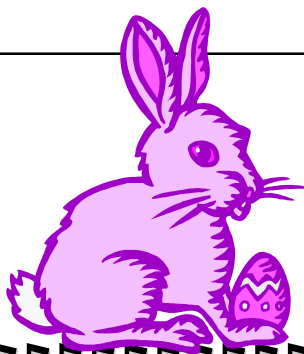


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Celebrate Easter
Sunday, April 4, 2010
Worship at 10:30 a.m.

Maundy Thursday Meal and Service
April 1, 2010
6:30 p.m. Soup Meal
7:15 p.m. Service of Remembrance w/Communion

Spring Fling Luncheon

Saturday, May 15th at 11:30 a.m.

**Special Guest Speaker -
Maureen Kyle**

News Anchor, WKYC/Channel 3

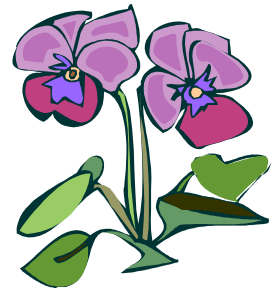
Chinese Raffle will be held

\$15.00

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Tickets go on sale April 11th



Hymn Sing - April 25 - 10:20 a.m.

Come to Church Early and Enjoy the Fun!!!

From Elizabeth Goodin, Director of Christian Education

Last month, during the Children's Moment, I handed each child a "drop" for his "bucket". It read, "*You are a beloved child of God and His most precious creation.*" This month, I have been part of a small group, meeting on Tuesday nights to discuss Henri Nouwen's inspiring book, The Return of the Prodigal Son. In the book, we came across a term that I believe is original: sonship. As Nouwen uses the term, it is our "badge of nobility" freely offered to us by God our Father. It is the knowledge that we are His child, created in His likeness and deserving of His abundant grace and love. Remembering and claiming his "sonship" was the means through which the Prodigal Son of the parable was able to turn away from his excursion into the distant country and return to his Father's house.



Since first reading this book (this is my 3rd time through!), I have come to believe that the goal of Christian education should be to endow each child with the knowledge of his own "sonship." As we learn the Bible stories that reveal God, we learn what God wants, not from us, but for us. That is, a relationship with Him through which we receive all the rights and privileges He would shower on us. And through the recognition of this gift, we are inspired to share it with others. When our children wander into the distant country, what do we want them to remember? What can we teach them now that they will carry with them and that will bring them back to God's loving arms? I ask myself these questions each time I prepare a lesson. My textbook, the Bible, provides me with rich material. I always start there.

With the end of our current rotation on the events of Holy Week, we will next turn to the book of Acts and the time of Pentecost: when the Holy Spirit came upon the disciples and the Christian church was born. We will talk about the gift of the Holy Spirit, the Trinity of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, and also the Fruits of the Spirit. These are important lessons about the nature of God and His role in our lives. Our new rotation begins on April 18th. All children welcome.

God Bless.

Electronic Giving

Solon Community Church is pleased to announce the introduction of an electronic giving option for our regular contributors. Contributions can now be automatically debited from your checking or savings account. Our new electronic giving program offers convenience for you and reduced administrative work for our church. If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year or prepare 52 envelopes. And, when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your weekly offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis. An authorization form and a "Frequently Asked Questions" flyer are available in the church office. Please contact Scott Daley at treasurer@soloncommunitychurch.org or (440) 655-5124 for more information.

Q & A Sessions

The Council Execs will be conducting a question and answer session after worship on April 11th and April 25th. It will be a time to answer any questions the members have about this time of transition.



Message from Council Execs...

Worship

Is it April already? It feels like the choir was just fine-tuning (pun intended) preparations for the Cantata and now it's over. For those of you that missed it, there's always next year! Those who were able to attend thought it held both a moving and inspiring message. This year Solon and Bainbridge choirs and 13 professional musicians performed "Out of the Shadows" by John Purifoy.

"Out of the shadows of darkness, Jesus triumphs.

Out of the shadows of death, Jesus rose.

Out of the shadows of the crucifixion, we are reborn."

On March 14th, the confirmation class took a field trip to St. Rita's Catholic Church to experience their worship service and as part of their Christian journey.

As most of you know, we have been privileged to have Rev. Bertice Wood conduct worship services throughout the Lenten season, concluding with Easter Sunday, April 4. For the next three weeks, we will have the opportunity to be ministered by Daniel Goulet, former Pastor of Fellowship Bible Church in Chagrin Falls. Daniel has a degree in Biblical Studies from Tyndale University and is a Masters Degree candidate in Spiritual Formation at Ashland Seminary. His passion is to see people relationally connected for the purpose of spiritual transformation. Daniel, his wife, Maria, and their four children, moved here from Ontario, Canada in 2004. Some of you may have already met Daniel and his family as they were able to join us for worship a few times in March.

Other Notable Events

- Rev. Curt Ackley, the outgoing Minister and Executive for the Western Reserve Association, attended the Church Council meeting on March 22 and introduced us to Donna Brooks, his interim replacement. Curt's Service of Release is being held on Sunday, April 11th from 4:00 – 6:00 at Lakewood Congregational Church.
- SCC volunteered at the Cleveland Food Bank on March 27. This is a worthwhile cause and all are welcome to participate.
- Elizabeth Goodin led a small group of adults to study The Return of the Prodigal Son: A Story of Homecoming by Henri J. M. Nouwen. We've had a wonderful time exploring the meaning of the parable and growing in our faith.

Condolences

On behalf of our entire church family, Council Execs wish to extend our condolences to the Steininger family and, in particular, to Ginny at the passing of her husband, Reed. He was a long-standing member of our church and community and will be sorely missed.

Please Mark Your Calendars

- Sunday, 4/11 – Q&A Session following worship service
- Monday, 4/19 – Council Meeting, 7 PM
- Sunday, 4/25 – Q&A Session following worship service
- Sunday, 5/2 (tentative) – Christian Education Pancake Breakfast
- Saturday, 5/15 – Spring Fling Ladies Luncheon
- Sunday, 5/16 – Youth Sunday
- Saturday, 6/5 – BBQ at Ronald McDonald House

We hope to see you on Sunday.

Susan Daley & Jeff Markle

On Our Extended Prayer List

Prayers for the health and well being of our older members

†Dee Varga, at Stratford Commons
†Rosie Golias
†Tom Billheimer, now living in Bryan, OH.
†Jim Byer, at home.
†Jean King, living in Beavercreek, OH.
†Evelyn Schultz, in St. Petersburg, FL.
†Virginia Fentress, at Breckenridge Village in Willoughby.
†Margaret Steele, at Anna Maria of Aurora
†Gene Rust
†Lois Grant
†Gwen Lloyd

SPRING CLEANING???

The Benevolence Committee is planning their Annual Rummage Sale; to be held June 17th, 18th and 19th. Keep this in mind as you are doing spring cleaning and find gently-used articles of clothing or household goods/furniture you are no longer using. These items will be great for our sale. If pick up or storage is an issue, please contact the church office (440) 248-4180 or Nancy Markle (440) 248-1832. Thanks!

Dear SCC Church Family,

The outpouring of love and caring from all of you is overwhelmingly comforting to me and my Family. In many instances when we thought of what needed to be done, you had already taken care of it.

I have always enjoyed being a part of this friendly, giving, congregation, but now that I have been so personally touched by your loving generosity, I realize even more how special this Fellowship is. You have given me strength to face "Life goes on." My Family and I are blessed.

Ginny, David and Janellen Steininger

CLEVELAND FOOD BANK

Monday, April 19th - from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m.
(meet in the church parking lot at 5:30 p.m.)

Call Carol Telljohann, (440) 248-8756, for more information.
All are welcome to participate in this worthy mission project



April birthday greetings to:

- 2 Dick Baker
- 2 Douglas Dilalla
- 2 Mary Ellen Hoffman
- 4 Phil Tuttle
- 6 John Flynn
- 6 Lisa Grimm
- 7 Greg Miller
- 10 Joshua Manis
- 12 George Groewa
- 12 Hilary Peterson
- 12 Davis Young
- 13 Elizabeth Carlson
- 13 Connor Grimm
- 13 Virginia Kresina
- 16 Brad Stuver
- 18 Virginia Kendig
- 18 Carrie Manis
- 21 Jim LePorte
- 22 Beth Allison
- 24 Timothy Grabnic
- 25 Aaron Manis
- 26 Kailee Grimm
- 27 Sue Georges
- 28 Carl Bona

Pastoral Emergencies

Arrangements have been made with a local minister to cover emergencies. In the event of a pastoral emergency, please contact Susan Daley or Jeff Markle for more information.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 10:00 Solon Charity 6:30 Soup Meal 7:15 Maundy Thursday Service	2 9:30 Work It Out	3 9:00 HSKYD 10:00 Trinity Choir 12:00 Sameepya
4 10:30 Worship 1:00 Trinity 3:30 SAI	5 9:00 "Precepts" Bible Study 9:30 Work It Out 7:00 Deacons 7:00 Trustees	6 7:00 HSKYD	7 9:30 Work It Out 6:00 Trinity Bible Study 6:45 HSKYD	8 10:00 Solon Charity 7:30 Choir	9 9:30 Work It Out 6:00 Trinity Men's Ministry	10 9:00 HSKYD 10:00 Trinity Choir 12:00 4H (Fireside) 12:00 Sameepya 1:30 Shri Dance 4:30 Mt. Zion 7:00 HUBS
11 10:30 Worship 11:30 Confirma- tion 11:30 Benevo- lence 1:00 Trinity 3:30 SAI	12 9:00 "Precepts" Bible Study 9:30 Work It Out	13 7:00 HSKYD	14 9:30 Work It Out 6:00 Trinity Bible Study 6:45 HSKYD	15 10:00 Solon Charity 7:30 Choir	16 9:30 Work It Out	17 9:00 HSKYD 10:00 Trinity Choir 12:00 Sameepya 1:00 Rental (Fireside Rm.) 2:00 Sanctuary Rental
18 10:30 Worship/ Sunday School 1:00 Trinity 1:00 Shri Dance 3:30 SAI	19 9:00 "Precepts" Bible Study 9:30 Work It Out 6:30 Christian Ed. 7:00 Council	20 7:00 HSKYD	21 9:30 Work It Out 6:00 Trinity Bible Study 6:45 HSKYD	22 10:00 Solon Charity 7:30 Choir	23 9:30 Work It Out	24 9:00 HSKYD 10:00 Trinity Choir 12:00 Sameepya 12:00 Sanctuary Rental 4:30 Mt. Zion 7:00 HUBS
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Mark Your Calendar - Christian Education Pancake Breakfast May 2nd
...donation is \$4.00 per person. Menu consists of pancakes, sausages, juice and coffee.
Hope to see you there!



Thank You!

A HUGE thank you to Barb Polomsky, Jeremy Gilpatric, the choir and the fine instrumentalists who contributed to the inspiring cantata on March 21st at our church. Thank you for your hours of preparation that went into making this event such a tremendous musical experience! Thank you to all who attended and gave their enthusiastic support.

SCC Welcomes Mt. Zion Congregational UCC!

On Saturday, March, 27, Mt. Zion Congregational UCC began conducting weekly services at SCC. Mt. Zion is located on Magnolia Drive in University Circle and currently conducts three services a week. Since a significant portion of their congregation resides in the southeastern suburbs, they've decided to hold a Saturday evening service in Solon (a) to make it more convenient for these members and (b) to provide an alternate worship time for members not available on Sunday. Approximately 100 people attended the inaugural service. Choir rehearsal is at 4:30; services begin at 6:00 and conclude around 7:30.

May 2010 Light
Deadline is April 26th

Please have your information for the Light to the church office by this date. Reminder: Board Chairpersons are responsible for the Light. Thanks!

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