

THIS WEEK AT THE CREEK

May 7, 2009

God's life and our lives are bound together, as a vine with branches, as a body with members. So corporate are we that no one can give a cup of cold water to the least person in the world without giving it to God!

-- Rufus M. Jones, from *The Double Search*

Dear Cross Creeker:

Get ready! It's coming! It's time for the great..the huge...the multi-family Cross Creek **TAG SALE!**

It's happening rain or shine:

Thursday, May 21	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Friday, May 22	8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m.
Saturday, May 23	8:00 a.m. to noon

There is even an added event this year for all of you garage/rummage/tag/yard sale enthusiasts and aficionados: A **SNEAK PREVIEW** on Wednesday, May 20 from 6:00 -8:00 p.m. (\$5.00 suggested donation for the SNEAK PREVIEW).

We can all participate in this important fundraiser and make it a huge success. God knows our cash flow is tight this year! This is a great opportunity to add some cash to the cash flow. Here is how you can help:

1. **Donate Stuff.**

Usher in the spring season by cleaning out your closets, basements, garages, sheds and attics, etc. and donate all that clutter and stuff you don't need to the TAG SALE. All donations are tax deductible. You can start bringing your stuff to the church following the worship services on Sunday, May 17th all the way up to the SNEAK PREVIEW on Wednesday, May 20th. So bring on the stuff!

2. **Volunteer.**

Volunteers are still needed to staff the TAG SALE. It takes a lot of people to pull off a TAG SALE of this magnitude. Please, PLEASE sign-up to help when you can. You can sign-up in the Church Hallway or call Dan Carl at 885-3268 or Brian Terry at 301-5500 to volunteer.

3. **Tell your friends, colleagues, and neighbors about it.**

There is nothing better than word of mouth advertising. Help us get the word out!

And be sure to join me in offering words of thanks to Dan Carl and Brian Terry for all of their herculean efforts to make the TAG SALE a success.

I'll be looking for you this weekend as we gather to worship.

Peace,

Pastor Mike

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IN WORSHIP THIS WEEKEND

This weekend we will continue in our Season of Easter worship series **THE RHYTHYM OF LIFE**. **PASTOR MIKE** will be offering a prompting entitled "*Nurturing Life*" based on readings from 1 John 4:7-18 and John 15:1-8. **KENNY ROADEN** will be singing. And since it is **MOTHER'S DAY**, we will also honor and give thanks to all those who are mothers or have been like a "mother" to us.

For a complete listing of events, please go to www.crosscreekchurch.org.

Lobby Day For Equality * May 13, 2009 9:30 am

It's not too late to register...just call Equality Ohio today at 614-224-0400 TODAY to sign-up. A car pool will be leaving the Cross Creek parking lot at 8:00 a.m. (please arrive at 7:45 a.m.) The schedule for the day in Columbus includes:

9:30-10:30: Opening Session
11:00: Start meeting w/ legislators
Lunch
Continue meeting w/ legislators until 3:30.
You will be done at 4:00 p.m.

FEEDING FRIENDS * May 16, 2009

Feeding Friends is looking for volunteers of all ages to assist with set-up and distribution of food items from 8 AM to 12 PM on Saturday, May 16 at Cross Creek. A sign-up sheet is in the church hallway. Thanks for supporting FEEDING FRIENDS.

Pride Dinner Tickets * June 3, 2009

June is GLBTQ Pride Month and it will be here before you know it. As a trailblazer in equality and justice in the Dayton area, Cross Creek Community Church will again be an active participant in local Pride month activities June 3 -6. Cross Creek will have a presence at several Pride activities including the annual parade and a booth at the Pride Rally on June 6 as well as an advertisement in the Pride Resource Guide thanks to an anonymous donor.

In addition, the church is seeking to fill 2 tables (20 tickets) for the Pride Dinner on Wednesday June 3rd at Sinclair Community College's Ponitz Center, featuring nationally acclaimed comedienne Poppy Chaplain and keynote speaker Malcolm Lazin, of the Equality Forum in Philadelphia. Tickets to the dinner are \$40 each (a \$5 discount) and must be paid in full at time of reservation. So whether you are a GLBTQ or a conscientious supporter, let's all step out and show our pride. Stop by the Events Table to purchase your dinner tickets today or see Brian Terry, Equality Cross Creek Team Leader, for more information.

WORSHIP IN THE SEASON OF EASTER continues...

THE RHYTHM OF LIFE

The rhythm of life for a kingdom dweller puts chromos in service of kairos, the cyclical in service of the directional, the calendar in service of the kingdom...As we submit our anarchy to a rhythm, in a sort of earthy, mystical way, all of life is lived lucidly, intentionally, and to the glory of God. Every washing becomes a baptism; every eating a communion. Every sleeping becomes a dying; every rising a resurrection.

-- Kenneth Gottman, from *Ministry and Mission*

May 16-17, 2009 – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Disturbing Life Psalm 98; Acts 10:44-48; John 15:9-17

* *Cross Creek Choir will be singing!*

***Welcome of New Covenant Members.*

May 23-24, 2009 – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (ASCENSION DAY)

I Spill Milk, You Spill Milk, All God's Children Spills the Milk

Genesis 25: 19-34; John 13:1-5, 12-17

Guest Preacher: Rev. Tom Harry

**Memorial Day Weekend*

** *The Drama Team will be performing*