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Rev. Bill Johnson

Shipmates;

I love the story about a congressman, Sam Rayburn, from Texas. He served in Congress for over 50 years. He served as Speaker of the House when the story is told. A newspaper reporter who had been very critical of the congressman had his teenage daughter die. The congressman went to the reporter's house to see if there was anything he could do. The congressman went in the house of the reporter and made coffee. As the Congressman was making the coffee in the reporter's kitchen the reporter asked, "I thought you were having breakfast at the White House with the president today?" The congressman's response was, "Well, I Was, but I called the President and told him that I had a friend who was having trouble this morning, and I wouldn't be in today."

That act of kindness, that spirit of love and compassion, must have made God smile because that is close to the nature of God. James Moore in *You Can Get Bitter or Better* asks "Where has that bigness of spirit gone? Where has that kind of respect and thoughtfulness gone?"

We can ask ourselves similar questions in our daily lives. Will I be big or little? Will I be kind or hateful? Will I be self-giving or self-absorbed? Will I be opened or closed? Will I be part of the solution or part of the problem? Will I be extremely gracious or extremely judgmental?

Check out John 12:1-8 and see the response of Jesus and Judas after Mary anointed Jesus' feet with a costly ointment. Mary was criticized, ridiculed, and rebuked by Judas. What a waste, how stupid, how foolish. Look at what we could have done with the money. And Judas says, "Look at all the poor people we could have fed." Jesus was not impressed by Judas and his harshness towards Mary.

The point of both stories is that in the name of love and kindness and gratefulness, it's O. K. to be extravagant with our actions towards others, the church and God.

Be extravagant in our compassion, be extravagant in our caring and be extravagant in our Christlikeness.

Pastor Bill

FELLOWSHIP HALL REMODELING FUND RAISER:

The Church Council approved selling woven cotton throws featuring the Brookfield Township Schools (past and present) as a fund raiser for phase 2 of the Fellowship Hall remodeling project. A sample of the throw is on display in the Narthex.

BROOKFIELD TOWNSHIP SCHOOLS

2011

“Remembering the past – Celebrating the future”

100% Cotton Woven Throw - 50" X 60" - Made in the USA



ORDER FORM

Return to: Brookfield United Methodist Church
P.O. Box 22
Brookfield, Oh 44403

Navy and Cream _____ quantity wanted @ \$40.00 each = _____

Forest Green and Cream _____ quantity wanted @ \$40.00 each = _____

Burgundy and Cream _____ quantity wanted @ \$40.00 each = _____

Total enclosed (check or cash only) _____
(Make checks payable to Brookfield United Methodist Church)

NAME _____ PHONE NUMBER _____

Throws will be ARE available for pick up at the church. If you want the throw sent to you, there will be an additional charge for shipping (\$10.95 priority mail).



SHARED MINISTRY 100 DAY CHALLENGE

SPAGHETTI DINNER DATES:

All You Can Eat Spaghetti Dinner
Meatballs, Salad Bar, Homemade Dessert, Beverages.

October 22, 2011
November 19, 2011
January 28, 2012
February 25, 2012
March 24, 2012

Dinner will be served from 4:00 – 7:00 PM. Takeout orders only will be available beginning at 3:30 PM

Ticket cost:
\$7.00 for Adult
\$3.00 for Children ages 6-12

If you are interested in helping; contact Mary Kay Melvin at 330-534-1606. There is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex on the Bulletin Board. If you can't help then come and eat!!!

Our United Methodist Church culture has always struggled with "Apportionments." the word Apportionments changed to "Shared Ministry" and by doing so has redefined what it is. Shared now includes us and mission to others.

Every Sunday we will have a Shared Ministry Moment. We owe approx. 15,000 to Shared Ministry in 2011. I'm planning to give a dollar a day for the next 100 days and place it in the designated envelope.

A envelope is marked "Shared Ministry" is in the Newsletter, bring it to church on Sunday. Shared Ministry envelopes will be in the pews.

The Challenge is before us. This Challenge is above and beyond our regular giving to the church. Don't forget your giving to the General Fund and the Maintenance Fund.

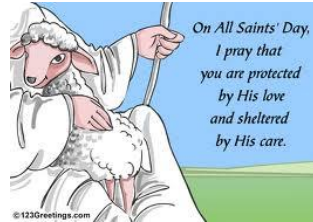
On Sunday, September 25th Bible Presentation



Ashlyn Bryant
Hayden Gibson
Richelle Merrow
Mitchell Sydlowski
Sebastian Workman



On Sunday, November 6th, during the worship service, we will be celebrating the lives of our church members who are age 75 and older. Following the service, there will be a covered dish dinner in fellowship hall. Everyone is invited to come and bring some food to share and your own table service. Our honored guests (those 75 and older) do not need to bring anything except themselves.



If you are a member (or regular attendee) of Brookfield United Methodist Church and are over the age of 75, we would like you to answer the following questions and return your answers no later than Sunday, October 24th. There will be a box on the usher pew in the sanctuary where you can deposit your responses or you can send them in to the worship committee through the church office @ P.O. Box 22, Brookfield, Oh 44403. We will be printing your answers to share with all in worship on November 7th.

What is one of your favorite memories of Brookfield United Methodist Church?

When did you become a part of BUMC church and how did that happen?

Who is one of the church members who has had an impact on your life and why?

Do you have a favorite Bible verse and what is it?

What is your favorite hymn?

What do you consider to be the greatest invention-development to occur in your lifetime?

What bit of wisdom would you like to pass on to the younger people of this church?

YOUR NAME _____

AGE (Optional) _____

I plan to be in church on November 7, 2011 for the celebration YES _____ NO _____

Halloween at BUMC Sunday School

What book have we all read, at least in part, that has stories of intrigue, murder, love, war, spies, creation, princes, family feuds, kings, queens, an abandoned baby, animals, seafaring men, weddings, rich men, poor men, super strong men, giants, and women who influenced the men in their lives? The Bible, of course. On October 30th we are going to have a creative parade of Halloweeners. Put your thinking caps on. Come to Sunday School dressed as your favorite Bible personality and share your story with your class mates. Talk to Mom and Dad to find out who their favorite Bible character was and what they did. Ask them to help you create a costume to represent your favorite.

Here are some people you might want to learn more about:

Who slept with the lions? Who was set adrift in a basket? Who had a coat with many colors? Who was a slave girl, but became a queen and rescued her people? Who rescued a baby from the river? Who was a giant killer? Who murdered his brother? Who spread the word about the empty tomb? Who was born in a stable? Who was a carpenter? Who danced for the King? Whose baby baptized Jesus? Who was the mother of twins? Who went to visit her cousin? Who watched her brother in the Nile? Who denied knowing Jesus? Who asked Jesus to do something about the wine at the wedding? Who built an enormous boat? Who talked to snakes? Who slept with the pigs? Who sang at the baby's birth? The list could go on and on. Let's all have fun on October 30th.

Something New

I gotta a feeling there's a miracle due
Coming to BUMC, Gonna come true,
Could it be? Yes it could
Something's coming, something good.
It is just within reach this fall
Down the block, in Fellowship Hall,
Come one , come one and all!

You're invited! Bring a friend!

Join the fun at 10 AM on Friday, October 28th, when we begin a new Fellowship group. We will meet once a month on the last Friday of the month to basically enjoy each others company and share our hobbies, leisure time activities and have a light lunch at 11:30. Who knows what may develop. New skills, new friendships or new ideas. All you have to do is come. If you have a hobby you want to bring to work on while you are here visiting that would be great. We can all learn from each other. Maybe you just want to share a book you've read. Maybe you are a scrap-booker or card maker and your interest could be picked up by someone else. Share your techniques. Perhaps you just would like to have a couple of hours to relax and do your needlework or make jewelry without any phone or "kid" interruptions. Bring a friend or your prayer partner and get better acquainted.

ATTENTION, ATTENTION, ATTENTION!!!!

GROUPS AND COMMITTEES

(ALTAR GUILD, WORSHIP, MISSION, PPR AND YOUTH)

All Groups and Committees need to ask for Financial Askings in the 2012 Annual Budget of Brookfield UMC. Submit it to the Finance Committee meeting on October 2nd. November 7th Finance Committee meeting will still take Askings. Church Budget for 2012 will be reviewed and adopted in the November 2011.

Community Turkey Dinner Committee

{Brookfield Twp Outreach Association}

Will meet Wednesday, Oct 5th at 6:30 pm at the Brookfield Township Fire Hall to begin planning for the ***2nd Annual Free Community Turkey Dinner*** to be held on Tuesday, November 22nd.

All are welcome to attend this meeting.

Contact Judi Burdette, Raella Baker or Neal Swartz for further information.

Pathways

After School Program

At Masury United Methodist Church

FREE for all area Kids!!!

Ages 3- 12th grade

EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING

October thru March

5:00 - 7:00 pm

For further information please contact Sheila at 330-448-8186

October

Birthday's

10/5 Richard Baum
10/5 Madelyn McGhee
10/6 Daniel Inskeep
10/7 David Addicott
10/7 Brian Obermiyer
10/8 Shirley Klouse
10/8 Dianna Sydlowski
10/9 John Hane
10/9 Tammy Jarrett
10/9 Adah McMullin
10/10 Jeanette Blake
10/10 Jessica Zebroski
10/11 Mary Ann Roby
10/13 Trudi Archambault
10/13 Margaret Parks
10/14 James Blair
10/14 Zachary Miller
10/16 Lori French
10/17 Judi Burdette
10/18 Heather Donaldson
10/18 Gary Reiser
10/20 Scott Inskeep
10/21 John Martin
10/21 Kevin Parks
10/21 Anthony Spagnoletta
10/22 Ryan Ross
10/23 Karey Burdge
10/23 Nancy King
10/24 Elaine Baum
10/24 Florence Jarrett
10/25 Karen Bathory
10/25 Darci Edwards
10/28 Lori Durig
10/29 Howard Burns
10/29 Elizabeth Drummond
10/30 Katey Burdette
10/30 Andrew Yassall
10/31 Jamie Marx
10/31 Cindy Parks

November

Birthday's

11/1 Emily Maki
11/1 Gary McMullin
11/1 Morgan Rice
11/2 Elaine Obermiyer
11/5 Merielle Crisan
11/5 Luke Eliser
11/6 Lois Klouse
11/10 Chelsea Miller
11/13 Shirley Yassall
11/15 Pete Lewnes
11/16 Dorothy Ingram
11/16 Michael Martin
11/19 Dennis Morain
11/20 Caden Candor
11/20 Scott Miller
11/22 Paul Vogel
11/23 Samatha Stone
11/24 Judith Anzur
11/24 Carol Cinicola
11/27 Dale Blair
11/27 Mackenzie Messer
11/28 Danika Davis
11/29 Chris Denton
11/30 Jane Montgomery-Ball

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!!

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARY'S

10/2 Bill & Elaine Baum
10/3 Denny & Kathy French
10/5 James & Virginia Blair
10/8 Michael & Kelly Martin
10/11 David & Audrey Fielding
10/12 John & Brenda Martin
10/12 Donald & Mary Kay Melvin
10/12 Scott & Cindy Miller
10/15 Trenton & Jill Bashline
10/16 Wayne & Tammy Jarrett
10/16 EJ & Vickey Lilak
10/17 Greg & Debbi Morocco
10/21 Richard & Melody Merrow
10/25 Tom & Michaella Kinsey
10/28 Tony & Shirley Yassall
10/31 John & Rachelle Wilkes

NOVEMBER ANNIVERSARY'S

11/1 Josh & Amy Foster
11/6 Phil & Nancy Wray
11/12 Steven & Bonnie Crisan
11/14 Ron & Cynthia Rice
11/24 Jim & Judi Burdette
11/26 Thomas & Kelly Thornton
11/30 Mark & Melissa Sydlowski

CHANGE OF ADDRESS:

MR & MRS BRIAN ADDICOTT
3039 Mars Dr.
Alameda, CA 94501

MATTHEW MELVIN
928 Moyer Ave.
Youngstown, OH 44512

Altar Flowers

The flowers for the altar cost \$15.00 for both vases. These arrangements may be taken home after the 10:45 AM service.

If you would like to put flowers on the altar please mark the Flower Calendar in the Narthex with your name and complete a form (by the Flower Calendar) to indicate the person in whose memory or honor the flowers are donated. Please be sure that the church secretary knows who your flowers are in honor/ memory of so that it can be printed correctly in the bulletin.

Checks should be payable to the **Brookfield United Methodist** and sent/dropped off at the church office. Please write "flowers / date" on check memo line. **Please pay for your flowers when you order them. Thank you!**

You may also contact the church office at 330-448-1001 if you have any questions.



ALTAR FLOWERS OCTOBER - NOVEMBER

10/2 Sharon Nicholson
10/9 Florence Jarrett
10/16 Adah McMullin
10/23 Cyndi Davis
10/30 *open*
11/6 Florence Mizer
11/13 *open*
11/20 Ellen Jessup
11/27 Cyndi Davis

ALTAR CARE
Maud McBride

LITURGISTS

10/2 Marge Parks
10/9 Dennis Toth
10/16 Linda Jones
10/23 Lew Jones
10/30
11/6 Sandy Sydlowski
11/13
11/20
11/27

If you are willing to be a liturgist please Contact Maud McBride.

GREETERS

10/2 John & Linda Nicholson
10/9 Fred & Sandy Sydlowski
10/16 Don Rogers family
10/23 Lois Burnett and Evelyn Pherson
10/30 Wayne & Karen Wallace
11/6 Elizabeth Boozer and Marian Glass
11/13 Anita Hearn and Florence Mizer
11/20 Doug & Debbie Johnson
11/27 Bill & Elaine Baum

If you are willing to be a greeter, please Contact Dorothy Frazier

USHERS

1st Sunday Phil and Nancy Wray
2nd Sunday Just Friends
3rd Sunday Upper Spirits
4th Sunday Charlie's Angels
5th Sunday Middle Management

OCTOBER

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
2	3 Bible Study w/Pastor Ray 1:30 pm Finance 7 pm	4	5 Yoga 5:30/6:30 Choir Practice 7 pm	6 Brookfield 4H Friends 7 pm	7	1 Pastor Bill & Janice Wedding Noon @Western Reserve. 8 Fellowship Hall Rental
9 Youth Group 6 pm	10 Trustees 7:00 PM Bible Study 1:30 w/Pastor Ray	11 Grief Recovery 7 pm	12 Yoga 5:30/6:30 Choir Practice 7 pm PPR w/Council 8pm	13	14	15 Wedding – Burns/Weiser 3 pm
16 Hall Rental - Johnson	17 Bible Study 1:30 w/Pastor Ray	18 Grief Recovery 7 pm	19 Yoga 5:30/6:30 Choir Practice 7 pm	20	21	22 Spaghetti Dinner
23 Youth Group 6pm	24 Bible Study 1:30 w/Pastor Ray Church Council 7 pm	25 Grief Recovery 7 pm	26 Yoga 5:30/6:30 Choir Practice 7 pm	27	28 Fellowship Friday 10-2 pm	29
30	31 Bible Study 1:30 w/Pastor Ray				2011	

NOVEMBER

<i>Sun</i>	<i>Mon</i>	<i>Tue</i>	<i>Wed</i>	<i>Thu</i>	<i>Fri</i>	<i>Sat</i>
		1 Grief Recovery 7 pm	2 Yoga 5:30/6:30 Choir Practice 7 pm	3 Brookfield 4H Friends 7 pm	4	5 Pre-School Pancake Break- fast
6 Youth Group 6 pm	7 Finance 7:00 PM	8 Grief Recovery 7 pm	9 Yoga 5:30/6:30 Choir Practice 7 pm	10	11	12 PPR Consults 3 pm @
13	14 Trustee 7 pm	15 Grief Recovery 7 pm	16 Yoga 5:30/6:30 Choir Practice 7 pm Lamplighter Deadline	17	18	19 Spaghetti Dinner
20 Youth Group 6pm Church Conference @ Masury 2:30 pm	21	22 Grief Recovery 7 pm Community Thanksgiving Dinner	23 Yoga 5:30/6:30 Choir Practice 7 pm	24 Office Closed	25 Office Closed	26
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