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Invite Friends and Family to Worship!

Service Times:

9:00 AM Worship with Piano and Hymns Service inside and parking lot on 91.1 FM

10:15—11:00 AM Sunday School

11:00 AM Worship with Band Service inside and parking lot on 91.1 FM

> Videos of all services are offered on our website www.mtneboumcoh.com and on our YouTube channel (Mt. Nebo Church).

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The Mt. Nebo

An Encouraging Word

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"Facing the Cross Together" is the title of the sermon series that begins March 9th . That Sunday is the first Sun-An Encouraging Word......1/2 day of Lent. Lent isn't found in the Bible. That's because it isn't a command or something instituted by Jesus. Rather, Lent is simply a practice that began to be used by early Christians as a way to help prepare their hearts for worshipping the risen Lord Jesus at Easter.

> What is Lent? It's a season of forty days, not counting Sundays, which begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on the Saturday before Easter. The word comes from the Anglo-Saxon word lencten, meaning "lengthen" and refers to the lengthening days of spring. The forty days represents the time Jesus spent in the wilderness, enduring the temp-

tation of Satan and preparing to begin His ministry.

Lent is meant to be a time of repentance. Repentance isn't a feeling of shame but an awareness that sin separates us from God and an awareness of what it cost God to save us (His Son, Jesus). Shame has its place, but feeling shame over sin isn't the same thing as repentance from sin. Repentant people come to God asking for cleansing from sin, but they also come asking for freedom from shame. Real repentance leads to a 180-degree change of direction, it requires real brokenness, but repentance starts with the regretful acknowledgment of sin with a commitment to change. Lent is an opportunity for us to fast and go deep into thought about what our Lord really did for us on the cross. Then, we have the opportunity to recommit to the full surrender of our lives to Iesus. —continued on page 2

The cross was the ancient Roman method of execution. It was a terrible tortuous way to die. Jesus Christ the holy sinless Son of God allowed Himself to be falsely accused, wrongly convicted, and executed. He chose to endure all of it in our place. Because of our sin, we deserve judgment, eternal death, and hell. We deserve execution on a cross. Without Jesus, we're all on death row. But God loves us with a mighty love so great that He sent His Son to step in and take the punishment due us. God loves us and He's willing to forgive us of all our sins. And the Bible tells us He will when we: confess our sin, repent (choose to turn away from it), by faith believe that the blood Jesus shed on the cross was the acceptable payment for our sin, and believe that He rose from the dead three days later proving He defeated sin and death.

Through the series "Facing the Cross Together" we'll focus on the crucifixion, the place where God won! Together we'll focus on the cross. It's the place where two things were on display: the worst of what our sin does; and the greatness of God's mighty love and grace that saves and changes lives.

Facing the cross with you, Pastor Mike



The Living Dramatization of Leonardo da Vinci's The Last Supper is a recreation of da Vinci's world-famous painting with thirteen living characters. In 1494, the Duke of Milan commissioned Leonardo Da Vinci to create an inspirational mural in the dining room of the Convent of Santa Maria. Da Vinci chose the Passover, the Last Supper of Jesus and his disciples. He chose what he considered the most dramatic moment.

Have you ever wondered what it would have been like to have been with Jesus during his final meal? Or been curious as to what the disciples were thinking in those final hours? In the living dramatization, the twelve disciples speak their minds to themselves, to each other and to the Lord in the light of the words which they have just heard Jesus speak, "One of you will betray me."

Join us for this powerful and moving look inside the hearts and minds of the men who knew Jesus best. The Living Last Supper will be at 7:00 PM on April 17 and April 18.

-Director Tracy Gibson



9:00 AM

- 3/2 Kathy Pollard/Jessica Kunkel
- 3/9 Brenda Blair
- 3/16 Gail Frazier
- 3/23 Nancy Moore
- 3/30 Tabitha Chirco/Denise Lewis
- 4/6 Alyssa Eubanks
- 4/13 Gail Frazier
- 4/20 Virgie Luck
- 4/27 Kathy Pollard/Jessica Kunkel
- 5/4 Brenda Blair

11:00 AM

- 3/2 Diana Starkey/Jenny Flores
- 8/9 Michelle Clark/Esta Timmers
- 3/16 Linda Stover/Samantha Hiler
- 3/23 Josette Warner
- 3/30 Amy Adamson
- 4/6 Shannon Hiler
- 4/13 Tina Nolen
- 4/20 Brenda Reed
- 4/27 Kate Stratton
- 5/4 Erin Edmisten

ANSWERS TO BIBLE QUIZZES ON PAGE 4

Left — B (See Luke 24:12) Right — C (See Matthew 27:57-60)



Mortgage as of February 28, 2025:

\$370,698.92



Sermon Series for March & April

Upcoming Sermons

March 2 – Starting Over with The Practice of Prayer March 5 – Ash Wednesday Worship Service 6:00pm

> New Series: Facing the Cross Together

March 9 – Their Sin and Ours

March 16 – The Open Door

March 23 – Beyond Death

March 30 - The Best and the Good

April 6 – The Deepest Battles

April 13 – Reeves Family Worship Music and Testimonies

April 20 – So What? It's Easter Again

April 27 – One Matters

Youth Family Snowtubing

March 15 @Perfect North

The Youth Family Snowtubing is now scheduled for Saturday, March 15th. This event is for youth, grades 7-12, and their families. Please let Brenda Reed know if your family plans to go. We will meet at Perfect North at 3:00 PM in the domed building; our tubing time is 3:30 PM- 5:30 PM. This is a great time of fun for youth and their families! The cost for those tubing is \$29. The group will stop enroute home for supper.

9:00



3/2	Virgie Luck	Theresa Conaty
3/9	Kristina Waterfield	Jo Warner
3/16	Linda Wash	Erin Edmisten
3/23	Alyssa Eubanks	Sydney Van Meter
3/30	Sarah Clubb	Theresa Conaty
4/6	Linda Davis	Theresa Conaty
4/13	Theresa Conaty	Kate Stratton
4/20	Kristina Waterfield	Amy Timmers
4/27	Theresa Conaty	Theresa Conaty

11:00

9:00

11:00 Emmaline Starkey/Madelynn Starkey Adelyn Earhart/Kate Noel Abigail Chirco/Joey Chirco Kelsey Adamson/Ali Myers Jett Edmisten/Olivia Myers Evelyn Kunkel/Jonah Cox Brenleigh Slater/TBA Macy Bolender/Julea Eubanks Emery Bolender/Abram Cox Emmaline Starkey/TBA Jasmine Davis/Kate Noel Madelynn Starkey/Kelsey Adamson Acolytes Ali Myers/Jett Edmisten Joey Chirco/Jonah Cox Evelyn Kunkel/Julea Eubanks Olivia Myers/Brenleigh Slater Schedule Abigail Chirco/Abram Cox Emmaline Starkey/Madelynn Starkey 4/27 Emery Bolender/Macy Bolender Kelsey Adamson/Ali Myers







Order you Easter Lilies in Honor or Memory of someone by March 30th. Cost is \$17. Order forms will be in the bulletin.



Easter Carhop Saturday, April 12 Beginning at 10:00 AM

The Mt. Nebo Easter Carhop is designed for children through 5th grade. Weather permitting, the Easter Carhop will take place in the church parking lot, where people who are part of our congregation will pass out eggs in a trunk and treat fash-



ion. In addition, we will feature a station for a faith-based Easter craft and a story station where children will hear the Easter story.

There are many ways everyone can help!

- 1. Invite friends and family to come to the Mt. Nebo Carhop. It is family friendly for those with young children as well as elementary aged children.
- 2. Pack pre-wrapped candy into eggs to pass out to the children from your car trunk or create an Easter display for your trunk or truck bed.

Arrive at the church parking lot by 9:15 AM and park your car around the perimeter of the parking lot. (In case of inclement weather, we will move event inside.)

Hope you will chose to be part of the 2025 Easter Carhop at Mt. Nebo GMC.

-Brenda Reed, Disciple Coordinator



What did Peter find lying in Jesus' empty tomb?

- A.) A Fig
- B.) Strips of Cloth
- C.) An Angel
- D.) A Dove



After Jesus died, who took His body to bury it?

- A.) A disciple named Peter
- B.) A follower named Mary
- C.) A fried named Jospeh
- D.) A guard named John

ANSWER ON PAGE 11



Beverly Kay Casbar, passed away on January 9,2025, at the age of 82. Kay was the mother of Amy (Troy) Farrell and cousin of Gloria Dawn. Kay was a member of Mt. Nebo GMC and will be missed by many friends and family.

John Farrell Sr. passed away on January 9, 2025, at the age of 78. John was the uncle of Troy (Amy) Farrell and the great uncle of Sarah (Jacob) Clubb. He will be missed by many friends and family.

Doris Potts passed away on January 12, 2025, at the age of 78. Doris was the mother of Kelly (Jason) Hahn and the grandmother of Jalyn and Keaton Hahn. She will be missed by many friends and family.

Doris (Blair) Monnette, mother of Lisa Ernst and Michael Wayne Monnette, passed away on January 17, 2025, at the age of 77. Doris was a member of Mt. Nebo GMC and will be missed by many friends and family.

Mary Bailey passed away on January 30,2025, at the age of 62. Mary was the mother of Ern (Josh) Edmisten and the grandmother of Jayden, Jett, Cora, and Jordan Edmisten. Mary was a member of Mt. Nebo GMC and will be missed by many friends and family.

Our prayers and love go out to their families and friends.

Devos and Donuts

Devos and Donuts is a small group for youth, grades 6-8 that meets each Wednesday morning, 7:45 AM- 8:30 AM. The before school group meets for breakfast, Bible lesson and prayer. This group is presently studying the gospels.





Tuesday Breakfast and Devotions at Mt. Orab McDonalds

This small group for youth, grades 8-12, meets each Tuesday morning during the school year 6:50 AM- 7:25 AM. There is a lot packed into a short time; the group eats breakfast together, reads and discusses scripture, and shares requests for prayer. Each week's time ends with praying for these requests and praying for one another.

Sunday Older Youth

This small group, for grades 7-12, meets the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month in classroom 3 from 6:00 PM- 7:30 PM. This group meets to have a scripture based lesson, pray, and fellowship. This group also helps plan serving and fellowship opportunities for youth at Mt. Nebo.



Older Youth Group

YOUTH SPRING SPRUCE UP



Sunday, March 30th at 5 PM

The youth will help with landscaping details at Mt. Nebo GMC. Chris and Virgie Luck will lead this project. Youth are asked to bring tools to help trim plants and clean the areas around each of the church's buildings. Mark your calendar to help with this project.



Mt. Nebo Vacation Bible School

Road Trip

Monday, June 2- Thursday, June 5
9 AM to Noon
There will be groups for ages 4 through 6th grade

Travelers and their Navigators will be on a Road Trip each morning, using their GPS to point them to adventure and fun! VBS travelers will know that no matter where they go, God's presence will always be with them. There will be classic car sing-alongs and time to get out and stretch our legs with fun games. We will make stops for Bible stories, neat science experiments, crafts, and even plan time for a snack break!

Pre-registration will begin on April 12 at the Easter Car Hop!

Hope you can make VBS part of your child's summer plans as we join Scout, the dog,

on a Road Trip, being on the Road with God!



CALLING ALL NAVIGATORS AND TRIP PLANNERS

Do you remember the excitement of summer vacation plans and road trips as a young person? Maybe a week at VBS was part of your summer plans growing up.

Now you can be part of the memory-making time for kids at Vacation Bible School as they learn Bible stories that are shared during a story time, through songs, crafts, science, games, and snacks!

There are many ways to help!

-Pray for Mt. Nebo VBS

- donate needed supplies (details for these will be posted at the signup table in late April)

-volunteer to be a navigator during VBS or be part of the planning, setup, or tear down team.

The first planning meeting will be Wed., March 26 at 5 PM.

Watch for reminders and more information about Road Trip plans!



Wesley Barber was born February 13, 2025. He weighed 6 pounds 3 ounces and was 18.5 inches long. He is the great grandson of Dave and Tina Schram.

ark your calendars for Saturday, March 8, Saturday, April 5, and Saturday, May 10, 7:30 AM- 9:00 AM for Men's Breakfast for the Soul at Mt Nebo GMC. This is a great time when men (of all ages) can come together as brothers in Christ to enjoy a hearty breakfast and hear a speaker who shares what it is like to be a man of God in today's world. The March speaker is John Mark Hall from Bainbridge, Ohio. If you would be willing to come early to help cook or be part of the clean-up crew for one of these breakfasts, please contact Dan Reed.



Welcome To Mt. Nebo Dinner! Monday, March 24, 2025 6:30–7:45pm Classroom Area



The meal will be provided. Childcare provided by advance request.

This event is designed for anyone relatively new to Mt. Nebo Global Methodist Church or anyone who would like to know more about the church. While enjoying a meal together, you will have the opportunity to learn about: Mt. Nebo's 190-year history, our mission and vision, ways you can connect through study, make a difference for God by serving, and the resources available to you. Contact the church office or go to the "Sign-Up Table" to make your reservation.

RADUATION SUNDAY

Mt. Nebo High School and College Graduates

SAVE THE DATE

Graduation Sunday

May 18th

The church family at Mt. Nebo GMC would like to honor our high school and college graduates for all they've accomplished and announce their future plans. These will be featured in the May/ June "Mt Nebo News". We are also making plans to recognize the 2025 graduates during Graduation Sunday, May 18th. (Please save the

date and plan to be part of this special time as we honor our graduates.) We would like to collect information (with a picture) about the graduates by April 20th. You may either email both the graduate's picture and information below to brenda.reed@live.com OR complete the Graduate Information Sheet along with a picture. Print forms will be available at the sign -up table beginning March 16th; any completed 'print forms' should be returned with a picture of the graduate by Sunday, April 20th.

We will need the following information:

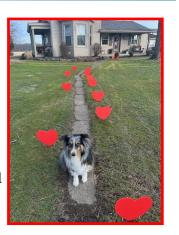
- Graduate's full Name
- Parents'/ Grandparents' Name
- Graduate of which School (Name of High School or College)
 - Special Honors
- Future Plans (which college, field of further study, military, or other work plans)
- Contact phone number and address (we will not print phone number or address, but will use them only to contact you with questions and details for grads and families about Graduation Sunday)

NOTE- If you know a graduate connected with Mt Nebo GMC who may not get this newsletter, please feel free to share this information with them.



Hearted for Zambia

The youth at Mt. Nebo have a heart for the JP Schools ministry in Zambia. Early in February, the youth met with Pastor John Kalambo, our GMC ministry partner in Zambia, via Zoom. We were able to get updates about JP Schools that will serve as a center for education and a space for worship in a local village. We were also able to pray with Pastor Kalambo and his family for the school and their needs for opening the school. The youth are asking the congregation to pray for this ministry in Zambia at 5 everyday; the



time is significant as they hope to open the school for students in May, the fifth month.



One way the youth are raising funds and drawing attention to the ministry in Zambia is by 'hearting yards' for a donation to this ministry. Whether or not you are willing to have your yard 'hearted', you may partner with our youth to support this ministry by making a donation to the 'Hearted for Zambia' fund through Mt Nebo. It is our prayer that students could begin the school term in this facility beginning in early May. All check do-

nations can be put in the offering and should be made payable to Mt Nebo GMC, with Heart Project in the memo.



We hope you have enjoyed seeing where the hearts have traveled over the past few weeks.



