### Parish Paragraphs



2017

100th Anniversary Celebration











### **Pictorial Directory Reminder**

Please call Lynette Thayer at 419-726-2088 to **schedule your FREE sitting session**. Everyone that participates will receive a FREE 8x10 photo. There will also be an opportunity to buy photos. If you bring in a canned good, you will receive \$5.00 off your photo package. Our

### What's Inside

Growth Groups Calendar 100th Anniversary

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POINT PLACE UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST







Almost every history class I ever had began with the same question: Why is learning history important?

Maybe they asked this because they were insecure about whether this bunch of students would be bored and might tune out for the semester. But whatever the reason, the answer was always the same quote from George Santayan:

"Those who cannot remember the past are condemned to repeat it."

It's a wonderful quote filled with truth. That said, surely there are other and better reasons to remember our past and to learn history.

I have been reading old Annual Reports and talking to people around the church over the past few months about their memories of Point Place UCC. And while there are certainly aspects of our history that we may not want to repeat, there are an array of people, experiences, and ministries that can inspire us into the next century.

As we celebrate our anniversary on May 6-7 with the dinner and worship, I hope these stories will come out, God will be praised, and we will be inspired to follow God's call to "Go" into this next era of living the Gospel Life together as a church.

Truly, I hope you will be there. Whether or not you have your tickets for the dinner, be present on Sunday morning. For our story is not just OUR story. It is our part in the greater Gospel Story of Jesus and what God is up to in our Point Place neighborhood. Come and worship on the shoulders of our ancestors and in the hope of the Risen Christ!

Pastor Jon

Jesus Christ is the same yesterday and today and forever.

Hebrews 13:8

## WHAT'S COMING UP IN WORSHIP

### May 7th: 100th Anniversary Celebration Worship

9am: Breakfast followed by Sunday School (K-5)

10:30am: Worship with Communion

12pm: Reception

Rev. 4:8: "The God who was, and is, and is to come"

### May 14th: 5th Sunday of Easter

9am: Breakfast followed by Sunday School (K-5)

10:30am: Worship

Lessons from Our Past: "The Planters"

### May 21<sup>st</sup>: 6th Sunday of Easter

9am: Breakfast followed by Sunday School (K-5)

10:30am: Celebrate Worship

Lessons from Our Past: "The Welcomers"

### May 28<sup>th</sup>: 7th Sunday of Easter

9am: Breakfast followed by Sunday School (K-5)

10:30am: Worship

Lessons from Our Past: "The Feeders"

\*Worship at Genesis Healthcare May 18th at 10:00am\*





May 14, 2017



The Elizabethans are again sponsoring the "Tribute to Mothers" in order to raise funds for folks at Fairhaven Retirement Home in Upper Sandusky, Ohio, who are on "benevolent care". For a donation of \$1 or more we will print the name of your mother, living or deceased, in a special folder to be distributed on Mother's day, May 14th. Please see the enclosed insert for more information. Please make your check payable to Point Place UCC.

### **Sunday School News**

Children K-5th grade meet in Joseph's Workshop every Sunday 9:30am-10:20am to learn about Faith and to study Bible lessons. Sunday, May 28th, will be our last day of Sunday School before our summer break. It's been a great year of

learning and fun, and I pray everyone has a safe and blessed summer.

As in past years, we will be planting flowers in the church gardens on our last day. So kids, come dressed for gardening and ready to get your hands dirty!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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### 100 YEARS OLD IN 2017 LET'S CELEBRATE!



100 years is a long time! We want to celebrate. Generations have come to know God, worshipped, and served in the Point Place UCC community. This year, we want to honor this legacy both by celebrating and dreaming. That's why our theme is "Go with God." We will hear stories of how the Point Place community has

ventured into new horizons at the beckoning of God and how God is calling us to "Go" today. As the year goes on, we will have lots of opportunities to participate. Here are just a few:

**Point Place UCC Logo Mugs:** These beautiful mugs come in four colors and are available for purchase now. \$12 will be buy two—one for you and one to pass on to a future visitor.

**100th Anniversary Logo T-Shirts:** These t-shirts and polos are available for \$12. Talk to Terry Serviss.

**100th Anniversary Celebration Dinner:** Saturday May 6, 2017. Appetizers begin at 5pm and the meal and program at 6pm. The RSVP deadline has already passed.

**100th Anniversary Celebration Worship:** Sunday May 7, 2017 This worship service will celebrate 100 years of God's faithfulness to PPUCC.

Point Place Days Parade Float: June 3rd at Noon.

Concert in the Park Ice-Cream: As a way of blessing our neighborhood, we have spoken with the library about piggybacking on their annual "Concert in the Park" to serve ice cream and maybe provide a bounce house. The concert is Tuesday, June 13th at 7pm. Talk to Pastor Jon if you are interested in helping to serve.

For more information about these, and other events—and to find out how you can help—watch for future bulletins, emails and announcements to hear how you can help celebrate PPUCC's 100 years!

### May 1, 2017 6:30pm

The Elizabethans Women's Group will meet on Monday, May 1st at 6:30pm in the conference room. All women are welcome to this "small but mighty" fellowship group.



# RETIRED MEN'S GROUP

### May 4, 2017 8:30am

The Retired Men's Group meets on the first Thursday of each month at 8:30am for coffee and donuts in the youth room at the church. Please join us.



### **Something Brewing**

Friday, May 5th at 8pm Black Cloister Brewing Co. Monroe & Erie St Downtown

### **The Giving Tree**

The Monday night Growth Group sponsors the Giving Tree by



focusing on our Manna Bag Mission project all year. We need travel size personal items such as shampoo, soap, lotion, toothpaste and also, tooth brushes, combs, socks, water bottles, gloves, small bags of snack food or granola bars. When the bags are complete they will be on the Giving Tree table in

Paterson Hall. We're asking everyone to take one or two at a time and give them away to someone in need.



### Monday, May 8

Dinner at RiverPoint Ministries 2862 131<sup>st</sup> Street

### Tuesday, May 23

Scalloped Potatoes And Ham Vegetable Dessert

Coffee, Juice, Water

### Tuesday, May 30

**Enchiladas** Spanish Rice Refried Beans Dessert

Coffee, Juice, Water

Come and be a part of the wonderful Feed My Sheep Ministry! There are many ways you can help.

We would appreciate help on Monday evenings and Tuesdays. We are looking for volunteers to help set up Paterson Hall, cook the food, serve our guests, clean up and deliver meals to our church members that are homebound. We can also use donations of food. supplies, and money to help purchase meat and perishables.

If you have any questions, or would like to be involved, please call Lori Winnie at 419-704-4868 or Tina Mockbee at 419-276-0637

Come and share a meal with our guests.



SAVE THE DATI POLISH DINNER FRIDAY SEPT. 15, 2017 5:00 - 7:00 PM



### <u>Anniversaries</u>

- 2 John and Dena Hammye20 Terry and Donna Serviss
- 27 Jon and Lauren Komperda

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, please contact the office.

### **Birthdays**

- 1 Amanda Hartley
- 1 Tara Chesko
- 4 Nancy Bright
- 5 Terry Brocus
- 7 Jon Komperda
- 8 Point Place UCC 100!
- 9 Megan Carstenson
- 10 Tami Wioland
- 15 Jacob Allen Black
- 17 Sarah Slater
- 22 Justin Marshall
- 24 David Meiers
- 27 Gigi Rider
- 28 Jaycie Swick
- 29 Nicole Trudeau
- 31 Cindy Trudeau



### **VBS: June 26-30**

VBS is set for the week of June 26-30 at Messiah Lutheran. As usual, this will be a community VBS with at least six churches participating. We are currently looking for 1-2 point people to help coordinate our presence. We are in charge of the "Story" station this year, so we also need storytellers! Please talk to Pastor Jon as soon as possible if this is of interest to you.

### TIME CAPSULE OPENING MAY 6, 2017!

Do you want to see what was put in the Time Capsule 25 years ago? It's contents will be revealed at the Jubilee Dinner on May 6th. Come and See!

From a letter issued on September 13, 1992:

To The Congregation of Point Place United Church of Christ:

It is with great love that we present to you the Time Capsule of Point Place United Church of Christ. The items included were assembled in celebration of the church's 75th Anniversary in May 1992.

All of the items included in the Time Capsule were selected o provide you with an insight into what made PPUCC tick in 1992. What were the special ingredients that helped the church make it into 1992 and hopefully will continue to keep it strong in the next century?

The key ingredient is people. People of all ages. No matter what happens in a persons life, whether we agree with it or not, the love of the people of Point Place United Church of Christ shines through. We help each other through the good times and the bad. We worship together, sing together and have fun participating in the different groups the church as to offer. We enjoy watching the children become children of God. We know that by our love and support of the many programs of the church (Sunday School, Children's Choirs, Summer Church Camp, etc.) we have helped these children reach that goal. In a simple word, we are a family.

The names and faces of those who worked hard at keeping the church strong can be found in the Time Capsule within the Pictorial Directory, The 75th Annual Report, Parish Paragraphs and selected Sunday Bulletins. But let us not forget those who have come before us, our founders and "pillars" of the church. Some of them are not with us as we celebrate this special year, Others have moved along life's path to other locations, but still keep this church in their thoughts and prayers. The History of Point Place United Church of Christ is a perfect point of reference to remember these special people.



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To care for one another as God cares for us.



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