

Farewell Party

Join us on Sunday May 15 as we celebrate the Kanagy Family and wish them well on their new adventure!

When: 1:00 pm

Where: Rudy and Shirley Coblentz's home:
Contact the church office for address

Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring food to share for the picnic lunch. You can also indicate on the sign up sheet if you would like a ride to the Coblentz's home.

Contact Shirley Coblentz with any questions.



Happy Birthday!



Keep these people in your prayers as they celebrate another year of life!

Contact the church office for a list of upcoming birthdays

Friendship Mennonite Church

May 8, 2016

Welcome
Opening Song
Call to Worship
Songs of Praise
Scripture Reading: Romans 6:3-5
Sermon: "Baptism People" Kevin Kanagy
Baptism – Callie Speros, Piano
Responding Song
Communion
Congregational Prayer
Offering
Announcements
Benediction

Visiting this week?

Welcome to Friendship Mennonite Church!

We are so glad you've joined us for worship! We hope you find a place to belong and consider joining us in God's mission. We are looking for people to join us who are interested in learning more about Jesus, becoming a disciple and finding out God's purpose in life!

Announcements

- **Communion** This morning, we will be celebrating communion together. We welcome all to the table to remember the life and death of Jesus.
- **Youth and Mentor Gathering** All and mentors are invited to a hike and cookout on Saturday, May 14. We'll meet at the Speros house at 2:00 pm. See Cara Speros for more information and to RSVP.
- **Pastoral Transition Update** As we say farewell to the Kanagy family on May 15, we look ahead to welcoming Dan Hooley as interim pastor on June 1. A Pastoral Search Committee has been selected and consists of Ryan Claassen, Katherine Harris, Eric Miller, Rhonda Savage, Ben Speros, and Maria Witmer-Rich.
- **Moving help needed!** Wednesday, May 25 - 6:00 pm - Help the Kanagys pack their moving van! Volunteers are needed to bring food for dinner and muscles for packing at their house in Bedford. Please let Nan if you can come and help. Thank you for your prayers as they transition to Fleetwood, Pennsylvania.
- **Request for Prayer** Licia Griffin was in a car accident and underwent surgery for her injuries. She is recovering at Altercare at St. Joseph's and would love cards, phone calls or visits. The address and phone number are available from the church office.
- **Girl Talk Year End Roller-skating Party!** Any girl ages 9 to 13 is invited to come Sunday, May 22nd with Pastor Nan Kanagy as a final farewell party. Meet at FMC at 1:30 pm. We will take the BHDC van and travel to BrookPark Skateland for a fun time for all. Returning by 4:15 pm. Cost is \$6 plus skate rental. Contact Nan with questions.
- **Friendship Retreat** Friendship owns 90 acres of land in Geauga County. Each month, we will gather for a potluck in the evening! Dinner begins at 5:00, but arrive by 4:00 to enjoy fellowship, hiking & games. See the insert for dates.
- **Additional Giving for last Sunday:** Sunday School: \$7.00; MCC Meat Canner: \$30.00; Meals on Wheels: \$20.00.

Serving Our Church Today

Worship Leader: Nan Kanagy

Piano: Rhonda Savage

Sunday School Nursery: Steve Mather

Worship Nursery: Diann Manheim

Sunday Building Trustee: Speros

Song Leader: Nate Stehouwer

Usher: Jonathan Hartzler

Greeter: Chris Coblentz

A/V Team: Ben Speros

Serving Next Sunday

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Looking Ahead

Sunday, May 8

Saturday, May 14

Sunday, May 15

Sunday, May 22

Sunday, May 29

Baptism during Worship

Youth/Mentor Outing 2:00 pm

Farewell Gathering for Kanagy's 1:00 pm

Girl Talk Skating Party 1:30 pm

Potluck at Retreat 4:00 pm

Giving for Last Sunday

Church Offering:

\$2372.00

Weekly Budget:

\$1371.00

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Join us for the City Fresh 2016 Season!

Wednesdays from 3:45-6:30pm from June 15th to August 10th

As we plan the 2016 season we pray for God to use our hands to bless our neighbors. This year we want to especially focus on getting some of this fresh food to the SE Hunger Center. As we start the season, please consider helping us in the following ways:

Ways to pray for this ministry:

- * That we may be God's light to our community
- * For volunteers that help make this possible
- * For discernment about another cooking workshop

- * For wisdom for the advisory board as they plan

- * For our relationship with the SE Hunger Center to grow

Needs:

- Help distributing fliers. If you would like fliers for your home or business, please contact April. Mary Lowery is distributing some around town, if you would like to help, please let April or Mary know!
- Volunteers! We will need 1 set up volunteer (3:45-5pm) and 2 distribution volunteers (4:30- 6:30) each week. Please see April to sign up!
- Help planning another food workshop. Our Meet your Greens class was well received last summer. This summer we would like to plan a community canning workshop. If you are interested in helping to plan this, please see April.
- Consider donating \$16 to buy a share for the Hunger Center. Our goal is to provide at least 2 per week for them!

Running a weekly "City Fresh Stop" is a ministry of Friendship Mennonite Church and several area agencies/individuals/churches. City Fresh is a Cleveland area CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) program. Pick up is on Wednesdays June 15 through August 10. Visit www.cityfresh.org for more info.



Today we celebrate with three youth who have chosen water baptism as a symbol of their commitment to Jesus Christ and the church. Praise God for their journeys and their lives! Please keep them and the other youth in prayer as they continue to develop in their faith.

Eric Alan Miller, son of Todd and Rachel and brother to Kyle. He enjoys producing short films. One of his favorite bible verses is: Sometimes it takes a painful situation to make us change our ways. Proverbs 20:30

Phillip James Witmer Rich, son of Jonathan and Maria, brother to Amelia and Charlotte, enjoys running track and cross country, singing in ensemble, and participating in theater. His favorite bible verse is Jeremiah 29:11, "For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

Amelia Paige Witmer Rich, daughter of Jonathan and Maria, sister to Phillip and Charlotte, enjoys running track and cross country and participating in Science Olympiad. Her favorite bible verse is Psalm 46:1, "God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble."