

Chapel Point of View
One Lord, One Mission, Two Churches Serving Scioto Township
Global Methodist on Main & Scioto Chapel
August - September 2024

A Word from the Pastor – “Pressing into God Creates the Power”

In the Women’s Bible Study on Wednesdays, we were looking at two of the parables of Jesus about the Kingdom found in Mark 4:26-32. These parables paint the picture of the growing nature of the Kingdom of God here on earth. This coming of the Kingdom on earth was announced by Jesus at the beginning of His ministry as recorded by Mark in 1:15.

This Kingdom has great potential and power, seen by these parables, as seeds that are planted that in turn produce great results. The first of the parables emphasizes the power of growth in the plant even though after planted the farmer seemingly does nothing but witness the growth that abounds until it is harvest time. It should not be construed that we are to simply plant and then sit back and do nothing. Instead, the emphasis is on the power of God. Yes, we are His workers, His field tenderers, caring for the plants, watering, weeding, doing whatever we can to help keep the plants in a healthy environment, but the crux of the parable is on the powerful move of God producing exponential growth that moves forward in amazing ways.

We should not discount the reality that we (as all people throughout history) live in challenging times and circumstances, a world (including ourselves) that finds so many things on which to be focused that “don’t amount to a hill of beans.” But we can also consider that the ground is hard to work (part of Adam’s punishment in Genesis 3 as part of the curse), the proper amount of rain needed at the right times (can I get an Amen about that this growing season?), temperature, sunlight, as well as I’m sure many more aspects.

Each aspect can point to our willing and wholehearted participation. Where are we planting the seeds? Those who sow sparingly will also reap sparingly. Where are we looking for the water, sunlight, and temperature? Our dependence is upon God, and so as we are wholeheartedly pressing into Him, He is ready to supply all we need according to His riches in glory. Do we have enough water, sunlight, and the temperature of our souls to be enough for us but also creating a great environment for others? Does the love of God abound from us as we are spending time in His Word (water and soil nourishment through our roots going deep), prayer (turning our faces to the sun or the SON), and seeing the temperature of our souls being warm, friendly (spending time with Him causes our cold, cantankerousness, and lukewarmness to warm up), and ready to worship (love God) and interact in encouraging ways with others (love others)?

Even with all of that, I believe Jesus is magnifying in these two the parables the awesome power of God, His prevenient, justifying, regenerating, and sanctifying grace. God does for us that which we cannot do for ourselves (the definition of grace). And as we are willing participants, setting aside all distractions, wholly centered on Him, His supernatural power is ready to grow and shoot up in and through us. Sometimes this happens in unnoticeable ways (do you see the plant grow while you sit and watch it?). But let us rest assured that these promises of God found even in these two simple parables work and are ready to work in our lives but also our families, churches, communities, and world as others choose to embrace God and these principles as they are living in us. Some will and some won’t, but that is their choice. Our choice is to be about God’s Kingdom, and when we are, we can know God is working with us as we are aligned with Him. In fact, He is ready to call on all the heavenly forces to assist and be active on this earth, in our mortal bodies.

Did you catch the one seed producing hundreds of seeds? Did you catch the smallest of seeds producing the largest of plants that birds can nest in? What is God producing in you that can be and should be multiplied or that others can nest there, be nurtured, and grow? God starts small, but He is willing to explode by providing great power. Let’s give it all for Him in His great goodness!

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

Laity Learning Opportunities

We have great laity (all church members and constituents) learning opportunities coming up very quickly. As the pastor, I want to encourage as many as possible to set aside some time to participate in what I believe will be wonderful ways to grow and expand your faith, starting with both events below. One of the great values we have in our new denomination is the encouragement of like-minded followers of Jesus and how God can grow His Kingdom values in us as we connect with people from other GM churches and gifted leaders who are centered on Jesus. Maybe you have been wondering “what does it mean to be GMC?” I believe you will get more of a picture with each one of these offers.

Circuit/Church Visioning: Our President Pro-Tempore Jeff Greenway and Presiding Elder Nathan Custer will lead us in a circuit wide and local church visioning session on Saturday, August 10th, 10am to Noon, at Cornerstone GMC in Marysville. We each have a part in visioning, seeking God’s will and desires for us moving forward. Let us not underestimate how He might speak to each one of us and as we join our hearts together. We will be carpooling from the Global Methodist on Main parking lot, leaving promptly at 8:50am so we can have a little fellowship time at Cornerstone before the event starts. Please let Pastor Brian know if you want to attend.

AWAKEN Lay Equipping Weekend: designed to equip you as a spiritual leader in your church and community. This event is an excellent experience for you if you feel God working in your life and you want to be “all in.” Join us for this two-day event to learn you can love and serve God more fully. Topics: how we can grow through abiding in God & means of grace, ways God calls us to serve through our unique spiritual gifts and experiences. Register at alleghenywestgmc.org/awaken Carpooling from Global Methodist on Main.

- Friday 6–9 PM & Saturday 8:30 AM–4:30 PM, September 6th & 7th at Cornerstone GMC in Marysville
- We include snacks, as well as breakfast and lunch on Saturday (\$50 by Aug 15th, \$75 thereafter – contact Pastor Brian if cost is prohibitive)
- Speakers, worship, practical workshops on living as a disciple
- Open to all lay people and clergy of Allegheny West
- Questions? Email Kathy Rohrs (head of Conference Discipleship) at Kathy.rohrs@gmail.com

Praying for General Conference

The Global Methodist Church’s upcoming Convening General Conference is Sept 20-26 in San Jose, Costa Rica. There will be 40 days of prayer before the conference Aug 7-Sept 15 and 12 days of prayer covering the conference Sept 16-27. The Prayer Committee of the Transitional Commission on Convening General Conference (TCCGC) is excited to invite you to participate in this special season of prayer and fasting for our historic conference. This intentional period of dedicated prayer and fasting is designed to empower the Lord's work through the Global Methodist Church, as we unite around the theme of the conference "So the World Will Know." This initiative offers an excellent opportunity for us to demonstrate our collective dependence on the Lord's empowerment to fuel our movement. We also encourage regional gatherings for prayer, which can be held individually, corporately, or even as concerts of prayer, both in person and electronically. Go to sotheworldwillknow.org/pray for the prayer guides.

HopeStrong Commercial Point

We are gearing up for our Fall session of HopeStrong here in Commercial Point. We are looking at continuing the Release Time Bible classes for 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders at Scioto Elementary. Our plan should be the same as last year of walking the children to Global Methodist on Main during their lunch time, serving lunch or students bringing their lunch. Third and Fifth grade would be back-to-back on Tuesdays 11:50 to 1:30, and Fourth grade on Thursdays 12:15 to 1:05. With approval from Principal Bruce Bryant, our classes would run for 8 weeks from Sept 10th to Nov 7th (one week break for Pumpkin Show) with a possible make-up the 2nd week of Nov.

We are also praying about adding 6th grade at West Middle School this Fall. Many plans, including coordination with the principal, bussing with Encounter Church buses, location, and dates and times, are still being worked out to see if we can make 6th grade HopeStrong a reality for the Fall.

Volunteers are needed for walking, cross patrol, bus patrol & driving, lunches, teaching, table assistants, and gift bags. We are thankful for the many volunteers who helped last year! We will need additional volunteers to make this year a success as well, especially if we expand to Sixth grade. Anyone active in a church willing to have a background check and go through the training would be eligible. We covet your prayers in this vital ministry for reaching the children & families with God's truth and love. Please let Pastor Brian know if you would be interested in helping.

HopeStrong Mustangs – Westfall

The HopeStrong Mustangs completed their first year in fine fashion, reaching a total of 42 fourth graders from Westfall Elementary School. The group met on Tuesdays during lunch at The Old Barns at Dry Run Farms on Pherson Pike. We are extremely thankful to Justin & Adrienne Barnes for providing the facility. We pay for the use of a school bus and driver; Westfall Schools has been so accommodating for this transportation option. Currently, we are blessed with 13 wonderful volunteers.

The new school year is nearly upon us. Our hopes are to expand to 3rd and 4th grade this year, beginning in early September. For the four quarters, we plan to hold sessions 6 or 7 times each quarter on Tuesdays for the 4th grade, and possibly Wednesdays for 3rd grade. 4th grade will meet 12:20 to 1:20pm. 3rd grade times are still undecided. Please contact our Site Coordinator Kathy Morris (740-412-3682) if you have any questions or are interested in volunteering.

Combined Calendar of Events - August - September 2024

Date	Event	Time	Weekly*	Location
8-1	Westfall CARES – Packing Distribution	10:30am Noon		Westfall Elementary
8-1	Men's Bible Study-studying 1 st Peter	9:00 am	*	GMM
8-1	Women's Meal & Bible Study (childcare provided)	5:30 pm	*	GMM
8-1	Summer Bible Study-Mark – until Aug 22	7:30pm	*	SC
8-3	School Supplies Shopping	10:00am		GMM
8-4	Worship Service	10:45 am	*	GMM
8-4	Worship Service	9:00 am	*	SC

8-4	Pastries & Wired Word	10:30 am	*	SC
8-4	Assembling School Bags	After service		GMM
8-4 & 9-1	Allegheny West Online Prayer	4-5:00pm		On line
8-6 8-7	Distribution of School Supplies	6-8:00pm 5-7:00pm		GMM
8-7	Ladies Summer Bible Study- Mark	1:00pm	*	GMM
8-7	Men's Meal & Bible Study	5:30pm	*	GMM
8-7	Prayer for General Conference begins			
8-8	Trustee Meeting	6:00pm		GMM
8-10	Circuit/church Visioning	10am-noon		Marysville
8-10	Back to School Blast	5-7:00pm		GMM
8-12 & 9-9	Ad Council	6:00pm		GMM
8-13	Prayer for Schools	6:00pm		Scioto Elem
8-17&9-21	Free Store Garage Sale	10am-1pm		GMM
8-18 & 9-15	An Evening of Worship	6-7:00pm		GMM
8-19 & 9-16	Teams 4 Him Church Council	6:00 pm 7:00pm		SC
8-20	The Chosen Season 4	6-7:30pm	*	GMM
8-24	Parish Birthday Party-sign up for food & bring a white elephant gift \$5.00	5-7:00pm		SC
8-25&9-22	Community Cupboard Collection			GMM
8-26 & 9-23	Trustee Meeting	7:00pm		SC
8-28 & 9-25	Ladies Coffee at Pick 'em Up Joe's	9:00 am		W Scioto-CP
8-29	First Choir Practice-We are always looking for new singers!	7:00pm	*	SC
8-30	Both Churches-Jordan's Crossing- serving pizza, salad, fruit, brownies	4:30pm		Meet GMM
9-6 & 9-7	Awaken Lay Equipping Weekend	6-9:00pm 8:30a-4:30p		Marysville Cornerstone
9-10	Sewing Guild	2:00pm		GMM
9-20 to 9-26	General Conference at Costa Rica			
9-28	Fall Festival	4-7:30pm		SC

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

August Birthdays**September Birthdays**

DATE	NAME	DATE	NAME
8	Chad Morrison	2	Vickie Fleming
12	Sheila Writsel	2	Norma Harris
13	Kayley Thomas	3	Betty Carstens
13	Janet Hutchins	3	Lee Fausnaugh
21	Kay Hott	4	Brookelynn Burgan
21	Mike Fausnaugh	6	John Williams
22	Deanna Kelley	6	Dan Hooley
24	Sandy Fausnaugh	11	Bill Harris
25	Cody Hastings	11	Carolyn Shaw
27	Alice Beckman	15	Kelsey Blattner
27	Cailin Hooley	18	Dave Renick
28	Lee Stevens	18	Rebecka Crego
29	Samantha Dunham	23	Katie Morrison
29	Chelsey Gable	25	Gage Stout
30	Mollie Kuzelka	25	Laura Duvall
31	Devin Fausnaugh	25	Clayton Crego
31	Ian Fausnaugh	25	Bruce Bowerman
		26	Angela Bowerman
		29	Henry Stout

**August Anniversaries****September Anniversaries**

DATE	NAME	DATE	NAME
1	Josh & Jacqueline Alphin	4	Cody & Karissa Hastings
4	Jared & Taylor Musselman	5	Bill & Rhonda Gochenour
13	Brian & Samantha Dunham	8	Trey & Lindsey Fausnaugh
20	Warren & Karen Hutchinson	18	Brian & Michelle Sherrick
23	Ted & Karen Musselman	19	Bobby & Laura Duvall
29	Rom & Jodi Hastings	23	Ross & Sandy Crego
		25	Ed & Ruth Eberts

Global Methodist on Main

28 Main Street, Commercial Point, Ohio 43116 www.gmchurchonmain.org
614-877-3539 *Sunday School 9:30AM / Church Service 10:45 AM* August-September 2024



At Global Methodist on Main we had quite an adventure at Babylon VBS! The heart of ministry is to reflect Christ, and that happened during our week. We learned five important Bible Points this week, and each one pointed to the fact that God is with us wherever we go! All week, we learned first-hand from Daniel about what it was like in Ancient Babylon with people who did not honor the One True God. Daniel had to make choices every day to show his commitment to God, and it was really challenging in a culture that didn't believe in the same way he did.



We are rejoicing and praising God at Global Methodist on Main for His movement in our church. On Sunday, July 14th, our church welcomed 21 new members and 6 baptized members to our church family. They had already made their way into our hearts, and we are thankful for their commitment to God's church and to our local church as well.

Evan Derouaux
Kelsie Derouaux
Rylie Derouaux
Luke Derouaux
Mike Thomas
Karen Thomas
Marc Thomas
Larry Thomas
Bonnie Thomas

Russ Bowerman
Jackie Bowerman
Josephine Bowerman
Angela Bowerman
Bruce Bowerman
Tony Merriman
Melissa Merriman
Ethan Merriman
Jeff Bingham

Jackson Bingham
Cora Bingham
Becky Bingham
Kaye Hott
Denise Oxley
Franklin Smith
Eula Marks
Sheri Townsend
Karissa Hastings



The Starfish Story—Making a Difference

It has been told that a wise man who was a writer had the habit of walking on the beach each morning before he began to work. One day he spotted another person on the beach; someone who seemed to be dancing as he or she walked. It made him smile to think of someone who would dance to the day. Curious, the man began to walk faster to catch up. As he grew closer, he saw that the person was a young man, but he wasn't dancing. As he walked along the beach, he was picking up what looked like small stones and tossing them into the ocean. As he caught up, he called to the boy, "Hello there young man, can I ask you what you are doing? The boy looked up, and after pausing momentarily, replied "Picking up starfish and tossing them back into the ocean." Not understanding the boy's answer, the wise man continued "But why are you throwing them back?" As if it were a silly question, the boy answered, "the tide is out and the sun is hot, they will die on the beach if I don't throw them back in. The wise man spoke again, "Young man, don't you know how long this beach is? There must be a million starfish here. There is no way to save them all: you can't possibly make a difference." Unconcerned at the man's point, the boy picked up another starfish. As he hurled it back into the sea, he smiled and said, "I made a difference to that one!" Even if you can't save the world, you can do something! Do what you can to make a difference" The gift of this story was given to the members of the Riverside Sewing Guild at the 100th year Anniversary luncheon. **Remember, no matter how small the task, you can do something! Do what you can to make a difference.**

Join us at Sewing Guild September 10th at 2pm in the basement at Global Methodist on Main.



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Global Methodist on Main welcomes you to come and join us for our 3rd Annual Back 2 School Blast. This is a free fun event for the whole family and a great way to kick off the beginning of the new school year. We hope you can make it!

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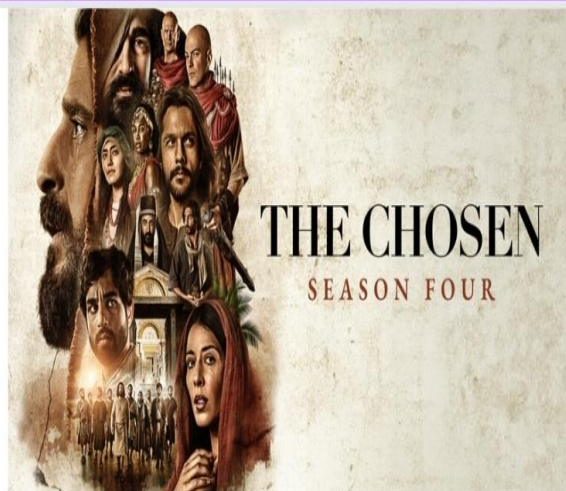
Looking for individuals or praise teams who would like to come and worship with us! Contact Samantha if you're interested at 740-416-5360

3RD SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

6:00-7:00PM



**AN EVENING OF
WORSHIP**



Season 4 is finally here and I am excited to jump in and share this study with you! Please mark your calendars and be ready to come and dig deeper into each episode together with others. Starting Tuesday, Aug 20th, 6-7:30pm at Global Methodist On Main. This will go for 8 weeks. For more information please contact me, Samantha at 740-416-5360.

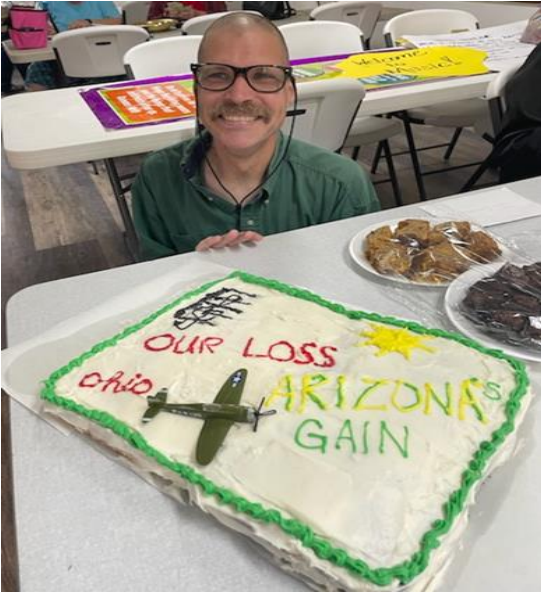
We are stepping out in faith at Global Methodist On Main and offering an evening of worship once a month, and then seeing where the Spirit leads. This is on the 3rd Sunday of the month, 6-7pm and we are seeking individuals and praise teams who want to come and share their talent with those who attend. This is all about praise and worship, meeting with the Living God through music, prayer, fellowship and whatever else the Spirit leads us in. We hope folks can come join us, the first one will be August 18th at 28 Main St Commercial Point, OH. Please share this with those who may be interested!

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Sunday Service at 9:00 a.m.

August-September, 2024



FAREWELL TO OUR DEAR JIM

June 23 was a somber day as we said farewell to Jim Cotner who has moved to Green Valley, Arizona to be with his family. Betty Fisher baked the cake and Sandy Fruchey decorated it to express what Jim meant to all of us.

During his 10 years or so in our fellowship Jim was one of our faithful noodle makers, he was a faithful member of the choir and sang specials for us which were heartily enjoyed. He recorded and posted our worship services on the internet. When volunteers were needed for packing and distributing food for CARES at Westfall School, Jim was there.

And then there was his cheery smile that will be missed as he was anxious to assist with any errands that needed to be run to “get this or do that”. We are all glad to have known Jim and wish him the best in his new home.

VBS – SUPER HEROES



They were all super heroes at this year’s VBS. All enjoyed the games, the music, crafts, the Bible stories in the barn and of course the food at lunch time. This was an all day, one day affair but well worth it. Some things were a little unique. We had more boys than girls. We had as many adults as children. There were 4 couples that assisted and Chad Morrison and Ron Shipley gave scientific demonstrations to show God’s love. These were especially good, even though Ron had a little trouble getting his magnifying force to cooperate.



SCHOOL SUPPLIES – Yes it's that time. Bring them the next two Sundays. These go to Westfall elementary and they hold them for needs during the school year so we don't have to get them there before school starts.

FALL FESTIVAL will be September 28 from 4:00 to 7:30. We will have hayrides, horse rides, face painting, crafts, games, corn pools for the little ones, wiener roast, chili and more to eat, and music by the Larry Wilson's God's Country Band. Be inviting and spreading the word. It's an opportunity to make ourselves known as a loving, good times, caring church in the community.

PRAYER.

- Pastor Dunham's hip surgery went well, prayer still needed for physical therapy.
- Wyatt Bergeron, a mountain bike accident
- Family of Corey Comperatore, killed at Trump Rally, was a Global Methodist member.
- Terry Figgins is battling cancer
- Those struggling with grief
- Jan Hansen with injuries to hand elbow, knee and foot, but no surgery
- Cody Hasting with back pain
- Scott Jones with back surgery August 12
- Larry in hospital
- Tina Moser's cancer has spread
- Karan Shipley with broken ankle
- Travel mercies for all of Karan's friends and all vacationers!
- Kenya-Ethiopia mission.
- Families with health issues and job needs
- Still need rain for farmers
- Stout Family
- Unspoken prayers
- Hopestrong programs at Scioto and Westfall
- Churches and people of Ukraine and Russia
- Veterans who have lost their homes
- Our Country
- War in Israel
- Westfall CARES

PRAISE

- Kathy Morris is finished with physical therapy.
- Caroline Dunham got a good report on her eyes!
- Deanna Kelley's biopsy was a good report



Major Updates to Scioto Chapel Church Site

The Scioto Chapel Trustee committee update could be simplified by listing the work that has been accomplished and the chores that still need to be completed at the church site. However, that does not tell the story of the commitment, fellowship, comradery, perseverance and the congenial trusting relationship of the trustee committee, trustee helpers, friends and church family.

Keep in mind this positive behavior is taking place in a time when our insurance provider has mandated certain repairs to be made....by Fall 2024... or risk of insurance being cancelled!! These requirements are at significant expense and labor. And although the serious business and quandary of how to finance these endeavors has been met -- with smiles, hope and prayer -- we come together and accomplish incredible improvements.

To begin, our insurance provider gave us three areas for improvement. Those areas included 1) roof, 2) front steps, and 2) raw wood on the lower half of the barn either to be painted or covered (more on this in next newsletter).

Repairs and Updates:

1. **Roof:** The roof has been cleaned, repaired and a protective sealant has been applied giving a five to ten years life to the existing roof at a far reduced expense of a new roof.
2. **Front Steps:** The front steps were crumbling and needed replaced for safety. This has been completed with new hand railing in process of being built.



3. **Bonus Work -- Electricity:** The electricity to the garage and barn was routed from the house and a flawed set-up. All new underground electric from the church to the garage and barn for a safer and more efficient system has been installed. In addition, all power was discontinued from the house eliminating the second monthly electric bill. This work was done by church members and friends.

Next newsletter there will be more updates about the continued work. Significant to report is the continued generosity of giving and prayerful consideration to the requests and efforts of the trustees. We work diligently to be good stewards of our funds and maintain our house of worship for those who walk through Scioto Chapel's doors and lives we touch. Thank you to all!!

Scioto Chapel Board of Trustees - Jim Fausnaugh, chair, Jodi Hastings, Chelsey Gable, Sandy Fruchey, Trey Fausnaugh, Simon Lapp, Chad Morrison, Patti Crego

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