

MAYFIELD CHURCH

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Our Mission:

“To make and mature disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world...”

Who We Are:

Mayfield Church is a community of believers GROWING in faith, SHARING God's light and LOVING the world.

LOST SHEEP AND OFFERING CHRIST



Now all the tax collectors and sinners were coming near to listen to him. And the Pharisees and the scribes were grumbling and saying, “This fellow welcomes sinners and eats with them.”

So he told them this parable: “Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? When he has found it, he lays it on his shoulders and rejoices. And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, ‘Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.’ Just so, I tell you, there will be more joy in heaven over one sinner who repents than over ninety-nine righteous persons who need no repentance. - Luke 15:1-7 (NRSV)

I recently lost my FitBit, and I can't tell you how frustrating it has been. I've looked high and low. I've looked in pockets and emptied purses and backpacks. I've retraced my steps to my “usual” spots where I take it off. To no avail. It's lost. But, I can tell you- it has consumed me in the search.

When the Executive Team highlighted the theme for us this year to “offer Christ,” it was with this consuming search in mind. As Luke 15 tells of a shepherd (God) who would go after one lost sheep, leave the ninety-nine, and then rejoices when that sheep has been found. We are in this same business of becoming consumed in the search. We

need this focus to be re-implanted in our DNA as a congregation because it's very easy to become consumed by the ninety-nine and forget the one that needs to be found.

Searching involves planning and intention, and that's what we want to empower our congregation to do. The summer is always a time that here in Northeast Ohio we reemerge from our homes after the winter, and begin to see people we haven't in a while. It's a time that we get out of our routine and interact with new people. So, are we prepared for the search?

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ONE SERVICE SUNDAY

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As we continue to seek out those who are not connected to a “flock” in our world today, it involves most often an invitation or service with others. People like to come to things where they are personally invited- I know that is true for myself. If you think about it, that’s probably true for yourself, as well. I've heard from both teens to our mature members of Mayfield UMC, that they started coming because someone invited them. Most people like to do something meaningful. Again, that’s probably true for yourself.

In the search, we need to be prepared to offer invitations to other people- not only to “church events” but also in personal ways to get to know others outside of the church walls. And, we need to be prepared to invite others to serve alongside us, to experience what living with a kingdom vision looks like, and to be a part of it.

On Sunday, May 15, from 2 to 3 PM, I invite you to join us for a time of training at an All-Church Gathering, This hour long meeting will be interactive and will involve some planning and intention for each of us to offer Christ in the coming months.

And as for the FitBit, I'm still not sure what I'm going to do. I'd like to keep searching, as I'm sure it's somewhere that I just haven't thought of yet.



The grace and peace of Christ be with you,
 Rev. Beth Wilterdink

Coffee with the Pastors Sunday, May 1 @ 4 PM via Zoom

If you are new to Mayfield Church, or are just returning and have questions, join us for an informal time with Pastor Beth and Pastor Jan. We will share a little about ourselves, the life of the church, and look forward to getting to meet you. This is not a membership meeting, but rather a time for getting acquainted with the congregation at Mayfield UMC.



Mother’s Room

We are pleased to announce that the Mother’s Room, formerly called the West End Prayer Room in the Worship Center, has been renovated for a new purpose. Mothers of infants attending worship can now use the Mother’s Room for nursing, heating up a bottle, change a dirty diaper, or soothe a crying child. While this room is intended for mothers, parents or grandparents are welcome to use this room to calm, change, or feed a child too. The worship service will be livestreaming on the TV in this room. I encourage you to check out this wonderful space, which has already been used.

A special thanks to Jessica Martz, Rev. Beth, Gil Lowry, and the Design Team who assisted in decorating this peaceful space!

STEPHEN MINISTRY



My Experience as a Stephen Minister

By Laurie Dye, Stephen Minister

Over my years at MUMC, I became aware of the Stephen Ministry from information presented in church by pastors and leaders, but it wasn't until 2018 after hearing a presentation and thoughtful prayer that I wanted to know more about this ministry on a deeper level. I spoke with Cyndi Nicholson and decided to apply for the training program to become a Stephen Leader/Minister. I was very impressed by the content and expectations to become a Stephen Minister.

Following our training, we continue with monthly meetings that provide support and further education. Over the past four years, I have had the privilege to be a caregiver to several women. Each of these women were experiencing difficulties in their lives and were seeking a caring Christian to talk with in a confidential manner. The women contacted one of the pastors or the Stephen Ministry Referrals Coordinator who then connected them with me. The care receiver and I were then able to arrange a meeting wherever they felt comfortable, such as their home, a park, or a coffee shop. We agreed on the amount of time we would spend talking. Each care receiver was also free to decide when they had reached their goals and were comfortable ending our time together.

Working with these women has been a rewarding experience for me. The care receivers described the meetings with me as beneficial to them. It allowed them time to confidentially sort through and work on struggles they were experiencing.

Rev. Andy Call, Guest Preacher on Sunday, May 15

Rev. Call became the Lead Pastor at Church of the Savior in 2017 after serving there as Pastor of Administration and Development since 2015. His leadership focus is to equip the Church to live into the Kingdom of God through committed discipleship. He previously served as pastor at First United Methodist Church of Oberlin. Before entering pulpit ministry, Andy was the Associate for Music and Worship at Westlake United Methodist Church. Altogether, he has been in vocational ministry for over 20 years. He earned his M.Div. from the Methodist Theological School in Ohio, a Master's Degree in Choral Conducting from The Ohio State University, and a B.A. in Music Education from Miami University. Andy and his wife, Jennifer, are the parents of three children: Wesley, Eliot, and Mirabella.

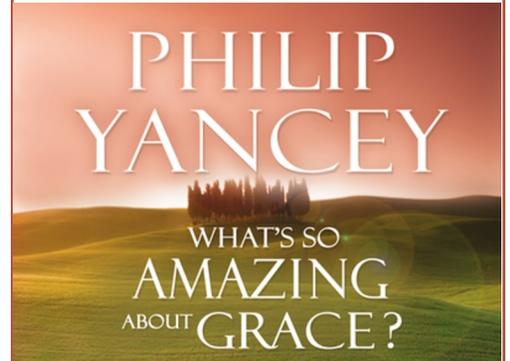


Rev. Andy Call

SUNDAY MESSAGES

In-person & Livestream

9:30 AM Modern
11 AM Traditional



May 1

Grace Is a Powerful Concept
Children's Moment

May 8 (Mother's Day)

God's Love For the Undeserving
Holy Communion

May 15

The Art of Forgiving
Rev. Andy Call, Guest Preacher
Guatemala Breakfast

May 22

Grace Related to Forgiveness
Graduation & Scholarship Sunday

May 29 (One Service @ 10 AM)

Grace to Get Us Through
Family Sunday

grace

Scholarship Sunday, May 22, "Second Offering"

On May 22, we will celebrate our Mayfield UMC graduates and scholarship recipients. As we have done in the past, we will have a "second offering" that Sunday to be able to continue to fund the Cummings Scholarship into the future. This year, we have a donor who will be matching your gifts to the Scholarship Fund up to \$2,000. Please consider a special gift on that Sunday as we support the future endeavors and callings of our students from Mayfield UM Church.



"HANDS THAT SERVE" GUATEMALA MISSIONS



Our Guatemala team is thrilled to support Catalyst Resources International's (CRI) orphanage and feeding program this month. CRI is a Christian organization run by the Greene family who moved from Kentucky to Guatemala after traveling there on a short-term mission trip. The Greene family, pictured below, have made it their personal mission to host teams from all over the United States year-round. CRI has many working parts in their community of the greater Mexico area, two of which are caring for orphaned children and feeding hundreds weekly.



2021 Fontaine and Paula Greene with their children and grandchildren



2015 Orphanage visit

Mayfield Church has sent over 50 individuals to Guatemala over the past ten years on a variety of mission trips. Over the years, our teams have participated in projects, such as building houses, funding a cochlear implant, building a church, running Vacation Bible School, helping with feeding programs, and assisting in the orphanage. While our church will not be sending a team to Guatemala this year, we will be sending donations raised this month to help CRI's immediate needs of funding their feeding program and orphanage this summer.

We hope you will join us in supporting our brothers and sisters in Central America by attending our Burrito Breakfast on Sun., May 15 after both services. If you would like to donate or learn more about our upcoming trip in July of 2023, please visit the Guatemala table in Fellowship Hall any Sunday this month.



2017 Feeding program at a local school

NEXTGEN: YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

NextGEN is back! Join us for pizza and a crackling fire on **Monday, May 16, beginning at 7 PM** in the Pavilion. Let's hear about how your year is going and what you'll be up to this summer!

Sign up here: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0D45AEAB2AA6FC1-nextgen2>

We also are planning a couple of summer activities, including the following outreach events. You can sign up for these now!

NextGEN Meal at FOCUS

On Sunday, June 5, Adam Neff will help us prepare a meal at St. Herman's House-FOCUS Cleveland. St. Herman's shelters and supports homeless men on their path to well-being and independence.

Here's the schedule:

- Meet at 2 PM at the church (if you wish to carpool) OR meet at 2:45 PM at GFS at W. 177th Street in Cleveland where we'll buy the food for dinner.
- 3:30: St. Herman's, to prepare the meal.
- 5:30: Serve the meal.

We will be back at church between 7:15-7:30. Please bring \$20 to help pay for the food for the men. We can take seven people. Sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d45aeab2aa6fc1-nextgen>

NextGEN Visit to Sobriety Farm

On Sunday, July 31, Adam Neff will take us on a visit to the FOCUS Cleveland's Sobriety Farm, which is being transformed into transitional housing for the men from St. Herman's House. Here's the schedule:

- Meet at church at 9 AM
- Drive to the farm in Trumbull County to help with light construction work. You'll also get a tour of the farm, which will include seeing the beekeeping operation. This will be an all-day activity.

We can take 12 people. Sign up at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d45aeab2aa6fc1-nextgen1>

Questions? Want to be on our text message group and get updates about activities? Contact Pastor Jan at jan@mayfieldchurch.org

MISSION OUTREACH COUNCIL

Submitted by Phil David, Co-Chair

On page 4 of this newsletter, you will read that our Guatemala Mission team is our May “Hands that Serve” focus. Over the years, Mayfield United Methodist Church has sponsored regular mission trips to Guatemala. Travel restrictions, however, make a 2022 trip impossible, but it is still important that we provide support to the mission efforts that we have participated in.

This mission team needs volunteers to assist with their Sunday morning informational table and with the fund-raising breakfast. If you can help, please use SignUpGenius at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d45aeab2aa6fc1-guatemala>

Spring has finally arrived, which makes it easier for us to get out and serve in mission – especially if you like outside activities. The Mission Outreach Council is working to make regular opportunities for service available to members of the congregation.

We encourage you to sign-up for activities that interest you. Feel free to join for a one-time service opportunity. Some missions may provide ongoing opportunities for service. We will try to have at least one opportunity available per month.

If you, your ministry or LifeGroup want to sponsor an activity, please let us know- email us at missions@mayfieldchurch.org. We will assist you with publicity, signups, etc. We welcome both one-time and ongoing activities.

Mustard Seed grant money is available to help fund these projects. To apply for a Mustard Seed grant, see the application on the display board in the main hallway of the church.

Here are some upcoming service opportunities for this month and June:

Trials for Hope

Trials for Hope seeks volunteers on the first Saturday of each month. Based in Lakewood, the group provides food, personal care items and clothing to those without homes, seniors, shut-ins, youth, veterans and families in crisis throughout Greater Cleveland. It provides at least 175 bags of food, 800-plus personal care bags and more than 1,000 pounds of vegetables and meat each month and serves 2,100 people each year. Mayfield UMC has sent a team on the first Saturday of the month; we do need to limit the size of the group. Keep an eye out for a SignUpGenius to volunteer in upcoming publications for Sat., June 4.

Rowland School

Join our Schools Ministry Team on the evening of Wednesday, June 1, for Rowland Elementary School’s End-of-School Cook-out! Mayfield volunteers will help the PTA at our partner school by handing out hot dogs (squirting on ketchup and mustard, if desired), bags of chips and bottled water. We need at least six volunteers for each of two shifts (5:45-6:45 and 6:45-7:45). It usually ends around 7:45-8 (or when all the hot dogs are gone!). The event is held in the back parking lot of the school at 4300 Bayard Rd., So. Euclid. Volunteer at SignUpGenius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d45aeab2aa6fc1-rowland>

All-Church Grounds Cleanup

The Garden Ministry is sponsoring a spring church cleanup on Sat., May 21, from 1 to 4 PM. This is a great opportunity for all ages to make our church gardens and grounds look nice for the spring and summer. Some tasks include trimming bushes, raking leaves, applying mulch, pickup trash, and weeding. No signup is required; just show up and bring your gardening gloves if you have a pair!

Mentor Headlands Beach Cleanup

Once again Our Earth Day Team is sponsoring a Mentor Headlands Beach Cleanup on Wednesday, June 15, from 9 AM to noon. You do not need to stay the entire time; come and go as needed. Gloves, a bucket and a picker (so you won’t need to bend over to pick up litter) will be provided. To sign up, contact Carol Mulhern at mulbasket@aol.com, so we make sure we have enough buckets and pickers.

GEAUGA FOOD BANK

Every month, we will have a different focus on collecting food for the Geauga County Food Bank. We will still collect any nonperishables, though for the month of May, our collection for the Geauga County Food Bank will focus on:

**CEREAL
(HOT OR COLD)
PANCAKE MIX
& SYRUP**



OUR PARTNER SCHOOLS: ROWLAND AND ADRIAN

By Rev. Jan Fillmore

It's just a little over a month before our partner schools end the academic year ... the last day for students will be June 2, and the last day for teachers and staff will be June 3. It has been a challenging year, but the good news is that the South Euclid Lyndhurst School District is looking forward to opening the school buildings to volunteers in the fall, so we hope to be back in the classroom!

Join our Schools Ministry Team on the evening of Wed., June 1, for Rowland Elementary School's End-of-School Cookout! We will help the PTA by handing out hot dogs (squirting on ketchup and mustard, if desired), bags of chips and bottled water. We need at least six volunteers during the two shifts (5:45-6:45 and 6:45-7:45). The event usually ends around 7:45-8 (or when all the hot dogs are gone!). Sign up on SignUpGenius: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d45aeab2aa6fc1-rowland>



We also will host an Ice Cream Social on Friday, June 3, from 1-2 PM, for our hardworking staff on their last day. The East Coast Custard Truck will be in front of the school to provide ice cream cones and cups as we wish everyone a good – and restful – summer!

Congratulations to Mayfield's Jim and Nancy Patterson (pictured with Rowland Principal Lee Fuller). On April 14, they received the South Euclid Lyndhurst PTA Council Founders' Day Community Lifetime Achievement Award for their dedication to the book program at Rowland and Adrian Elementary Schools. We thank them for their support.



Nancy said, "Really, the award goes to the congregation who so willingly pay way more for donuts than their value! And to Jan for her dedication to seeing this program through. It was a fun and very nice evening!"

Last month, through the efforts of Cathy Stang, a retired SEL teacher, our schools received 536 new books through the First Book grant program. Rowland and Adrian first-grade classes received "Anna Finds a Friend," Rowland and Adrian kindergarten classes received "Baby Animals and "Animals" touch-and-feel board books, and Adrian third-grade classes received "How Does the Show Go On: An Introduction to the Theater" and "One Day at Disney: Meet the People Who Make the Magic Around the Globe."

The books are worth a combined \$6,967.24; we paid just \$324.60 to ship them to the schools.

Thanks for your support of our Holy Donut Day fund-raiser, which helps pay the shipping costs. Mark your calendars: Our next Holy Donut Day will be Sunday, Aug. 14!



Our garden at the entrance to the kindergarten wing at Rowland had some beautiful daffodils! Unfortunately, the deer appear to have made a meal of our tulips and grape hyacinths. Those wily deer! We'll try again next year.



As you do your spring-cleaning, please save your books, CDs and DVDs for the Book/Media Giveaway, our fund-raiser Sunday, Aug. 30 through Sunday, Sept. 4. You may drop off your items at the main entrance and mark them "Book Giveaway" and we'll store them upstairs until the giveaway. Thank you!



LifeGroups



"What's So Amazing About Grace?"

Find out in our short-term LifeGroup study of the book that will shape our Sunday messages for the next two months. The study will begin on Sunday, May 15, at 9:30 AM in Room B-30 and will run for six weeks (no class on Sunday, May 29). Karen Hansen will lead this group, which will follow the revised and updated video Bible study by Philip Yancey. Sign up at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60b0d45aeab2aa6fc1-whats>, or just show up! For more information, email Pastor Jan at jan@mayfieldchurch.org.

THE UPRISING STUDENT MINISTRIES

SUNDAY GATHERINGS

Middle School & High School

11 AM - Noon: Middle School Bible Study with Denny in B26 & Zoom

7 - 8:30 PM: The Uprising in the Youth Room (MS and HS)



The Uprising (6th-12th)

WEDNESDAY BIBLE STUDY

High School

7 - 9 PM: Room B26 (Youth Room)

REGISTER FOR CAMP ALDERSGATE!

JUNE 19-24

Our yearly summer camp is quickly approaching and we want you to join us! Whether you're a Middle School or High School student, or an adult who can volunteer to help, we would love to have you for lessons, games, lake activities, and more. Registration is now open! To register, contact Denny Nelson at denny@mayfieldchurch.org



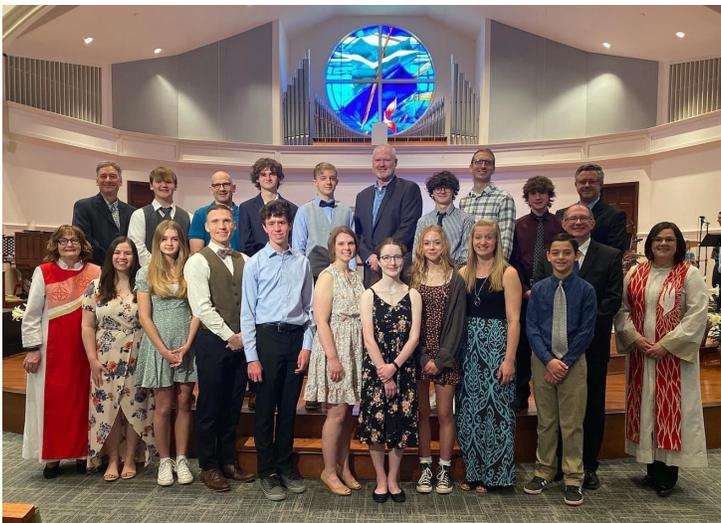
Graduation Sunday

In preparation for Graduation Sunday, May 22, we are asking that any person graduating from high school, college, or graduate school submit their information to be recognized in service and in our publications. Please send the following info by MAY 15 to Denny Nelson at denny@mayfieldchurch.org:

1. Name
2. School
3. Degree you are receiving
4. Future plans
5. Baby photo and a current photo of the graduate



CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2022 CONFIRMATION STUDENTS



Did you miss the service? Head on over to our YouTube Channel and click on the Sunday, April 24 @ 9:30 AM service!

Andrew Robert Caronchi
Anna Elizabeth Gracon
Maveric William Andrew Milnar
Kylie Rae Nelson
Luke Arden Nelson
Aron Thomas Oklander
Ian Matthew Res
Nicholas James Res
George Ashby Sassé
Katelyn Grace Simmelink

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

SUN., MAY 1 @ 9:30 & 11

SUNDAYS @ 9:30 AM

STEPPING STONES SUNDAY SCHOOL

Pre-School to Kindergarten
We are always on the lookout for fun, upbeat adults who love fostering friendship and faith in our Stepping Stones classroom! If you are interested in getting connected and serving, please contact Jessica Martz at jessica@mayfieldchurch.org.

THE ROCK WORSHIP SERVICE

Grades 1 - 5

The Rock has a new and improved prize bin! Students who memorize the verse of the month by May 29 will have an opportunity to take a prize home. The Rock is closed on Family Sunday, May 29.

SAVE THE DATE FOR VBS!
AUGUST 1-5



YOUNG SERVANTS' MINISTRY GARDENING AT CHURCH

Sunday, May 22
11 AM

Young Servants' Ministry, open to children of all ages, will team up with the Garden Ministry to work on a project in the garden facing the offices. If there is poor weather that day, our rain date will be May 29. Please RSVP to Jennifer Kaye at jenn81884@gmail.com.

TWEENS MINIATURE GOLF

Saturday, May 14
2 PM

We hope all fourth and fifth graders will join us in our last tweens event of the school year at Chip's Clubhouse in Chardon! Please RSVP to Jessica Martz at jessica@mayfieldchurch.org.

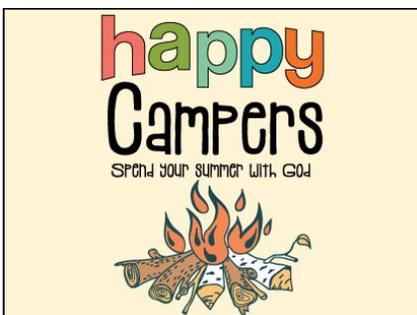
HEARTLAND CHILDCARE



May is always a month of celebrating around here!

First, we will celebrate Teacher Appreciation Day on Thursday, May 5. We will spend the day in gratitude for all of our amazing teachers! This year, their dedication and commitment to Heartland, the children, and their families has truly been a blessing as we blended seasoned teachers with new teachers to create a small but mighty team!

We will celebrate our mothers on Mother's Day and then we are looking forward to celebrating preschool graduation at the end of the month.



Our "Happy Campers" Summer Camp registration is closed for this year! We are already full!! But we still have preschool spots open for the 2022-2023 school year, so call soon to get on the roster.

Thank you all for your prayers and support, please continue to hold us in your hearts as we look forward to a safe, healthy, and FUN summer.

We are still looking for quality, dedicated staff for our classrooms. If you are interested, please contact Patty Wenzel, Heartland Director at 440-729-4006 x116 or email patty@mayfieldchurch.org.



BIBLE MEMORY VERSE OF THE MONTH:

"You are good and what you do is good."

Psalms 119:68



MEN'S MINISTRY

"HOW TO HANDLE CRITICISM"

CRAIG GROSCHEL

Saturday, May 21

8:30—9:30 AM

Fellowship Hall

All men are invited to join this morning of breakfast, conversation and prayer. Please email Jon Wilterdink at jwilterdink@gmail.com or call him at 440-321-5521 to RSVP or for more information.

GOD'S CARING COMMUNITY

"WHERE ARE YOU GOING TO HIDE"

SYLVIA JEAN WIGGINS, GUEST SPEAKER

Thursday, May 12

10:30 AM—1 PM

Fellowship Hall

Sylvia Jean Wiggins is the author of a book "A Pictorial History of Chester Township in Geauga County" and will give an illustrated talk about the Underground Railroad, explained through quilt patterns.

God's Caring Community, a ministry for our senior citizens, meets every second Thursday of the month for a presentation, discussion and lunch. Cost: \$5 for lunch. Contact: Cyndi Nicholson at 440-729-4006 or cyndi@mayfieldchurch.org.

GREEN TASK MINISTRY

See page 5 for Mentor Headlands Beach Clean Up!

Here is your **Green Tip** of the month...

When you go shopping, avoid single use plastic items and plastic wrapped products. Instead, buy products in glass or paper packaging. Plastic packaging is pollution waiting to happen. Glass products are easily reused and paper is a much friendlier product to the environment. In addition, bring your own reusable bags instead of using plastic bags from the store.

MUSIC MINISTRY

HYMN FESTIVAL

Sunday, May 1

4:30 PM

Federated Church, 76 Bell St., Chagrin Falls



Our wonderful choir is participating in this event. Enjoy an inspiring concert of hymns and readings that will lift your spirits and feed your soul. Bring a friend!

MOM'S SUPPORT GROUP

WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN YOGA

Sat., May 7

6—7 PM

Flow Yoga Studio



This FREE class is for all Mayfield Church women and their friends, whether you are a beginner or an advanced practitioner. Join Rebecca Sulzer for this private class to breathe, stretch, and flow. The room will gradually be heated. Limit of 18. Please RSVP to Rebecca: rebecca@mayfieldchurch.org

S.A.M.I. OVER-50 SINGLES MINISTRY

THE LOBSTER POT

Wednesday, May 25

5:30 PM*

2749 SOM Center Rd., Willoughby Hills

S.A.M.I. meets the last Wednesday of every month for dinner. *Note the time is earlier this month.

Please RSVP to Sally Matthews at sylsal703@gmail.com.

M.U.M.S. SPECIAL NEEDS MINISTRY

SPRING CRAFT

Tuesday, May 17

6—7:30 PM

Fellowship Hall

Join the M.U.M.S. Ministry for a spring craft! If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, contact Sandy Pavick at sandyinnewbury@aol.com.

GARDEN MINISTRY

MOTHER'S DAY HANGING BASKET SALE

Sunday, May 8 @ 9 AM—2 PM

Fellowship Hall

SPRING FLOWER SALE

Saturday, May 21 @ 9 AM—4 PM

Sunday, May 22 @ 9 AM—3 PM

Mayfield Church Garage

The Garden Ministry thanks everyone for purchasing Easter plants and to the Design Team for arranging them in the Worship Center.

WHAT'S HAPPENING AT MAYFIELD CHURCH

PRAYER WALK

By Cyndi Nicholson

Spring is here and we will start opening the outdoor prayer walk after our winter hibernation. We will be posting prayers for meditation in the garden and will be sprucing everything up. I thought we could start off by praising the Lord for our springtime gardens. Here are some ideas by using each letter of the alphabet. You can find some inspiration on our Prayer Walk or you can come up with your own and if you do, please share them with me.

We praise you Lord for the:

Atmosphere – gentle & serene

Buds - for all the new plants starting

Color - on all the different the plants

Heavenly Father, spring is such an exciting time with seeing all the new life that emerges. Thank you for all you do and allowing us to see the results of your mighty works. Help us to spend quiet time with you in your gardens. We praise you for your creations. In Jesus' name, Amen.



Congratulations on the Baptism of **Marjorie Theresa Teare**, daughter of Abby and Ethan Teare, on Sunday, April 10, during the 9:30 AM service.

IT'S NOT A GOODBYE, IT'S A SEE YOU LATER...

By Brandon Farmer, Modern Worship Leader

When Emily and I first came to Mayfield, we had been dating a little over six months. We came to check out an opportunity for me to lead worship at a thriving church. I was hesitant to step into leadership, to be honest, but God was calling me here. He was making a way, just like He always does, sometimes needing to resort to theatrics like burning bushes or wet fleece. I picture God as Biff as I look back. "HELLO! Think McFly!" I finally took the hint and life has never been the same.



Seven-plus years, one wedding, two kids, hundreds of songs, dozens of wonderful band members, and one pandemic later, we're saying see you later. We're moving down to the Akron area to be closer to both our families, building a house in Sharon Township. We've been so blessed by you, Mayfield, and been through much together. God continues to work through this staff and congregation. I can't wait to watch what He'll do next. Much love, and to quote Rich Mullins on my way out, "May the joy of Jesus be with you."

Brandon will be with us through July. If you know someone interested in the role of Modern Worship Leader, have them email Pastor Beth at beth@mayfieldchurch.org Watch for the job posting in the coming weeks.



Join us Sunday, May 8, as we honor the women in our lives and in our congregation who have influenced us. After the services, head over to Fellowship Hall for a photo op and to purchase a hanging plant from the Garden Ministry!

WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY

...to Mindy Patterson and family, on the passing of Mindy's father, Thomas "Tom" Doddridge, on Wed., April 13.

...to Jill and Tom Johns, on the passing of Jill's mother, Elizabeth Romito. She passed away on Friday, April 15.

...to the family and friends of Cheryl Ann Burich, wife of Jim, who passed away on Sunday, April 17. Her Celebration of Life was Friday, April 22.

Barb Jackson's Celebration of Life will be held on Saturday, May 14, at 11 AM in the Worship Center at Mayfield Church. She passed away February 3. A cookie reception will follow the service in Fellowship Hall.

LAWN MOWING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!

Do you like to mow? Great!! We have many opportunities this summer for you to serve by mowing our church grounds. Please contact Steve Vegel by calling the church office or emailing him at steve@mayfieldchurch.org



MENTOR HEADLANDS BEACH CLEAN UP

Wednesday, June 15
9 AM—Noon
(see page 5 for info)



PLEASE JOIN

**MAYFIELD CHURCH & HEARTLAND CHILD CARE
AT THE LAKE COUNTY CAPTAINS GAME**



**SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 2022
GAME STARTS @ 1 PM**

Game Ticket: \$8 Each / Meal Voucher*: \$8 each
*if desired (pizza, hotdog OR hamburger, chips, pop)

Please return your ticket order form and payment (cash or check) to the Church Office by Friday, May 27. If you have any questions, please contact Marianne Cicirelli at marianne@mayfieldchurch.org.

Mayfield Church is hosting the **NORTH AMERICAN UNICYCLING CHAMPIONSHIPS & CONVENTION (NAUCC)**

**WEDNESDAY, JUNE 29, 2022
ALL DAY / EVENING**



Everyone is invited to join us for this exciting event to watch solo unicyclists and teams for a friendly competition, educational opportunities and social events! Cheer on the St. Helen Drill Team!

SAVE THE DATE

All-Church Picnic
Sunday, July 17



IMPORTANT DATES

COMMITTEES/MINISTRIES

PSPR Zoom Mtg.	Wed., May 4 @ 7 PM
Stephen Leaders Zoom Mtg.	Mon., May 9 @ 10 AM
Finance Mtg.	Wed., May 11 @ 6:30 PM
Prayer Shawl Ministry	Thurs., May 19 @ 2 PM
Mission Outreach Council Mtg.	Mon., May 9 @ 7 PM
M.U.M.S.	Tues., May 17 @ 6 PM
S.A.M.I.	Wed., May 25 @ 6 PM
Trustees Mtg.	Wed., May 18 @ 7 PM
Executive Team Mtg.	Tues., May 24 @ 7 PM
God's Caring Community	Thurs., May 12 @ 10:30 AM
Men's Breakfast	Sat., May 21 @ 8:30 AM
Next GEN	Mon., May 16 @ 7 PM
Moms' Support Group	Wed., May 11 & 25 @ 10 AM Tues., May 10 & 24 @ 6 PM

YOUTH

Young Servants	Sun., May 22 @ 11 AM
Tweens	Sat., May 14 @ 2—4 PM
Elevate (Middle School)	Sundays @ 11 AM
Dedicate (High School)	Wednesdays @ 7 PM
Uprising (Middle/High School)	Sundays @ 7 PM

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Girl Scouts	Tues., May 3 & 17 @ 6 PM
Cub Scouts #3104	Wed., May 18 @ 7 PM

MUSIC

9:30 Band Rehearsal	Wednesdays @ 7 PM
Hand Bell Rehearsal	Thursdays @ 6:15 PM
Chancel Choir Rehearsal	Thursdays @ 7:30 PM

*Check our Google calendar at mayfieldchurch.org for updates

Church Office Hours

Monday - Thursday: 9 AM—4 PM

Friday: 9 AM—Noon

Closed on Memorial Day, May 30

Ways to Give

IN-PERSON OR MAIL

Contributions may be placed in the baskets near the exits

MOBILE



ONLINE OR EFT

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Mayfield Church appreciates the opportunity to serve our community as a polling place for the upcoming primary election.

It's a privilege to vote – please vote on Tuesday, May 3!

You may find candidate signs on our property. Please be aware that election law allows these signs to be placed at polling places on election day, but in no way indicates an endorsement by Mayfield Church. In accordance with IRS rules, we do not endorse any candidate or issue.