



Canal Fulton

United Methodist Church

Our mission is to reach out to welcome all and together walk with Christ



A Letter from Pastor Shaun

Hello everybody! I hope you all are continuing to stay safe and healthy, and I do want to remind everybody that if you are missing others/Church just remember that we are putting up the sermons regularly on Canal Fulton UMC Facebook, so don't hesitate to check it on Sunday afternoons if you don't want to miss out on the week's message. Alright, with that out of the way though, I'd like to talk about the general principle that "What you focus on, grows." Going through my devotionals, this passage jumped out at me in Colossians 3:1-4 which states, "Since, then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God. When Christ, who is your life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory."

The Bible continues to remind us to keep the focus on Christ, who is the "author of our faith" (Hebrews), lest we stumble and trip along the way, forgetting how we got on this journey of faith to begin with. When we are focused on the things of this world, we are more likely to get tripped up because this earth has some pretty big distractions that can keep us from communing properly with God. Now we of course are living on this earth, and do need to give it our proper time and attention, but the Bible reminds us that we are on this earth for a short time, simply "passing through" if you will. I was again reminded of this Scripture when going through a sports commentary website, they interviewed Arsene Wenger, who was a famous manager (head coach) for the Premier League soccer team Arsenal. Even if one does not watch soccer, Arsenal is one of the more recognizable teams from Europe. He was a great and respected manager, but said this in a recent interview..." If God exists and they have a test to see if you go to hell or to heaven, it might look ridiculous to only have dedicated your life to winning football games"

This quote is telling from what many would consider to be a very successful man. It reminds us that even though we are capable of doing many great things on this earth, if we forget to include God in the equation then we are missing out on a vital part of the solution. Many great Christians have had profound success in "secular" sports careers (think Tim Tebow), but never forgot the fact that they still have responsibilities to do some work for God as well. I am not saying that you need to drop everything and become a monk, however what I am advocating is to set your mind on the things above (God, God's Kingdom, the Great Commission, etc..) while at the same time not neglecting your responsibilities and duties that you have to your careers, your families, and yourselves during this time on earth. We are all ambassadors for Christ and we would all do well to remember that one day the Lord will call each of us home. Until that time comes though, let us do our best to live for the Lord and continue to look to Jesus, who offers us grace upon grace, and mercy upon mercy. Have a blessed month everybody!

Prayer Chain

We have a wonderful prayer chain group that can be notified of those needing special prayers. Contact the church office at 330-854-3573 or cfumc1@sssn.net if you would like prayers for yourself, friends or family members.

*"Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God."
Philippines 4:6*

FRIENDS & FAMILY

Ken and Sheila Berwinkle
Nancy Corral (nursing home)
Betty Doyle
Barbara Gregis (health)
Retta Kaster (assisted living)
Mary Kocsis (health)
Larry Kopp (health)
Michael Reighart
Rose Rhodes (health)
Shirley Starr (health)
Bev Wilkinson (health)
Nick vonBonin (health)
Connie Westfall (health)
Luther Waybright
Carole Zay (nursing facility)

Those with addictions

Those wishing to harm
themselves and others

Sick children everywhere

COLLEGE STUDENTS

Emma Canfield
Ike Canfield
Janelle Ferrell
Ethan Lower
Morgan Lower
Meredith Manns
Morgan Manns Cutlip
Lauren Spradling

IN THE MILITARY

Lt. Jacob Bickett
Nathan Walker

Thanksgiving service will be held Sunday Nov 22nd at 7pm.



Collection Missions

Please place your donations in the marked
containers in the coat room

Refuge of Hope:

Dishes, Mugs, Silverware, Cooking Utensils, Twin Bed
Linens, Blankets, Chairs, Men's Suits, Small Furniture,
and Pillows. These can be gently used items. We
would love to take a full load over before Christmas.

Flat Rock:

Dish and laundry soap, fabric softener, deodorant, bar
soap, scrub brushes, ankle socks, men's briefs, wom-
en's underwear, baby powder, bar soap, deodorant,
hand sanitizer, toothbrushes, toothpaste, new washers
and dryers, good cars, handicap accessible vans. Fi-
nancial donations may be given by utilizing the enve-
lopes provided in the donation container. Please con-
tact Rose Darling with questions.

Canton Calvary Mission:

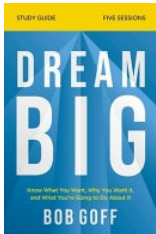
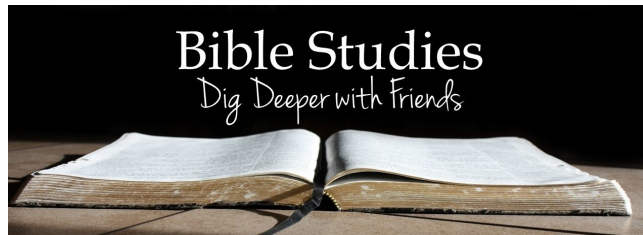
Household: books, toys, kitchen items, dish rags, small
bottles of laundry detergent, hygiene products, clean-
ing products, Ziploc bags, Paper and plastic ware, nap-
kins, clip coupons. Clothing: Clothing for all ages in-
cluding work clothing, shoes, work boots, hats,
scarves, men's gloves, thermal underwear. Food:
Canned meat (including tuna), spaghetti sauce, soups
with meat, toilet paper, pasta. Weekend backpack
foods: Easy Mac, fruit cups, crackers, cereal, canned
pastas, granola bars



We hope that all our children are
safely back to learning, whether vir-
tually at home, or in person in the
classroom. We have not yet decided what
we will be doing for Jr Church, but we are
considering a few options. Just know that
we are thinking about you and praying for
your physical and spiritual health. Always be
kind to others and say your prayers daily.

Barb Kopp

**TRYING TO REACH THE PASTOR? YOU CAN
CALL HIM AT (330) 205-6275 OR E-MAIL
HIM AT PASTORSHAUN223@GMAIL.COM**



Sunday School 10:30am

Starting Nov 8th- At some point, we resign ourselves to living by the scripts and rhythms established by other people. Perhaps it's a parent. Maybe it's a pastor or a boss or a teacher. Maybe it's a mortgage or wedding date or that next pay raise. Wherever the source, today there is an ocean full of people living on the life rafts of what they were expected to do. If we look at the mirror, we might see ourselves on that life raft as well.

Bible Study: Wednesday 10:30am

Our Wednesday Bible Study will resume in December.



Jill Maculaitis 11-1

Robert Richmond 11-6

Cheryl Gschnell 11-10

Patty Lower 11-11

Randy Szilagyi 11-11

Joshua Hare 11-15

Lynn Szilagyi 11-22

Dave Dushane 11-24

Susie Jones 11-27

Dear Friends,

Betty Doyle would like to thank everyone who took the time to send her a birthday card for her 92nd birthday.



A big thank you

to all who donated to the fire relief in St Helena California. A check for \$1300 has been sent to St Helena United Methodist Church for help with the devastation from the Glass Fire. Please continue to keep them in your prayers.

Anniversaries

Peggy & Craig Schwendeman 11-4

ALTAR FLOWERS

If you would like to purchase flowers for the altar for worship some Sunday morning, just sign up on the bulletin board by the front door. The cost is \$23 which can be paid in the church office or along with your offering on Sunday morning. Just be sure to designate that \$23 goes towards your altar flowers.





Flat Rock

Restoring Hope. Transforming Lives. Living Faith.

Do we have an exciting project for you!

Wouldn't your church be thrilled to help provide a new 'playground' for the individuals served by Flat Rock!? The old equipment is no longer usable, and we need new, updated, fun, accessible equipment. It is all part of our

OUTDOOR THERAPEUTIC CENTER (OTC) #GivingTuesday project that includes:

- A safe, paved walking path
- A prayer labyrinth
- An accessible, fun 'playground'
- And more!

Fundraising ideas you may consider:



Children's Coin Collection



Support for the Prayer Labyrinth



Churchwide walkathon for the Walking Path



Past #GivingTuesday drives supported our vehicle fleet, and bought new, durable furniture for the Care Center, and greatly helped with the urgent, unplanned needs earlier in the pandemic. With your help, we can make this

OUTDOOR THERAPEUTIC CENTER a big success! Find more information on our website

www.flatrockhomes.org, on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram. You may contact me as well, at Rdarling@flatrockhomes.org. As always, your PRAYERS are so very welcome!!

Please remember that, as part of the Flat Rock ministry team, I am available for a Flat Rock presentation and inspiring message (temporarily via video or ZOOM). Plan ahead for National Disability Month in March. As the pandemic ends, I will return to in-person ministry which will add piano or organ supply, or special programs.

References are available. Thank you!

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Thanksgiving Dinner

November 14th 4p-7p

While this Thanksgiving will certainly look different than those in the past, we look forward to celebrating all of the gifts we have been blessed with this year.

To keep with social distancing, we will be having drive-through style meals. Dinner will include ham, turkey, mashed potatoes, stuffing, and dessert.

Donations are welcome and may be given at the time of pick up.

