

SERIES:

What's Next

June 4, 2023
music by: Unclouded Day
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June 11, 2023
Preparing for What's Next
I Kings 19:19-21

June 18, 2023
Transferring Leadership
John 14:15-31; 20:19-23;
Matthew 28:18

June 25, 2023
Confirming Your Identity
Acts 20:17-35



Festival of Sharing

KITS ACCEPTED

UNTIL FALL 2023.

Drop off ANYTIME!



IN THE CHURCH FAMILY BAPTISM:

Sophia Gutierrez

May 7, 2023

parents:

Nick & Cassidy Gutierrez

Financial Report - 4/30/2023

April Income \$52,870.00
April Expense - \$46,338.00
Income over Expense \$6,532.00

Year to Date 2023:

Income \$224,861.00 Expense - \$209,450.00 Income over Expense \$ 15,411.00



SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS
May 28 - September 3
ONE SERVICE @ 9:30AM

NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

IN-HOUSE OR ONLINE: vanwertfirst.net



Come help Plan!

THIS YEARS EVENT: JULY 30 3-5pm

Contact Teresa for more information and to serve.

NEXT PLANNING MEETING: Tuesday, June 13 @6:30pm



Vacation Bible School is our focus for this month.

PLEASE KEEP OUR KIDDOS & STAFF IN PRAYER.

June 5-8



Our 6 College graduates!

2023

- Michaella Johnson
- Jalen McCracken
- Noah Carter
- Sierra Shaffer
- Abby JacksonCarly Wendel

June Library News:

Put on your traveling shoes. Start in *The White City* during Chicago's World's Fair, head up to Wisconsin and meet *The Preacher's Lady*. Next head west to Washington for *The Sowing Season*, then to San Antonio to solve a mystery. From there to Memphis for some most interesting history, and finally to Paris, France to learn many things about the Second World War.

Enjoy reading this month!





Romaine

Brunch for Chris and Melinda

Sunday, June 25th (Chris' last Sunday) 10:45 am

Must RSVP by June 11 to

<u>firstchurch@vanwertfirst.net</u> or call the church office!



STOCKHOLDER ANNUAL MEETING

Sunday, July 23, 2023 2-4pm Krout Memorial @First United Methodist Church

It's not too late to purchase your **YOUTH STOCK!**Contact Teresa or Sierra.

Desserts Drinks Youth Presentations from Dominican Republic Trip & Youth Events

You don't want to miss it!

FIRST

OFFICE hours

MONDAY – THURSDAY 8:30-1:30

FRIDAY 8:30-12:00



FIRSTunited methodist CHURCH

Phone: 419/238-0631 FAX: 419/238-3608 email: firstchurch@vanwertfirst.net website: vanwertfirst.net

As a community of faith, we stand firm on this mission:
embracing, equipping, and empowering persons to know and follow Christ.
With each step, we see God "doing immeasurably more than all that we ask or imagine,
according to His power that is at work within us" -Ephesians 3:20

We invite God to do His life-changing work through us over the next five years!

SUNDAY SCHEDULE:

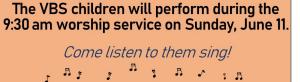
9:30am - Weekly Combined Service SUMMER HOURS - ONE SERVICE ONLY

JUNE 2023

Join us
June 4th for the music of: unclouded

http://www.uncloudedday.org







YOUTH MISSION TRIP JUNE 21st - 28th



See the Donation Board at the church to donate supplies for this trip.

Please return items by June 18, 2023



Tuesday, July 18 @7:05pm

TICKETS: \$11.50 each
See Jody to purchase.
Seats are located along
first base line!

OPPONENT: Lake County Captains

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

June 5-8, 2023



JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 6/1 Carol Sidle Alexis Dunlap **Brooklyn Hurless** Bella Hurless
- 6/2 Carson Fox Sharon Witten
- Ric Kelly
- Karen Kemler
- Demond Johnson Ron Kalb Louise Hartwig
- Lisa Butler 6/8 Jill DeWert Jalen McCracken
- 6/10 Susan Burchfield
- 6/11 Teresa Shaffer Brodyn Clark
- 6/12 Karlin Dunlap
- 6/14 Brady Dunlap Gavin DeWert Kasee Stoller Jeremy Stoller
- 6/15 Emery Dirham
- 6/16 Ashlyn Stoller Amelia Wagner Livia Butler
- 6/17 June Shriver Mickey McConahay Amy Welch

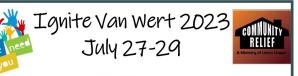
- 6/18 Sue Corle Cole DeWert
- 6/19 Angela Myers 6/20 Pat Johnson
- 6/22 Brad Owens
- 6/23 Kent DuCheney
- 6/24 Melinda Farmer Kathy Steele Nathan Stevens
- 6/25 Dave Watkins Rosemary Charleston
- 6/26 Roy Jeknavorian Kayla Krites
- 6/27 Julie Gamble
- 6/28 Courtney Hurless

JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

- Susan & Dave Mathew
- 6/2 Marilyn & Steve Bebout
- 6/6 Lonnie & Deb Nedderman
- Al & Dorothy Arnold Louise & Fred Hartwig
- 6/12 Sophie & Elijah Wortman

- 6/13 Anthony & Marilyn Alessandrini
- 6/14 Kris & Jim Snyder
- 6/15 Jim & Ruth Ann Covey Chuck & Kathy Steele
- 6/16 Roger & Kay Okuley Robert & Gina Say
- 6/17 Gary & Barbara Showalter Tom & Kendra Kalkreuth
- 6/18 Jordan & Rachael Dettrow
- 6/19 Joyce & Alan Morris
- 6/20 John & Jean Auld Jill & Kent Smelser
- 6/22 Denise & Jim Davis Marty & Susan Burchfield Pat & Shanann Jackson
- 6/25 Annie & Ross Shartzer
- 6/26 Leslie & David Mounts Warren & Rhea Foy
- 6/27 Tonia & Keith Dunifon
- 6/28 Peggy & Joel Penton Trevor & Nikki Bebout





A JOB FOR EVERY SKILL LEVEL!

Project work - Clean host facilities - Transport materials - Share life w/ the homeowner for the day - Prepare / serve / clean up / meals

Sign up with Teresa at the Take 5 with Teresa Cart today!!



There are lots of opportunities to serve coming up this summer. First, if you like to bake cookies, we need 12 dozen

cookies donated for Ignite Van Wert July 27-29. Please contact Teresa Shaffer if you would be able to donate some cookies. Speaking of Ignite, Ignite is a local mission project where you can make a difference right in our hometown. You can help for part of a day, a whole day, or all 3 days of Ignite which is July 27-29. There are jobs for every skill level. Learn more about this great project at https://communityrelief.net or talk to Teresa.

We are looking for a couple of leaders for a reimagined 5th Quarter. 5th Quarter has historically been after home Van Wert football games for high school and middle school students. We would like to move this to before the football games- tailgate-style food and games for students. If you have a heart for serving teens and would be interested in serving on a committee for this ministry, please see Teresa.

Finally, for mission-related prayer focus this month, please be in prayer for our youth and leaders heading to the **Dominican Republic** June 21-28. Secondly, please be in prayer for the homeless in Van Wert County. First Church (Teresa) is actively serving the homeless population every day. At last count, we had 43 homeless families in Van Wert County receiving services (56 people). Please pray for the homeless, for community leaders that they will recognize the need, for resources and solutions, and for housing to be made available.

NURSING HOME RESIDENTS

VAN CREST, Van Wert 10357 Van Wert Decatur Road, Van Wert, OH 45891 Sue Corle, Karen Elston, Ray Rickner



SHUT-INS

Laverna Faszler, Roy & Linda Jeknovorian Donn & June Shriver, Jay Simson, Bill Wermer

DEFIANCE MEMORY CARE - Francis Sroufe

HEARTH AND HOME 1118 Westwood Drive, Van Wert, OH 45891 Wendy Howell, Ruth Poe

HOMESTEAD AT TOWNE CENTER 240 Towne Center Boulevard, Van Wert, OH 45891 Brent Crone, Sandy Gordon, Delores Keysor, Marilyn Miller, Jan Osburn, Juanita & Tom Wise

> **DIVINE NURSING & REHAB** @the Laurels of Shane Hill 10731 Ohio-118, Rockford, OH 45882 Dorothy Sunderland - Room 113

Our Preschool Spring Program/Graduation was held recently in the Sanctuary. A large number of guests enjoyed the presentation and ceremony. We had over 125 in attendance for the program and refreshments served after. We will wrap up the last week of school with farm visits, Grand's Day with Mark's Ark bringing several animals for us to learn about and pet, and the Family Fun Day at Smiley Park. Thanks to all who have supported us in any way this year. We have had a great year, and we appreciate all who pray for us and those who provide Scholarship donations. We are blessed to have such a supportive church!

We are accepting students for the 2023-2024 school year.

Food Pantry items needed for June **FRUITS**

Mixed, peaches, pears, pineapple, applesauce

Please bring these items for the food pantry. Baskets will be at either entrance.

Monetary donations are also welcome & appreciated. Thank you for your donations!

Numbers include <u>BOTH</u> Inhouse Worship & online website viewers.

April Attendance Report 8:15 - 333 10:45 - 954

Year To Date All Sanctuary Services

Year To Date Average - All Services (including online viewing) - 124



June 20-28 we are taking 13 students and 8 adults to the **Dominican Republic** / Mission of Hope. Our students will be doing mission work, worshiping and hission rip growing in their faith while they are serving the people of the Dominican Republic.

LEADERS: Teresa Shaffer, Sierra Shaffer, Josh Poulson, Grace Dowler, Bob Spath, Chris Hogan, Connor Shaffer & Lindsay Mergy.

STUDENTS: Grade 8 - Ashlynn Shaffer Grade 9 - Lizzie Spath Grade 10 - Griffin McCracken, Meah Johnson Grade 11 - Hayden Dowler, Noah Spath, Mandy Burenga Grade 12 - Macy Johnson, Missy Joseph. Sydney Dowler, Cayden Laukhuf, Kaden Shaffer Graduate - Damon McCracken.

It's never too late to support the Mission team - You can still buy stock or purchase something from their donation board and you can ALWAYS PRAY! Thank you for your continued support!

THERE WILL BE A COMMISSIONING SERVICE DURING THE JUNE 18TH 9:30AM SERVICE.



ON OUR OWN

Are you looking for a small group with other women who have lost a spouse? Are you looking for conversation with friends who understand what you're going through? If this sounds like a group you're interested in, come give ON OUR OWN a try.

Meetings are held every 4th Wednesday at 10:00am.

Contact the office at 419/238-0631 or email firstchurch@vanwertfirst.net for more information.



HEALTH CONCERNS:

Tony Alessandrini, Health Sandra Anderson, Parkinsons Jim Davis, Health Aiden Ellerbrock, Rehab Steve Gehres, Health Paula Goins, Multiple-sclerosis Fred Hartwig, Health Bella Hurless, CP/Rehab Linda Jeknavorian, Health Daniel Proctor, Health Kenzie Ray, Rehab Bob Say, Stiff person disease Donn Shriver, Health Rebecca Strickler, Health Dorothy Sunderland, Dementia All those with chronic pain, illness

IF YOU HAVE MILITARY INFORMATION YOU WOULD LIKE LISTED or CHANGES, PLEASE CONTACT THE OFFICE ADMINISTRATOR.

MILITARY:

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Airman Ethan Glass HSC-2, 524 A Street Norfolk, VA 23511-4010

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Noah Sease 3400 Shivas Road Clarksvillle, TN 37042

PFC Kyle Spray 216 H&S Co./S-6 PSC Box 20099 Camp Lejeune, NC 28542-0099

Austin Sudduth 386 ELRS/LGRA/PAX Unit 61409, APO, AE 09855-1409

Braden VanCleve Evan Wells

s sgt Bryan Zinsmaster



MISSIONARIES - June Focus: Haven of Hope; Persecuted Christians

GLOBAL CONCERNS - June Focus: Victims of Human Trafficking

UNITED METHODIST CHURCH -

June Focus: First Church Mission in Van Wert & Church Staff / Operation Back to School