

THE TOWERS

201 S. Main St., West Milton, Ohio 45383

June 2025



A WORD FROM OUR PASTOR

Brothers and sisters in Christ,

I'm writing this on the heels of our Spirit and Truth weekend. It was such a powerful time of worshiping, hearing wonderful teaching, praying, and going out into the town to pray with people.

One of the best parts was hearing people share after we did the prayer outreach and on Sunday morning in our combined worship service. I hope that you were as blessed by that time as I was. It's wonderful to hear people give voice to the ways they are experiencing God and what God is teaching them. Testimonies are powerful because they create spiritual hunger. When I hear what God is doing in someone's life, part of me is saying, "God, do that for me, too!"

While we have those times periodically in worship where space is made to share, it highlights how important it is to have regular space for that kind of fellowship outside of our Sunday morning gathering. Right now, I have the privilege of meeting with a group of pastors monthly. There are four of us. We meet for about an hour, and we each take turns answering these questions: *How are you encountering God in the disciplines you are practicing?*

How are you caring for your most important relationships?

How can we pray for you?

The questions make room for us to know each other; to express the ways we sense God working and moving, as well as the ways we are struggling and need God and his people. Once someone has answered the final question another brother or sister prays for him or her. We could spend time talking about what to preach on or the latest articles

we've read about pastoral leadership and strategies, but we have found that what is most beneficial for us in this group is spiritual friendship.

It's important to be connected to others in a way that allows real friendship to flourish. Sometimes in our group Bible lessons or book studies we cannot always get to know what is going on in each other's lives. We can "hide" behind the study or the questions, give the right answers, and remain unknown. It's not that Bible studies aren't valuable, but most of us don't need more information for our walk with Jesus to grow as much as we need friendship – true brothers and sisters to journey with as we follow Christ. I believe (along with countless others) that the Good News involves becoming part of a spiritual family where one can experience being known and being loved.

So, what can we do?

Pray that God would bring to mind a person for you to have coffee or lunch with. Ask them to meet you. In the presence of God's grace get to know each other's stories and agree to walk with one another on the way of following Jesus.

Or you can pray about several people you want to begin to have these kinds of conversations with. Together you can form a group where you agree to answer how it is with your soul and pray for one another.

Let us fulfill the great command of Christ, loving our neighbors as ourselves. We can begin by seeking to be the kind of friend we wish to have.

In Christ's Love,
Pastor Ty <><

Board Meeting Highlights

Meeting Attendees:

Pastor Ty Williams, Wendy Heisey, Chris Long, Jim Mitchell, Denise Ellinger, Myra Lingle, Tina Mathews, Joyce Hoffmaster, Darin Wion, Matt Burns, David Hayes, Myra Lingle, David Jay

Devotion:

Joyce Hoffmaster shared on Forgiveness. If someone has forgiveness issues, grudges, and memories, we need to re-direct those feelings. We are called to an intimate relation with God. Forgiveness and reconciliation seek peace when forgiven. -Joyce opened in prayer.

Pastor's Report:

- Spirit and Truth Weekend at Hoffman May 16 May 18, 2025.
 - Friday Evening 6:30 8pm
 - Saturday 9am 5pm
 - o Sunday will be a combined service at 10:30am, Sunday school at 9:15
- Vacation: May 5-11, 2025 Going to Disney!
- Allegheny West Annual Conference June 18-21. Myra will be attending.

Youth Ministry:

- April 13, 2025 9 students attended.
 Blindfolded Easter Egg Hunt. Scripture
 Lesson on the need to dig deeper to understand Jesus words.
- Next study is May 25, 2025.

Children's Ministry

- Vacation Bible School June 29 July 3.
- Sunday, July 5 VBS Sunday
- May August all kids together in Sunday School, Youth will join June August.

Finance Report:

- Weeks of operations are 16.19 ending the month of March 2025.
- Audits: All of Dawn Jay's accounts completed and are in good standing. Still has JoAnn's to do.

- Endowment Funds- used when we left the "United" Church denomination. Cost was \$83,321 for our disaffiliation; the balance is \$30K, that is owned back to the endowment.
 - Tina made a motion that \$5k is paid quarterly from the general fund to the Endowment for this current year 2025, total amount to be paid is \$20K. It will then be revisited for the following year.

Edition: April 2025

Trustees:

- Mark Mantooth will be replacing the parsonage flooring the week of May 5. Flooring for \$10K was purchased and approved from the board.
- Signed contracts with Metronet for 300 bandwidth fiber optic internet, 2 telephone lines, and internet for the parsonage. Saving us almost \$40 a month and better service.
- Received quotes for Lawn Service. Jason was still the least expensive, so we will continue with him.
- The activity center, kitchen, bathrooms, and hallways will be striped and waxed in July.
- Board also approved the need for a new refrigerator in the parsonage.
- Safety & Security Team:
 - Matt Burns will lead security and David Jay will lead safety.

Staff Parish:

SPRC (Staff-Parish Relations Committee) wants to hear from you. Do you have a question, comment, or suggestion?

- Staff Parish will be available on May 25, Room #5 between services to meet with you.
- You can also put a note in their mailboxes.
- They are also looking at job descriptions.

List of Important Dates:

June 8 Pentecost June 15 Trinity Sunday

June 18-21 Allegheny West Annual Conference

June 29-July 3 Vacation Bible School

Serving Schedule

June 1

9:00 Liturgist: Joyce H. Greeters: Wendy H. and Marcia S.

Ushers: Wayne & Susie S. and Phil & Karen M. Hospitality Table: Chris & Linda L.

Nursery: 10:15 Kathy K. /11:15 Luana D., Wendy H. & Loralie M.

11:15 Greeters: 3rd - 5th Grade Class Acolytes: Anna & Emma K. Scripture Reader: Loralie M.

June 8

9:00 Liturgist: Pam H. Greeters: Elaine P. and Kathy K.

Ushers: John & LaVerne H. Hospitality Table: Wayne & Susie S.

Nursery: 10:15 Elaine P. & Sophia B. /11:15 Kim & Cooper D. and Rose K.

11:15 Greeters: Dick & Mary Ann M. Acolytes: Loralei M. & Rose K. Scripture Reader: Beth T.

June 15

9:00 Liturgist: Loralie M. Greeters: Elaine I.

Ushers: Stacy W. and Josh W. Hospitality Table: Chuck Begley

Nursery: 10:15 Carol C. & Pam H. /11:15 Ben G. & Kathy K.

11:15 Greeters: Kathy W. and Stacy W. Acolytes: Dalton M. & Lily M. Scripture Reader: Norman H.

June 22

9:00 Liturgist: Monica S. Greeters: Carol S. and Carolyn B.

Ushers: Dan & Erin S. and David & Dawn J. **Hospitality Table:** Carolyn & Gary B.

Nursery: 10:15 Jennifer K. & Patti W. /11:15 Jennifer & Anna K. and Jill C.

11:15 Greeters: Paul & Sally M. and Marijo S. Acolytes: Will H. & Matthew G. Scripture Reader: Tim B.

June 29

9:00 Liturgist: Wendy H. Greeters: Sophia & Stella B.

Ushers: Steve K. & Kay W. Hospitality Table: Kay W. & Steve K.

Nursery: 10:15 Kathy K. & Luana D. /11:15 Janessa M., and Kelly & Paige S.

11:15 Greeters: Patti W. & Courtney S. Acolytes: Lydia G. & Paige S. Scripture Reader: Lily M.

**Please contact the church office (937)698-4401 if you are unable to be a greeter or have switched Sundays. Thanks!

Happy Birthday & Happy Anniversary June 2025

1st - Vance Woodward

2nd - Jeryl-Ann Kassa

3rd - Luca Porto

4th - Amy Barnes Dick Martens

5th - Lynn & Marilyn Yount (65 yrs)

6th - Carolyn Barga

Gary & Carolyn Barga (33 yrs) Tim & Kathy Koeller (55 yrs)

7th - Wilma Hoover

If your name is not on our birthday and anniversary list and you would like to be added, please email your dates to:

HoffmanGMC@gmail.com or call (937)698-4401

8th - Dejon Dohrman

11th - Carol Storer

12th - Sally Miller

Andrew & Julia Circle (14 yrs)

13th - Dave Thompson

14th - Joy Paulus Holly Williams

Dejon & Kim Dohrman (28 yrs)

15th - Marcia Cox

17th - Mike Circle

Norman Hiester



20th - Nancy Mills Shelia Shade Ben & Becky Garrett (16 yrs, Tom & Janet Weeks (55 yrs)

23rd - Sydney Dohrman

Joseph & Jennifer Knostman(18 yrs)
Tom & Sarah Porto (18 yrs)

25th - Lynn Yount

John & LaVerne Hennemyre(61 yrs)

28th - Robert & Marcia Cox (50 yrs)

29th - Devin Mitchell Norman Paulus

Weekly Giving and Attendance Statistics

04-20-25	04-27-25	05-04-25	05-11-25	05-18-25
3788.00	3295.00	7818.00	4919.00	7281.00
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GRANDMA'S KITCHEN June & July 2025 MENUS HOFFMAN GLOBAL METHODIST CHURCH 201 S. MAIN STREET, WEST MILTON 698-4401

SERVING the 2nd and 4th WEDNESDAYS BEGINNING AT 5:00 to 6:15 P.M. PUBLIC INVITED CARRY-OUTS AVAILABLE \$8 DONATION PER MEAL Kids Meal \$4

June 11thBaked SpaghettiJune 25thChicken and NoodlesTossed SaladMashed PotatoesBreadGreen BeansCakeIce Cream Sundae

July 9thSpiral-sliced HamJuly 23thChicken CasserolePotato SaladPeasBaked BeansApplesauceBrowniesIce Cream Sundae

Menu items are subject to change

People to remember in prayer:

Hoffman Sympathies to: the family of Phil Blue as he passed away on May 3, 2025 the family of John Carter as he passed away on May 14, 2025 the family of Tom Wolf as he passed away on May 14, 2025

At Home: Helen Keller, Cheryl Owen, Mary Maess, Shelia Shade, Theda Sliver, and Jim & Kathy Watkins

At Centers: Johnnie Bouck, Brookhaven Assisted Living, 1 Country Ln, Rm 112, Brookville OH 45309

Barb Frazier, Aventura at Oakwood Village, 1500 Villa Rd., Springfield OH 45503 Dorothy Ginn, Cypress Pointe, 600 W. National Rd., Rm 312, Englewood OH 45322

Wilma Hoover, Randall Residence Tipp City, 6400 S Co Rd 25A Apt 112, Tipp City, OH 45371

Wendy Long, Trinity Center, 789 Stonybrook, Rm 208A, Fairborn OH 45324

Jennie McNeal, Otterbein Senior Life, 4375 S Co. Rd. 25A, Rm 307, Tipp City OH 45371

Marilyn Stickney, Randall Residence W. Milton, 217 Doris Drive, Rm 112, West Milton OH 45383

Monica Winemiller, Vancrest of Upper Valley, 3232 N Co Rd 25A, Rm 8, Troy OH 45373

THANK YOU AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Dear Church Family, we thank God for our church and the wonderful people who have supported us over the past 10½ years. Phil loved doing things for the church and Grandma's Kitchen was on the top of the list. Thanks for all the cards and notes of encouragement. Love & Blessings,

The Phil Blue family

Church Rummage Sale

June 5 from 8:30 a.m. to 1 p.m.

We need your donated items for the sale.

Items may be set behind the partitions on the stage.

We will be setting up for the sale and could use your help on June 2, 3, or 4, even if you only have a couple hours to help.

Contact Mike C. or church office.

Save the Date! Hoffman Church Picnic Sunday, August 3

Thank you to Laverne (and John) Hennemyre for

flower bed; we appreciate you sharing your

perennials with us.

donating and planting all the new plants in the east

At the home of Marty and Wendy Black at 5839 S. Jay Road, West Milton. We will swim, beginning at 2:30 p.m., so dress accordingly. Dinner will be ready at 5:30p.m. More details to follow.

2:30 p.m. to ?

Annual Conference Offering

The Allegheny West Annual Conference June 18 – 21, 2025 will receive a special offering towards Clergy Education Scholarships, to reduce the costs for the many new pastors that will be needed in the future. The Conference goal is \$200,000.

If you would like to donate, please indicate "Conference Offering" on your check or offering envelope.

Elaine's Trivia Question of Month

How did Elijah get to heaven?





"Therefore encourage one another and build one another up, just as you are doing." 1 Thessalonians 5:11



Important Sunday School Info

For the months of June, July and August, we will be combining all the children and youth classes together in the gym during the Sunday school hour.

Vacation Bible School

June 29-July 3 from

6:00-8:30 each evening.

Register at: HoffmanGMC.org

Please let Becky know
if you can help with
VBS this year!! We
need lots more
Volunteers!!
Decorating
June 23-26 from
6:30-8:30 p.m.
Vacation Bible
School
June 29-July 3 from
6:00-8:30 p.m.

Children's Director: Becky Garrett ragarrett15@gmail.com 937-524-7220



Next Bible study will be Sunday June 8, 6pm.

Mark your calendars for Illumination Festival Saturday, September 20. Find out more at https://illuminationfestival.org/

Mission Giving

Brothers and sisters, because of your generosity the Mission Team has dispersed \$5,000 for the 2nd quarter of 2025! \$1,000 each went to these ministries:

Christian Children's Home of Ohio, We Care Arts, The Community Food Truck Blessing Box, Arise Africa, and Tunnels to Towers

Thank you for your generosity and for allowing your church to be a blessing to these ministries.

Pastor Ty, Becky Garrett, and Les Trittschuh

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1040	Fourth Sunday		3,295.00	24,915.00	
1050	Fifth Sunday		0.00	4,904.00	
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	Music	750.00	0.00	112.94	637.06
	Assimilation	750.00	0.00	0.00	750.00
	Vacation Bible School	750.00	0.00	0.00	750.00
	Children's Ministry & Holiday Parties	750.00	210.50	330.50	419.50
	Youth Ministry	750.00	238.39	238.39	511.61
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	Media Subscriptions	4,000.00	110.69	1,678.20	2,321.80
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	Staff Salary	121,895.34	8,699.68	37,173.64	84,721.70
9	Health Ins.	30,375.16	2,484.68	9,936.77	20,438.39
	Pension & Self Funded Portion	6,278.76	503.18	1,940.60	4,338.16
1	Acct. Reimbursement-Pastor	4,000.00	396.88	928.65	3,071.35
2	Hoffman Family Benevolence	300.00	0.00	0.00	300.00
3	Pulpit Supply	500.00	0.00	100.00	400.00
4	Employer Payroll Taxes	5,966.74	410.55	1,678.61	4,288.13
5	Moving Allowance	1,000.00	0.00	1,000.00	0.00
6	Conference Deligate	600.00	0.00	170.00	430.00
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3	Capital Improvement Fund	5,200.00	0.00	0.00	5,200.00
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Worship Time: 9:00 a.m. and 11:15 a.m. Sunday School: 10:15 a.m. Email: HoffmanGMC@gmail.com Website: HoffmanGMC.org Phone: (937) 698-4401

Pastor Ty Williams