

ROXFORD COMMUNICATOR

FEBRUARY/MARCH 2019

Roxford Church is committed to being “A Spirit-led and God-glorifying people and place where becoming and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ for the transformation of the world is our highest priority!”



Roxford United Methodist Church

**771 Roxford Church Rd., SE
Dennison, OH 44621**

www.roxfordchurch.org

Ron Heasley, Pastor

Barb James, Office Manager

“Where everyone from everywhere is welcome”

SUNDAY SERVICES

**9:30 am Worship
Jr. Church**

**11:00 am Sunday School
6:30 pm Bible Study in Chapel**

WEDNESDAY

**7:00 pm Mid-Week
Evening Service
In Sanctuary**

SATURDAY FOOD PANTRY

**9 – 10:30 am
(2nd Sat. of each month)**

Church Office Hours:

**9:00 am – 1:00 p.m.
Monday thru Friday**

**Phone (330) 343-5359
Parsonage (330) 343-3181**

Newsletter Editors: Sandy Beans & Bernice Heavlin





CLOSED DOORS

"The Lord directs the steps of the godly. He delights in every detail of their lives." - Psalm 37:23

We need to learn to praise the Lord as much for a closed door as we do an open door. The reason God closes doors is because He has not prepared anything over there for us. If he didn't close the wrong door, we would never open the right door.

God directs our path through the closing and opening of doors. Once a door closes, it forces you to change your course. Another door closes, it forces you to change your course again. Then, finally, you find the open door and you walk right into His blessing for you.

The Lord directs our paths through the opening and closing of doors, but instead of praising Him for the closed door (which keeps us out of trouble); we get upset because we "judge by the appearances."

You have an ever-present help in the time of trouble that is always standing guard. Because He walks ahead of you, He can spot trouble down the road and set up a roadblock or detour accordingly. But through our lack of wisdom, we try to tear down the roadblocks or push aside the detour sign.

Then the minute we get into trouble, we start crying, "Lord, how could You have done this to me?"

We have got to realize that the closed door can be a blessing. Didn't He say that no good thing would He withhold from them that love Him?



If you get terminated from your job, praise God for the new opportunities that will manifest themselves: it might be another job, it might be school.

If that man or woman won't return your call, it might not be them, it might be the Lord setting up a roadblock (just let it go).

We can sometimes trap ourselves in doubt and discouragement through judging by appearances... Be grateful for the many times our Father has closed doors to us just to open them in the most unexpected places.

The Lord won't always say in spoken words: "Go to the left, now to the right" ... sometimes He will just close the doors that are wrong for you.

February 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY ♥				1 Youth Explosion FLC 7/10 pm Thelma Albaugh	2
3 Council Mtg. after S. School Choir 5:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm	4 Basketball FLC 7/9 pm Ida Walker	5 Co-Ed Volleyball FLC 7/9 pm Jim Scott	6 Mid-Week Service 7 pm Carol Kirtley	7	8	9 Food Pantry 9/10:30 am
10 Trustees 5 pm Choir 5:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Youth 6/8 pm Aaron Heavlin	11 Basketball FLC 7/9 pm	12 Pastor/Parish 7 pm Co-Ed Volleyball FLC 7/9 pm Daniel Keener	13 Mid-Week Service 7 pm	14 Valentine's Day  John Gibson Carl & Barb James	15 Youth overnight Parsonage Bertha Baxter Jacob Bache	16
17 Choir 5:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Mark Conrad	18 Basketball FLC 7/9 pm Krisann Stenz	19 Co-Ed Volleyball FLC 7/9 pm Sherry Rausch	20 Mid-Week Service 7 pm Steve Masten	21 Nancy Downing	22	23 Men's Group Shoney's 7 am Willard & Louise Dessecker
24 Choir 5:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Youth 6/8 pm Louise Dessecker	25 Basketball FLC 7/9 pm	26 Co-Ed Volleyball FLC 7/9 pm Mark & Mary Ann Hoobler	27 Mid-Week Service 7 pm Eliza Downing	28 Les Hooker		

“Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you.” Matthew 5:44



All children 4 years old thru grade 6 are welcome to come to Jr. Church, held during Worship time every Sunday morning, except the last Sunday of the month. Come to learn about Jesus and the Bible, crafts, snack, fun and fellowship.

Schedule for Feb./ March

- February 3** - Lesson: God Saves From the Fiery Furnace
Nichole Bache & Holle Reichman
- February 10** - Lesson: Daniel in the Lion's Den
Mark & Judy Conrad
- February 17** - Lesson: Created for a Purpose
Jennifer Parrish & Joan Storrie
- March 3** - Lesson: Treasure in Jars of Clay
Jim & Chris Hartsock
- March 10** - Lesson: Jesus gives Freedom from Sin
Leona Downing & Denise Tedrick
- March 17** - Lesson: Tower of Babel
Jim & Keri Manbeck
- March 24** - Lesson: Israel Asks for a King
Jan Heasley & Sue Crim



The last Sunday of the month is Family Sunday – No Jr. Church

IMPACT

ROXFORD YOUTH MINISTRIES

Leader Shelly Hawthorne; Helper Bethanie Arnold
Shelly's home: 330-364-5665 Cell: 330-432-7520

Schedule of Events:

- February 1 - First Friday Explosion 7/10 pm FLC**
- 10 - (Sun.) Meet at Church 6/8 p**
- 15 - (Fri.) Overnight at Parsonage**
- 24 - (Sun.) Meet at church 6:/8 pm**
- March 1 - First Friday Explosion 7/10 pm FLC**
- 10 - (Sun.) Meet at Church 6/7:30 pm**
- 24 - (Sun.) Meet at Church 6/7:30 pm**





SUNDAY SCHOOL
Make the Connection

ADULT CLASSES:

FOLLOWERS CLASS

Teacher: Linda Armstrong
 Meets in Chapel
 They are studying II Timothy.
 We invite YOU to come and join us for a time of discussion, fellowship and prayer.

KING'S ADULT CLASS

Meets in Memory Hall - All adults are welcome.

5 Ways to Show God's Love on Valentine's Day.

Share a Gift – it opens a way to present the love of God.
 Give a Hug, handshake or High Five.
 Write Encouraging Words to someone.
 Make a Call to a friend.
 Communicate God's Love to all.

ARISE -Young Women's Class
30/40 years old

Teacher: Jan Heasley
 Meets in basement 2nd room on the right.

CHILDREN & YOUTH CLASSES:

KIDS FOR CHRIST

Preschool thru 3rd Grade

Teachers: Marilyn Masten, Dianna Whytsell,
 Karen Renicker & Jim & Chris Hartsock.
 Meets upstairs in room behind water fountain.

KINGDOM KIDS

Grades 4th – 6th

Teachers: Steve Masten, Jim Manbeck
 Meets in classroom behind Memory Hall.

GUARDIANS

Grades 7th & Up

Teachers: Sharon Beamer & Jerry Brown

Meets in basement 1st room on right.

"Wise men speak because they have something to say; fools because they have to say something." Plato



**CHILD CARE
 PROVIDED DURING
 MORNING WORSHIP**

NURSERY CARE GIVERS

February:

- 3 - Ron & Denise Tedrick
- 10 - Tim & Dianna Whytsell
- 17 - Nichole Bache & Sharon Beamer
- 24 - Shelly Hawthorne & Leona Downing

March:

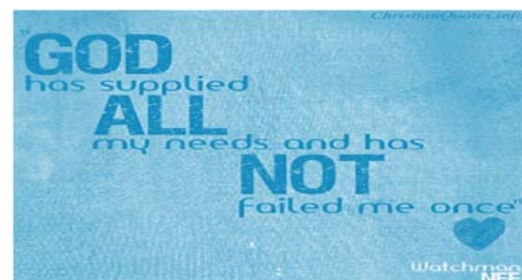
- 3 - Sharon Beamer & Hallie Hawthorne
- 10 - Tim & Dianna Whytsell
- 17 - Jim & Keri Manbeck
- 24 - Sandy Beans & Jennifer Parrish

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If you would like to attend Sunday School, please look into one of the classes listed on this page. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Stop at the Welcome Center if you need directions.
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FEBRUARY MEMORY VERSE

"I sought the Lord, and He heard me, and delivered me from all my fears. "

Psalm 34:4 NLT



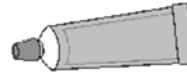
ROXFORD "CARES" FOOD PANTRY MINISTRY

We would like to thank everyone for their generous donations of food, personal items and financial support as we continue to be God's servants to those in our surrounding communities. God continues to bless us with His bounty as we share with others His love.

We serve areas of Roswell, Midvale, Barnhill, Sherrodsville and Roxford Church people. We are **open the second Saturday of the month from 9/10:30 am**. First come, first served.

Donations are appreciated.

February: Toilet Paper (4 pack), deodorant & toothbrushes. **March:** Toothpaste & spaghetti sauce.



Thanks to all that help in our food pantry and those that donate. We have been helping an average of 30 families.



NAILS TO PAILS



The Men's Group would like to remind the congregation that the Nails to Pails project is still available for minor jobs around the house. Example: raking of fall leaves; cleaning gutters on single story houses; painting of small sheds or garage doors; a door that doesn't close properly; leaky faucet. Will supply labor for jobs. If there is a cost for materials the group typically does not supply that.

Those needing help please call: Jim McKain 330-343-4109 or Pastor Ron.



PRAYER CHAIN

If you would like a prayer request on the Prayer Chain, please call **ONE** of the following key callers: Bernice Heavlin, 330-343-6089, Louise Dessecker 330-343-2777, or Sandy Beans 330-364-2052.

Your request will then be passed on.



**Sunday Evening (Bible study) for everyone,
6:30 pm, in the chapel**

Study the Bible
with us



Meet for **breakfast** at Shoney's, Saturday, February 23 & March 23, 7:00 am. **All men of the church are welcome, HOPE TO SEE YOU THERE!**



**GREETERS – USHERS
& WELCOME CENTER**

February Greeters:

Jerry Brown & Jim Harding

March Greeters:

Vic & Barb Hursey

**Please be at the church no later than
8:40 am**

Bell Ringer - Brentin Bayer

February Ushers:

Bob & Judy Horn
Jim & Chris Hartsock

March Ushers:

Bob & Linda Armstrong
Jim & Rose Downing

Welcome Center:

February:

Dianna Whytsell

March:

3, 10 - Sharon Beamer
17, 24 & 31 - Sharon Price

(Check bulletin board for when you work, or watch the bulletin, we list who works the next Sunday).

NOTE: Please turn in greeters, ushers and Welcome Center for two months. April & May due by March 15th. THANKS!



A list of people serving in different areas of the church is posted on bulletin board in hallway leading to Memory Hall.



WOMEN'S MINISTRIES

Meeting March 19th, first meeting of the New Year. Meet in narthex at 7pm. **PLEASE JOIN US!**

Louise Dessecker will have devotions. Karen Renicker & Nancy Rosenberry will serve refreshments.

All ladies of the church are invited. Hope to see YOU there.



FLOWER CHART

Is on the ledge in the narthex to put flowers in memory or honor of a loved one. If you take the flowers home, please return the container they were in to the church.

**Please follow instructions on the chart.
Cost \$30. CASH ONLY**

MISSION NEWS

Mission committee gave out sixteen Thanksgiving baskets. **THANKS** to everyone who donated food, delivered baskets, or helped in anyway.

Need wisdom? Seek it from the source who alone can provide it ----- GOD



IN THE MILITARY

Evan Barnes
Josh Kohler
401 Marna Dr
Vacaville CA 95686

Andrew Mann

Tyler Masten

Michael Matthews

National Guard

Shane Moody
Captain Neil Finlayson



In case of bad weather, please listen to WBTC, WJER, WTUZ, or channel 3 WKYC, for church cancellations. We will also put it on Roxford Facebook page.

FAMILY LIFE CENTER ACTIVITIES



Co-Ed volleyball every Tuesday 7/9 pm.

Basketball every Monday 7/9pm



REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

Jane Walters RM 500
Judy Renicker RM 812
Hennis Care Center
1720 Cross St.
Dover, OH 44622

Bertha & Krystal Baxter
Schoenbrunn Healthcare
Room 106 – Garden Way
2594 East High Ave.
New Philadelphia, OH 44663

Donna Hurless RM 422
Ann McConnell RM 311
New Dawn Retirement Community
865 East Iron Ave.
Dover, Ohio 44622

Assisted Living:

Jim Scott RM 602
(Phone: 330-365-3464 Jim)
New Dawn Retirement Community
865 East Iron Ave.
Dover, Ohio 44622



If you are going to be in the hospital, please call the church office, 330-343-5359, and give us the name of the hospital and the date you will be there.

IF WE KNOW WE WILL GO!

Where I see big obstacles, God sees big opportunities.

FINANCE REPORTS

Beginning Date Dec. 1, 2018	
Beginning Balance	10,601.57
Beginning Designated Money	4,254.87
Offerings	16,443.68
Designated Income	476.71
Building Income	301.00
Miscellaneous Income	4,546.76
Missions Income	937.00
Trustees Income	240.00
Interest	0.15
Total Monthly Income	22,945.30
New Balance	33,546.87
DISBURSEMENTS	
Building Payment	500.00
Building Savings	301.00
Camps	0.00
Church Utilities	1,105.10
Conference Givings	1,037.68
Designated Money to Misc.	363.60
District Apportionments	65.75
Education	0.00
Evangelism	0.00
Funeral	0.00
Janitors Salary	308.34
Janitors Supplies	0.00
Local	583.00
Missions	1,005.94
Music	0.00
Office	44.32
Pastor Discretionary	75.00
Pastor Parish	0.00
Pastor's Pension/Hospital	2,303.06
Pastor's Salary/Travel	2,593.80
Pastor's Utilities	409.62
Payroll Taxes	734.40
Secretary 's Salary	966.98
Social Committee	0.00
Sound Room	23.48
Treasurer's Discretionary	0.00
Trustees Disbursements	3,098.88
Trustees Savings	240.00
Vacation Bible School	0.00
Workman's Compensation	35.16
Worship Committee	24.50
TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS	15,819.61
ENDING BALANCE (Begin next month)	17,727.26
DESIGNATED MONEY	4,367.98
SPENDABLE BALANCE	13,359.28

Building Fund	
Balance December 1, 2018	234.07
Offerings	301.00
Interest	0.00
Transfer to Gen. Fund	500.00
Ending Balance Dec. 31, 2018	35.07

Saving Account (Trustees)	
Balance December 1, 2018	7,488.78
Offerings	240.00
Interest	0.13
Transfer to Gen. Fund	2,440.00
Ending Balance Dec. 31, 2018	5,288.91

MISSION REPORT	
Balance December 1, 2018	3,359.89
Offerings	396.01
From Food Pantry	0.00
Disbursements	1,060.00
Balance Dec. 31, 2018	2,695.90

FOOD PANTRY	
Balance December 1, 2018	243.21
Offerings	408.94
From Missions	0.00
Disbursements	86.19
Balance Dec. 31, 2018	565.96

TOTAL MISSION BALANCE	
Balance Dec. 31, 2018	3,261.86

**BALANCE ON LOAN AS OF 12/31/18
120,539.88**

March 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesda	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
3 Choir 5:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Dianna McCartney Lyman Brokaw	4 Basketball FLC 7/9 pm Larry Everett	5 Co-Ed Volleyball FLC 7/9 pm	6 ASH WEDNESDAY Service 6:30pm	7 Jan Heasley	1 Youth Explosion FLC 7/10 pm	2 Spring District Meeting 9am New Phila, 1 st
10 Daylight Saving Time Begins Trustees 5 pm Choir 5:30 pm Youth 6/7:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm	11 Basketball FLC 7/9 pm	12 Co-Ed Volleyball FLC 7/9 pm Millie Myers Mary Jane Walker	13 Mid-Week Service 7 pm James McCartney Erma Thomas	14	15	16
17 Choir 5:30 pm Missions 5:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm	18 Basketball FLC 7/9 pm	19 Women's Group 7 pm Co-Ed Volleyball FLC 7/9 pm	20 Mid-Week Service 7 pm Miles Smith	21 Judy Horn Iris Kerschbaumer	22 Rob & Jill Mason	23 Men's Group Shoney's 7 am
24 Choir 5:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Youth 6/7:30 pm Holle Reichman	25 Basketball FLC 7/9 pm Mildred Malone Rich & Lisa Skelly	26 Finance 7 pm Co-Ed Volleyball FLC 7/9 pm	27 Mid-Week Service 7 pm	28 Bob Armstrong	29	30 Dusty & Karen Renicker
31 Education after Sunday School Choir 5:30 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm						



MARCH 10



Ash Wednesday
— Lent Begins

Ash Wednesday a season of fasting and prayer, takes place 46 days before Easter Sunday. Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the Season of Lent

Join us for our service on Wed. March 6 in the sanctuary at 6:30 PM. Come and bring a friend!



Judas Bags - Mission Committee will be passing out the Judas Bags on March 10th. Fill your bag with 30 pieces of silver – the price of Jesus betrayal. Return April 14th Palm Sunday.



MISSION EASTER FOOD BASKETS

Food baskets will be given at Easter this year, they will be passing them out on April 13th, from the narthex.

Watch bulletin for turning in names and more information.

MARCH MEMORY VERSE

Now may the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing, that you may abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Romans 15:13 NKJ

TUSCARAWAS DISTRICT SPRING CONFERENCE

SATURDAY, MARCH 2 @ 9 AM
New Philadelphia Frist UMC

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A provider of community based preventive health screening will be at **Roxford Family Life Center on April 15**. You can test for the following:

Carotid Artery, Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm, Peripheral Arterial Disease, and Heart Rhythm Screening. Register online at:

www.lifelinescreening.com/communitycircle.

Watch bulletin for more information.



EASTER EGG HUNT
SATURDAY, APRIL 13 – FLC – 1 PM



There will be games, refreshments and lots of eggs. Watch bulletin and next newsletter for more information. Bring a basket.

Sometimes our failures provide the greatest opportunities to grow in faith.