



THE CHRISTIAN ALERT

July 26, 2021

Bread is a very fulfilling, nutritious, and satisfying food. Yes, for sure, as we eat Bread, it is absorbed by our bodies and converted into the energy we need to live, work, and grow. But, it was not physical satisfaction of Bread that Jesus was speaking to the crowd about in John 6:26 – 35. Jesus was not talking about the physical aspects of hunger.

What Jesus was sharing was that they would find within Him all the food that was needed to grow spiritually and that the real *Bread of Heaven* would satisfy their hunger forever, not just temporarily by responding to rumbling stomachs and hunger pangs. He was speaking of a Bread from *Heaven* that would not spoil and which would endure for eternal life. This passage reminds us that when we fully trust and believe, we will be fed by the Bread of God, through Jesus Christ, and we will never hunger or thirst.

Maybe we are able to reach a deeper understanding of this message than the crowd that day, because we, in general, are a people who, by and large, have our basic needs met. Most of us have enough, so these words may speak to us more from a spiritual perspective that provides hope in the face of struggles, suffering, doubts, and despair.

Perhaps, in these words, we find an invitation to share real bread with others in our world who are struggling. Perhaps this reminds us that we are called to love one another the way God has loved us and in so doing we find ways to reach and feed hungry people, that once their bellies are filled, their spirits may also be nourished; hope might be born; new life may take root; and second chances may surface. And, then, what God has promised in Jesus, will be realized and all of God’s children can stop working for food that perishes... stop struggling for life and things of this world... and can begin working for heavenly food that promises eternity, unending joy, and an amazing grace in this life and the next.

Hope you find nourishment in the following “Bread of Life” prayer (unknown author):

When the journey is long
and we hunger and thirst,
Bread of Life, You sustain us.

When the road is hard
and our bodies are weak,
Bread of Life, You heal us.

When our spirits are low
and we can’t carry on,
Bread of Life, You revive us.

When we offer our hand
in love and service,
Bread of Life, You bless us.

When the challenge is great
and the workers are few,
Bread of Life, You empower us.

When the victory is won
and we see Your face,
Bread of Life, You will rejoice with us!

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August 1, 2021-

Scripture: John 6:26-35

Sermon: “Bread”

CHURCH FAMILY

Lu Vesey- Health Concerns

Dale Hatch- Eye surgery on Monday

Brenda Cligrow- recovering from knee surgery

Denis Dunbar- Heart procedure

IT’S A BOY!

Congratulations to Naomi Clement upon the birth of her grandson, Caius Carmen Clement born to parents, Ben and Rachel Clement on July 20, 2021 8 lbs 10 oz 21” long. Luca is a proud big brother.

UPCOMING MEETINGS AND EVENTS

Wednesday, August 4- 7 pm Ministry Team meeting

Thursday, August 5- 10 am Disciple Women’s meeting

MINISTRY TEAM MEETING

There is a Ministry team meeting scheduled for Wednesday, August 4th at 7 pm at the church. This is for anyone who leads a ministry at the church. Please bring with you a list of meetings and events for the remainder of the 2021 year. This is an important meeting that helps with planning and scheduling not to interfere with others.



ROTARY REMEMBERS

"Rotary Remembers" is sponsored by Chevy All Stars and R.D. Banks Chevrolet benefiting the Rotary Club of Champion.

We know this past year has been very difficult for us all therefore, we want to bring our community together to honor our Frontline Heroes and loved ones. Paper Luminaries are available for purchase for In Honor Of or In Memory Of and will be placed on the football field.

Fireworks displayed by: Phantom Fireworks (Youngstown, OH)

Admission: FREE

Additional flyers to purchase lanterns are available at the church

The Rotary Club of Champion Proudly Presents:

ROTARY REMEMBERS

Saturday, August 7th - 7:00pm

Champion High School Football Stadium
5976 Mahoning Ave. Warren, Ohio 44483
Admission: **FREE**

LIVE MUSIC ♦ FRONTLINE HEROES ♦ FIREWORKS

Please join us in honoring essential workers, friends & family members affected by the COVID-19 Crisis. Paper Luminaries are available for purchase in honor of your loved ones and will be placed on the football field for display. We look forward to seeing our community come together!

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SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

The stores will be stocking their shelves shortly with all the needed supplies to send children back to school. So now is the time to keep an eye out for those deals! Once again this year we will be joining with other churches and organizations to help send area children back to school with all the supplies to get them off to a good start!

So please pick up any of the school supplies on the list during the month of July and/or consider making a monetary donation if you are not able to get to the store. We thank you in advance for your generosity! **All monetary donations need to be turned in by July 25th!** All supply donations need to be dropped off to the church by **August 1st**. If you have any questions contact the church office.

School Supply Drive

Elmer's Glue sticks
Pack of #2 Pencils (Ticonderoga or Dixon)
Pencil Cap erasers
One subject spiral notebook (wide ruled)
Expo dry erase markers
Zipper pouch
Pack of Crayola markers
1 inch white binder with plastic sleeve
Loose leaf paper (wide ruled)
Scissors (Elementary students only)
24 pack of Crayola crayons (Elementary students only)
Highlighter (Middle school students only)
Index cards (Middle school students only)

Financial donations due Sunday, July 25th
Donations due to church by Wednesday, August 4th
Drive-Thru Pick up will be on Saturday, August 7th