

This Week at Union Church

Sun. May 2	9:30 am Christian Education for all ages 10:30 am Morning Worship 11:45 am Youth Group Fundraiser Lunch, Comm. Room 12:00 pm Small Group at Debbonnaire Kovacs' 3:00 pm Small Group Meeting 6:00 pm Community Life & Growth Board meets 7:00 pm Church Council meets
Mon. May 3	8:00 am Zen Meditation in Cowan Chapel 12:00-1:30 pm Small Group, Rm. 204 6:30-8:00m Small Group at Michelle Tooley's, 202 Forest 7:00 pm Memory Keepers, Wayside Room 7:00 pm AA Bottom Line Big Book Study, Dialog Center
Tues. May 4	8:00 am Zen Meditation in Cowan Chapel 6:30-8:00 pm Small Group Meeting, Dialog Center 7:00 pm Memory Keepers
Weds. May 5	8:00 am Zen Meditation in Cowan Chapel 9:00 am-12:00 pm Work group—come to church and work on small repairs, inside and on the grounds Wednesday Nite Live 5:00 pm Middle School Youth Group 5:45 pm Supper (donation) Community Room 6:15 pm High School Youth Group 6:30 pm College Fellowship, Community Rm, activities for elementary age kids in 104 6:30 pm Bible Study "God Saves a People," 204 7:00 pm Union Church Ringers, Choir Room, 3rd floor
Thurs. May 6	8:00 am Zen Meditation in Cowan Chapel 10:30 am Mothers Forum 12:00 pm Bible Study 6:15 pm Union Church Choir, Choir Room, 3rd floor
Fri. May 7	8:00 am Zen Meditation in Cowan Chapel 9:00 am Woman's Industrial
Sun. May 9	9:30 am Christian Education for all ages 10:30 am Morning worship 12:00 pm Small Group at Debbonnaire Kovacs' 3:00 pm Small Group Meeting

Especially in our prayers ...

Each week we join millions of Christians who pray for one another through the ecumenical prayer cycle and, locally, the Berea Ministerial Association's prayer cycle. Please keep the people **Sudan and Uganda** and our brothers and sisters at **Lighthouse Baptist Church**, in your hearts, and pray for them. Please also hold these concerns in your prayers today and throughout the week. (Prayer concerns can be submitted to the church office via phone or email).

- ◆ All who are serving or living in harm's way across the world, especially those suffering in the violence in the Middle East. We pray for the day when war shall be no more.
- ◆ **Patty Boyce**, recuperating from heart surgery
- ◆ **Les Kovacs** and his family as his dementia worsens
- ◆ **Earl and Aldine Irvin**
- ◆ **Dorie Hubbard's mother**, undergoing treatment for cancer
- ◆ **John Courter**, who is undergoing treatment

- ◆ **Martha Pride**, at Berea Health Care Center
- ◆ **Barbara, the family and friends of Lowell Taylor**, who died early Thursday morning
- ◆ **Joyce Cooper**, who will begin chemotherapy for liver tumors soon

Assisting in Worship This Week

Worship leader this morning is Michelle Tooley. **Next week:** Kent Pugh
Many thanks to Jenny Bromley for providing the music today.

Announcements

Lunch right after worship! Come on down to the Community Room right after service to have lunch! The Faith Development Board and Youth Group invite you to a fundraising lunch to help finance the Youth Group's trip to Minnesota in June! You are also invited to sponsor a group member—call the office or Deborah Payne for details.

Our secretary will be on vacation from May 5—12. If anyone is able to staff the office for all or part of a weekday, please call or email the office. Shifts are from 9-12 and 1-4. Shifts are going fast—call now!

Food Drive Saturday! The National Association of Letter Carriers “Stamp Out Hunger” Food Drive will be May 8. Leave non-perishable food items near your mailbox and your letter carrier will pick them up—couldn't be easier to help!

Parents' Party May 22 5-8 p.m. at The Baltisbergers' - 205 Delancey St., Child Care provided at Union Church. Bring side dishes and beverages. Check your e-mail for updates!

Take Communion to our Neighbors at home. If you would like serve by taking communion to others, you would be very welcome to do so and are invited to volunteer with the Nurture and Care members or by contacting Pastor Kent.

Pasta for a Purpose tonight. All-you-can-eat spaghetti! (along with salad, garlic bread, brownies, and drinks) All proceeds go to Silver Creek Elementary School's Book Room Sunday, May 2, 4:30 - 6:30 pm the Community Room. Adults \$10, Berea College Students \$6, Children \$6 Tickets will be sold at the door.

Kaleidoscopes of Care groups are for all who are willing to commit to a regular hour and a half of sharing life with each other. Groups will decide how often they choose to meet during a two month period. All groups will be encouraged to explore a lectionary reading and pray during their time together. Each group is open to inviting new people and if the group exceeds 10, the group will multiply into 2 groups. Please fill out an interest card—available in the vestibule—return it to the office and you will be contacted about joining in!

Fresh: The Movie shown at Phelps Stokes—Thursday, May 6, 6:30pm. It addresses the problems of our industrial food system, but spends most of its time showing examples of agriculture that respect people, animals, land, and our need for fresh, wholesome food. There are viable alternatives to factory farms and fast food, and Fresh shows how each of us can support and participate in them. Also the selected short – *Homegrown Revolution*: In the midst of a densely urban setting in downtown Pasadena, radical change is taking root. For more than twenty years, the Dervaes family have transformed their home into an urban homestead. They harvest nearly 3 tons of organic food from their 1/10 acre garden while incorporating many back-to-basics practices as well as solar energy and biodiesel.

All welcome, no charge. Stay for refreshments and conversations with local food producers following the film.