

Community Christian Church

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OUR MISSION

changing, connecting
and caring for people in a
Christ-centered community

8:15am Traditional Worship
9:30am ABF/Sunday School
9:30 am Contemporary Worship
11:00am Contemporary Worship



Dan Asche

The year 2012 stands just a few days away and I already know it's going to be a tough year ahead of us! Yet, I believe it's going to be good year for us as a church family.

In terms of attendance we continue to be on the upswing [not that we are breaking records]. We had 30 Sundays this year where our attendance was over 300. In 2008 we only had 3 such Sundays so we continue to move in the right direction. Our yearly average for worship was 310. That is 19 above 2010 average. Continue

to invite your friends and others who need to learn about Christ and take their next step towards spiritual growth.

A second area where we have seen a raise is in our offerings. Our general, or operating funds, rose nearly \$30,000 this year. We did fall a few hundred dollars short of \$350,000 in our general fund. It really was a God thing because we have needed every dollar of the increase to help with the payments on the 50 acres [west property].

Since our church family voted to purchase the west property back in 2004, we have attempted to sell the north tract of land. In 2005 the property was upgraded to include sewer access. While some of you have faithfully continued to give to the *Can You Imagine* account, we have struggled to make payments on the loan [mortgage] from the income that we receive each month. Our monthly payment continues to be roughly \$5,200 a month. So in 2011 rather than use savings, we used general fund dollars. Something I doubt we will be able to continue doing in 2012.

Back in 2004 buying the land seemed like a great thing, especially if the north side would have sold. The economy today is not what it was in 2008. The vision to relocate to the west property has not changed. However, we need to begin thinking outside the box of how we might eliminate debt, and honor God through this process.

Thank you for your faithfulness in giving and your prayers for our leaders.

Has anyone read through the Bible in 2011? If so, would you indicate on your Connection Card this Sunday?

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New Sermon Series This Month



changing - caring - connecting
COMMUNITY
christian church

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c-group: small group of believers who are 'changing, connecting and caring for people in a Christ-centered community.' Not only is that the mission of 3C, but those 4 c's are what a **c-group** is all about.

Discussions revolve around the Sunday morning sermon in more detail and real life application. If you are not currently involved in a c-group and would like to join, sign up on your connection card. Go to communitychristian.cc to see when and where groups are currently meeting. Find a time that works for you! If you still have questions, contact Kurt Charlton



BEGIN WEEK OF JAN 8



**Sign up for our
next
Community 101
Session**

**Starts Sunday,
January 8th
9:30-10:30am
for 3 weeks**

teens



kurt charlton



winterBLAST '12
jan 13-15 [fri-sun]
a winter retreat that just happens to have skiing/tubing!
grades 8-12
2 nights lodging and all meals are included

\$54-no skiing \$79-tubing \$99-skiing/snowboarding
final payments due january 8th.



things COLLIDE things change. most of the time collisions lead to pain and destruction. but when we COLLIDE with God, things will change for the better. the only question is if you are putting yourself in a position to COLLIDE with God, or are you avoiding him?

RIGHTURN returns sunday, january 8 [6-8pm]

whether it's your face into a glass door, or a car into a tree...when

YOUTURN friday, jan 20 9:30-midnight

[more info at communitychristian.cc or email kurt at 3cfamilylife@gmail.com]

"your ATTITUDE should be the same as that of Christ Jesus" —phil. 2:5



[the deeper stuff]

every sunday 9:45-10:45am
[grades 7-12]



[for everyone]

sunday evenings 6-8pm
[eat 6-6:30] [grades 7-12]



[just for fun!]

friday, jan 20 9:30pm-midnight
[grades 7-12]

Register for events by using your Connection Card on Sundays.
Pay at the Connection Counter or through your offering envelope.

COMMUNITY 101

Sunday mornings [9:30am] Jan 8, 15 & 22, Led by Dave Hubert
If you call Community Christian your church family, or if you have questions about 3C, and have never taken this introduction type of class, then please come be part of this 3-week session. This is a great time to discover who we are as a church body and how we hope to change, connect and care for people in a Christ-centered community.

COMMUNITY 301

Sunday morning [9:30am] Jan 29, Led by Connie Cravens
This one-hour class is designed to take a deeper look at the individual personalities God gives us and the spiritual gifts and talents with which we've been blessed. We will also discuss where you can use those gifts and talents within the Kingdom of God here at Community Christian.



Dave Hess

Don't forget to pick up your 2012 offering envelope set in the east foyer. If you don't find your name, but would like a set, check the box on your connection card

Outreach Events

Men's Ministry

Jan 5 ROMEOS [retired old men eating out]

Watch for details in the weekly bulletin [Noon]
Contact: Bill Graham

Jan 29 Bowling @ Suburban Bowl [leave 1:30pm]
Senior High & Up [under 18/must be accompanied by parent]
All You Can Bowl [2-5pm] \$10 per person [includes shoes]
Contact: Tom McConnell

Apr 15-18 [tentative date] Golf Trip/Pickwick TN
Approximate Cost: \$350, Pay \$175 by Feb 5
[make checks to Outlook Christian Church]
Includes food, lodging and golf.
Contact: Dan Asche

Primetimer's Ministry [age 50+]

Jan 27 Movie Night [fh] 6pm
Second Hand Lion, Bring \$2 for pizza
Contact: Mabel Gelter

Women's Ministry

Mon: Piecemakers [quilting] [fh] 7pm
Contact: Carol Lawson
Tues/Th: Zumba [fh] 7pm Resumes Jan 10
Open to adult women of all ages. Exercise at your own pace. Bring a friend. It's free!
Contact: Jerrie Browne
Wed: Ladies Bible Study Jan 4 & 25
Current Study: Galatians Contact: Becky Conover
Sat: Women's Healthy Class [cp] 8am
Contact: Barb Turner

Jan 9 JULIETS [just us ladies intentionally eating together]
@ Kels in Bethel [6:30pm] Now meets every 2nd Mon
Contact: Laura Prescott/Kim Torok
Jan 23 Women's Planning [fh] 7pm If you are interested in our women's ministry, don't miss this opportunity to share in the vision and planning!

Goodsearch

Use <http://www.goodsearch.com/> as your search engine. Each time you search the internet you earn \$\$\$ for 3c. Using GoodShop [more than 2,500 retailers] earns us up to 20% of the purchase and GoodDining [more than 10,000 restaurants to choose from] will earn up to 6%. Just enter Community Christian Church [Bethel OH] in the box "Who do you goodsearch for".

Important Dates

- 2:** Office Closed
- 3:** Elders Meeting [Rm 209] 7pm
- 4 & 18:** Soup Kitchen
- 5:** ROMEOS [parking lot] 11:30am
- 8, 15 & 22:** Community 101 [9:30am]
- 8:** Prayer Warriors [Rm 207] 5pm
- 9:** JULIETS [@ Kels] 6:30pm
- 12:** Finance Team [Rm 209] 7pm
- 13-15:** WinterBlast [grades 8-12]
- 15:** Children's Ministry Volunteers [fh] 12:15pm
- 16:** Elder's Meeting [Rm 209] 7pm
- 20:** YOUTURN [grades 7-12] 9:30pm
- 23:** Women's Planning [fh] 7pm
- 27:** PrimeTimers [fh] 6pm
- 29:** Community 301 [9:30am]
- 29:** Men's Bowling [leave 1:30pm]

2011 Christmas Offering

Not too late to give. Help building a church in India, feed those in our community who are hungry, help plant a church in SC and contribute to the repair and painting of our building exterior.

Let's Get Fired Up! (clap, clap—clap, clap, clap!)

As I write this I've got 3 Christmas trees still lit in the house and a yard full of lights. I'm sure by the time you read this, they'll still be going strong! I have always loved Christmas and this year was no different. From the Angel Breakfast to the Kids Musical and the Jesus Party on Christmas Day, Jesus was held high by our children and I could feel His presence. I just don't want this feeling to end—and praise the Lord, it doesn't have to! I'm so glad that Jesus doesn't belong in a box of Christmas ornaments. My Jesus is huge and the 3C Children's Ministry is all about revealing how truly BIG He really is to our church kids as well as the children of this community. So I'm asking you to join me this new year as we take on the town of Bethel and the entire Southwest Ohio region. We won't be stopped. His message will be shared and the exciting thing is—it's gonna start through the ministry of His children! Wow—I feel like I should be getting out my pom-poms and turning cartwheels for Jesus! (Sorry, I'm sure that mental image is gonna stick with you a while.) Stay tuned to the website and my facebook page as the plans unfold. This year you can look forward to our children **learning about the love of God, experiencing the Salvation of Christ, and ministering through the power of the Holy Spirit!** **Let's Get Fired Up!**

Let's Get Fired Up Children's Ministry Volunteer Meeting - For all volunteers in Children's Ministry

Sunday January 15 12:15pm to 1:30pm

We'll provide pizza for you as well as your family and then we will have a session letting you in on all the plans for the new year! **DON'T MISS THIS!**

Blended Family Sunday Small Group Session February 5 - March 11

9:30-10:30am
Led by Scott and Lori Conley

A class designed to strengthen newly formed blended families as well as open discussion for those who have been there and done that!

Next Neon Kids Ministry Session Starts January 22

For mature 4 year olds through 6th graders
Neon Kids is designed to train kids to minister to other kids and adults through the use of singing, art, drama and dance. (Along with a lot of other cool stuff!)



Lori Conley, Director



Kids Kove:
Birth-Kindergarten every **Sunday mornings at 9:30 & 11am!**

The Track:
Elementary Kids ministry.
Sunday mornings at 9:30 & 11am!

Neon Kids:
Starts January 25!
6:30-8:00 p.m.