



What's Up Wickliffe!

January
2018



Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to everyone! This is not going to be a long note. But, I did want to send out Season's Greetings to everyone

from Ingrid and I. Like you, the fast pace of this season and the "To Do Lists" which keep us hopping press in on our time for reading or writing. However, I want to thank everyone for all the many Gifts and Baked Goods Ingrid and I have received. Please know that I count myself a very fortunate Pastor to have two wonderful congregations such as Christ Church and Wickliffe. You both are congregations filled with truly wonderful people who I cherish and treasure.

And I say this because, in my view, you both have bright futures ahead of you. Yes, I've learned the "Lay of the Land" in the last couple years and I have a pretty good sense of where we need to go. However, these steps of moving forward are going to require "all of us" to move in step as we stretch out and move forward reaching out and serving our communities. I am confident all of you will be on board and eager participants as we move into the new year.

Just a reminder as we look forward. Please remember we are looking into a "Road Trip" during 2018. A remarkable experience lies ahead when we take a Bus Trip to an exhibit of Noah's Ark" -and more. This exhibit has

received raving reviews and the Bus Company has stated the organization providing the Ark has added more attractions such as meals and inspirational music. Please remember to start putting money into your Piggy Bank for this trip. I am sure it will be a great trip.

I will close by simply saying, "Thank you." Thank you for all your work and support during 2017. As I've already stated, you're two fantastic congregations. This last year presented some unique challenges but all of you have weathered through them. I am certain future challenges lie ahead but I am also confident we will face them and move forward accordingly. Thank you one and all for everything you've done both large and small. Your work, worship and praise bears witness to the genuineness of your faith. God will bless our future ministry together. Amen. ~ *Pastor Mark*

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JANUARY SCHEDULE

- Jan 7** **First Sunday after the Epiphany / Baptism of the Lord**
- Jan 14** **Second Sunday after the Epiphany**
 - ◆ Growth Birthday Coffee Hour
- Jan 21** **Third Sunday after the Epiphany**
 - ◆ Communion
- Jan 28** **Fourth Sunday after the Epiphany**
 - ◆ Benevolence Offering
 - ◆ Annual Congregational Meeting



★ ★ ★ ★ ★ *Sunday Schedules* ★ ★ ★ ★ ★

Greeters

- Jan 7 Barb McKinney
- Jan 14 ***Volunteer Needed***
- Jan 21 ***Volunteer Needed***
- Jan 28 ***Volunteer Needed***

Worship

- Jan 7 Bill Wayland
- Jan 14 ***Volunteer Needed***
- Jan 21 ***Volunteer Needed***
- Jan 28 ***Volunteer Needed***

Acolytes

Volunteers are needed for weekly acolytes.

Ushers

- 1st Week - Dennis McMahon, Nancy O'Hara, Bill Schoenfeld, Neil Truslow
- 2nd Week - Kevin Yacucci, Sherry Yacucci, Bill O'Hara, Ricky Witt
- 3rd Week - Bev Bagoly, Barb McKinney, Bill Wayland, *Volunteer Needed*
- 4th Week - Jamie Bryant, Debbie Marshall, *Volunteer Needed*, Bob Fabian
- 5th Week & Evenings - Bill O'Hara, Ron Salo, Dr. David Ritchie, Gary Booher
- Alternates - Bill O'Hara, Bev Bagoly, Nancy Truslow



2018 Per Capita is \$32.00. Per Capita informational flyers available at the church.

Church Office Hours:
 Tuesday - Friday 10am - 2pm

Church Website: www.wickliffepc.com
 Secretary's Email: wickliffepc@gmail.com

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 45 Idlewood Rd.
 Austintown, OH 44515
 P: 330-792-6441 F: 330-792-1006

TLCC Daycare and Preschool
 Director, Norma Johnson
 330-792-9048

Needle's Eye Soup Ministry

Beginning in May, large cans of beans and large jars of peanut butter are needed for Needle's Eye End of the Month care for the Elderly.

Check for your initials this month!

This month's initials are: D - F

Thank you for your generosity!
 Donna Cooper



Happy Birthday!

Jan 1 Beverly Bagoly
 Jan 1 Kathleen Scheafnocker
 Jan 9 Jacelyn Bryant
 Jan 10 Betty Lou Koneval
 Jan 13 John Burnett
 Jan 13 Jacob Bryant
 Jan 15 Georgia Velly
 Jan 30 Grace Brown
 Jan 30 Ada May Neff



No January Anniversaries

Church Directory Address Updates

Edie Muzenic
 1310 Fifth Ave.
 Apt. 808
 Youngstown, OH 44504

Ron & Bonnie Salo
 10 Woodland Run
 Canfield, OH 44406



Wickliffe Presbyterian Church Financial Report - November 2017

10/31/17	Total Available Funds (checking/savings)	\$122,771.03
	Total Cash Received	6,695.05
	Total Expenditures	5,764.53
	Total Interest	3.22
11/30/17	Total Available Funds (checking/savings)	\$123,704.77

Account Balances:	<u>Savings</u>	<u>Checking</u>	<u>Benevolence</u>	<u>Memorial</u>
Balance as of 10/31/17	\$45,790.64	\$76,980.39	\$1,278.67	\$5,699.48
Deposits	0.00	6,695.05	26.91	0.00
Interest Received	3.22			
Withdrawals	0.00	5,764.53	0.00	0.00
Balance as of 11/30/17	\$45,793.86	\$77,910.91	\$1,305.58	\$5,699.48

Per Capita ~ Received - \$971.00 Paid - \$971.00



Annual Congregational Meeting and Luncheon

Sunday, January 28, 2018 - following worship
Please bring a dish or dessert to share as we close 2017 and plan for 2018



Please have all annual reports turned in to Kathy in the church office no later than January 7, 2018



- ◆ Irene Layton would like to thank all for the cards sent to her throughout the past year and especially at Christmastime.
- ◆ Thank you so much for all of your prayers, cards and kind words of sympathy on the passing of my dad. You have comforted me during this difficult time more than you will ever know. Faithfully Yours, Kathy Tarr



MISSION NOTES FROM RWANDA!

THE REV. KAY DAY,

One of the international Mission Co-Workers we are getting to know!

Below you will find Kay's latest letter from Rwanda.

Please continue to hold her in prayer!

You may follow Kay's work at Kaydaysdiary.blogspot.com

You may also email her at mkayday@gmail.com

Dear Friends and Family,

Advent greetings. This season of anticipation is an excellent time to consider what God meant when he came to be among us – Immanuel, God with us. I believe that one of the things that is meant is that we are to live in community – not alone and on our own, but in the company of others. That is what he did for us when he came to us. This point was demonstrated to me this past weekend, as Advent began.

On Saturday, someone boldly walked into my house while I was at the back of the house and stole my cell phone and my e-reader from the coffee table in the living room. It took less than 3 minutes. I saw the open gate and ran after the thief, but he or she was gone. I locked the gate and went to get help. Staff and students were gathering for a marriage celebration in the hall across the road from my house. They came immediately and searched for the thief, reported to the security guards and the police and offered suggestions and comfort. One of the staff members went with me to make a formal report to the police. Students canvassed the area, looking for possible traces of the person or the property. On Sunday, I was prayed for in worship and accompanied by my student Samuel for a follow up with the police. Sunday evening two colleagues came to check on me and to pray with me. On Monday, one of the staff had options for me for a cell phone replacement. Monday afternoon, my student Gady made the 3-hour trip to Kigali to purchase a new cell phone and to find out how to retrieve my old cell number. That proved more challenging than first thought because my original phone and the number were registered to a staff member of the Presbyterian Church of Rwanda who helped me “get connected” when I first arrived five years ago. But community came to the rescue again. I have serviced my phone and internet at the same MTN (phone company) service center since I arrived in Butare five years ago. They know me. Gady and Alex, who had been helping with all of this, went with me to the MTN center on Tuesday morning to explain the situation. A phone call to the manager produced authorization to re-register the phone number in my name. The young agent then spent over an hour converting “ownership” and downloading all that I needed to be fully connected, including retrieving all my contact information. By noon on Tuesday, I was reconnected to the world. We then went back to the police with the MTN information. They are hopeful they may thus find the thief. A precious friend in the States is getting me a new e-reader and will send it soon. As I “played” with my new phone Tuesday afternoon, I was so aware of the grace and care of a community of believers who surrounded me and aided me on something as relatively small as this theft. How much more does God want us to gather round one another and be with each other in all the events of life?



Samuel, Alex and Gady, who traveled for me and with me as part of the community of faith this week.

My friends, I deeply believe Jesus modeled community for us when he came to be with us and that he calls us to live in community in his name and by his power. My Advent prayer is that you may experience and be the community of faith in new ways this season and you may know afresh Immanuel, God with us.

Merry Christmas,
Kay (Cathie to the family)

January 2018 Wickliffe Presbyterian Church

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 	2	3 Goodtimers at Denny's (Austintown) - 11:30 am	4 1:30 pm - BIBLE Study 5:45 pm - T.O.P.S. 6:00 pm - CHOIR Practice 6:30 pm - Girl SCOUTS	5	6 
7 Committee REPORTS Due 	8 6:30 pm - TLCC BOARD Meeting 7:00 pm - Al-Anon	9	10	11 1:30 pm - BIBLE Study 5:45 pm - T.O.P.S.	12	13 10:00 am - CHOIR Practice
14 8:30 am - SUPPORT Meeting GROWTH Birthday Coffee Hour	15 7:00 pm - Al-Anon 	16 6:00 pm - SESSION Meeting	17 12:00 Noon - ESTHER Circle	18 1:30 pm - BIBLE Study 5:45 pm - T.O.P.S. 6:30 pm - Girl SCOUTS	19	20 10:00 am - CHOIR Practice
21 	22 7:00 pm - Al-Anon	23	24	25 1:30 pm - BIBLE Study 5:45 pm - T.O.P.S.	26	27 10:00 am - CHOIR Practice
28 Annual Congregational Meeting 	29 12:30 pm - DISCOVERY Group 7:00 pm - Al-Anon	30	31	Sundays 9:30 a.m. - Worship Service 10:30 a.m. - Sunday School (All Ages) 8:00 p.m. - AA		