



## 2026 CUMC Newsletter

Dear Church family,

One evening in May a couple centuries ago, a young priest in the Church of England reluctantly made himself get up and go to a prayer meeting hosted by some friends.

Why was he so reluctant?

The young man had been brought up in the church and was now one of its faithful leaders in worship and mission. Why should he go out of his way to attend a little prayer meeting?

Far from excited about it, he went anyway.

That evening his life was changed forever. As someone read from one of Martin Luther's writings, for the first time the young man began to understand that faith in Christ involves a change that God works in the believer's heart – something he did not realize before.

In what has become a famous quote, the young man suddenly felt "I did trust in Christ, Christ alone, for salvation; and an assurance was given me that he had taken away *my* sins, even *mine*, and saved *me* from the law of sin and death."

The young man was John Wesley, who went on to become the founder of Methodism, the springboard for a host of denominations now with millions of adherents throughout the world.


This May, 288 years later, let's ponder how God is working in *our* hearts to bring *us* to a place of *complete trust in God* and peace that passes understanding, and be thankful.

Gratefully yours in Christ,  
Pastor Wendy

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# *God's Masterpiece is Mother*



God took the fragrance of a flower  
The majesty of a tree  
The gentleness of morning dew  
The calm of a quiet sea  
The beauty of the twilight hour  
The soul of a starry night  
The laughter of a rippling brook  
The grace of a bird in flight  
Then God fashioned from these things  
A creation like no other,  
And when His masterpiece was through  
He called it simply – Mother.

*Happy Mother's Day!*  
*Sunday, May 10th*  
*May God Bless your*  
*day beyond measure.*



## Serve Brookville Project

On May 1st, the Brookville High School students will be helping with weeding and planting of our flower beds. Thank you!



## JOIN US!



Men's Fellowship  
Breakfast

Saturday, May 2nd  
at 8:00 a.m.



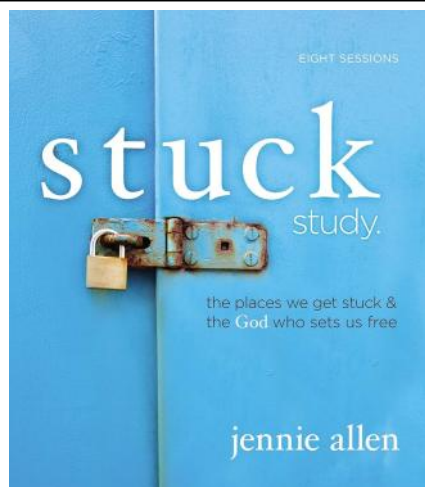
Women's Fellowship  
Breakfast

Saturday, May 16th  
at 9:00 a.m.

## FELLOWSHIP MEAL

SUNDAY, MAY 3RD FOLLOWING SERVICE

FRIED CHICKEN PROVIDED. PLEASE BRING A SIDE  
DISH AND/OR DESSERT TO SHARE.



## JOIN US!

Sundays during Sunday School at 9:15 am  
Class Leaders: Jeff Ginter and Paul Miller

*If we trust in Christ, we are forgiven. The space in which we are stuck, lacking, sinful, broken, and in need, is the space in us that longs for God, longs for forgiveness. When we soberly view ourselves and our sin, we see our need and call out for God.*

-Jennie Allen, Stuck

# BATTLE OF THE BADGES



# VS.



## WHO WILL WIN? HELP DECIDE!

**Wednesday**  
**MAY**  
**13**

**12:30-6:30 PM**

**Golden Gate Park**  
**545 Upper Lewisburg**  
**Salem Rd.**

**SCHEDULE YOUR**  
**DONATION**



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- 800-388-GIVE
- VersitiDayton.org

## BROOKVILLE COMMUNITY BLOOD DRIVE BATTLE OF THE BADGES

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Who Will Bleed for the Lead?  
Save Lives. No Uniform Required.

ALL donors will receive a  
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Versiti tote bag as a thank you  
for your donation!\*

*\*While supplies last.*



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# Shut-Ins:

**Terry & Yvonne Denlinger**  
629 Mound St.  
Brookville, OH 45309



**Margaret Porter**  
Villas of Brookhaven  
One Country Lane Rm. C109  
Brookville, OH 45309

**Dorothy Johnson**  
7564 Wellbaum Rd.  
Brookville, OH 45309

**Cliff Loeb**  
130 Antwerp Ave.  
Brookville, OH 45309

**Judy Liming**  
Brookdale  
1401 North Broadway  
Greenville, OH 45331



**Christie Deulin**  
12044 S. Wolf Creek Pike  
Brookville, OH 45309

*Financial FYI: Thank you for your continued giving and prayerful consideration of our spring budget.*



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*



## April's blood drive was a success!

We registered 39 and collected 35 whole blood units.

This saved up to 104 lives! The next blood drive will be Wednesday, May 13th. 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, & homemade bread are needed & volunteers are needed and appreciated. Brookville Community Church will be sponsoring the blood drive & Godowns Fixn's is providing the door prize.



# MEMORIAL DAY



It is a profound thought to think that one human being would sacrifice something of so much value, not only to themselves, but also to their families and friends who tearfully said their good-byes as the call to serve beckoned.

Yet, to take it even a step further and to realize these men and women died for people who they didn't even know, as well as those who openly protest and devalue the sacrifices they made on a daily basis.

The Bible gives us a wonderful picture of this in John 15:13 (KJV)  
13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

One could read that scripture and get the impression that Christ “only” died for His friends, yet we know He died for the entire world, and the freedom he fought for was the freedom of the soul. Indeed, He gave His life for those who were not even on His side yet. Romans 5:8 brings this truth out; 8 But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

These few moments are meant to cause us to reflect on the value of sacrifice, especially on the ultimate sacrifice.

Special thanks to every wife who said “good-bye” to the husband they would never see alive again. Special thanks to every child who can only kiss the picture of their Dad or Mom who will never get to watch them graduate or get married. Special thanks to the parents who had knots in their stomach as they kissed their son or daughter as they left for battle, only to return in a casket draped with a flag.

May we never forget the amazing sacrifice of so many thousands who have gone before, yet may we honor and minister help and healing that only Christ can offer to those who are left behind.

May we also honor those who are serving our Nation today while we pray for their protection and safety.

And thank you, Lord for your willingness to give your life so that any of us who die can know freedom and wholeness for all eternity.





# 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



## & Family Celebration

Thursday, May 14th 6 & 7 pm & Friday, May 15th 6 pm

*The Preschool Board Meeting  
dates are as follows:*

- \* No meeting in May
- \* Wednesday, June 17th at 10:00 a.m.  
(Executive Board)
- \* Tuesday, July 28th at 10:00 a.m.

### Teacher Appreciation Week:

May 4th through 8th

Let's show our excellent  
teachers some appreciation!

### TRIKE-A-THON

APRIL 30TH & MAY 1ST



Learning Tree Farm: May 8th

Field Days: May 11th & 12th

Work Days: May 18th & 19th

# Community Board Highlights

The Community Board met on Monday, April 20th at 7:00 p.m. Below are the highlights from that meeting:

Board Members present were Pastor Wendy Deichmann, Paul Miller, Karen Osswald, Neal Klopping, Cathy Alber, Kris Yancik, Thelma Denlinger, Jeff Ginter, Jim Weaver, and Vicki Harris. John Yancik, Paula Hoblit, and Walker Harris were absent. Karen gave devotions and offered an opening prayer. Meeting minutes from February 2, 2026 were approved as submitted.

- ⇒ **Finance:** Kris stated John had put in a formal request with the DS to use the money from the sale of the parsonage for the new church roof.
- ⇒ **Trustees:** Thelma stated the Trustees are accepting quotes for a new roof and are considering a metal roof. The Brookville High School students will be coming May 1st to plant flowers, pull weeds, and clean up the flower beds. Paul stated the Safe Sanctuary policy was updated. A copy will be sent to the conference to keep on file. Safe Sanctuary training will be scheduled at a later date.
- ⇒ **SPRC:** Kris stated there will be an SPRC meeting on Monday, April 27th at 7:00 pm. Kris discussed the membership letter that went out.
- ⇒ **Lay Leadership:** Karen stated the conference will be coming up at the end of May at Capital University. Karen stated anyone interested in taking over the Lay Leadership position would be welcomed.
- ⇒ **Pastor Wendy** stated she was grateful and impressed by all of the work everyone at the church is doing. Wendy discussed the need for evangelism stating it is critical to the life of the church. Wendy stated our mission is not only to be disciples but to make disciples and we need to focus on building relationships with those who are “the lost”. There was discussion regarding evangelism in our church.
- ⇒ **Ministry Team:** Vicki reviewed the minutes from the April 20th Ministry Team meeting as follows:
  - **Preschool - Graduation and Family Celebration** will be May 14th at 6:00 and 7:00 pm and May 15th at 6:00 pm. Greeters and volunteers to make cookies for the event are needed. The Little Blessings fund has money available. Two families are being considered. Projected enrollment for fall is 57 so far. Prayer cards for the kids must be in by May 10th as the last day of school is May 15th. Teacher appreciation week is May 4th.
  - **Outreach/Hospitality** - Karen stated there is an outreach meeting scheduled for May 11th. The Villas of Brookhaven enjoyed the VBS program and would like to see it continued in the future. A lot of our shut-ins are at the Villas so it would be a good way to connect with them. Vacation Bible School will be June 15th-19th at Cornerstone Church. There will be a fellowship meal after service on May 3rd. Fried chicken will be provided and everyone can bring a side dish and/or dessert to share.
  - **Discipleship** - Jim stated there will be a new Sunday School class lead by him and Chris Miller beginning soon. The subject has not been decided yet.
- ⇒ **Office Manager:** Newsletter information is due Thursday, April 23rd at 9:00 a.m.
- ⇒ **Wendy** offered a closing prayer.
- ⇒ **The next meeting** will be Monday, May 18th at 7:00 pm. Jim Weaver to give devotions.



# Birthdays



1 NEAL KLOPPING

9 WAYNE BRIGHT

1 RACHEL LEIS

13 JEANNE DELLINGER

3 JUDY HOOVER

28 MERLE BRUMBAUGH

3 MARGARET PORTER - 100 YEARS YOUNG!!!

5 DALE VAUGHN

30 BINDY HERKINS

*Margaret Porter is turning 100 years young on May 3rd! She is having an open house on May 2nd at the Brookville VFW from 2:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Please feel free to attend to help celebrate this great milestone.*

*Please send cards to:*

*Margaret Porter, Villas of Brookhaven*

*One Country Lane Rm. C109 Brookville, OH 45309*

# Anniversaries

5 JOHN & CHRISTIE DEVLIN



# MAY



SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
					1 Preschool Trike-a-Thon 	2 8:00 am Men's Breakfast at Rob's
3 9:15 S.S. 10:30 Worship 11:30 Fellowship Meal	4 Teacher Appreciation Week	5 Cinco De Mayo 	6 3:30 Cleaners	7 9:30 am Piecemakers	8 Preschool at Learning Tree Farm	9
10 9:15 S.S. 10:30 Worship 	11 Preschool Field Day 7:00 pm Outreach Mtg.	12 Preschool Field Day	13 10:00 am Technology Committee Mtg. 3:30 Cleaners 12:30 - 6:30 Blood Drive	14 9:30 am Piecemakers 6:00 & 7:00 Preschool Family Celebration & Graduation	15 6:00 Preschool Family Celebration & Graduation	16 9:00 am Women's Breakfast at Rob's
17 9:15 S.S. 10:30 Worship	18 Preschool Work Day 5:45 Ministry Team Mtg. 7:00 Comm. Board Mtg.	19 Preschool Work Day	20 3:30 Cleaners	21 9:30 am Piecemakers	22 	23
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31 9:15 S.S. 10:30 Worship	Memorial Day					



# MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

**Dear Brookville Community Church Family,**

We value your thoughts and ideas! Please take a few moments to share your feedback so we can continue to serve and grow together.

**1. How would you rate this month's newsletter?**

- Excellent
- Good
- Needs Improvement

**2. Which section did you enjoy the most?**

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**3. What topics would you like to see in future newsletters?**

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**4. Do you feel that we need a monthly newsletter or would a seasonal (4 times per year) newsletter be adequate enough? We would still put out a monthly calendar of events.**

- Monthly
- Seasonal (4 times per year)

**5. How do you prefer to receive the newsletter?**

- Email
- Printed Copy
- Church Website
- Social Media

**6. Any additional comments or suggestions?**

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**How to Submit:**

Please return this form to the church office, drop it in the offering box, or email it to [bcumchurch@gmail.com](mailto:bcumchurch@gmail.com) by May 31, 2026. **Thanks for helping us make our newsletter a blessing to all!**