

Annual Pioneer Vespers

September 5, 7:00 p.m. Outside the Pavilion

You will not want to miss this celebration! The 2021 season at Linwood will conclude as it has for decades with a service remembering those who have gone before us, giving thanks for those who have shared the summer with us, praising God for his presence and for the gift of Linwood, and concluding with the affirmation that we will meet again—either at Linwood or in eternity!

We will enjoy the singing of favorite hymns, the remembrance of those who have passed away this year and the welcoming of new babies, the annual flower ceremony, and the awarding of the Pioneer Bible. After the service we will head to the Stand for ice cream and fellowship.

You are encouraged to wear a mask. Please bring a chair or blanket to sit on. You will be able to access information on your phone during the service, so bring it along.

The sense of community and the warmth of this evening will carry us all through the long, cold winter, until we meet again.

Welcome to Worship

Let's join together on Sunday morning to celebrate a wonderful summer at Linwood! Pastor Chris will preach on "Sent Like Jesus." Some of our Linwood girls will do an interpretative dance—you will be delighted by this lovely form of worship.

All are welcome to this interdenominational gathering. Please sit in family groups on the cushions, which will be arranged to maintain distance. Children ages 2-5 will be invited to leave The Tabernacle before the sermon for their own special time.

The service will be live-streamed or you can view the service at your convenience anytime later in the week. You will find the service at:

https://www.facebook.com/LinwoodCCL/ or



Save the Date

Sunday School For Kids

Sunday, September 5 10 a.m. Worship Service Tabernacle

Sunday, September 5 11 a.m. Pioneer Sunday
Outside the Pavilion

Sunday, September 5 7 p.m.

Here's the Scoop!

SUNDAY SCHOOL FOR KIDS

Sunday, 10 - 10:45 a.m.

KIDS' SUNDAY SCHOOL SUNDAY, 10 – 10:45 A.M.

Calling all kids to Sunday School, where you will be warmly welcomed and meet friends your age.

Kids ages 3-7 meet with Mrs. Royek in the children's room to hear about the great stories of the Bible, do some fun activity pages, sing, and enjoy a fun time with your friends. *Parents, please drop off and pick up these smaller kids.*

Ages 8-12 – Katelyn Molter will be your teacher. You will meet your friends and learn about the Bible in the Library in The Tabernacle.

High Schoolers - Josiah Molter will be your teacher. You will meet your friends and have a lively discussion. Meet in the back room of the Tab.

A MESSAGE FROM KATELYN

We had such a blast last week at the final Family Night of the summer! Bingo Night was full of laughs and, overall, a great time with friends in the Park. Alana Hetche even won a \$25 gift card to her favorite restaurant, McDonalds!

Josiah and I have loved getting to spend time with you all every week at our events this summer. We hope everyone has a safe year back at home!



FROM PASTOR CHRIS SCRUGGS

Catching the Big Breeze

Sailors have a term, "Catching the Breeze." Sailboats depend upon wind to create the force that drives the boat or ship forward. A good sailor instinctively knows how to use the tiller and adjust the angle of the sails to catch the breeze and move the ship in the desired direction. In racing, just a few seconds of delay in a turn can cost a race. The same was true before steamships in naval warfare; the ability of the helmsman to deftly turn the vessel and catch the wind at the desired angle was of great importance. A second of delay could end in disaster.

Since our Linwood newsletter is called *The Breeze*, I thought that this imagery would be a good metaphor to use for my last article of 2021. In sailing, the ability of the sailor to "catch a breeze" matters a great deal. But in the end, it is the wind that drives the boat. The spiritual life is also about "catching the breeze." In the Christian life, our breeze is the Holy Spirit of God, the presence of God's wisdom and love in our lives. In Acts, we read: *When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting* (Acts 2:1). Jesus had commissioned his disciples to share the Good News to the end of the earth, but reminded them to wait for the promised Spirit of God to descend upon them (Acts 1). They did, and the Spirit came with power like a mighty rushing wind.

This week, our theme is "Sent like Jesus." We have had a wonderful summer at Linwood, but soon we will return to our homes, families, businesses, churches, and friends. Our time of renewal and rest is nearly at an end. Our time of waiting and preparing for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit is almost over. The time to reach out in wisdom and in love as we remain in Christ is upon us. God is sending us on a mission of love to share his love with others in our day-to-day lives, wherever God sends us. As we go, it is important to remember that we are not the power that drives the ship of the Kingdom of God. The Wind of the Spirit is the force behind all true mission.

On the other hand, we have a part to play in reaching others for Christ. As we return from our time together, we need to return to a life in community with other Christians and with God in prayer, in Bible study, in loving service to others. We need to

remaining connected to the source of life in Christ. In the Christian life, this is the equivalent of "Catching a Breeze" in sailing. Have a great sail in the Spirit until we meet again.

Yours in Christ,

Chris



A Bouquet of Thank-You's

This "place in the heart" that we call Linwood Park takes a lot of TLC year round:

- ♣ Thank you to the Linwood Park Board for all they do for the good of Linwood.
- → Thank you to the Linwood Council of Christian Life, who carry on our spiritual heritage and provide the programming that enriches our life together in this place.
- **4** Thank you to LPCOA for their creative activities this summer.
- ➡ Thank you to Matt Crase and the crew, who keep the Park functioning and looking beautiful.
- ♣ And thank you to the remarkable host of volunteers, who pour all kinds of resources into this place. You all know who you are.

LPCOA EVENTS

Our season has ended, and it's been a joy to offer so many activities for Linwood kids of all ages—from 2 to well over 70. Our very last event is tonight at 7:00---the Street Dance in front of The Stand. Please come to enjoy the music and camaraderie of fellow Linwoodites.

We're always looking for new, fun and creative events that will appeal to all ages, so if you have an idea for next year please email Deb Turner @ tdbgk@aol.com.



A BREEZE IN OUR MIDST

This summer we have shared stories of how God is moving among us, like a "breeze in our midst." The following story tells how that has been true for one Linwoodite.

THANK YOU, LINWOOD FAMILY!

By Barbara Enfield

In 1891, my grandparents came to Linwood on their honeymoon. Some years later my grandfather built a cottage so Grandma and her children could spend their summers here. They loved the Lake, the Beach, the Park. As a girl I was fortunate enough to be here every summer with my family—loving the Lake, the Beach, the Park.

Fast forward to 1966, I brought my husband Bill with our three children. We never spent a family vacation except at Linwood. We all loved the Lake, the Beach, the Park.

After almost 50 years, Bill and I decided that we so loved being at Linwood that we would make it our permanent home. It was the best decision we ever made. For seven years we loved living in our cottage, watching the Lake in all its seasons, finding beach glass, walking on the Beach, enjoying the peacefulness of the Park.

As Bill's health began to decline, our decision to move here became like a gift to each other. While we loved the Lake, the Beach, the Park, we began to realize that what makes Linwood unique is the People, the Linwood Family. One can feel the love and caring, the help that is so freely given.

Sadly, I lost my soulmate of 54 years last September. The week that Bill passed, his words came to me: "Barbara, I know if anything happens to me, Linwood will take care of you." Truer words were never spoken. Our Linwood Family went to work! The cottage was cleaned, beds were made, airport pick-ups offered, and the food—it just kept appearing! Any help I needed was immediately there.



My thanks to all the Linwood Family is unending, because the love and caring is unending. The list of kindnesses shown goes on and on. Each day when I drive through the Gate or watch a beautiful sunset, I thank our Lord for leading my family to Linwood.

The Stand, The Store, and More!

THE STAND!

It's your last chance! The Stand closes for the 2021 season tomorrow (Sunday) at 9:00 p.m. Grab the family and get down there!

Saturday & Sunday 11:00 to 9:00

The Grill will be open on Saturday and Sunday from 11:30 - 2:00, serving burgers, hot dogs, and brats.

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LINWOOD BOOK CLUB

Join the Linwood readers at The Stand at 10:00 a.m. on Wednesday, September 15th, to discuss *Peace Like a River* by Leif Enger. Everyone welcome!

PRAYING FOR LINWOOD

A group of Linwoodites meets weekly to pray for the needs of our community. Contact Bronlynn Eberhardt to let her know whom you would like added to the prayer list: linwoodprayers@gmail.com.

PASTOR SEARCH

An LCL search committee continues to work diligently and prayerfully to identify a Linwood Park resident pastor for next summer and beyond.

We are counting on the community's prayer support and are thankful for recommendations to consider. If you know of an individual who might be a good fit, please send contact information to Sharon Revennaugh at treasurer@linwoodchristianlife.org.

THE LINWOOD STORE!

Last Open Days
Saturday, September 4
7 – 9 p.m.

Pioneer Sunday, September 5 Noon – 2 p.m.

It is not too late to take home a memory of Linwood. There are still many wonderful items for sale. Our 32 Linwood-affiliated artists would like to thank you for another successful year for the Linwood Museum/Store.

Most items were priced between \$2 and \$25. This year's total sales were over \$15,000. After paying the artists and deducting expenses, the proceeds go to the LPCOA.

Jenn Williams and Janet Waggoner have agreed to host again for 2022. We are always interested in new ideas and items and that means new artists too.

Thanks again to our Linwood Community. And thanks from the Linwood Community to Jenn, Janet, and all who have worked The Store!

A WORD FROM THE BREEZE

Many thanks to Kate Breece, who has coedited and formatted *the Breeze* every week. It's her skill and creativity that make this publication so appealing.

We would love to hear from you. Has *the Breeze* been informative and interesting this summer? How could we make it better? Please send your response to: **breeze@linwoodchristianlife.org** Be sure to watch your inbox this winter for notification of when an online edition of *the Breeze* is up.

HOW TO SUPPORT LCL

Every year, Linwood Christian Life offers many opportunities for growth and fellowship through programming for adults and kids, worship services, various activities, and *the Breeze*. If you would like to help, go to linwoodchristianlife.org and click on the "give online" button. Or write a check to LCL and mail to 444 Ash St., Vermilion, OH 44089. Many thanks for your faithful support.

The Linwood Breeze is brought to you by the Linwood Christian Life in cooperation with the Cottage Owners Association. If you have info and/or pictures you would like included, email to: breeze@linwoodchristianlife.org. Deadline for information is noon each Tuesday. If there are pictures of children in the photos, include parental permission for us to publish the picture online and in the printed newspaper. Photos in this edition courtesy of: Eric Breece, Barbara Enfield, Katelyn Molter, Scruggs family. Graphics courtesy of: shref="https://www.vecteezy.com/freevector/