

Good morning!

There are only 56 days until camp! Now is the time to get registered. Our staff members have been working hard to create an awesome camp week. Along with our lessons and studies about the prophecies of Jesus, we have games, group activities, and fabulous meals planned! Also, don't forget to warm up that signing voice because chapel time and fire circle time will be something you do not want to miss! There is no reason to delay signing up because our member's camp costs are covered this year. Go to NWOCYC.org right now and register. Then start packing those bags!

Our April Food Giveaway will be this Saturday, April 29th, with food delivered on Thursday, April 27th, at 11 am. We will need plenty of hands on both days. Thursday, we will be unloading g food and setting up tables to serve from. Then on Saturday, we will be serving our guests. During that time, our teens will serve pancakes and sausage at the shelter house. All our volunteers and guests will be invited to eat. This will be a great day to invite our guests to Friends Day on Sunday! Come and enjoy the awesome weather with us and share the love of Jesus with everyone.

Finally, our work weekend for NWOCYC will be in two weeks. May 5th, 6th and 7th. There is a sign-up sheet in the foyer and a list of projects we plan to complete. The sign-up sheet is so we can plan meals to feed the crews. Please sign up if you are planning to attend. Also, if there is a project you want to work on at camp and it is not on the list, no problem. We will help make it happen.

It is a great time to be about the Lord's business working for the kingdom. There are so many ways to serve!

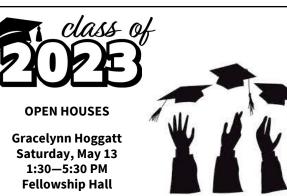
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CAMP WORK WEEKEND-May 5-7, there will be a camp work weekend to clean up the camp and work on needed projects. Sign up in the foyer or talk to Josh Ball.

CLASS OF 2023—Graduating Seniors, you should have received a letter with a list CLASS of things you need to turn in. Please have those items turned in to the church office by next Sunday.





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- Luke 14:21
- 2 Peter 3:9
- Revelation 22:17



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Richland Road Church of **CHRIST**

April 23, 2023

INVITE YOUR FRIENDS & FAMILY TO JOIN YOU AT CHURCH NEXT SUNDAY!

Just Between Us

FRIENDS DAY IS NEXT SUNDAY! I hope everyone is trying to invite their friends, family, neighbors, and co-workers to join us next **Sunday, April 30th**, for our wonderful "Friends Day"! Invite them to attend the 8:30 AM or 11:00 AM worship service. Bible Study at 9:45 AM, and the fellowship meal at 10:45 AM for those attending the 8:30 AM worship service, and 12:15 PM for those who attend the 11:00 AM worship service. The church will provide ham, and we ask each member to bring a side dish and a dessert. We will be giving away free Bibles to all our visitors next Sunday. So, make sure to meet your guest at the door, make sure they get their free Bible, sit with them, and introduce them to other members. We ask everyone to be exceptionally hospitable to our guests next Sunday. If there is somebody nearby that you do not know, introduce yourself. Let no one go un-greeted. Offer to take their children to class during the sermon. Move toward the middle of the pew so that others can easily find a seat. Remember, cold churches inevitably alienate people, and cold shoulders never seemed attached to warm hearts. By all means, and by every means, set the thermostat on friendly next Sunday morning! As Jesus said, "Go home to your family and tell them how much the Lord has done for you, and how he has had mercy on you." (Mark 5:19)

EVERY MEMBER PRESENT! EVERYONE WITH SOMEONE, IF AT ALL POSSIBLE! INVITE, INVIT

WE LOVE KIDS...Kids and all young people are a real priority at Richland Road! It is very evident from the sound of babies and children at the second service that we have an abundance of children, and we love it! Let me share with you some of the opportunities we provide and will be providing for children in the coming months:

• Weekly Bible Classes - On Sunday mornings and Wednesday evenings, classes for all ages provide an excellent opportunity to learn the Bible and develop friends in a safe and positive atmosphere.

• **Children's Bible Hour** – This is during the sermon at the second service for ages 2-Kindergarten. Some Sundays, we have between 22 to 25 children!

• Junior Worship Service - Also during the sermon at the second service, for children in 1st through 5th grades, and is led by our Children's Minister, Ryan Hoggatt.

• **Honoring Newborn Babies** – On Mother's Day, May 14th, we will honor all mothers, especially mothers with newborn children born in 2021-2023.

• Youth Sunday – On Sunday, June 4th, our young people will be conducting both morning worship services, and we will be honoring our 2023 graduating seniors.

• **Church Camp** – The week of June 18-24, at Northwestern Ohio Christian Youth Camp in McCuthenville, Ohio, for ages 8-20. Each year Matt Dahm and his staff always put together a dynamic week full of spiritual and fun activities. This year the church is paying the way for every young person in our congregation that wants to attend **free**!

• **Vacation Bible School** – July 24-27! This year's theme will be **"Seussville!"** Each night all of our classes, using a different theme from books by Dr. Seuss, will explore the book of Acts.

We love Children! As Jesus said in Mark 10:14, "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

THE BLESSING OF FORGETFULNESS! Jill Price's story is told in a book titled, "The Woman Who Can't Forget." Jill has been studied by dozens of doctors, who have given her every scientific test imaginable. They finally characterized her condition with a name— "hyperthymic syndrome." It means her memory is over-developed. She has a near-perfect recall of everything that has happened in her life. My guess is not a single person reading this has thought very much about being grateful for the ability to forget. But so many things in our past need to be forgotten, the door closed on it, and that place never be revisited again. Thankfully, that's what God does, according to both the Old and New Testaments: "I will forgive their wickedness and REMEMBER their sins NO MORE" (Jeremiah 31:34; Isaiah 43:25; Hebrews 8:12; Hebrews 10:17) – Russell

INFORMATION & EVENTS



MEET TODAY _____



THE FELLOWSHIP HALL WILL BE "CLOSED" TOMORROW AND TUESDAY. NEW LED LIGHTING IS BEING INSTALLED.

ELDERS & MINISTERS MEETING—This Wednesday, the Elders and Ministers will meet in the Fellowship Hall @ 9 AM. If you want to address anything with the Elders, all are welcome to attend!

WOMEN OF PURPOSE—This Wednesday, the Women of Purpose will meet for lunch at Hong Kong Buffett @ 11:30 AM.



WEDNESDAY EVENING BIBLE STUDY "The Book of James" James 2:14-26 @ 7 PM in the Auditorium

NEW WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY "A Woman After God's Own Heart" Taught by Teresa Tharp in Room 10 Begins Wednesday @ 7 PM

CHURCH CAMP STAFF MEETING—This Wednesday, there will be a camp staff meeting in Room11 after Bible Class.



YOUNG FAMILY OUTING—This Friday, there will be a Young Families Outing to the Exploritorium @ 1:30 PM. See Emily Nielsen for details.



UNLOAD MID-OHIO FOOD Thursday @ 11:00 AM in the Fellowship Hall. **FOOD GIVEAWAY** Saturday @ 9 AM. (Be here @ 8:00 AM to help.) Contact Josh Ball to volunteer to help.



CLOTHING GIVEAWAY—This Saturday, the Clothing House will be open from 9—11 AM.



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY—Thursday, May 4, all men are invited to a bible study at Panera Bread @ 7:30 AM. See Matt Dahm for details.

QUILTING MINISTRY—The Quilting Ministry will be meeting on Tuesday, May 4 @ 9 AM in the Fellowship Hall.



Bible Hour and Junior Worship will meet during 2nd service.





MYSTERY DINNER DEADLINE EXTENDED TO MAY 19—You know how sometimes you have to file for an extension on your tax return? That usually happens because you're not prepared to file your tax return by the April deadline. Well, the same thing happened to us on our Mystery Dinner, "Death and Taxes!"

That's right! The IRS has approved our request to extend the due date from April 22 to Friday, May 19. Same great dinner, even BETTER madcap mystery and suspense-filled comedy! All for the low, low price of \$15 per ticket. If you already have a ticket, that ticket is good for the May date. Of course, if you are unable to attend on 5/19, we would be happy to refund your money.

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FOR THE RECORD - April 16, 2023

FRIENDS DAY

NEXT SUNDAY

Fellowship Meals are planned for 10:45 AM & 12:15 PM

The church will provide ham, and we are asking members to bring a side and a dessert.

The sermon that Sunday will be:

THE CHRIST-CENTERED LIFE The Book of Colossians

If you want to cook a ham, please pick one up this Wednesday in the kitchen and bring it back Sunday before the meal.

CHURCH CAMP REGISTRATION—Registration is now open for our week of camp, June 18-24. All campers age 8—18 are welcome! Go to nwocyc.org to register. See Matt Dahm, Josh Ball, or James Gary for the member's coupon code.

EMERGENCY FOOD PANTRY—In the month of April, we are asking for donations of: Boxed Sides, Peanut Butter, and Jelly.

Wednesday Evening Bible Study—7:00 PM