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AUGUST 15, 2022
BI-WEEKLY ISSUE

THE CHRISTIAN ALERT

WEEKLY WORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

9:30 am Common Grounds Café

Champion Christian Church 151 Center St. West, Warren, OH 44481

Worship every Sunday 10:30 am and streaming

330-847-0785 www.championchristianchurch.org

ONLINE on our facebook page

This Week's Meetings & Events

Tues, Aug. 16- 7pm Ministry Team Meeting

Wed. Aug. 17- 7pm Visionary Council

Sat. Aug 20- Feeding Ministry Pick up

1pm Wonder Zone Open House

Next week's Meetings & Events

Thurs. Aug. 25- 10 am Disciple Women meeting

Sat. Aug 27- 6pm Choir kick off picnic/practice following

Charlie is a city dog. For the almost 5 years I've had him, we have lived in urban neighborhoods with networks of sidewalks laid out in rough blocks. In fact, we've gotten to the point in our past neighborhoods that Charlie had the pattern memorized and took himself for walks while I ran to catch up. Needless to say, Champion Christian Church had him confused. Lots of green space, sure, but the road was so busy and there wasn't a single sidewalk to be found. Forget taking himself for walks; That Girl wouldn't even let him down the driveway without his leash on. It was quite the blow to his dignity.

But eventually, little by little, Charlie began to figure out a new pattern. If he runs along the edge of the parking lot, it can feel like a sidewalk. And if he needed a few off-leash zoomies, then the large green space is ideal. (Just don't head toward the road. That Girl loses her ever-lovin' mind when you do that.) And if you feel the need to walk in a pattern, circumnavigating the building a couple times will do the trick. It's a process, the exposure to new contexts and realities. It requires taking baby-steps and surveying the land ahead.

As Charlie and I make this circle 2-3 times a day, I find myself stopping at various points to offer up prayers. I pray for the kids that play on the playground and the continued ministry of the Wonder Zone teachers. I stop in front of the sanctuary and pray for wisdom and guidance. I pray for those coming through our doors for AA and Boy Scouts. I pray for those on the prayer chain that day. I pray for our feeding ministry and those we serve. Most of all, I pray for this congregation - for the grieving that happens anytime a long-tenured minister retires, for the new ministries yet to manifest, for your leaders and the weight of their responsibilities, and for the anxiety and worry accompanying change of any sort. I pray for your discernment process and I pray for the person that you will eventually call to lead you into the future. I wonder what it is for which you pray. I wonder if you too might like to walk and pray.

Blessings,

Pastor Heather

SERVING SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 21, 2022

ELDERS- CINDY HIXENBAUGH. AMY PATRICK/NANCY
COUNTRYMAN
DIACONATE- CAROL COKRLIC. ANNA COKRLIC
WORSHIP LEADER- NAOMI CLEMENT
MEDIA- KAREN YORK
SOUND- DAVE SPONAUGLE
CAPTAINS- KEN AND SHARON ARMSTRONG
COUNTER KAREN YORK

Church Family

To our knowledge there is no one in the hospital at this time. Please continue to pray for those recovering in their health and our homebound.

WELCOME!

We extend a warm welcome to Greta and Don Sell who came forward in worship . We are so happy to have you be a part of our church family.

Directory Update

Marge Fenton
36 Sandberg Way
Warren, OH 44483

SERVING SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST 28, 2022

ELDERS- CINDY HIXENBAUGH. AMY PATRICK/NANCY
COUNTRYMAN
DIACONATE- JOLYN EMERINE. NICOLE EMERINE
WORSHIP LEADER- NAOMI CLEMENT
MEDIA- KAREN YORK
SOUND- DAVE SPONAUGLE
CAPTAINS- KEN AND SHARON ARMSTRONG
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Ministry Team Leader meeting

There will be a Ministry Team leader meeting on Tues. August 16th @7 PM. All ministry leaders should plan to attend

Chancel Choir Picnic

When: Saturday, August 27, 2022 at 6:00 pm

Where: Church Fellowship Hall

Who: Chancel Choir members and anyone interested in joining the choir.

What: Pot Luck dinner starts at 6:00 pm with choir practice immediately following.



Please contact Naomi at (330) 372-3303 to RSVP, so that she knows how many to plan for. Table service and drinks will be provided.



MISSIONS

**MONTHLY MISSION AUGUST
COLLECTION**

The Mission collection for August is going to The Trumbull County Children Services. We are asking for donations of New ELASTIC waist shorts sizes 2T to large. These can be for boys or girls. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Exciting opportunities
@ Champion Christian Church:**

9/2 @ 7:00 p.m.
Cookout and outdoor movie

9/7 @ 7:00 p.m.
The Rock
(Group for High School - Young Adults)

9/11 @ 10:30 a.m.
Sunday Funday
(Fall Kickoff)

9/21 @ 6:30 p.m.
The Core
(Group for Elementary - Middle School)

Mark your calendars for the new groups for students and young adults starting in September!

The Core:

Group for students Kindergarten - 8th grade
Meet the 3rd Wednesday of every month 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
Starting September 21st

The Rock:

Group for High School students - Young Adults
Meet the 1st Wednesday of every month @ 7:00 p.m.
Starting September 7th

Anyone who is interested is helping with either of these groups, please contact Casey Lewis.