

Welcome To Community

April 7, 2024

Today's Message

The Power of Giving

Matthew 6:19-24



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 **Community Church**
of Portage Lakes



Men's
**WILD GAME
DINNER**

FRIDAY, APRIL 19 - 6:30PM

Our annual men's night out, featuring a wild game dinner, has been our best event every year. This dinner **includes a wide variety of meats that our own Nick Robeson hunted and trapped.** We will also have chicken for men who want a more conventional dinner. After the meal, we have Jason Hubbard as our guest Speaker. Jason and his family were previous members of Community Church Portage Lakes. Jason serves as a group therapist at the IBH Addiction Recovery Center on S. Main St. in Akron. Prior to that, Jason was involved with Haven of Rest for over two decades. Join us as Jason shares his story of hope, redemption, and restoration. Donation for the dinner is \$10.00. Be sure to sign up in the lobby or online today to reserve your spot!



**GOSPEL
HYMN
SING**

BY REQUEST

APR 28
4-5PM

What's Happening

Church: Join us for a delicious pancake breakfast fundraiser supporting our student missions team as they spread the gospel in Costa Rica this summer! Enjoy made-to-order pancakes, sausage, bacon, fruit, and more between our two church services from 10:00-11:00am. While the event is free, we gratefully accept donations to aid our team's mission. Let's come together in fellowship and generosity to empower our youth in spreading the love and truth of God an abroad."

Encore: The upcoming luncheon will be Saturday April 13, 2024 at CCPL's gymnasium. Doors are open at 11:30 for those who wish to arrive a little early. A fun filled quiz designed to challenge our awareness will be available at each table. We'll enjoy delicious pot luck dishes along with salads and desserts provided by attendees. Lunch will be served a 12:00 noon so plan on arriving a little earlier. After lunch our guest speakers will be Mark Channon of HeartFelt Radio FM 91.9. There will also be Kelly Tremain from the Better Business Bureau (BBB) who will address "Top Scams Targeting Seniors". A signup sheet is provided on-line and at the Connect Center in the main lobby.

Encore Movie Matinee On Wed. April 24th @ 1:00pm we will be showing the movie "Lost Horizon" starring Ronald Coleman, Jane Wyatt, and Edward Everett Horton. When a revered diplomat's plane is diverted and crashes in the peaks of Tibet, he and the other survivors are guided to an isolated monastery at Shangri-La, where they wrestle with the invitation to stay.

MFL: We are canceling the Men's Breakfast for April 20th. We will resume them this coming fall. Watch the bulletin and online for upcoming dates to be announced.

Membership Class: On April 28th at 9:15am and 4:30pm come learn more about our church, our common faith, our common beliefs, our common commitment, and what it means to be a member of a church. Our membership class is a 2-part class for anyone 16 or older. The first session will be led by Pastor Don, and the second session will be led by Pastor Mike. A light supper will be served at the evening session and child care will be provided at the evening class for children in 5th grade and under if you let us know it is needed. Attending the class does not obligate you to become a member.

Fundraiser: Support our student ministry camps, missions trips, & retreats by participating in our envelope fundraiser. For the fundraiser you take one of the envelopes off the wall and then donate the amount on the front of the envelope. You can return it to either the main office or by placing it in the offering plate on Sunday morning. If every envelope is taken we'll raise \$4,865! As a way of saying thank you our students work all year to help anyone who needs it by doing yard work, helping people move, or whatever is needed. If there is a project you need help with please feel free to contact us through phone or email: Josephfurno@ccpl.life

VBS Volunteer Registration: This year, VBS is June 2nd-6th from 6-8:30pm. We need volunteers for pretty much every space. Check out the coffee bar to sign-up for a spot. You are not locked in, Todd Hixenbaugh will call you and chat about the position with you. For more information, email Todd at toddhixenbaugh@ccpl.life.

Kids: This year, Vacation Bible School is happening on June 2nd-4th for Pre-K children (3-5) and June 2nd-6th for elementary children. It will be from 6-8:30pm. We look forward to seeing you there!

Prayer Needs

Our Missionary Prayer Focus: **Matt & Emily Musser with Ethos 360** ethnos360.org. Matt and Emily Musser have an established mission in the Asia/ Pacific region through Ethnos 360. Founded in 1942 as New Tribes Mission, Ethnos 360 is an interdenominational, cross-cultural evangelical Christian mission based in FL, USA. They fund more than 3,000 missionaries in 20+ countries. The Mussers, currently on home assignment, will return to support missionaries working among the unreached people groups to give them spiritual and emotional support while in the field.

Friends Who Are Sick - Nancy Banwart, David Benjamin, Alan Buckley, Katie Butcher, Mike Cameron, Wes Cox, Dorothy Green, Charlene Inherst, Gene Inherst, Judy Mervine, Terri Pfaff, Casey Roscoe, Mary Ellen Seibert, BJ Smith, Anita VanBuskirk, Keith Virden, Harry Warner, Richard Fox (Coalridge)

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

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Giving

Last Week's General Fund Giving **\$20,910**

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

This Week

Sunday

- 11:00AM Encore Lead Mtg
12:30PM Costa Rica Team Mtg
12:30PM MFL Meeting
6:30PM Marriage Matters
6:30PM SNG

Monday

- 12:30PM Ladies Prayer Grp
1:30PM Sisters In Christ
6:30PM Ladies Study

Tuesday

- 6:30AM Men's Bible Study
8:00AM Breakfast at HM
9:30AM DeBerte Ladies Study
6:00PM Men's Basketball
6:30PM Elder Board Mtg
7:00PM C&C Small Group
7:00PM MOPS

Wednesday

- 6:30PM Kids Clubs/Small Grps
6:30PM Broken Vessels Study
6:30PM Ladies Prayer Group
7:00PM Choir

Thursday

Friday

- 7:00PM IF Conference

Saturday

- 9:00AM Encore Luncheon