

Christian Reporter

Mt. Lebanon Christian Church

June 2023

Dear Friends, let me begin with a Thank You. On **May 26** I graduated from Pittsburgh Theological Seminary with a Graduate Certificate in Adaptive and Innovative Ministry. This program has helped set in motion our Dining Disciples and laid some of the groundwork for the Discernment committee and work with the Vision Team. Thank you for the opportunity to receive this education and we can all begin to see and share in its fruits.

There is a lot happening behind the scenes of our faith community. We are continuing to search for an organist. The Discernment committee is in full swing and working with enthusiasm. The Nominating committee is seeking people to serve as church leadership. Please give thoughtful prayer to this matter if you are asked to serve.

The Strawberry Fun Fest is coming quickly. **June 10** is almost here. We need all hands on deck to help with this day of reaching out to the community for a time of connecting and having fun together. Please share your time and energy. Invite your neighbors and friends. There will be lots to do and great music to hear.

On **June 17** there will be a STEAM VBS. It will take place at the church from 12 - 3. Invite children you know to come and participate in some fun activities and hear about the Gospel.

On **July 12** there will be a Mission night. We will work as a community of faith to help others in the area and in the world.

There is great opportunity for you to bring and help others to engage with our church family and to serve and grow in Jesus Christ. Each of us plays an important part in Jesus' plan to spread the gospel and serve others. You make a difference!

Blessings!

Cindy

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Pastor: The Reverend Dr.
Cindy McClung

Sunday Morning Worship 11:00 AM
CAYA Service at 6:00 PM

PLEASE JOIN US!

Worship
With Us



JUNE Worship Leaders & Elders



Elders
4 - Chuck Sargent
11 - Chuck Sargent
18 - Kathy Spray
25 - Brad Montgomery

Worship Leaders
4 - Chuck Sargent
11 - Verna McGinley
18 - Dan Whal
25 - Jeff Hawn

MISSION STATEMENT

Serving Christ!

Living and Sharing Faith, Hope and Love

VISION STATEMENT

God's vision for Mt. Lebanon Christian Church (DOC) is that we be a Christ-centered church; growing in faith through prayer, worship, and Bible study; growing in service through outreach; growing in love through Fellowship.

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New Time, New Service for CAYA Worship

The CAYA service is embarking on a transformation process as we are changing our time of worship from Sunday at 9:30 AM to Sunday at 6:00 PM. Our first service at this new time will be Sunday, June 11th. We are excited about the changes and the impact the new service will have on our community.



Reminder

Bible Study is off for the Summer and will resume in September.



Workday in May a success

We had a successful church workday on May 13th. Much of the church that needed cleaned/organized was worked on with an emphasis on the kitchen and much of the main floor. We thank all those who were able to help beautify our building.



From Barb Scott

I want to thank everyone for all of the prayers, cards and phone calls while I was in the hospital and home recuperating. Your thoughts and prayers are greatly appreciated.



Services in-Person, via Facebook Live or Free Conference Call

We will continue to film the Facebook Live services on Sunday even though we are meeting in person now. We will also continue to use "Free Conference Call" using phone number 425-436-6348 and access code 284262#. Remember, you can view past services on our Facebook Live page by clicking here, pick Video and select what you want to watch. (or enter this <https://www.facebook.com/MtLebanonCC/>)

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

3 - Tabitha Corwin
4 - Carol Dubiel
5 - Joanne Houston
10 - Mike Philippon
11 - Wilma Harty
12 - Laurie Sargent
16 - Bonnie Philippon

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

6 - Dan & Lee Ann Wahl



IN NEED OF PRAYER

Please contact The Elders for any prayer concerns or even just to talk. The Elders pray for those in our congregation who need prayers from those on our prayer lists and those mentioned during our , worship services. If you are in need of prayer and would like to be included in our private prayer list please contact the church office.

Prayer Requests: If you have requests for the prayer list to go with the announcements, please let Rev. Cindy or Pastor John know by Wednesday of each week by 4pm

From Barb Scott: I want to thank everyone for all of the prayers, cards and phone calls while I was in the hospital and home recuperating. Your thoughts and prayers are greatly appreciated.

Prayer list:

Kevin Bowers - recovery from surgery
Barb Scott - healing
Jocelyn Wagner
Donny Harrison - healing
Connie McCarty – Paramount – Bethel Park
Totin Family - Death of Ed
Audrey Houke - Sunrise Assisted Living
Scout - friend of Scotts - 5 yr. old with brain tumor
Carla - Health issues
Sara & Ron - Friends of Wahl's
Rev. Janet Hellner-Burris - pastor of DOC Wilkinsburg - recovery
Rev. Heather Simpson
Daryl Gray
Arthur McCarty
All those with Covid
Hugh Pollon - Bonnie Philippon's Father
Ed Pajak
Those affected by disasters



CAYA



Transforms

New Time, New Service for CAYA Worship

The CAYA service is embarking on a transformation process during the month of May and will emerge again at its new time slot on Sunday June 11 @ 6:00 PM with the last 9:30 AM service on Sunday April 30. We are excited about the changes and the impact the new service will have on our community.

Also, please remember in your prayers our members who are homebound. Helen Butler, Connie McCarty, Ruth Schmidtter, Lee Scott, Audrey Houke and Betty Rothermel.



Save the Dates

June 4 - Anniversary Sunday - Let's celebrate our congregation and our ministry!

June 10 - Strawberry Fest Noon - 3

- Music by The Reloads (blues band)
- Food
- Games
- Caricaturist
- Inflatable
- STEAM activities for the kids

TELL YOUR FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS!!!!!!!

Lists to volunteer to help and donate raffle baskets will be in the Narthex. We need everyone to pitch in!

June 17 - STEAM VBS - Invite youngsters you know to come for this one day VBS experience!

July 12 - Mission Night - We will have a light dinner together and work on projects for local missions!



June 2023 Outreach

This June, MLCC is collecting monetary donations for Grow Pittsburgh to help develop and support food-growing initiatives and programs across the region as a key way to improve the social, economic, environmental, health, and educational realities of people in our community.

- They teach people how to grow food through school garden curriculum, teacher trainings, workforce development for youth, adult workshops, and other resources
- They grow food for our community through our urban farm sites
- They build and support gardens for PreK-12 schools and communities throughout Allegheny County

Donations can be made at the Strawberry Fest or in your regular church offering envelope (marked outreach). Please give generously to support this important mission as we celebrate our community and growth at the Strawberry Fest.



Discernment Committee



So far, the Discernment Committee has met three times. We have made a list of our concerns and questions. Those questions and concerns were then divided into areas of focus. The committee has been divided into groups to work on the focus areas. Those groups are now gathering data related to their questions/concerns. The committee will meet again on June 14. Please hold the discernment committee in your prayers!

FREE

RAIN OR SHINE

Strawberry

FUN

Fest



SATURDAY, JUNE 10

12-3 PM

MT. LEBANON CHRISTIAN CHURCH

367 CEDAR BLVD

MTLeboCC.org

KIDS ZONE

STRAWBERRIES

CARICATURES

ICE CREAM

GAMES

HAMBURGERS

CRAFTS

HOT DOGS



LIVE MUSIC BY THE RELOADS



HOW I WISH...SUDDENLY HOLINESS'

Elder's Corner

It seems as I grow older, I ponder on how I got to this point of my life. I remember, I wanted to be able to hear Jesus' voice. Now I seem to hear from Him daily. He explains my life and efforts in the light of the parables. I remember thinking how the disciples had a front row seat at the feet of the Master as He spoke.

If Jesus would walk into church, would we recognize Him? Somehow, I know He would not look like any of the paintings we're familiar with. How would we know that He was the Christ and not just someone with a Messiah complex? I think it would be as hard for us to recognize him as it was for the people of his own time.

He would be carrying a flaming sword or wearing a tee shirt stating, "HEAR I'AM." How can we be like Simeon who did recognize the Christ. Simeon was able to do this even though he arrived as an infant son of a poor couple. Could it be that his daily prayer-learning openness to God and to the Holy Spirit helped? Did this move Simeon to recognize Jesus?

In reflecting on the daily events of our lives and events around the world, prayer is our action. Through prayer we slowly learn to sense the presence of holiness in the mundane and ordinary. These are the places that seem to be where God is most likely to be present.



Anniversary Sunday celebration

June 4th – please come and join in our celebration of our church's 73rd year anniversary. We will have refreshments after the 11:00 service.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>“Of all the titles I’ve been privileged to have, Dad has always been the best.”</p>				1	2	3
<p>4 Anniversary Sunday 11:00 Traditional Worship Service</p>	5	<p>6 7:00 pm Women’s Prayer Group</p>	7	<p>8 7:00 pm Elder’s Meeting</p>	9	<p>10  Strawberry Fest</p>
<p>11 11:00 Traditional Worship Service CAYA Service 6:00 pm</p>	12	<p>13 7:00 pm Women’s Prayer Group</p>	<p>14 7:00 pm Discernment Committee</p>	15	16	<p>17 STEAM VBS</p>
<p>18  Father’s Day 11:00 Traditional Worship Service CAYA Service 6:00 pm</p>	19	<p>20 7:00 pm Women’s Prayer Group</p>	<p>21  First Day of Summer on Zoom</p>	22	23	24
<p>25 11:00 Traditional Worship Service CAYA Service 6:00 pm</p>	26	<p>27 7:00 pm Women’s Prayer Group</p>	28	29	30	