>19</b>	Tim Zecher
<b>26</b>	Roger Creasy
<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

### Hall & Door Monitor

<b>May</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>5</b>	Gary Mortimer
<b>12</b>	Mike Ratliff
<b>19</b>	Roger Creasy
<b>26</b>	Butch Foster
<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



May 3  
 Jason & Allyson Cecil

May 7  
 David & Lynette Rheinfrank

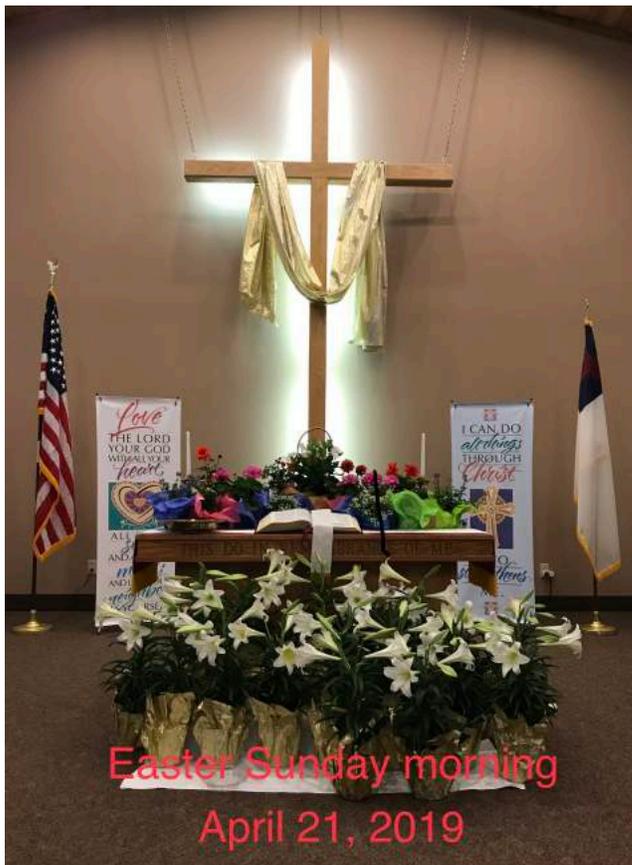
# We Miss You!

*In order to let people know we miss their attendance in church we are going to send out cards expressing this concern every two to three weeks.*

*We need help from the congregation with suggestions of names of people who need to receive cards. You can notify us by email, Sharon Mortimer's office mailbox or a call to Sandy Hogeback or Sharon Mortimer.*

812-593-2984

513-385-1989



## NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

Our neighbors at McGonigle Millville UMC, 2370 Lanes Mill Rd., Hamilton, are hosting a **dinner and silent auction** on Saturday, May 4 to benefit the Open Hands food pantry. The auction begins at 3:00 p.m. and a fried chicken dinner catered by Charlie's Grilling will be served from 4:00 to 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$10 for adults and \$5 for children 4-10 years. The pantry is privately run and depends on the efforts and gifts of individual volunteers to provide food for those in need in the area. Donations are also most welcome. Please contact Susan Snider at 513-314-4144 for more information.

The Salvation Army is marking Salvation Army Day with a **car show** on Wednesday, May 15 at their location at 235 Ludlow Street. If you know a classic car owner who might like to participate, please let them know.

**Graduation Sunday:** We will honor our graduating seniors on Sunday, June 9. Please contact the church office at 868-2923 if you have a graduate in your family.

**Weekly Announcements:** Please remember to keep an eye on the monitor in the foyer, which Pastor Larry updates each week with news, announcements, and other items of interest.

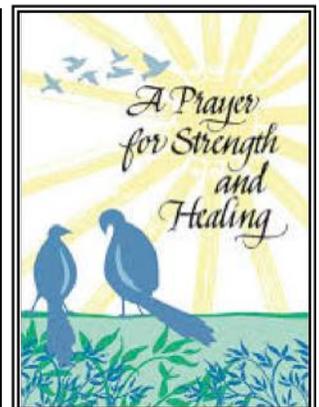


God  Answers Prayers



"Answer me when I call to you, my righteous God. Give me relief from my distress; have mercy on me and hear my prayer." *Psalm 4:1 NIV*

Jan Stewart  
Brenda Brown  
Bonnie Knapp  
Don Rechel  
Barb Rechel  
Karen Riehle  
Caleb Broughton  
Beth Casbeer & family



**NOTE:** Please submit your prayer requests for healing, travel mercies, peace of mind, etc to: Editor, RCUMC newsletter, [prbrown719@gmail.com](mailto:prbrown719@gmail.com). No need to list reason as "The Lord our God" knows our every need. Requests can be for family and friends.

# 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

### Pastor:

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### Church Office:

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### Lay Leader:

Jim Rechel 513-521-5223

### Church Council:

Phil Brown 513-868-2338

### Pastor Parish Chair:

Brenda Brown 513-868-2338

### Trustees:

Wayne Estep 513-896-5851

### Sunday School Superintendent:

Sandy Hogeback 812-593-2984

### Nursery Attendants:

Vicky Foster / Gabrielle Truman

### Prayer Chain:

Vicky Foster 513-738-3748

### U.M. Women

Judy Creasy 513-738-0441

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

## 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

## 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.**

Please copy and share with family & friends.



Saturday June 1, 2019

**2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Ross Community U.M.C. Car Show**  
2943 Hamilton-Cleves Rd. (S.R. 128 in Ross)

**FREE registration**

**On our front yard turf again for your comfort  
(10' x 10' canopies welcome)**

**Refreshments on site**

**Gates open @ 11:00**

**Registration 11:00 – 1:00**

**Live Band @ 2:00**

**1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> place trophies over-all @ 4:00**

**Be a friend, bring a friend!**