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FROM THE PASTOR

Trying New Things

I've noted plenty of times before that, like Northwest, I'm in a period of transition in my life. Although Beth and I have enjoyed having our kids home for the summer, we grew accustomed to having an empty nest. Both of our kids attend college out-of-state, and we know that neither of them will be home again for a summer. I know that I spent a lot of time last year trying to hold on to things from our past. For all the roles we've had, being parents is the most significant, even if our kids don't need daily intervention (at least, that's what they claim).

The first thing I tried last year was coming to a new church, in a new (to me) denomination. In my time at Northwest, I've found myself willing to let go of some old habits and interests, while developing some new ones. I love the direction my life has been taking recently.

I've become an ardent supporter of the Columbus Crew and soccer in general, joined a really nice gym in March and am now working out daily, started hiking, and even drink the occasional IPA or two. Last weekend, I started playing pickleball and loved it! Who knows what's next for me. I feel like I'm becoming a new person, and I'm really happy about that. New and improved! Some relationships, interests and traditions will always be a part of me, but I love the fact that I am getting a bit better daily.

It's fair to wonder what any of this has to do with Northwest. I was a bit reluctant about the invitation to come and work with you all. However, as I look back, Northwest was the first change, the first new thing that I said "yes" to. My time here, while challenging, has been fertile for me. Growth has happened, and I have been made to feel, by you, very affirmed about my gifts and graces for ministry. Thank you for that. It's a bigger kindness that you probably realize.

Peace,

Scott



Bill Holroyd

5910 Farrington Rd. #407

Chapel Hill, NC 27517

Bill Holroyd called requesting birthday wishes for his 90th birthday on October 5th. He is living in North Carolina near his son, but is deeply missing his Northwest family. He is doing well living on his own, but receives dialysis three days a week. Please send a card or note to our long time friend!

August Poetry Zoom Rescheduled

The August Poetry Zoom on August 8, 2023 is cancelled. The next Poetry Zoom will be as already scheduled on the second Tuesday on September 12. A reminder email with a link will sent out at that time.

*On a summer day in the month of May,
A burly bum came a-hikin',
He was travlin' down that lonesome road,
A-lookin' for his likin'.
He was headed for a land that's far away,
Beside those crystal fountains,
"I'll see you all, this comin' fall
In the Big Rock Candy Mountains."*



Heart Sisters Your Help is Needed!

Connecting...to God, to each other, to community

It is that exciting time of the year when we get to experience the NWCC Rummage Sale! The Queen of Rummage (a.k.a., Connie Long) has summoned special help from the Heart Sisters group.

Please look over the needs listed below and consider what you can do to help make the rummage sale a success. We all need to pull together to help "queen", but more importantly our church with this very important fundraiser.

Continue to clean out your closets, basements, and attics and bring your clean and usable treasures to the church asap.

Help with pre-rummage sale tasks on **Monday, July 24th from 6-8pm.**

Whether you prefer to sit or move around - there will be something that you can help with.

Heart Sisters has committed to provide volunteers on **Monday, August 7th** with sorting items - come anytime between 10am - 8pm. Additionally, you are encouraged to come throughout the week as you are able to further help with sorting/pricing. Extra help will definitely be needed on **Thursday, August 10th and on the day of the rummage sale (August 12th).**

Bake, bake, and bake some more to support the bake sale that will take place during the rummage sale. Baked goods can be brought to the church kitchen the day before and on the day of the rummage sale.

Looking ahead: Mark your calendars for Monday, September 25th for the Heart Sisters fall kickoff program.



EXTRAVAGANT
Generosity

Matthew 6:27-33 Has anyone by fussing in front of the mirror ever gotten taller by so much as an inch? All this time and money wasted on fashion—do you think it makes that much difference? Instead of looking at the fashions, walk out into the fields and look at the wildflowers. They never primp or shop, but have you ever seen color and design quite like it? The ten best-dressed men and women in the country look shabby alongside them. If God gives such attention to the appearance of wildflowers—most of which are never even seen—don't you think he'll attend to you, take pride in you, do his best for you? What I'm trying to do here is to get you to relax, to not be so preoccupied with getting, so you can respond to God's giving. People who don't know God and the way he works fuss over these things, but you know both God and how he works. Steep your life in God-reality, God-initiative, God-provisions. Don't worry about missing out. You'll find all your everyday human concerns will be met. -from The Message

This translation brings another level of meaning to Jesus' comments on prioritizing money. By using language more typical of our culture, it speaks directly to the tendency of people to spend money on how they look to others. Jesus thinks it is a waste of time and effort.

We are much better off to attend to the things of God, and let God attend to our human concerns.

Carla Nuenke, Extravagant Generosity

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Thanks to Ted Thomas, Jack Strawn, Grace Sachar, Jane Russell, Linda Anschutz, Jim Embree and Dave and Debbie Stephan for volunteering to help with the NEMAP Ohio State Fair parking on July 26th . Your willingness to help with this fundraiser was appreciated!

For the month of August, we will be collecting all types of canned and/or dried beans - refried beans, baked beans, black beans, pinto beans, navy beans - any and all types of beans! Let's overfill the cart in the Narthex with our donations!



Mark your calendars for Friday, November 17 th and plan to attend the Harmony for Hunger concert being held at St. Mark's Episcopal Church (2151 Dorset Rd, Upper Arlington). It is a wonderful evening filled with fantastic entertainment and a silent auction.

V♥LUNTEER APPRECIATION



MARSHA MUELLER, JOHN AND KATHRYN BIERLEY, LINDA ANSCHUTZ



If you want to get involved contact any of these people



ADVENTURE AWAITS



Disciples Fellowship Retreat

REGISTRATION FORMS ARE AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX

*This is the time to come back
to Disciples Fellowship
Retreat! Call your camp
friends, Call your family.
There is something for
everyone! See you there!!*

*September 1, 2023
thru
September 3, 2023*

Keynote Speaker - Rev. Allen V. Harris

The theme for the Disciples Fellowship Retreat Labor Day weekend is Camp Reunion. All of our lessons and activities will return us to worship styles, songs and traditions from all stages of camp life. We encourage new people even though the theme is reunion, because as with all of our retreats, there will be something for everyone! Call your camp friends and come and enjoy fun, fellowship and worship at our beloved camp. For more information contact us at OhioDFR@gmail.com



Sing Out the Summer

AUGUST 13, 2023

Each of us has grown up with our favorite hymns, those that have a special meaning that stir memories and touch our souls. There's nothing like the sound of the congregation singing together hymns that have become symbols of love, hope, and a shared devotion. The tradition of "Sing Out the Summer" is back, where hymn suggestions from the congregation will be sung during the August 13th service. Suggestions can be submitted by filling out a form at the Welcome Table or online here:

<https://forms.gle/fotc7PSHZQ15vyi29>

Share your favorite melodies that inspire and lift your spirit!

Dr. Timothy Sarsany, DMA
Director of Music



congregational
MEETING
August 27, 2023

HAPPY WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



75th

Don and Vera Alexander

You are invited to an Open House on
August 20, 2023
to celebrate Don and Vera Alexander's special day.

The place is The Forum:
4625 Knightsbridge Blvd, Columbus, OH 43214
from 2:00 - 4:00pm

They were married in Lafayette Indiana on
August 20, 1948

and have been longtime members of the
Northwest Christian Church family.

Don and Vera invite you to come and party with them
and the family on this Diamond Anniversary.

Please RSVP to Koral Alexander 614-746-5430.

All must enter by the front main door and register.

No gifts, but cards and memories are welcome!

HAPPY Birthday

8/1 Corwin Kuhn
8/1 Trisha Ludeke
8/5 Glenn Allen
8/7 Bill Flaws
8/8 Trey Solon
8/9 Yanitza Brongers
8/14 Tyler Kline
8/15 Elizabeth Smith
8/15 Ted Thomas
8/17 Laura Jochem
8/18 Madeline Smith
8/19 Steve Jennings
8/20 Don Guss
8/20 Eleanor Myers
8/22 Karen Smith
8/26 Paul King
8/28 John Beals

Happy Anniversary

8/4 Steve and Rose Hallarn
8/9 Ken and Margi Evans
8/20 Don and Vera Alexander
8/24 Ted and Barbara Thomas
8/27 Kaitlin and Matthew Oyster
8/29 John and Lori Beals

THANK
YOU

A Big thank you to all who participated in the EPIC, (Experienced Persons in Community) program conducted by The AARP Fraud Team. A great turnout with Fabulous Food!

Corwin and Mary

Should you have any pastoral needs or concerns, please let our Pastor know.

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Tracy Qian, Accompanist / Organist

Rebecca Bean, Secretary: office@northwestchristian.org

Madison Buty, Child Caregiver

Karly Dearth, Child Caregiver

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