



January

2026 CUMC Newsletter

Dear members and friends,

In the Bible, the “Christmas” celebration of the birth of the baby Jesus quickly transitions to the story of his family on the run as refugees, fleeing from the murderous wrath of a self-absorbed ruler to the land of Egypt. Guided by angels and protected by the fast and faithful response of Joseph, the family escapes, survives and eventually resettles in Nazareth. There, Jesus safely grows into adulthood for his mission of teaching, healing, and evangelism.

Evangelism? Yes, evangelism, which is translated from the Greek word, “Evangelion,” or “good news.”

Why evangelism? Because the cold, hurting and hurtful world into which Jesus was born was not an exception to the norm of human life. Jesus’ story highlights the estrangement of people from God because it is the reality of life for so many people in every generation. If we ever doubt it we only have to watch the world news to get a grip on this reality once again.

Jesus’ teaching about God’s salvation and his healing of human pain, brokenness, and suffering, were part and parcel of his message of *good news* from God. This is an amazing blessing of God’s love *to each of us!* At the same time it is a gift given to each of us *to share with others*, with all those who still have not heard, seen, or received it. There is no greater privilege than to be part of this mission of Jesus!

God has placed Brookville Community Church in the center of a Midwest town where there are many who need to taste and see God’s amazing grace in and through Jesus. Please join me in prayer for each other, for our community, and for the world that 2026 will be a year when many receive the life-giving blessing of *good news through us as disciples of Jesus Christ!*

As the new year dawns, I pray that in the coming months we will all experience blessing upon blessing from our God, who through Jesus Christ and the power of the Holy Spirit has come to dwell among us, and to comfort and inspire us with the *good news* of God’s salvation!

Pastor Wendy

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Remember the shut-ins with cards, calls, visits, & prayers:



Terry & Yuonne Denlinger
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Brookville, OH 45309

Margaret Porter
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Brookville, OH 45309

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Brookville, OH 45309

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Brookville, OH 45309

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One Country Lane
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@ Brookville CUMC



The trustees are attempting to update their key log information. It would be appreciated very much if those of you who have church keys could please check the number on the key and let Thelma Denlinger know what number(s) you have. This will help us to get the records reconciled. Please give Thelma something in writing or leave a note in her church mailbox. Thank you!

FOR SALE!

RING DOORBELL CAMERA
REDUCED TO \$50.00
Contact Paula or Thelma
if interested.



Upcoming EVENTS

**Wednesday 7:00 P.M.
in the Parlor
Prayer Service
Please join us for a
wonderful time of
prayer and fellowship.**



JOIN US!

**Men's Fellowship
Breakfast
Saturday,
January 3rd
8:00 a.m.**

PLEASE JOIN US FOR

**WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP
BREAKFAST**

**SATURDAY, JANUARY 17th AT 9:00 A.M.
AT ROB'S RESTAURANT HERE IN BROOKVILLE.**



**FELLOWSHIP MEAL
SUNDAY, JANUARY 11th
Bring your best chili,
a salad or dessert.**





COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL

An Outreach of CUMC

114 Hay Ave.
Brookville, OH 45309
937-833-6691

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Ask for Miss Tonya

or Miss Amy

communitypreschool71@gmail.com

COMMUNITY PRESCHOOL NEWS



Preschool Christmas program:

380 total were at the 3 programs. This includes all adults as well as the children participating in the programs. A special thank you to all who volunteered from the church to run slides, play music, run the soundboard, act as greeters and provide special candy canes. It was indeed two special evenings.

Brookville Community UMC is offering an 8 week Bible Study

for residents of the Brookhaven Retirement Center and members of Community UMC. The VBS will be held on Tuesdays at 6:00 p.m. **starting Feb. 17, 2026**. The location is the Activity Room in the Nursing Rehab Center. Most attendees will enter through the Villas main entrance. The VBS theme is Shine Jesus' Light. When, you may ask!? When life feels dark... people don't get along... good things happen... people are sad... people need help. Each session will include: Bible point and verse, songs about Jesus' light, story lesson and snack time. The seventh session will be an activity night where a choice of crafts representing Jesus' Light will be made by attendees. Registration for the Villas Bible Study is requested by February 10, 2026. There is no cost for this study. Please make plans to attend.

December's blood drive was a success!

We registered 54 and collected 52 whole blood products. The goal was 39. This saved up to 147 lives! The next blood drive will be Wednesday, January 14th. Workers are needed. Please contact Cathy Alber if you can help at 937-750-6148 or sign up at church in the narthex. Brownies, cookies, and homemade bread are needed and volunteers are needed and appreciated. Brookville Community Church will be sponsoring the blood drive and Nature's Jewelry is providing the door prize.

Financial FYI

Everyone should've received a pledge card/estimated budget for 2026. Please return them by January 5th. Everyone's help is needed to keep things operating so please prayerfully consider contributing what you can this year. If you forget, John will be calling you anytime after that time.



Thank you for your continued giving. Don't forget our budget this winter. Thank you!

Remember - you can donate on-line at our website:

<https://brookvillecumc.org/> or with check or cash in an envelope in the offering plate each week.

*Offering envelopes are available by the box in the narthex.

Thank you, John Yancik



FISH Food Pantry

220 Western Ave

The Brookville FISH Pantry is open
Tuesdays from 7-8 p.m.
Saturdays from 10-11 a.m.

Monetary donations can be made to "A Place to Go"
with "FISH" on the memo line and mailed to
PO Box 112, Brookville, OH 45309



Do you have a
Kroger Plus card?

Did you know that you
can support our
Preschool just by
shopping for groceries?
Each time you shop and
scan your Kroger card,
money is donated to
our preschool.

It's the Season to Save Lives!

Donate Blood to Receive this Crewneck Shirt.*

Be a local lifesaver and help avoid critical blood shortages when you give the most important gift of all, the gift of life.

Be a hero for someone in need.

Give blood today!

*All gifts are available while supplies last and are subject to change. Color and design are also subject to change at any time and are based on availability from the manufacturer.



BROOKVILLE COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE



**545 UPPER LEWISBURG SALEM RD.
JANUARY 14, 2026 12:30 TO 6:30**

**SPONSORED BY:
BROOKVILLE COMMUNITY CHURCH**

**DOOR PRIZE:
COMPLIMENTS OF NATURE'S JEWELRY**



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Blood Center of Ohio *your*
Community 
Blood Center

The Best Valentine Story - Jesus Loves You!

A FREE FAMILY ACTIVITY



**Please attend with a child (ages 3-10 years)
to hear the story: Jesus Loves You, The Best Valentine!**

**Sing songs, play games and build a village with
Jesus and his friends. Diorama made of candy
and graham crackers.**

**Reservations
required. Look
for more details
to come soon.**



Poinsettias 2025

One marble - given by The Albers in honor of all our children and grandsons and in memory of Wayne & Judy Wolfe and Sharon Alber.

One red - given by Judy Bailey in memory of Rob Bailey, Kenson Bell, Jayne Jackson and Saul & Phyllis Burns.

One red - given by the Bailey Children in memory of our Father and Grandparents.

One red - given by Shirley Burkett in memory of Gene Burkett, Bill & Freda Marburger, and Earl & Eva Burkett.

One marble - given by Mel Davis in memory of Connie Davis.

One red - given by Wendy Deichmann & Neal Klopping in memory of our parents and Rachel.

One glitter - given by Thom & Connie DeJournett in honor of our grandchildren and great grandchildren and in memory of our parents: Thomas Sr. & Joann DeJournett and Howard & Martha Weghorst.

One red - given by Martha Denlinger in memory of Merle & Genevieve Denlinger

Two red - given by Thelma Denlinger in memory of Don Denlinger and Karen Heller.

Three red - given by Peggy & Alan Donaldson in honor of our grandchildren and great grandson and in memory of Gene Gilbert, Janice & Art Lyons, and Robert & Marjorie Gilbert.

One white - given by Bindy Herkins in memory of Mom, Dad, Bill, and Tom.

Two red & one white - given by Paula Hoblit in honor and memory of all my family.

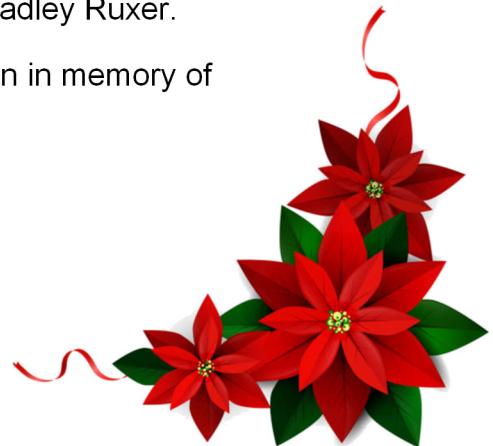
One marble - given by Roger & Judy Hoover in memory of our parents: Ned & Betty Hoover and Paul & June Rogers.

One red & one pink - given by Kathy Hubley in honor of my children: Melissa & Randy and in memory of my parents: Jesse & Jean Wilson and my husband: Red Hubley.

Two red - given by Colleen Kenworthy in memory of my sister: Vickie and brother: Harold

One red - given by Cindy Ruxer in memory of Betty Baker and Bradley Ruxer.

One pink - given by Dale & Becky Vaughn and Dee Dee Kauffman in memory of Russell & Edna Rhoades.





Birthdays

3 CODY CARR

19 SUE SMITH

4 SIDNEY CERA

26 KIM ELLING

4 KRIS YANCIK

27 YVONNE BAILEY

10 GARRETT HOOVER



Pastoral Care Team!



If you know of anyone who is in need of a visit or would like a visit, please contact Pastor Wendy, Jeff Ginter, or Karen Osswald.

JANUARY

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
				1 <i>HAPPY New Year 2026</i>	2	3 8:00 am Men's Breakfast at Rob's
4 9:15 S.S. 10:30 Worship	5 	6 	7 3:30 Cleaners 7:00 Prayer Mtg.	8 9:30 am Piecemakers	9 	10 
11 9:15 S.S. 10:30 Worship 11:30 Chili Cook-off	12 7:00 pm Outreach Mtg. 	13	14 3:30 Cleaners 12:30 - 6:30 Blood Drive 7:00 Prayer Mtg.	15 9:30 am Piecemakers	16	17 9:00 am Women's Breakfast at Rob's
18 9:15 S.S. 10:30 Worship	19 5:45 pm Ministry Team Mtg. 7:00 pm Comm. Board Mtg. Martin Luther King Jr. Day	20 	21 3:30 Cleaners 7:00 Prayer Mtg.	22 9:30 am Piecemakers	23 	24 
25 9:15 S.S. 10:30 Worship	26 	27 7:00 pm Preschool Board Mtg.	28 3:30 Cleaners 7:00 Prayer Mtg.	29 9:30 am Piecemakers 	30 	31 