

Welcome To Community

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Today's Message

The Messiah We Want

Matthew 16:13-23



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 **Community Church**
of Portage Lakes



Legacy Grandparenting Summit • 2023

Last call to join with thousands of other grandparents from around the nation at this year's **Legacy Grandparenting Summit**. This 2-day conference begins Thursday morning for 2 days of practical ideas and insights to develop a legacy to give to your grandchildren based on God's Word and his plan for our lives. The registration site has remained open for late registrations but log onto **legacycoalition.com/summit** and reserve your spot before Thursday! Please pray that God will encourage and strengthen the witness of each of those grandparents that have invested themselves in these 2 days and the futures of their amazing grandchildren.

Turn in your Faith Promise by October 31st!

My Faith Promise

Why is missions important?

"Supporting the idea of missions and individual missionaries is important because it is God's plan in this world to establish new churches and bring new believers to Christ through the work of missions."

Have you submitted your Faith Promise?

Cards were mailed out last week, we also have some located in the back of the seats in the Worship Center. Please submit them in the box located on the coffee bar or in the offering boxes through the end of October.

What's Happening

Ladies: Just One More Chapter! Book Club is meeting Tuesday, October 24, 6:30pm. The book for October is Journey to the Well by Diana Wallis Taylor. JOMC! Book Club is for all ladies who love to read and want to get together to discuss the stories. All ladies are welcome! Looking ahead the book for November is The Christmas Dress by Courtney Cole. November will be our last meeting for 2023 and we will be celebrating with a Christmas Tea. Contact Jessica Krege (330-622-3897) if you have questions.

Encore: Encore Bible Study - in the chapel at 10:00 - 11:30 AM - an 8-week study on HEAVEN, beginning Oct 12 and running through Nov 23. Heaven is the destination we all have heard about and look forward to. Some may think of singing praises, playing harps, or even walking on streets of gold. While we know we want to go to heaven, we wonder what it will be like. In this eight-week session, we'll look into the Scriptures for clarity on some of our questions. This study will provide a biblical perspective on HEAVEN a place that is richer and more exciting than we can imagine. Please consider joining our study as we will look at various portions of scripture including:

1. Preparing a Place - John 14:1-9
2. The Last Frontier - Philippians 1:19-30
3. Rapture Ahead! - 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18
4. Run to Win - 1 Corinthians 9:24-27
5. Practicing Our Praise - Revelation 4
6. Welcome to the Party! - Luke 14:7-24
7. Working for Your Father - Matthew 25:14-30
8. Looking for the City - Revelation 21--22

Broken Vessels: Our Wednesday night community group will be back, this Wednesday, October 18th at 6:30pm in the Chapel.

Encore: On Oct. 25th at 1:00pm we will be showing The Inn Of The Sixth Happiness starring Ingrid Bergman, Curt Jurgens, & Robert Donat. After making her way to China to become a missionary, an English parlor maid wins the heart of a Eurasian colonel and the respect of the local Mandarin. But her greatest accomplishment is leading 100 homeless children to safety across enemy-held terrain during Japan's invasion of China. Adapted from the novel "The Small Woman" about the true-life story of Gladys Aylward, this powerfully poignant film is inspiring entertainment from beginning to end.

Kids: Trunk or Treat Candy/Help

We are asking for candy donations for our kids Trunk or Treat event this year. We are anticipating around 1,000 children, which is awesome. We need your help! We are in need of pre-packaged candy and also volunteers. We need everything from folks to host a trunk to help with parking cars. If you would like to donate, you can place the candy in the gray boxes located in the main lobby. If you would like to volunteer, you can sign up on the sign up sheet on the coffee bar/go to ccpl.life/trunkhelp to sign up

Kids: It's back! Trunk or Treat will be on Sunday, October 22nd from 4-7pm in the church parking lot. We will have candy, balloon twisting, inflatables, and games. Also, this year we have invited Lerch's Donuts to come with a food truck... They are coming! Feel free to purchase as many donuts as you want and join us for this awesome fall event. Oh yeah, did we mention admission is totally free? It is and we are so excited we have included a special door prize that everyone will have a chance to win. Any questions? Contact Todd Hixenbaugh at toddhixenbaugh@ccpl.life.

Prayer Needs

Our Missionary Prayer Focus: **Craig Peters with Equip Ministries International** Craig Peters, Executive Director with EQUIP Ministries International of Green, Ohio equipministriesinternational.org -- Founded in 2018 with ministries to Cambodia, Myanmar, and Guatemala, EQUIP is now ministering in 11 different countries. This month, they will be in Nepal for a new ministry opportunity. EQUIP trains nationals to be faithful teachers of God's Word and bold messengers of the Gospel. In many countries the ratio of trained Gospel leaders to the general population is as few as 1 to 450K.

Friends Who Are Sick - Dave Baker, Nancy Banwart, David Benjamin, Alan Buckley, Cynthia Burdette, Don Burdette, Katie Butcher, Mike Cameron, Wes Cox, Dorothy Green, Charlene Inherst, Gene Inherst, Judy Mervine, Judy Odom, Grace Patterson, Terri Pfaff, Casey Roscoe, Mary Ellen Seibert, BJ Smith, Anita VanBuskirk, Keith Virden, Richard Fox (Coalridge), Al Moses (AlterCare)

Special Prayer Needs

If you have a prayer request and would like to call the prayer chains

Daytime
8am-6pm

Mona Hoppstock
234-678-8006

Kathy Walker
330-607-4134

Evening
6-10pm

Bonnie Hutchison
330-644-5352

Diana Pryor
330-882-9857

Email

Sonya DeBerte
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Giving

Last Week's General Fund Giving **\$18,512**

Weekly General Fund Need **\$17,345**

This Week

Sunday

6:30PM SNG
6:30PM Life 301

Monday

12:30PM Ladies Prayer Group
1:30PM Sister's In Christ Study
6:30PM Ladies Monday Study

Tuesday

6:30AM Men's Bible Study
8:00AM Breakfast at HM
9:30AM Tuesday's Acts Study
6:30PM Men's Evening Study
7:00PM C & C Small Group
7:00PM MOPS

Wednesday

6:30PM Kids Clubs
6:30PM Youth Small Groups
6:30PM Broken Vessels Study
6:30PM Ladies Prayer Group
7:00PM Choir

Thursday

10:00AM Grandparents Summit
6:30PM Veterans Group
7:00PM Galvanized

Friday

10:00AM Grandparents Summit

Saturday

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