



THE MESSENGER

July 2024

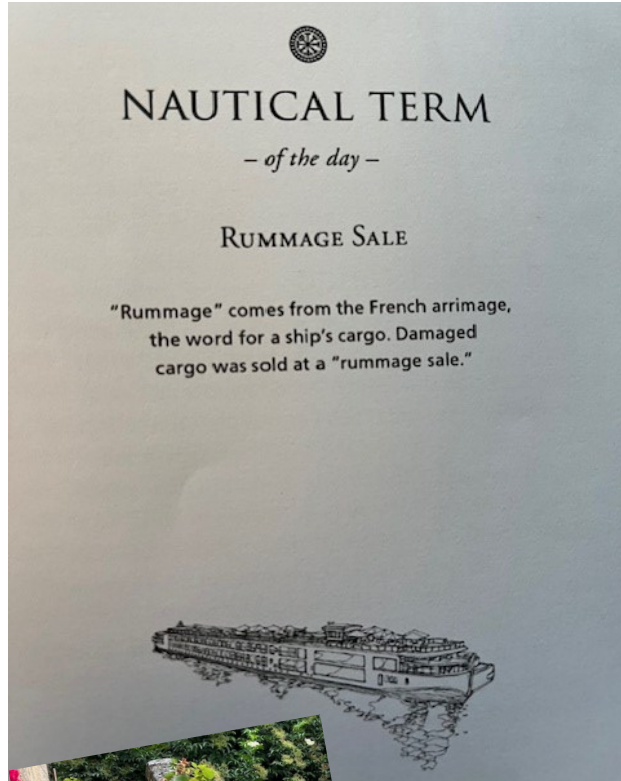
Dublin Community Church—United Church of Christ

RUMMAGE EXPLAINED

I would never have guessed that it would take sailing on a river in France to find out the true meaning of "rummage." (See photo HA!) I have had a very relaxing sabbatical, including the privilege of visiting France. I look forward to being back with you all soon!



Shalom,
– Rev. Lisa Bowersock



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Creativity Circle

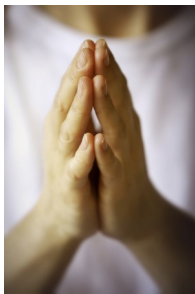
Are you interested in Creativity Circle? We have two Creativity Circles – one meets the second Sunday of the month from 3 to 5 p.m. and one meets the last Wednesday of the month from 1 to 3 p.m. **You're welcome to join us at either or both!**



Questions about the Sunday group, contact Karen Royce at kroyce6@gmail.com

Questions about Wednesday, contact Cindy Bitter at kcbitter77@gmail.com

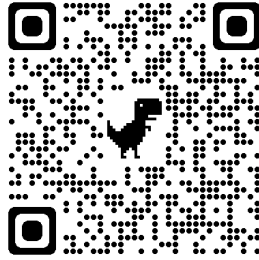
Prayer Chain



Our Prayer Chain offers comfort and support in a thoughtful, confidential, manner. If you know of someone's need for prayers, contact our Prayer Chain through Karen Harget (karenharget@yahoo.com or 614-891-8303).

SECOND MILE: JULY SECOND MILE:

Green Team. Donations this month will be designated to help purchase supplies to help further our recycling mission at Dublin Community Church.



You can drop a check in the red envelope and put it in the collection plate or use the QR code to the left to donate through VANCO.

Ann's Angels: There is still an ongoing need for cash donations for the Gimenez family. The QR code to the right will take you to our church VANCO page where you can donate directly to Ann's Angels.



There is still the opportunity to give the family rides to church. Visit this link to sign up: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904044EA9A828ABFF2-sunday#/>

Want to receive DCC information?

Send your request to: dublinuccoffice@gmail.com

You will receive *The Messenger* and important DCC announcements.

Our DCC-UCC Staff is Here for You

Lisa Bowersock, Senior Minister:
 Becky Sunday, Associate Minister:
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To the Other Side

Last June, we were privileged to receive a visit from our German Young Ambassadors. Their group leader, Rev. Martje Röckemann, shared in one of our worship services that, in preparation for their trip, she had spoken to the German youth about how Jesus said to his disciples, "Let us go to the other side" (Mark 4:35). Jesus was asking his disciples to cross the widest part of the Sea of Galilee, to a place and a people that were generally unknown to them.

Our German friends came to us in much the same way, crossing the sea and entering a foreign country to be among strangers. They came with curiosity and openness, in the hope that it would be a positive experience for everyone. And what a valuable time it was for all of us! We laughed together, explored together, learned together, and grew together. And when our two weeks came to an end, we cried together.

A year has passed, and now it is our turn to "go to the other side." But this time, we are not journeying to be among strangers, but rather to reunite with dear friends and family. On July 5, Matthew Kuck, Jennifer Redenshek, Amy LaDu, and I will have the joy of embarking with eight youth on our adventure across the sea. We go, recognizing that openness and curiosity are only a beginning, and that we are ultimately called to more. Living in covenant with one another requires us to not only cross over to places unknown, but also to break through internal barriers, to allow those who had once been strangers into our hearts and to be changed by them forever.

I have been invited to deliver the sermon for our group in the midst of one of the German congregations on Sunday, July 7. I'm planning to share the story of Jesus healing the paralytic in the second chapter of the Gospel according to Mark. In this story, the paralyzed man's friends were determined to put him in the presence of Jesus despite an unsurpassable crowd that filled the house and barred the door. They finally dug through the roof to lower him down. It is a story that reminds us that even though digging through the barriers in our lives can be difficult and may require sacrifice, our effort to get "to the other side" of those barriers is worth it. Depth of relationship has the ability bring healing and wholeness to what is broken in our lives. Carrying our friends in our hearts and holding them in our prayers has the power to put them in the presence of Christ.

So as we travel to the other side, we go in the hope of deepening relationships and strengthening covenant, knowing that we will be forever changed in the process. Thank you for your support and your prayers.

Peace and blessings,

Pastor Becky

It's time again for **Connect** to enjoy some free concerts.

This year we are going to Alum Creek Marina. You can bring picnic food to share and your own lawn chairs. Let's Connect on:

***July 27th for Shucking Bubba**

***August 17th for Whiskey Would**

Concerts are from 5:30 to 8:30. This is a family event. 4000 Hollenback Rd, Lewis Center, OH 43035

Spring Rummage Final!

We are happy to announce that the spring 2024 rummage sale was a success. Our financial totals will not be available until mid-June. Thanks to the many, many church members and DCC friends who contributed to that effort. The money raised will support OCWM (the UCC) Our Church's Wider Mission AND our DCC Youth Ministries. **Remember our next rummage sale will be Saturday, October 5th. The Prep Week will begin on Saturday, September 28th.**



Rummage Ruminations by Vallery Hoy

Twice a year there is a buzz in the air as the entire DCC community begins to prepare for its semi-annual rummage sales. Big and small boxes are brought to the church to begin the sorting process. Bags and loose items are placed in their designated areas of the church. These things were once treasures and were used every day by our families, friends and neighbors. The items, sometimes faded and gently-used, take on a renewed life. As with the spark of a magic wand, the items become bright and shiny like the originals purchased and the new buyers promise to love the new finds forever!

The "new" clothing outfits look stunning, say the purchasing families who have fled from their homes in far off places, often with only the clothes on their backs and their children in tow. All for chances at new and safer lives. The beautiful, new treasures of clothes, shoes, purses, coats, suits and jewelry allow all of them to have a sense of style and fashion. These purchased items give them a sense of self-respect and dignity. Housewares, linens, kitchenware, small appliances, and home décor as well as furniture, artwork and lamps provide them affordable choices to help them live their new lives in civilized manners with beautiful things that help them realize they are worth it. ***These donated items give hope and a sense of pride for the adults and children.***

Some other donations may be recognized as belonging to our church pew partners, allowing the new owners to keep a piece or part of their DCC friends with them. ***These newly purchased donations become a keepsake of Christ's love on so many levels.***

The spring and fall rummage sales are more than simply ways to make money for our church's mission ministries; they are ways of displaying Christ's love with one another in community.

Vallery Hoy

ROCKIN' THE RAINBOW CONCERT

#ROCKINRAINBOWCONCERT727

SATURDAY, JULY 27, 7-9 P.M.

DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 FOR SILENT AUCTION

AUCTION



Joyful Noises Celebrate Self



Made of the Mist



Donna Mogavero

BENEFITS: KALEIDOSCOPE YOUTH CENTER & NORTH CONGREGATIONAL UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

TICKETS: \$20 RECOMMENDED DONATION

LOCATION: 2040 W. HENDERSON RD. NORTH CONGREGATIONAL UCC

FINANCE/BSA

Dublin Community Church Financial Summary – through May 31, 2024

Financial Update: Thank you for your generosity and ongoing support of the Dublin Community Church!

For the Month

Contributions totaling \$28,271 were *unfavorable* to plan by \$8,640 or 77% of plan

Total Operating Revenue totaling \$37,543 were *unfavorable* to plan by \$10,673 or 78% of plan

Total Operating Expenses totaling \$64,155 were *favorable* to plan by \$16,489 or 80% of plan.

Net cash flow for the month was *unfavorable* to plan by total expenses exceeding total operating revenue by \$26,621.

Year-to-date

- **Contributions of \$175,306** was *unfavorable* to plan by \$9,249 or 95% of plan

- **Total Operating Revenue** was *favorable* to plan by **\$464,591** or **193%** of plan

Total Operating Revenue includes a transfer of \$252,241 from the capital reserve for renovation of the Goodwill room

Total Operating Expense was *unfavorable* to plan by **\$613,421** or **152%** of plan due to costs for renovations

Through May 31, 2024	Month				Year-to-Date					
Revenue	Actual	Plan	Var. to Plan	% of Plan	Actual	Plan	Var. to Plan	% of Plan	Annual Budget	% of Budget
Contributions - Pledged	\$ 18,652	\$ 29,583	\$ (10,931)	63%	\$ 115,254	\$ 147,915	\$ (32,661)	78%	\$ 355,000	32%
Contributions - Pledged Prior Yr.	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	\$ -	\$ -		\$ -	
Contributions - Unpledged	\$ 5,742	\$ 6,465	\$ (723)	89%	\$ 38,640	\$ 32,325	\$ 6,315	120%	\$ 77,580	50%
Contributions - Prepaid & Other	\$ 3,877	\$ 863	\$ 3,014	0%	\$ 21,412	\$ 4,315	\$ 17,097	496%	\$ 10,358	207%
Sub-total Revenue - Contributions	\$ 28,271	\$ 36,911	\$ (8,640)	77%	\$ 175,306	\$ 184,555	\$ (9,249)	95%	\$ 442,938	40%
Other Revenue	\$ 9,263	\$ 11,296	\$ (2,033)	82%	\$ 289,285	\$ 56,480	\$ 232,805	512%	\$ 135,542	213%
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 37,534	\$ 48,207	\$ (10,673)	78%	\$ 464,591	\$ 241,035	\$ 223,556	193%	\$ 578,480	80%

Net Cash Flow from Operations	Current Actual	Current Plan	Var. to Plan	% of Plan	YTD Actual	YTD Plan	Var. to Plan	% of Plan	Annual Budget	% Expended
Total Operating Revenue	\$ 37,534	\$ 48,207	\$ (10,673)	78%	\$ 464,591	\$ 241,035	\$ 223,556	193%	\$ 547,631	80%
Total Operating Expense	\$ 64,155	\$ 80,644	\$ 16,489	80%	\$ 613,421	\$ 403,220	\$ (210,201)	152%	\$ 637,596	96%
Net Cash Flow fav. / (unfav.)	\$ (26,621)	\$ (32,437)			\$ (148,830)					

Respectfully submitted by the DCC Finance Committee: Brenda Rizzo (Chair); Stefan Niewiesk; and Randy Evans

BSA TROOP NEWS

Troop 185 and 581 assisted the American Legion on Saturday, May 25 in replacing flags on veteran's graves at Dublin Community Cemetery. Our Scouts also marched in Dublin's Memorial Day Parade on May 27 and participated in the Wreath Ceremony.



JULY

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Preschool Summer Session M/W/TH	1 Grief Group 7PM	2	3 Red Cross 9-3 Special Drive	4 Office Closed Independence Day	5	6 SMMF 8:00 AM Goodwill
Young Ambassadors in Germany						
7	8	9 Red Cross	10 MORE, 6:15 AM	11 ECB—GW 7pm	12 Excellence Group 12-3PM	13
Young Ambassadors in Germany						
14 Worship 10 AM Creativity Circle 3-5PM	15 <i>Deadline for Confirmation Registration for fall</i>	16	17 MORE, 6:15 AM	18 ECB—GW 7pm	19	20 SMMF 8:00 AM Goodwill
Young Ambassadors in Germany						
21 Worship 10 AM	22	23 Red Cross	24 MORE, 6:15 AM	25 ECB—GW 7pm	26	27
28 Worship 10AM	29	30	31 MORE, 6:15 AM Creativity Circle 1-3PM			
Vacation Bible School						
Laura's vacation 6/22—7/7	AA Meetings Mon-Sat, 7 AM (KS) Mon, 6:30 PM (KS) Tues, 10AM; 1 PM (KS) Thurs, 1 PM (KS) Fri., 6:30 PM (KS) Fri., 7:30 PM (GW)			Red Cross Blood Drives * 2nd and 4th Tuesdays in the Goodwill Room		
Nancy's Vacation 7/30-8/11				Indian Dancers—Kennedy North Tues. /Thurs. 5:30—9:30 PM		Boy Scouts Wednesdays 7 PM— Goodwill Room

Happy Birthday!



- 1 Jill DeiCas-Nehls
Easton Elsass
Irma Flottman
Laura Tussing
- 2 Vanesa Clayton
Kevin Dicus
Alex Loustaunau
- 3 Susann Wittig
- 4 Ted St. Clair
Tina Goodman
- 5 Nicholas Koogler
- 6 Norm Dellner
Matthew Sparks
- 7 Jamie Menges
- 9 Jennifer Ployer
- 10 Martha McCauley
Christopher Pond
- 11 Andrew Foote
- 12 Kyle Howard
Dan Kinnamon
- 13 Lisa Bowersock
Brandon Bowzer
Abigail Foote
- 14 Allison Shoemaker

- 15 Tom Anderson
Eric Foote
Colette Julian
Shane Julian
Mary Ko
- 16 Stephen Kranz
Claudia Perry
Lynn Rose
Erin O'Brien
- 17 Christopher Crawford
- 18 Leo Clayton
Janice Lawrence
Stephanie Mizer
- 21 Alesia Miller
- 23 George Virgalitte
Alison Ward
- 24 Ross Walker
- 25 Jane Bellanca
Diana Evans
Wayne Headlee
- 26 Brian Redenshek
- 27 Lisa Kaiser
- 28 Sydney Carlson
- 29 Tom Moore
- 30 Tracy Zinn
- 31 Judy Coggin
Sophie Lane
Elaine Sparks
Janet Vance
Carrie Young

JULY BIRTHDAYS

The Perfect Way to

CELEBRATE!

Where do you find the perfect gift? Look no further than your very own Dublin Community Church Foundation (DCCF)! See someone's birthday listed? Celebrate them with a gift to the DCCF in their honor. Need a gift for the couple whose been married for 50 years? How about a \$50 donation to DCCF? Just make a check payable to the DCCF, add "celebration gift" in the memo line, and drop it in the collection plate. It's an easy, meaningful gift that will keep growing!

2024 Men's Retreat: Save the Date

Please join us for a weekend of fun and relaxation one last time at Temple Hills! October 11-13th! Look for more information over the summer.



VISIT US ONLINE AT
WWW.DUBLINCOMMUNITYCHURCH.ORG

MINISTERS/CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Rev. Bowersock's normal day off is Thursday.

Rev. Sunday's normal day off is Monday.

Church Office Hours:

9 a.m. – 4 p.m. Monday - Thursday.

9 a.m. – 3 p.m. Friday.





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SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

Vacation Bible School Save the Date

July 28—31, 2024



See Jill for a registration form.

Tickets Available NOW!



Bounty at Bridge Park

ESTABLISHED 2023

second annual event
benefitting the



Dublin Food Pantry

Lead Sponsor:



Sunday, September 15th, 2024

The Exchange
EVENTS AT BRIDGE PARK

6520 Riverside Dr., Dublin

6pm Cocktail Hour | 7pm Dinner & Program

events@dublinfoodpantry.org

www.dublinfoodpantry.org/bridgepark

