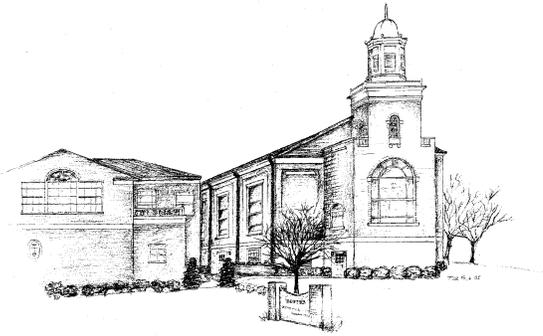


DAVID'S DATELINE
SEPTEMBER 2018 Newsletter



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Associate Pastor Michelle Wilkey

CHURCH HAPPENINGS

August 31 & September 3 - Office Closed

September 2 - Wedding Celebration for
Rev. Michelle Wilkey & Janelle Adamson

September 9 - Sunday School Begins/
Offering of Letters/Fall Kick Off/
SIGNS Parent Meeting

September 10 - Food Fundraiser at City Barbeque

September 12, 18, 26 - Spong Book Study

September 12 - Keenagers

September 14 - Game Night at The Grove

September 22-23 - Confirmation Trip to Camp
Kern

From the Pastor's Desk...

This year, I will be reaching a couple of professional milestones. In November, it will be the 35th anniversary of my ordination into Christian ministry in the United Church of Christ. While I can certainly account for all those years, broken down into seasons of Advent, Lent, and Eastertide, and even in weekly Sunday sermons preached, it's also a bit surreal to think I've been at this work and life as a Pastor for all that time. I'm grateful to the congregation and to The Elders for planning to acknowledge my years of service on the Sunday of our Pilgrim Feast, Nov. 18, where I'm sure there will be cake along with the wonderful Chicken soup we have traditionally shared.

But one that will slide by more quietly is that on the day after Labor Day, it will be my 10th anniversary since I began working here at David's U.C.C. Ten years have passed, and we often at times like to ask ourselves "where did the time go?" But, it of course has gone where time goes as it passes, into memory and is often the fuel for thanksgiving and praise to God who has carried us along from day to day. When we moved to Dayton in the late summer of 2008, our son John was preparing to enter 5th grade. Right now, he's already a Junior at the University of Dayton, and when the Pride of Dayton marching band steps off for the Kettering "Holiday At Home" parade on Labor Day he'll be one of the three student Drum Majors leading the band.

So we know where the ten years have gone. Hopefully we were paying attention as the time went by. Most weeks, I studied the prescribed Scriptures from the lectionary, and prepared a sermon, sometimes there was a mid-week Bible or book study that required preparation, and then there were visits to members who were hospitalized or home bound due to illness, there were meetings of the various Boards and working groups of the congregation, and then those events that mark the transitions that touch all our lives, the births and Baptisms, the Confirmations, the Weddings and celebrations of Anniversaries, and when age and disease has taken its toll for a dear saint of the church that has passed over, Funerals and Services of Celebration and Thanksgiving for lives well lived.

And personally, the time is also marked by birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, summer vacations, trips and holidays, and to a lesser degree of course, things like driving to music lessons, books that have been read, TV shows that we binged, concerts and plays and cultural and community events. Sometimes it is our actions and planning that gives meaning and structure to the events of our lives. We keep a calendar, and try to meet all our "obligations," whether they be meetings and conferences, or dental appointments and other things that we know have to be attended to.

But at other times, life can feel out of control. We may feel as though our lives are being tossed to and fro by outside and unexpected events, or incidents that come into our lives unexpectedly, sometimes for the good, at others signifying loss or hurt or disappointment. When things are working in our favor, we can take life and the good in it for granted, but when we find ourselves struggling through difficulties and uncertainty, we can feel overwhelmed and overcome by anxiety as we hope and pray for a positive resolution to what we are going through.

I've been thinking about all of this, as we've reached these meaningful anniversaries in my life and work, but also as I've struggled to deal with illness these last four years. It was four Septembers back when I had surgery to remove a kidney and the tumor I had grown there, and then the following Spring when we discovered that the disease had metastasized, and while treatable, was not curable. It was the next December when we finally got on the immunotherapy medication that has allowed me to live these last 2 and a half years in relative health while still being treated for renal cell cancer. That drug, which the FDA had okayed for use with folk who shared my diagnosis just one day before I received it, has allowed me to enjoy a high quality of life. My regular general physician, the one I only see a couple times a year, told me recently that "without that drug, you wouldn't be here."

And there you have it. Many of us often refer to our day-to-day life as a gift, but a few of us have it stated like that in no uncertain terms, that each day that you live, each day that you are able to get out of bed and go about doing normal things, whether at work or with family, each of those days is a gift. We all live with the knowledge somewhere in the back of our heads, that we are vulnerable, that something could take us on any day... a fatal car accident, a sudden unexpected heart attack... many of us older folk have probably reached an age when so many more of the people that we have known and loved that have gotten sick and died, than we once considered possible.

So, the question we're left with is the one posed by Mary Oliver at the end of her poem, "The Summer Day": "Doesn't everything die at last and too soon? **Tell me, what is it you plan to do with your one wild and precious life?**" And isn't that the question that matters most. It's beautifully rephrased version of the standard philosophical question that, given all we know about life and love on this small, seemingly insignificant planet on the backside of the universe with its millions and millions of galaxies, "how shall we then live?"

Oliver's answer to that question on the one blissfully beautiful summer day that inspired that poem was this: "I don't know exactly what a prayer is. I do know how to pay attention, how to fall down into the grass, how to kneel down in the grass, how to be idle and blessed..." I love this poem for so many reasons, but it's not just a call to action, or a warning, to get busy and do something with our one wild and precious life, but rather it celebrates that because this life is both wild and uncontrollable, and precious because it is always gone too soon, we can take some time to be idle and blessed, as opposed to insecure and anxious. And the mechanism that allows us to recognize our lives as "blessed" is simply to "pay attention," that is to take notice of all the beauty and loveliness that surrounds us each day, to participate in all the beauty and loveliness that is inside of us, and the people around us, each day.

The poem invites us to face the world on its own terms, the challenging realities that we all experience, but to remember the things in the midst of life that makes all the rest of it matter. Oliver spends her summer day connecting to the world around her, but you and I might choose to connect with the people in our lives that mean the most to us, we might spend time taking in some things that we find beautiful, whether it be the grass on a hillside, a beautiful piece of art, or architecture, or music, or a poem, or good book, or a sunset... whatever it is that inspires us, makes us feel alive, and expands our sense of being to connect with the larger world. That is what I think it means to pay attention and feel blessed.

Now, anyone who knows me, knows I'm not talking about ignoring the other challenging realities in our lives. I'm not suggesting we look at the world through rose colored glass and pretend that all the world is hunky dory. I still pay attention to the daily news cycle and its litany of outrages, injustices and reports of unhappy realities, and as I write I'm still waiting to hear from my oncologist about the pathology report on the lymph node I had removed a week ago. I'm not suggesting escapism, or a life lived in denial.

But one of the things I've tried to hold dear and practice in my daily life in these last 35 years of ministry, the last ten years here at David's UCC, and these last four years when I've become much more acquainted with the medical world and living with chronic illness, is a sense of balance. Attempt to pay attention to all of life, not looking only at the bleak and terrifying prospect presented on the news, or only the beautiful and pleasurable aspects that give us joy. To focus on the former would immobilize one in fear, to only consider the latter would make a person's life seem irrelevant and frivolous.

What I want to do with this one wild and precious life that I've been given is live with purpose and to act out of love. Recognizing what is wrong in the world often makes me want to live in a way that makes a difference, that confronts injustice and engages the world in a way that seeks solutions, improves conditions, and eases suffering where it is found. I want to respond to those who are hurting with kindness, those who have experienced rejection and pain with love and embrace. I don't want to waste a day, and even when I am idle, and taking in rest and the good gifts in life, I want to "pay attention" to those on the margins, those who might have been overlooked and underappreciated, and invite them to experience the good to be found in life in a community of mutual encouragement and care. And that is what you all have been to me these last 10 years, especially the last four, and it is my hope to be the same for you. To me, that's what it means to Be The Church, following in the life-giving way and teaching of Jesus.

Your pastor and friend,
Brian Q. Newcomb

Notes from Rev. Michelle Wilkey

Huey Lewis tells us that "the power of love is a curious thing." I have to agree with Huey and I wanted to take time in this month's article to talk with you about my own experience with the power of love. I have come to understand the power of God's love which helped me to better love myself which in turn helped me to be more open to receiving and giving love to another person; that person who is now going to become my wife.

Benjamin L. Corey says that “what we think about God completely shapes and filters how we view every aspect of our faith and life.” I was 26 years old when I finally came to see that God is a God of love and not a God of fear. Growing up, I was taught to be afraid of God. Corey puts it best when he says: “When the God we believe in has a list of dos and don’ts and one misstep can land us in torment for eternity- something worse than death-it’s no wonder that we might end up living a fear-based faith, whether we’re conservative, liberal, or something in between.” For many years of my life, I was living out a fear-based faith because I thought God was a God of wrath and anger. I spent years walking on eggshells and trying my best to not make any big mistakes that could cost me my eternity. I was petrified of God for many years.

The truth is; fearing God doesn’t draw us closer to God; it actually drives us farther away. We tend to run away from things we are afraid of; we never run toward them. I have a deathly fear of snakes so you would never find me running toward a giant King Cobra. So, I came to see that I spent so many years keeping myself at a distance from God. I believe a part of me always thought that I had to be a certain way in order to even approach God in prayer. I spent so many years of my life attempting to be someone I wasn’t simply because I was trying to get in on God’s good side. I eventually came to realize and understand that I was already on God’s good side; in fact, I was never on any other side. God is and will always be a God of love because love is God’s essence.

It was completely life-changing to me to come to understand that God loves me for who I am, and I didn’t have to be someone I wasn’t. It was liberating for me to release the chains of shame that I was carrying around for so long. The day I came out of the closet and declared that I was a lesbian was a very important step in my spiritual journey. I was declaring to myself and others that I was happy with who I am, and I knew that God loved every inch of me. This love awakened me to a more beautiful reality; one in which I wasn’t able to completely grasp before. I was now able to live in a reality where I came to see myself through God’s eyes. I came to see myself as someone completely and fully loved for who I am; inside and out.

As I said earlier; seeing myself through a new lens helped me to be more open to receiving and giving love from another person. On September 6, 2008, I made a date to meet this woman I had met online through Yahoo Personals. This woman’s name was Janelle. Little did I know that I was meeting my future wife. Ted Mosby, a character on “How I Met Your Mother” says; “There are two big days in any love story; the day you meet the girl of your dreams and the day you marry her.” On Saturday September 8, I get to marry the girl of my dreams.

The power of love is truly a curious thing. Before I met Janelle; I experienced my first heartbreak when my first love tore my heart in two. I didn’t think I would ever love again and I really thought that my heart would remain forever broken and beyond repair. But then I met Janelle and somehow with time; my heart was put back together. Now, 10 years later, I will stand before God and our loved ones and Janelle and I will be married.

We will be getting married close to our home in Liberty Township. I wish we could invite everyone from our church family but we only have so much space and so much money. Weddings are expensive and they are a lot of work! We have learned that there is no such thing as a simple wedding. With that said; we do want the opportunity to celebrate with our church family and that is why we will have a reception on Sunday, September 2 after church. I want to offer up a special thank you to all who made this reception possible. Janelle and I truly appreciate it.

Benjamin Corey writes: “We were created by love and in the image of love. We were created to receive and reflect love. We have unsurpassable worth ascribed to us by God-and nothing can take that away.” And if that isn’t clear enough; let’s hear the words of Romans 8.38-39: “For I am convinced that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor rulers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, 39 nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.” Let us never forget that we are loved and let us continue to share that powerful love with others. Let’s show the world that the power of love is a curious thing.

Love and Blessings,
Pastor Michelle

Join Us For A Fun Celebration!



Pastor Michelle and her fiancée, Janelle, would like to celebrate their upcoming wedding with their church family. Janelle and Michelle will tie the knot on Saturday, September 8 and will have a small wedding near their home. Regrettably, they will not be able to invite all of their church family to their big day, but they definitely want to take time to celebrate with everyone here at David's. So, on Sunday, September 2, all are invited to a special celebration after church in the Fellowship Hall. They invite you to come down and sign their guest canvas and write special messages as they start married life together. There will be cake and other light refreshments.

FALL KICK-OFF CELEBRATION - SEPTEMBER 9, 2018

ALL CHURCH POT LUCK

After second service in Fellowship Hall



- Sign-up sheet is in the Narthex
- Sign up to bring a side dish, salad, dessert or fruit - to serve 10 to 12 people
- Main dish (fried chicken), drinks, plates, tableware will be provided
- Come and enjoy the food and fellowship

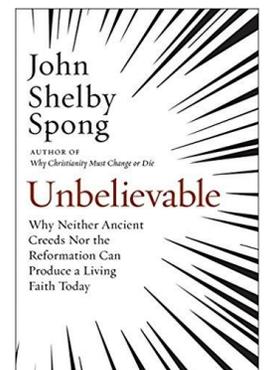
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Fall Book Study

At the beginning of the summer, Pastor Brian offered up several ideas for a Fall book or Bible study, and invited input from folk interested in doing a class together on Wednesday evenings... and the votes are in, so we'll be reading and discussing "Unbelievable; Why Neither Ancient Creeds Nor the Reformation Can Produce a Living Faith Today," by John Shelby Spong, retired Episcopal Bishop.

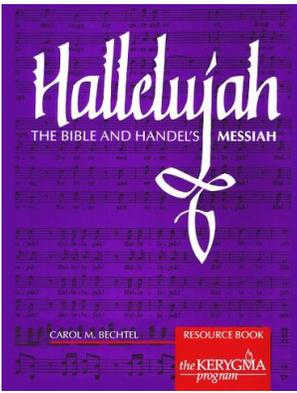
Here's the schedule for our discussions, plan to purchase the book at Barnes & Nobel or Amazon, or pick it up at the library, and read the passages suggested prior to each class for discussion, classes will start at 7 pm, in the conference room.

- September 12: Read the Intro, Parts I & II, also Part III "Thesis 1: God" and Part V "Thesis 3: Original Sin"
- September 18: Read Part IV: "Thesis 2: Jesus The Christ," Part VI "Thesis 4: The Virgin Birth" and Part VII "Thesis 5: Miracles"
- September 26: Read VIII: "Thesis 6: Atonement Theology," Part IX "Thesis 7: Easter," and Part X: "Thesis 8: The Ascension"
- October 3: Read Part XI: "Thesis 9: Ethics" and Part XII: "Thesis 10: Prayer"
- October 10: Read Part XIII: "Thesis 11: Life After Death," Part XIV: "Thesis 12: Universalism" and Part XV: "Epilogue"



*** September 12th... Mark that date on your calendar for Keenagers Plus! ***

Advent Study



As we move toward Advent, Rev. Newcomb thinks it would be fun to study and listen to “Handel’s Messiah,” studying the Bible texts that inspired this great musical creation. We will divide the 10-week study into four sessions leading up to Christmas, and then do 6 more sessions prior to Easter for our Lenten Study. We will study the texts from Isaiah and other scriptures that were incorporated into this musical masterpiece, we and will listen together to a recording by the Chicago Symphony. The resource book for the entire study comes from the Kerygma Program, and will cost \$20, and we encourage sharing between couples/friends. You can register for the class by ordering a book and leaving a check with the Church Office. The deadline to order your book is November 5, our classes will run on Wednesdays from November 28 thru December 19, starting at 7:00 pm, then we will finish with six classes during Lent.

CE Happenings

Fall Sunday School is beginning, and the kids are excited! We’ve got some new curriculum that is Jesus-centered and application-oriented. We’ll be breaking the children into different age groups (A: PreK, Kindergarten, and Preschool; B: 1st grade-3rd grade; and C: 4th-6th grade) to better accommodate skill-levels and application. We are always in need of volunteers like teachers, shepherds, and substitutes and encourage all parents to try and fill in once or twice as they are able. See *Colleen Gallagher, KC Harmer, Rhonda Havig, or Becca Webb* for more details.

We are also thrilled to welcome a new nursery worker, Cailyn Ashcroft, to our fold!! Cailyn will be sharing duties with Laura Mann, as Laura just joined the church and we’d love to give her opportunities to worship with us in addition to caring for all of our little angels. Please stop in, say hi to Cailyn, and welcome her to David’s family.

Adult Ed has some wonderful new programs lined up that you should definitely put on your calendars!!

- October 7, Pastor Brian will be sharing pictures and stories from his trip to Germany. He recently went on a reformation tour of places and events in the life of Martin Luther. Come stop in and hear about his adventures!
- November 11, Wright State University’s Our Voice Panel will come talk to us about various gender identities and sexual orientations and their intersectionalities with the church. Learn about people with lived experiences of these identities and be able to ask them all of your questions without fear! We’ll be serving a light lunch and learning together, meeting new friends and enjoying fellowship together.

We’ll be opening up a sign-up sheet in mid-October to reserve your seat.

Any questions, reach out to *Becca Webb* at Becca.webb@wright.edu or 609-332-7648.

BYOG, BYOB, and BYOS!

Attention all Gamers! From 7-10 p.m., on September 14, for Game Night hosted by the Jones’ at the Grove. Bring your own favorite games, bring your own beverage, and bring your own snack to share, and be prepared to have fun playing board games or card games like euchre, double pinochle, or canasta.

David’s 2018 Offering Of Letters To Fight Hunger

On kick-off Sunday, 9 September, packets for writing your 2018 Offering of Letters to Congress will be available for pick-up. Your letters are more urgent than ever. In such a time as this Congress needs to hear that our nation can’t neglect the most vulnerable among us.

Parts of Africa and the Middle East are threatened with widespread famine. In the U.S., 1 in 6 children lives in a family that struggles to get enough to eat.

So please pick up a packet with the information you need and return your written letters to David’s Church by September 23rd to be stamped, blessed, counted and mailed to Congress. Each letter makes a difference!

Betsy Keyes, 937-435-0124, yesjb@att.net

Women's Bible/Book Study Will Begin Again in October

All women are invited to participate in a Bible/Book study group that Pastor Michelle will be leading. The first meeting will be on Thursday, October 11 and the group will meet from 10:30am-12:00pm in the Conference Room. This group will continue to meet every second Thursday of the month throughout the year. The first book we will discuss this year will be Barbara Brown Taylor's book: "Speaking of Sin: The Lost Language of Salvation." The cost of the book will be \$10. Please let Pastor Michelle know by Friday September 28 if you wish to be part of this group; this way she can have time to order the books.

Warm Wishes

The Warm Wishes project is currently seeking people to join in the fun of creating hats, scarves and mittens for people in need in the greater Dayton area. There is a great need for anyone who can sew as well as people who can cut fabric or be a sewing assistant by folding, packing or putting sets together. We meet in Fellowship Hall most every Monday morning from 9:30 to noon. We will also be meeting on September 16 from 6:30 to 8:30 PM for those who can not meet during the day.

Nedral Dalton is offering free sewing lessons to anyone who would like to learn to sew and help with this Mission project. If you know how to sew and want to sew at home contact *Nedral* and she will get you started. This group is open to men and women. Sewing machines are available for use at the church and scissors are also provided. You do not have to attend every week or every month to be a part of this fun and rewarding group. Contact *Nedral* at her new email address - realtornedral@sbcglobal.net or call her at (937)416-4164.

Crop Walk

On Sunday, October 7, everyone is invited to participate in the Dayton Crop Walk which will take place from 12:30-2:30 and the walk begins at Island Metro Park. CROP Hunger Walks are community-wide events that bring people together in a common mission: helping hungry people at home and around the world. I'm excited to be part of it and would love to have you join me on this journey. The steps we take - and the funds we raise - will make a real impact! The Crop Walk is sponsored by Church World Service (CWS) and working in partnership with many other denominations is a hallmark of CWS. This kind of inter-denominational partnership is what makes our local Crop Walk successful. If you have any questions, please let *Pastor Michelle* know. Let's fight against hunger together!!



Temple Beth Or Childcare

Through an incredible partnership with our Jewish friends at Temple Beth Or, our two congregations provide nursery coverage during our respective high holy days. During Christmas and Easter, our nursery care workers and shepherds are able to enjoy the services while Temple Beth Or members care for our little ones. It is the time of year that we joyfully volunteer coverage for Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur. We are looking for two volunteers to staff each day at Temple Beth Or nursery (0-4 years old) for approximately 2 hours as follows: Rosh Hashanah – Sunday, September 9 at 8pm (arriving between 7:30-7:45) or Monday, September 10 at 10am (arriving between 9:30-9:45). Yom Kippur – Tuesday, September 18 (arriving between 7:30-7:45) or Wednesday, September 19 (arriving between 9:30-9:45)

If you have questions or are willing to volunteer, please contact *KC Harmer* at 520-465-0186 or kcharmer82@gmail.com. Thank you for your support of our young ones!

Grief Support Group

Once again, Pastor Michelle will be leading a Grief Support Group this year. The group will continue to meet in the Conference Room once a month on the first Thursday, beginning October 4 at noon. This group is open to anyone who has experienced any type of loss in their life. Some find that talking about their loss and sharing their pain with others can help in the healing process and that support can lighten the load of sadness and grief. There will be a book study that accompanies this group. For the first three meetings, the group will be discussing the book "Everything Happens for a Reason and Other Lies I've Loved" written by Kate Bowler. If you are interested in being a part of this support group, please let *Pastor Michelle* know by Friday, September 21, so that she can have time to order the books. The cost of the book is \$15.

Attention All Men!

For many years, the third Saturday of each month has been reserved for the men of David's Church to get together and have breakfast. These days, those who are available, have been meeting at the Bob Evans in Centerville (7115 Far Hills Ave) at 8:00 a.m. Any gentleman who would enjoy getting to know others from church and eat some good food is invited to join in! The next Men's Breakfast will be on Saturday, September 15. No need to RSVP, but you can call the church office at 434-2131 with any questions.



Peanut Butter Needed, Again

We have started a new school year with our affiliation with the Kettering Backpack program and we need your help. The Mission Board appreciates your enthusiastic support for the program. Please continue to bring in 16 ounce jars of peanut butter. They will be put in a backpack to feed a hungry Kettering child for a week. -*The Mission Board*

Serving at Gateway

The first Sunday of every month, David's Church is responsible for providing and serving a meal at the Gateway Shelter for Men. This meal, which consists of meat loaf, green beans, mashed potatoes, rolls, salad, and lemonade, is one of the favorites served at the shelter. In the Narthex, you will find a sign-up sheet for food that is needed as well as an opportunity to be a server at the shelter. Our next serving is Sunday, September 2. Many items are still needed. Please take a moment to see where you can help!

Kettering Partners for Healthy Youth - A Great Success

In August, David's participated in the Kettering Partners for Healthy Youth program (Summer Lunch Program). This program helps the neediest neighborhood get the support they need not only with food, but with love. The members of David's that serve and interact help these families get to know them. The volunteers connect and serve alongside of the children who live here, making it more than just a sandwich. The goal of this program is to help keep the kids in a routine, to help them interact with the peers, care for their neighborhood as well as get a substantial meal each week day.

This year, David's incorporated a service project from some of the left-over t-shirts from the rummage sale. The WAG women cut and gathered them to re-purpose them to be made, by the children, into dog toys that will be donated to SICSA! The kids loved doing something for others, and it was a good lesson for them to be able to give back.

For the second year we asked for donations of school supplies and David's came through in abundance. These supplies were counted and taken to JFK Elementary to be distributed.

The food was great, the help was fantastic and thanks for helping make the last week a strong finish for these families in Kettering!

Christmas Is Coming

It is hard to believe that Christmas is just around the corner! That means it is almost time for David's Christmas Bazaar. Get those calendars out and mark down Friday, November 2 and Saturday, November 3! Friday night is for members and friends and will include a chance to eat out dinner and shop for everyone on your list. Saturday is open to everyone and gives a chance to have lunch out and shop some more! See you there so get started on your list!

Fall Youth Event

All teens (7th-12th grade) are invited to spend a Saturday afternoon playing paintball! On Saturday, October 13, from 9:30am-1:30pm, we will have a reservation for unlimited paintball games at Paintball Country (5110 Lesourdsville West Chester Rd, Liberty Township, OH 45011). Please let Pastor Michelle know by Monday October 9 if you will be able to participate in this fun event. The cost will be \$10 a person and will include everything you need. All youth are invited to bring extra money for drinks and snacks. Any questions, please let *Pastor Michelle* know. For more information about Paintball Country you can visit their website at <https://www.paintballcountryohio.com/home.html>.

September Birthdays

2 Jim Amon
Jim Williams
3 Bill Dieruf
Beverly Henning
10 Mary Foster
11 Jake Schairbaum
12 Paul Hamm
14 Lauren Pickrel
15 Tom Rodberg
Michael Hunter
16 Ronald Lafayette
Craig Chabut



20 Ann Heaton
21 Jessie Blumberg
22 Barbara Pelfrey
24 Jim Phillips
25 Mick Morgan
Karina Czeiszperger
27 AJ Wright
28 Sydney Pence
29 Nancy Angel
Rhonda Havig
Lauren Walker
30 Andy Blumberg

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Baptism

On Sunday, August 5, *Sophie June Mann* was baptized at David's Church by Rev. Michelle Wilkey.

Death

Our sympathy to *Jennifer Phillips and family* in the loss of her father-in-law, *Ralph Shimovetz*, on August 13, 2018.

Blessing of the Pets – October 7

Blessing of the Pets will take place at David's Church on Sunday, October 7 at 2:00 p.m. We invite you to bring any and all of your pets for a brief service when we will ask God's blessing on "all creatures great and small" in the tradition of St. Francis of Assisi. This service is open to the public, so we hope you'll tell and bring along your friends and family and all their pets.

S.I.G.N.S. Youth Group

S.I.G.N.S. invites you to join our group! We are an ecumenical, faith-based, high school group and have been active in Kettering for more than 18 years. We hold meetings during the school year every Sunday evening from 7:00-8:30 p.m. at David's Grove. At our meetings, we delve into a wide variety of topics, and we participate in many social, spiritual, and community service and outings throughout the year. If you would like to join us, please contact *Jill Chabut*, at 297-0324 or jjcna@att.net.

- September 2 – No Meeting – Labor Day
- September 9 – Parent/Teen meeting
- September 16 – Regular meeting
- September 23 – Regular meeting
- September 30 – Regular meeting.

SUNDAY

MONDAY

TUESDAY

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY



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2
8:30 & 9:50 AM
Worship
Gateway
11:15 AM Wedding
Celebration for Pastor
Michelle
7:00 PM Book Study

3
Office Closed

LABOR DAY

4
10:00 AM Quilting
Ministry/Bazaar
Workshop
10:30 AM Staff Mtg.
7:00 & 7:30 PM Board
Meetings

5
6:00 PM Yoga

6
6:00 PM Adult Bells
7:00 PM Chancel
Choir

7

8
8:30 AM Trustee
Meeting

9
8:30 & 9:50 AM Worship
w/Communion
11:15 AM Fall Kick-Off
7:00 PM Book
Study/SIGNS Parent-
Teen Meeting
7:30 PM Childcare at
Temple Beth Or

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9:30 AM Warm Wishes
9:30 AM Childcare at
Temple Beth Or
10:30 AM Staff Mtg.
6:00-8:00 PM Y12SR
Yoga
7:00 PM CE Board Mtg.
*Food Fundraiser at City
Barbeque*

11
10:00 AM Quilting
Ministry/Bazaar
Workshop

12
11:30 AM Keenagers
6:00 PM Yoga
7:00 PM Deacon Mtg.
7:00 PM Spong Book
Study

13
6:00 PM Adult Bells
7:00 PM Chancel
Choir

14
7:00 PM Game
Night at The Grove

**DATELINE
DEADLINE**

15
8:00 AM Men's
Breakfast at Bob
Evan's

16
8:30 & 9:50 AM Worship
Food & Clothing Outreach
11:15 AM Second Hour
12:30-2:30 PM Private
Reception at The Grove
6:30-8:30 PM Warm Wishes
II
7:00 PM Book Study/SIGNS

17
9:30 AM Warm
Wishes
10:30 AM Staff Mtg.

18
10:00 AM Quilting
Ministry/Bazaar Workshop
10:00 AM-2:00 PM Private
Reception at The Grove
7:00 PM Council Meeting
7:30 PM Childcare at
Temple Beth Or

19
9:30 AM Childcare at
Temple Beth Or
6:00 PM Yoga
7:00 PM Spong Book
Study

20
6:00 PM Adult Bells
7:00 PM Chancel
Choir

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22
Confirmation Class
To Camp Kern

23
8:30 & 9:50 AM
Worship
11:15 AM Second Hour
7:00 PM Book
Study/SIGNS

24
9:30 AM Warm Wishes
10:30 AM Staff Mtg.
6:00-8:00 PM Y12SR
Yoga
6:30-9:00 PM Private
Reception at The
Grove

25
10:00 AM Quilting
Ministry/Bazaar
Workshop
5:30 PM WHO Group

26
6:00 PM Yoga
7:00 PM Spong Book
Study

27
6:00 PM Adult Bells
7:00 PM Chancel
Choir

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30
8:30 & 9:50 AM
Worship
11:15 AM Second Hour
7:00 PM Book
Study/SIGNS