Dear Friends,

A few weeks back, Mayfield Church hosted a Liberia Partners meeting headed by Rev. Kathy Dickriede. Many of the Liberia Partners noticed the *Just Mercy* poster in the hallway and were impressed that the Mayfield Church is reading *Just Mercy* as our fall book study. They too were deeply moved by the work of Bryan Stevenson, who said while a student at Harvard School of Law: “I was uncertain about what I wanted to do with my life, but I knew it would have something to do with the lives of the poor, America’s history of racial inequality, and the struggle to be equitable and fair with one another” (p. 4).

The book quickly engaged me in body, mind, and spirit. I could feel its pulse and grasp the passion of the author. When he first met death-row inmate Henry, Stevenson was struck by the fact that he immediately looked familiar, “like everyone I’d grown up with, friends from school, people I played sports or music with, someone I’d talk to on the street about the weather” (p. 9). Nervous at first, both were soon lost in conversation about everything. After three hours, as Henry was being ushered away in wrist and leg irons, he suddenly raised his head and began to sing with a tremendous baritone voice that was clear and strong:

> Lord lift me up and let me stand  
> By faith on Heaven’s tableland  
> A higher plane, that I have found  
> Lord, plant my feet on higher ground.

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Wow! Stevenson was stunned and experienced the song as a precious gift, discovering the measure of Henry’s humanity: “In that moment, Henry altered something in my understanding of human potential, redemption, and hopefulness” (p. 12). As his mother repeatedly taught him, “You can’t understand most of the important things from a distance, Bryan. You have to get close” (p. 14). This book draws us close!

I am grateful that the Mayfield Church is reading this book. There is passion and purpose and the Holy Spirit at work. There are times when we simply need to listen – to listen well, listen completely, listen with the knowledge that there is a gift of God for us, a godly reason we need to read this book and reflect on it together. This is not a time to turn away, block, avoid, react, tune out, get mad, or dismiss this book.

I am convinced that the time is right and the book is right for us. As the title says, this is a story of justice and redemption – deeply biblical, Wesleyan, relevant themes for today. It’s not just about extreme levels of punishment or mass incarceration or injustice or inequality. It’s about us. As Stevenson challenges us: “The true measure of our character is how we treat the poor, the disfavored, the accused, the incarcerated, and the condemned.” Why? Because “it’s necessary to recognize that we all need mercy, we all need justice, and – perhaps – we all need some measure of unmerited grace” (p. 18). We are in this together! The Bible always balances faith with works, love of God with love of neighbor, God First with biblical justice and mercy. These ought not be separated. Read carefully these verses from Isaiah 58:6-9:

> Is not this the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke,
> To let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke?
> Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house;
> When you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin?
> **Then** your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly;
> Your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard.
> **Then** you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say,
> Here I am.

*Just Mercy* is a bold and courageous undertaking. I believe our health and well-being as followers of Jesus – our spiritual vitality and our blessing from God – will grow as we are faithful in this endeavor.

Yours in the name of Christ Jesus our Lord and our Savior,

Jim
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Sundays in September at Mayfield Church

Message Series
“Linked In to Mayfield - The Message of Ephesians for the Church Today”

**Sept. 1:** “Work Clothes”
Ephesians 4:17-5:1
*One Service Sunday (Labor Day Weekend)*

**Sept. 8:** “Armored Up”
Ephesians 6:10-20

**Sept. 15:** “Benediction”
Ephesians 6:21-24

New Message Series
“Just Mercy”

**Sept. 22:** “Bryan Stevenson TED Talk”

**Sept. 29:** “Mercy & Compassion”

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Mission Outreach Council

This summer has been a busy time for missions at Mayfield Church. It has also been a time of transition. We would like to thank and recognize our outgoing chairperson, Debbie Diadiun. Debbie took the chairmanship of the committee following our study of *The Hole in Our Gospel* and led the committee through the selection of the Emsizini School in Zimbabwe as our partner mission site. Under her leadership, Mayfield has become a mission-focused church as our Missions Outreach Council has strived to encourage and support a wide variety of local and international mission efforts. We thank Debbie for her spirit-filled leadership. Going forward, the Mission Outreach Council will be co-chaired by Bryan Javorek and Phil David. This summer we have also had two successful International Mission trips - one to the Emsizini school and one to Guatemala. Both of these mission-outreach programs represent ongoing relationships that Mayfield Church has developed over the years as we spread the love of Christ. Our thanks and appreciation to all those who have represented our church on these trips.
Tools & Blankets

For more than 60 years, congregations across the United States have been responding to Jesus’ call to be a neighbor to those in need, in partnership with Church World Service.

At home and around the world, our congregation and others are helping impoverished communities with the basic tools they need to sustain themselves and their families.

Contributions to Tools and Blankets mean that Church World Service is there for the long haul as families recover from a disaster. And, we’re helping families who struggle against grinding poverty as they seek to develop viable, sustainable communities and livelihoods.

At its heart, Tools and Blankets means you. Each year, through your contributions, you and our congregation make this ministry of hope a reality for people in need.

Please help support Tools and Blankets by placing a donation in the offering basket (checks written out to Mayfield Church with “Tools and Blankets” in the memo line) or attending our Egg Strata Breakfast on Sunday, Sept. 15, after all three services.

For more info about Church World Service, visit www.cwsglobal.org.
Covenant / Application for 2020

“HANDS THAT SERVE”

Mission Program at Mayfield Church

In October, our Missions Committee will meet to determine which local, national, and international projects will be the focus of our congregation’s support in 2020. Applications from mission and ministry teams are encouraged.

The team agrees to publicize its ministry in the newsletter and on the website by providing a story of up to 350 words and a photograph by the newsletter deadline.

The team agrees to have a member present the first Sunday of its month to address the congregation during worship. The team may provide a slide show or video during the four-minute presentation at announcements time.

The team agrees to host a fellowship / fundraising breakfast on the second Sunday of its month (the third Sunday in the month of May) to help communicate its ministry. An informational table in Fellowship Hall during the month also is helpful.

The team may ask the congregation to collect items for its ministry. If the team collects items, the team agrees to pick up the items by the last day of its month.

If the team leads a mission or travel trip, the team agrees to provide the Missions Committee with a pre-approved budget before it leaves and a list of its expenses when it returns.
“Hands that Serve”
Covenant / Application

Ministry Team ________________________________

Leader of Ministry Team ________________________________

Phone, Email of Team Leader ________________________________

Why do you want to be a “Hands that Serve” focus? ______

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(\textit{may be continued on a separate piece of paper})

Do you agree to the expectations? _____ Yes _____ No

Signature of Team Leader: ________________________________

Date________________

Please return to the office (Missions Committee mailbox) by Sunday, Oct. 13. If you have any questions, please contact Kathy Rolla at \texttt{kathyrolla@live.com}.
Bryan Stevenson’s grandmother tells him as a young boy, “You can’t understand most of the important things from a distance, Bryan. You have to get close.” (Just Mercy)

Along with reading Just Mercy this Fall, we invite you to “get close.” For each of us, the next step on the journey of getting closer will be different. This fall, we are partnering with True Freedom Ministries in a variety of service opportunities, as well as hosting community-wide events at Mayfield Church to continue our learning.

First, get to know True Freedom Ministries, led by Executive Director Michael Swiger. Based in Cleveland, True Freedom ministers extensively within the adult and juvenile prison systems in Ohio, providing not only faith-based services, but also job training, family building and educational support to thousands of inmates a year. In addition to their work within the system, they also focus on two specific ministries to help provide aid and resources to help keep the most vulnerable out of the prison system: The Homeless Ministry and The Addiction Recovery Ministry. We are privileged to work alongside Michael and his team this fall, following their lead to live out Matthew 25:35-40 to feed the hungry, clothe the needy, care for the sick, visit those in prison.

Get Close: Homeless Ministry

Two Saturday evenings this fall (Oct. 5 & Nov. 2) we will serve at the Norma Herr Women’s Shelter and Lakeside Homeless Shelter, serving up food and fellowship alongside the True Freedom Team. We can bring up to 20 people each Saturday, and so we invite you to consider serving with your family (children aged 6+, please), or together as a LifeGroup or other small group. Our youth in The Rock and The Uprising will be collecting 600 pairs of socks and snacks to bring with us!

Get Close: Addiction Recovery Ministry

Two Thursday evenings this fall (Oct. 3 & Oct. 31), we will serve at True Freedom’s Reformer’s Anonymous meetings. For those comfortable sharing their faith and participating as an active listener to adults in addiction recovery, we invite you to pull up a chair into one of six small groups. Groups are separated by gender and there are opportunities for men and women to serve. If you love to cook, we invite you to help lovingly prepare a hot meal at Mayfield church that we’ll deliver and serve to the Recovery ministry.
Get Close: Death Row Church Service

Every week, on almost every day of the week, five True Freedom chaplains and 150 volunteers host Christian worship services for inmates across the Ohio Department of Corrections (ODC), including on Death Row. On Sunday, Oct. 27, True Freedom has invited 5 Mayfield Church congregants to attend the Sunday worship service at Chillicothe Correctional Institution on Death Row, followed by a half-hour of fellowship with the inmates. Please note: If you wish to attend this service, you MUST register with Katie Vriezen no later than Sept. 25 in order to be credentialed by ODC.

Get Close in Community Together: Art Exhibition

Sunday, Sept. 22 - Sunday, Sept. 29 in Fellowship Hall
This art exhibit explores children in the criminal justice system and landmark cases in which children are prosecuted as adults. It is open to the community Sunday, Sept. 22 & 29 and during the Community Dinner on Friday, Sept. 27.

Lunch with EDWINS & Documentary screening of 13th: Sunday, Oct. 13

Our version of a lunch and learn! Join us at 12:30 PM in Fellowship Hall for lunch, catered by EDWINS Leadership and Restaurant Institute. EDWINS is a French fine dining restaurant located on Shaker Square, with a unique approach that gives formerly incarcerated adults a foundation in the hospitality industry while providing a support network necessary for a successful re-entry. EDWINS goal is to enhance the community of Cleveland’s vulnerable neighborhoods by providing its future leaders.

Following lunch, we will host a screening of the documentary 13th in the Worship Center. 13th, the critically acclaimed and Academy Award - nominated documentary by Ava DuVernay, explores the intersection of race, justice and mass incarceration in the United States.

We ask you to RSVP for this event in order to provide an accurate number of lunches. The afternoon is free and open to the community. So, please come and bring a friend or two – and RSVP on your Connection Card beginning Sept. 15! Children are welcome to attend the luncheon and childcare will be provided for the documentary screening.

On Thursday, Oct. 17, we invite documentary participants to join us in Fellowship Hall to discuss the film in small groups.
Serial, Season 3 Podcast: Listen Along

During the week of Oct. 20, listen to the podcast *Serial*, Season 3. In nine episodes, Sarah Koenig spends a year within multiple facets of the Cleveland criminal justice system: courtrooms, judges’ chambers, prosecutors’ offices, neighborhoods and prisons highlighting extraordinary stories of ordinary Cuyahoga County criminal justice cases. The Uprising, Mayfield’s Youth Ministry, will be our very own Tech Team after each service on the 20th. Bring your phone, tablet or laptop up to the Tech Table if you’re unsure how to download and listen to this free podcast. They’ll be happy to get you set up!

The Marriage Group has spent months developing these partnerships and planning the Getting Closer opportunities. We hope you’ll join us for one, a few, or even better yet – ALL! Event and sign-up information will be linked on the Mayfield Church webpage. Additionally, sign-ups will be available after all three services on Sept. 15.

**Echoing the sentiments in the Gospel of Matthew, Bryan Stevenson contends:**

“I've come to believe that the true measure of our commitment to justice, the character of our society, our commitment to the rule of law, fairness, and equality cannot be measured by how we treat the rich, the powerful, the privileged, and the respected among us. The true measure of our character is how we treat the poor, the disfavored, the accused, the incarcerated, and the condemned. We are all implicated when we allow other people to be mistreated.”
Oh Happy Donut Day!

Thanks to you, and the Pattersons, Aug. 11 was a wonderful day! A total of $1,196.25 was raised for the books project (see the next page for an update on this project).
This summer, we reached a milestone in our book program at Adrian School:

The number of new books shipped to Adrian topped ... 50,000 ... and are worth more than $500,000! Yay God!

Since 2012, Mayfield Church and community grants from Legacy Village have helped pay the shipping costs to send these new books from a Washington, D.C.-based book bank to Adrian. These books are used in the classrooms and then given to the students to take home. Learning resource teacher Cathy Stang often hears about second- or third-graders reading their books to their younger siblings ... over and over again.

Our school supplies and clothing items (including underwear for students) were very much appreciated! We delivered them on the day of the Ice Cream Social.

From district social worker Shannon Carlson:

Thank you for the individual supply bags for teachers at Adrian and Rowland. That was a treat for teachers, some of whom even kept them out for students to see they are supported beyond our walls and into the community.

From Rowland learning resource teacher Barbara Kumin:

Thank you for the goody bag full of supplies that I can use everyday! I appreciate how thoughtful you are and I feel very fortunate to have the support of Mayfield Church! Thank you for all that you do for Rowland! It is very much appreciated!!

From Rowland kindergarten teacher Becky Corr:

I can’t begin to thank you for everything that you do for Rowland teachers and students. Thank you for the school supplies to help out some of our kiddos. Thank you for being there at our Ice Cream Social! And ... I think I forgot to thank you for the East Coast Custard Truck at the end of the year!
Thank you to those who donated items for our Amazing Book, CD and DVD Giveaway last month ... and to those who selected items and gave a donation to support camperships for our students. The first Sunday (Aug. 25), $300 was raised. Thank you!

Also a big thanks to Steve Vegel, who brought the books from their upstairs storage area to Fellowship Hall; Lori Black, Sue Bocian and Jayne Jancsurak, who helped sort the books in Fellowship Hall; and Darlene Janke, who made the wall signs.

Once the giveaway is over, what happens to the remaining items?

Some children’s books are kept for the Little Free Library outside each of our schools. The rest of the children’s books go to our Rummage Sale Team. Adult books and other media items are sold to Half Price Books in Mayfield Heights, and the money is put into the campership fund.

Coming Up: The annual South Euclid-Lyndhurst Appreciation Day will be from noon to 4 PM on Saturday, Sept. 14, at Legacy Village in Lyndhurst. Stop by to see the amazing skills and talents of district students, including students from our partner schools, Rowland and Adrian. The day includes musical performances, giveaways, demonstrations and a raffle drawing for more than $2,500 in Legacy Village gift cards.

- Pastor Jan
Music Ministry

Chancel Choir Rehearsals

We invite you to join our wonderful Chancel Choir! Our regular Thursday evening rehearsals began on Aug. 29 at 7:30 PM. We sing at the 11 AM service with a Sunday morning rehearsal at 10 AM, with Sept. 8 as our first service. We sing a wide variety of music from African folk music to Bach. This is a meaningful way to share your faith as you sing in worship. Please contact Sergio Castellanos at sergio@mayfieldchurch.org or Carol Neff at carol8861@aol.com for more information.

S.A.M.I.

Our Single Adult Ministry Ignited meets the last Wednesday of each month at 6 PM for dinner out. To RSVP or for more information, please contact Sandy Pavick at sandyinnewbury@aol.com or 440.429.5029.

My Thai

Wednesday, Sept. 25 @ 6 PM
12646 Chillicothe Rd.
Chesterland, OH
A ministry for seniors that assists in making choices. Activities include social support, information, education and advocacy. Meets the second Thursday of the month at 11 AM at the church to hear a speaker and have lunch.

“Understanding Medicare with Paula Amicarelli”
Thursday, Sept. 12 @ 11 AM
Fellowship Hall

As a licensed Ohio life and health insurance agent, Paula helps Ohio's seniors, small businesses and others understand Medicare, choose the right plan, and get ready for retirement. With absolutely NO FEE EVER for services, she works with you and your family members, friends or helpers to make health coverage and retirement planning decisions that are right for you and your budget. As your personal Medicare and retirement coach, she will:

- answer your questions
- walk through your options
- work the math to aid in your decision-making
- and never rush you!
Care & Prayer Ministry

On Thursday, Aug. 22, our church had the opportunity to come with others and pray for Mayfield Church and our ministries by walking one mile around the parking lot. Below is a list of some of the things we can lift up in prayer for our church. We hope to have an indoor Prayer Walk in 2020!

Ideas to pray for Mayfield Church 2019

1. Both driveway entrances to the parking lots and the 205 parking spots.
2. The three sidewalks and entrances coming into the church building.
3. The Pavilion and Playground.
4. The grounds, the gardens and prayer gazebo.
5. The Worship center, seating of 400+.
6. The altar, organ, piano and drums.
7. The sound systems and screens in sanctuary and Fellowship Hall.
8. The Kitchen, Kitchenette, ovens and walk-in cooler, freezer, serving areas.
9. The Office and Conference Room.
10. The staff’s offices and phone lines.
12. The Prayer Rooms and prayer wall with candles.
13. The stairs- up and down, the elevator.
14. Heartland office and the ten classrooms they use.
15. The Rock and all their sound systems, computer and screen.
16. The four classrooms used by church for small groups and outside groups (AA, OA, NA).
17. The Music Room.
18. The Uprising Room.
19. The Building itself, the welcome desk.
20. The restrooms on all 3 floors.
21. The 7 rooms used for storage and the upstairs storage areas.
22. The gym area upstairs.
23. What Spiritual Gifts have you given this church, Lord?
24. How can we use the spiritual gifts you have given us to bear fruit?
25. The safety of everyone here.
26. How can we be the hands and feet of Jesus?
27. How do we make people feel welcomed? Show us how, Lord.
28. We would like the people who enter to receive your peace, hope for the day, a desire to know you, Jesus, better; to give witness on how you, Jesus, are working in their lives, to testify. To glorify you.

29. We ask, Lord, to show us whom to invite, we also ask that you yourself would invite new people to come.

30. How may this church be an outreach to the community? Lead us Lord.

31. We pray that our parking lots and building be full to capacity with people wanting to serve you, Jesus.

32. May Mayfield Church be a blessing for Geauga and adjacent Counties, Early Response Team.

33. May we be still and listening for your direction, Lord.

34. May we have a waiting list for our new members class Heartland teachers and daycare with the after-school program that have started back up this year.

35. Pray for your ministry at church that it would reach people and impact.
We are planning a celebration for “All Saints Day” on Sunday, Nov. 3. All Saints Day comes six months after Easter in the Christian calendar. It is a day for remembering those in our families and faith community who left us for the loving arms of Jesus during the past year, but who continue to be present with us in our hearts.

All Saints Day has a long history in the Christian Church. It is a celebration that helps us remember that our lives, our faith, and our actions are not simply our own creations. Instead, they are dependent on all we have been given by the family members and friends who came before us— their stories, their love, their influence, and their witness.

During our 11 AM worship service on November 3, we will read names, light candles, and remember the lives of those who graced our path and journeyed with us as a gift from God.

If you have a loved one whom you lost since November 2018, we would like to remember and celebrate that person’s life during this service.

Please contact Cyndi Nicholson, our coordinator of care and prayer ministries, at cyndi@mayfieldchurch.org, or call the office at 440-729-4006.

Calling all veterans (and those who love one): We want to know who our veterans are, so we can recognize them on Veterans Day Sunday, Nov. 10. Please indicate that you are a veteran on the back of your Connection Card, or give us a call in the office, 440-729-4006. Thank you!
As mentioned in the August newsletter, Mayfield’s Stephen Ministry program is open to all members of our community, not just members of our congregation. We believe strongly in this program and would like to see it expand and be able to serve more and more people. Because Stephen Ministers meet with their care receivers 1:1, there is a limit to the number of people we can serve based on the number of people who are trained Stephen Ministers. We have been in contact with some other congregations in the area to encourage them in instituting their own Stephen Ministry program. In March we met with representatives from St. Mark Lutheran Church in Chesterland and the Chardon United Methodist Church. St. Mark had a program many years ago which lapsed, and has trained a new class of ministers who were commissioned May 12. Some of Mayfield’s Stephen Leaders attended the service. Chardon is currently training its first Stephen Ministers. That class will be commissioned in October.

In addition to providing encouragement to other congregations, we look forward to collaborating in various ways. Although the training to become a Stephen Minister is exciting, fun, and a wonderful experience, it is intense and time-consuming (50 hours spread over 18 weekly modules). Therefore, it’s a significant undertaking on the part of the trainers and trainees alike. We trained a class here in 2018 and are planning to conduct our next training for Stephen Ministers in early 2020. We will welcome members of other Stephen Ministry congregations to this training so their churches can also increase the number of Stephen Ministers in their program without expending the time and energy necessary to provide the training.

There are other ways we are able to collaborate, such as:
- Sharing informational materials with congregations,
- Collaborating on referrals when, perhaps due to location, one congregation is better able to serve a person referred from an outside agency than another congregation.
- Providing a care giver of the same gender if one is not available
- Sharing continuing education resources.

We are just beginning to explore the wonderful possibilities that will be available as we partner with other churches to enhance the presence of Stephen Ministry in our area.

If you or someone you know would like more information about receiving the services of a Stephen Minister, contact the referral coordinator, Joyce Gordon, at 216-570-3767 or joytgordon@roadrunner.com.
Thank You...

Garden Ministry wishes to thank ALL the LifeGroups, families, and individuals who participated in the Adopt-A-Garden Program. All the Gardens look amazing! Keep the Gardens looking beautiful until the end of October or first heavy frost. Blessings to all, The Garden Ministry

Dear Mayfield Church Family,

My deepest gratitude for all of the many birthday cards, get well cards, notes, and prayers I received over the last couple weeks! I can’t tell you how much it has meant to me to hear from my sisters and brothers in Christ from MUMC! I am continuing to recover very well from my recent gallbladder surgery, and I am almost fully back to work at Union Avenue UMC. And so I thank you for all of your care for me.

In gratitude to God AND to you...with all my love in Christ,

Coralee Cox

We Extend Our Deepest Sympathies...

GOD SHALL WIPe AWAY ALL TEARS FROM THEIR EYES; AND THERE SHALL BE NO MORE DEATH, NEITHER SORROW, NOR CRYING, NEITHER SHALL THERE BE ANY MORE PAIN.
-REvelation 21:4

...to the family of Gene Mogish, member of Mayfield Church, who passed away on Aug. 6.
Mayfield United Methodist Stars - Special Needs Ministry

SUPER HERO DANCE PARTY
Saturday, October 5 @ 6 - 8 PM
Mayfield Church
7747 Mayfield Road, Chesterland

Put on your favorite super hero costume and come dance the night away! Our DJs Mario and Luigi will be on hand to play all your favorite tunes.

Awards will be given in the following costume categories:
- Super Hero
- Made Up Original Super Hero
- Under 18
- Staff
- Group (2 or more)

$3 suggested donation (no one will be turned away for lack of funds)

For more information or to volunteer: Sandy Pavick 440-429-5029
Children’s Ministry

Saturday, Sept. 21
5 - 7 PM
Pavilion

Join us for an outdoor family game night with a potluck. Pizza and water will be provided. Please bring your favorite outdoor game to play and a side or dessert to share. RSVP to Jess Martz by Sept. 16 to jessica@mayfieldchurch.org.

Young Servants’ Ministry

Visiting Homebound Members
The Week of Sept. 16
Flexible Dates and Times

Our monthly young servants group is open to families with children preschool through fifth grade. We will serve our church, our congregation and our community each month during the school year. Young servants will kick off the school year by visiting a few of our homebound members during the week of Sept. 16. Times are flexible and can be based on your family’s availability. If interested, please email Jess at jessica@mayfieldchurch.org for more details.

The Moms Group is looking for a couple of childcare workers twice a month (the first Friday and the third Tuesday of each month), from 9:45 to 11:30 AM at the church starting in September. This is a paid position. If you are able to help, please contact Carrie Barry at carrieb@mayfieldchurch.org.
(Formerly Trunk-or-Treat)

Saturday, Oct. 26 @ 2-4 PM
Mayfield Church

Please join us for a variety of fun fall activities at Mayfield Church! Why the change? We are bringing back the Fall Harvest this year to offer the Chesterland community something different, since most churches in Chesterland have Trunk-or-Treat events. Our focus will be on experiential stations such as crafts, snacks, games, donuts on a string, possibly a hayride and more!

Children are encouraged to wear their non-scary Halloween costumes. This is a great experience to connect with visitors from our community. We are in need of adult volunteers at each station. If you are interested in helping, please RSVP to Jessica at jessica@mayfieldchurch.org at your earliest convenience. We are also looking for candy donations. Nut-free candy donations can be dropped off in the office at any time. If you have children who are interested in the Fall Harvest, mark your calendars for Oct. 26 and we hope to see you there!
The fall session class taught by Charles Fazio (Master and 7th Degree Black Belt) will resume on Thursday, Oct. 24. This class is a combination of Karate, Jiu-jitsu, Judo and Savate. It is self-defense in nature, and we strive to teach respect for others, discipline, self-confidence and self-worth for children over the age of 6.

All Students (Returning and New) - Must Sign Up on Registration Night

If students do not register on Oct. 18, they might lose their spot!

REGULAR CLASS SCHEDULE BEGINS OCT. 24

6:15 - 7:15 - One combined class
Cost: $7 per class - collected at each class
(Checks should be made payable to Mayfield Church)

If you have questions, please call the church office at 440-729-4006 or Chuck Fazio at 216-469-2823.

All 4th and 5th graders are invited to the first West Geauga home football game. We will meet up at the concession stand at the beginning of the 2nd quarter, walk around, watch the game, chat, and see the drum battle during the 3rd quarter. If your tween is interested, please RSVP to Jess Martz at jessica@mayfieldchurch.org.

Tweens Ministry

West G Football Game
Friday, Sept. 6
7 PM
Heartland Childcare Center

September Bible Memory Verse:
“A friend loves at all times.” Proverbs 17:17

The 2019 - 20 school year is off to a great start! Our Good Samaritan (Pre-K) class is completely full and the after school care is full as well! We are excited for all of our students to experience God’s love and to grow in Him and His Word. Our students will also grow in knowledge about the world that God created. Please keep our teachers and students in prayer as they learn and grow throughout the school year.

In addition to our quality Christian curriculum, this year’s preschoolers will also benefit from weekly specials.

*Mondays – A Kid At Art (mobile art classroom)
*Tuesdays – Dina School
*Wednesdays - Kidding Around Yoga
*Thursdays – Geauga West Book Mobile
*Fridays – Fairmount for the Arts Music and Movement

We are looking forward to the new music and movement “special” that we are adding to our program this year. We worked with Fairmount during the summer and had a couple of programs brought to our students. They enjoyed them so much, we decided to partner up with them for this school year!

We can still use a few strong, caring adults to join the Heartland team, forward us your resume if you would like to be considered.

Our other preschool classes are filling up quickly. If you are interested in enrolling your child or have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us at 440-729-4006 Extension 116 or email us at heartland@mayfieldchurch.org.

Thank you for your prayers! God is good!
Student Ministries

Sunday Mornings
Middle School
9:30 AM: Bible Study with Denny Nelson in The Uprising Room

High School
9:30 AM: Sit together in worship (front left section)
11 AM: Meeting in The Uprising Room with Adam

Tuesday Evenings
High School
7 PM: High School Bible Study

High School Bible Study
Beginning on Tuesday, Sept. 3, we will resume our normal high school Bible Study group every Tuesday night from 7 - 9 PM downstairs in The Uprising room. This is a time to relax, share some food, play some games, and go in-depth on deeper subjects. All high school students are welcome!

See You at the Pole
Wednesday, Sept. 25 @ 7 AM, at your school

SUNDAY FUNDAY
On Sunday, Sept. 29, from 11 AM to 1 PM, come down to The Uprising room at normal meeting time and find out what kind of fun we will be having that day! Hope to see you there!

REMEMBER – No Uprising on Sept. 1 (Labor Day weekend)

FOLLOW US TODAY ON OUR SOCIAL NETWORK

Text “revolution” to 95577 for updates!
Mayfield Church Youth @theuprisingmumc
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**Bada-Bing and The Uprising**

Don’t forget, the first Wednesday of every month is The Uprising Day at BadaBing Pizza in Chesterland, OH. Come in any-time from 11 AM - 8 PM and mention Mayfield Church…we get 20% of their total sales that day.

**Bring your appetite on Sept. 4!**

A BIG thank you goes out to the youth ministry for cleaning up the church grounds, rebuilding the fire pit, spreading woodchips on the playground, and filling the gaps with dirt in the new concrete during their service project last month!
Join our fun and friendly church league beginning Sept. 13! Games are played on Friday evenings between 6 and 9:25 PM at Nottingham Baptist Church in Willoughby Hills. This league is open to anyone 14 years old and older. Email sports@mayfieldchurch.org or see Chelsea Stickley if you are interested in playing.
Women’s Ministry

Apple Fun Potluck
Saturday, Sept. 14
@ 11 AM - 2 PM
Fellowship Hall

Come join us on Sept. 14 at Mayfield Church from 11 AM to 2 PM as we learn how to make apple sauce, apple strudel and candy apples. Please contact Kris Larrick at 440-479-9231 or kris@mayfieldchurch.org to RSVP or if you have any questions. For women who are coming, we ask if your name beings with A - J, please bring supplies for candy apples; K - R a dish to share; and S - Z, drinks.

Men’s Ministry

Men’s Breakfast
Saturday, Sept. 28 @ 8:30 AM
Fellowship Hall

It's back! Come join the Men's Ministry and fellowship over eggs, bacon, potatoes, and coffee. Please RSVP to John Parker at parkerja89@gmail.com. Hope to see you there!
**September Events**

1. **One Service Sunday**, 10 AM, WC
   
   **Book Giveaway**, before and after service, FH

2. **Happy Labor Day, Office and Heartland Closed**

3. 8th **Blood Pressure Screenings**, 9 AM - 1 PM, FH

4. 10th **Happy Packers** (Foodbank volunteers), 10 AM, at The Foodbank

5. 12th **God’s Caring Community**, 11 AM – 1:30 PM, FH

6. 14th **Women’s Ministry Apple Fun Potluck**, 11 AM - 2 PM, FH

7. 15th **“Hands That Serve” Breakfast**, 9 AM - 1 PM, FH

   **LifeGroups Sign-ups**, 9 AM - 1 PM, front of Bookstore

8. 17th **Finance 101 (ALL Church Meeting)**, 6:30 PM, WC
   
   **M.U.M.S.**, 6 - 7:30 PM, FH (*a ministry for those with special needs*)

9. 21st **Family Game Night**, 5 PM, Pavilion

10. 22nd **“Just Mercy” Art Exhibit Opening Night**, TBD, FH

11. 24th **Happy Packers** (Foodbank volunteers), 10 AM, at The Foodbank

12. 27th **Free Community Dinner**, 5 - 6:30 PM, FH. All are welcome!

13. 28th **Men’s Ministry Breakfast**, 8:30 AM, FH

   
   WC – Worship Center    
   FH – Fellowship Hall    
   Dates are subject to change. Please call the office with any questions about an event.

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Our fall all-church book study is “Just Mercy” by Bryan Stevenson. If you haven’t picked up your book, please stop in the bookstore any Sunday after service. (The Uprising students, see Adam Vodicka or Denny Nelson for your book.) We are asking everyone to read the entire book by **Sunday, Sept. 22**, the day our message series begins. The “Just Mercy” book is free; if you would like to make a donation to help defray the cost to the church, you may do so. Each book cost $8.

See more information on LifeGroups on pages 8 - 10.
September Activity Highlights

COMMITTEES/MINISTRIES

Intercessory Prayer Group  Tuesdays  10 AM-NOON
Prayer Warriors  Sept. 8  10:30 AM
Children’s Ministry Meeting  Sept. 8  11 AM
Executive Team  Sept. 9  7 PM
Garden Ministry  Sept. 9  7:15 PM
Prayer Shawl Ministry  Sept. 12  1 PM
Safety Committee  Sept. 13  7 PM
Insight 2020  Sept. 16  7 PM
Trustees  Sept. 18  7 PM

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Overeaters Anonymous  Mondays in B42  7:30 PM
Alcoholics Anonymous  Mondays in B26  7:30 PM
Alcoholics Anonymous  Tuesdays in B42  7:30 PM
Narcotics Anonymous  Wednesdays in B25  7:30 PM
Cub Scout Pack 3104  Sept. 18 on Second Floor  6:30 PM

ADULT LIFE GROUPS / CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Adults  9:30 & 11 AM (every other week) & throughout the week
Children  9:30 AM
Middle School/High School  See page 26

MUSIC

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

Reserve a Meeting Room

If you or your group need to schedule an event, meeting, etc., please let us know as soon as possible so that we can make sure to accommodate your needs. Please call the church office at 440-729-4006 or email Darlene Janke at darlene@mayfieldchurch.org to make sure we have a space available for the time and date you need.
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Please join the Finance Committee for an
Finance 101 Meeting
Tuesday, Sept. 17 @ 6:30 PM

The purpose of the meeting is to help our entire church understand how our finances work, what options we have to fund our ministries, and how we can plan for a sound future.