# Christian Reporter

Mt. Lebanon Christian Church

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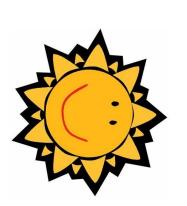
Assistant Pastor: The Reverend John McCarty Pastor: The Reverend Dr. Cindy McClung

CAYA Service at 6:00 PM 11:00 AM

**PLEASE JOIN US!** 

With Us Worship





# **August Worship Leaders & Elders**



### Elders

6 - Amy Angotti

13 - Jane McCarty 20 - Verna McGinley

27 - Brad Montgomery

Worship Leaders

6 - Chuck Sargent

13 - Verna McGinley -

20 - Dan Wahl

27 - 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.

# MT. LEBANON CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)

A Church Alive with the Holy Spirit! 367 Cedar Boulevard Pittsburgh, PA 15228 Office: (412) 531-8554

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"Every Member Is A Minister"

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Pastor Asst. Pastor Board Chair Secretary minister367@mtlebocc.org John.mccarty@mtlebocc.org tomspray@hotmail.com churchoffice@mtlebocc.org Reminder: Bible Study is off for the Summer. It will resume in September.



# AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 8 Gary Schwartz
- 14 Sally Myton
- 19 Daryl Gray
- 20 Virginia Plavetich
- 21 Doris Riddler
- 23 Cindy McClung Ruth Schmidtetter
- 26 David Koerber

# 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 <a href="https://www.facebook.com/MtLebanonCC/">https://www.facebook.com/MtLebanonCC/</a>)



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

### **Prayer list:**

Bowers family- Death of Kevin Bowers Barb Scott - healing

Jocelyn Wagner

Donny and Heather Harrison - healing

Totin Family - Death of Ed

Audrey Houke - Hospital

Scout - friend of Scotts - 5 yr. old with brain tumor

Duane Ready - Health issues

Carla - Health issues

Sara & Ron - Friends of Wahl's

Rev. Janet Hellner-Burris - pastor of DOC Wilkinsburg - recovery

Daryl Gray

Arthur McCarty

All those with Covid

Hugh Pollon - Bonnie Philippon's Father

Ed Pajak

Those affected by disasters

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

No credit? No problem!

Jesus paid your debt.





Lee Scott has moved. Her new address is:

120 Wilhelm Drive Monaca, PA 15051

It's not known if she has a new phone number.

Connie McCarty has also moved. Her new address is:

Paramount Senior Living 5785 Baptist Rd., Room 228 Bethel Park, PA 15102



CAYA Praise Band is blessed to have quite a few talented members. Each month we'd like to spotlight a member so that you can get to know them.

CAYA Spotlight - Chip Shephard -(electric guitar)

Chip started playing when he received an acoustic guitar for his 15th birthday. He enjoys playing all types of music. He admits he's not that great at bebop improvisation.

Chip is self-taught until college at Berklee and also had several private lessons from his friend Reeves Gabriel (David Bowie, Tin Machine, The Cure). His first band was called Sister Shelter Conglomeration! He played in several bands while living in Boston including Serum, Who be dat, Happy Campers and Squid.

Chip has played CBGBs, was the opening act for Red Hot Chili Peppers, Run DMC, Catherine Wheel and more.... However, the greatest Gig of all is being a dad, he's still playing that one to this day.

When asked what he likes about playing with CAYA praise, Chip said CAYA band is a prayer. The music is there to support the message and the congregation, that's it.... Very refreshing from a musician's perspective.



## August 2023 Outreach Focus

### Classroom basics include:

To help increase our impact in the community, MLCC will begin narrowing our outreach focus to four primary organizations. Our church will collect supplies and monetary donations, and build relationships through service opportunities. Encourage your family, friends and neighbors to help support these worthy causes.

We will support the following organizations: South Hills Interfaith Movement (SHIM), Kane Community Living Center, Camp Laurelview and The Education Partnership (TEP)

- Pencils
- Notebooks
- Markers (8-packs)
- Crayons (24-packs)
- Filler Paper
- Scissors

Other high need items:

- Copy paper reams (8.5×11, white)
- Pens
- Dry Erase Markers
- Reusable water bottles

Please bring your school supply donations to the church Outreach Table by September 24. Monetary donations will be accepted through Givelify, the donation box on the outreach table or church envelopes (be sure to note "The Education Partnership" in the message section) Thank you for helping to level the education playing field so that local students are ready to learn. Stay tuned for more service opportunities.

# "We can help. We're carpenter ants."



# PAYMENT AND REPAYMENT

Elder's Corner

There is something good about giving food to the hungry. Is there a way we can keep the practice going? It might take time.

It's surprising to think of time as a part of almsgiving, but it's one of the most precious things I do. There is a saying: "Tell me how you spend your thoughts, how you spend your money, and how you spend your time, regardless of what you say is important to you."

Jesus put it another way: "Where your treasure is, there your heart will be."

Many people believe today's lifestyle is based on having things. Jesus rejected this idea reminding us that things should not have a primary place in our lives. Other than clothes on our back and shoes on our feet, Jesus had nothing. His teaching affirmed that people were primary and things secondary.

Seems people of today have a great need for money and things. Some of these people live just a few blocks from us. Others live on the other side of the world. We are all children of God, and that makes us all brothers and sisters.

Our problem is we value some people more than others We know thousands of people died in the earthquake in Turkey, many of them we hardly think about. Spending time in prayer is a time well spent, we can do this anywhere, sitting down, standing up, in the bathtub and while doing other relaxation activities. No need to be long, just a few words to the Father will be enough.

When you're green with envy, you're headed for trouble.



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