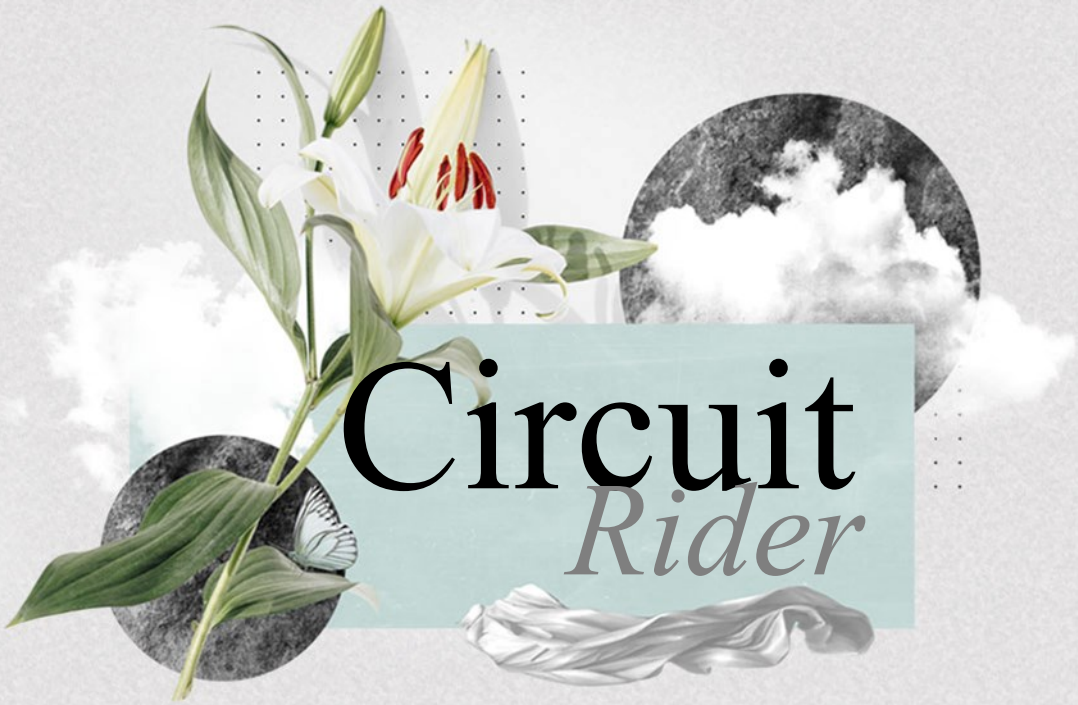

Circuit Rider

MONTHLY NEWSLETTER | CHURCH OF THE SAVIOUR | MAY 2021

Return of the Circuit Rider

We are excited to send to you our first revised version of the Circuit Rider. What is the Circuit Rider? For Church of the Saviour, it is our monthly newsletter where we can share more in depth articles, information and pictures with our growing congregation. The Circuit Rider is to help you connect and be aware of all the ministries happening within the life of the church.

Circuit Rider, is a phrase connected to our history as Methodists. In the early days of the Methodist movement, a circuit was made up of two or more local churches (sometimes referred to as societies). In American Methodism, circuits were sometimes referred to as a "charge." A pastor would be appointed to the charge by his bishop. During the course of a year, the pastor was expected to visit each church on the charge at least once, and possibly start some new ones. The traveling preachers responsible for caring for these societies, or local churches and stations, became known as circuit-riders.

We welcome back our Circuit Rider Monthly Newsletter, one of our many ways of caring for, sharing information, and getting out the mission of Church of the Saviour.

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Church of the SAVIOUR UNITED METHODIST

A Note From Pastor Jenn

Greetings Church!

It is hard to believe it has been 14 months since the first time we sent out an Online Worship video to you! Over a year ago, everything that we hold dear in the church, we were all forced to change it - every tradition, every "always done it this way" ministry, every "sacred" gathering, every beloved, egg hunt, small group, mission trip… All gone in one moment.

None of us knew what to do, and you know what? There was something very comforting about all of us trying to figure this out without any playbook, we were walking in it together. Do you know what I began to see and hear, while we were all figuring it all out? We got creative – our whole staff – all of us, in our own unique ways, figured out new ways to stay connected with you

We purchased ring lights, we started doing pop-up classes in driveways in order to teach members how to use Zoom. We were sending out step by step instructions on "how to" – How to FaceTime or Google Meet with Sunday school classes and small groups, we learned how to give the sacraments in a virtual way. We ordered fabric so master sewers in UMW could get busy – we called on others to deliver sewn masks...we were picking up groceries... sending cards… being the church online... We stayed connected, even while apart.

I cannot thank you enough for your willingness to be part of our church community through this season, we could not have done it without each and every one of you!

We are not out of the wilderness yet, but as we enter the summer months, I am so excited to share with you that with the increased availability of the COVID-19 vaccine, and that data that shows masks work, we are looking forward to more and more ways to connect… IN PERSON!

Looking Forward

We are continuing with our Worship Service times in May! Each Sunday we offer three Worship opportunities, 9:00 am – Traditional, 11:00 am – Contemporary and our Online Worship. Reservations will be required for our indoor worship services in May. Safety remains our highest priority, so we will continue to abide by all safety regulations including masks, social distancing and cleaning protocols. I thank you in advance for your continued understanding.

Beginning in June, we will send out a survey to our congregation asking for your thoughts on some fall plans including worship times, worship styles, interest in small groups, and Sunday schools opportunities for kids and adults. Be on the lookout for that survey so you can help give leadership insight to the needs and desires of your family.

Also starting in June, we will be making a switch in our Worship Service times.

9:30 am—Outdoor Contemporary Worship

11:00 am—Indoor Traditional Worship

Online—available each Sunday

We will continue to offer worship online, but our worship team is making plans to shift from a pre-recorded services, to a livestream service beginning in July. Moving to livestream is an exciting next step for our church and staff! One of the benefits to going to livestream is it opens many opportunities for you, our talented, faithful congregation, to get involved in the media ministry of our church. Please see page 11 for more information about how you are needed!

Re-Opening the Church

As I mentioned above, we will be engaging in a slow re-opening of the church continuing with our Indoor Worship Services, Choir practices and Youth Small Groups. You can anticipate more space opening up for additional groups mid-May. Look for more information in the Newsflash and on the website as details come available.

June Sabbatical

Finally, I wanted to make you aware that this June I will be taking a four-week sabbatical. A Sabbatical is a season of prolonged rest. It's like stringing together a number of Sabbath days. I needed to get honest with myself as I began to notice an unhealthy level of stress and strain. As I stated in the beginning of this letter, none of us knew how to move through a pandemic, and I have been so proud of our staff and church for doing ministry with excellence and meaning, even during this season, but it has been non-stop. I had to admit I needed a break. I am planning to take the month of June to spend time with my family, read and ultimately, rest. Psalm 46:10 says, 'Be still and know that I am God,' I'm going to be still! I look forward to coming back in July, ready to take on a new year!

Thank you to the Servant Leadership Board and Staff Parish team for granting my request and allowing me to take this time and space with my family.

We have an exciting spring and summer ahead of us, friends, and I am so thankful you will be part of it.

In Christ,

Pastor Jenn Lucas

Church of the Saviour Altar Flowers 2021

Please review the available slots below and click on the button to sign up. Flowers are $36 and checks can be sent to the church office. Flowers can be picked up after the last service on your Sunday. Please include flower dedication (optional) when you sign up.

For any questions or to sign up, please contact Dorothy in the church office 513-791-3142 or dorothy.stadelmann@cos-umc.org. Thank you!

THE UPPER ROOM®
WHERE THE WORLD MEETS TO PRAY

The Upper Room May Devotional is now available! Stop by church and pick up your copy!

THE LIONS, THE SWITCH AND THE WARM ROBES

Kid's Spring Musical

Virtual Kid's Spring Musical will be released on Sunday, May 2! Look for the link online and in a special newsflash Sunday afternoon! Our kids have been working hard and are excited for you to see it!

Christ caring for people through people

STEPHEN MINISTRY

20 years of service

Serving the Community

The Stephen Minister group at Church of the Savoiur comprised of fourteen individuals continued this caring ministry over the past year which in the face of difficulties and challenges. The Stephen Ministers continued meeting with their care receivers while utilizing creative alternatives to our usual format of face-to-face meetings indoors. Over the past year, the Stephen Minister group continued meeting with their ten care receivers by telephone, outdoors (weather permitting), and other means that are consistent with CDC guidelines.

Over the past year, the Church of the Saviour Stephen Ministers group had more than 250 meetings or contacts with their care receivers. Also, several Stephen Ministers retired from the ministry group after years of faithful service. To maintain the Stephen Ministry group, we are planning to hold a training class for new Stephen Ministers this fall.

If you would like to know more about Stephen Ministry or learn more about the upcoming training class, please contact Pastor Vicki Robinson (791-3142 Ex 26) or Mary Hoover (513-702-5642).

KIDS CORNER

May 2021

2—Virtual Sunday School

9—Virtual Sunday School

15—PreK Story Time

16—Virtual Sunday School

Family Picnic & Scavenger Hunt at Pioneer Park

19—Parenting in the Pew Workshop

23—Virtual Sunday School

June 2021

12—The Amazing Chemistry Show & Family Experience

23—B.A.S.I.C. Elements

30—B.A.S.I.C. Elements

Family Picnic & Scavenger Hunt - Mark your calendars for our Family Picnic & Scavenger Hunt on Sunday, May 16 from 12:30-2:00 pm! This will be a fun outdoor activity at Pioneer Park. Bring your lunch and blankets/chairs as we'll enjoy a picnic on the lawn followed by a scavenger hunt around the park. Can't wait to see what we find together!

Let us know you're coming by registering at www.cos-umc.org/events

Parenting in the Pew - If you are new to the idea of "parenting in the pew", the thought of teaching your child(ren) to sit through an hour-long service may be overwhelming. It isn't easy, but it is possible. And it's worth it! So how do we set our children up for success? Join Michelle Shiparski on Wednesday, May 19 at 6:30 pm in the Sanctuary to learn & practice ideas & strategies to help your family "parent in the pew" and engage you child(ren) in worship.

*Children are encouraged to attend with their parents.

Register to attend at www.cos-umc.org/events

The Amazing Chemistry Show & Family Experience -In lieu of VBS this summer we are bringing The Amazing Chemistry Show & Family Experience to COS on Saturday, June 12 from 1:00—4:00 pm.

In addition to the hands-on science stations & live science stage show, we'll be grilling up hot dogs, Kona Ice will be on hand, and Nick Stockburger & friends will be playing live

Kids Corner Continued

music on the front lawn. Invite your family! Invite your friends! It's an afternoon you don't want to miss!

Register your family's attendance at www.cos-umc.org/events

B.A.S.I.C. Elements is a 5-week science-inspired, Christ-focused program for kids 3 years - 6th grade. Kids do real science as real scientists including rockets, catapults, chemical reactions and learn the B.A.S.I.C Elements of the faith!

B.A.S.I.C. Elements meets on Wednesday evenings from 6:30—8:00 pm beginning June 23 and runs through July 28 (there is no programming on July 14).

Register at www.cos-umc.org/events.

Nurturing New Parents Ministry. Are you expecting a baby or did you recently gain a new member to your family, either by birth or adoption? During this important and precious transition in a family, we as a church want to support parents through their journey.

Nurturing New Parents Ministry aims to serve new parents within the church. If you are a new parent, whether this is your 1st baby or 2nd or 5th, get connected by contacting the church at (513) 791-3142. After notifying the church, the ministry coordinator, Jenny Motley, will reach out to you to establish and schedule a meal train. Church volunteers will deliver 10 delicious home-cooked suppers over 3 weeks. Allow us to take one thing off your plate and bless your family with a meal.

Haiti Mission Partner

The 2021 Easter Offering at Church of the Saviour was designated for Haiti Ministries, our international mission partners. The two distinct organizations are Servants In Fellowship and Faith Academy. What are these organizations doing, in light of travel restrictions due to Covid pandemic and the civil unrest in Haiti?

Faith Academy, directed by Fanfan Janvier, is beginning construction of a new school, located near the old Clinic, which will serve about 300 PreK and Kindergarten students. This will address a huge need in the Croix des Bouquets area and also free up classroom space at the current Faith Academy. Donations to Faith Academy are accepted on the SIF website, www.sifministries.org, and 100% are administered directly to Fanfan as needed.

Normally, this would be the time of year that he SIF missionaries, Travis and Erin Brubaker, would be busy hosting teams. However, travel restrictions remain in place due to the Covid pandemic and serious political and civil unrest. The Brubakers and SIF have continued to serve God in Haiti by ministering to Haitians in new ways, including:

- the Hand Washing, Masks and Food effort
- building homes with Haitian staff when they are able
- expanding on the work of Junior Cineas, our SIF spiritual outreach coordinator who brings the Gospel message to the communities where we have built homes
- working with other churches and organizations in Haiti to support their efforts, such as outreach to Haitian youth
- running the guesthouse, which has become a popular destination for Haitian families celebrating weddings or other special occasions

Your financial support to the SIF operating fund allows the continuation of these activities because it allows us to pay our Haitian staff, including Junior and Fanfan, as well as pay the guesthouse rent and bills. Please watch the video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oAUnbHMQ_YI

to see pictures of these people and activities. Contributions to the Haiti Operating Budget are welcomed on the SIF website, www.sifministries.org. If you are interested in participating in a Virtual Mission Team, please contact Barb Daniel (891-4564 or barb_daniel@yahoo.com). Thank you!

May

2 – Youth Small Groups

9 – MOTHERS DAY – NO YOUTH GROUP

15 – Serve Saturday (9-11am)

16 – Youth Small Groups

23 – Graduation Sunday – NO YOUTH GROUP

30 – MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND – NO YOUTH GROUP

June

6 – Summer Sunday Series (7-8:30pm)

12 – Children's Ministry Amazing Chemistry Show (12:30-3:30)

13 – Summer Sunday Series

20 – Summer Sunday Series

27 – Summer Sunday Series

July

18-24 – Local Summer Missions Week

Weekly Youth Update

Each Tuesday, our Youth Pastor, Jayk, sends out an email update with all the information you want to know about upcoming events & ministry opportunities for students in grades 7-12. If you would like to register for this email distribution, please email our Youth Pastor, Jayk, at jayk.hinze@cos-umc.org

Sunday Afternoon Youth Small Groups

This school year, because of the pandemic, we are meeting for Sunday youth group in a slightly alternative way. We are meeting in small groups of 10 or less in rooms around the church where we can be socially distanced and safe. We require all participants to wear their mask throughout our meetings, and we encourage an abundance of hand sanitizing. If you would like to know more about getting connected to one of our youth small groups, please email our Youth Pastor, Jayk Hinze at jayk.hinze@cos-umc.org

Our groups meet (almost) every Sunday during the following times:

Sr. High (grades 9-12): 3:00-4:30pm

Jr. High (grades 7-8): 4:00-5:30pm

May Holidays

During the month of May, we will only meet for Youth Small Groups on the 2nd and the 16th. In celebration of Mother's Day, Graduation, and Memorial Day, we will not gather for youth activities on those Sundays.

Service Saturday!

Serve Saturdays

Serve Saturdays are a monthly service opportunity for students, adults, and the whole family! Each month, we will have a variety of ways you can get involved. We will have in-person projects including yard work, construction, painting, and donation sorting. We will also have projects you can work on from home or on your own such as donation shopping or meal prep.

Our next two scheduled Serve Saturdays is on May15th, and the times for participating will vary based upon the specific needs we have that month.

Graduation Sunday

On Sunday, May 23rd, we plan to honor all of our graduating High School seniors as a part of our morning worship services. If you are related to a graduating senior and you would like them to be recognized in our worship service, please email our Youth Pastor, Jayk Hinze, at jayk.hinze@cos-umc.org

Summer Sunday Series

This summer, all students in grades 7-12 are invited to take part in our Summer Sunday Series from 7-8:30pm on Sunday evenings starting June 6th. This 90 minute gathering will be a relaxed time of fellowship focused around a specific, different activity each week (i.e. arts & crafts, science exploration, etc.). These Sunday evening events will take place at the church building, and we will be outside whenever the weather allows, so students should bring a lawn chair with them when they come!

Amazing Chemistry Show Children's Ministry Event

This summer, our Children's Ministry at Church of the Saviour is going to experience an Amazing Chemistry Show & event on Saturday, June 12th! Our Children's Discipleship Director, Michelle, is looking for some student volunteers who can help make this awesome event happen. If you are interested in learning more about this exciting opportunity, you can email Jayk at jayk.hinze@cos-umc.org or Michelle at michelle.shiparski@cos-umc.org

Youth Summer Missions Week

This summer, all students in grades 7-12 are invited to join us for a week of local missions where we have the chance to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus right here in our own community. We will jumpstart our week in the evening on Sunday, July 18th before launching into a week of intentional service, worship, and fun! During the days, students will serve on work teams accomplishing projects throughout our community, and in the evenings, we will gather for worship, games, food, and more! And for anyone who participated in our local missions week last summer: we've got some special twists for this year, so you won't want to miss out! Stay tuned for additional details about this awesome week of service for our students, and please feel free to reach out to our Youth Pastor, Jayk, at jayk.hinze@cos-umc.org if you have any questions.

Participation in this summer's Youth Missions Week is $50/person, and there are sponsorships available to help with these costs. You can register yourself (or your students) On This Page!

Wanted: Mission Week Adult Leaders

We are also still looking for adult leaders to help chaperone our students and work alongside them in accomplishing the many projects we will take on this summer. If you would like to help out for the whole week or even part of the week, please email our Youth Pastor, Jayk, at jayk.hinze@cos-umc.org

April 25th was Confirmation Sunday! This year, we celebrated alongside 11 awesome 8th grade students as they took a meaningful step of faith in their relationship with Christ! We invite you to continue praying for this year's Confirmation class. *2021 Confirmands include: Lowell (Diego) Boord, Jaden Chamberlin, Mari Connors, Sonia Davis, Zoe Hams, Evan Hoge, Carter Lucas, Seth Quarry, Madelline Richman, Jadyn Talbott-Boord, Dorothea Willis.*

Our Deerfield Clean-up team was hard at work during our **April Serve Saturday event.** You can join the fun too - watch for details about our next service event on Saturday, May 15th!

Helping Hands Ministry

"This service that you perform is not only supplying the needs of the Lord's people but is also overflowing in many expressions of thanks to God." - 2 Corinthians 9:12

A new ministry is coming to Church of the Saviour called Helping Hands. Helping Hands connects those who need help with those who can help. It's that simple.

If you or someone you know has a need, communicate this need through our Helping Hands page on our church website. It will be received confidentially by church staff and we will establish a way for you to receive help.

In some instances, we will identify needs that can be fulfilled by people within our church community. These needs will be posted on the Helping Hands page of our church website where you can sign-up to volunteer to help. In order to protect the person receiving help, the need will remain anonymous until the connection is made to the person providing help.

Examples of these needs are:

- A meal train sign-up
- Someone to run errands such as shopping
- Help with technology such as how to use Zoom

Some needs are better fulfilled by a service team. These service teams will be organized through a church-wide monthly service day called "Service Saturday". If you are interested in volunteering for a Service Saturday, go to our Helping Hands page of our website for more information or to sign-up.

Examples of work performed on a Service Saturday are:

- Yardwork
- Changing lightbulbs or fire alarm batteries
- Simple home repairs
- Painting

Whether you need help or want to help, Helping Hands is the place to get connected. Get connected to help. Get connected to serving. Get connected to God.

Dave Smith Announces Retirement

Dave Smith officially retires, April 30, 2021.

Dave Smith will be retiring from Church of the Saviour after eight years of faithful service to our congregation as the Director of Operations. We invite you to personally thank him for a job well done! You may send your best wishes to the church office, 8005 Pfeiffer Rd., Cincinnati, OH 45242.

Throughout Dave's time as Director of Operations, he has served this church with love, integrity, passion and a whole lot of hard work!

If you ask Dave about his job, he will tell you, "if it doesn't deal with preaching, teaching, or singing, it lands on my desk!" And boy is that the truth! His impact can be felt walking down every hall and into every room in the church – literally. Most recently, Dave spearheaded our Capital Campaign projects which saw, among many other things, a complete redo of the parsonage, now known as the Peace House.

While the office at Church of the Saviour won't be the same without his boisterous laugh, trail mix, fresh Reese Cups, and coffee talk, we know he, and his family will still be a constant presence in the life of the church community, and of course leading his Sunday School Class. Dave is looking forward to taking the next year and completing his a lot of his wife Sharon's 'honey-do' list!

Please join us in wishing Dave well as he begins this new chapter, starting with a trip to Texas for his favorite BBQ!

Thank you for everything, Dave!

Happy Retirement Dave!

United Methodist Women

I am sad to report there will be no rummage sale this year, again. The risks are too great. The church has been opening some for worship but not quite enough for UMW to hold our annual weeklong preparation and sales event.

We would love to proceed but we need to resist for now. It says in Ecclesiastes 3:1, "There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under the heavens".

So maybe in 2022! There is always hope that we can return to normal this fall and next year. For now, we recommend you take your donations to any one of the places listed below.

1. Matthew 25 Ministries ---There is a collection bin in the back parking lot at church or you can take it to the main location on 11060 Kenwood Rd near Cornell Rd.

2. For Children's Clothing—On May 29, Mothers and Daughters Group will be going to Jack's Closet from 9-11 am to sort new and gently used children's clothing. Please let me know and we can get your donations to them.

3. Snooty Fox--A consignment store that sells shoes, clothing, purses and jewelry which need to be newer—in the past two years fashion wise. Church of the Saviour UMW has an account at the Harper's Point/Montgomery Rd location #23114 or Blue Ash Kenwood Rd location #20260. You donate your items and UMW receives a percentage of the sale.

4. Snooty Fox Furniture Den at Harper's Point accepts furniture, lamps, framed pictures and accessories. Provide a picture if it is a large item. All items must be in like new condition. The account is #7753.

5. New Life Furniture Bank—Accepts gently used furniture, lamps, household items, linens, kitchen utensils, pots and pans to provide to those in need throughout Greater Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky. They even pick up items for a $30 fee. Due to COVID 19 precautions, they have to pick up from your garage or porch. They are located at 11335 Reed Hartmann Highway #134, Blue Ash 45241. See their website for more information and hours--info@nlfurniture.org

6. St Vincent de Paul --- We have been donating leftover rummage sale items to St Vincent de Paul. They would send a truck to collect all the items not sold. This was such a wonderful service. They help struggling neighbors when they need it most for over 150 years in Cincinnati. Check out their web site to find a donation center near you.

Thank you for all your support over the years to our annual rummage sale. The sale started in the early days when the women at COS first decided to become a unit over 60 years ago.

"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing." - 1 Thessalonians 5:11

Pam Senefeld
UMW President

The Mothers and Daughters Group: To ALL mothers, daughters, grandmothers, granddaughters and any other women at COS! Join the Mothers and Daughters group on Saturday, May 29, from 9-11 am as we travel to Clough UMC a second time for those unable to join us in April, to learn about their in-house ministry, Jack's Closet (for children in foster or kinship care). We'll learn more about what it is and how it got started and then help with sorting, organizing, and whatever else is needed. It's a beautiful mission and a great way to support a fellow Methodist church! Gently used and new Children's clothing of all sizes may be donated.

We will meet at Church of the Saviour around 8:30 am and return around 11:30 am. (Times may vary slightly.) If you prefer to meet at Clough, the address is 2010 Wolfangel Road, 45255 (Anderson Township, on the corner of Clough and Wolfangel) Call Pam Senefeld (514-314-5042) or Jennifer Ehlers (514-739-2064) for more information or to sign up to attend. Size is limited so contact us ASAP.

Susanna Wesley Women in Mission will meet over Zoom on Thursday, May 13 at 7:00pm. Please contact Sandy King at 513-260-4717 if you'd like to be included.

Lydia Needlecrafters meet the first and third Wednesday of every month at 5:30 pm in a ZOOM meeting. During the quarantine, we have been busy knitting prayer shawls, baby blankets, baby hats and scarves for students leaving foster care.

Many recipients give feedback about how their prayer shawl helped them so much and how appreciative they were about the gift and the effort that went in to creating it. If you know someone in need of God's blessings and warmth, call Donna Steinmetz (513-563-7144), call or text Pam Senefeld (513-314-5042), email Bonnie Nesbit (bonniepnesbitt@hotmail.com), or contact Pastor Vicki at church.

United Methodist Women

THINK SPRING

Attention all gardeners, and anyone needing gift plants, garden related gift items, or gift cards, etc. for Mother's Day or any other upcoming Spring celebratory occasion. You still have one more week to support our church's United Methodist Women's Spring Gardening Fundraiser at Denny McKeown's Bloomin' Garden Center on Kenwood Road in Blue Ash.

We are currently into the last week of our three week fundraiser so if you missed the opportunity so far, you still have this last week which ends on and includes Mother's Day on May 9.

Bloomin' is generously donating to our church's United Methodist Women, 10% of all sales during this three week fundraiser which will be used to support church missions. The need is even greater right now. There is no additional cost to you and you do not need to present anything at your time of purchase. The Bloomin' staff will all be advised to allow you to simply give your word at time of purchase that you are shopping for our church fundraiser in order for us to get the credit.

We appreciate and thank those of you who have already shopped our gardening fundraiser. We ask you to please support this very worthy fundraiser.. Your support is needed more now than ever this year since due to the pandemic, we will not be having our big annual rummage sale again for the second year in a row.

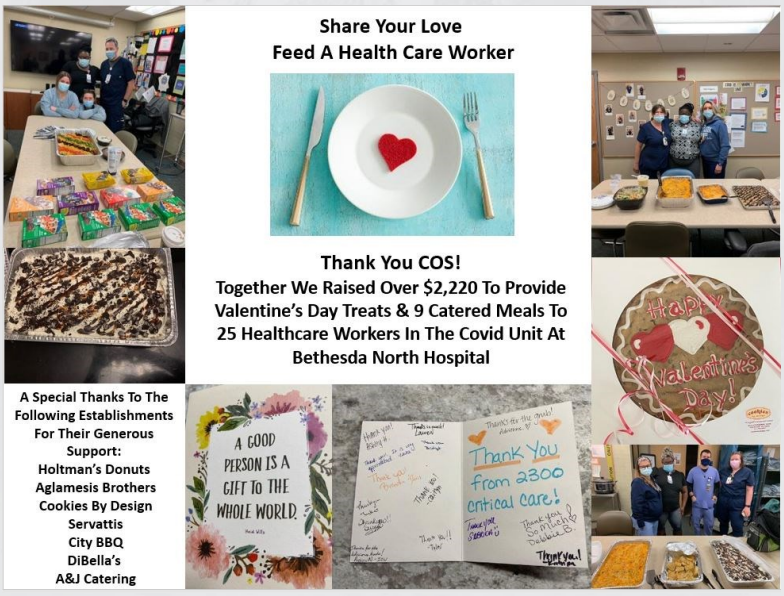
For questions, please contact: Joyce Spreckelmeier, gardner @cinci.rr.com or 891-1434

UMW-Kroger Community Rewards Program

The UMW thanks the 49 households who participate in the Kroger Community Rewards program and who have designated the COS-UMW as the organization they wish to benefit. The UMW donates all monies received from the program to charities benefitting women and children.

To join the program, go to www.krogercommunityrewards.com and type XL812 in the search box for the organization you wish to benefit. You should receive a confirmatory email.

For more information contact Melody Overton at signof4@msn.com/513-446-5651.



Find Your Place to Serve

Audio Visual Techs help create an atmosphere where people can experience the presence of God. Team members operate audio, video, lights, and graphics to support the mission and message in worship. No experience is required. We provide all the training you need. Email Nick Stockburger today and get started.

Learn more about Audio Visual Techs

Audio Technician

An Exciting Opportunity for You

Some people with a passion for music and worship contribute to services without ever singing, playing a note, leading prayer, or giving a testimony.

They are audio technicians. In the sanctuary, audios techs run the sound controls for a live service or help with a recording session for online worship. People who serve in this role help create an effective listening environment for any situation and ensure that sound is delivered clearly for all to understand.

Audio is a blend of art, technology, and worship, and audio techs work to make every worship, every event, and every recording an avenue for delivering the Gospel message. Put your creative passion to work, join the audio tech team, and start training today.

Visit our AV Tech Team webpage to learn more or contact Nick Stockburger (nick.stockburger@cos-umc.org) to sign up.

Youth Choir Returns May 5!

Worship and Arts is excited to announce that Youth Choir returns to Church of the Saviour on Wednesday, May 5 at 6:00pm. Because it has been more than a year, we will start slow and easy to get your voices going again.

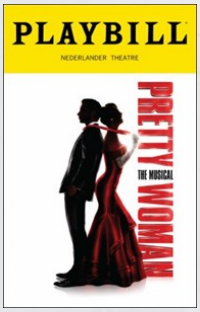
Practice begins in the sanctuary before we transition to the fellowship hall after 30 minutes. The air-refresh rates for those spaces make it possible to sing safely with 6-foot distance for a period of 30 minutes.

We provide all singers with a special mask that gives maximum protection. Our Endowment Grant provided funding for those masks. Now is the time to talk it up, bring a friend, and get ready to sing. Got questions? Email Joe Galyon (joe.galyon@cos-umc.org).

Adventurers Upcoming Events

Who are the Adventurers? This mission of this group is to offer several outreach fellowship programs that are not age restricted but are geared to all Baby Boomers, Empty Nesters, and Seniors (or those who will admit to being one). There is no membership – you are invited to come whenever and to whatever tickles your interest or imagination – and it's a great way to meet other Church of the Saviour folks.

Mark your calendar we will be "**Firing Up the Grills**", on Wednesday, September 15. We are having our 1st post COVID event! Enjoy a visit with your friends, grilled hamburgers and hot dogs (or bring your own meat) and some little Corn Hole fun (for those who want to participate). Bring a dish to share. Water and sodas will be provided. We won't know which Blue Ash Shelter until June but watch for updates. This will be open to all COS Adults. Sign up information to come.



"Pretty Women" a fun Broadway musical at the Aronoff, Wed., October 20, 8:00 pm show, $60.00. The musical show is based on 1990s film of the same name. I have limited group seats in rows G and H of the Loge. Dinner together before hand is optional. If you want to join us, call or send an email to Jane Kieninger (513 489 6022, jkieninger@aol.com) by Aug. 8, 2021. Seats are limited .

COS on the Go AGAIN! Fall 4 day 3 night motorcoach tour to Pennsylvania Amish-land and Hershey, PA. Monday November 8 through Thursday, Nov 11. Cost $570 (double occupancy). $50 deposit will hold your spot. Mail your check made out to 'COS' to Jane Kieninger 211 Legacy Lane, Cincinnati, OH 45249 (fully refundable until final payment). This trip is limited to 40 passengers. Deposit deadline is July 15, final payment due September 13.

Trip includes:

- 3 nights lodging, 3 Breakfasts, 3 dinners
- "Queen Ester" show at Sight and Sound Theatre
- " Deck the Halls" at the America Music Theatre
- Guided tour of the Amish Country-side with stops at Amish Craft Farm and Bake shop
- Hershey's Chocolate World (make your own chocolate bar)
- Stop at Flight 93 Memorial and more

For a detailed flyer email Jane at jkieninger@aol.com. This trip is a White Star tour excursion for COS members and guests. Questions? Contact Jane at 513-489-6022.

UPCOMING – Other activities that you might enjoy (all ages):

Bridge Group – COS Bridge group is currently not meeting due to COVID.

Men's Lunch Group – Zooming (right now) Every Tuesday at 11:30 am – 1:00 pm. Bring a sack lunch. Share stories, views of current events and explore almost any topic. All men are welcome. Group Leader is Ed Daniels with help from Arnie Penix. If you are interested call Ed at 891-4564 or email him at edaniel3151@gmail.com to get the zoom link. No reservations are required.

Matthew 25 Mission Opportunity – Friday, April 9. 9:00. Starting in April this COS mission will meet the 2nd Friday of every month (with a couple of exceptions) from 9:00 to 11:30 am at Matthew 25, 11060 Kenwood Road. Matthew 25 is an international humanitarian aid and disaster relief organization. Typical jobs could involve sorting clothes, or pill bottles or hospital supplies to send to needy areas in the USA and abroad. Come and see how fun and fulfilling service can be! Meet us at Matthew 25 at 9, then lunch together afterwards (optional). Group coordinator is Leslie Bricker. Please sign up by contacting her at mobricker@msn.com or 513 410 2267. Or go on your own – call Leslie with signup information.

Matthew 25 Ministries is currently scheduling individuals (16 years and older), households/families of all ages, and small groups for volunteer shifts Monday through Friday between the hours of 9:00—4:00 pm STARTING MARCH 1ST. You will work for a two hour shift, under the supervision of the staff at Matthew 25 Ministries. Most often you will be sorting clothes, pill bottles and hospital supplies, getting them ready to be shipped to places all over the world where a need is identified.

Builder's Are Going Camping

Join the Builders as we go to Jellystone Park Mammoth Cave, located in Cave City, Kentucky. We are going Thursday, June 24 through Sunday, June 27. Families will book individual cabins or tent campsites. If you would like additional information, please contact Carrie Feldmeyer at 655-5714 or benfeldmeyer@yahoo.com

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