



Romans 15:5

THE BEACON

ST. BARNABAS: BRINGING ENCOURAGEMENT TO THE WORLD

The Newsletter of St. Barnabas Anglican Church
May 2008

Special Dates

May 4 Sunday First Communion
Please join us at the 10:30 am service as we welcome Julia Barnes, Sarah Sirignano, Emma Stefano, Elizabeth Templeton, and Michael Whalen to join the St. Barnabas Anglican Church family in the feast at the Lord's Table. A reception will follow in the Parish Hall.

May 9 Friday New Comers Dinner

May 24 Saturday St. Barnabas Bleacher Bums
Come cheer the Cleveland Indians to victory over the Texas Rangers at 7:05 pm. Paul Byrd personal faith testimonial in Mezzanine section at 5:30 pm, followed by autograph session. Grady Sizemore bobble head night (all attendees)! Great night of fun and faith !!

May 4, 11, 18 & 25 Evening Prayer

May 14, 21, 28 Copper Cup

Save the Dates

June 8 - Sunday Parish Picnic and Graduate Recognition Day
June 16 - June 20 Vacation Bible School

May Sermon Schedule:

May 4 Mark 1:16 - 20 "Holy Communion Sunday"
May 11 Pentecost Sunday (Whitsunday)
May 18 Mark 1:21 - 28
May 25 Mark 1:29 - 34





Thoughts from the Study

May is one of my favorite months of the year. The reasons are many, but the main reason is that spring sincerely arrives in these next 31 days. The days are lengthening, the weather is refreshingly warm, school's winding down, baseball's heating up, you see your neighbors that you haven't seen since November, there's a spring in the dog's step, and all is well in the American world. Isn't it!

Unbeknownst to many around us during this beautiful time of year, there is a spiritual battle that is raging and whether we like it or not, we Christians are on the front line. No matter where you find yourself today: at work, home, school, art studio etc., there is according to scripture, an invisible battle around us:

For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Ephesians 6:12

In the context of the sixth chapter of Ephesians, because God's people are in such a battle – we are exhorted by Paul to put on the full armor of God; Helmet of salvation, breastplate of righteousness, shield of faith, sword of the spirit, belt of truth, and lace up the boots of the good news of Jesus Christ. As we are fully equipped, Paul says in verse 18, *“Pray at all times in the Spirit, with all prayer and supplication.”*

I mention this spiritual battle because among as the school calendar draws to a close, the activities increase that family and neighbors are participating in and it's easy to be distracted with the things of this world that ultimately don't matter. I'm not speaking about our family responsibilities, or the events our children / grandchildren are involved in, but rather the discretionary time that we all have – some more than others. I believe that now is the time for us in the St. Barnabas community to be a united people of prayer. I am sure that in periods of our history there have been seasons of prayer, but I would suggest that now, more than ever, we need to be in prayer, and a church on a mission to be a blessing to the world. Most of us struggle with our prayer lives. To quote from the Rennovare' Spiritual Formation Workbook:

Most of us live in the midst of jobs and families and responsibilities that hamper our efforts to spend time with God. And everything in our hurry scurry culture works against our efforts to set aside time for Him. Colleges and business provide courses in time management so that we can squeeze every drop from every minute.

Televisions bombard us with ads that tempt us to spend our “leisure time shopping or attending movies or eating out”. Radios incessantly broadcast talk shows, music, sports events, and new analyses with such force that the sound vibrates our inner organs. Sometimes even our backgrounds prompt us to feel guilty when we are not doing something “creative.”

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Thoughts from the Study, cont'd ...

Although it is difficult to make space for God in our day, it is vital not only personally, but in our lives together as the St. B's community to be a prayerful people. We need times of solitude and silence, contemplation and reflection, prayer and meditation on God's word. We need them "just as much as Jesus needed them- to gain strength, wisdom, and compassion".

"How can I increase my prayer life?", you ask. Here are some steps:

Set aside 5 - 10 minutes each day for prayer. Read a passage of the Bible, pray over that passage (what are you saying to me, Lord?, or about what jumps out at you).

During this time: talk with God about your needs and concerns. Use the Daily Office (Morning, Evening Prayer services in the Prayer Book) to get you going, if necessary. When it comes to "intercessions and thanksgivings" - pray your concerns. The idea is to set your agenda aside and turn your attention to God.

James 5:16b states, *"The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working."*

As the weather continues to warm, may we all at St. B's, see God's great power through our prayers.

Coram Deo (Living before the face of God)

Gene

Needs and Blessings

- **Yard Work Help Needed:** The following parishioners are looking for help with yard work. Please contact them directly for details regarding the work, hours and pay.
Les Corrington (Bay Village) (440) 871 - 7097
- **Free Lawrey Organ.** 42"W x 34"h x 24"d. In good working order. Includes bench. Pick up in Rocky River. Call Carrie Hebert at 440-895-0479 or 440-823-9447.
- **Free Whirlpool Electric Range.** White, glass top, in good working order. Free for pick-up. Call Jim Schmitz at (440) 897-5080 for details.





YOUTH GROUP

Youth Group Calendar Dates

- May 4 6-8 pm Old Testament
 May 11 Mother's Day - No Youth Group
 May 18 6-8 pm Old Testament

KEEP IN TOUCH this SUMMER

This summer we are implementing KIT (Keep in Touch). KIT means that we will not be meeting weekly, but will get together to socialize, play, and eat once a month until school begins. Once the school year starts we will kick off 2008-2009 with a party and initiate the incoming 6th graders to our group.

Keep in Touch (KIT) Dates:

June 8

July 20

August 17

In and Around St. Barnabas ...

MAY BIRTHDAYS

May 1	Joseph Torok	May 18	Shane Hebert
May 4	Mike Marron		Maggie Ward
May 5	Robert Holschuh	May 19	Joseph Stark
May 6	Donna Lutz	May 20	Emma Stefano
	Ryan Reed	May 21	Ellie Irvine
	George Saunders	May 22	Sarah Davis
May 7	Reilly Fouts		Caroline Kennedy
May 8	Amanda Brian	May 23	Brett Butler
	Nancy Millradt		Aaron Clappas
May 10	Karen Huhndorff	May 24	Kara Hall
	Charlotte Ward	May 25	Jackie Butler
May 11	Cathy Hackman	May 28	John Cavalier
May 12	Samantha Behm		Howard Holleman
	Eleanor Kilpatrick		Linda Waitrovich
	Julie Toth	May 30	Kathy Rodgers
May 13	Doris McNeil		Kristine Johnston
May 15	Amy Reed	May 31	Michael Whalen
May 17	John Hackman		



If we missed your birthday, please contact the church office so we can update our records



The Kids Need You!

The **Summer Sunday School** session starts **Memorial Day weekend**. Sorry for being so blunt, but it is time for teacher sign-up for Summer Sunday School! The lessons are planned out and I will mail them to you a week before the Sunday that you have chosen to share your time and knowledge with the kids. Time commitment is only about 30 minutes; the benefits are priceless. The sign-up page is on the bulletin board opposite the church office. You can even enjoy more than one Sunday with the kids. Feel free to pick 2 or 3 Sundays!

CALLING ALL HEROES!



BIBLE ADVENTURE AWAITS!

June 16-20, 10:00 -11:30 am For a week of unforgettable learning.

We are gearing up for a Vacation Bible School adventure on the high seas for children age 3 through 5th grade to learn about some of the Bible's heroes. We will find that we can be heroes for God right now.

Moses, Gideon, Paul, Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego all have our adventurers looking to Jesus for the strength to be heroes.

"I can do all things through Christ because he gives me strength." Philippians 4:13.

Looking for a way to join the fun? We are looking for a few hearty leaders for the Spyglass Bible Theater, Whipcrack Island games, Clapping Rock Crafts, and Rock Monster Science lab.

The registration form for our little adventurers is included in The Beacon. Please print and complete one form for each child you wish to register. Registration fee (includes all materials) is \$10 if only one child in the family is attending and \$8 per child if 2 or more children from the same family attend. (No charge for children of our intrepid VBS teachers.) Drop off registration forms and fees at the church office.



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As we look ahead to Summer . . .

Until VBS, bring your children to **Biblesong**, Sundays 9:15 – 10:15 am, for a fun time learning the New Testament with songs, the "Name that Verse" game, and skits. We're having a great time!

Summer Sunday School - Sundays 10:30 am

Nursery care for infants and toddlers

3-year olds through 1st graders have planned lessons taught.

2nd graders and older should join their parents for services in the sanctuary.

Joyfully in Christ,

Becky Perrings

(440) 610-3828 (Call to volunteer, or with questions or concerns)



BRAVERY BOX

John Corn, a member of the St. Barnabas family, is deployed on his ship, USS Oak Hill, in the Middle East. He would like to provide his troops with personal items to help ease their wartime experience. Please consider donating any of the following personal and entertainment items, food, toiletries, or other necessities that you feel will let them know that the folks at home are thinking about them and praying for their safety and comfort. Please place your items (new only please!) in the collection box in the Foyer of the church. Jane Clark, John's mother, and the St. Barnabas Youth Group will package the items and send them to John for distribution on an ongoing basis until he returns in November.

Toiletries - Travel / sample size when possible

Sunscreen	Eye drops	Shampoo	Conditioner	Toothpaste
Deodorant	Odor Eaters	Hand Sanitizer	Cotton swabs	Cough drops
Vaseline	Soap (hotel size)	Shaving cream	Disposable razors	Hand lotion
Nail cutter	Foot / body powder	Lip balm	Combs / brushes (small)	
Toothbrush / dental floss		Tissues (pocket size)	Baby wipes (50 count)	
Feminine hygiene products (individually wrapped)			Bug lotion	

Necessities

Laundromat-size soap	Fly strips / swatters	Dryer sheets (for bugs/smell)
Hand-held fan w/ batteries	Clothes pins	Air fresheners (smelly tents)
Shower flip-flops	Hand warmers	Zip Lock bags (all sizes)

Entertainment Items

Batteries (AAA and AA sizes)	Books	Playing Cards	CD's (blank)
Envelopes / stationery (no stamps)		Phone cards	Writing tablets
Disposable cameras	Magazines	Puzzle books	Pens / Pencils
Sponge footballs	Frisbees	Calendars	

Food / Snacks - Individually wrapped

Cookies	Crackers	Canned Fruit	Beef Jerky	Hard Candy
Nuts	Ramen soup	Power Bars	Soft package Tuna	Gum
Trail Mix	Snack cakes	Fruit roll-ups	Peanut butter & jelly	
Cereal / granola bars	Instant coffee / tea bags		Condiments	
Hot chocolate mix	Powdered Gatorade	Plastic spoons		
Pre-sweetened or powdered soft drink mix (hot or cold)				

Monetary donation are also welcome to help cover shipping costs. Checks payable to St. Barnabas and identified for the Bravery Box may be given to the church office or put in the collection plate.

Our Beacon Shines On...

Kathleen Bosl, Minister of Music

Shalom in the precious and mighty Name of our Messiah Yeshua/Jesus! I am very happy and grateful to be on board at St. Barnabas Anglican Church as your Minister of Music. This is a blessing I have long prayed for and awaited.

Even though I am not a Christian, as a Jewish Believer in Yeshua/Jesus (often referred to as a Messianic Jew), I have ministered in several traditional Christian denominations as Music Director and, therefore, I am well-acquainted with the traditional Christian calendar and holidays, various liturgies, and styles of music from plain chant and pre-Baroque to Contemporary Christian.

For those of you who may not be familiar with Messianic/Biblical Judaism, just think of the Holy Family, the Apostles, disciples, Moses, Abraham, Isaac, Jacob, David, Sarah, Rebecca, Rachel, etc. - they were all Jewish Believers! And most important of all, Yeshua/Jesus is still the Jewish Messiah seated at the Right Hand of the Father! As Messianic Jewish Believers, we follow a Jewish/Biblical calendar. As for a Messianic Jewish synagogue in Cleveland, the community is still "under construction".

I have a Bachelor of Music Education Degree from Baldwin-Wallace College Conservatory of Music as a Voice Performance Major and Piano Minor where I was awarded the Kulas Scholarship and Margaret-Rusk-Griffiths Award Scholarship. Intensive post-graduate study has been consistently maintained in the private studios of prestigious voice coaches. A Concert and Recital soloist, I studied and performed in Milan, Italy at La Piccola Scala, performed with the Cleveland Opera Chorus for several seasons, and performed as soprano soloist for many oratorios. I am a cantor for synagogues and churches, and I free lance with my ensemble, *ELEGANCE*, which has performed on various stages including the Cleveland Playhouse pre-curtain programs; Beck Center For The Performing Arts, TrueNorth Cultural Arts, Ashtabula Performing Arts, Elyria Musical Arts, Three Arts Club of Lakewood, Lorain County Community College, country clubs, retirement communities, hospitals, libraries, schools, and many other forums. *ELEGANCE* has aired on WCLV - Classical radio.

I also serve as music director and music teacher, piano accompanist, and organist for private students, schools, congregations and a variety of programs. I am on the Voice and Piano Faculty of Beck Center Music School in Lakewood, and TrueNorth Cultural Arts in Avon Lake/Sheffield Village. I am a member of NATS (National Association of Teachers of Singing), OMEA (Ohio Music Educator's Association), AGO (American Guild of Organists) and an active performing member of the Three Arts Club of Lakewood.

I live in Lakewood and have two beautiful daughters, Maria and Angela.

"From the rising of the sun to its going down, the Lord's Name is to be praised" *Psalm 113: 3*

"Sing out the honor of His Name: make His praise glorious." *Psalm 66: 2*

Altar Guild Luncheon

Altar Guild Members - Save the Date !

The annual Altar Guild meeting and luncheon will be held Saturday, June 14, at 10 a.m. at Kathy Todd Ward's house (549 Cahoon Road, Bay Village). Please pick up your invitations in the Sacristy.

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Many, Many Thanks

The Kitchen Upgrade Project truly involved the time, talent and treasures of our church family. The adventure began December 26, 2007 with the removal of old appliances. There are many people to thank, with two especially to be acknowledged. Bob Middlemiss guided and worked on all phases, from floor to ceiling, from demolition to final touches. Elizabeth Peterjohn gave her creative talent to the design.

The diligent crew who gave so much of their time, muscle, and talent included Dave Bartrum, Tom Campbell, Leslie Croyle, Jeff Davis, Dave & Jane Godfray, Mark Hebert, Sue Hill, Sarah Hughes, Peggy Joyce, Lucy Morgan, Tom Payne, and Nancy & Gary Sabath.

Since the funds for the Kitchen Upgrade Project did not come out of operating funds, we extend deep appreciation to those who gave of their treasure to make this Kitchen dream a reality: Patricia Easton, Sue Hill & family, Michael & Laura Hill, Maureen Love, Alma Perkerson, John & Laurel Ryan, Gary & Nancy Sabath, Dori & John Salisbury, Adele & Joe Torok, and Jan Whittemore-Johnson & John Johnson.

Thank you also to all who gave encouragement to the worker bees during the upgrade project. Your words were, and are, so appreciated.

Finally, from all of us who were partners in this exciting (and at times exhausting) venture, we give to our church family a kitchen that has become the center of nurturing us all.

Graduate Recognition

Graduate Recognition will be Sunday, June 8th, at the 10:30 a.m. service. Please join us to honor our graduates, then stay, eat and celebrate at the St. Barnabas Day Picnic.

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GREETINGS !

The Greeting Ministry is very important at St. Barnabas. Often the Greeter is the first contact a new member or visitor has with the church.

Families and couples are encouraged to serve as Greeters together, and singles are also needed. The Greeters provide a warm welcome and assistance as needed before the service. They also guide children and their parents to the Sunday School wing and introduce them to Becky Perrings or a Sunday School assistant. Their responsibilities continue after the service as they encourage everyone, especially newcomers and visitors, to enjoy refreshments and fellowship with the St. Barnabas family in the Parish Hall or courtyard.

A sunny smile, warm heart, and willingness to serve are all that our St. Barnabas Greeters need to welcome our visitors and guests. If you are interested in joining the Greeting ministry, or if you have questions, please talk with Peggy Joyce or Gene Sherman.

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Order of St. Luke

The Westlake Chapter of The Order of St. Luke will be using St. Barnabas for its regular meetings, typically on the 4th Saturday of each month from 10 am-12 noon. 2008 Meeting dates are:

May 24	June 28	July 26
August 23	September 27	
October 25	December 6	

Thoughts on Stewardship

Happiness is ...? Acts 20:33 – 35

This month is a happy one for many. Graduation has come at last; the summer vacation is just ahead; and the weather is much more pleasant. All these are marks of the season we anticipate and enjoy. While enjoying the benefits of the season, note the apostle Paul pointed to one way we can experience blessing all year long. “Remembering the words the Lord Jesus himself said: ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive’ ” (Acts 20:35 NIV).

These words are not to be taken casually for they are the living words of Jesus Christ. They’re true. Being truly blessed is giving – giving yourself to serve others in Jesus’ name and giving your financial resources through your church to help others know the kind of happiness that only the Lord Jesus makes possible.

PRAYER REQUESTS

For those who are undergoing treatment for various illnesses and the on-going needs of their bodies and spirits, please remember in prayer:

Alberta, Alice, Amy, Andrea, Sam Andrew, Jean Andrews, George Armstrong, Kathy Bartrum, Bernice, Kathryn Braessler, Mary Brewer, Kate Butler, Cameron, Carl, Carol, Celia, Cheryl, Cindy, Colgate, Ben Cox, Dave, Dave and Carolyn, Dick and Dona Dillon, Douglas, Elaine, Corbin Fanning, Joseph Garca, Shelly Gray and family, Veronica Gildea, Kaylah Hackenberg, Harold, Lisa Hill, Bob and Sonia Holschuh, Jack, the Jackson family, Kenny Jackson, Jane, Charlie Johnston, Raven Johnston, Carolyn Jones, Kim and John, Kristen, Doug Lamb, Melissa Larzo, Laura, Rodney LeMaster, Russ and Kim Lenahan and family, Liz, Marcia, Marie, Mark, Bill McHenry, Mary Grace McLaughlin, Arlis Mercer, Michelle, Claudia Millradt, Sherry Mitze, Nicole and Tricia, Max Payne, Peggy, Phyllis, Robin, Danny Sabath, Sandy, Sara Kay, Sarah, Pat Saunders, Lauren Schmitz, Scott, Jake and Phyllis Seger and Judy, Shannon, Sharon, Kenny and Jeanne Sisson, Colin Smith, Tom Smith, Charlotte Swanson, Tamara, Terry, Timothy, Tricia, Tyler White, Laura Vickers, Tim Workman and family, Shirlee Zopf and family, and those other requests known to God.

Please pray for all those who have asked for healing, guidance, peace and comfort. *“Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God.”* Philippians 4:6

Sunday Services

8 a. m.
Holy Communion

9:15 a.m.
Discipleship Hour
Through 5/18/08
Resumes in September

10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion
Sunday School (Children)

Wednesday Service

10:30 a.m.
Holy Communion

Office Hours
Monday - Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Rector

The Rev. Gene Sherman

Associate Rector

The Rev. Robert N. Andrew

Ministers

All the members of the Church

Staff

Tammy Hamp & Becky Perrings
Children's Ministries
Lucy Morgan, *Events Coordinator*
Kathleen Bosl, *Minister of Music*
Tammy Hamp & Janet Mahon
Office Administrators
Gary Sabath, *Finance Secretary*
Marie & Jeff Davis, *Sextons*

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Jim Bailey	Mike Johnston
Dave Bartrum	Bob Middlemiss (Jr. Warden)
Steve Behm	Kathleen Roth
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MISSION STATEMENT

*Love the Living Lord
Foster His Family of Faith
Call the Culture to Christ*

VISION STATEMENT

*A Church Community Full of Disciples (who are)
Joyfully Worshipping the Lord
Enthusiastically Serving One Another
Compassionately Reaching Out to the
World for Christ*

VBS Registration



Families, please complete one form per child. Thank you!

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Age _____ Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____

Child's Grade (Fall 2008) _____ Sex / Male _____ Female _____

Child's Address _____

City / State _____ Zip _____

Parent's/Guardian's Name _____

Parent's/Guardian's Phone () _____ Cell Phone () _____

Persons to be contacted in case of emergency:

1. Name _____ Phone _____ Relationship to Child: _____

2. Name _____ Phone _____ Relationship to Child: _____

Does your child have any medical condition(s) that we should be aware of? _____

(allergies, medications, etc.) If so, please explain. _____

Siblings who will also be attending VBS _____

My child would like to be in class with the following friend or friends _____

I would like to volunteer to help with _____

We will need child care for _____ child/children, aged _____

The undersigned gives permission to his or her child to participate in the above named activity and releases _____, its officers, employees, and agents from any liability whatsoever for any injury or death to person or loss or damage to property sustained by the undersigned for any member of his family, in attendance, and the undersigned agrees to defend and indemnify _____, its officers, employees, and agents from any liability or loss they might sustain by reason thereof. In the event I cannot be reached in an EMERGENCY, I hereby give permission to the physician selected by the director of children's ministry to hospitalize, secure proper treatment for, and order injection, anesthesia, or surgery for my child as named above.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Insurance Company: _____ Policy No. _____

By signing this registration form you agree that any photographs taken of your child at or during this event are the property of _____ and may be used in future publications as deemed appropriate.

Please return completed forms and fees to the church office
Fees: 1 child - \$10
Family rate for more than one child in the family - \$8 per child (including first child)