



FAIRGREEN LEAVES

From The Pastors Desk...

April 2022

We are concluding Lent...a time of **honest** reflection and self-examination... and then moments of **renewal**. It is also a time of rededication. Rededication to the ONE who we say we worship with our lives...not just our mouths but with our actions. It's this last part that is the tough part.

Soon, we will be celebrating Maundy Thursday. This celebration commemorates the time when Jesus' preparation for what He already knew would be His death **grows** more complete. One of our Lord's final acts with the disciples and followers who were with Him was to demonstrate - **through His behavior** - His love and humility. He took off their sandals and cleaned their feet by washing.

This was nasty work in those days. The roads and pathways were covered with dust and dirt and animal dung. The open sandals provided no protection. All of the nastiness that had collected on followers' feet was removed by our Lord through the act of foot washing.

Our roads and pathways are not like those 2000 years ago. But, the act of foot washing still symbolizes how God's only child sought to preach the Good News through **what He did**. And it can be a time when we can seek to rededicate ourselves to the ministry to which He calls us in our time.

That is why this year on Maundy Thursday, we will offer foot washing as a sacrament...as a prelude...to our celebration of Easter and the Resurrection.

Those who may be uncomfortable with this practice are **NOT** pressured to participate. Those who find it comfortable and meaningful are invited to share in this solemn, ceremonial remembrance of the life of unconditional love of our Lord.

Soon, images of Easter eggs, bunnies, flowers, and all sorts of beautiful things will dominate our consciousness. What gives these and other symbols meaning is the humility and self-sacrifice of our Lord seen dramatically on that first Maundy Thursday evening.

May God's name and presence be praised!!!

PASTOR BILL

**"Most Importantly, I believe that all children are where hope lies."
-Johey Crawford**

This is something that my sister has been quoted for. Johey was the first born child of Fairgreen's beloved member, Carol Yeager. She attended Rosewood and Fairgreen with our family growing up. My sister, Johanna Crawford was tragically murdered on December 16th of 2021 here in Oregon, Ohio. This was a domestic violence crime. My siblings and I have created a nonprofit foundation to continue Johey's legacy by supporting children and victims of domestic violence. This Palm Sunday at Fairgreen, we will be hosting a breakfast of eggs and sausage. We will gift any donations to the Johey and Micah's Village Foundation.

On behalf of our Mom, I am putting this out to Fairgreen Family...

Honoring Johey

Please consider making a donation in honor of Johey Crawford's bright light. A foundation has been established in both Johey and her daughter Mica's name to posthumously support the many, many social and community-based causes Johey was forced to abruptly leave behind.

Tax-deductible donations to **Johey and Mica's Village** can be made by cash or check to the **Greater Toledo Community Foundation**
300 Madison Ave. Suite 1300 Toledo, OH 43604
or directly through the foundation's website:

- o Go to: <https://bit.ly/Johey>
- o Select Johey and Mica's Village
- o Create a one-time or recurring donation (minimum \$25)



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- Johey Crawford

2018 CASA Courage Awards acceptance speech

Johey and Mica's Village is named in honor of Johanna (Johey) Ruth Crawford and her daughter, Micaela (Mica) Faith Sevilla. Johey and Mica shared an innate passion for always wanting to make the world a better place through chosen interests, advocacy work and their career pursuits. Both of their lives ended tragically too soon, with many of their hopes and dreams cut short.

The Village reference is in honor of a remarkable friendship formed by Johey Crawford, Tianda Mims, Bea Hardy, and Mary Lou Baumgartner who essentially became family through their "it takes a village" approach to raising their children. Tianda shared that they were all raising kids at the same time so their group began hosting monthly dinners where **The Village** would meet for food, friendship, playtime, conversation and song. Tianda explained that Johey was insistent that singing be a part of every **Village** celebration as Johey **REALLY** loved to sing. Many joyous songs were sung at each gathering with all birthdays observed by a family chorus of "How Could Anyone". And if a loved one passed away, a gospel rendition of "I'm Free" would help to sing that loved one to the other side.

Johey and Mica's Village is an aspiration for continued support of Johey and Mica's love of community advocacy, and a shared sense of unity in helping one another make it through this world.

-From Mission & Outreach



Johey and Mica's Village Foundation

At the March Session Meeting, approval was given for envelopes and information on the Johey and Mica's Village Foundation to be available for pick up on the Welcome Center. The foundation is named in honor of Johanna (Johey) Ruth Crawford and her daughter, Micaela (Mica) Faith Sevilla. Johey and Mica shared an innate passion for always wanting to make the world a better place through chosen interests, advocacy work and their career pursuits. The foundation has been established to support the many social and community-based causes Johey was forced to abruptly end.

This non-profit 501© (3) was developed by Julie Murray in memory and honor of her sister Johanna (Johey) Crawford who was the victim of a heinous, senseless crime. The Crawford/Yeager family came to Fairgreen from Rosewood Presbyterian church. We all acknowledge "Carol's (Yeager) Cupboard" as the forerunner of the enhanced and growing Fairgreen Food Pantry. If you have been wondering how you might support this family with a memorial, Foundation envelopes and information is available on the Welcome Center in the Narthex.

Palm Sunday Breakfast – April 10, 2022

All are invited for the annual Palm Sunday breakfast on Sunday, April 10, 2022 following our morning worship service. It is being hosted by Jim Eaton with the help of John MacPherson and Dan Winslow. The planned menu is scrambled eggs, sausage, sausage gravy and biscuits, an assortment of coffee cakes, fresh fruit, orange juice, coffee and tea. Linda Hoover will be looking for volunteers to help with the fruit and sweets. A free will offering will be taken with proceeds going to the Johey and Mica's Village Foundation.

Coffee Hour

Coffee hour after the Sunday morning service has been refreshing and exciting. We've had new visitors since Covid released its grip on shut-ins. Mary Beth Henning has brought her father Bill Henning several times . . . the entire family even hosting coffee hour. Don Gorrell surprised us one Sunday when his granddaughter Courtney brought him to church. It's wonderful to see some of our Fairgreen family again. With Spring on the horizon perhaps we'll see more of you. So now friends, it's time to be thinking about signing up for May and June Coffee Hour. Mother's Day, May 8th and Father's Day, June 19 are filled. But May 1, 15, 22 and 29 are open as well as June 5, 12 and 26. Please be thinking and signing up. Keep it simple, keep it easy.

***There will be a light coffee hour on Easter Sunday, April 17.**



A Word of Thanks –

On Saturday, March 12th our Fairgreen family served a luncheon following the Memorial Service for Linda (Lynn) Panyuscsik. We came together as always, honoring our departed friend in a way that we hoped she would find pleasing as well as acceptable to her family. Thanks go to Connie Winslow whose eye for color coordination, decorated all the tables. To Dan and Peg Winslow who set up and took down all the tables. To those who contributed food, worked in the kitchen, put out all of the food, cleaned up after the meal, dishes, etc . . . in no particular order, Judy Stuart, Agnes McKinstry, Sharon Durrant, Joyce Koback, Linda Hoover, Heather Allen, Bonnie Buehrer, Dick Schroeder, John and Nancy MacPherson, Alyssa Pope, Kay Amendola, Charlene Ravenscraft, Patti Nordhoff, Chris Robuck, Erika Dunn, Pat Gibson, Julie Murray and Jim Eaton. Words cannot express my thanks and gratitude to each of you for all of your contributions. My goodness, one person picks up where the other leaves off. This day God was right there with us in each and every way. We all give thanks to HIM.

-Marilyn McAfee



BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER

Bible Studies at Fairgreen Are for Everyone

We hope to continue with a hybrid model of in-person and zoom of all our Bible Studies – Monday Beginners Bible Study; Wednesday Bible Studies; and Saturday Bible, however, with the rise of covid cases things can change daily so for in person sessions please watch your email or call Mike at 419-260-7429. In-person studies are held in the church's lounge. Zoom participation can be accessed in three ways:

by clicking on the link which will be sent by email *(if you are not receiving this link, contact Mike):*

<https://zoom.us/j/4194754436?pwd=Z3RBSVVCUkxTMjdpODlibUZTTjFJQT09>

or go to <https://us04web.zoom.us>

and enter

Meeting ID: 419 475 4436

Passcode: 4754436

or on your smart phone Dial (312) 626- 6799

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Beginners Bible Study: Mondays at 2 pm, continuing the study of Mark

Wednesday Bible Study: Wednesdays at 3 pm is studying the book of Acts – the work of the Holy Spirit through the Apostles including Paul.

Saturday Bible studies are twice a month on the second and third Saturdays (4/9 & 4/16) currently studying 1,2,3 John. We begin at 9:30 am with a light breakfast and fellowship (when in person). Opening prayers and study begin at 10.



IN OTHER NEWS:

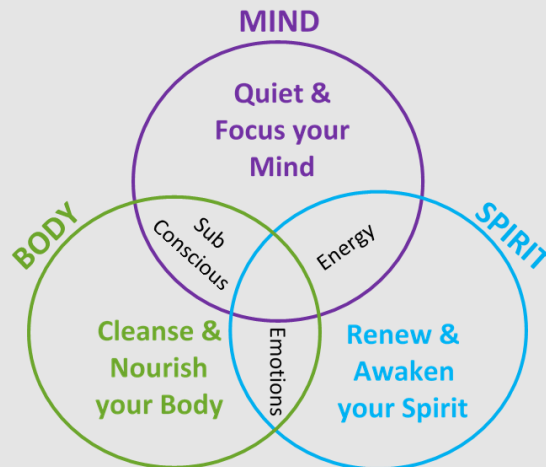
"We are excited to announce the first Wellness Event at Fairgreen!
Come learn and experience the different ways of bringing your body into wholeness and balance."

WELCOME TO WELLNESS

SATURDAY, APRIL 2, 2022

9:00am - 1:00pm

Admission with Donation



Debbie Filby
Natural Wellness
Certified Life Coach
419-704-3962

Brandi Brown
Healthy Hints & Nutrition
Sample Tasting
419-508-0749



Mary Jo Feldkamp
Find your Chi
Self-Defense
734-216-7524



Fairgreen Church, 3220 W. Laskey Rd, Toledo OH 43613
Please RSVP, 419-704-3962

Submission from Linda Hoover:

*Note to Pastor bill from Connie Winslow

Opened a note pad from some years ago & found this note on the 1st page written before the last "search" team went out.

It described what I personally needed in a pastor.

Wow! They found you, Bill, and it fit every hope I had written down!

Thought you might like another example

- Bible centered services + studies that make me think and relate to living daily

- a pastor who cares about the older members + lets them know it.

- who encourages all from young to middle to old ages to love + serve



Did you know that the FAIRGREEN FOOD PANTRY FACEBOOK PAGE has 408 members?





In a triple surprise celebration at coffee hour on Sunday March 27th, 3 special birthdays were honored: Sally Kille (March 30th), Pastor Bill (March 31st) and Pastor Mike (April 1st)

(Pastor Mike was unable to be there but his cake and cards were delivered to him)



EASTER CRAFT CLASS

On Saturday March 26th Mission and Outreach had an Easter Craft Class and it was a lot of fun and some amazing crosses and cards were created!!

Thank you to Connie Winslow and her daughter, Jennifer Webber, they led the making of the homemade cards and Dorothy Applegate led the making of the clay crosses. They are wonderful teachers!!



NOTE: The painting of the crosses will take place at 11am on 4/9/22 in the library.

April 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 <i>Wellness Day</i> 9am-1pm
3 10am Worship Service	4 Office Closed 2pm Bible Study *Open Gym 6-7:30pm	5 Session mtg @ 6:30pm	6 3pm Prayer & Bible Study	7 ACA Group @ 6:30pm	8	9 10am Prayer & Bible Study Bridal Shower 2-5pm
10 Palm Sunday - 10am Service *Breakfast Following	11 Office Closed 2pm Bible Study	12 M & O Meeting @ 10am	13 3pm Prayer & Bible Study *Last day of Preschool	14 ACA Group @ 6:30pm Maundy Thurs. Service @ 7pm	15 *Good Friday Self- meditation 12- 3 in the Sanctuary	16 10am Prayer & Bible Study
17 *Easter Sunrise Service @ 7am 10am Worship Service	18 Office Closed 2pm Bible Study *Open Gym 6-7:30pm	19	20 3pm Prayer & Bible Study	21 ACA Group @ 6:30pm	22	23
24 10am Worship Service	25 Office Closed 2pm Bible Study *Preschool returns	26	27 3pm Prayer & Bible Study	28 ACA Group @ 6:30pm	29 Food Pantry 3:30-5:30pm	30 Yoga 9:30-10:30am (pending approval)

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Dr. Mike Roadruck	April 1	Cindy Bandfield	April 5	Emma Bosely-Smith	April 21
Agnes McKinstry	April 2	Molly Bosley-Smith	April 11	Cheyenne Methena	April 22
Kathryn Allen	April 2	Jasmine Deal	April 12	Gracie Manner	April 25
Sandra Freels	April 3	Stephen Stambaugh	April 13	Derek Nordhoff	April 30

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3220 W. Laskey Rd.
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Young 5's
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Terri Turner, Director

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