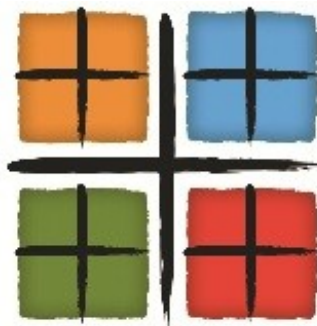




In late April the Stewardship Committee mailed Sheryl Lazenby's beautiful photograph of our church building. During May the Huggins Committee will be taking orders for 8x12 prints for \$50.

The proceeds will be for the Huggins Fund.

See page 12 for additional information on the Huggins Fund



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May Preaching Schedule

May 7

Fourth Sunday of Easter

Communion

Colleen Ogle

Psalm 23

John 10:1-10*

May 14

Fifth Sunday of Easter

John Keeny

Psalm 31:1-5, 15-16

John 14:1-14*

May 21

Sixth Sunday of Easter

High School Graduation Sunday

John Keeny

Psalm 66:8-20

John 14:15-21*

May 28

Ascension Sunday

John Keeny

Psalm 47

Luke 24:44-53*

*preaching text



High School Graduates will be recognized on Sunday, May 21.

. If you or a congregant family member is graduating from high school or college, please complete this form., or go to <http://tiny.cc/szysay> and complete the online form.

High school graduates will be recognized at both services on Sunday, May 21.

Graduate's Full Name _____

Name of High School and City _____

What next? _____

Example: John Smith; Whetstone High School, Columbus, OH; attending The Ohio State University, majoring in Communications.

King Avenue is All Together! by John Keeny

"ALL TOGETHER" is the theme of this year's stewardship campaign at King Avenue United Methodist Church. To show our congregation members' diversity and uniqueness and that we can work "all together", we are going to create a King Avenue quilt.

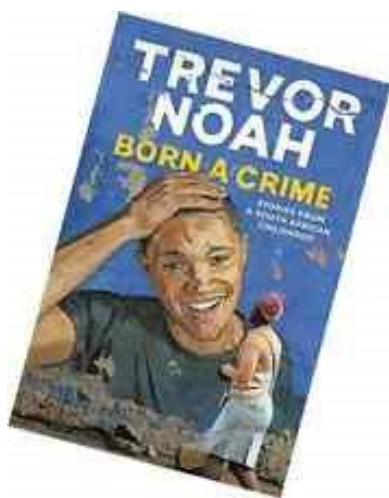
During the month of May, we ask that each person who attends King Avenue bring a clean, unstained, preferably used piece of fabric that will be used in the quilt (ie shirt back, children's clothing). The fabric does not need to be very large. Any size will do up to 8 1/2 by 11 inches (the size of regular copy paper). The color does not matter. What matters is that each person, regardless of age, contributes a piece of cloth. Each Sunday the ushers will bring the collected fabric with the offering forward to the altar.

Once the fabric is collected, Evy Hummon and Katie Shelley will work during the summer with volunteers who want to help put the quilt together. Eventually, the quilt will be donated to a needy family.

Collection boxes for your fabric will be in the milling area and Fellowship Hall during the four Sundays in May.

When we are ALL TOGETHER, we shall create a work of art.

May Lit Club



May Lit Club

Born a Crime

by Trevor Noah

Sunday, May 28 at 7pm

in the Logos Lounge

All are welcome!

Mark your Calendars for June:

June 3 **King Avenue Family Day Meet-up & Picnic at Slate Run Historic Farm**
June 9-11 **Youth Annual Conference at Lakeside, OH**
June 17 **Columbus Pride Parade & Festival**
June 26-30 **HERO CENTRAL: Vacation Bible School (Ages 4-Grade 3)**

Events, information and resources are added to the King Avenue Children, Youth and Family Ministries group of Facebook pages regularly. Check them often! If you are not yet a member of the Facebook group that applies to your family- join today:

[King Ave UMC ITP Group](#) (Ages 0-3)

[King Ave UMC Children's Ministries Facebook Group](#) (Age 4-Grade 5)

[King Ave UMC Youth Facebook Group](#) (Grade 6-12)

Worship Connections & Sunday School Take a Summer Break!

The last day for Worship Connections & Sunday School is May 28th.

Worship Connections will return August 13th.

Sunday School will return September 10th.

If you're interested in volunteering, please contact

Gwen DeRosa at gwendolyn.derosa@gmail.com . Thank you!

High School Graduation Recognition- *On Sunday, May 21st, we will be celebrating our High School Graduates during worship. If you have a student graduating high school this spring, please make sure that Erin Kendall knows the details so we may recognize their achievement on this day.*

It's time for to register for summer camp! Save a week this summer for summer camp at one of our wonderful West Ohio Camps located in 3 locations across NW and Central Ohio. Camp experiences range from a One-Day Adventure camp for 6-year-olds to week-long experiences up to Grade 12. There are also camps for families (you can camp in a treehouse!)- Please stop by the Children, Youth and Family Ministries office to pick up a brochure, ask questions or talk about camp for your child. No child should miss camp due to financial reasons- assistance is available. See Erin Kendall for more information.

Welcoming a little one into your household? Make sure we know the details of your growing family so we can celebrate with you! King Avenue likes to provide support with family visits by our staff, coordinating Meal Trains and making sure your faith family knows about their new brothers and sisters. Please let Erin Kendall, Rev. Keeny or Rev. Ogle know of additions to your family by calling the church office or sending an email to erin@kingave.org.

For more information on Children, Youth and Family Ministries, contact Erin Kendall at erin@kingave.org or by phone at 614.937.4211

“When Kids Come Out” – A Four-Session Class for Parents of LGBT Children

When a child comes out to his/her/their family, it often raises many questions for both the child and for the family. For example:

- ☐ What does it mean for the family when a child comes out to his/her/their parents?
- ☐ What does it mean for the parents’ relationship to their church?
- ☐ What does it mean for the parents’ own faith?
- ☐ How do parents navigate their own “coming out” after their children have come out to them?

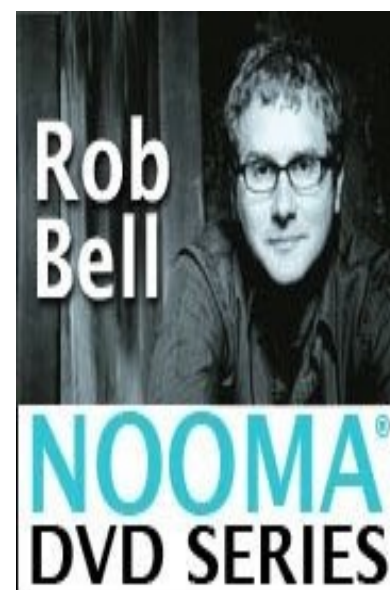
These questions are among those that will be addressed in the four-session class that will be held on Wednesday evenings from May 3 through May 24 at the Worthington United Methodist Church. The meetings will begin at 7:00 pm and conclude by 8:30 pm. The church is located at 600 High Street, Worthington. Parking is available at the church. Look for signs directing you to “Kids Coming Out” class.

The Rev. Jim Waugh, retired pastor in the West Ohio Conference, will lead the group. Jim and his wife, Carol, have an adult daughter, Lisa, who came out to them several years ago.

If you have questions or need more information, please feel free to email Jim: jwaugh3@mac.com

Please join Rick Gilson in exploring the NOOMA film series by Rob Bell.* NOOMA short films present ideas powerfully, using vignettes from everyday life to present Christian perspectives on issues we care about today. Each week the class will watch and discuss a NOOMA film that treats a different theme of daily life – anger, loss, what to expect from prayer, the noise of modern life, and more. Class will begin April 30 and continue through the end of May, meeting Sundays, 10:00 am in the Chapel.

***Rob Bell is The New York Times bestselling author of *Love Wins*, *What We Talk About When We Talk about God*, and his most recent book *How To Be Here*. iTunes named his podcast, *The RobCast*, Best of 2015.**



Notes

CONGRATULATIONS!!

Randy May, a former member and leader in King Avenue, has been approved by the East Ohio Conference Board of Ordained Ministry for commissioning as a Provisional Elder this year at Annual Conference. The commissioning service is Wednesday, June 14, 7:30pm, at Hoover Auditorium at Lakeside, Ohio. A reception for Randy will follow the service at 187 Vine Street. We are proud of you, Randy.



Cuisine For A Cause by Scott Vaughan



The ninth annual Cuisine For A Cause is in the books, and we're happy to report that we raised about \$17,000 to support the children of Casa de Misericordia. It seems clear that our venue for this year –

Strongwater Food & Spirits in Franklinton – is a terrific facility and those who attended had a great time. The money we raised is desperately needed by the orphanage as they struggle to provide food, housing, clothing, medical care, education, and emotional and spiritual care for two dozen neglected, abandoned and abused children. Children are brought to the orphanage by local police and social services workers, but the government does not provide any funding to help with their care. Instead, the directors depend on individuals and churches to contribute the necessary support. Cuisine For A Cause is the largest single fundraiser for the casa, and this year's proceeds will cover all their expenses for about three months. On behalf of the children and their caretakers, I say “muchismo gracias y bendiciones para todos!”

It is not too late to make a donation to support this important ministry; just visit <http://www.kingave.org/missions/cuisine-for-a-cause.html>. Or, consider making a monthly contribution. Contact the church office for details. If you have any questions about the orphanage or Cuisine For A Cause, please email cuisineforacause@kingave.org. In the meantime, thanks for your support and please plan to attend next year for our tenth annual gala!





A NIGHT AT THE THEATER

Join SPECTRUM for the Evolution Theater Company's production of **Corpus Christi** - by Terrence McNally - Presented in association with CATCO Joshua, isolated, tormented, an object of scorn, searching for acceptance and gathering a group of twelve disciples along the way bound to him by his message of love and tolerance. Ultimately, betrayed by his love, his plea that we look upon all souls as equals in the sight of God falls unattended.

Evolution Theater is central Ohio's LGBTQIA Theater Company and provides a supportive encouraging environment for celebrating the artistic vision of LGBTQIA individuals.

Date & Time: Friday May 5 at 8:00 p.m.

Ticket Price: \$15.00 - 20% discount if we can qualify for group rate.

Location: The Shedd Theater, 549 Franklin Ave. Columbus, Oh. 43215

Contact Steve at expect.sh@gmail.com to reserve your seat.



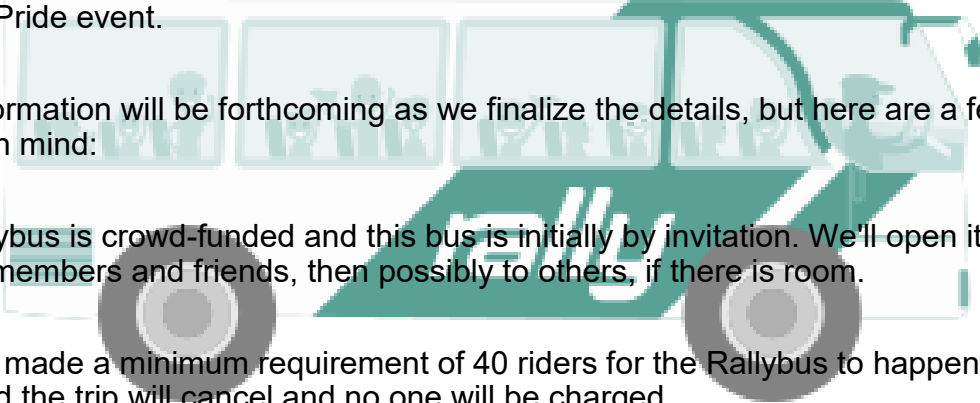
GET ON THE SPECTRUM RALLYBUS !

Organizers of the Washington D.C. Pride Festival in conjunction with several other organizations are working to bring together the National Pride March. This will take place on Sunday, June 11 on the National Mall in Washington D.C.

As is our tradition and in the spirit of unity and one voice for many and specifically our LGBTQ Community, King Avenue UMC **SPECTRUM** is organizing a coach bus trip to Washington D.C. We will join thousands from across the country for the Sunday, June 11, 2017 National Pride March On Washington.

This event is taking place the week before we in Columbus celebrate our own Pride activities, but hope that we can gather enough interest to be represented in this historic national Pride event.

More information will be forthcoming as we finalize the details, but here are a few things to keep in mind:

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1. A Rallybus is crowd-funded and this bus is initially by invitation. We'll open it to King Avenue members and friends, then possibly to others, if there is room.
 2. We've made a minimum requirement of 40 riders for the Rallybus to happen. Any fewer and the trip will cancel and no one will be charged.
 3. With 40 riders, the cost will be \$100 each. With the maximum of 55 riders, the price drops to \$73 each, with adjustments made for every number in between. (the more participants, the less expensive the ride)
 4. The bus will pick us up at Battelle and leave Columbus at 1:06 AM. Sunday morning and arrive in Washington DC at 9:30 AM. The bus will meet us at 6:00 PM at the arranged meeting place in DC and we will arrive home in Columbus at 2:23 AM. (Monday morning, really) You might want to consider using one of your vacation days at work on Monday.
 5. You may have food and beverages on the bus, but need to clean up your space before leaving when we get back to C-Bus. No glass containers. You may also leave things on the bus while in DC. (ex. Pillow, blanket....)

Westminster Bell Concert

Westminster Choir College
Westminster Concert Bell Choir
Kathleen Ebling Shaw, *conductor*

Featuring musical selections with a theme about water and its elemental presence in our lives, performed on the world's largest range of handbells and Choirchimes®.

Thursday, May 25, 2017
7:30 p.m.

King Avenue United Methodist Church
299 King Avenue
Columbus, OH

Tickets: \$10 suggested free-will offering
Phone: 614-424-6050
www.kingave.org

The WESTMINSTER CONCERT BELL CHOIR is composed of undergraduate and graduate students of Westminster Choir College of Rider University. Its director is Kathleen Ebling Shaw. This year marks the 39th year of the handbell curriculum at Westminster Choir College, which was the first institution to develop such a program.

Hailed for its virtuosity, the Westminster Concert Bell Choir uses the world's largest range of handbells – 8 octaves, from C1 to C9. Many of the bells are made of bronze and range in weight from four ounces to 11 pounds; the Choir also uses the large “Basso Profundo” aluminum-cast bells that are a new phenomenon in handbell ringing. The Choir supplements its handbell set with a six-octave set of Malmark Choirchime® instruments from C2 to C8 – the widest range in existence.

The Westminster Concert Bell Choir has appeared on Public Television's *Mister Rogers' Neighborhood* and several holiday broadcasts of the *Today* show. Its performances have been heard on National Public Radio's *Performance Today*, and it is included on NPR's *Christmas Around The Country II* recording. Most recently, the Choir joined singer Josh Groban for NBC's nationally televised Lighting of the Rockefeller Center Christmas tree.

The Choir has made 11 recordings; the most recent are *An English Christmas* and *Let Freedom Ring*. Celebrating her 26th year as conductor of the Westminster Concert Bell Choir, KATHLEEN EBLING SHAW is a Westminster Choir College alumna and a member of the Sacred Music faculty at Westminster Choir College of Rider University, where she teaches classes in handbell training and conducts a second handbell choir.

Well known as a handbell clinician, Mrs. Shaw has conducted sessions for the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers both on the national and international levels. She traveled with the Westminster Concert Bell Choir during the critically acclaimed 15-city North American “A Royal Christmas” tour, performing with Julie Andrews, Christopher Plummer, Charlotte Church and the Royal Philharmonic Concert Orchestra. She has produced eight recordings with the Westminster Concert Bell Choir: *Westminster Rings!*, *Praise and Adoration*, *Christmas at Westminster: The Westminster Concert Bell Choir*, *By Request*, *Westminster Concert Bell Choir: 30th Anniversary Collection*, *A Time To Dance*, *An English Christmas* and *Let Freedom Ring*.

Mrs. Shaw is the recipient of an Alumni Merit Award from Westminster Choir College of Rider University in recognition of her dedication to the art of handbell ringing and her enthusiasm and accomplishments in the classroom as well as the concert hall.



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May Special Offering

SPECIAL OFFERING FOR THE HUGGINS MINISTRY FUND - May 7, 14, and 21

The Huggins Ministry Fund creates, develops, and sustains innovative ministries at King Avenue. Over the years we have expanded our ministry by using the Fund to start the Welcome Desk workers, the instrumentalists at Morning Blend, and the Children and Youth minister. It has supported musicians for cantatas and Messiah, the resident pastor, a defense fund for UM ministers facing charges, continuing education for staff, participation in the Pride Parade, the West Ohio RMN, and the creation of Stone Village Church.

Please be generously supportive of this fund which allows us to be creative in our ministries.

NNEMAP

1. **Backpacks**-For those churches involved, and any interested in joining this mission, we will begin distributing the backpacks on Monday, July 17th. That means that preparation and communication to your congregation needs to start early enough to begin getting donated items in late June or early July. Please contact me with any questions.

2. Our **State Fair Parking fundraiser** happens from 7/26 until 8/6. Those 12 days need to be staffed. We were successful last year by asking churches to adopt a day by providing 8 people on 3 shifts. Three people work from 8am to noon, 3 from noon to 4pm, and 2 from 4pm until 8pm. We already have 3 of the 12 taken, and this is actually a fun event for our volunteers. And you can walk across the street when your shift is complete and enjoy the fair!

3. Grooming Kits will be distributed as they were last year. The clear bags with the needed items attached worked very well. We want to keep the timeline narrower this year. Your Network members will receive the empty bags in early August. We would like them delivered to NNEMAP in September so we can begin distribution in October. We do not want to keep receiving the kits throughout the fall, as that distracts from other programs.

New Life UMC

KITCHEN HELP NEEDED!



We serve every Tuesday morning from 7:00 -10:30. We need people to fill in as needed during the summer vacation season. They would only be called when vacations are scheduled for our regular volunteers
If interested contact Bill Albright at 614-604-5398 text/VM

Willard.albright@gmail.com

MISCAST CABERET

King Avenue Players present MISCAST CABARET

One night only!

Saturday, May 20 at 8pm

King Avenue UMC

General Admission - \$15 before 5/19, \$20 at the door

Purchase tickets by visiting www.eventbrite.com and search for King Avenue Players MISCAST CABARET

We're putting the FUN back in fundraiser! Join us for an unforgettable evening benefitting King Avenue Players.

Actors singing actresses' showstoppers, young women filling old men's roles and seniors playing ingénues. You don't want to miss this evening of madcap musical magic. Join us for a hilarious mix-up of some of Columbus' best performers singing songs from roles in which they would NEVER be cast.

Tickets:

VIP - \$25 (must be purchased by 5/13)

Beginning at 7pm, enjoy a delicious and delightful reception (with appetizers, desserts and mocktails) before you see the show.

United Methodist Women

SPRING RUMMAGE SALE

King Avenue United Methodist Women



Clothing
Jewelry
Housewares
Collectibles
Furniture
Home Décor
Books/Puzzles/Games
Kids' Toys

AND

Assorted Baked Items
Quiche
Pecan and Fruit Pies

Sale proceeds support missions:

Gates Fourth and New Life Ministries - NNEMAP - Open Shelter -
Community Development for All People - Aleluya Ministries of Hope in Mexico
Red Bird Mission and Henderson Settlement in Kentucky - and others

Friday, May 12, 2017

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Saturday, May 13, 2017

9:00 AM to 1:30 PM

299 King Ave, Columbus, OH 43201



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Mission Statement

*We invite, welcome and honor all people
and nurture them to grow in service with Christ.*

Worship Services

9:00am Morning Blend in the Fellowship Hall
11am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary

Sunday School

10am Children's Sunday School and Choir
10am Adult Sunday School

Senior Pastor`

Associate Pastor

Pastor Emeritus

Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries

Children & Youth Education Coordinator

Director of Music

Organist

Carillonneur

Office Manager

Building Manager

Finance Manager

Stewardship Secretary

Director of Online Communications

Sunday Hospitality Coordinator

Director of Campus Ministry

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