

Fairlawn West United Church of Christ email newsletter

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Sun worship service 9:20 am

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Announcements

The church office is closed on Monday for the Labor Day holiday.

Sun Nursery Ministry Could you help in the nursery for the upcoming year (September 2010-August 2011)? We need you! You could serve one Sun a month or be available as a sub. Contact Kathy Sasowsky Sundays here or at 330-670-0454.

Habitat for Humanity house - 1180 McIntosh Ave. in Kenmore. Volunteer workers are needed now until the house is completed in November.

Rev. David Loar is in the Pastor's study Monday and Friday from 9am to 12 noon and at Nervous Dog Coffee Bar at 1520 W Market Street on Fri from 1:30-4:00pm for conversation. He can be reached to schedule other times at 330-760-7169.

Nurturing Your Spiritual Life

•**Prayer & Praise**, Every Sun except the 1st of the month, at 10:45 am in the Fireplace Room. We lift up the week's prayer concerns. Everyone is encouraged to share in this half hour prayer time.

•**Contemplative/Centering Prayer**, meets the 1st Sun of the month, 10:45am in the Fireplace Room. 1/2 hour.

Movie & Potluck Sun Sept 12

Please plan to join us at 11:00 am on the 12th to view the documentary "For the Bible Tells Me So" followed by a potluck. **Please sign up for the potluck in the front lobby.** The movie focuses on Biblical messages about homosexuality and the personal ways the misuse of the Bible has hurt many individuals and families.

God is forgiveness. That's what the whole reality of Jesus means. If we truly want to know God and live with God, then we must live a forgiving life. That is both in giving and receiving. Too much of American Christianity doesn't know how to forgive. That's why there are so many judgmental, uptight people around. They are living with un-forgiven guilt. Howard Pamer

Life Growth Groups

•**Living More Simply** meets Sunday at 6:30pm in the Fireplace Room. We are studying the book "Voluntary Simplicity." Will start to meet again on Sept 12th.

•**NEW COURSE** meets on Wednesdays at 7:00pm in Pastor Loar's Study. We are watching the video series "Wrestling With Angels."

•**Bible Reading & Reflection**, Thursday 9:00am in the food court of Summit Mall. We are reading through the prophets Zechariah & Malachi

•**Thurs Group**, 6:30 pm in the parlor. Reflecting on the book "Radical: Taking Back Your Faith from the American Dream" by David Platt.

Lunch on Us at Miller Ave UCC

Each month various churches host a meal at Miller Ave UCC in south Akron in a neighborhood that has severe poverty. The Fairlawn West Thursday Group and Living More Simply Group are hosting the meal at noon on Sat, Sept 18. If you can help us in this role that is of Christ's servanthood, please mark the Connection Card or email pastor@fairlawnwest.org.

Congregational Meeting

Sun, Sept 19, 10:45 am in the Fellowship Hall to vote on Open & Affirming mission Statement

Ministries of Outreach and Service

•**Family Promise** hosting homeless families in our building every 9 weeks. Our local coordinator is Jan Irwin, 330-330-253-6989, office@covenantakron.org Please contact if you are willing and able to help by: hosting overnight in the building, driving the van, and/or preparing evening meals. If you would like more info on helping contact David Loar, 330-760-7169, pastor@fairlawnwest.org

•**Mentoring Children** mentoring relationships with young children at Resnick School who need consistent adult relationships in their life. Eileen Cox, 388-9853, e-cox714@yahoo.com

•**Fairlawn West Preschool.** Julie Staiger, Director. 864-4685, preschool@fairlawnwest.org

12 Step Recovery Groups

Meetings for Alcoholics Anonymous, Emotions Anonymous, and Sexaholics Anonymous meet regularly in our building. Check the bulletin board in the main hallway for more information.

New Covenant Community Church invites you to join them for the "Sounds of Trinidad" on Sat, Sept 11, 6 pm in the Fellowship Hall. Food and UA steel drum band. They want to know by Sun, Sept 5 if you are attending. Call 330-253-6989.

CROP Walk for Hunger—Sun, Oct 10, 2:00 pm

Be part of a Fairlawn West team to raise money to fight hunger locally & world wide. Sign up in the front lobby.