



## COMPTON HEIGHTS CHRISTIAN CHURCH (Disciples of Christ)

Open and Affirming & Global Mission  
Congregation

Rev Dr. Jacquelyn Foster, Pastor



### This Month:

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- Two** Prayer Concerns  
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### BELOVED COMMUNITY

On May 6, our Board of Ministry had a wonderful conversation about what ‘community’ means in our life as church. The reflections and observations said something powerful about who this congregation is becoming. Here are some comments from the heart of the discussion:

‘Over these months since last August, we have changed because we have been willing to step into the change in our wider community.’ We have changed both individually and as a congregation. We have changed in our relationship to our neighborhood, our city, our ecumenical/interfaith community. One person noted that her concept of community has changed. Another noted that “when we look for the connections, it’s amazing how easily we can find them – *when we look*” Another spoke of community as “tackling things together.” Yet another said that “it is about ‘hospitality’ – hospitality is a gift and we need to continue to look for ways to live it out.” Several noted that becoming “Safe Space” changed us: “It’s good for us to have the doors taken off the building and the doors taken off our minds.” In sharing the vision that we only move forward and grow stronger from here, one person said: “If you’re a person of conscience, you can’t close your eyes again.” As I walked of this precious gathering, I knew that God’s Spirit is living and breathing in the ministry of this community of the Beloved. Our identity statement as Disciples of Christ says that we are “a movement for wholeness in a fragmented world and that as a part of the one

body of Christ, we welcome all to the Lord’s Table as God has welcomed us.” Our prayer and vision is that we remain open to the Spirit so that we enter boldly into the change God is bringing in our communities and in our world!

May the peace and justice of God lead us always, Jacque

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• Disciples of Christ Statement of Identity





## Celebrations and Concerns – In our Prayer

Royce Sykes Sharon Clayton

### Happy Birthday in May and June

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| May 14 – Kathy Bradley           | June 13 – Reed Glasener                |
| May 15 – Marty Renner Hughes     | June 14 – Dennis James                 |
| May 16 – Bryan Richardson        | June 17 – Kathy Bradley                |
| Kristie Blunt Welder             | June 19 – Roberta Travis               |
| May 27 – Sarah Hughes            | June 22 – Steve Randolph               |
| June 2 – Siena and Matthew Petri | June 24 – Cory, Marcus & Jackson Petri |
| June 8 – Jacque Foster           | June 26 – Lucy Martin                  |
| Thelonius Lee                    | June 29 – Delaney Ziesemann            |
| June 10 – Willow Petri           |  |
| June 12 – Jennifer Phoenix       |  |



### for planning the CHCC PrideFest Booth!

It is hard to believe that the 2015 PrideFest is almost upon us! It will be Saturday and Sunday, June 27 and 28. Once again, the event will be downtown. Compton Heights CC has a wonderful tradition of hosting a booth at Pride. We are known for our fun stickers and for wonderful conversations with those attending PrideFest. As an Open and Affirming congregation, this presence of faith, affirmation, and support is a vital part of our ministry.

On **Sunday, May 17**, all who are interested in helping to plan this year's booth are invited to gather following worship. We will begin at **12:45** and will share a **light lunch**. **Come join us!**

### Wednesday Share and Prayer "Wspr"

About mid-week, most of us need to hear the *whisper* of God's presence and the *whispers* of assurance in a community of faith! Every Wednesday evening we gather at 6:00 pm for an hour. It is "Wednesday Share and Prayer." or its nickname – "Wspr" (pronounced: whisper!)

We hope you will plan to add this special hour in the middle of your week to connect with your community, God, and yourself!

**Wspr through the month of May features 5 week Bible Study! Come join us!**

**Beginning in June, Wspr will take a break for the summer!**

*Listen – the still small voice is speaking! It may be a Wspr . . .*

**RECYCLE/REUSE/REPURPOSE for the EARTH** **Aluminum Recycling** – Thanks to everyone who brings in aluminum cans. We recently recycled 56 lbs of cans for \$27.00.

**Ink Cartridge Recycling** Thank you to those who bring in all kinds of ink cartridges, large and small! We recycle them through Office Depot and purchase office and classroom supplies with the points we receive. (We have not had to pay for copy paper in a very long time!!)

**Pill Bottles** Thanks to all who have brought in clean pill bottles for the Humane Society vets to use. **However** they no longer need these from us; we will no longer collect these, unless we find an organization that needs them. They can now just go into plastic recycling to help the planet!!



## PENTECOST SUNDAY – May 24<sup>th</sup>

Pentecost, the 50<sup>th</sup> day after Easter, is celebrated in the Church remembering God’s Spirit breathing, blowing, coming as if “tongues of fire” and God’s people speaking, listening to, and understanding each other across the barriers that separated them. This was the Church of Jesus the Christ coming into being!

On Pentecost Sunday we celebrate that power of God bringing God’s people together to live as those moved by God’s Spirit in the world. You are invited to wear **Red** on Pentecost. On that Sunday, we have created the practice of having the whole congregation together in worship so that the Children, Worship and Wonder story is told in the sanctuary.

This year we will begin a practice of celebrating on Pentecost the children who are ready to move from Children, Worship, and Wonder to Sanctuary Worship. We will mark this transition in their church life. It is a time when they begin sharing The Feast (Holy Communion) in the sanctuary each Sunday (while the younger children continue to share the Feast in CWW in the Children’s Worship Center). These children are now old enough to serve as Acolytes, and to participate in sanctuary worship in other ways. We have one child who will

### “SUMMER SPIRIT” INTERGENERATIONAL SPIRITUAL NURTURE

This summer, we are creating a new intergenerational experience at the 10:00 am hour. We will enjoy both outdoor and indoor activities, creative projects, mission activities (especially during the “Six Weeks of Compassion” in the latter part of the summer), and many surprises! This will be a wonderful time of building community for adults, youth, and children!

Our regular adult, youth, and children’s classes will not meet. We will all come together for

### Summer Spirit!

Come join us to create a new thing!

The church is shining light in dark places. Since 2001, the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) has started 850 new Disciples churches, spreading the gospel to more than 60,000 individuals, who may not have had a relationship with Christ. Each week 28 languages are spoken in Disciples churches. This year the Pentecost Offering will be taken on Sundays, May 17 and May 24. Help us spread the light in dark places by loving a growing number of Disciples back to life.

*The peace of God fill all your days with light.*



**MID-AMERICA REGION CHURCH CAMP!**

We are ready for Summer Church Camps for ALL ages, including a variety of camps across the Region. **The Early Bird Registration and Scholarship Application has been extended to May 11.** Once again this year Darrell Hughes and Jacque Foster will co-direct the Intergenerational Camp at MoVal near Union, MO from June 16 – 20. Other camps include: Jr., Middle School, and H.S. camps, M.A.D. (Music, Art & Drama Camp), Chi Rho Current River Trips, CYF Wilderness Backpack Trip in the Colorado Rockies, and a NEW camp this year “Intergenerational Pro-Reconciliation/Anti-Racism Camp. *These pics from last year, give you an idea of camp activities!*

To find out about all camps and events, and for the Registration and Health form, go to: [www.midamericadisciples.org/summer/](http://www.midamericadisciples.org/summer/)

Click on the Green Brochure on the right side of page. Click on the one Registration form no matter which camp you choose! **WE HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US AT CAMP! REGISTER NOW!**

From Compton Heights we already know that we have these attending the June 16 – 20 Camp at MoVal: **Darrell Hughes, Jacque Foster, Leslie Latham, Brenda Booth, Talya Perry, DebE, Dave, Annabelle and Lucy Martin, Susan Willow, Siena, Matthew, Cory, Marcus, and Jackson Petri, Ty Woodard, Jacob Woodard.**

**This is such a fun, relaxing week for ALL ages – including adults! Please join us!**





*Friends,*

*It is hard to believe how fast a year goes! It seems as if it was just yesterday I was walking in the door to participate in my first worship service. I want to say thank you to each and every one of you for allowing me to come into this space and experience and learn and grow.*

*This past year has been an amazing experience for me. The energy and hospitality that you have here is something I have not felt in a church in a long time. It has restored my hope in church and given me new motivation to go into parish ministry. Being able to go through all of the Safe Space events and Sacred Conversations on Race with you has provided a learning experience like none other, and being able to watch from the organization/administration side and the follow through will be so valuable in the future.*

*After graduation, I will be joining my husband and 3 cats in Oklahoma City. I am working with the Kansas-Oklahoma Conference Minister to apply for 2 UCC churches in the area that are in the search and call process. The UCC requires me to have a call before I can be ordained, and I need to be ordained before I can get standing in the Disciples of Christ, but I do planning on doing so eventually!*

*I am leaving contact information with Jacque if anyone is ever in Oklahoma City or would like to reach me. Also feel free to find me on Facebook (several people have already, if you're friends with them you should be able to find me!)*

*Thank you again for an amazing year!!!*

*Peace & Blessings to you all,*

*Vanessa, Pastoral Intern, 2014-15*

## 2015 General Assembly - Columbus, Ohio – July 18-22

We Disciples are do-ers of the Word and we like to make a difference wherever we go. Here are some opportunities provided by the local arrangements committee. [Register now!](#)

**Knitting and crocheting** – You can do a little mission without ever leaving the convention center. Knitters (and those folks who crochet) will be gathering to do projects and also to help newbies learn a stitch or two. Local organizers are looking for donations of crochet and knitting needles (10+) as well as yarn. Donations may be sent to Christian Church in Ohio Regional Office, 355 E Campus View Blvd # 110, Columbus, OH 43235. If your local knitting group would like to make items ahead of time to be conveyed to the assembly by someone attending, they are welcome to do so. The items produced at the assembly will be primarily scarves. The completed items will be used by a new church start – Fringe Community – for their Warmth in Winter ministry. The majority will be given to the Open Shelter in downtown Columbus.

**Home restorations with MidOhio Habitat for Humanity** – About 20 volunteers per shift will help with home repairs in the Columbus area (morning and afternoon times available). No one under 18 will be allowed. Dates to be determined.

**Food drop at Fourth Avenue Christian Church** – About 150 volunteers will be needed on Monday, July 20, to help move along potatoes of all kinds for local food banks to pick up.

**Blood drive on site** – The organizers will need 25 pints per day Monday and Tuesday, July 20 and 21.

**CROP informational walk on site** – Learn about what CROP walks are through informational stations around the convention center.

As more projects are nailed down, details will be added. Also – work is underway on post-assembly mission opportunities for youth groups who attend the General Assembly. Anticipated sites are in Ohio, Kentucky and Indiana. Follow the youth Facebook page to stay up to date. [Register for youth post-assembly missions](#)



**Register at**  
[www.ga.disciples.org](http://www.ga.disciples.org)

### CHCC Delegates:

Those registered at this time for GA are: **Judi & Norm Linville, Leslie Latham & Brenda Booth, Jacque Foster & Dave Boger**. The Board elected our two voting laypersons as: **Leslie & Dave**. The alternate is **Judi**.



**CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

**SUNDAY SCHEDULE: Choir Warm-Up 9:15 am Christian Educ/Nurture for All – 10 am, Worship 11 am, Community Refreshment Time 12:15 pm (following worship), Choir Practice 12:40 pm**

**Sunday, May 10 – 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - Farewell Celebration for Vanessa Myers-Dudley**

Tuesday, May 12 – Isaiah 58 Ministries Annual Meeting and Dinner

Wednesday, May 13 – Wspr (“Wednesday Share and Prayer”) 6:00 pm Elders’ Circle – 7:00 pm

Friday, May 15 – Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am

**Sunday, May 17– 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter - Pentecost Offering Begins**

PrideFest Booth Planning 12:45 (following worship) – with light lunch

Wednesday, May 20 – Wspr (“Wednesday Share and Prayer”) 6:00 pm

Thursday, May 21 – Compassionate Listening 6:30 – 8:30 pm

Friday, May 22– Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am

**Sunday, May 24 – Pentecost Sunday - Pentecost Offering Received**

Wednesday, May 27 – Wspr (“Wednesday Share and Prayer “) 6:00 pm

Friday, May 29 – Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am

**Sunday, May 31 – Trinity Sunday – Pentecost Offering Received**

Community Concert 3:00 pm at Thurman and DeTonty -

Wednesday, June 3 – Ministry Groups – 7:00 pm

Thursday, June 4 – Prayer Shawl Knitting and Crocheting Group – 7:00 pm

Friday, June 5 – Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am

**Sunday, June 7 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Ordinary Time 10**

Wednesday, June 10 – Elders’ Circle – 7:00 pm

Friday, June 12 – Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am

Saturday, June 13 – Isaiah 58 Ministries Family Fun Day on church lawn

**Sunday, June 14 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Ordinary Time 11**

Tuesday, June 16 – Saturday, June 20 - Intergenerational Church Camp at MoVal

Friday, June 19 – Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am

**Sunday, June 21 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost / Ordinary Time 11**

Wednesday, June 24 - Pastor’s Cabinet – 7:00 pm

Friday, June 26 – Happy Friday Outreach 7:00 – 8:00 am

Saturday, June 27 & Sunday June 28 – CHCC Booth at PrideFest downtown

**Our Community Life and Communication Ministry Group is planning “Summer Fun Lunches.” These will be informal gatherings for lunch following worship on selected Summer Sundays! Look for the dates of these to be announced!**



**SERVING SCHEDULE Please get a substitute if unable to serve on your designated date!**

	<b>Liturgist</b>	<b>Communion Elders</b>	<b>Stewardship Elders</b>
<b>May 10</b>	Bob Lewis	Madeline Haraway	Larry Kreuger
<b>May 17</b>	Ty Woodard	Thelonius Lee	Sarah Richardson
<b>May 24</b>	Madeline Haraway	Marsha McGuire	Jan Kreuger
<b>May 31</b>	Dennis James	Judi Linville	DebE Martin
<b>June 7</b>	Julie Phoenix	Steve Randolph	Charlsi Lee
<b>June 14</b>	Carolyn Harry	DebE Martin	Bob Lewis
<b>June 21</b>	Charlsi Lee	Norm Linville	Marsha McGuire

**Deacons (All will serve; the first two will prepare and clean up communion.)**

<b>May 10</b>	Darrell Hughes	Talya Perry	Tina Owens	Reed Glasener
<b>May 17</b>	Kim Litton	Tom Litton	Marty Hughes	Stanley Williams
<b>May 24</b>	Dennis James	Joan James	Carolyn Harry	Jennifer Phoenix
<b>May 31</b>	Julie Phoenix	Kathy Bradley	Bryan Richardson	Susan Petri
<b>June 7</b>	David Nielsen	Arlene Arbogast	Darrell Hughes	Talya Perry
<b>June 14</b>	Tina Owens	Reed Glasener	Kim Litton	Tom Litton
<b>June 21</b>	Marty Hughes	Stanley Williams	Dennis James	Joan James

**Providing Communion Bread** **May:** Tina and Kathy Owens Bradley **June:** Carolyn Harry

**In-Home Communion** (Two Elders and one Deacon each month to take home communion)

**May Elder (A)** Jan Kreuger **(B)** Larry Kreuger **Deacon** Tina Owens  
**June Elder (A)** Madeline Haraway **(B)** DebE Martin **Deacon** David Nielsen

**Greeter - May** Jan Kreuger **June** Marty Hughes

**Nursery Care**

<b>May 10</b>	Kathy Mead
<b>May 17</b>	(Audrey Tarde)
<b>May 24</b>	Darrell Hughes
<b>May 31</b>	Marty Hughes
<b>June 7</b>	Madeline Haraway
<b>June 14</b>	Brenda Booth
<b>June 21</b>	Dave Boger

**Coffee Hosts**

<b>May 10</b>	Bud and Nancy Obermiller
<b>May 17</b>	Joan and Dennis James
<b>May 24</b>	Judi and Norm Linville
<b>May 31</b>	Bryan and Sarah Richardson
<b>June 7</b>	Marsha McGuire and Leslie Latham
<b>June 14</b>	Darrell and Marty Hughes
<b>June 21</b>	DebE Martin and Kim Litton

Regular Income for April through April 26:	\$11,017.81
YTD regular income through April 26:	\$41,573.57
YTD general fund income includes the following:	
Regular giving (pledged and estimated)	\$35,662.00
Loose offering	820.86
Special Offerings (Easter)	1235.00
Interest from CCF	212.98
Rent (and and trash pickup)	2226.90
Fund Raising	129.63
Memorial and Elders Fund Gifts	350.74
Tuition for Dhanush and Girisha in India	165.01
Equal Exchange/Coffee Fellowship	149.35
Offsets to Expenses	621.10
YTD Capital Fund Income	\$12,018.77
Total Income	\$53,592.34



## SCRIPTURE READINGS for Upcoming Weeks

### May 10 – Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:44-48, Ps. 98, 1 John 5:1-6, John 15:9-17

### May 17 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:15-17, 21-26, Ps. 1, 1 John 5:9-13, John 17:6-19

### May 24 - Pentecost

Ezekiel 37:1-14, Ps. 104:24-34, 35b, Acts 2:1-21,  
John 15:26-27; 16:4b-15

### May 31 – Trinity Sunday

Isaiah 6:1-8, Psalm 29, Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17

### June 7 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1 Sam. 8:4-11, 16-20, Psalm 138, 2 Cor. 4:13-5:1,  
Mk 3:20-35

### June 14 – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

1 Sam. 15:34 - 16:13, Ps. 92:1-4, 11-14,  
2 Cor. 5:6-10, 14-17, Mark 4:26-34

### June 21 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Job 38:1-11, Psalm 9:9-20, 2 Cor. 6:1-13, Mark 4:35-41

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