



# CROSSBEAMS

*A Monthly Newsletter for Cheviot United Methodist Church*

JUNE 2011



From  
the Pastors Desk

## PASTOR'S LETTER REV. CRAIG JONES

### "HOW TO STAY YOUNG YOUR WHOLE LIFE"

Have you ever noticed that some people in their eighties still seem youthful – while people in the forties sometimes appear to be quite old. While it is normal for the body to age, it's important to do those things which help to keep us young at heart and in spirit. The difference is attitude, as the Bible teaches us: *"As a man thinketh in his heart, so is he..."* (Proverbs 23:7, KJV) People don't get old until they choose to do so. Instead of asking, "How old are you?" we should ask, "How many years have you lived?"

I love what Dr. Charles Stanley says at this point: *"God desires that you and I do not get old for the simple reason that He wants to use us all the days of our life. As ambassadors of the Lord Jesus Christ, we have the responsibility to be our best, do our best, and look our best because we represent Him to the world."* Isn't that great!

What can we do to keep young our whole life?

**KEEP LEARNING.** Don't settle for what you already know – as soon as you accept things as they are, you cease to stay young. Keep learning. Keep in the Bible, because when you read the Scriptures, you get God's Word into your mind and heart – and you begin to think the way God thinks. And as you begin to see things from God's perspective you will stop worrying and fretting.

You will also continue to realize that the Scriptures are a love letter from God expressing to you His unconditional love so that you can incorporate that into your everyday thinking and living. If you cease to learn – you will get into "rut living" – which leads to aging. Find something you don't know how to do – how about a computer program or a foreign language? – and challenge yourself to do it. Continual learning will keep your mind sharp and it will keep you young at heart.

**KEEP LOVING.** The Lord doesn't want His children to live with bitterness, anxiety, resentment, or hostility – those things which negatively affect our body, our

mind, and every aspect of our life. God wants us to be lovers. He created us not just so that He could love us, but so that we could also love Him and each other. Love causes energy to flow in our life – people who love remain youthful in their spirit for the simple reason that they have anticipation and excitement.

**KEEP LAUGHING.** Did you know that every cell in your body is affected by laughing. Laughing stimulates your immune system. God, the Great Physician tells us in His Word that, *"a joyful heart is good medicine, but a broken spirit dries up the bones."* (Proverbs 17:22) True joy results from recognizing that our sovereign, omnipotent God lives inside of us – and He can enable us to smile, no matter what.

We are most like children when we are laughing. It enables us to become transparent and real to other people. Take yourself less seriously. If you don't have any friends who make you laugh – fine some!

**KEEP LABORING.** Psalm 92:14 compares us to strong trees that *"will still yield fruit in old age."* There is nothing wrong with retiring from a lifelong secular career, but we can keep doing something for the Lord through our service. To sit around and do nothing sends a message to the body: *It's all over!* And a person starts aging when they stop being challenged and motivated. There are many ministries that you can be involved with in the greatest Cincinnati area.

**KEEP LEAVING...the past behind.** Too many people live in the past, clinging to old hurts, bitterness, and old resentments. We age quickly if we do not learn to leave behind the past with all of its regrets, disappointments, and heartaches. That emotional baggage does not fit who we are. God wants us to focus our mind on the present and the future, and He is willing to remove our weighty burdens, if only we will let Him. But first we must learn to forgive others – and ourselves! – and be willing to stop living in the past.

**KEEP ON LONGING...for better things.** Don't give up your dreams, or you will start aging. When we are motivated and working toward a goal we

continue pg.2

# DEVOTIONAL ARTICLES

content. Never settle for goals that are too small or too safe.

Make big plans and dreams – big enough that they won't come to fruition without God's help. Keep in mind that God has wonderful plans for each one of His children. Ask Him, "What are your plans for my life?" Then delight yourself in the Lord, and expect God to act on your behalf! (Psalm 37:4) It will be exciting, and you will discover that you have more energy, more stamina, and more faith.

**KEEP LEANING... on God.** If I were going to choose a life verse, I would probably choose Proverbs 3:5-6: *"Trust in the Lord with all your heart and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge Him, and He will make your paths straight."*

Be in continual prayer. Keep talking to and listening to God. Keep believing that He can and He will. When you lean upon the Lord for every need – in both difficult days and in good days – you will experience a sense of contentment and joy. You don't have to age because of troubles, trials, or heartaches.

Will your body age? Yes, it will. But that doesn't mean that you have to become old in your mind, or in your spirit, or in your heart. Why not choose God's best! Start living today with the confidence and assurance that God will work in your life to renew your strength. (Isaiah 40:31)

See you at the *"staying young"* place this Sunday!  
Craig

---

## **"A GOD WE CAN TRUST" Psalm 37:1-9**

Trust is a valuable commodity these days. The reason? It is because trust seems to be in such short supply. Greed, selfish ambition, and a look-out-for-number-one attitude seem to be the order of the day. In a time when we find it hard to trust even ourselves, what reasons do we have to trust God?

First, God is trustworthy because he is the one true God. There is no one like Him. (2 Samuel 7:21-22) In God, we do not have to worry about changing ethics or values; His perfect will is changeless. He is truly the same yesterday, today, and forever. (Hebrews 13:8)

Second, God is the very essence of truth. God does not stand under the authority of some cosmic list of "right" and "wrong." Rather, He Himself is the very standard of

comparison. God cannot deceive because He is truth.

Third, God has proven Himself to be absolutely faithful. As the Bible says, "His compassions never fail. They are new every morning; great is Thy faithfulness." (Lamentations 3:22-23)

Fourth, God is trustworthy because He has absolute control of every situation. Psalm 103:19 declares, "The Lord has established His throne in the heavens, and His sovereignty rules over all." Therefore, we can trust that His perfect will shall be done, regardless of how difficult we may believe the situation may be.

Our very lives testify to the power and love of God. In Him, we can safely put our faith and confidence, knowing that we will never be disappointed.

Dr. Charles Stanley, *In Touch*, March 2003

## **"A GOD WE CAN TRUST – PART 2"**

Matthew 7:9-11

Even though we do not realize it as children, we all learn fundamental lessons about trust from our parents. If a person has kind, loving parents, then trust seems to come more naturally when he or she grows older. However, if parents are cold and distant, their grown children can find it hard to trust others.

For this reason, many believers have difficulty trusting God fully. In an age noted for broken homes and absent fathers, how is it possible to learn to trust our Father in heaven?

First, we must understand that God loves us unconditionally, just as we are. We do not need to earn His favor; in fact, we are entirely incapable of doing so.

God does not love us because of what we can offer Him. Rather, He loves us because, as 1 John 4:16 tells us, His very nature is love. Because of that love, God provided our salvation at His own great expense – the life of His precious Son, Jesus Christ.

Second, we can trust God because He has given us exactly what we needed most: salvation. "For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish, but have eternal life." (John 3:16) He did not do this because He owed us anything, nor because of any inherent good within us. He save us for one reason: because of His all-surpassing love. (1 John 4:9)

God knows every dark part of you, and He loves you nonetheless. He is truly worthy of your praise. and your trust.

Dr. Charles Stanley, *In Touch*, March 2003

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS



## COMMUNION SCHEDULE JUNE – SEPTEMBER, 2011

June 5  
July 10  
August 7  
September 11

## Westfed Needs

Cereal, Peas, Corn, and Green Beans.

Many thanks to the congregation for your continued support of Westfed Pantry through grocery purchases and monetary donations



**Volunteer!**

Move from  
Spectator to Contributor

## Communications Coordinator Needed

Do you have some communication skills and abilities you would be willing to donate to CUMC?

We are looking for a volunteer to work with newspapers, radio stations, assist with special events, work on publicity signs, announcements, and various other methods of communications. If this sounds like a way you would like to serve CUMC please contact Pastor Craig or the church office: 662-2048.



## Test Your Knowledge of Cheviot and CUMC History

When was Cheviot named? Who gave Cheviot its name?

What form of transportation helped increase the population of Cheviot beginning in 1900?

3. When did Cheviot become incorporated as a city?
4. When was the Cheviot United Brethren Church building completed on Woodbine Avenue?
5. When did the Cheviot congregation move into the present church building on the Boulevard?

What is the name of the free-standing tower that is located at the entrance to CUMC?

(Answers on page 4)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS

## ANSWERS

*Cheviot was settled in 1818 by John Craig, Sr., a Scotsman, and derived its name from the Cheviot Hills of Scotland.*

*The Westwood Streetcar Line was extended over Harrison Avenue to Glenmore Avenue about 1900. The population increased from 400 to 2000 by 1910.*

*Cheviot had a population of 8046 in 1931, which constituted a city.*

*The Cheviot United Brethren Church building was completed and dedicated May, 1922, at a cost of \$51,000.00.*

*The first service in the present church building was held on November 15, 1964.*

- 6. During the planning and building program, it was decided to name certain areas as memorials to people who served and gave spiritual leadership to the church. Thus the free-standing tower, "The Comrey Campanile" was named for The Rev. Edwin Comrey, who served as pastor from 1914-1924.*



The Comrey Campanile



The Rev. Edwin Comrey

# ANNOUNCEMENTS & NEWS



Our prayers and sympathies are with the Family and Friends of Peg Baldock, whose mother, Winnie Baldock who passed away on April 30, 2011.

Our prayers and sympathies are also with the family and friends of Joe & Linda Hoff. Joe's mother, Ethel Hoff, passed away May 10, 2011.

## THANK YOU'S

### Church Family,

I want to thank all of you for your support of myself and my Team, "Cheryl's Angels" at this year's ACS Relay For Life of the West Side! I loved seeing you walking with me, hanging out with the team and getting involved. It was a great time even with the rain! The only hard part this year was doing it without Phyllis and Shirley. They were there in our hearts. Lois had a wonderful opening prayer! Thank you for all the love & support! Blessings, Cheryl Wilde

**Clairice Krieg** would like to thank everyone who sent cards and visited me during my stay in the hospital and nursing home. I am home now but can do very little as I use a walker all the time. Thank you,  
Clairice Krieg



Charles New  
Ryan Long  
Jocelyn Padilla  
Dustin Struckman

The following persons have been lifted in prayer. Please continue to pray for them.

- |                            |                           |
|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| † Dotty Meyer              | † Ruth Simmons            |
| † Don Francis              | † Benjamin Engleman       |
| † Peter & Porscha Schwartz | † Paul Jones              |
| † Peggy & Jeff Burchall    | † Carol & Elwood Black    |
| † Karen Colon              | † Annette                 |
| † Stephanie George         | † Betty Kareth            |
| † Wilma Craig              | † Jim Maurmeier           |
| † CJ                       | † Rebecca                 |
| † Julie, Mark & Children   | † Agnes & Sherry Spurlock |

☞ Please notify the church office when you know of someone is ill or in the hospital. The Pastors would like to minister to them. Thank you.

## Card Ministry

Do you know someone who could benefit from a card or note? Please contact **Carolyn St. John at 451-0535 or email at [cjstjohn5@hotmail.com](mailto:cjstjohn5@hotmail.com)** if you would like a card or note mailed on behalf of CUMC and our church family.

**Contact Information for Crossbeams:**  
**Juanita Woodburn**  
**[cheviotumc3820@aol.com](mailto:cheviotumc3820@aol.com)**  
**Please be sure to state "Crossbeams"**  
**in the subject line of your email.**

### CUMC STAFF CONTACT INFO

**[CheviotUmcJW@aol.com](mailto:CheviotUmcJW@aol.com)**  
(Church Office Email)

Correspondence with Juanita Woodburn, Secretary

**[CheviotUmc3820@aol.com](mailto:CheviotUmc3820@aol.com)**  
(Church Information & Prayer Requests )

**[CheviotUmcCJ@aol.com](mailto:CheviotUmcCJ@aol.com)**  
(Pastor Craig Jones)

**[CheviotUmcLS@aol.com](mailto:CheviotUmcLS@aol.com)**  
(Lois Schalk-Hartley, Associate Pastor)

**[CheviotUmctrustees@fuse.net](mailto:CheviotUmctrustees@fuse.net)**  
(Trustee Committee)



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO...

6/1 *Pete Reeme*  
*Dave Hauser*

6/2 *Jacob Grogan*

6/4 *Kelly Kremer*  
*Chloe Weaver*

6/6 *Marcia Lucas*  
*Karen Meiners*  
*Ben Wessel*

6/7 *Megan Wittich*  
*Loren Baldrick*

6/8 *Mary Anne Ernst*  
*Paula Long*

6/9 *Sallie Krieg*  
*Theresa Black*

6/13 *Allan Cox*

6/14 *Camille Weaver*  
*Nathan Kremer*  
*Madeline Engleman*

6/16 *Jayne Lash*  
*Kathleen Morand*

6/18 *Julie Struckman*

6/19 *Cheryl Wilde*

6/20 *Johanathon Vanover*

6/21 *Marion Smith*  
*Traci Chaffin*  
*Katlyn Callahan*

6/22 *John Hartley*  
*Sandy Williamson*  
*Kevin Weeden*

6/23 *Patrick Mazzi*  
*Garrett Halusek*

6/24 *Dorothy Gibson*  
*Mabel Wagner*

6/25 *Bea Hall*  
*Jeff Simmons*  
*Morgan Woodward*

6/26 *Chris Weaver*

6/27 *Walt Long*

6/28 *Chip Galinari*

6/30 *Phillip Mazza*



# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY TO ...

6/2/ *Mark & Lori Roush*

6/6/ *Gerald & Mary Gaddis*

6/8 *Charlie & Sue Edmisten*

6/10 *Jim & Jen Maurmeier*

6/11 *George & Sandy Williamson*

6/13 *Paul & Jackie Wolf*

6/16 *Albert & Bettylou Smith*

6/17 *Charlie & Mary Ann*  
*Sparenberg*

6/19 *Rory & Suzanne Powell*

6/20 *John & Lois (Schalk) Hartley*



6/23 *Dave & Sandy Hauser*

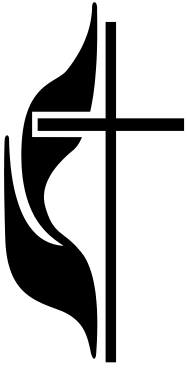
6/25 *Don & Pat Francis*

6/26 *Phil & Anita Beason, Jr.*

6/29 *Chip & Peggy Cummings, Jr.*

# JUNE 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>29</b> 9:20 AM Traditional Wors. Svc. 10:20 AM Sunday School	<b>30</b>  Offices Closed 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Mercy Group	<b>31</b> 1:00 PM Recovery Group	<b>1</b> 6:00 AM - 8:00 PM Daisy Troop: Classrooms & Chapel 10:00 AM Bible Study 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Senior Adult Yoga Class	<b>2</b> 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
<b>5</b> 9:20 AM Traditional Worship Svc. 10:20 AM Sunday School 11:20 AM Contemporary Worship SVC.	<b>6</b> 6:30 PM N&MC Comm. Mtg. 7:00 PM Education Comm. Mtg. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Mercy Group 7:00 PM Trustee Committee Mtg.	<b>7</b> 1:00 PM Recovery Group	<b>8</b> 10:00 AM Bible Study 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Senior Adult Yoga Class	<b>9</b> 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
<b>12</b> 9:20 AM Traditional Worship Svc. 10:20 AM Sunday School 11:20 AM Contemporary Worship SVC.	<b>13</b> 7:00 PM Evangelism Comm. Mtg. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Mercy Group 7:00 PM VIM Comm Mtg.	<b>14</b> 1:00 PM Recovery Group 6:30 PM Daisy Troup 7:00 PM Walk Through the Bible Sm. Group	<b>15</b> 10:00 AM Bible Study 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Senior Adult Yoga Class	<b>16</b> 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	<b>17</b> 12:30 PM S.A.M Luncheon 55+	<b>18</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study
<b>19</b>  9:20 AM Traditional Worship Svc. 10:20 AM Sunday School 11:20 AM Contemporary Worship SVC.	<b>20</b> 7:00 PM Evangelism Comm. Mtg. 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Mercy Group	<b>21</b> 1:00 PM Recovery Group 7:00 PM Mitford Small Group	<b>22</b> 10:00 AM Bible Study 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Senior Adult Yoga Class	<b>23</b> 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>WESTFEST</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study 10 AM-? Set-up for VBS
<b>26</b> 9:20 AM Traditional Worship Svc. 10:20 AM Sunday School 11:20 AM Contemporary Worship SVC. <b>WESTFEST</b> 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	<b>27</b> 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 7:00 PM - 9:00 PM Mercy Group	<b>28</b> 1:00 PM Recovery Group 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	<b>29</b> 10:00 AM Bible Study 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM Senior Adult Yoga Class 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	<b>30</b> 6:30 PM - 8:30 PM VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b> 8:00 AM Men's Bible Study



## **CROSSBEAMS**

Cheviot United Methodist Church  
3820 Westwood Northern Blvd.  
Cincinnati, Ohio 45211-2597  
(513) 662-2048  
Craig Jones, Senior Pastor  
Lois Schalk, Associate Pastor

Non-Profit Organization  
U.S. POSTAGE

**PAID**

Cincinnati, Ohio  
Permit. No. 2775

Address Service Requested

## **SUNDAY SCHEDULE**

### **WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

9:20 A.M.

Traditional Worship

10:20 A.M.

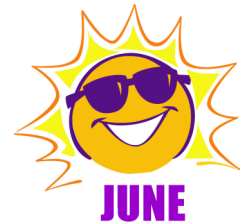
Sunday School (All Ages)

11:20 A.M.

Contemporary Worship



*Pray for Peace*



**Worship with us!**

**"The mission of Cheviot United Methodist Church is to make disciples of Jesus Christ."**

June 2011

[www.cheviotumc.org](http://www.cheviotumc.org)