



Little Bells...

... your weekly update to *The Chimes*

Elder and Deacon for October

The Elder for October is Rick Parrish, 513-543-4995.
The Deacon for October is Doug Rose, 513-532-3789.

Covid Policy Updates



Until such time as Hamilton County Covid-19 case numbers decrease, MPC will go back to requiring that masks be worn during Worship, in the sanctuary and Gathering Room (with the exception of the Pastor and Liturgist when they are speaking.) The MPC Session voted and made this decision in accordance with current CDC guidelines.



The volunteer who prepares the communion elements wears a mask and gloves during the preparation and cleanup process. Gluten free crackers are placed on the trays before the preparer places the bread into the cups on the trays. The gluten free crackers are only touched by the communion preparer.

Sycamore Flight Fest Race

Sycamore High School will hold its annual Flight Fest race on **Saturday, October 16**, and once again, MPC will serve as a water station on the route. We will be located just across the I-71 bridge in the Maple Dale back parking lot (new location this year). Volunteers can park there, and should arrive at 7:45.

LUNCH BUNCH

For our next Lunch Bunch, we will meet **Wednesday, October 20** at noon in the Gathering Room. Our speaker will be Rev. Ben, who will speak on the topic of preparing for death. (See his October Chimes cover letter.) Feel free to ask questions or make an appointment to meet privately with Ben after this presentation. Bring a lunch; drinks will be provided.

Ladies Circle Will Begin New Series/New Meeting Day in Decem-

We will finish up the current series on **Thursday, November 4** (lesson 9).

In December, Ladies Circle will begin a new series on **Wednesday, December 1: *What My Grandmothers Taught Me, Learning from the Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus.*** In December, we will be changing our meeting date to **the first Wednesday of the month**, at 10:30 in the Gathering Room.



New Adult CE Series: *The Prodigal God*



We continue the series, *The Prodigal God*. Come and enjoy the exploration of the Parable of the Prodigal Son as we talk about the Prodigal God! Which son are you most like? Who are The People around Jesus? What is Jesus's message to all of us? (The Two Lost Sons, Redefining Sin, Redefining Lostness, The True Elder Brother, Redefining Hope, The Feast of the Father) This series will be led by Susie Lewis and Steve Thiel. Classes start at 9am, in the Kemper Parlor. All are welcome.

Mission Collection for October

In October, we will collect canned and non-perishable food for the pantry at Northeast Emergency Distribution Services (NEEDS). Please leave donations in the Gathering Room.



It's Also Time to Begin Collecting for Thanksgiving Baskets

The Deacons will be collecting canned goods for families in need in our community for Thanksgiving. (*This is actually our November Mission collection, but we are getting started early so that we have everything we need when it is time to assemble and deliver the baskets. A Thanksgiving Baskets table will be set up in the Gathering Room to keep donations separate.*)

There are many ways to help; **Please look for the sign up list in the Gathering Room.**

- You can bring in canned goods and/or a homemade baked goodie (note: we will assemble 10 baskets);
- you can make a monetary donation (you may use envelopes in the pews, marked "Thanksgiving baskets");
- you can pack and deliver the baskets to families (on **Saturday, November 20**).



Sign Up to Host Coffee Hour

Lots of slots are open to host Coffee Hours through the end of the year. Please see the sign up sheet in the Gathering Room to sign up to host. Contact Dave Bowen if you have any questions.

