



August 2019

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



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Dear Church Family,

I have begun to read a book entitled *God is Amazing* by Bruce Bickel and Stan Jantz. They write about our world being an amazing place, but most people are too focused on "important" things or with truly trivial matters to notice. As I was reading the book the following thought occurred to me.

I thought about the recent time Cindy and I took off and spent a couple of days at Lake Monroe. We were there with some friends and two of the five couples had boats. One was a twenty-eight-foot Crownline with a large V8 motor, the other a pontoon boat with a ninety-horse motor on it. Both are very nice boats.

The Crownline will get up and go and leave a wake behind that could toss a smaller boat while the pontoon didn't go as fast, they didn't really want it to. I thought there is a spiritual lesson in both boats.

For the pontoon that goes slower it made me think we need to slow down our "way too" busy lives and listen to the Holy Spirit speak to us. It seems like He speaks when we most often do not expect it because, we are too busy, and He is trying to get our attention. The ear of our heart needs to remain open to hear His voice.

He can lead us when we are diligent in listening to His voice. I most often sense something He is saying to me as a strong heart message that He wants me to hear. Yes, it is that "still small voice" that carries so much importance if we only listen.

But what about the Crownline, is there ever a time to speed up based on what I just heard, the answer is a resounding "yes" and here's the reason. If He tells us something to do, that means He wants it done. There are times He tells us to talk to someone and if we miss it, we have missed an opportunity to bless someone or be blessed ourselves.

Don't get on the pontoon when He has directed you to do something, confirm it in His Word and move about following His guidance. Remember to confirm it in the Word, there's where we can get on the pontoon, but just get off it when you have your answer and move toward obedience.

No matter how ordinary it might seem when God is in it, it becomes extraordinary. No matter how challenging it might seem He is always there to help you accomplish His purpose. You are the one He wants to do it. Don't let Satan get you on the wrong boat.

God is amazing, everything about Him from His amazing power to His amazing grace, it is absolutely real, not the stuff of conjecture or myth, it is real! He is as amazing as the world He created and more amazing than we could ever imagine.

Pastor Larry





Rev. Grant and Ann Montgomery gave us a very pleasant surprise with their presence when they visited with us during Sunday morning worship on July 21.



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Gary & Sharon Mortimer

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Bud & Judy Kottman



A **disciple** is simply someone who believes in Jesus and seeks to follow him in his or her daily life. Originally, of course, a **disciple** was someone who literally knew Jesus in the flesh and followed him — but after he was taken up into heaven, anyone who was committed to Jesus was called a **disciple**.

Who is a true disciple?

A **true disciple** of Christ is a **true** follower of Jesus Christ. A **true disciple** of Christ is one who is genuine and authentic in his or her desire to become as Christ. It is accepting Jesus Christ as one's Lord and Master.

Birthdays of the Month August

07 Carolyn Conrad

13 Aaron Rheinfrank

18 Sally Rechel

19 Novella Brownfield

23 Wayne Estep

Worship Leaders

August 2019

4 Jim Rechel

11 Debbie Gilman

18 Sally Rechel

25 Greg Conrad

September

1 Debbie Kunick

8 Roger Creasy

15 Nancy Beckman

22 Phil Brown

Hall & Door Monitor

August 2019

4 Phil Brown

11 Doug Beckman

18 Judy Creasy

25 Sharon Mortimer

September 2019

1 Wayne Estep

8 Jim Rechel

15 Gary Mortimer

22 Mike Ratliff

29 Roger Creasy



**A HOUSE TO A HOME
GOD'S WAY**

HELP LINDA'S 22 MISSION TRIP TO COSTA RICA BY ATTENDING

MUSICAL FUNDRAISER EXTROYDINAR

SATURDAY, AUGUST 17, 2019

DINNER AT 6:00 PM

MENUE: FRIED CHICKEN, MAC & CHEESE, POTATO AU GRATIN, GREEN BEANS,
SALAD, CHIPS & DIP, CUPCAKES

ADULTS \$13.50, CHILDREN 7 AND UNDER \$5.00

WORSHIP CONCERT AND FUN 7:00 PM

LINDA'S ARTWORK AVAILABLE FOR PURCHASE

ROSS COMMUNITY UMC
2943 HAMILTON CLEVES ROAD
HAMILTON (ROSS), OHIO 45013

FOR INFORMATION CALL

**LINDA OR DEBBIE AT 513-490-0381, LEAVE A MESSAGE,
NURSERY AND TODDLER ATTENDENT AVAILABLE**

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

&

Message

7:00 p.m.

CONTACTS

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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.

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. 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.**