



What's Happening at Bluffton Presbyterian Church

December 2017

Growing in Faith • Sharing God's Love

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Sunday, December 3 – Communion

3 Cents a Meal Offering
Advent Candle: McGarrity Family
Special Music: Choir / Sarah Gillen
Sue Van Eman, Organist
Sound: Bob Hursh / Slides: Julia Szabo
Lay Reader: Dave Sycks
Greeters: Gene and Sue Matthewson
Acolyte: McVetta Girls

Sunday, December 10 – Youth Service

Advent Candle: Youth
Special Music: Sarah Gillen / Youth Choir /
Libby, Morgan, and Owen, Pianists
Sound: Mike Rhonemus / Slides: Diane Winebar
Greeters: Youth
Acolyte: Paige McVetta

Sunday, December 17

Advent Candle: Marshall Family
Special Music: Choir
Sound: Jay McCracken / Slides: Leslie Freed
Lay Reader: Lin Rumer
Greeters: Ryan and Sarah Brauen
Acolyte: Sarah Gillen

Sunday, December 24

Advent Candle: Hursh Family
Special Music: Lori Schmidt
Sound: Mike Rhonemus / Slides: Cathy Carroll
Lay Reader: Carole Enneking
Greeters: Don and Cathy Carroll
Acolyte: Owen Brauen

Sunday, December 24 – Christmas Eve Service

Advent Candle: Rhonemus Family
Special Music: Choir / Don Brauen
Sound: Mike Rhonemus / Slides: Cathy Carroll
Greeters: Jay and Anne McCracken
Acolyte: Owen Brauen

Mark Your Calendars!

- December 3 – Congregational Meeting – Following Worship
- December 3 – Youth Service Rehearsal – 3:30 to 5:00 PM (Younger Children 3:30 to 4:15 PM)
- December 3 – Youth Group – 5:00 to 7:00 PM
- December 4 – Worship with Communion at Maple Crest led by Pastor Karol – 4:00 PM
- December 10 – Fellowship Sponsored by Youth – Following Worship
- December 10 – Youth Group Gift Wrapping – Following Worship until 2:00 PM – Lunch Provided
- December 10 – Ignite Group Christmas Caroling – Meet at BPC – 2:00 PM. Fellowship at the home Jim and Carole following
- December 13 – Pastor Relations Committee – 5:30 PM
- December 14 – Joint Deacon and Session Meeting – 7:00 PM
- December 18 – New Beginnings – 7:00 PM
- December 22 – College/Young Adult Gathering Hosted by Pastor Karol at the manse – 6:00 PM
- December 24 – Christmas Eve Service
6:45 PM – Special Prelude Music
7:00 PM – Candlelight Service
- December 24 – No Youth Sunday School
- December 24 – Newsletter Items Deadline
CEGillen@MarathonPetroleum.com
- December 31 – No Youth Sunday School
- January 7 – Annual Reports Due to Cathy Carroll

WORSHIP SCHEDULE CONTINUED

Sunday, December 31

Preacher: Tenna Rhonemus
Special Music: Don Brauen
Sound: Mike Rhonemus / Slides: Diane Winebar
Lay Reader: Beth Buist
Greeters: Owen and Kay Ziessler
Acolyte: Avery Talavinia

Sunday, January 7 – Communion

Lay Reader: Lori Schmidt

Pastor's Letter:

Advent is here – wait, what is that again? As we find ourselves at the beginning of a new liturgical year, here's a brief refresher on the season from *The Thoughtful Christian*:

The season of Advent begins on the fourth Sunday before Christmas. Advent means “coming” or “arrival.” Advent anticipates not only the birth of Jesus but also the coming of Christ at the end of time, to fulfill God's intention for creation and to bring a new heaven and a new earth into being. When the celebration of Advent first began, the focus was on the coming of Christ into the future more than on the birth of Jesus. Early liturgical calendars placed Advent at the end of the church year rather than at the beginning for this very reason. During Advent, we read from the prophet Isaiah, who told of the Savior who would bring hope to God's people in a time of oppression. We recall the role of John the Baptist, calling for people to repent of their sins in preparation for the coming of the Messiah. We are reminded of God's steadfast love for us in a world that is unsettled and ever changing. We reaffirm that God is engaged in the workings of creation, for God is with us—Emmanuel. The church faces the ongoing challenge of celebrating Advent as its own season and not rushing too quickly into Christmas. The time of repentance and preparation is necessary before we welcome the Savior into our lives and into the world.

As we prepare to spread joy through gifts this season, I invite you to consider these words on cheerful giving from the devotion I wrote for a recent issue of *The Bluffton News* (in case you missed it):

Give what you can, take what you need. These are the words posted on the door of the Little Free Pantry located at Bluffton Presbyterian Church. Every time I walk past the pantry, I glance over to see what has been added, taken, or rearranged. The inventory is usually a bit different, but almost always filled with a variety of items available to anyone who chooses to take part. No one is required to contribute a minimum amount; no one is prevented from taking more than a certain number of items.

Give what you can, take what you need. What if this were a motto for all of life, not just how to use a tiny food sharing system? What if we *really* gave what we could to others, in terms of time, love, and care; and *fully* received what others offered to us in times of need, even though our pride might try to stop us? What if we took more time to make sure those around us feel truly welcome, whether it is in worship on Sunday morning or at a game on Friday night? What if we tried to meet the needs of others as frequently as we do for ourselves?

Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver (2 Corinthians 9:7, NIV). The Little Free Pantry and the Word of God both remind us that our intentions matter. This is true any time we give to the Church or to other organizations that do good work in the world. God is not exclusively concerned with how much we give to others; the “why” matters, too. Focusing on the amount of money or goods we give may allow us to fall back on external standards of what constitutes a sufficient or impressive contribution. Instead, if we consider our internal motivations, as well as our attitudes throughout the process, we will learn much more about the ways in which giving can make us better people.

Being a cheerful giver can be accomplished with planning and intention, but it cannot happen if hindered by fear and mistrust. Having decided what we can give, we proceed to give cheerfully, trusting that God will use our gifts where they are needed, and celebrating the love we receive from God in countless blessings, especially every opportunity to participate in the giving, receiving, and sharing of gifts with one another.

In Christ,

Pastor Karol



Highlights of November Session Meeting

- Ryan Brauen presented three bids for projection project. Elders went to sanctuary to see options and discuss. Approved to purchase one projector from Barry's – estimate of \$9,893.90 (does not include electrical work) which would be projected on the right side of sanctuary, mount current 65-inch TV on left side of sanctuary, and mount current 65-inch TV in back. Approved that funds for this project would come from the following accounts in Memorial Fund (Marshall Bequest, Marge Triplett, Virginia Edwards, Lois Benroth, Florence Duffield, Richard Moyer, Myrna Englehardt, Ropp Triplett, Kerry Dickey, Louise Reichenbach, Alice Niswander, Mary Emma Triplett, Claralice Wolf, Twylah Ludwig, Richard Evans, and Ruth Wildermuth) Triplett Presbyterian Foundation money, with any remaining balance be taken from Richard Evans Bequest money. Ryan will make arrangements to get electrical work completed and place order with Barry's. Hopeful to be installed by Christmas. Elders really appreciated Ryan's work of securing information for this project.
- Approved to allow Girl Scout Troop to meet in basement on 2nd/4th Mondays from 6:00 to 7:00 PM (opposite Mondays from Michelle Talavinia's Troop). Membership Rolls were reviewed by Pastor Karol, Lynda Best, and Lori Schmidt. Approved the following people be removed from active list and placed on "other" (formerly known as Inactive) list – Brian Edelbrock, Dave Englehardt, Addie McGarrity, Scott Parker, Jeremy Scoles, Stephanie Scoles, Dan Sneary, Gabrielle Sneary, Lindsey Sneary, and Olivia Sneary. Correspondence concerning Tenna Rhonemus allowed to serve communion in our church – no longer requires COM approval, just had to submit info to Moderator of Branch of Congregational Life which has been done. Minutes from Pastor Karol's Installation were sent to MVP. Approved request from Donnas Stone to resign as Deacon. Clerk's 2017 online questionnaire for General Assembly has been submitted.
- Mike Rhonemus is building sump pump cover for manse basement. Wall opening between preschool and office area is not needed for air flow, so foam has been inserted to help sound proof. Light switch in manse basement was replaced and now fluorescent bulb needs replaced. Freezer in garage at manse does not work – will be hauled to recycle. Fans should be left on in sanctuary to help circulate heat. Motion control light needs to be adjusted to come on when people leave the church. Ballast needs to be replaced in church office. Arrangements have been made with Drew's Landscaping for snow removal at church/manse – was informed of preschool. During heavy rainstorm, water came in by stained glass window in front vestibule. Tom will check to see if anything needs recaulked. A clog in sanitary sewer drain caused overflow in toilets – PM Preschool had to be cancelled one day. All Service Aeration cleared the line.
- Youth will be leading worship service on December 10. Hanging of the Greens will be Sunday, November 26 following Worship Service. Christmas Eve service will begin at 7:00 PM with Prelude beginning at 6:45 PM. Choir will sing several numbers during Lessons and Carols Christmas Eve service. Poinsettias have been ordered. Tenna Rhonemus will preach on December 31 when Pastor Karol is on vacation.
- Fleece blankets are being made in November/December to be given to Family Promise and Adopt-a-Family. Holding session at Maple Crest on Saturday, November 18 in the afternoon.
- Approved calling Congregational Meeting for December 3 following worship service for the purpose of electing Elders, Deacons, and Nominating Committee.
- Ignite will be serving Hot Chocolate on November 25 during Blaze of Lights festivities. Installation/Ordination of new officers will be Sunday, January 7.

- Approved giving staff \$50 Christmas gift.
- During October Pastor Karol made 5 pastoral care visits and attended the following in our church – Youth Group, church committee meetings, Manse Open House, Ignite PDA Bucket Assembly, Pastor Relations Committee, small group circles, and Trick or Treat. Presbytery events included attending Lanie Sipes Ordination in Chillicothe (Associate at Christ Presbyterian in Toledo) and two gatherings for new pastors in Maumee Valley Presbytery. Community events included: meeting with various pastors in Bluffton, BAMA, Weekday Christian Education walker, Stephen's Ministry Workshop, Supporting Families through Perinatal Loss Workshop, Opioid/Heroin Crisis Workshop. Approved purchasing a small colored printer for the church office – up to \$300 with money to come from Richard Evans Bequest.
- Blaze of Lights display will be set up on November 11 and 18. Approved letting Ignite/others use the basement on November 18 to provide lunch for those setting up display. Laura and Tyler From are overwhelmed and extremely appreciative of money donated (approximately \$7,000) to purchase new wheelchair for Tyler.

Congregational Meeting

There will be a Congregational Meeting for the purpose of electing 2018 Elders, Deacons, and Nominating Committee on Sunday, December 3, following worship service.

Annual Report

Committee chairs are asked to have typed year-end reports to Cathy Carroll in Church Office by Sunday, January 7.



Per Capita

You are invited to help cover the per capita cost of your membership by making a special donation through our congregation as part of your discipline of stewardship. The per capita amount is \$30.75 per member in 2018. Thank You!



Deacons Report

- A heart-felt *thank you* to everyone who chose the name of a homebound member on November 5. Those whom you chose will be blessed to receive your card, note, or visit in the coming month. Our next Share the Spirit event will be in 2018.
- Home communion dates, December 3 and December 4, were set for those unable to attend church.
- A report was compiled to present to Session at the December meeting of our 2017 Deacon's work.

Communion Services for Homebound Members

Pastor Karol and the Deacons will be extending communion to some of our home-bound members on December 3 and 4. This will include a brief worship service with communion on Monday December 4 at 4:00 PM at Maple Crest. This service is an opportunity for anyone who is unable to attend our regular worship service to participate with us in community in receiving this sacrament.

“Be willing to help and care for each other because of Christ. By doing this, you honor Christ.” Ephesians 5:21



The Deacons are searching for volunteers to help transport members to church who are unable to drive themselves. They may need some assistance when entering certain vehicles.

Your participation in this program will continue to allow us all worship the Lord together as a family. If you're interested in helping, please contact Pastor Karol or any Deacon.



Adopt-a-Family

We have adopted 3 Families through the Bluffton Area Community Assistance Program, for Christmas this year.

- Family #15 – 47 year old male, 43 year old female their 21 year old son, and his 4 year old daughter.
- Family #18 – mom, dad, and two sons ages 14 and 5.
- Family #59 – 83 year old male and 70 year old female

There are wish list items on poster boards in the back of the sanctuary. Please return your item with the proper sticky note attached. The items need to be brought to the church by December 10 so they can be sorted and wrapped. If you have any questions please see a Deacon or Tenna Rhonemus. Thank you so much for caring for our neighbors in need!

Worship December 10

Please join us on December 10 when the children and youth will be leading worship. We will explore the "Preparation Paradox" of Advent through Scripture, prayer, music, and of course a bit of humor!

Youth Group

The Youth Group will be meeting on December 3 from 5:00 to 7:00 PM for our monthly meeting. This will be our Christmas Party! We will have a Bible study, games, food, and fun! Please bring a favorite finger food to share.

Our January meeting will be postponed until January 14. This will be a special mini-retreat! Watch for more details!!

Youth Service Rehearsals

The children and youth will be leading worship on December 10. We will be practicing during the Sunday school hour before then and on Sunday December 3 from 3:30 to 5:00 PM. This will be right before youth group. The younger children are encouraged to be there from 3:30 to 4:15 PM, so they can see how things will work in the sanctuary. We will have a final run through during the Sunday school hour on December 10.

Children/ Youth Sunday School

There will be no classes on December 24 and December 31. Classes will resume on January 7.

Young Adult Gathering

On Friday, December 22, Pastor Karol will host a gathering for our young adult (age 18 through late 20s) members. They will gather at the manse at 6:00 PM for food and fellowship, with a possible trip to Southgate Lanes for bowling to follow. This will be a great opportunity for our college students and others who may be in town for the holidays to reunite and to get to know our new pastor. Please RSVP to 419-581-9232 by Wednesday December 20.

2018 Weekday Christian Ed Walkers

Thursday, January 25
Friday, March 9
Tuesday, March 20
Thursday, April 5
Friday, April 20

Contact Tenna Rhonemus to volunteer.

Mission Report

We are working on blankets to distribute for Christmas. Anyone who wishes to make one; it takes 2 yards to sew and 2 1/2 if you want to knot one. We want to give to Adopt-a-family and family promise. We also worked on the lights and display in the church yard; a big thank you to all who helped. We are excited to do God's mission during this holiday season.



Maple Crest Blanket Work Group

Christmas Joy Offering

For more than 80 years, Presbyterians have given generously at Christmas to lift up those who have devoted their lives to the mission of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.). On December 24, churches throughout the denomination will again receive this special offering. The Christmas Joy Offering is shared equally by the [Assistance Program of the Board of Pensions](#), which provides much-needed assistance to PC (USA) church workers and their families, and Presbyterian-affiliated racial ethnic schools and colleges, which enable students to develop their gifts and find their calling.

Volunteer Opportunity at FPC Findlay

The CHOPIN (Christians Helping Other People in Need) Hall Mobile Food Pantry is sponsored by First Presbyterian Church of Findlay on the 2nd Saturday of the even months of the year. Between 7,500 lbs and 10,000 lbs of food is brought in from the West Ohio Food Bank in Lima and is provided to 150+ families. The next mobile pantry date is Saturday December 9 from 7:30-10:30 AM. If you would like to volunteer, please contact Pastor Karol by Wednesday, December 6.

Little Free Pantry



A Little Free Pantry is now open in downtown Bluffton. It is located on the grounds of the Bluffton Presbyterian Church near the Family Dollar parking lot. The community is invited to donate food or personal products. Anyone needing these products is welcome to take them at any time. No registration is necessary.

The pantry contains canned vegetables and proteins, pasta, powdered milk, personal care products, and other shelf stable items. Selection will vary. Please don't put freezable items in the Little Free Pantry.

Bluffton Area Food Pantry

The Bluffton Area Food Pantry thanks you for your continued support. Listed below is a revised list of some items to consider for the pantry:

- Canned Meats
- Hamburger Helper and similar meals
- Tuna and Tuna Helper
- Breakfast Cereals and Instant Oatmeal
- Chunky Soups and Crackers
- Spaghetti and Spaghetti Sauce
- Tomato Sauce
- Macaroni and Cheese
- Mexican Food Products: Tortillas, Sauces
- Canned Fruits
- Chili Beans and Baked Beans
- Peanut Butter
- Noodles and Beef Ramen Noodles
- Baking Items: Brownies, Cookies, Cakes
- Rice and Riceroni Items
- Condiments: Catsup, Mustard, Mayo
- Paper products: Toilet Paper, Paper Towels, Tissues, Napkins, Paper Plates
- Personal Hygiene Products: Deodorant, Shampoo and Hair Care Items, Lotions, Soft Soaps, Toothbrushes, Combs and Brushes

Habitat for Humanity

As a Christian organization, Habitat for Humanity not only seeks to provide and advocate for affordable housing, we hope to demonstrate the love of Jesus Christ in our work. We count on the generous gift of volunteer time from people like you.

We have two current needs at the Lima Habitat for Humanity ReStore:

1. Once a month continuing commitment for 2-4 hours: This would involve 4-6 people organizing and tidying up the showroom floor. (If we would have four churches do this and each chooses a different week of the month, the ReStore would always be kept in a pristine condition that encourages shoppers to more fully enjoy and support Habitat for Humanity through their purchases.)
2. One time commitment for 2-4 hours: This would involve any number of people or even a Sunday school class to organize and clean the back storage room. (The ReStore is preparing to refurbish its showroom floor in February and space is needed to store numerous items.)

Contact Mark Suderman, Volunteer Coordinator at mark@habitatlima.org or 419-230-5368.

Thank you for your help with this. We appreciate your time and prayers as we all work to bring Christ's Kingdom here on earth.

Small Groups

- Claralice Circle will meet every Tuesday evening 6:30-8:30 PM in the church.
- Members of the Claralice Circle will carol at Maple Crest on Tuesday December 12.
- Sister Min Circle will meet the 2nd and 4th Friday afternoons from 2:00-3:00 PM at Maple Crest.

Choir Rehearsal

- Wednesdays at 6:30 PM at Church

In Memory of a Loved One!!

If you would like to give a gift in memory of a loved one for the Advent and Christmas seasons, the Worship Committee requests that you use the form included in the newsletter or church bulletin to make a monetary donation.

Please place your completed form (with cash or check) in the offering plate or send to the church (P.O. Box 149, Bluffton). Thank you!



Ignite - merging fellowship, families, and service

Ignite is a gathering of individuals for active fellowship, we are family-friendly and inter-generational; we strive to build a stronger community. Everyone is welcome to join us for some or for all of our projects!! Contact Sarah Brauen snbrauen@gmail.com or Carole Enneking jcenne@gmail.com for more information.

- Ignite will visit those who are homebound to share Christmas Carols on Sunday, December 10. We will meet at the church at 2:00 PM and travel to Mennonite Home plus homes in Bluffton, Pandora, and Rockport; and finish with refreshments at the Enneking's house. Church members and friends of all ages are welcome. If you know of someone who might like a visit, contact Laura From (419-721-1608) or Carole Enneking (419-348-7691).
- If you would like to purchase a "Welcome Neighbor" sign to display in your yard, please see Sarah Brauen. The cost is \$10.





A huge thank you to all who made the November 5 installation service and reception not only possible but wonderful. I am grateful to be your pastor!

I am happy to say that my installation service was recorded. I thought I would share it in case you wish to see it: <https://youtu.be/O59LcfQ3oi0>.

~ Pastor Karol

BPC – 3 cents a meal

Thank you so much for all you do to help us at the food pantry. Your gifts are appreciated.

Bluffton Community Assistance

Every good and perfect gift comes from above.

...James 1:17

We would like to Thank Everyone who gave donations to help us pay for Tyler's new wheelchair. From your generosity we have been able to pay for his wheelchair in full!! There are no words to express how thankful we are. It was truly a Great Blessing! May your family be blessed this Christmas and in the coming New Year.

Tyler and Laura From

Aluminum Can Recycling

Remember to save your aluminum cans. The Mission Committee sells recyclable cans and uses the proceeds to support mission causes in our area, most recently for a shelter and feeding ministry in Lima. As you gather the leftover cans from your graduation party or summer barbeque, bring the cans to the church basement and contribute them to a worthy cause.



Personal Information

Don't forget to let Cathy Carroll know when you have a change in address, phone number, and/or email address.

If your birthday or you know of a birthday that does not show up in our newsletter, please let Cindy Gillen know.



Tree of Remembrance Memorial Service

The holiday season is normally a time of joy, but when someone you love has died, it can be a time of loneliness and pain. To help ease the pain and provide some comfort, Chiles-Laman Funeral & Cremation Services is offering a *Tree of Remembrance Memorial Service* in Bluffton on Sunday, December 3 at the Centre in Bluffton, 601 N. Main Street.

All families in attendance will receive a free glass ornament personalized with the name and dates of their loved one that will be placed on the Christmas tree. Families may begin arriving at 1:00 PM followed by a brief memorial service at 2:00 PM. At the conclusion of the service, the ornament is yours to take home.

The tree of Remembrance Memorial Service is a gift to the community so there is no charge to attend; however reservations are requested. To make a reservation or for more information, call 419-358-2051 or email the funeral home at chilesbl@wcoil.com.

All families are welcome.

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Prayer Requests

Prayers of Celebration with Jeanette Warren on the birth of Great-Granddaughter Cecilia Jean.

Prayers of Sympathy with Rhonda Moor, Drew, Samuel, Jack, Tucker, and Will on the recent loss of Rhonda's mother, Linda Jean Moor.

Prayers for Peace in our lives and in our World.

Prayers with the victims of human trafficking.

Prayers for our members and friends serving in the armed forces: especially Kyle Begg, Austin Begg, Dave Souders, Andrew Warner, and Lucas Woodward.

Prayers of Healing for Michael Lee Bucher, Carl Wolf, Tyler and Laura From, Barb Fett, Jenny Bogart, Bob and Jean Braden, Norma Best, Rev. Matthew Zuehlke, Roy Pneuman, Bill Zajac, Keith Brauen, Sue Delnay, and Beth Buist.

Prayers for Rev. Matthew Zuehlke who is taking early retirement due to health issues. He is unable to work and is seriously ill. Cards would be appreciated and may be mailed to:

Matthew and Michelle Zuehlke
2506 Aqua Marine Blvd.
Avon Lake, OH 44012

We Lift Our Prayers



Put a prayer request in – take a prayer request out. Look for prayer request slips in the pews and near the prayer box. Or use your own paper. Requests can be as simple as “I’m having back pain,” or “My son is looking for a job.” The slips can be placed in the box or in the offering plates. Prayer requests can be submitted anonymously. Allow someone in your church family to support you in private prayer.

BPC Prayer Chain

If you have a prayer request, please contact Mike Rhonemus (419-358-8148 / rhonstar@juno.com), or call the church office (419-358-5806) with your prayer request, and they will pass along the information.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer chain other than yourself, please be sure to get their permission first. Names and circumstances can be kept confidential, if desired. God knows for whom we pray. If you would like to be part of the chain or would like more information, please contact Mike or another deacon.



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| December | 4 | Marilyn Edwards |
| | | Jim Enneking |
| | 5 | Ariana Zuehlke |
| | 9 | Jack Henry Neff |
| | | Tenna Rhonemus |
| | 11 | Cheryl DeWitt |
| | | Jeanie Nichols |
| | 15 | Sarah Gillen |
| | 17 | Ben Miracle |
| | 21 | Linda Sycks |
| | 22 | Samuel Neff |
| January | 29 | Billy Marshall |
| | 31 | Darlene Hey |
| | 3 | Chad Carroll |
| | | Dave Sycks |
| | 7 | Barb Fett |
| | | Dwight Nichols |

Winter Address

Nick and Jeanie Nichols
10101 Burnt Store Road
29 Aloe
Punta Gorda, FL 33950



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Light shines in
the Darkness



Decorate the Sanctuary for Christmas!!

If you would like to help prepare the sanctuary for the Advent and Christmas seasons, the Worship Committee requests that you use the form below to make a monetary donation.

The money collected will be used to purchase flowers and other items needed during the Christmas Season.

Please place your completed form (with cash or check)
in the offering plate or send to the church.
(PO Box 149, Bluffton) Thank you!

I/We wish to donate \$_____.

I/We would like this gift to be given in **Memory Of:**

I/We would like this gift to be given in **Honor Of:**

Name:_____

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Sunday School: 9:00 AM
Sunday Worship: 10:15 AM

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Phone: 419-581-9232
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Office Hours: Tues & Wed 10-4,
Thu 9-11; or by appointment

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Office Hours: Tues & Thu 8:30-12:30

Treasurer: Darin Leugers
Email: dleugers8319@yahoo.com

Organist: Jayne McGarrity
Choir Director: Linda Sycks
Youth Choir Director: Sue Van Eman
Youth Group Director: Tenna Rhonemus
Nursery Helpers: Kori Phipps and Shawna Anderson
Custodian: Tony Carmack

2017 Church Officers

Session

Clerk of Session – Lori Schmidt
Buildings & Grounds – Tom Hursey
Christian Education – Tenna Rhonemus
Finance & Stewardship – Dick McGarrity
Mission – Lynda Best
Nominating – Tom Edwards and Cindy Gillen
Personnel – Betsey Angus
Presbytery Commissioner – Lori Schmidt
Worship – Cindy Gillen
Members at Large – Tom Edwards, Lori Schmidt, and
Phil Weisenbarger

Board of Deacons

Moderator: Laura From
Members: Marilyn Edwards, Barb Fett, Laura From,
Gayle Marshall, Mike Rhonemus, and Donnas Stone.