

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, Aug. 23 Outdoor Morning 11:00 a.m. Worship Service **Bluff West of Playground**

Sunday, Aug. 23 Vespers 8:15 p.m. Bluff West of Playground

Adult Bible Study Wed., Aug. 26 10:00 a.m. **Area West of** The Pavilion

Sun., Sept. 6 PIONEER VESPERS 7:00 p.m.

VESPERS

Sunday - 8:15 p.m. **Bluff West of Playground**

Is there a better time of the day at Linwood than sunset? And is there a better time to thank God for that day? Join us as we enjoy the quiet and the beauty and God's presence with us.

> In case of rain, Vespers will be cancelled.

Please remember to bring a chair and a mask.

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, August 23 - 11:00 a.m. The Bluff West of the Playground

Sunday Worship Service will again take place outdoors on the bluff west of the playground.

Winston Churchill said, "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." On Sunday morning, Pastor Chris will preach on The Joy of Generosity," basing his sermon on 2 Corinthians 8. You can also look forward to worship music and another Linwood Legacy reflection.

Picnic tables will NOT be set up, so be sure to bring a chair. There's plenty of room for space between us.

Bring your phone along, as you can find the words to the songs we will sing at *linwoodchristianlife.org*.

The service will also be live streamed at Linwoodchristianlife.org or on Facebook at https://www.facebook.com/LinwoodCCL/

If rain threatens, check one of these sites; last-minute decisions to live stream will be made by 9:00 a.m. Sunday morning.

PLEASE wear a mask, to protect yourself as well as others.

BIBLE STUDY

Wednesday, August 26 - 10:00 a.m. The Grassy Area West of The Pavilion

Join us as Pastor Chris leads us as we look at another text in the book of Luke. What a delight to sit under the trees and just talk with one another, sharing our lives and our understanding of scripture.

Please wear a mask and bring a chair!



LINWOOD BREEZE AUGUST 22, 2020

A Word From Our Park Pastor Chris Scruggs



The Joy of Prayer

This week, our theme is the "Joy of Prayer." It may not seem intuitive that prayer and joy go together, but they do. A common definition of prayer is that prayer is the activity by which our human wills are aligned with the will of God. In prayer, we reach out to the Ultimate with our requests, perceptions of reality, and hopes and dreams, receiving in response answers to our longings. Sometimes, the answer is "No" or "Not Yet." Sometimes, the answer comes in ways we never dreamed possible. Part of maturing in our prayer life involves increasing our sensitivity to God's Will and purpose for our lives.

This past Sunday, we had an interesting experience. We normally decide whether or not to have worship outdoors about 8:30 on Sunday morning. This Sunday, when we awoke the sky was blue and there was hardly a cloud in the sky. However, our computers said it was going to rain at 11:00. Nevertheless, we decided to have worship outside and hope the rain did not come until worship was over. We prayed for wisdom in making the decision, but were not 100% sure we made the right decision. By 10:00, there was a dark band of clouds on the horizon. Alarmingly, it was coming closer and closer. About 10:45, we decided to pray. After we prayed, we decided to move the worship service online. A downpour came at 11:00 am, just as predicted.

Our prayers that the rain be delayed until after worship were answered, "No." Our prayers that we might have the wisdom to know whether or not to move worship online, were answered "Yes." When the service was over, everyone on

the worship team clapped, filled with joy. I don't know if we ever enjoyed a worship service more, even though it was a far cry from what we originally intended. Much of what we planned was changed in order to move from outdoor worship to online worship service in only fifteen minutes. All of us sensed the Holy Spirit with us in a special way as we conducted the worship service. We knew we were in the will of God last Sunday as we ended the service.

This example reveals that God directs our lives in response to prayer, but not always as we desire or intend. I doubt any of us desired or intended for our nation to have a Covid-19 pandemic. Initially, I prayed that Covid-19 would go away. That prayer was answered, "No." On the other hand, most of us if we are honest with ourselves, know we have grown in some ways as a result of Covid-19. As unpleasant as the experience has been, our family has had a bit more time together, we have grown a bit closer, old tensions have emerged in ways that meant we needed to change. I have prayed every day for our country, the economy, and our family as never before. You may have experienced the same thing.

I ended the worship service Sunday with a call to prayer. We all know our country needs prayer. We all know our families need prayer. We all know our economy needs prayer. We all know we need prayer. We all know that Linwood Park needs prayer. As our summer ends, I hope we will all make prayer a priority—and experience the joy of prayer.

God bless you all,

Chris

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LET YOUR VOICE BE HEARD

Linwood Christian Life is conducting a survey to collect your ideas and suggestions about this year's LCL programming, and to help with planning for next year.

To fill out this brief survey, go to our website: www.linwoodsurvey.com.

We value your input!



PIONEER VESPERS

Labor Day Weekend Sunday, September 6 7:00 p.m.

Only Two Weeks Away!

Please read the important information below!

While the evening will look much different this year because of Covid-19 restrictions, we will try to retain as many of our annual traditions as possible.

A team is working on plans for this special evening. In order to provide for them the information they need, please go to linwoodchristianlife.org/pioneer-sunday. There you will find a registration form, as well as opportunity to report names of Linwoodites who have passed away during the year and names of babies who have been born. You may also request your favorite hymns.

An alternate way to report names and send pictures of those who have died and names and pictures of new babies is to send an email to president@linwoodchristianlife.org.

Or, if all this technology is driving you crazy, talk to Pastor Chris or someone on the Christian Life Council.

The absolute deadline for receipt of the information about deceased Linwoodites and new babies is Wednesday, August 26, at noon.



AUGUST ABUNDANCE

Surely there is no time when you can find such a grand amount of fresh fruit and vegetables as August. Here are some farmstands where you can purchase just-picked produce:

- Miller's Orchards peaches and more. Vermilion Road
- **Schlechter's** corn, tomatoes, and more. Take Vermilion Road, turn right on Rte. 113. The farm is just past Baird Road on the left.
- And while you are out at Vermilion Road and 113, stop at Miller's Apple Hill, which specializes in a huge array of bulk items, from baking supplies to candy.

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THE STAND & THE LINWOOD STORE/MUSEUM

CLOSED For the Season

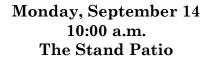
As most of you know, the pandemic affected the operations of both the Linwood Stand and The Linwood Store/Museum.

The Stand is now closed for the season and there will be no more Pop-Ups for the Store/Museum this summer.

Thanks to all of you who have enjoyed the limited openings and offerings of both of these great Linwood institutions.

We are hoping for next season to be far more "normal."





The **Linwood Book Club** invites any and all to join the discussion of our latest book selection.

We will meet on The Stand patio to talk about *Survival in the Shadows*, by Barbara Lovenheim.

Please bring your mask! We will maintain social distance.



Linwood Radio Music, Stories, Sermons!

Tune in to Linwood Radio, and you will be surprised at what you hear. This site is evolving into the best place to connect with what Linwood has been, what Linwood is now, and what Linwood is becoming!

Go to Linwoodradio.com, or while in The Park, tune in to 97.3 FM. You might be surprised!

How to Help LINWOOD CHRISTIAN LIFE

Even though Linwood Christian Life has been forced to curtail some activities and services during the pandemic, there is still a need for your support in order to meet the budget.

If you would like to help, go to: linwoodchristianlife.org and click on the "give online" button. Or write a check to LCCL and mail to LCCL, 444 Ash St., Vermilion, OH 44089. Many thanks for your faithful support.

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Linwood Council of Christian Life Policies for Outdoor Activities During Covid-19 Emergency

GUIDING VALUES

First, the Linwood Council of Christian life (Council) conducts worship services along with youth and family programs that are authentic to the witness of Scripture and consistent with the values and culture of Linwood Park. We love and respect each other caring for the least, the ill, and the infirm as best we can.

Second, as a form of loving our neighbor and honoring our authorities, we adhere to applicable Ohio COVID-19 guidelines and regulations.

Third, due to the diverse array of ages, health conditions, and levels of risk tolerance, we acknowledge with sadness, that the Council may not be able to accommodate every individual or family. If you are elderly, have current health issues, are running a fever, or have any debilitating illness which might complicate Covid–19, we ask that you worship at home through Linwood Radio or our Website: www.linwoodchristianlife.org. Also please do not attend youth or family activities if you or the attendee in question is at risk.

Fourth, we want everyone to know that, while the Council has adopted these policies, they cannot be effective unless people abide by them. It is up to individuals and families to attempt to abide by these policies. Each family should decide for themselves whether to attend any worship, family, youth, or children's activity.

Finally, we continue to monitor the various guidelines promulgated by the State of Ohio and information gathered from other sources. Council and its leadership are empowered to change these guidelines based upon any new information or guidance they receive.

With the above in mind, the following policies have been adopted for the safety of our activities at Linwood:

POLICIES

ATTENDANCE

You should not attend worship, youth, or family activities if:

- Any members of your household have experienced any the following symptoms in the past ten days:
 - Fever
 - cough
 - loss of taste or smell
 - shortness of breath
 - sore throat
 - Additionally, for children under the age of 12: new onset rash, body aches, or diarrhea/vomiting
- You have had direct contact with anyone known to have tested positive for COVID-19 in the past fourteen days.
- You have any disease that would increase their risk of contracting COVID-19 or having a serious or fatal reaction to exposure to the disease.
- · Worshipers should not attend services if they are under any quarantine order or suggestion by the State of Ohio

BEFORE ATTENDING ANY COUNCIL ACTIVITY

- We ask that everyone please wash your hands for at least one minute, using an appropriate soap.
- Please check your temperature and the temperature of the members of your household before attending, and if you have a fever do not attend outdoor worship or other activities. Watch online and pick up activities for your children at the appropriate spot.

SOCIAL DISTANCING AND MASKING DURING COUNCIL ACTIVITIES

- The Pastor and Youth & Family leaders will always practice social distancing, and have a mask ready to use if social distancing is not possible.
- Masks and hand sanitizer will be available at all activities.
- Households may stand/sit together, distanced at least six feet or more apart from the nearest separate household, or Council staff member. Masks are encouraged but not required to be used by household members, so long as 6 feet of separation is maintained.
- Participants at worship services should bring their own seating (golf carts, chairs, blankets, etc.). There are a limited number of picnic tables available, which are sanitized prior to service by the Park Company.
- If you are visiting with individuals outside of your family, please wear a mask.
- State of Ohio COVID-19 guidelines do not require children under the age of ten to wear a mask.

WORSHIP SERVICE AND ACTIVITY ACCOMMODATIONS

- The State of Ohio recognizes outdoor religious services are preferred, and all worship services, youth, and family activities will be held outdoors.
- If it is raining, Sunday in-person worship services will be cancelled and streamed as mentioned above, while Vespers along with youth, and family activities will be cancelled
- Bulletins for Sunday worship are available online at: https://www.linwoodchristianlife.org. Individuals can print their own at home prior to the service or download on site.

THE OSCAR MAYER WIENERMOBILE IS IN TOWN!



If you are reading *the Breeze* on Saturday morning, you may be able to ketchup to the Wienermobile, a 27-foot long vehicle honoring the hot dog.

Between 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. this Saturday (the 22nd), this conveyance will be at Miller's Apple Hill, 505249 Telegraph, Amherst (at the intersection of Vermilion Road and rte. 113).

Be advised that (strangely) you will not be given a hot dog, or even be able to buy a hot dog! But isn't the idea of a traveling wiener weird enough that you want to go??

By the way, if you are really lucky, you might be able to get a year-long job driving this thing.

Check it out!

How to Help...cont.

GRACE'S KITCHEN

This is a difficult time for many, and our local Grace's Kitchen is serving more and more people in need of meals. If you would like to make a contribution, please send it to: Grace's Kitchen, 5505 Liberty Avenue, Vermilion, Ohio, 44089. Please put MSV on the memo line. Thank you!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Do you have a prayer request? We would love to pray for you. Please send your prayer needs to: <u>Linwoodprayers@gmail.com</u>. We pray for our Linwood community throughout the year, so be sure to contact us with your prayer requests even in the "off season!"

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