



The Chimes

May / June 2023

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Cranston Memorial Presbyterian Church

A Word from the Editor

First of all, thanks to all who contributed to this issue of *the Chimes*: Greg Roberts, Jackie Nelson, Elizabeth Hill, Mary Campbell!

If you have something for a future issue, get it to me at

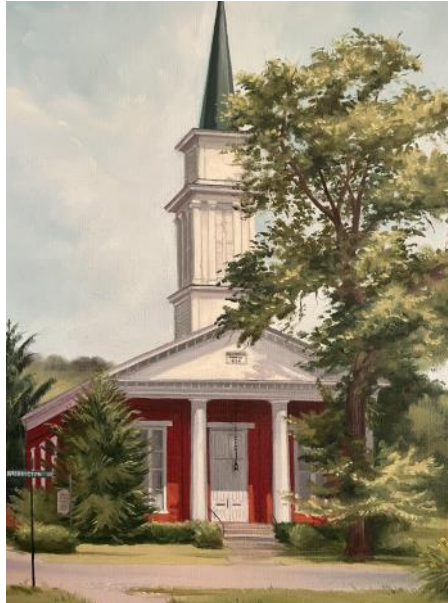
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The July-August issue is next up. We plan to have it ready online by July 1 and for mailing on July 2. The Coffee Hour after church on July 2 will be a stuffing and mailing party!

As was said last month, I see myself as the "Interim" editor and would gladly teach anyone how to use the Microsoft Publisher software Michael was using to put *The Chimes* together!
-Chris Torrey

Looking Back at Holy Week and Easter!

- ✓ Video of the Maundy Thursday service is available to view:
<https://youtu.be/6Y5VwSoLRrY>
- ✓ The picture below of the fellowship time following the Good Friday service says a lot about our welcome of neighbors during Holy Week!



Session Highlights

Session reviewed the memorable Holy Week services. Guests including musicians from UC's College Conservatory of Music and the River Valley Interfaith Choir were especially good!

Sign-ups for liturgists, coffee hour, and potlucks are encouraged. The next potluck is Sunday, May 21st.

All are encouraged to welcome guests from around the Presbytery at 9 am on Saturday, May 13th for the Freedom River Pilgrimage tour.

-Greg Roberts, Clerk of Session

May and June Birthdays!

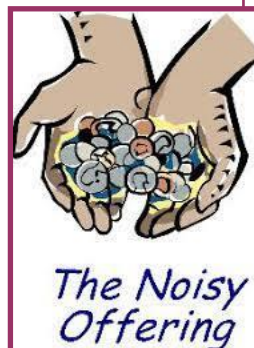
- May 1-** Helen Spencer, Linda Crozier
2- Tom Kidd
6- Jean Nelson
9- Grady Bajorek
10- Elijah Widmer
16- Becky Bice
19- Pam Switzer
20- Kris Moore
25- Shannon Porter Price
26- Jacob Annett, Storey Roberts, Alexa Manning
27- Shannon Porter Price
June 2- Catherine Reed
7- Izabella Clepper
9- Gloria Fisher
10- Kyle Delker
15- Jim Bice
16- Jackie Goodman
17- Eddie Dye
20- Doug McKinley
27- Billie Barnhart Pullum
28- Howard Saylor
30- Don Kissinger, Kelly Wright



MAY IS NOISY OFFERING MONTH!

During May we encourage you to bring spare change to put in the buckets circulated by the children during worship. All gifts received go to Heifer Project International.

Mary Campbell shared recently that last year we raised \$500 which was matched by a special gift. Sundays May 7, 14, 21, and 28 the children will pass the buckets and we will receive the Noisy Offering.





Freedom River Pilgrimage

Saturday, May 13, a busload of Presbyterians from throughout the Presbytery of Cincinnati will come to Cranston and travel together to Point Pleasant, Ripley, Red Oak and Georgetown. Greg Roberts is a leader for the trip! There are two ways you can be involved in the Day:

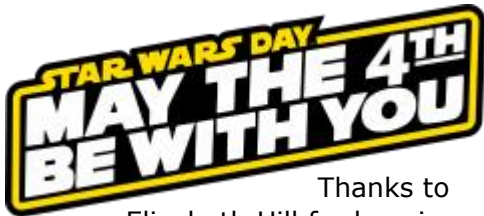
ONE OPTION: We need volunteers to help greet the travelers at Cranston at 9:00 am on Saturday May 13. Sign up at Church!

SECOND OPTION: You can join the tour starting at Cranston (the bus is full—you will be driving yourself). We'll have *a la carte* pricing for the various stops and for the lunch we'll share at the Chilo Lock 34 Park and Museum. Sign up at Cranston by May 7.



Who: You are invited by the Presbytery Center for Learning.
What: A Seven week preaching Institute. Cost: \$75.
When: 6:30-8:30 pm May 17, 24, June 7, 21,28, July 12,19.
Where: Presbytery of Cincinnati Office in Wyoming, Ohio
Faculty: Ron Allen, Dr. David Childs, Lisa Allgood, Presbytery Executive.

For enrollment or additional information, please contact Sheryl Helsing, Director for the Learning Center (Sheryl@cpresby.org)



Thanks to Elizabeth Hill for keeping Michael Findlan's list of wacky dates available for the CHIMES:

- ⇒ *May 5 is World Naked Gardening Day*
- ⇒ *May 14 is both Mother's Day and Dance like a Chicken day*
- ⇒ *May 29 is put a pillow in your fridge day*
- ⇒ *June 2 is National Donut day*
- ⇒ *June 17 is Eat Your Vegetables day*
- ⇒ *June 18 is Father's Day*



Preaching Schedule

Who's Preaching These next two months?

- May 7—David Fisher
- May 14—David Annett
- May 21—Martha Misheff
- May 28—Chris Torrey
- June 4—David Annett
- June 11—Chris Torrey
- June 18—Chris Torrey
- June 25—David Annett
- July 2—David Annett

Watch our worship services from anywhere on [facebook](#) or on the [church website](#)! Look up *Cranston Memorial Presbyterian Church* to find the services any time you want to watch.

New Richmond Area Ministries

The **National Day of Prayer** event is Thursday, May 4th at 6:30 pm at the Susanna Park Bandstand.

A Juneteenth celebration is being planned by Historic New Richmond, Inc. for Monday, June 19th at historic Second Baptist Church at 513 Market Street.

Tuesday, July 25th is tentatively scheduled for the next community dinner at the VFW.

Happy Wedding Anniversary:

- May 15—Bob and Yuko Lees*
- June 10—Mike and Mary Binder*
- June 23—Kevin and Mary Murphy*



THIRD SUNDAY POTLUCK

The Third Sunday each month is a Potluck Luncheon at Cranston! The Coffee Hour on the third Sunday expands into a sit-down meal and we're glad for your presence and your shared dish!

82 percent
of people are likely to attend church
if invited
by a friend or relative.