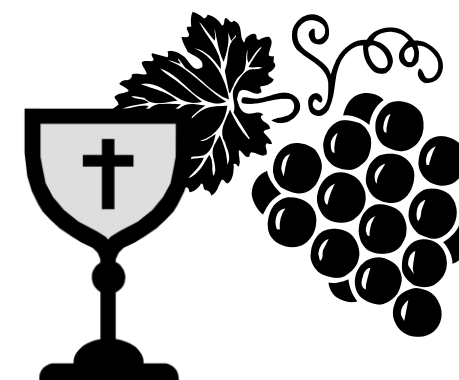


The Grapevine



NOVEMBER, 2018

Cove Spring Church ~ 5705 Walnut Grove Road ~ Troy, Ohio ~937-214-4416 ~ Pastor Greg Morrow

Let the peace of Christ rule in your hearts, since as members of one body you were called to peace. And be thankful. -Colossians 3:15.

Notice how matter-of-factly God's Word commands us to be thankful. The command is given as if being thankful were clearly within our power. Not any different than if a boss says "be in my office in 15 minutes" or if a parent says "be careful where you throw that ball." In the same way God commands us to be thankful and the implication is that it is certainly within our ability to do it. We must simply obey.

But many of us struggle to be thankful. One reason we struggle is because we fail to understand the concept God's Word teaches just three verses earlier. **Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.** -Colossian 3:12. God's Word teaches we can clothe ourselves with virtues. What happens sometimes when we put on clothing? We sometimes put on clothing that helps us behave in a way that does not feel natural to us. It may be a work polo with our company's logo. When we have the work polo on we behave as someone in customer service, even though naturally we are an introverted person. If we put on renaissance era clothing for a festival we behave as someone from the renaissance era even though we are a modern person. In the same way God's Word teaches us to clothe ourselves with Christian virtues. It may not feel natural to us, but we do it anyway. When it comes to being thankful we simply clothe ourselves with a thankful attitude whether we feel thankful or not. In very much the same way a good customer service worker puts on a friendly face even when they feel grouchy. Being thankful when we do not feel like it is not hypocrisy. It is engaging in an outward action so that our inward character will be transformed. This is what God invites us into. That as we *be thankful* we will *become thankful*

Faithfully, Pastor Greg Morrow

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Church Concerns, News and Announcements



Prayer Concerns

Our Nation, Our President, Our Country,
Our Service Men and Women

Our friends and neighbors and in our community who
have lost, and are searching for employment.

Please pray for God's comforting & healing touch for
the following:

Families who have lost loved ones in October:

*Sumner and Williams families upon the loss of Jim
Sumner.

Those battling health issues or surgery:

- *Jenny Petrick In the process of testing for diagnosis
- *Janice Frank Battling Lung Cancer
- *Josephine Urick Shingles, "Quarantined"
- *Lisa Maxson Diagnosed with cancer
- *Kim Metz Diagnosed with breast cancer
- *Jerry Zimmerman Surgery to remove a kidney
- *Rosy Calvert In the process of testing for diagnosis
- *Don Trostel Injured in a fall and hospitalized.
- *Virginia Benham Complications from cancer.
- *Jack Lockwood Battling AFib heart condition

Those battling Cancer:

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| Janice Frank | Sara Duff |
| Virginia Benham | Tom Ashworth |
| Kim Metz | Lisa Maxson |

THANK YOU:

There are not enough words to express our
feelings of love we have for our beloved
friends and family of Cove Spring
Church.

Thank you for all the support, cards,
food, phone calls, thoughts and prayers
that we feel every moment that comes
from you. It doesn't seem enough to just
say thank you but know that this comes
from our hearts.

God Bless each and every one of you
till we meet again in person.

In Christian Love,
Bill & Janice Frank



Happy Birthday In November:

Jane Worthington, Tony Wick, Christy Wilhelm,
Jill Benham, Lucas Hershberger, Jason Bailey,
Ben Sutherly, Jennifer Petrick, Brianna Thompson,
Amanda Benham, Julie Harris, Ed Beeson,
Brad Trostel, Tarah Fox, Sarah Meyer,
Grayson Russell, Katie Sutherly, Penelope Horner,
Grace Sprankle, Lou Ann Wray, Randy Mott, Lynda
Mott, Austin Hess,
Art Blackmore, Tabitha Yantis, Trisha Yantis,
Gaile Knife, Abigail Trostel, Jim Benham,
Jesse Laughman, Rachael Smith, Kelly Rindler,
Rosa Ashworth



November Anniversary

*Matt & Heather Gilliland, Ben & Julia Sutherly,
Jon & Regina Duff, David & Sandy Swigart,
Dick & Rita Sutherly, Dennis & Linda Zerkle,
Jeremiah & Jamie Long, Brian & Faith Elleman,
Levi & Justine Worthington,
Art & Trudy Blackmore*



FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT/COMMUNION:

DECEMBER 02nd

Advent is marked by a spirit of expectation, of
anticipation, of preparation, of longing. The focus of
the entire season is preparation to celebrate the birth
of Jesus the Christ in his First Advent, and the
anticipation of the return of Christ the King in his
Second Advent.

Church News and Announcements

Harvest Dinner of Oct. 27, raised \$600 to go for the mission at Partners in hope Christmas shop. A detailed letter about this is on the east vestibule bulletin board.

If you would like to volunteer in any way for the Christmas Shop, please Contact Partners in Hope per the information in the detailed letter. The dates are December 11 & 12.

See explanation of Partners in Hope Mission below and on church bulletin boards.

Thanks.
Friendship Circle Class

THE FRIENDSHIP CIRCLE CLASS will for the first time this Christmas season sponsor a *Partners in Hope mission*. Partners in Hope, a nonprofit organization that is supported by a coalition of Troy churches, operates a **"Christmas Shop"** for two evenings in December. Parents who register and qualify pay \$10 and in return may choose gifts for their child(ren). Each family also receives cookies, books, and a ham or turkey. Gifts are wrapped on the spot after parents pick them out. The Friendship Class plans to make a donation toward this mission, and also is exploring the possibility of putting together a group of volunteers to help out at the Christmas shops. If you are interested in contributing toward this mission through a donation of time or money, please contact Janie Hershberger.

CHURCH MISSION FOR NOVEMBER

On Nov. 04, a special envelope will be provided in the bulletin for our mission offering going to the area **Family Abuse Shelter**.

The Family Abuse Shelter of Miami County, Inc. provides emergency shelter assistance for any woman or man, with or without children, who lack a safe, stable place to live.

ATTENTION ALL COVE SPRING MEMBERS

Church Officer Openings 2019

We have a change in the need for Deacon/Deaconess Positions. We now have 3 positions open, rather than 1. It will be a 2-year term.

These volunteer positions are vital for the church to continue to serve our church community.

If you have an interest in serving the church in this area, or would like to know more about the responsibilities, please contact Natalie Rindler, nominating committee member, at 937-214-0741.

BAKED POTATO LUNCHEON

Sunday, November 11th

11:30am following worship service
Cove Spring Church Basement



Menu includes:

- Baked potato,
- Various Sandwiches: (Shredded Chicken, BBQ, Hot dogs, and Coney dogs.)
- Homemade salads and desserts.
- Proceeds to go to the Bill & Janice Frank family.
- Freewill donations appreciated.*

Sponsored by the Harvester's Class.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP Nov. 13

We will meet at 2pm. Devotional Chairman will be Judy Hess. Theme: "Beautiful" All ladies welcome!

BLANKET SUNDAY NOV. 11th

The Harvesters Class will be sponsoring **Blanket Sunday Nov. 11th**. There will be envelopes in the bulletin for your donation. The monies donated will be used through Church World Service to purchase blankets. CWS reaches more than 80 countries including the United States. This is a wonderful opportunity to reach out to those in need.

TGIF -CORNER..

Nov. 2nd - TGIF: We will meet at Harrison's Restaurant, Main Street, Tipp City, at 6:30 PM for dinner and fellowship. Please RSVP to Cheryl Jackson by Oct. 31. (698-4215) or Lou Ann Jess (335-1165), if you intend to go.

Church News and Announcements

CHRISTIAN GROWTH OUTREACH

HOME GROUP BIBLE STUDY AND FELLOWSHIP

The Home Group Bible Study lead by Pastor Greg, has decided to take a break during the months of Nov. and Dec. due to the heavy activities of both the church and our families. We will resume in January.

New idea for January!! Have you ever had a question pop into your head as you read your bible, heard a sermon or participated in Sunday school lesson, but never really thought about checking it out or talking with the pastor or teacher???

Well, now is your chance to put together those questions, whether they seem insignificant, or not. Write it down and turn it in to Pastor Greg. We will go over these during our Home Group Bible Study when we resume in January. This will be a very interesting, fun, and educational way to start the new 2019 Home Group Bible Study class with it's much loved studies and fellowship.



DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS, NOV. 4th:

Don't forget to turn back your clock by 1 hour Saturday night and get that extra hour of sleep.

November Ushers:

Art Blackmore & Tom Fulton

Newsletter Deadline

Items for the November Newsletter are due on Nov. 25. Please notify Lynda Mott at (Lynda.mott05@gmail.com)

MEN'S BIBLE STUDY – Nov. 17

Our men's Bible Study class lead by Mr. John Fulton, will meet again November 17, 7:30 A.M. Saturday morning. The class meets every third Saturday morning of the month. Open to all men of the church and community. We look forward to your presence. For more details please call 937-214-4416.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

Our women's Bible Study class lead by Jill Benham, meets every week each Wednesday evening at 6pm. We have begun a new study on "*The beloved Disciple*" by Beth Moore on the life and ministry of the Apostle John. If you would be interested in joining our study group, please call Jill at 937-266-4456. Our study always promises to be interesting and rewarding. All ladies are invited to join us on our faith journey. "Not to us, O Lord, not to us, but to your name give glory, for the sake of your steadfast love and your faithfulness!" Psalm 115:1

2019 YEARBOOK NEWS

It's that time again to be thinking about any changes you may have in your address, phone numbers, and E-mail so that your Newsletters, One Call Now's, Cards, etc. will not be interrupted nor discontinued. Please submit any of these updates to Lynda Mott (937-478-6826 or Email: lynda.mott05@gmail.com) during the month of November.

It is also time to be thinking about your talents and how best to use them for the Lord when considering the many opportunities you have to serve on church committees and boards. Clipboards will begin to be circulated for your consideration.

ONE CALL NOW SERVICES!

Are you aware that our church has available *the One Call Now Service*. With Winter weather delays, announcements, prayer requests, or special activities, you don't want to be left out. Therefore, if you are not getting our calls, or if you have recently made any phone number changes, please see our secretary, Lynda Mott.

Church News and Announcements

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS-NOV. 18th

We are again this year, participating in Christmas for Kids through Miami County Children's Service.

The angels will be in the east vestibule on Sunday, Nov. 18th. When you have your gifts bring them to the church and leave them in the same vestibule. ***The angels are due back no later then Dec. 2nd.***

Take as many angels as you would like. If you have any questions contact either Gaile(308-2721) or Marcia(339-0402).

*As in the past, there will be 2 angels on the tree for each child. One angel will be for clothing and one angel for a toy suggestion.

*We ask that you buy ONLY the size/toy that is on the back of each angel.

*When you choose your angels from the tree please remember to sign your name to the sheet so we know who has which angel.

*Do not wrap the gifts but secure the angel securely to the package.

*They will also take donations of wrapping supplies.

Thanks for your help with this project.



\$\$ BY THE WAY \$\$

Doing a little "clean up" during the slow Winter months? Remember to set aside those good conditioned, no longer used items for the Cove Spring Church "Spring Rummage Sale!" Funds used for various missions of the church.

ATTENTION ALL YOUTH

Next Youth Group Meeting, Dec. 02

Sunday, December 02, from 5:00pm to 6:30pm is the next youth-group meeting. The youth will be setting up the outdoor nativity scene. Dinner will be provided. Please let Pastor Greg know if you plan on attending.

The youth will also again be delivering your Christmas cards for a free will donation. This will help fund their future activities.

All youth in grades 6th - 12th are encouraged to attend. Pastor Greg will teach a relevant lesson about how God changes our lives.

SUNDAY SCHOOL FINANCIAL REPORT

Beginning Balance September 1, 2018	\$717.53
Receipts	
Collections.....	88.00
Sub Total	<u>\$805.53</u>
Expenses	
Bank Fees.....	5.00
Sub Total.....	<u>\$800.53</u>
Ending Balance Sep. 30, 2018.....	<u>\$800.53</u>

Marcia Knife, Treasurer

Cove Spring Church
Statement of Revenues and Expenditures

	<u>Sep 18</u>	<u>Jan - Sep 18</u>
Income		
Basket Collections	\$ 3,834.00	\$ 32,369.73
Currency Envelopes	\$ 7,465.00	\$ 46,473.24
Special Offerings	\$ -	\$ 2,747.00
Mission Contributions	\$ 295.00	\$ 1,078.00
Fund Raising	\$ -	\$ 2,403.00
Memorial Fund Contributions	\$ 100.00	\$ 3,580.00
Music Fund Contributions	\$ 20.00	\$ 1,358.81
Miscellaneous Contributions	\$ -	\$ 4,393.30
Parsonage Rent	\$ 1,350.00	\$ 6,750.00
Donated Salaries	\$ 249.99	\$ 2,249.91
Interest Earnings	\$ 354.22	\$ 2,360.13
Unrealized G(L) on Portfolio	\$ (365.39)	\$ (202.12)
Total Income	\$ 13,302.82	\$ 105,561.00
Expense		
Payroll Expense	\$ 6,099.21	\$ 48,662.11
Pulpit Supply & Education	\$ 62.78	\$ 1,487.42
Pastor's Mileage Reimbursement	\$ 96.47	\$ 642.86
Workers Comp. Ins.	\$ -	\$ 237.76
Church Business Expenses	\$ 295.30	\$ 2,340.89
Capital Improvements	\$ 86,614.00	\$ 94,594.81
Trustee Expenses	\$ 182.27	\$ 12,440.26
Water System	\$ 20.00	\$ 411.00
Fuel Oil	\$ -	\$ 5,602.53
Electric	\$ 149.66	\$ 1,954.92
Telephone	\$ 74.95	\$ 584.55
Real Estate Taxes	\$ -	\$ 1,392.98
Liability Insurance	\$ -	\$ 2,540.50
Missions	\$ 395.00	\$ 1,253.00
Memorial Contributions	\$ -	\$ 1,854.30
Bank Charges	\$ -	\$ 52.85
Miscellaneous Expenses	\$ 206.92	\$ 2,056.96
Total Expense	\$ 94,196.56	\$ 178,109.70
Net Income	\$ (80,893.74)	\$ (72,548.70)

	<u>Sep 30, 18</u>
ASSETS	
Checking/Savings	
General Fund	\$ 187,753.30
Capital Improvement Fund	\$ -
Memorial Fund	\$ 24,116.76
Music Fund	\$ 2,828.87
Total Checking/Savings	\$ 214,698.93
TOTAL ASSETS	\$ 214,698.93
LIABILITIES & EQUITY	
Liabilities	
Accounts Payable	\$ 1,488.80
Payroll Liabilities	\$ 2,064.49
Total Liabilities	\$ 3,553.29
Equity	
Fund Balances	\$ 283,694.34
Net Income	\$ (72,548.70)
Total Equity	\$ 211,145.64
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	\$ 214,698.93

November 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 TGIF @ Harrisons, Tipp City.	3 Set clocks back 1 hr.
4 Mission:Family Abuse Shelter Daylight savings time ends.	5	6	7 Women's Bible Study 6:00pm Choir practice 7:30pm	8	9	10
11 Veterans' Day Blanket Sunday Baked Potato Luncheon	12	13 Women's Fellowship 2 PM	14 Women's Bible Study 6:00pm Choir practice 7:30pm	15	16	17 Men's Bible Study 7:30AM
18 Angel Tree- Christmas for Kids.	19	20	21 Women's Bible Study 6:00pm Choir practice 7:30pm	22 Thanksgiving Day	23	24
25 Newsletter Deadline for December.	26	27	28 Women's Bible Study 6:00pm Choir practice 7:30pm	29	30	

TO DO'S: Update address/phone information for 2019 Yearbook

Volunteer for a Calendar Committee

Clean out that basement for the Spring Rummage Sale

Send those Bible unanswered questions to Pastor Greg for the January

Home-Group Bible Study.