

**"Growing Godly Generations"**

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# Fellowship News



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## New Message Series for Lent

### *Passion Personalities*

*By Pastor Rick Breusch*

The Bible is full of fascinating people and compelling stories. As we journey through the church season of Lent this year, I invite you to consider with me several people that are prominent during the last week of Jesus' earthly life. The death and resurrection of our Lord is not only the center point of our faith, but it is the central act in God's plan of redeeming the world to Himself. This year I want us to focus on these all important events by looking at the lives of several human beings as they encounter Jesus.

February 21	<i>Nicodemus</i>	John 3:1-15, 19:38-42
February 28	<i>Judas Iscariot</i>	Matthew 27:1-5, John 13:21-30
March 7	<i>Simon Peter</i>	Luke 22:54-62, John 21:1-19
March 14	<i>Pontius Pilate</i>	John 18:28 - 19:16
March 21	<i>Zacchaeus</i>	Luke 19:1-10
March 28 (Palm Sunday)	<i>The Two Thieves</i>	Luke 23:32-43
April 4 (Easter Sunday)	<i>The Women</i>	Matthew 27:55-56, John 20:10-18, Matthew 28:1-10

## Love Packages

Do you have used Sunday School curriculum, Christian magazines, devotionals, Bibles, and other reading material laying around your house?

Recently, Flora Scono introduced our church to Steven Schmidt whose ministry is collecting and distributing Christian materials around the world through "Love Packages". Mr. Schmidt will collect our materials on a regular basis and add them to shipping containers that are sent worldwide. A special container will be located in the sitting area outside of the kitchen to put your used materials for Mr. Schmidt's next pick up.

## When You Give Your Offering

- Use numbered envelopes whenever possible.
- Numbered envelopes can be requested from the church office or use a generic envelope in the pews and include your name and address.
- All envelopes should include the first and last name of the giver.

This will help us assure proper credit and accuracy when the annual giving statements are printed.

## 43229 Luncheon

*Do you live in zip code 43229? If you do, this is just for you!*

You are invited to Sunday lunch. Brian Metzger and Aimee Worley are hosting a luncheon March 21 immediately following the service in the Fellowship Hall.

As you know, we want Karl Road Baptist church to be a refuge and help in the Northland community. Ultimately we want the people in this neighborhood to be transformed by the love of Jesus.

You live in the Northland community and may have valuable information about how our church is perceived in the neighborhood. You probably have ideas how we can be helpful to our neighbors. We want to learn from you. You are also valuable in the lives of your neighbors as an extension of our church and a catalyst for them knowing Jesus. We want this lunch date to be informative for us and encouraging for you. Please save the date and plan to join us.



## Congregational Seder Dinner: Thursday, April 1

Since I've been your pastor, several people have spoken to me with deep appreciation concerning congregational Seder dinners observed in years past during Holy Week. These were very memorable and significant events in the lives of many people in our church family. I felt compelled this year to bring back this much loved experience and offer it once again to our congregation.

On Maundy Thursday, April 1, we will offer a congregational Seder dinner in the Fellowship Hall. The event will feature a full, sit-down Seder meal, an explanation of the spiritually symbolic nature of the food, special music and the celebration of the Lord's Supper. In fact, because Easter Sunday falls on the first Sunday of April, our communion observance at the Seder dinner will replace the Lord's Supper on Easter Sunday, April 4.

I am also very pleased to inform you that Carol Kirn has accepted my invitation to serve as an overall director for the event. If you would like to volunteer to help with the Seder dinner in some way, Carol would love to hear from you. We will have much more information about the Seder dinner for you this month. Stay tuned!

## Good for You!

by JoEllen Landman



**Bridge built by Alan Shively  
at Boyer Nature Preserve - Westerville**

One of KRBC's young men, Alan Shively, will be awarded his Eagle Scout rank on March 20 at the Eagle Court of Honor ceremony to be held at the church. This is a momentous occasion in the life of the Shively family and is especially sweet as this is the 100th year anniversary of the Boy Scouts of America.

Eagle Scout is the highest rank attainable in the scouting program of the Boy Scouts of America. Since its introduction in 1911, the Eagle Scout rank has been earned by more than 2 million young men. The title of Eagle Scout is held for life, thus giving rise to the phrase "Once an Eagle, always an Eagle". Requirements include earning at least 21 merit badges and demonstrating Scout spirit through the Boy Scout Oath and Law, service and leadership. This includes an extensive service project that the Scout plans, organizes, leads, and manages. Eagle Scouts are presented with a medal and a badge that visibly recognizes their accomplishments. Additional recognition can be earned through Eagle Palms, awarded for completing additional tenure, leadership, and merit badge requirements.

The Boy Scouts of America goal is to train youth in responsible citizenship, character development, and self-reliance through participation in a wide range of outdoor activities, educational programs, and, at older age levels, career-oriented programs in partnership with community organizations.

Alan, son of Mark and Robin Shively, is a senior at Westerville North High School. Alan started as a Cub Scout in the first grade and has been working towards his Eagle Scout rank since 6th grade. Alan's late father, Mark, was a Den Leader in Alan's pack for years before his death in 2005. Alan is now a Den Leader himself of a Boy Scout troop and meets weekly with the boys to teach typical Scouting values such as trustworthiness, good citizenship, and outdoor skills through such activities such as camping and hiking.

Alan's Eagle Scout service project was designing and building a wetlands walking bridge at the Boyer Nature Preserve in Westerville. He was mindful to use as many recyclable materials as possible, keeping with the Boy Scouts respect of the Earth and stewardship of natural resources. Alan adds, "I am happy to have my Mom support me in my Scouting activities She is always there for me."   
Congratulations, Alan!

## Stalked by Lyrics

by Don Middleton

Have you ever been stalked by the lyrics of a song? I don't mean getting a song stuck in your head. This is different. I am talking about being pursued by words stripped down and unadorned of any melody, harmony or orchestration. This has been happening to me by a few lines from Addison Road's "What Do I Know of Holy." The words that speak to me are ***I think I made You too small. I never feared You at all, No.***

Since these lyrics won't leave me alone, I have spent time thinking about them. I realize that if confronted with these accusations, I would have no choice but to please "guilty." As much as I would like to be able to say, "Not guilty," even by reason of insanity, I cannot. I plead "guilty" with the stipulation that it is by reason of humanity. Because while I am not insane, I am human.

While I can only speak for myself, I doubt if I am alone in my guilt. I believe these two statements that have been pursuing me are inextricably linked. By keeping our perception of God small, it is easy to minimize any sense of fear. We don't typically fear the small. I am not referring to fear as terror, abuse or cowering in a corner. Rather fear that justifiably emanates from an extreme and justifiable degree of awe and respect.

The dichotomy in our relationship with God is something that has always perplexed me. God is as expansive as the East is from the West but he is also as close as our next breath. Logically I understand this, but I'm not sure that I really grasp this reality. This is the reason for my "guilty" plea. It is easier for me to understand the friendship of God. I can relate to the concept of a friend. Yet in the context of that relationship, I have found that there is a danger in making God too small. God free offers his friendship to me

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## America for Christ Offering to go to Neighborhood Ministries

by Jennifer Whisler (excerpts from Neighborhood Ministries website)

As part of our American Baptist heritage, each year Karl Road Baptist Church participates with other local ABC churches, in four special offerings that are designated to support specific ABC missions and missionaries. The first of these offerings is the America for Christ offering and it will be collected throughout the month of March. The America for Christ offering is used to support local missions within our home state of Ohio.

This year, the Karl Road Baptist Mission Projects and Giving Team is designating this offering to Neighborhood Ministries in Youngstown and Campbell, Ohio. The goal for this year's offering is \$3,000 and will go to support the various programs that Neighborhood Ministries provides to the community.

Neighborhood Ministries began in the early 19th century as a place for

immigrants to study the Bible and learn English. Over the years, the ministry developed and changed, first being called the Bethel House.



As the ministry grew and expanded, it became called the Neighborhood House, and in 1967, it was officially known as Neighborhood Ministries.

By 2009, Neighborhood Ministries had grown into four centers serving four different areas of Youngstown and Campbell, Ohio. These centers provide family assistance such as food, clothing, emergency and

medical transportation, tax preparation services, nutrition and other life skills education. Additionally, there are several youth programs that are provided such as after-school and summer camp programs.

According to Neighborhood Ministries, "Over the years the ministry has changed names and acquired locations, but the purpose has been the same: to share the love of Christ with children and families living in challenging neighborhoods and situations."

During the month of March, please pray for the work of Neighborhood Ministries and that they can continue to show Christ's love in the community. Also, please prayerfully consider giving to the America for Christ offering and supporting our local Ohio missions work at Neighborhood Ministries - [www.ohionm.org/](http://www.ohionm.org/)

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but he offer can only be on his terms, not mine. God will hold me accountable like all true friends should but like no other friend can. This is where that sense of fear once again has a critical role.

Saying that my comprehension of an infinite God is limited by my finite mind overstates my capability. I can't speak for anyone else—but God's attributes of omnipotence, omnipresence and omniscience are "ompossible" for me to understand. I can visualize a grain of sand or even possibly all the sands along the shores of all the oceans. To make the jump to a universe so vast it can only be measured in light-years exceeds the bounds of my comprehension. I understand and rejoice in the knowledge that God knows me and I am the work of his hands. To comprehend a God that also knows every piece of muscle, sinew, flesh and hair that has ever

existed and will ever exist once again is beyond me.

I realize that I never will be able to fully understand the vastness, expansiveness and power of God. The finite will never fully comprehend the infinite. That is okay as long as I don't let my limitations constrain what understanding I can gain of God. If I do that, I will lose a healthy and vital sense of fear, awe and respect for my creator and Savior.

To a degree, I hope these lines of a song that have been pursuing me never cease their chase. I need that constant reminder to always aspire to try to gain a fuller and richer understanding of the Creator and Savior at both ends of the spectrum. I have often heard "Let God be God". That is wrong. God will be God whether I "let" him or not. All I can do is let God occupy the pre-eminent

position in my life. The God who justifiably inspires fear is the same God whom the angels said to "fear not." If I can do that, perhaps I can make progress in allowing my "guilty" plea to be changed to "not guilty." Our Lord is the supreme judge who rules with mercy, compassion and justice. And while He has found me "guilty", He also paid my sentence. Hallelujah!

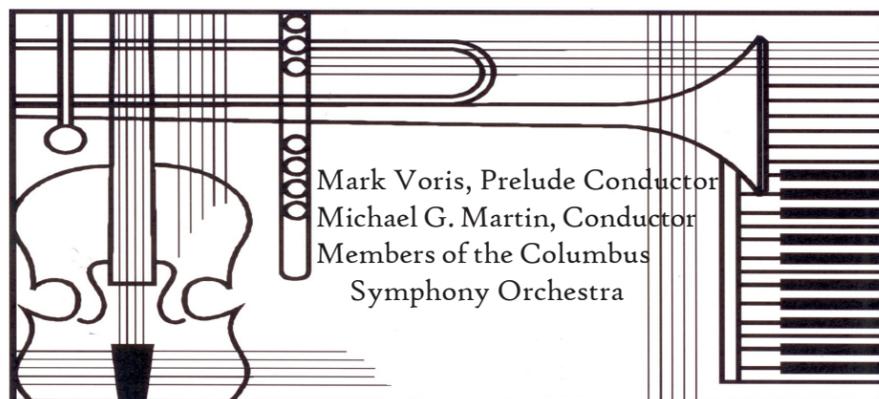


Men of the church unite and join together in sport. We are looking for men to join our softball team, which plays on Monday evenings in the summer at the Whetstone Park of Roses ball diamonds. Contact Jason Bittinger at 856-3758 or [jbittinger@telhio.org](mailto:jbittinger@telhio.org)

Karl Road Baptist Church Choir  
The Hilliard Darby Symphonic Choir  
and  
St Christopher Church Choir  
present

*Requiem by Maurice Duruflé*

Sunday, March 14 3:00 p.m. at St Christopher  
Sunday, March 28 3:00 p.m. at Karl Road Baptist



**Address Changes**

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1312 Chesterton Lane  
Columbus, OH 43229-2618

**Thank You Note**

There were 474 Campbell soup U.P.C. codes (instead of labels) mailed to Neighborhood Ministries in Campbell, OH to help buy software for the computer we helped purchase previously.  
The Kim Brown Circle

**WITH WILLING HANDS**



AMERICA FOR CHRIST OFFERING 2010

**KRBC Goal \$3,000**

America for Christ gifts support Christ-centered ministries that are transforming lives across the United States and Puerto Rico—from addressing children in poverty initiatives and resettling refugees violently driven from their homelands to providing evangelism training, developing discipleship resources and leading ministry workshops and conferences.

Connect.  
Care. Celebrate.



Bazaar is defined in Webster's dictionary as "a marketplace or shopping quarter, especially one in the Middle East." Baptist Bazaar allows our church family to advertise offers or requests for jobs, apartments, used cars, pets needing homes, garage sales, help needed, etc. Your free ad will run for one month. Refer to the December 2009 issue of the Fellowship News for complete column guidelines.

Only members or regularly attending friends can submit items for publication. One request to a publication in a calendar year is allowed to avoid repetition. Items for sale are permissible but not anything that is part of your "for profit" home business, profession or school/civic associations.

Karl Road Baptist Church is not liable for the content of the advertisements or for the integrity of those placing or responding to advertisements. We only wish to provide a forum for those who intend to buy, sell, or list items or services. KRBC does not guarantee or otherwise warrant any of the goods or services advertised on this site so we encourage readers to take appropriate precautions when responding to ads and screen all advertisements and inquiries carefully. In the event any one determines or believes any advertisement to be fraudulent or misleading, you may contact the church office at 885-3929. Deadline to submit your ad is March 10 for publication in the April Baptist Bazaar.

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> 6:30p Bowling 7:00p Westerville Group	<b>2</b> 8:00a Work Team 9:00a BSF Leaders 5:00p ASC 7:00p Rope Holders 7:00p Divorce Care/Lounge 7:30p Worthington Group	<b>3</b> 6:00p Worship Team 6:00p Fellowship Dinner 6:30p LifeLines 6:30p Clubs 7:00p Choir	<b>4</b> 9:00a BSF 7:00p Whisler Group	<b>5</b> 9:30a MDO	<b>6</b> 3:00p Organ Practice 5:00-8:00p Kids@Worship Party/210 <i>Women's Retreat at Camp Mowana</i>	
<b>7 Communion</b> 9:00a Sunday School 10:15a Worship Prelude 10:30a Worship 4:00p Youth Leader Mtg 6:00p No Fish Bowl 6:00p College Group	<b>8</b> 6:30p Bowling 7:00p Westerville Group	<b>9</b> 8:00a Work Team 9:00a BSF Leaders 12:00p Prime Timers 5:00p ASC 7:00p Rope Holders, LRP 7:00p Divorce Care/Lounge 7:30p Worthington Group	<b>10</b> 6:00p Worship Team 6:00p Fellowship Dinner 6:30p LifeLines 6:30p Clubs 7:00p Choir	<b>11</b> 9:00a BSF 12:45-2:45p BSF Seminar 7:00p Whisler Group	<b>12</b> 9:30a MDO	<b>13</b> 3:00p Organ Practice
<b>14</b> 9:00a Sunday School 10:15a Worship Prelude 10:30a Worship 12:00p Branches Luncheon 6:00p Fish Bowl 6:00p College Group	<b>15</b> 6:30p Bowling 7:00p Westerville Group	<b>16</b> 8:00a Work Team 9:00a BSF Leaders 12:00p Kim Brown 5:00p Last ASC 7:00p Rope Holders 7:00p Divorce Care/Lounge 7:30p Worthington Group	<b>17</b> 6:00p Worship Team 6:00p Fellowship Dinner 6:30p LifeLines 6:30p Clubs 7:00p Choir	<b>18</b> 9:00a BSF 7:00p Whisler Group 7:00p Lashley Group	<b>19</b> 9:30a MDO 3-6p Branches Class cooking for Kauffman's Intl BS	<b>20</b> 2-5:00p Shively Eagle Scout Court of Honor-Sanc. FH & Kit 3:00p Organ Practice
<b>21</b> 9:00a Sunday School 10:15a Worship Prelude 10:30a Worship 12-2 p 43229 Luncheon 4:00p Prog Staff Retreat 6:00p Fish Bowl 6:00p College Group	<b>22</b> 4:00p Prog Staff Retreat Finished 6:30p Bowling 7:00p Westerville Group	<b>23</b> 8:00a Work Team 9:00a BSF Leaders 7:00p Bereans & RHldrs 7:00p Divorce Care/Lounge 7:00p Ministry Council 7:30p Worthington Group	<b>24</b> 6:00p Worship Team 6:00p Fellowship Dinner 6:30p LifeLines 6:30p Clubs 7:00p Choir	<b>25</b> 9:00a BSF 7:00p Whisler Group	<b>26</b> 9:30a MDO	<b>27</b> 10:00a Easter Breakfast & Easter Egg Hunt 3:00p Organ Practice
<b>28 Palm Sunday</b> 9:00a Sunday School 10:15a Worship Prelude 10:30a Worship 3:00p Durufle Requiem 6:00p Fish Bowl 6:00p College Group 6:00p Prayer Gathering	<b>29</b> 6:30p Bowling 7:00p Westerville Group	<b>30</b> 8:00a Work Team 9:00a BSF Leaders 7:00p Rope Holders 7:00p Divorce Care/Lounge 7:30p Worthington Group	<b>31</b> 6:00p No Worship Team 6:00p No Fellowship Dinner 6:30p No LifeLines 6:30p No Clubs 7:00p No Choir			