

SPECTRUM News for June 2019



Welcome to Pride Month! Your Spectrum team has been busy getting ourselves ready for all of the joyful chaos that comes along with PRIDE. Keep reading for news about our upcoming events!

The upcoming **SPECTRUM All-Church Luncheon** will take place on **June 9, 2019**. Come on down after the 11:00 service and enjoy a meal fit for

queens! We could use some culinary volunteers, so sign up on Realm, on our Facebook page, or on the back of the “Welcome” card.

This year’s **Pride worship service** will be held at **Maple Grove Church** (corner of W. Henderson and N. High Street) on June 14, 2019, 7:00 p.m. The following day, **June 15**, is the **Pride parade!** (We have lots of great signs for folks to carry thanks to the efforts of everyone who came out for last month’s Sign-o de Mayo.) Please keep watching **Realm and Facebook**, which will be updated with parade information as we learn it. There will be live information on Facebook the morning of the parade so you can find our bus in the pre-parade crowds. We hope you’ll be rocking one of our new King Avenue tees, but if you decide to go “vintage,” that would work, too!

Other upcoming events:

“Christmas in July” Family Movie Night, July 20, 6:00 p.m.

(Voting to begin soon for the movie we’ll be watching! This will be a family-friendly event.)

Tupperware Party with Dee W. Iye, August 16, 2019, tentatively scheduled for 6:30 p.m. (Childcare will be available; further details, including RSVP info, are forthcoming.)

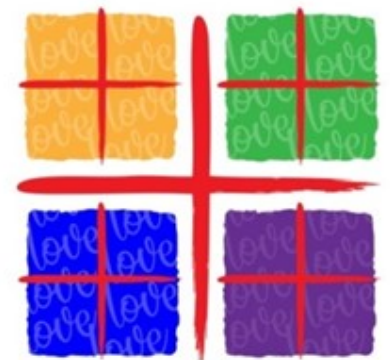
And one final thought before we head off to a month of glitter, unicorns, confetti, and Donna Summer music: **“When you reduce life to black and white, you never see rainbows.”** Happy Pride, you beloved rainbow-bedazzled children of God.

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KING AVENUE ACTS!

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June Preaching Schedule

June 2

Communion
Ascension
 John Keeny
 Ephesians 1:15-23
 Luke 24:44-53

June 9

Pentecost
 John Keeny
 Acts 2:1-21
 Romans 8:14-17

June 16

Trinity Sunday
Native American Ministries Sunday
 Colleen Ogle

June 23

2nd Sunday after Pentecost
 John Keeny

June 30

3rd Sunday after Pentecost
 John Keeny

Chancel Flowers

Opportunity to donate beautiful chancel flowers created for us

by A Green Floral Design Studio
 is still available!

Please contact the church office
 @ 614-424-6050 x100 to reserve your date(s).



Confirmation

Congratulations 2019 Confirmands!

Alexis Elizabeth Cox
 Addison Renee Kearns
 Luke Aaron McDevitt
 Rex Alexander Mesaros
 Eric Robert Shockney
 Brysyn Kai Holschbach Treadwell

June Special Offering



Native American Ministries Sunday
 June 16

Please give generously!

When you support Native American Ministries Sunday, you equip seminary students who will honor and celebrate Native American culture in their ministries. And you empower congregations that are finding fresh new ways to minister to their communities with the love of Christ.

Dance Lessons at King Avenue



Afro-Caribbean Dance Lessons at King Avenue

What is Afro-Caribbean Dance? This dance form originates in the area of Haiti, Martinique, and the Dominican Republic. It is an ethnic dance refined by modern dance techniques performed to the highly rhythmic sounds of cunga and d'jembe drums. The dance is high energy and employs large, graceful, and flowing movements that resonate with life! Come prepared to have your spirits lifted!!

Who is Teaching Afro-Caribbean Dance at King Ave? Meka Edmondson trained at Ballet Met under a principal dancer from the Alvin Ailey Dance Theatre and then went onto the University Arts of Philadelphia, there to obtain a B.F.A. in Dance. She has toured with the Chuck Davis African-American Dance Ensemble, Phila-Dan-Co, and Zenon Dance Company. Since retiring from professional dance companies, Meka seeks to help others learn to love dance.

Who is this class for? This class welcomes complete beginners. No experience necessary in Afro-Caribbean or any other dance form. Anyone who wants to try and is willing to learn, ages 10 through adult, are welcome. People under 18 must come with an adult. Learners should wear loose, comfortable clothing and be prepared to dance (in carpet) with bare feet.

When and where is the class offered? Classes will be Wednesdays, 6:30-8pm starting June 19 through July 24th (no class on July 3rd). Five sessions. Taught in room M5 (Chapel) at King Avenue Church, 299 King Ave., Columbus, OH.

Cost: You may register online for all five sessions for \$40. Online registration closes June 17. Or you may pay \$10 in cash by the class.

If You Have Questions: Contact Meka Edmondson at (614) 897-1121

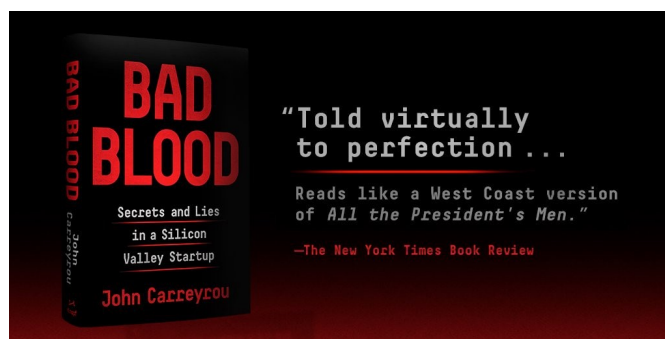
Lit Club

June Lit Club

Sunday, June 30

7pm in the Logos Lounge

All are welcome!



Children, Youth and Family Ministries News



Don't Miss It: Stay Connected!

Request to join our REALM & Facebook Groups that match your family and interests!

Facebook: Birth—Age 3 [King Avenue UMC ITP](#)

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

Grade 6-12 [King Avenue UMC Youth Ministries](#)

Have a question?

Need more info? Ask us!



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- ◆ Godly Play & Youth Sunday School
- ◆ Worship Connections
- ◆ Discipleship Mentor Program
- ◆ Confirmation
- ◆ Children's Moments
- ◆ Volunteering as a Teacher or Assistant Teacher for Worship Connections, Godly Play & Sunday School



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- ◆ Infant & Toddler Ministries
- ◆ Family Social Connections
- ◆ Children & Youth Service Projects
- ◆ Children, Youth & Family Fellowship
- ◆ Worship Participation (Children's Music & Acolyting)
- ◆ VBS & Camping Ministry
- ◆ Family Christmas Eve Service
- ◆ Meal Train Ministry
- ◆ Worship & Church Event Nursery Services

Summer Family Fellowship—June Event

When: Saturday, June 15th @ 5:30pm

Where: The Home of the Poole Family
 (address on Realm event)

What: Spend a few hours hanging out with your King Avenue family at the home of Andy, Shannon, Ella & Ethan Poole. Hot dogs will be provided, but bring a side dish to share. Each family should provide your own drinks and lawn chairs. RSVP on Realm event by Wed, June 12th if your family can join us! Address and contact information for the party on Realm event.



GET YOUR HANDS DIRTY! Join other King Avenue Families to work together to keep our church looking great by caring for a flower garden located just outside the West doors (in between the King Avenue parking lot and the Neil Avenue parking lot). Sign up on Realm for a week check on it (sign up link available in your Realm newsfeed under King Avenue Family Flower Garden & on KA Facebook pages.)



June 2019

Sunday Mornings at King Avenue – There's SOMETHING for YOU!

9am Morning Blend Worship - Fellowship Hall
Family Tables available during worship!

11am Traditional Worship - Sanctuary
Kids Activity Clipboards available during worship!

**Worship Connections will return in August and
 Sunday School will return in September.**
Have a great summer!

Real People Real Parenting
While we are on break and enjoying the summer, catch up on Chip Richter's podcast at rootsandwingspodcast.com, check out progressive Christian writer Cindy Wang Brandt's blog at cindywangbrandt.com/blog or take in a book recommended by beloved author Rachel Held Evans at rachelheldevans.com/blog/summer-reading-2016. See you on September 9th!



Fri - Sun, June 7 - 9 Youth Annual Conference @ Lakeside
Sat, June 15 10:30am Step-Off - Columbus LGBTQ Pride Parade
 5:30pm Post-Pride Family Fellowship Party @ the home of Shannon & Andy Poole
Fri, June 21 6-8:30pm Parents' Evening Out
Sun, June 30 NNEMAP Back to School Donation Drive Begins
Fri, July 5 Registration ends for King Avenue Camp at Camp Otterbein
Mon - Fri, July 8- 12 Youth Week of Service
Fri - Sun, July 19 - 21 King Avenue Camp at Camp Otterbein
Fri - Tues, July 19 - 23 Sr. High Youth Peace with Justice Trip to Washington DC
Fri, July 19 Registration ends for VBS
Fri, July 26 Parents' Evening Out
Mon - Fri, July 29 - Aug 3 VBS

If your family is interested in hosting or co-hosting a King Avenue **Summer Family Fellowship** Event in July or August—let Erin know! You choose the date and activity. Activities must be appropriate for all ages. Contact Erin with questions or to reserve your date.



ACTS UPDATE by Andy Shockney, Lay Leader

King Avenue Church's vision, which states in part that we "lead reconciling ministries," and the decisions of the 2019 General Conference leave our congregation "misaligned" with our current denomination's policies. In March, the Staff Parish Relations Committee voted to create an ad hoc subcommittee, **A**lternative **C**onnect**I**onal **S**tructure (ACTS), to investigate emerging options to affiliate King Avenue Church with a Methodist judicatory of a compatible missional alignment. We have held our first meeting in May and have agreed we will explore options that are aligned with our church's mission and vision. We have conducted an initial assessment and identified a few opportunities. We will begin by establishing contacts with each new

opportunity to allow us to further clarify the requirements and expectations of any recommendation. To be clear, we are only exploring options at this time. But, it would be our hope to present focused and researched recommendations to SPRC and Admin Council. You should also be aware that the Finance Committee proposed to Administrative Council to escrow all apportionments that would be paid to the denomination through June of 2019. Administrative Council supported this proposal unanimously. Finance and Ad Council will consider the proposal at their July meetings. We appreciate your prayerful consideration and support as the ACTS committee pursues this important work.

Kroger Community Rewards



NNEMAP

NNEMAP needs volunteers! With the summer almost here, we lose many of our college students who help a great deal throughout the year. The positions are **shoppers** who assist our neighbors as they shop, **stockers** who fill the shelves, and **inter-viewers** who register the clients as they come into the pantry. Our address is 677 E. 11th Ave For more information, email Roy Clark at director@nnemappantry.org.

VBS

Registration is open now for VBS! VBS is designed for kids age 4 - Gr. 3. July 29-Aug 3 @ 6-8:30pm. Activity leaders, group leaders and youth assistants starting at Gr. 4 are encouraged to sign up to be a part of the fun! This year's theme is **Fruits of the Spirit**. Invite your friends! Sign up on Realm through July 19th. See Erin or Gwen for more information.

Did you know King Avenue can receive reward money by your shopping at Kroger?

In order to register, go to <https://www.kroger.com/topic/kroger-community-rewards-3>

If you have registered previously, please check to ensure you are still linked with the church account.

Fair Trade

A reminder that ALL profits from the second Sunday sale of Fair Trade goods (coffee, tea and chocolate) offsets the cost of the coffee served at the Morning Blend and 10am coffee hours.



New Life Community Outreach

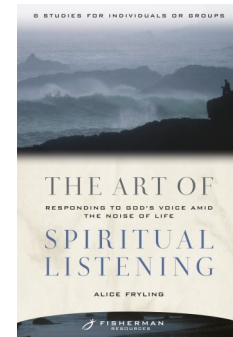
During the month of June, we will be collecting deodorant for the men's clothing room of New Life Community Outreach. A basket will be provided at the rear of the Milling Area for donated items.

Summer Small Group Book Study

The Art of Spiritual Listening with Colleen Ogle

Does God seem remote or abstract to you? Do you want to learn to recognize God's presence in the midst of your daily life? If so, this summer group may be helpful to you. We will meet select Thursdays through this summer to read and work through the exercises in Alice Fryling's short book, The Art of Spiritual Listening: Responding to God's Voice Amid the Noise of Life. In each of eight sessions, we will focus on one scripture and discuss a different theme. They are:

Thursday, June 20	Listening for God's Presence	John 4:4-26
Thursday, June 27	Listening for God's Love	Mark 5:25-34
Thursday, July 11	Listening for God in Scripture	Mark 10:46-52
Thursday, July 18	Listening for God in Times of Doubt	John 20:19-31
Thursday, July 25	Listening for God in Prayer	Ephesians 3:14-21
Thursday, August 8	Listening for God When We Are Busy	Mark 4:35-41
Thursday, August 15	Listening for God in Disappointment	Luke 24:13-35
Thursday, August 22	Listening for God's Transforming Power	John 5:1-15



In order to prepare for each session, participants will read a scripture and do the exercises in a chapter. There will be about 1 ½ hrs of preparation for each session. The small group will meet in the Chapel from 10-11:30 am. Registration closes by June 17. If eight people are interested in meeting on those same days for a summer evening session, Colleen will hold an evening session (7-8:30 pm) as well. Please email colleen@kingave.org.



Retiree Ministry Events June and July



Wednesday, June 19 from 11am-1 pm. **School Daze**

Join us for the next Retiree event on Wednesday, June 19 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and come ready to share a favorite story (or a laugh) from your years in school. Bring a photo of yourself in school, if you can find one! Some of our favorite teachers will share their insights and stories about "today's" students.

Bring your memories, your sense of humor, and your lunch. Maybe dust off that old lunchbox and pack it with favorite goodies. Thankfully, we're meeting in June, so no walking through the snow uphill...



Thursday, July 25 from 11 am - ? **Take Me Out To the Ball Game**

Save the date for the Retiree Ministry group's July outing to watch the Columbus Clippers take on the Scranton Wilkes-Barre Railriders. Gametime is at noon. Rides will be available leaving from the church at 11 am. Tickets will be on sale for \$7@ at church on July 7 and 14th. More details in the July newsletter!



LifeCraft 2019 Monday, July 29 through Friday, August 2 6:00-8:30 pm

LifeCraft: Meet Neighbors and Nourish Your Soul

Get together with friends and meet your neighbors during this mid-summer week with opportunities to explore the neighborhood, learn new skills, and savor life! There will be mini-classes of various kinds each night on topics from cooking, to art, to neighborhood architecture, to religion and philosophy. Registration will open in early July.

Reconciling Ministries Network



FRIDAY
June 14

7:00 pm

PRIDE WEEKEND

CENTRAL OHIO
RECONCILING
CHURCHES
WORSHIP!

**JOIN US FOR WONDROUS MUSIC,
TESTIMONIES, COMMUNION, AND PRAYER
AS WE LIFT ONE ANOTHER UP,
AND PREPARE FOR THE JOURNEY BEFORE US**

MAPLE GROVE UMC

**7 WEST HENDERSON ROAD
COLUMBUS**

(ENTRANCE ON ALDRICH RD, ONE STREET SOUTH OF HENDERSON)

Help Your Pastors Help You!

Please communicate with the pastors if you or someone you know is in need of pastoral care.



FOOD PROCESSOR NEEDED

The Kitchen Cabinet (the wonderful people who bring you the tasty all-church lunches) are in need of a food processor. Please contact Lynn Kirch (614)563-2048 if you are in a position to donate one.



King Avenue Church

Open hearts, Open minds, Open doors.

Mission Statement

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

Worship Services

9am Morning Blend in the Fellowship Hall

11am Traditional Service in the Sanctuary

Sunday School

10am Godly Play (Ages 4-Grade 5)

10am Youth Sunday School (Grade 6-12)

10am Adult Sunday School

Senior Pastor
Associate Pastor
Pastor Emeritus
Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministries
Director of Children & Youth Education
Director of Music
Organist
Carillonneur
Office Manager
Building Manager
Stewardship Secretary
Director of Online Communications
Sunday Hospitality Coordinator
Office Support Staff
Parish Nurse

Rev. John Keeny
Rev. Colleen Ogle
Dr. Leonard Confar
Erin Kendall
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