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Vroom! Vroom! Vroom!

Circleville First Church

19th Annual Spring Auto Show

All makes, models and motorcycles welcome

Sunday, May 4

Rain Date: May 18

Good Clean Community Fun, Food & Fellowship

Vehicle Registration: 2 pm- 4 pm



Judging: 5 pm Awards: 6 pm Reg. Fee: \$15.00



All registered entries are eligible to win Prizes and Grand Prize from sponsors!

Circleville First Church nor the Event Planner is responsible for any accidents or damages to vehicles.

Please no Alcohol or Trailered Vehicles.

For information contact: Durk Peters (740) 225-0964, Don Brown (740) 474-9634, Ronnie Harper (740) 497-2650, Dan Bevan (740) 601-4334

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Remember our fallen heros. They are the reason that we are free.

CFC Annual Business Meeting

May 28

7 pm



Jokes of the month



J.J. A. J. D.J.

Thank you, Ruth Keller for sharing these with me...



What did the bee say to the flower to make it blush? "Hello Honey!"

What facial feature stands out the most during the spring? Your tu-lips!

submitted by Bobby Dollison

Romans 12: 1-2 "Therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, I urge you to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God; this is your spiritual worship. Do not be conformed to this age, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may discern what is the good, pleasing, and perfect will of God."



Safety Team

Sound/Video Team

Getting started

The "Getting Started" Class geared towards all that are new to Circleville First Church or for those just starting your walk in faith will begin on May 4 at 9:45 am.

Kitchen delights

Here are a couple of easy-to-make pies for the spring/summer season. Both have been taken from the CFC Cookbook (1981).

Pecan Pie

3 eggs 1/2 cup light brown sugar 2 Tbsp. butter 1/4 tsp. salt 1 cup dark Karo syrup 1 tsp. vanilla 1 1/2 cup pecans

Cream together butter, sugar, eggs and salt. Add vanilla and syrup. Beat well. Add pecans. Pour into unbaked pie shell and bake in a moderate oven (325 to 350 degrees) for 1/2 to 3/4 hour.



originally submitted by Clara Davis

Rainbow Cream Pie

1 pkg. vanilla pudding 1 1/2 cup milk 1/2 cup cream 1 cup marshmallows 1 9-inch pie shell

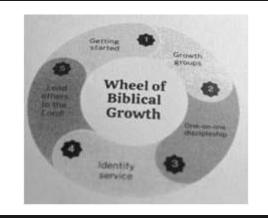


Cook pudding and milk together. Let cool. Add cream and marshmallows. Pour into baked pie shell. NOTE: Colored marshmallows may be used.

originally submitted by Martha Nungester

NOTE: If you have a recipe that you would like to share or if you need to find a recipe for something they want to make, please let me know. I'll try to help.

submitted by Nancy Johnson







Try a Growth Group class (Sunday School) at 9:45 am, stay where you fit in and feel comfortable



Community cupboard needs



Canned Foods-fruits, vegetables, tuna, ravioli, spaghetti-o's

a tote is located in the overflow for donations

Bible study

Come as you are to Bible study at **1 pm on Wednesdays in the** Ferguson/Clark Hall. So, come as you are...



Sean Baldwin, Bob Byerly, Sgt. Travis Cotton, Ryan Dean, Zachary Haddox, Trent Holbrook, Brittany Mozingo, Andrew Williams and Tanner Wilson are serving our country. Please pray for them and their families.

Men's Prayer Meeting - Saturdays at 8 am

Men's Prayer Breakfast

May 17

8 am

Ferguson/Clark Hall

Stories from Elizabeth's Hope

Little Duck

Occasionally, someone says something to you that makes you stop in your tracks or as they say now, hits you in the feels. This is what happened to me. I was in a store when out of the blue I heard this little voice say, "Look Mommy! That is the lady who loves me." What? It took my breath away. I turned and recognized a client who I had done an ultrasound on months earlier and her little girl had come with her to that appointment. I remembered as I scanned the mama, her little girl, with a yellow duck clutched in her tiny hands, squeezed between me and the ultrasound machine. I made a comment about her cute little duck and patted the top of the little girl's head. That was it. That was our full encounter. As much as I tried to think back on that day and remember what I did to make this little one not only remember me, but to point me out as "the lady who loved her", I could not remember any other interaction with her.

Thinking back, God has shown me that there is a lesson to be learned about this encounter. We may feel like we haven't done much, if anything, for God to love us. But the truth is, that He does. He loves us just for who we are and not because of anything we have done. In fact, Romans 5:8 says, "But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were yet sinners, Christ died for us." Now that is something that ought to stop you in your tracks. It definitely hits me in the feels. God is so good.

Kristie Steck, B.S.N., R.N.

Mobile Nurse Manager at Elizabeth's Hope

Circleville First Church is encouraged by the opportunity to partner with the expansion of Crossroads Christian Academy. Expectations have been made and compliances are being worked on. We are now awaiting inspections of the facility for final approval. Looking forward with plans for the school year to begin on August 19.

Congratulations!



On April 13, **Kyle Howard, Rachel Howard, Amy Roesch, Rob Roesch and Bobby Saunders** were received as members of Circleville First Church. The five participated in a membership class taught by **Pastor Jay Neff.**





Start collecting good, clean, usable items which you no longer need. Someone else may need and want them.

So, when you are spring cleaning, don't forget...

Thursday & Friday, June 5 & 6 from 9 am-5 pm Saturday, June 7 from 9 am-11 am

Special sale time:

Wednesday, June 4 after evening service for 1 hour

Table set up: Wednesday, May 28 after service

Drop off dates & times:

Sunday, June 1 - after morning service & 5 pm (before evening service) Monday & Tuesday, June 2 & 3 – 10 am till 5 pm

Set up:

Wednesday, June 4 10 am til finished

No large appliances, please.

Volunteers needed daily. We will need many hands to make this all possible please consider helping.

Proceeds benefit Shoebox Ministry

Verse of the month

"For you Lord, are good, and ready to forgive, And abundant in mercy to all those who call upon You." Psalm 86:5 NKJV



submitted by John Adams

Andrew & Megan Hottinger and family will soon be joining us and will be serving as our new associate pastor beginning on July 1. Welcome back Hottinger Family!!!

JOY (just older youth)

May 16 Dinner Theater in Springfield, Ohio

June (Date TBA) JOY Night at Mount of Praise

July (Date TBA) JOY Night at Nipgen

August 15 **Outdoor Drama - Tecumseh!**



CFC kids corner

HELP!!!! Teachers are needed for CFC Kids. Praverfully consider helping to teach Jesus to our kids. You will get far more than you give. If you are willing to volunteer, see Tanya.



On Palm Sunday (April 13) at the sanctuary reveal, the children, led by Director of Children's Ministries Tanya Patrick, Teachers Crystal Evans, Bella Hixenbaugh and Penny Hixenbaugh, paraded around the sanctuary, waving palm branches as they were praising Jesus.

submitted by Tanya Patrick

Do we have your email address and phone number? Our church needs to notify the congregation from time to time about cancelations and announcements. And we want you, in the know, we can't let you know if don't have your information. So, if you are not receiving notices of changes, please drop your contact info in the tithe boxes for our records. Thank you.

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19th Annual Spring Auto Show May 4









Ladies, what is coming up?

Mark your calendars

Saturday, May 3 - Ladies Conference at Crossroads 9 am -3:30 pm. Last year we took a group of about 15. Let's aim for 25+ this year. It was wonderful and inspiring. There is a registration fee of \$25, if I have your name and registration form on or before April 6. Just give it to Joellen Byerly or a person at the Welcome desk. The fee is \$30 if after that date. I will take all forms over to Crossroads, no need to mail them. (Information at the Welcome desk, if you do not already have it)

Tuesday, May 6 - Ladies Lunch at 11 am, we will meet for lunch at Zanzi's on Main St. (Location change, OCU dining hall closed May – mid August)

Tuesday, May 20 - Ladies Night at 6:30 pm, in the Ferguson/Clark Hall. We are having a Bridal Shower for Tara Neff and Mason. Bring a favorite recipe or two to give to the new bride to be. If



you cannot attend, please just pass your gift along.

Tuesday, June 3 - Ladies Lunch at 11 am, will meet at Arby's

Friday, June 20 - Ladies Night at OCU. Dessert buffet 5:30 - 7 pm with concert and speaker starting at 7:30. More details to come, I believe the cost is \$15.00. I will collect names and money. See Joellen Byerly.

Tuesday, July 8 - Ladies Lunch at 11 am - place to be announced. Notice date change



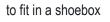
Tuesday, August 5 – Ladies Lunch at 11 am - place to be announced

Tuesday, September 2 - Ladies Lunch at 11 am at OCU

Shoebox Ministries Items of the month



TOYS





If you need of a gift...Candy Bouquets

Bouquets are located in the back of the church. The cost is \$10 apiece; the money benefits missions. Envelopes are provided for

your payment and can be placed in the collection boxes. There are also floral sticks and cards/stickers you can add to your bouquet as a gift card or greeting card.



Thanks to all who have donated toward this ministry.

submitted by Cathy Marck







5 – 11 Happy Mother's Day Baby/Child Dedication 10:45 am

- JOY Dinner Theater
- Men's Prayer Breakfast 8 am FC Hall 5 – 17
- Memorial Day—Remember those who gave 5 – 26
- 5 28 Annual Business Meeting 7 pm



When you go downstairs to the Children's Department, check out the restrooms. Jeff & Tanya Patrick have spent several hours and lots of effort to paint and decorate the boys' and girls' restrooms. It looks amazing! Thank you to this special couple for their dedication in upgrading our church for our children!

Remembering those who served and gave their all.

