

# Covington Church of the Brethren Weekly Newsline

May 11, 2022



## REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

**Wayne Angle & Family** - Wayne is having heart issues and would appreciate our thoughts and prayers as he works with doctors to find answers.

**Elaine & Gene Kraus** - Elaine's surgery on her finger May 10th, to have a steel pin inserted, went well. Elaine & Gene appreciate your prayers.

**Kathy & Joel Miller** - Kathy underwent testing May 2nd to hopefully find the cause of very difficult health symptoms she has been experiencing. Prayers for helpful and accurate results are appreciated. Joel is experiencing increased pain and discomfort as well.

**Carol & Terry Minnich** - Carol's outpatient surgery has been rescheduled for 5/16 at South View Hospital.

**Dean & Martha Nevin and family** - Dean is improving at home. Dean & Martha and their family are thankful for your prayers.

**Tristen** (5 yr. old great-nephew of Marty Nevin) was injured in a fire in Germany receiving third degree burns. Tristen's father is in the Army.

**Angie Shroyer's** (Patsy Weyant's daughter) heart catheterization procedures, May 9th, at the University of Cincinnati went well. She has returned home. Patsy, Angie and her family are thankful for your prayers.

**Virginia & Norman Wolfe** - Virginia's recent testing revealed she has a cracked vertebra from a fall a few months ago. Prayers are needed as she and the doctors decide what direction to take in her healing.

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**The Southern Ohio District Office** encourages us to be in prayer this week for Prince of Peace Church of the Brethren.

### To Share Prayer Updates:

Please contact Cindy @ (937) 448-0100 or e-mail covingtoncob@gmail. Thank you!

### Continued Prayers:

*(In an effort to keep this continual prayer list active, we ask for your help in sharing prayer updates for your love ones and friends every 30 days.)*

Roberta Brock, Henry Brumbaugh, Linda Dearth, Erick Delgado, Colton Foutz & Family, Linda Gibson, Gregory (Esther Field's great-great grandson), Charlene & Ed Ingle, Bill Jackson, Yvonne Lear, Dave & Pat Lentz, Regina Lewis, Bruce Martin, Larry Minnich, Jim Perry, Mike & Carol Sawyer, Marie Stanfield, Jayne Strain, Sandy & Dave Wells, Sam Woods, Reece Wright, Mark & Roz Yantis, Sheron Zimmer, Carolyn Zorn. In the military: Matthew Carder, Tyler Lambert, Prayers for the people of Ukraine.

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### Congregational Business Meeting

There will be a short Congregational Business Meeting on Sunday, May 15, 2022 immediately following the church service. Purpose of the meeting is 1) For the congregation to vote on the Church Board's recommendation to amend the Constitution to include the Trustee Chairman on the Executive Board, 2) Article XVIII: Business Meeting Special meetings including amendments to Bylaws of the Constitution may be called by the Moderator or recommended by the Board upon giving 7 days written notice, 3) Deletion of Article XXI: Amendments - Amendments to bylaws of the Constitution is now addressed in Article XVIII.

**The Men's Prayer Breakfast** will be held May 18, 2022 at 8:00 a.m. at Buffalo Jack's.

### Church Meetings:

*Please note that the monthly church meetings scheduled for May 18th have time changes. They are as follows:*

Trustees Meeting - 5:00 p.m.

Church Board Meeting - 6:00 p.m.

Choir Practice - 7:00 p.m.

*Prayer changes things.*

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## Graduation Party!

The Alexander family invites you to join them in celebration of of Danielle & Michelle Alexander's graduations.

Michelle is graduating from Newton High School. Danielle recently received her degree in Pre-Veterinary.

Celebration Date: June 12, 2022

Time: 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Where: Covington Church of the Brethren  
Lower Level.

*Please join them as they celebration  
their very special day!*

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## Honoring 2022 Graduates

Plans are underway for recognizing Graduates in upcoming newsletters. The church office would like your help in acknowledging high school and college graduates for 2022. If you have a student/s that you would like recognized, please send graduate details and a photo to [covingtoncob@gmail.com](mailto:covingtoncob@gmail.com) or snail mail to Covington Church of the Brethren, Box 206, Covington, OH 45318. If you have questions, please contact Cindy @ (937) 448-0100. Thank you!

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**Covington Church of the Brethren  
Morning Worship Service**  
[https://www.covingtoncob.org/  
livestreaming-worship](https://www.covingtoncob.org/livestreaming-worship)

**The Weekly Newsline:**  
<https://www.covingtoncob.org/newsline>

## Covington Church of the Brethren Scholarship Award

This annual award is known as the Church of the Brethren Scholarship Fund (formerly known as the Fern Frey Scholarship Fund).

This award is awarded each year to a student(s) who actively attend the Covington Church of the Brethren and is a member of the current graduating class or an enrollee in advanced education.

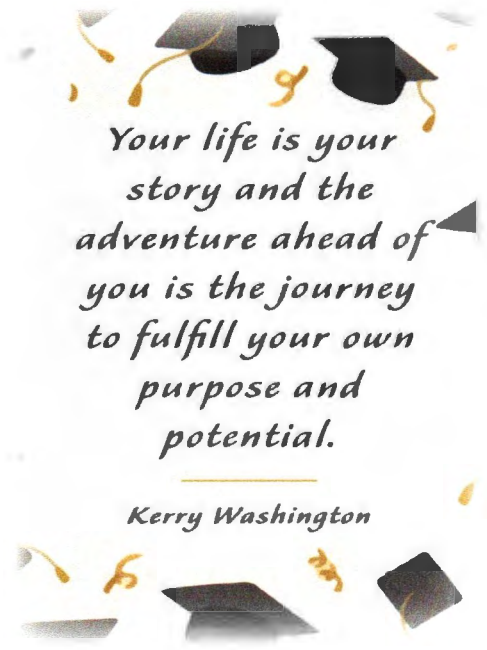
To be eligible a person must apply to the Finance Committee by June 30, 2022. The person must be enrolled in or in the process of enrolling in college, technical school or must be pursuing a career in a full-time adult vocational program.

Applications will be reviewed by Finance Committee. The Finance Committee has the right to decide on the number and amount of the award on an annual basis.

If you would like to support the scholarship fund, donations can be made at the church office.

Scholarship applications are available by contacting the church office @ 473-2415 or e-mail: [covingtoncob@gmail.com](mailto:covingtoncob@gmail.com)

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*Your life is your  
story and the  
adventure ahead of  
you is the journey  
to fulfill your own  
purpose and  
potential.*

*Kerry Washington*



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Our love, prayers and sympathy are expressed to:

## The family of Jeffrey Jackson

Shirley (Jackson) Reasor (mother) and Dan Reasor (step-father), family and friends at the death of Jeffrey Jackson who passed Sunday, May 8th at his residence.

The family will receive friends May 12, 2022 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. at Baird Funeral Home, Troy. (Shirley Reasor is Lois Newman's cousin). To read the complete obituary please use the following link: <https://www.tributearchive.com/obituary/24803649/jeffrey-s-jackson/troy/ohio/baird-funeral-home>

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## The family of George Lamrouex

Sylvia Warner and family at the death of George Lamrouex (Sylvia's brother), who passed away Monday, May 9, 2022. George's home was in Arizona.

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## The family of Mark Hyden

Ron Hyden and family at the death of his brother Mark Hyden. Mark passed Sunday, May 8, 2022. Funeral details will be available at a later time.

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### Please Note:

If you have any Repair & Maintenance concerns for the church please contact one of the following people:

#### Trustees

Carolyn Wolfe  
Home# (937) 526-4852  
Cell# (937) 418-3034

Mel Longendelpher  
Home# (937) 753-1198  
Cell# (937) 776-3812

Terry Minnich  
Home# (937) 473-5183

## Looking Ahead:

How often do our best laid plans get turned around or upended by the unexpected? The unexpected may be life-changing or may be a small deviation that serves as a not-so-small annoyance. Our news cycle continuously churns out unexpected and sometimes upsetting information. Our world can seemingly change overnight. Through it all, we can become unraveled. How do we press onward when our tightly-knit plans unravel into loose threads? What do we become when our identity—or the path we're on—comes undone?

On the other hand, In our unraveling, sometimes life surprises us with unexpected joy, love, and hope—with a new beginning we couldn't have imagined. And sometimes we need God to unravel us because we might need to be changed. Whatever the cause of our unraveling, our God can transform the frayed edges of our lives, weaving the fabric of who we are into a new and beautiful creation.

This summer, we will explore twelve stories of unraveling found in the bible. These stories hold the potential to help us see ways that God meets us in times of unraveling and forms us into something new.

May 15 – Genesis 18: 1-15; 21:1-7  
“Unexpected Joy and Surprise”

May 22 – Matthew 14: 22-33  
“Unraveled by Uncertainty”

May 29 – 2 Samuel 3:7; 21:1-14  
“Grief That Inspires Action”

June 5 – Genesis 18: 1-15; 21:1-  
“Radical Unraveling of Vocation”

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## Who, What, When & Where?

Here's a fun and interesting way to become more acquainted with your Bible. So keep it close at hand because we believe you're going to enjoy searching for the answers to our weekly Bible question. Some questions may be easy to answer, but some might be more challenging for you. Use any means in your search. There will be a new question every week!



### Question:

WHAT bird did God deprive of wisdom?

### Write Your Answer in this Space:

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*Look for the answer in next week's Newsline.*

Brought to you by your Witness Commission, Dean Nevin, Lois Newman, Linda Berrett and Marilyn Helman. Happy hunting. God bless you all!

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### "Pet Friendly Prayer Chain"

Please call:

Office# (937) 473-2415

Cindy's Cell# (937) 448-0100

or e-mail covingtoncob@gmail.com

*(Answer to last week's Bible question)*

*Salt*

*(Mark 9:50)*

**Community Vacation Bible School** will be held June 6th-10th at Covington COB. If you would like to volunteer please call Peg Longendelpher at (937) 753-1198. Watch for more details about VBS in upcoming news.

### New 2022 Church Directories

If you have not picked up a copy of the new church directory for your family, there are copies on the offering tables in the Sanctuary. If you or someone you know are not attending church right now, but would like a church directory, please contact Cindy Miller or Linda Berrett.

Directories are always a work in progress. Below are three e-mail updates that you may want to note in your 2022 Church Directory:

Dave Lentz: [lentzelectrical@gmail.com](mailto:lentzelectrical@gmail.com)

Charlie Nickel: [ncklchrls@gmail.com](mailto:ncklchrls@gmail.com)

Carolyn Wolfe: [cswolfe717@gmail.com](mailto:cswolfe717@gmail.com)

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### Mid-Week Reflection

Please join us on-line every Thursday morning for our 12-15 minute website video. We are invited to be still and know that God is God, as Pastor Mike briefly reflects on the many ways scripture shines the light of Christ on our day-to-day living. (e-mailed Thursday mornings at 9:00 a.m.) Thank You!

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### Birthdays

05/14 Nick Kraus

05/14 Melanie Batdorf

05/16 Deborah Ganger

05/20 Elaine Kraus

05/21 Kaylee Heck

05/21 Wyatt Allen

05/22 Doug Mertz

05/23 Ray Gibson, Jr.

05/25 Samantha Lange

05/28 Andy Angle

05/28 Robbin Adams

05/31 Rex Adams

# Summer Days Fun

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- BASEBALL
- WATERMELON
- POOL
- SAND CASTLE
- VACATION
- OUTDOOR
- SUNGLASSES
- MOWING
- BOATING
- TAN
- HIKING
- HUMIDITY
- MUGGY
- FLOWERS
- CAMPING
- GRILLING
- CHEERFUL
- SHADE
- SUNSHINE
- GREEN
- FAMILY

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