

THE CARILLON



February 2019

SCRIPTURE LESSONS

February 3 "Act Justly"	Micah 6: 6-8
February 10 "Love Mercy"	Romans 13: 8-12
February 17 "Walk Humbly"	Ephesians 4: 1-6
February 24 "Honor One Another"	Romans 12: 9-18

FIRST
CONGREGATIONAL
CHURCH OF CLARIDON
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Mary Lou Morgan, Secretary
Pastor Mary Ellen Hoffman

- 3 8:45am Missions committee meeting
10:00am Worship
Coffee hour birthday celebration for Teeter Grosvenor, Janet Hess and Sadie Stanley. Everyone is invited to attend.
- 6 7:00pm Prayer shawl knitting group
- 10 10:00am Worship
Installation of officers during worship
- 13 7:00pm Trustee & Deacon meetings
- 17 10:00am Worship
- 19 5-6:30pm Claridon Community Helps dinner
- 24 10:00am Worship
2:00pm Worship at Blossom Hill Care Center



February Mission

Soup-er Goal is to donate 100+ soup cans, dry or broth to the Burton Food Cupboard. They will also accept cash donations.

Deacons Corner

The Lenten and Advent Daily Devotionals have been expanded to now provide Daily Devotionals throughout the last 2+ years. The Deacons thank all who have contributed to this faith journey effort. Writing Devotionals has been an extremely rewarding experience. We welcome and encourage all who desire to become part of this spiritual effort to join in.

Confirmation Class: The fall confirmation class has started and consists of: Morgan Soltis, Aiden Kronk, Maddie Smetana, and Andrew Soltis. We ask for your prayers for each of these individuals as they learn of the Lords teachings and church doctrine.

The Church is extremely pleased with the responses to the **Prayer Shawl Program**. Shawls lovingly made by hand, for a person that God already knows, provide a very cherished and genuine gift. Have you seen these beautiful pieces hanging near the Altar table? Thank you to all who generated these gifts. A truly wonderful concept.

Readers of Sermon Scripture – if you are touched by the spirit to share in reading the Sermon Scripture selection for the Sunday service, please contact the Pastor or one of the Deacons. We believe the participation of the congregation in all aspects of the church allows for spiritual growth and acknowledgement by our Lord. We thank Laura Christian for keeping the church family aware of prayer requests. These special flash e-mails at the time of the event provide comfort and awareness that our church family is caring and hears their voice. Deacons maintain a Prayer List and we pray for all on the list. Our card ministry is very active with cards being issued for joyous occasions and for the Lord's Blessings. We welcome donations of cards for all occasions and especially gifts of stamps.

We are blessed to have devoted Christians to fill in when Pastor Mary Ellen was on vacation in 2018. A very sincere and warm Thank You to Aubrey Woods and Robin Stanley for their dedication, knowledge, preparation, delivery and commitment to our Lord in filling in.

Deacons **church services at Blossom Nursing home** on the fourth Sunday of each month at 2:00 pm. Special thanks to Aubrey Woods for his dedicated piano playing at these services. Everyone is welcomed to come and participate anytime. Your presence fellowshiping together is extremely rewarding and very well received by the rehab- patients and residence.

Deacons for 2018 were Dennis Bihary, Laura Christian, Sara Hamrick, Barb Petersen, Donna Temple, and Connie Streble. The Deacons met monthly throughout the year on the second Wednesday of each month. Start time is at 7:00 pm and anyone is welcome to attend. Denny, Laura and Connie will be leaving the Board this year and we thank them sincerely for all their caring and sharing. We welcome the 2019 new Deacons: Iyelene Macek, Janet Sherman and Jan Wargo.

Thank you to those who have agreed to be mentors to our youth currently in our confirmation class: Andrew Soltis' mentor is Bruce Carson, Aiden Kronk's mentor is Bill Angstrom. Maddie Smetana's mentor is Nancy Bihary, and Morgan Soltis' mentor is Jill Kellogg. The mentors will be invited to attend with the youth as we visit several other places of worship, and will be an adult friend from our congregation. Please hold the youth in prayer, for God's hand to be upon them as they grow in faith.

There will be an all-church planning retreat on Saturday, March 16 from 9:30 AM to 1 PM at the Bass Lake Lodge of the Geauga Parks. This is a time for us to look ahead as a church and discern where God would lead us as a church. All church officers are urged to attend, and all who are part of our worshipping congregation are also warmly invited! Bring a dish for our lunch pot-luck - looking forward to our time together.

Our annual meeting luncheon after church, as usual, had some outstanding food! We had several delicious soups, along with sandwich fillings and great desserts! Here's one recipe that came from Brent and Sarah Eysenbach - thanks for sharing!

Sausage and Kale soup

Ingredients

13 oz package smoked sausage, sliced into half circles
16 oz bulk chorizo
1 large chopped onion
3 cups chopped carrots
3 cups chopped celery
3-5 cloves of minced garlic
2 bunches of kale. Remove stems, rough chop, and soak to remove some bitterness
64 oz of low sodium chicken stock
32 oz of water
1¼ cup barley or spelt. Spelt holds up better, barley has a tendency to get softer over time.
2T olive oil
Salt
Cracked pepper

Method

- 1) Cook the grain until tender but not too soft, drain and set aside.
The grain will continue to cook/absorb liquid in the soup.
- 2) Brown the chorizo in the soup pot, drain excess fat and set aside.
- 3) Brown the smoked sausage in the soup pot and set aside.
- 4) Add the olive oil; sweat the carrots and celery in the soup pot until just tender, not soft
- 5) Add the onion and sweat until just tender, not soft
- 6) Add the garlic and cook until fragrant
- 7) Add the chicken stock and water and simmer for 30 minutes
- 8) Add the already cooked grain
- 9) Add kale in batches until it all fits and simmer for 10 minutes

PRAY FOR:

Bill Angstrom	Betty Peck	Keith Streble
Benjamin Waida	Jack Burnett	Kenrick Byler
Betty Ann Felberg	Susan Little	Joe Bergant
Linda Pollock	Susan Tucker	Ken Stanley
Ron & Sue Rosati	Bruce Johnson	Shane Chace
The Antons	Delton Dudley	Kylie McCartney
Frank Fende	Richard Hacker	Don Burt
Joy & Lenora McCleanagnan		



Teeter Grosvenor celebrates her 95th birthday on February 2. Greetings may be sent to her at 12860 Mayfield Rd., Lot 56, Chardon, OH 44024. **Sadie Stanley** will be 95 on February 18. Greetings may be sent to her at 16351 Hart Rd., Montville, OH 44064. **Al Gollwitzer** will be 88 on February 18. Greetings may be sent to Al at 12549 Aquilla Rd., Chardon, OH 44024. **Janet Hess** will celebrate her 86th birthday on February 22. Greetings may be sent to her at 12618 Aquilla Rd., Chardon, OH 44024.

REPORT OF THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE 2019

OFFICE	PRESENT HOLDER 2018	NOMINEE 2019
President	Linda Stanley	Nancy Bihary
Vice President	Nancy Bihary	Laura Christian
Clerk	Mary Lou Morgan	Mary Lou Morgan
Treasurer	Dianne Kellogg	Dianne Kellogg
Treas. Assistant	Pam Plott	Pam Plott
Financial Secretary	Donna Vaccariello	Donna Vaccariello
Fin. Sec. Assistant	Jill Kellogg	Jill Kellogg
Deacons (3 yr. term)	Laura Christian (15)	Sara Hamrick (17)
	Dennis Bihary (14)	Jan Wargo (1 yr.)
	Sara Hamrick (17)	Donna Temple (18)
	Connie Streble (17)	Barb Petersen (18)
	Donna Temple (18)	Iyelene Macek (19)
	Barb Petersen (18)	Janet Sherman (19)
	Darrel Kangas (16)	Pam Plott (17)
	Fred Dively (16)	Jim Sebor (1 yr.)
	Pam Plott (17)	Dennis Kellogg (18)
	Don Starr (17)	Susan Vokoun (19)
Trustees (3 yr. term)	Dennis Kellogg (18)	David Brockway (19)
	Bruce Carson	Bill Angstrom
Head Usher		Mary Lou Morgan
Statistician		Ken Stanley (17)
Endowment Directors	Ken Stanley (17)	Mary Lou Morgan (18)
	David Hoffman (17)	Susan Vokoun (18)
	Mary Lou Morgan (18)	Jan Wargo (18)
	Susan Vokoun (18)	Dave Hoffman (19)
	Jan Wargo (18)	Pennie Baptie
	Dennis Bihary	Jean Dively
Membership	Nancy Bihary	Leslie Smetana
Finance	Jill Kellogg	Jill Kellogg
Christian Education	Leslie Smetana	Mary Lou Morgan
Missionary Education	Mary Lou Morgan	Laura Christian
Music	Laura Christian	Carane Ladd
Awards	Jean Dively	Robin Stanley
WRA		Robin Stanley
Ohio Conference		

Respectfully Submitted,

The Nominating Committee
Nancy Bihary, Chair