February 2016

connecting the people & ministries of crossroads

WAY OF LIFE CLASS

Beginning the journey of discovering and growing to maturity and mission in Christ

Our desire is that every person who calls Crossroads home would be committed to growing personally in Jesus, connecting relationally with other believers in this local body, and living the mission of Jesus here, there, and everywhere. If you are ready to commit to live out this covenant, or would like to learn more about this way of life, we would invite you to participate in the Way of Life class. Classes will be held Sundays, February 7–28 during the Connecting Community hour (9:30-10:30 a.m.). This class will give an overview of the gospel way of life, equip you with tools to grow personally, help you connect relationally with others in Crossroads, and discern your "shape" for ministry and mission.

**Pre-register as soon as possible by calling the office or going to crossroadswauseon.org. Click on the "about" tab, the "Way of Life" tab, and follow the instructions there.

PARENTING WITH GRACE AND DISCIPLINE

The Bible isn't a manual on parenting. You can't look under "D" for "discipline or "T" for "teenagers." The Bible is a story — the story of God's salvation. It tells the story of the creation of the world, the rebellion of humanity, the promises God made to Israel and the coming of God's Son, Jesus. It tells us how God designed the world, what's gone wrong and how God is putting the world right again through Jesus.

This class, held on Sundays (March 6–April 3) from 9:30-10:30 a.m., will show how this wonderful story intersects with the story of your family. The Bible's story can become the story of what God designed your family to be, what goes wrong in your family and how God can put your family right again through His Son, Jesus. Good parenting is not about adopting certain techniques. It's about living as part of God's story and letting God's good news shape your values, attitudes and behavior.

**If possible, pre-register by calling the office or going to www.crossroadswauseon/connect. Then click "sign up to connect".

SUNDAYS IN FEBRUARY

Feb 7	Time Management: Mark 2:13-17 (Tyler Quillet)
Feb 14	Time Management: Mark 2:18-22 (Matt Boyers)
Feb 21	Time Management: Mark 2:23-28 (Matt Boyers)
Feb 28	Under Pressure: Mark 14:1-11 (Matt Boyers)

COLLEGE VALENTINES BOXES

There will be a drop box in the lobby until Wednesday, February 4th for candy/snack donations for our college student Valentines boxes. If you would like to brighten the day of one of our college students, please consider dropping off a bag of goodies.

Parents of college students, if you want your child to receive a goody box, please email or call the church office with your students' college mailing address by Wednesday, February 4th.

CHILDREN'S SENSORY ROOM

Our sensory room is now available during Sunday services and Wednesday night activities for children with special needs. If you have a gift or talent with this area of children's ministry, please consider becoming a member of this service team. Contact Sensory Classroom Coordinator, Jessica Dunlap (614-551-0053), or Director of Children's Ministry, Audrey Fricke (419-335-3686).

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC TEAM

Please pray for those traveling to the Dominican Republic February 17-27, 2016. Pray for safe travels and that hearts, both theirs and those they serve, will be changed!

MOM'S TIME OUT

Mom's Time Out is a quarterly Saturday brunch where veteran moms within Crossroads will encourage, love and mentor young moms in the body. All moms, first time moms and empty nesters alike, are invited to treat themselves to a morning out just for them. Connect with other women in Crossroads and learn and grow in parenting at the same time. The next Mom's Time Out will take place Saturday, February 27 at 9:00 a.m. at Lanita Boyers' home (22130 County Road A, Archbold). Please RSVP to the office by Thursday, February 25 if you plan to attend.

MAN CAMP

Men, it's time to reserve your spot for a great weekend at Miracle Camp. Crossroads' men plan to attend Man

Camp weekend 3, April 8-10, 2016. Register directly at www.miraclecamp.com a n d l i s t



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your roommate
option. Spots are
limited, so register early! Financial assistance is
available by calling the office.

WOMEN'S RETREAT

Mark your calendar for this year's Women's Retreat,

April 29-May 1, 2016. This women's conference is full of workshops, indoor and outdoor activities. and relaxing massages. There is great Bible teaching, passionate worship, and opportunities for you to connect with other women. Register directly www.miraclecamp.com and list "Crossroads" as your roommate option. Spots are limited, so register early! Financial assistance available by calling the office.





CHILD DEDICATION

Are you interested in publicly dedicating your baby or child to the Lord? If so, please contact the church office to schedule a time to meet with a pastor who will talk with you about the responsibility and privilege of biblical parenting. A time can then be scheduled to introduce your family and little one to the church body.

CONNECTING COMMUNITIES

God intends us to be people who are moving toward each other in community as we are "being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by his Spirit" (Ephesians 2:22). If you desire deeper relationships within the body of Crossroads, we encourage you to prayerfully consider checking out one of our adult Connecting Communities, Sundays at 9:30 a.m. Communities meet weekly to deepen their relationship with Christ and each other. For help finding a community that is the "right fit" for you, contact Pastor Tyler.

CHILDREN & YOUTH

UPCOMING CHILDREN'S EVENTS

Mark your calendars for these upcoming events:

Roller Skating - February 3; 6:30-8 p.m.

Kids grades K-5 will meet at the Wauseon Rollercade for our annual skate night. Cost is \$4 per person and children need to be dropped off at the Rollercade and picked up by 8:15 p.m.

Derby Night - March 2; 6:00-8:00 p.m.

Kids grades K-5th will begin painting their derby cars in February for the races on March 2nd. Registration will begin in the gym at 6:00 p.m. with races beginning at 6:30 p.m. A suggested donation of \$5 per child is appreciated to cover the costs of the cars.

SENIOR HIGH ICE CAMP

Senior High Ice Camp will be February 19-21. The cost for Ice Camp is \$110. Be sure to get your payment and emergency forms returned to Matt Strader as soon as possible. Financial assistance is available.

JR HIGH TOBOGGANING TRIP

On Saturday, February 13th, the junior high will head to Pokagon State Park to fly down their famous toboggan run at speeds as fast as 42 mph! The group will leave the church by 5:00 p.m. (come having already eaten) and should return no later than 10:00 p.m. The cost per student is \$5. For transportation planning, please sign up in the junior high room if you plan to participate.

VBS SAVE THE DATE!!

VBS in the Park planning has already begun! Before you begin to plan out your summer vacations, be sure to mark off July 17-21, 2016 to ensure that your children (completed grades K-5) won't miss out and that you are able to help serve during this fun week of ministry! Looking forward to watching God use the people of Crossroads in the lives of our community again this year!

YOUTH TEXT ALERTS

If you are a teen, or a parent of a teen, and would like to receive text alerts from Matt Strader regarding upcoming youth events and activities, follow these instructions:

Junior High— Text the message "@crossjh"

To the number 81010

Senior High- Text the message "@crosssrh"

To the number 81010

THANK YOU!

We want to thank the church and its members. The help we received from you was much needed.

Terry and Vickie Stone

COMMUNITY EVENTS & NEEDS

SINGLE AND PARENTING

Single and Parenting, sponsored by the providers of DivorceCare, is a special group that will bring hope to your life as you and other single parents:

- Meet together and find practical help and hope
- Watch dynamic video sessions featuring singleparenting experts, the stories of single parents, and instructional parenting demonstrations
- Enjoy small group discussions

Sessions will be held at Crossroads on Mondays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. January 25 - April 18, 2016 (you can jump in at any point). Call 419-337-4776 to register (\$15 registration fee).

MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE

Due to fires, floods and storms these last few years in the United States, there is a great need for volunteers to clean up, repair and rebuild. For more information on Mennonite Disaster Services and how you can be involved, contact Vernon Oyer at 419-335-3447.

WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

You are invited to Shiloh Christian Union Church (2100 County Road 5, Delta) for a Women's conference titled "Joy in the Journey". The conference will be held Saturday, March 5, 2016 from 8:00 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Join us as we learn and grow in our understanding of the Savior and the joy he brings to our journey! For more information call 419-822-4261.

BOY SCOUT PANCAKE BREAKFAST

A pancake and sausage breakfast fundraiser will be held at Christ United Methodist Church (215 N. Fulton Street, Wauseon) on Sunday, February 7th from 11:30-12:30 p.m. The proceeds from the meal support Troop 8 and help scouts attend summer camp.

PROM DRESS EVENT

Attend the "Beauty Comes From the Heart" Prom Trend 2016, held Friday, February 19th from 3:30 p.m. -7:00 p.m. and Saturday, February 20th from 10:00



a.m.—4:00 p.m. at the West Clinton Mennonite Church. The event will feature over 100+ gently used prom dresses and tons of shoes, jewelry, and purses. The team is accepting any donations you may have available. The event will also have stylists offering hair and makeup ideas for your big night as well as free samples to take home!! All items are offered for donation only (nothing is priced!!) and the money will support the ministry of Children's Lantern in Defiance, OH and the Growing Hope mission in Haiti. If you have any questions or have donations, please call 419-445-1285 or 419-822-7379.

*Any submissions for the March. *Link* should be turned into the office by <u>Wed, Feb 25, 2016.</u>

FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS:

Grant Boyers Ron Waidelich Holly Burget Nick Ulrich

Derek Zimmerman

Adam Moose Jackson Prystash

Mike Sluys 7

Linda Armstrong Jodi Kearney Anna Marshall Chuck Murry

Feb 23

Erin Buck Ania Cross Wyatt Damman Marilyn Schrock

Max Weber

Ruth E. King Noah Kreuz Nick Ryan

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Kelly McDermott Kaydence Wood

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Jett Figgins Nika Flores Kenton Kamp

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Emily Brazier Brady Thomas

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Jordan Light

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Jane Murry **Bob Smith Brittany Stewart** Junior Vance Renee Wilson

16

Anna Hudspeath Lawrence Onweller Deanna Reckner

17

Judy Blosser Jane Rupp Taylor Sheller

James Maney

19

Taylor Armstrong Wendy Hite

20

Annabelle Wyse

Norma Durbin Miles Figgins Telly Fricke Gaye Gottschalk

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Olivia Seibel **Rvan Viers** Presley Zeigler

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Una Bea Allion Lynn Carter Cindy Coy

24

Zane Krall

Courtney Seitzinger Jackson Waidelich

Alex Pursel

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Jenn King

Aaron Mann Zeb Smith

27

Beth Holman Bradv Kile

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Tim Sauder Linda Snyder Jean Teets

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Matt Strader

ANNIVERSARIES

^ 25 - 49 years * 50 years or MORE

Feb 3 Curt & Tina Jones^ Feb 4 Mike & Amy Marshall Spencer & Gloria Thompson^ Feb 14 Dave & Sheri Heckerman Feb 15 Larry & Bev Pettingill^ Randy & Sherrie Heldman

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