

Good News in Ono

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Ono United Methodist Church

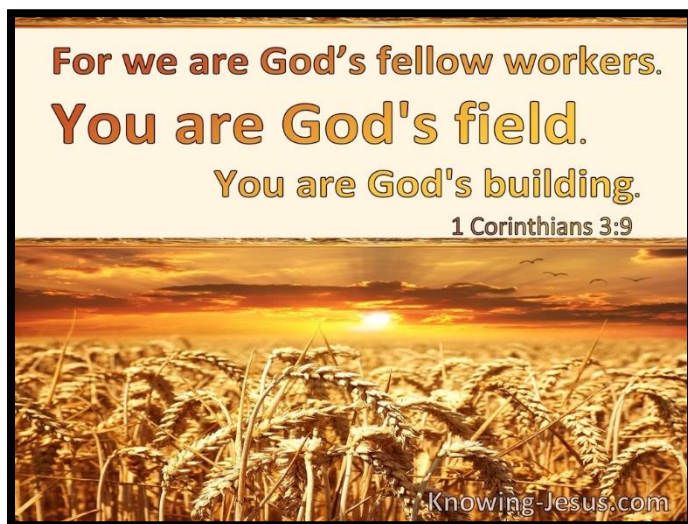
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For we are God's co-workers; you are God's field, God's building. Using the grace God gave me, I laid a foundation, like a skilled master-builder; and another man is building on it. But let each one be careful how he builds. For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Yeshua the Messiah. Some will use gold, silver or precious stones in building on this foundation; while others will use wood, grass or straw. But each one's work will be shown for what it is; the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed by fire — the fire will test the quality of each one's work. If the work someone has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward; if it is burned up, he will have to bear the loss: he will

still escape with his life but it will be like escaping through a fire.

1 Corinthians 3. 9-15 (CJB)

My first confirmation class was a memorable one. We had a large church and a large group, but what I remember most was the extreme commitment from a handful of them. I was certain in our conversations that they would become the future leaders of the church. One of them would be ordained in the Assemblies of God denomination. He and his wife were dedicated to worship and leading others in worship. He spoke with such great and powerful conviction. Witnessing him develop into a leader in the church made my heart feel full. Any part I had in God directing him down this path seemed like a great gift.

A few years ago, I noticed a change. He seemed to be struggling. Before I knew it, he had left his church and his family moved to Florida where he could begin a career as a school teacher. My heart broke. What happened? He became very vocal in his disbelief. I would say he went so far as becoming an anti-evangelist. My heart broke more. I still remember the fervor of his faith as a youth. I even found his last sermon on-line. He spoke with great conviction. I would have never guessed that he was floundering to believe the words that sprung from his mouth. As I was pondering this driving down the road, I felt God leading me to our summer sermon series.

Constructing our faith is important. Like anything that is valuable, it does not simply happen. You need to commit time, effort and resources to build faith. The most fundamental part of any building is the foundation. If the foundation is not firm, then no matter how great the building may seem, it is at risk. So, as with any building, let us make sure our foundation is in Jesus Christ. He is our unshakeable foundation. I feel like Dee and I have been through some exceptionally difficult situations. Through it all it was Jesus who kept us firm. It was not our faith, our wisdom, or any abilities we brought. There have been times when all of those have been shaken. But Jesus remains our steadfast foundation. As we commit to a "Summer of Construction" may we never forget who our foundation is.

That being said, help me construct the sermon series. What has helped build your faith? How did things build your faith? What struggles have you gone through that reshaped your faith? I often remind myself that Scripture talks about us, not simply me. So when it says you are God's building, it is a plural you. So let us build this series together. Call me, text me, email me, however you want. I would value your input as we allow God to transform us into His Holy Temple.

Pastor Robb



Team Nashville is gearing up for our summer mission trip, June 16-21, 2024! Our team will be working with various urban ministries including elder care, child care, homeless shelters, food banks and more. We are so thankful for prayer and financial support of the congregation. Mission trips are impactful weeks in the lives of our teens! Please continue to pray for our team and God would use us to build his kingdom through service and that God would work on each of our hearts as we faithfully serve Him!

SHINE 2024! On Sunday June 2 the youth will be leading us in worship at both services. The theme this year is Shine! Based on Matthew 5:14-16, Jesus calls us to be the light of the world and let our lights shine before others that they may give God the glory for all the great things he is doing! We hope you will be encouraged to Shine for Jesus! Also we are excited to commission our mission team and congratulate our high school seniors! Please take a moment to write a note of encouragement to them over the next few weeks!

HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Adam Davis	Joel Seibert
Marina Weidman	Maddy Pho
Emily Shuey	Rhett Walker



We celebrated God's goodness to us this whole school year during our Wednesday programs by meeting up at Pine Meadows for a round of mini golf with parents, kids and teens. It was a beautiful evening of lots of hole in ones and fellowship! We ended the hot evening with ice cold popsicles! It was a real joy this year to once a month team up with our Ono kids for Acts of Kindness nights. It is our hope that our teens enjoyed being mentors for the kids and that kids are seeing teens who love Jesus!





OUTREACH MINISTRY

Extending love to our neighbours



FAMILY FALL Festival

Planning Meeting

On June 4th @ 7pm

Free Food Box Distribution June 8th, at 1pm

TILL THEY ARE GONE!

at Jonestown UMC

SPREAD THE NEWS!

Questions? Contact Becky Moyer.
She'll be happy to speak with you!



Backpacks Hope

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Thank you Church, we couldn't do this ministry without you!

We continue to supply the Lebanon County Children and Youth with supplies for their Visitation Room. Because of your kind donations, we continue to bless The Lebanon Valley Domestic Violence Intervention Office with needs for the women and children that seek refuge there.

If you know of anyone needing help, please share this number: (717)273-7190

Serving At The Gospel Center:

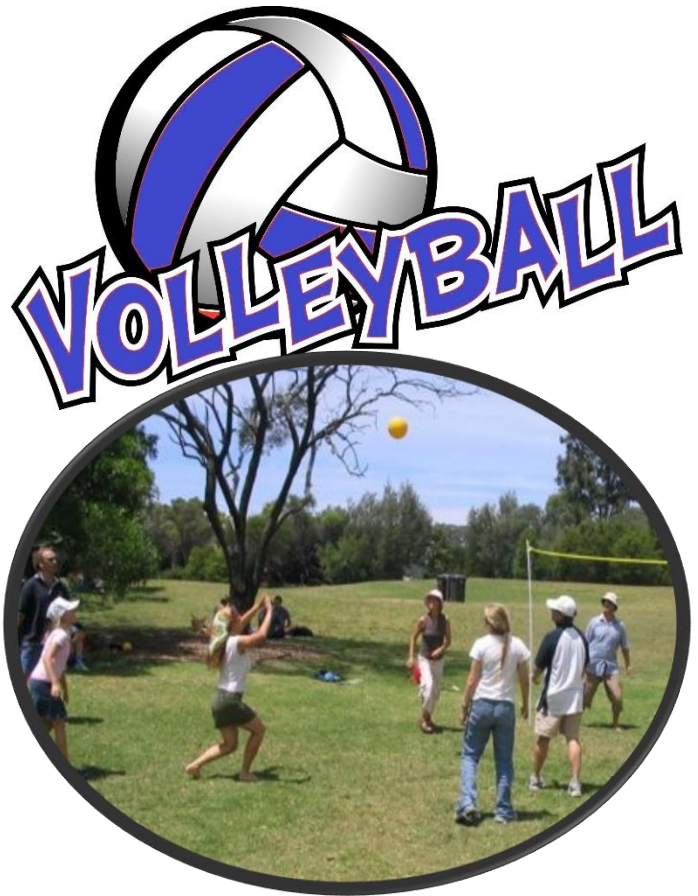
A group from Ono shares worship and a meal with the folks at the Gospel Center in Lebanon Co. There are many ways you can share in this ministry! – donations of food, money or gift cards, bake a dessert, help to serve the meal, share a musical talent during the worship service or share a testimony! We're serving on June 29th at 4pm, Please contact Jeannette @ 717-644-1831 or Kim @ 717-926-5077 for information.



Located at the former Jonestown Elementary School, opened on Saturday February 24th. County Commissioner, JoEllen Litz and the Mayor of Jonestown as well as Tim Laubach from IU13 and our own Pastor Robb were there.

The clothing closet will be open for intake and selection of free clothing on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday and Thursday of each month. Children's clean, gently used or new shoes are needed.

Call 717-454-3697 with any questions.



Volleyball is in the air!

Any youth (minimum age: entering 7th grade in the fall) or adults interested in playing on the church league volleyball team may see or phone Mike Edris(717-460-4063). Games are played on Thursdays.



6/2 Rick Rollman
6/2 Ginger Hershey
6/3 Vernice Helms
6/5 Peter Helms
6/6 Lily Blauch
6/6 Katie Govern
6/7 Vanessa Helms
6/8 Lenny Gibble
6/10 Esther Wentling
6/10 Emma High
6/10 Anna Kolacek
6/11 MaKenzi Knauff
6/11 Barb Pennycoff
6/13 Kathy Long
6/13 Lauren Murray
6/15 Ken George
6/15 Dianne Shepps
6/16 Mindy Harmon

6/16 LaClaria Steiner
6/18 Abby Boyanowski
6/20 Linda Edris
6/21 Mike Rittle
6/22 George Marinkov
6/22 Lynn Brown
6/22 Angela Pho
6/24 Clyde Meyer
6/24 Cassie Pennycoff
6/24 Joanne Siegrist
6/27 Rose Marinkov
6/27 Jeri Peiffer
6/28 Jim Bragg
6/28 Susan Hazel
6/30 Celessi Ussery
6/30 Rawley Walker





Krystin Blauch

Transferred from First Presbyterian Church
of Flushing, NY

Tammy Boyer

Transferred from Fishing Creek Valley,
Trinity EC Church

Julie Fields

Transferred from Christ Presbyterian
Church

Sarah Fields

Transferred from Christ Presbyterian
Church

Sue Hawley

Transferred from Christ Presbyterian
Church

Becky Moyer

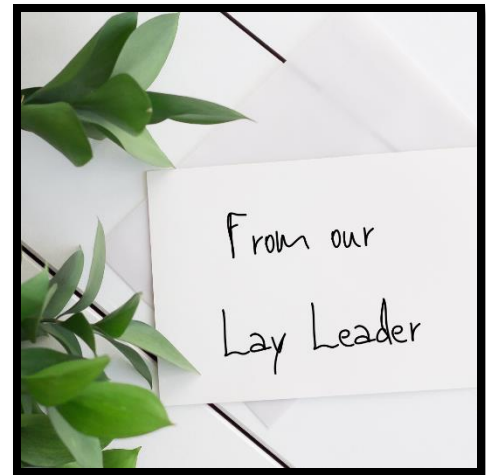
Transferred from Christ Presbyterian
Church

Don Murry

Confession of Faith

Kelley Rudy

Transferred from Jonestown UMC



Re: Aftermath of 2024 UMC General Conference

Hello All,

At its May 28th meeting, Ad Council decided to advertise to the congregation the creation of a committee whose main task would be to organize the beginning of a discernment process at Ono about Ono's future. I will lead this group as Lay Leader. The 2 most immediate actions of this group will be to: 1) organize a presentation to the congregation about what happened at the UMC 2024 General Conference, and 2) host a congregational meeting at which time this presentation will be given. Desirably, the committee would have volunteer members from both congregations, both young and old, and both men and women.

The Congregational meeting will give time for Q and A and will be open to all members and attendees of Ono Church. Ad Council is seeking congregational feedback and reaction to General Conference decisions at this meeting.

The date and time of the congregational meeting will be announced as soon as possible.

If you would like to be a member of this committee, or if you have any questions/concerns about the aftermath of 2024 General Conference, please contact me (text or call) at 717 679-5381. You may also email me at ekwent@comcast.net

Thank you for your continued interest and prayer in this matter.

Eric Wentling

REACH UP

REACH IN

REACH OUT



VBS Volunteer Kick-Off
Dinner
Sunday, June 2nd
5:30pm
followed by decorating
our halls!

**We're gearing up for a great
VBS!**

Everyone's welcome!

Sunday June 9th – 13th
from 6-8pm!





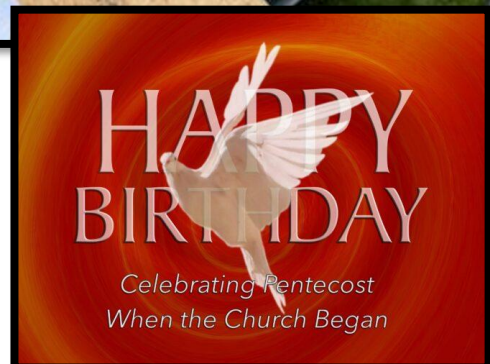
Flag Day is a holiday celebrated on June 14 in the United States. It commemorates the adoption of the flag of the United States on June 14, 1777 by resolution of the Second Continental Congress.^[1] The Flag Resolution stated "That the flag of the thirteen United States be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the union be thirteen stars, white in a blue field, representing a new constellation.



June 16th!



A Circle of unity closed our Pentecost service on May 19! We welcomed new members, shared in the baptism of one of precious children, sang praises, and testified to God's presence in our midst!





Pastor Robb and Dee would like to invite you to join them for an evening of Dessert and Dialogue! Please let us know you are coming by signing the sheet located in the narthex. Our June gatherings are:
Wednesday, June 26th @ 6:30pm
and
Sunday, June 30th @ 6:30pm
 Bring a comfy chair!



**Ono will be hosting the
 2024 Lebanon County Fire Fighter Memorial
 Service**

Friday, June 14th @ 7:00pm



Children's Ministry Pool Party!

Join us for a dip!

Wednesday June 26th @ 6:00pm

See Jess Miller for details!



Thank you, Leah Staley
 For all that you and George do to keep
 us all informed!

