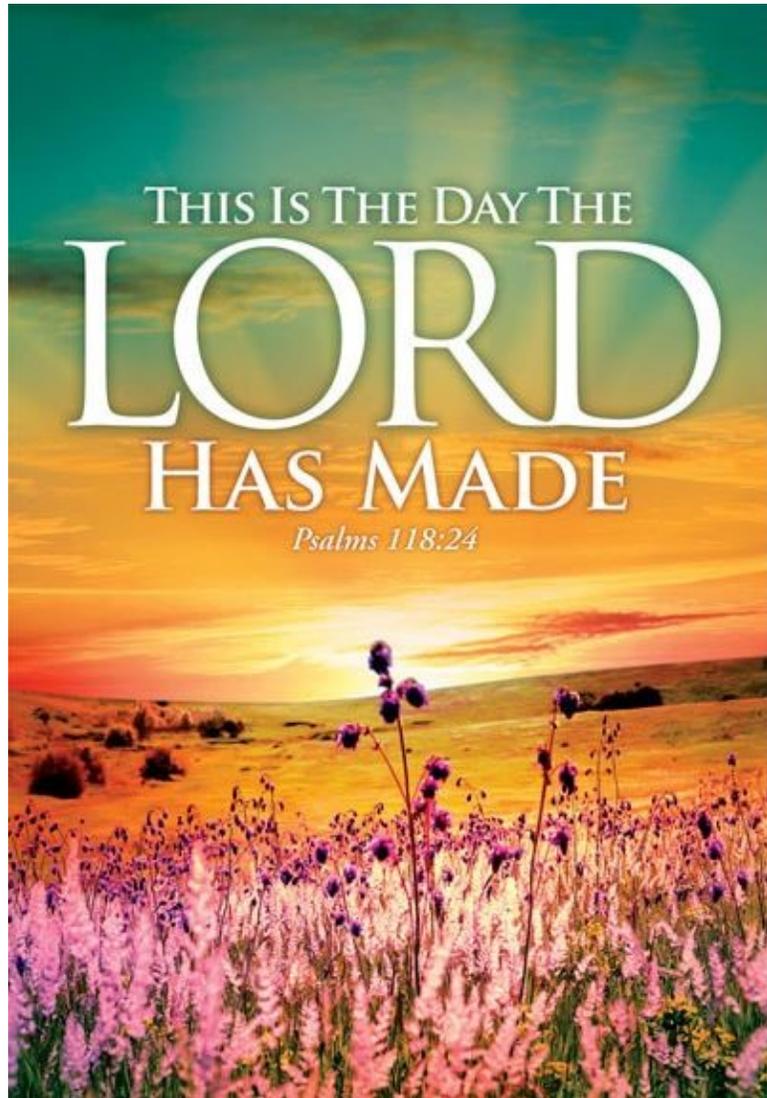


Wakeman Congregational Church

Growing in faith, family, and fellowship



MESSENGER

June 2019

Church Staff

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Worship: 10:00 am

Sunday School (adult and mother/child class): 9 am

Boards MeetJune 12th 4:00/6:30/8:00

Church Council..... June 17th @ 7:00 pm

Messenger articles due..... June 19th

June Deacon/Deaconess..... Jim Rico 440-522-9955

Patti Krupp 440-839-2863

Annual Chicken BBQ

July 13, 2019
4:30—6:30 pm

We will have a book available to sign up for donations sometime around June 16th. If you are able to donate, it would be greatly appreciated. We will need potatoes, eggs, miracle whip, celery, onions, baked beans, and desserts. If you will be on vacation but would still like to donate, you can contact Lois Hilaman at 440-839-2856.



Outdoor Service

We will hold our first outdoor worship service on June 2nd in the pavilion. Diaconate will be serving donuts, juice, and coffee before the service, so come early to enjoy!



VBS is Blasting Off June 24-28



Don't forget to mark your calendars for this summer's VBS! This year we will be adding a class for children entering 5th and 6th grade. If you have a child entering 7th grade or higher who would like to be a helper, please contact Theresa Murdock. VBS runs from 9 am—noon, Monday through Friday. There is a song showcase and ice cream social for family members on Friday evening to close out the week. If you have any questions at all please call or email the church.

There will be a training day for all VBS volunteers on June 8th at 9 am at the church.

Clothing Donations

Missions committee is collecting gently used clothing for our Free Clothing Giveaway. The giveaway will be July 27th from 9 am—noon. We will be collecting donations until July 21st. Please bring donations to the church during office hours. We will need volunteers to help sort and staff the giveaway once it gets closer.

Trail Life

The Adult Leaders and Trailmen would like to take the opportunity to thank our congregation for your prayers and support. The generous outpouring of financial support through the love offering and pancake breakfast has been such a blessing for our new troop. It is clear that God is on the move in this church's new ministry of Trail Life USA through the doors of opportunity that He has opened thus far. We are sitting at roughly eight to ten boys at this time and seven adult leaders with two more adults planning to get involved in the near future.

We are currently organizing a family event on Saturday, July 27th. We are hoping that this will be an annual event including a car cruise in, home run derby & free throw contest, corn hole tournament and hog roast. In addition to the pulled pork, we are planning plenty of other great food. We have some great prizes lined up for the contests so put this event on your calendar!

Come check us out. We meet the first & third Thursday of the month through June. We will kick off the new year on September 5th.

Thank you all so very much and may God continue to bless you.

Trail Life Leaders and Trailmen

Adult Leaders

Pastor Lee Button-Charter Organization Representative (COR)

Steve Dillon-Committee Chair

Jim Rico-Troop Chaplin

Kris Green-Troopmaster

Fred Hartman-Troop Treasurer, Navigator/Adventurer Leader

Todd Gardner-Woodlands Trail Leader

Jason Liss-Woodlands Trail Leader, Graphic Designer

Woodlands Trailmen (K-5):

Ashton Murray, Andrew Gardner, Levi Wolf, Ezra Green, Zeke Dvorak, Colton Goebbel

Navigators (6-8)

Wyatt Pleska, Lee Hartman, Quinton Liss



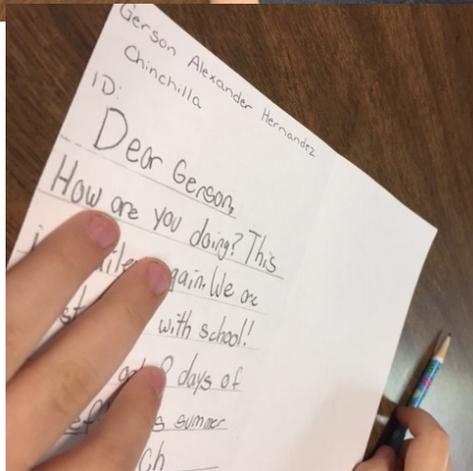
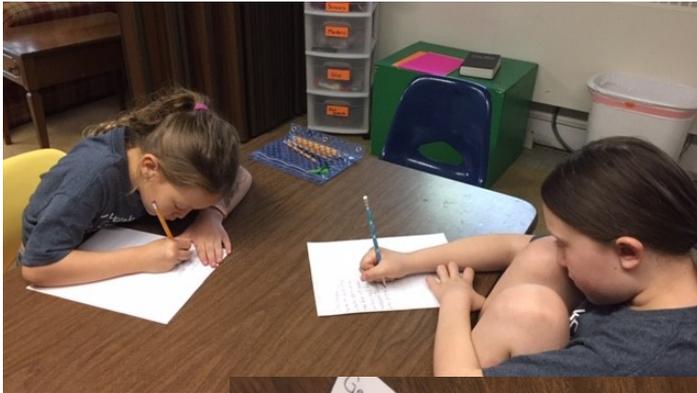
The trail life boys have been learning about flag etiquette; how to properly raise, lower and fold the flag.



Compassion Sunday Recap

This year our fourth graders (Ava, Ezra, and Hailey) gave a presentation on the first year as Gerson's sponsors. Through this first year of sponsorship they have learned about Gerson and the things that he likes to do. They learned about the benefits he and his family receive through Compassion and they have seen the cultural differences. The children have done a wonderful job of writing him letters throughout the year. They take turns writing to him every month.

The kids have held fundraisers over the last year so that they can continue to support Gerson and it is so wonderful to witness them serving with such a joyful heart. They understand the importance of giving selflessly so that we can give Gerson our support through prayers and finances. On May 19th the children held a car wash after service to earn sponsorship money for Gerson. They washed between 15-20 cars and raised \$286.00! That will cover 7 1/2 months of sponsorship!



Thank you for supporting the children in this ministry over the past year!



Ark Encounter/Creation Museum Trip

John Douds organized a church trip to Kentucky to visit the Creation Museum and Ark Encounter. On May 3rd, 20 people from both Wakeman Congregational and Calvary Baptist Church in Sandusky eagerly loaded up 2 vans and started their adventure. John and Pastor Lee safely delivered us through much rain on the drive. The Lord was surely with us on that incredibly rainy weekend because it rained for all of the drive down Friday, through the night, and on the drive home Saturday but no rain fell on us when we were walking in and out of the exhibits!!



We walked through the Museum and Ark Encounter at our own pace but enjoyed dinner as a group Friday evening.



If you weren't able to make the trip, don't worry, it will happen again!



Mother's Day



On Mother's Day the children sang with Jim during worship and helped the Diaconate pass out flowers to all of the women in our congregation.

"She opens her mouth with wisdom, and the teaching of kindness is on her tongue." Proverbs 31:26



New Members

We would like to welcome Frank and Susan Moesher to the membership of Wakeman Congregational!



Sunday School Recognition

Hailey and Grace Brammer were recognized for their excellent Sunday School attendance this past year. Adah Thomas also earned an attendance award.



Baby Dedication

Jason and Olivia Liss dedicated Monroe James to God on May 12th.

“Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 19:14



Choir to Break for the Summer

The choir wrapped up their season with an absolutely beautiful rendition of “Is He Worthy” by Andrew Peterson. Choir will resume in September.



Second Sunday Sharing

At the back of the church there is an antique wood box for donations to support Caring Community. Each month specific items are suggested, but truly everything is needed from paper products to non-perishable foods. Donations are greatly appreciated by the people we serve. Upcoming requested items are:

June condiments, baked beans, canned fruit

July boxed or canned pasta, tomato sauce, crackers

Aug tuna, mac & cheese, cake mix, icing



Feeding the Community

June Greeters

June 2—Christy, Hailey, and Grace Brammer

June 9—Bill & Mona Dauch

June 16—Jim & Patti Krupp

June 23—Darnel Patrick

June 30—Dale Layport

*Please arrive by 9:45 am the morning you are greeting.



Thank you

Ella Mae K Green passed away on April 8, 2019 at the age of 93. Mom was a member of our church for 74 years. She loved and was loved by all. Thank you Pastor Lee for a wonderful celebration of life service. A special thanks to our church family for your cards, visits, and prayers in our hour of need.

The Green Family

Pictured is the membership certificate Ella Mae received when she became a member of the Wakeman Congregational Church in 1945.



The Meaning of Church Membership

JOINING the church means binding oneself to a group of persons who have publicly dedicated themselves to the service of Christ. To serve Christ means to cultivate in oneself the spirit of helpfulness and good will, and to try and spread this spirit as widely as one can. In becoming a church member one says both to God and to men that he will aim at all times to follow Jesus Christ.

To follow Jesus Christ means to be reverent and humble, truthful and honest, generous and forgiving, always trying to help others to live the same sort of life. To be a worthy church member one must have the temper and disposition of Jesus, taking his attitude to God and to man, looking at life from his standpoint, hating the things which he hated, loving the things which he loved, and doing in co-operation with others the kind of things which he did.

The kingdoms of the world are to become the kingdom of God, and his Son, and every member of the church is committed to working with others for the winning of this great victory.

CHARLES E. JEFFERSON

3rd Grade Field Trip

The third grade classes visited the church again on their annual Historical Field Trip. Julie Murdock taught the kids some of the history and architecture of our beautiful building. They asked a lot of wonderful questions too.



Treasurer's Snapshot

TREASURER'S MONTHLY SNAPSHOT

4/30/2019

April	General Operating Income	\$9,332.62
April	General Operating Expense	\$ 10,294.30
	Difference	-\$961.68
	Year to Date GO Income	\$41,237.73
	Year to Date GO Expense	\$42,651.87
	Difference	-\$1,414.14
	Budget Year to Date	\$45,073.33
	Budget Items Spent Year-to-Date	\$43,461.66
	Under Budget	\$1,611.67

April has been an excellent income month for General Operating, falling short of expenses by only \$961.68. By factoring in April's share of prepaid pledges we have come very close to covering this month's expenses. Thanks be to the Lord (and Pastor Lee, too!" for inspiring us all. May we keep up God's good work.

Ken
Treasurer



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Deadline for the next messenger is June 20th.