

*Chapel Point of View*  
*One Lord, One Mission, Two Churches Serving Scioto Township*  
*Global Methodist on Main & Scioto Chapel*  
*May 2024*

**A Word from the Pastor – “Every Moment, Every Thought Is a Choice”**

Last month I shared about every day to us is Easter, and the power that raised Jesus from the dead is available to us as well; God loves to share who He is and what He is! Continuing with this theme of every day, every moment is a choice for us. And every moment relates to every thought. So, you might say God is pro-choice. In fact, He is, not that He agrees with children being killed in the womb, but He does give us free will; He will never force His will on us.

God gives us this free will because of love. A loving parent at times stands back and allows their child to make decisions at the proper time and in the proper context. Love helps them to grow and learn. In the same way, God allows us to make our choices. Now, just like children (and like my dad used to say), you can chalk that up to a learning experience. And when free will chooses God, then the love of God invades them, gladly comes in to us in the degree that we allow. And God smiles brightly, rejoicing in His children just like an earthly parent would do.

In this vein of free will, and all the time, we get to choose. Right before Moses declaring his death was at hand, he shared with Israel, “Look here! Today I’ve set before you life and what’s good versus death and what’s wrong” (Deuteronomy 30:15). Moses was ready to meet God just as he had repeatedly on earth. Every choice is a choice between life and death, between God’s desires and what we want. Joshua at the end of his book said, “but if it seems wrong in your opinion to serve the LORD, then choose today whom you will serve. Choose the gods whom your ancestors served...but my family and I will serve the LORD” (Joshua 24:15). Praise God! Choosing God brings life! Joshua was ready to meet God.

Paul takes the choice to the thought level in 2 Corinthians 10:5: “capture every thought to make it obedient to Christ.” That’s a good question to ask; it clears the air of confusion and makes it crystal clear: is this thought in line with Jesus and who He is? We start our renewed walk with the Lord with a thought, that adds to another thought, and so on. We are all in a battle, the battle between good and evil. Every day, every moment, every thought we are in a battle. It is called the battlefield of the mind. Will “we have the mind of Christ” (1 Corinthians 2:16)?

Here's one more verse from 1<sup>st</sup> Corinthians that offers three great promises from God (10:13): 1. “No temptation has seized you that isn’t common for people.” 2. “But God is faithful. He won’t allow you to be tempted beyond your abilities.” And 3. “Instead, with the temptation, God will also supply a way out so that you will be able to endure it.” God is ready to help us with every challenge, every thought.

Kingdom living is about living into this mindset that Paul had. We see the fierce obstacles he overcame, and great advancements for the Kingdom of God, probably the greatest evangelist the world has ever known. “Let us throw off any extra baggage, get rid of the sin that trips us up, and fix our eyes on Jesus, faith’s pioneer and perfecter” (Hebrews 12:1b-2a). In other words, step out of the boat knowing God’s got you, and see what He will do as we lean into Him in every moment and every thought. Let us trust Him - He is good!

Yours for the Kingdom of God here on earth as it is in heaven,  
Pastor Brian



*Fundraiser for Kenya & Ethiopia*

*Hosted by Scioto Chapel and  
Global Methodist on Main*

On Saturday, May 18, 2024 from 11:00 AM until 2:00 PM  
BBQ Pull Pork and Shredded Chicken Sandwiches,  
Homemade Coleslaw, Chips, Desserts and Drinks  
For a Donation

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12 Noon Speaker: Rev. Odongo Head of the Kenya-Ethiopia  
Conference

Silent Auction throughout with a Live Auction at 1:00 PM  
Located in the basement at Global Methodist on Main

28 Main Street, Commercial Point,  
Ohio 43116



Funds raised will help support  
the Pastors of the many  
churches in the Kenya and  
Ethiopia community with  
transportation assistance and  
pastoral education.

## *Combined Calendar of Events -- May 2024*

Date	Event	Time	Weekly*	Location
5-1	Men's Dinner & Bible Study	5:30 pm	*	GMM
5-2	Women's Bible Study(childcare provided)	5:30 pm	*	GMM
5-2	Men's Bible Study-studying James	9:00 am	*	GMM
5-2	Choir Practice	7:00 pm	*	SC
5-2	Missions Committee	6:30 pm		GMM
5-4	WCF Mother's Day Luncheon	Noon		SC
5-5	Adult Sunday School	9:30 am	*	GMM
5-5	Worship Service	10:45 am	*	GMM
5-5	Worship Service	9:00 am	*	SC
5-5	Pastries & Wired Word except 5-12	10:30 am	*	SC
5-5	VBS meeting for all who want to help	6:30 pm		GMM
5-6	Trustees	7:00 pm		GMM
5-7	Emotionally Healthy Relationships	6:30 pm	*	GMM
5-9	Charge SPPRC Meeting	6:00 pm		SC
5-12	Ladies Hat Day for Mother's Day	10:45 am		GMM
5-13	Ad Council	6:00 pm		GMM
5-14	Sewing Guild	2:00 pm		GMM
5-17to19	Pastor Brian & Samantha hosting Rev Odongo at the Parsonage			
5-18	Free Store Garage Sale	10am-1pm		GMM
5-18	Combined Fundraiser for Kenya-Ethiopia Silent Auction and food	11am-2pm		GMM
5-20	Teams 4 Him	6:00 pm		SC
5-20	Church Council	7:00 pm		SC
5-21	Westfall Cares End of School Distribution	4:00 pm		Westfall Elem
5-22	Gabby Gals Coffee at Pick 'em Up Joe's	9:00 am		W Scioto St CP
5-22to25	Allegheny West GMC Annual Conference			MVNU
5-23	Amazing Kids Academy Graduation	6:00 pm		GMM
5-31	Meal & Fellowship at Jordan's Crossing Leave from GMM at 4:30pm	5:00pm		

May 5<sup>th</sup> – Communion

CP Free Store hours every Monday 6-8pm and every Saturday 10am to Noon.

LOOKING AHEAD.....

Saturday, June 1<sup>st</sup> Kids Fun Fair at SC – 3-5pm – Games, Food, Fun Time!

Father’s Day Cookout at GMM June 8<sup>th</sup>

CP Homecoming June 12-15

GMM VBS June 23-27

SC VBS July 13

Women’s Walk to Emmaus at Reynoldsburg July 18-21

**HopeStrong Update**

HopeStrong Commercial Point has been continuing well in our Spring sessions. We are up to 55 kids enrolled in the program between the three grades. Our final sessions will be on May 14<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, concluding with pizza parties and giving each child an Action Bible filled with many stories throughout the Bible! We are so thankful for all the prayers and volunteers. As we look to next Fall, we are hoping to expand to a couple of more grade levels, including Middle School, which would require transportation. And of course, hoping that our current grades will continue to expand. So, please be praying for the program as the six churches work together. We gladly accept any volunteer willing to go through the training, background check, and is active in any church, even beyond our community. All adult ages, young and old, gladly received. We will find a place for you! Praise God for this wonderful ministry reaching children with the love and truth of Jesus who go to church, but many more who don't!

**Church Camp**

Church camps starting soon in June and July as listed in our newsletter last month. If you know of any children entering second grade through graduating senior, please put them in touch with Pastor Brian to consider a camping option.

**New day and time!**



## *May Birthdays and Anniversaries*

<b>DATE</b>	<b>NAME</b>	<b>OCCASION</b>
5-1	Rick Fruchey	Birthday
5-2	Luke Derouaux	Birthday
5-2	Getitia Brown	Birthday
5-2	RON & KARAN SHIPLEY	Anniversary
5-4	Christine Lawless	Birthday
5-4	Charlie England	Birthday
5-6	JOHN & REBECKA CREGO	Anniversary
5-7	AL & CAROL DODDROE	Anniversary
5-7	Kirk Crego	Birthday
5-9	Amber Brown	Birthday
5-9	Ryan Writsel	Birthday
5-13	Levi Alphin	Birthday
5-14	TONY & MELISSA MERRIMAN	Anniversary
5-15	Kim Halley	Birthday
5-16	DENNY & JANET HUTCHINS	Anniversary
5-17	LEE & SHANNON FAUSNAUGH	Anniversary
5-18	Matt Wasem	Birthday
5-21	Lynn Johnson	Birthday
5-26	Garrett Knola	Birthday
5-27	Beth Writsel	Birthday
5-27	Karen Musselman	Birthday
5-27	Hannah Thomas	Birthday
5-28	RUSS & JACKIE BOWERMAN	Anniversary



# Global Methodist on Main

28 Main Street, Commercial Point, Ohio 43116 [www.gmchurchonmain.org](http://www.gmchurchonmain.org)  
614-877-3539 *Sunday School 9:30AM / Church Service 10:45 AM* May 2024

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*A DREAM COME TRUE!!...*

*Was realized by the Global Methodist on Main*

Thanks to GOD for HIS GUIDANCE!

After years of planning, fundraising, grant writing by Pastor Brian and “Blood Sweat and Tears” this dream has come true on April 14. Mike Pettibone and Crew did the construction of the ADA Compliant ramp that was much needed. Special thanks for the Awesome job done!

Pastor Brian *thanked* All of the Trustees, with Jim Kuzelka, Chair and Matt Wasem who installed the heated floor of the ramp to eliminate shoveling of snow in the winter.

Financial Support was given by the *Light House Church* members and PJ Rings, Pastor. The *June Duvall Family* gave money which paid for the ramp rail and also the gate at the foot of the ramp for safety. A grant was received from *Brooks Yates-Developmental Disabilities Board* for expenses. A Grant from *Joni & Friends*, Joni Eareckson Tada in California. A Grant from Pickaway County Community Fund.

Fundraisers—many, many pies baked by church members and friends for bake sales and an Auction proceeds and donations from many individuals.

PJ Rings gave the Blessing and thanks for the new ramp. PJ said “people need to be able to go to church”. Special thanks for your Love and Support! The ribbon cutting was done by Pastor Brian and Jim Kuzelka with a dinner following.



# 100 Years! 1924 - 2024

## The Sewing Guilds of Ohio Health Riverside Methodist Hospital Anniversary Celebration Luncheon was held April 22, 2024

Sewing Guild # 11 was honored to be a part of this 100 year Celebration at the Wesley Glen Retirement Center in Columbus. Dr. Marian Kennedy Schuda, MD, Medical Director of Patient Services , OhioHealth Riverside Methodist Hospital gave a brief history of the forming of the Sewing Guild.

The Sewing Guild originally began at the White Cross Hospital in April 1924 by The United Methodist Women of the time to make items in caring for the patients and to provide items for the medical field. The United Methodist ladies were to be approved and recommended to be of righteous living and moral by their Pastor's to be part of the group. This was the beginning of the volunteer program at the hospital. Interesting note-early in the history of the hospital the Ladies raised \$6000 to help keep the hospital afloat financially. The White Cross Hospital eventually became the Riverside Methodist Hospital in 1961 at the present location on Olentangy River Road in Columbus.

At present, the 7 Sewing Guilds create items for the comfort of the patients with 106 members who donate hours of time and love for the care of the patients.

SEWING GUILD # 11 was organized in 1978 by Anne Reese and Joan Prindle at the Commercial Point UM Church, now the Global Methodist on Main Church.

Proudly, Jackie Writsel and Betty Drake co-chaired Guild #11 for 30 years until covid stopped the Sewing Guilds from meeting for a time. Some of the members in Columbus area were charged to make the first masks, in their homes to help protect from covid at the hospital. Jackie served as Vice-President and Membership chair for several years and Betty served as treasurer for the group for several years.

At present, Sheila Writsel and Sherry Albright serve as co-chairs of our local group with 17 total members that are active. Last year, our small group turned in 1808 items for 7553 hours of work and love. We are proud of that accomplishment. Service Pins were awarded to Sheila Writsel-30 years, Sherry Albright-5 years, Sherry Williams-5 years, Jan Covault-5 years.



Attending were Eileen Dunham, Sheila Writsel, Betty Fields, Sherry Albright, Paula Kuzelka, Sherry Williams, Jackie Writsel, Betty Fisher, Joyce Clark, Patti Crego, Betty Drake, Sandy Fruchey and Carolyn Shaw. Unable to attend were Dianne Smith, Pat Cavinee, Becky Bingham and Norma Henslee.



**Global Methodist on Main VBS Needs Volunteers!!**  
**From: Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> thru Thursday, June 27<sup>th</sup> 6:00-8:30pm**

Global Methodist on Main will be hosting Vacation Bible School this summer from June 23<sup>rd</sup> through June 27<sup>th</sup> from 6:00-8:30pm. The theme is Babylon, Daniel's Courage in Captivity. In order for this experience to be a success, we need many volunteers. Prior to the VBS we will hold volunteer meetings and training for everyone and walk everyone through the week. Our 1st meeting just to get a feel for how many are interested and what we will need in terms of helpers will be **May 5th at 6:30** in the church basement. We hope you can help! We'd like to have volunteers that can help every day, especially for the tribe leaders, but sign up for whichever days you are available to help. If you have any questions ahead of time please reach out to Samantha at 740-416-5360



# SCIOTO CHAPEL PAGE

6337 ST. RT. 316, WEST, ASHVILLE, OH 43103

*Sunday Service at 9:00 a.m.*

May, 2024

## WESTFALL HOPESTRONG MUSTANGS



Thanks to Adrienne and Justin Barnes, Westfall Hopestrong Mustangs are finishing up their first year with a win. The Barnes have kindly and generously provided their beautiful venue for spreading the salvation story to Westfall fourth graders.

We are blessed with a wonderful site leader and faithful volunteers from various churches. Some of the volunteers are pictured setting out lunch for the students. Prayer is also said over the students and volunteers prior to their arrival.

When the 35 to 40 students arrive, it gets really crazy, really fast. Lunches to consume, Bible verses to repeat, stories to tell, videos to watch. Sometimes a game, if there is time.

Bibles are provided for all the students and also for their use at Hopestrong. Students are pictured with their "Swords Up", ready to dive into God's Word. It seems like we just get started and it's time to wish the students "Godspeed" until next time.

Thanks be to God, the school administration and teachers, support this effort. Next year, thanks to the Barnes, we will expand to third and fourth grades. Consider Hopestrong, if you are looking for service opportunities. The Mustangs actually just had our first man to volunteer. A lot of boys are interested in Hopestrong, a few more good role models would help a lot.

"Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all the things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age." Matthew 28:19-20

- Terrie Rogers

## ANOTHER EASTER WITH MUCH TO PRAISE GOD FOR



The Visions of Lent candle extinguishing were finalized on Easter Sunday with the combined speakers relighting the Christ candle and affirming that Jesus was alive.

We thank all six who willingly contributed as pictured: Samantha Dunham, Brad Thomas, Jim Fausnaugh, Becky Bensonhaver, Jodi Hastings and Perry Fausnaugh.

The beautiful flowers and Mary Ellen and Kayley's presentation of the Hallelujah Chorus all contributed to a wonderful service.

## MORE MISSION WORK TO CONSIDER

Mikki Stout alerted us to the needs in nursing homes. They need clothing and also help with spring cleaning. If you could assist in any way with these efforts please contact her. If two or three would join together for this, it would count as a small group effort that helps meet the 75% of participants to achieve our smart goals.

## COMING UP

June 1st will be a special fun fair afternoon for the kids. There will be fun and games and grilled hot dogs from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. So, contact your friends.

Beginning with June, the church newsletter will be published only on even numbered months. Getting write ups for each month has been difficult, so it was agreed that bimonthly would be often enough. We hope to have a website up before long that will help keep all informed of urgent news matters.

## PRAYER.

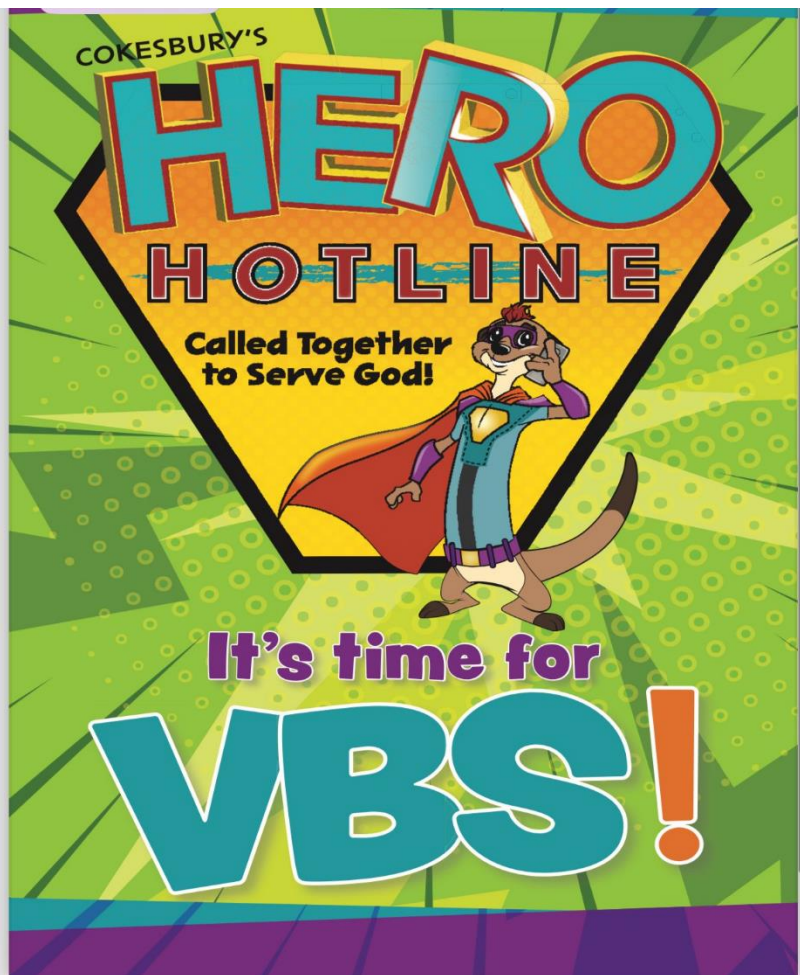
- Dennis Ballard has issues from last surgery
- Victims of Baltimore bridge collapse
- Victims of bus crash in South Africa with only 1 survivor
- Cooper's classmate who lost his father
- Heather Downs recovering from respiratory illness
- Pastor Brian with hip pain and receiving cortisone shots
- Families with health issues and job needs
- Norma Gochenour recovering from stomach issues
- Shawn Hamilton with change in personality after anesthesia
- Hopstrong programs at Scioto and Westfall
- Doris Jones recovering from a fall and broken hip 2 weeks ago
- Tina Moser with lung cancer
- Karen Musselman's friend with colon cancer
- Family of Charlene Kemmerly
- Family of Bob Valentine
- Ron Shipley with diverticulitis
- Family of Dick Warner
- Family of Thelma Kesler
- Churches and people of Ukraine and Russia
- Veterans who have lost their homes
- Our Country
- War in Israel
- Westfall CARES

## PRAISE

- Clare Morrison recovered from bad virus
- Karen Musselman was back to church after recovery from a virus
- Gracie's rabbit had babies!



**A Mother's Day Luncheon is planned at Scioto Chapel on May 4th at Noon. Food will be catered from City Barbecue with homemade salads and desserts from WCF members.**



**This year our vacation bible school is Hero Hotline. VBS will be a Super Saturday on July 13th from 10am to 3pm. Lunch will be provided to all. This kit and decorations were given to us by another church. Please pray for the children we will be in contact with and the Church members who are helping.**