

# CREEK ...from the

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## COLLECTION IN MARCH

### *The Love Center*

During the month of March we will be collecting the following items for The Love Center:

- Cream Soups (Mushroom, Chicken, Celery, Potato, etc.)
- Jelly
- Canned Peaches
- Canned Pears



If you or your committee has items in any of the storage rooms/areas here at church, please label those items as soon as possible. Anything not labeled may or may not get thrown away. Thank you. 🙄



## Church Events

### March 18

- 6-8pm-Fresh Start

### March 20

- 7pm-IGNITE
- 7pm-SPARK

## Youth Center Renovations

Over the next 3 weeks the following will be happening:

- ✓ Removal of Wall Leaving a 10' Opening Going into the Kitchen
- ✓ Replacing Cabinets
- ✓ Adding an Island
- ✓ Installing the stoves from the FLC Kitchen
- ✓ Installation of 2 New Sinks & countertops
- ✓ New Wall Painting in the Kitchen
- ✓ Installation of New LVP Flooring in the Entryway, Kitchen and Extended Area



**Orange Kitchen  
Scissors/Shears from  
the FLC kitchen.**

**If you know the whereabouts of these scissors or accidentally took them, please let Tess know or return them to the kitchen. Thank you.**

# Lunch with Laura



Laura Schlabach will be with us on Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup> to share about her ministry in Mongolia. We have invited her to stay for

lunch and are inviting anyone from the congregation to join us. Please sign up at the Welcome Center if you plan to stay. Thank you.



## "ADD" something for Lent



This season of Lent, instead of giving up something for 40 days, consider **ADDING** something to your routine that will help you grow closer to Jesus:

- Memorize some Scripture
- Read Scripture Daily
- Pray Daily for People
- Do an Act of Kindness Daily
- Change Your Outlook on Life: Have an Attitude of Gratitude



Smile, God loves you!

If you would like to help provide flowers for our Easter celebration, please fill out the form that is in your literature box (extra forms at Welcome Center) and place it in the basket provided at the Welcome Center by Sunday, March 24<sup>th</sup>.



**OHIO STAR**  
Theater & Events At Dutch Valley

- 2024 MUSICAL SERIES -

# RUTH

This remarkable story of second chances is one of Sight & Sound's most beloved productions. Journey alongside an ordinary woman whose faith in God ignites a chain of events that change the course of history.

The Fellowship Committee has reserved 40 seats at the Ohio Star Theater on June 14<sup>th</sup> for the 7:00pm showing of "Ruth". Cost per ticket is \$46.00. Please sign up at the Welcome Center to reserve your spot.

## MCMC Fellowship Night



MCMC Fellowship Night at East of Chicago Pizza in Berlin has been changed from the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month to the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday. So our fellowship night in March will be on the 25<sup>th</sup> – same time – 6:00pm.



**Hope to see you on March 25<sup>th</sup>!**



Thank you for all the cards, prayers, visits & food during Aden's recent medical emergency. It means so much to be a part of such a caring church family. Aden & Ruth Troyer



Thanks to your generous donations...the FLC kitchen **DOES NOT** need leftover containers at this time.

For future reference: Whipped topping, Quart sized yogurt, cottage cheese and the clear deli containers are the most useful. Thank You.

**Thank you for making the 2024 Ohio MCC Comforter Bash a great success!** We surpassed our goal and knotted a total of 308 comforters thanks to the help of more than 400 volunteers on Friday and Saturday. MCC is grateful for your part in providing warmth and hope to people around the world.



## Library Corner



### MISSING

There are two new books missing from the church library.

They are:

- *The Josiah Manifesto*
- *Return of the Gods*

both by Jonathan Cahn.

If you have these books, would you please return them to the library as soon as possible, so that other people can read them too!

Thank You!



**Central Christian School Job Openings:** CCS has openings for Seasonal Lawn Maintenance beginning April 1. CCS also has these openings for the 2024-2025 school year: Art Teacher (full-time), Social Studies Teacher (full-time), Communications Teacher (part-time), and a Cafeteria Assistant (part-time). For more information, visit <https://www.ccscomets.org/about/employment.cfm>.

### Upcoming CCS Concerts and Performances

Please join us for these upcoming events:

- Elementary School Concert, Friday, April 12 at 7 pm
- Middle School Play, *Dastardly Deeds at Yoursin Mine (Yukon Take It With You)* - a Melodrama of Magnificent Proportions, Friday and Saturday, May 3 & 4 at 7 pm
- Middle School Choral and Instrumental Concert, Thursday, May 9 at 7 pm
- High School Choral and Instrumental Concert, Friday, May 17 at 7 pm

## Thank you from a recipient of "Change for a Dollar"

To the Church Members of Martins Creek Mennonite,  
Thank you so much for your generous monetary gift that will help with repairing my garage ceiling.

There are just no words to tell you how much your gift means to me.  
Nancy Marshall



## Holy Week Services

### March 24 Palm Sunday



- Fellowship Time at 9:00am
- Sunday School at 9:30am
- Worship Service at 10:30am

### March 28 Maundy Thursday Meal & Service



- Meal at 6:00pm in FLC
- Footwashing at 6:45pm (optional)
- Communion Service at 7:00pm

# Easter Celebration

- Sunrise Service at 7:00am  
We will gather in *The Ravine* (weather permitting)
- Breakfast from 8:00-9:30am  
A carry-in breakfast is being planned. We are asking that you provide food according to your last name as follows:
  - A-J – Rolls/Donuts
  - K-R – Breakfast Casserole
  - S-Z – Fruit Plate/Dish
- Sunday School at 9:30am
- Easter Service at 10:30am



## Basket of Blessings:

Basket of Blessings Gap Ministry is currently in need of Kitchen Trash Bags and Window Cleaner. If you would like to donate these items to the Gap Ministry, please call Love INC at 330-473-6017 to schedule a drop off time!



## Spring Cleaning at MCMC April 1 - 12

Our church building is in need of a good cleaning. We are asking that each Sunday school class clean their own classroom and then the larger common areas will be assigned...watch for the list in the next few weeks! There will also be a checklist of things that need to be done for each room/area at the Welcome Center. Thank you.



## College Care Packages



We will be continually collecting snacks, goodies, gift cards, etc. at the Welcome Center for our college care packages. Please feel free to drop your item/s at the Welcome Center any time.

## Change for a Dollar

Do you know of someone who is struggling financially and could use some help? Our "Change for a Dollar" fund does exactly that! Please pick up a form at the Welcome Center, fill it out and return the completed form to the Welcome Center. I'm sure the recipient will be blessed!



To access the library website: [www.librarything.com](http://www.librarything.com).

- Username –MCMCLibrary
  - Password – church
- then Search Your Library or download the "LibraryThing" app on your phone or tablet



## PRAYER CORNER

- Bonnie Crilow, Cynthia Denlinger, Russ Weaver, Hannah Kandel, Verlin Troyer, Ben Raber, Arlene Hart, Martha Stutzman, Deb Burch, Ed Schrock, Sally Wilson, Sharon Huston & daughter Molly, Jacquelyn Oswald, Hal Stutzman, Jerry Wittlinger
- The people of South Sudan.
- Flower of Hope School and the people of Haiti.
- Pray for the influence of the Christian Church in Mongolia and the people of Mongolia.
- The many people around the world who are suffering due to war, their faith, famine, natural disasters, etc.

## STATISTICS

March 10, 2024:

### Offering:

- General Fund: \$11,071
- Mission Fund: \$550
- Capital Improvement: \$100
- Designated: \$378

### Attendance:

- Worship – 218
- Sunday School – 119

## OFFERING SCHEDULE

### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday

- Mission Fund

### 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays

- General Fund

### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday

- Parsonage Fund

