



Infant Baptism

On Sunday April 2 at the Plymouth UMC

Austin & Samantha DiBell

will bring their son

Hunter David

born 10-26-2022

for Holy Baptism

Grandparents are

Mary & Scott Patterson

Ken & Shelia DiBell

Tracy Joslin & Kevin Stillwell

All in attendance are invited to join

Hunter, his parents Mary & Scott & Family

for a brunch of Bagels, Fruit & Egg Casseroles

in the church fellowship hall.

Circuit Rider

Saybrook United Methodist Church

“People trying to live like Jesus”

7900 S. Depot Rd., Ashtabula, OH 44004

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April 2023

Pastor for both churches

Rev. Vernon Palo

Plymouth Community

United Methodist Church

Joyfully Share God's Love,

Compassion, Mercy, and Hope that

Transforms the Lives of Others.

Church: 440-998-0260

Don't Miss the Party

Friends,

I think that we all would agree that almost everyone likes a good party. A party is a place to have fun and celebrate events like births, birthdays, anniversaries, graduations, etc.

In light of the above statements, we Christians should really be “party people” because we have more to celebrate than any other people. One of our biggest celebrations is coming very soon. What can give us more to celebrate than Easter? What can give us more to celebrate than the resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ? This should mean **Victory** to us! Jesus laid down His life to redeem us from sin and He took up his life again to give us new life, abundant life, and eternal life because Jesus Christ won the victory over sin, death, the grave and over Satan. He enables us to live in victory over sin, and promises us victory over the grave and death. He said, "Because I live, you also will live." John 14:19

We celebrate the victory of Christ's Resurrection on Easter Sunday. We celebrate it every Sunday as we gather to worship. As Christians we should celebrate the victory of the Resurrection every day because the Living Lord Jesus Christ is with us every day.

As we think about the first Easter day, the day of Christ's resurrection, we realize that some of his followers almost missed the party. Think of those two disciples on the road to Emmaus. They were sad and depressed because of the tragedy of the cross. They thought their hopes were all dashed to pieces. Then Jesus suddenly walked with them, and talked with them about what the

scriptures said about Him. He revealed himself to them through the breaking of bread. That revived joy in their hearts and lives and they rushed to the other followers of Jesus to Rejoice with them.

Do we miss the party of celebrating the resurrection of Jesus Christ because we are consumed with the tragedies of life? Don't miss the party. Let's celebrate our victory.

One of Jesus' disciples did miss the party on that first Easter day. Thomas was not with the other disciples when Jesus first appeared to them after his resurrection. He had to wait an entire week before he had the joy of seeing the Resurrected Christ. Think how sad Thomas must have been later, thinking back to how he had missed seeing Jesus.

You see, Thomas missed Church (worship) on Sunday and he missed seeing Jesus until a week later. We never know what we are going to miss when we are absent from worship, from church, from being in his sanctuary.

Don't miss the party!

May Resurrection Joy be Yours,

Happy Easter, Pastor Vernon & Karen Palo



- 4/2 **Palm Sunday, Palm Branch for all families.**
- 4/6 **6:00pm Maundy Thursday Service at Plymouth, 970 Plymouth Rd**
- 4/7 **Ashtabula Community Good Friday Cross Walk Procession**
- 4/7 **5:00pm Crosswalk begins at the church**
6:00 pm Good Friday Service at Saybrook, 7900 Depot Rd
- 4/8 **11:00 am Saturday Easter Egg Hunt at Saybrook Church, 7900 Depot Rd.**
The Easter Bunny will be there to visit and take pictures.
- Easter Sunday Worship Service**
- 4/9 **8:30am Plymouth UMC**
8:30am Saybrook UMC Sunrise Service then Breakfast
Easter service at 10:00am

April 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 Worship Palm Sunday PUMC 8:30am SUMC 10:00am	3 PUMC 1-5 Produce Dist 6pm Spring Chicks Meeting	4 SUMC 6:00pm Trustee Meeting	5 Last Lenten Breakfast 7:30-8:30am SUMC 6:00pm WOW	6 Maundy Thursday 6pm Plymouth UMC	7 Good Friday SUMC 5:00pm Walk 6:00pm Service	8 SUMC 8:30am Packing Easter baskets Easter Egg Hunt 11:00am
9 Worship PUMC 8:30 SUMC 8:30am Sunrise Service Breakfast 10:00am Easter Service	10 5:00pm Education Meeting	11 SUMC 10:00am Membership	12 SUMC 6:00pm WOW	13 SUMC 4:30pm SPRC Meeting	14	15 SUMC 8:30am Men's Group
16 Worship PUMC 8:30 Girl Scout Sun. SUMC 10:00am Lunch Pot Luck	17 PUMC 1-5 Produce Dist	18 SUMC 6:00pm AD Council	19 SUMC 6:00pm WOW	20	21 SUMC 6-8pm Family Game Night	22
23 Worship PUMC 8:30am SUMC 10:00am	24 9:30am Mission Meeting	25	26 6:00pm WOW 4:30-5:45 Worship & Music	27 5:00pm Community Dinner	28	29 Spring Dist. Conf. Mayfield UMC 9am Spring cleaning
30 Worship PUMC 8:30am SUMC 10:00am						



SAYBROOK METHODIST SPRING TEA

Saturday, May 6, 2023 at 1:00pm.

Saybrook Methodist church
7900 South Depot Rd., Ashtabula, OH 44004
440-969-1562

This year the theme will be the **Kentucky Derby**....Let the races begin!
Wear your special hat for a chance to win a prize!
Our entertainment this year will be provided by Brad Pethtel.
Brad is a talented musician who sill sing and play a variety of
oldies but goodies music.

There will be a light luncheon, door prizes, and themed gift baskets which
will be available by Chinese Auction.

Tickets are \$20.00 each and are on sale at the
Saybrook Methodist Church from 9am—1pm. Monday through Friday.
You can reach the church office directly by calling 440-969-1562

Tickets are limited so call for your now!



As a local United Methodist Congregation we promise to honor God with:

Our Prayers

Our Churches, Shut Ins, Military, Our Pastor & Family, Missionaries,
Jerri Bell, Kathy Johnson, Ginny Mann, Sue McCracken, Roy Moyer,
Liz Ostrander, Marge Nordquest, Chip Titus, Doug Moore, Sonja Trisket
Ed & Linda Gray, Richard Clugh, River, Betty Hansen, Jim & Phyllis Wright,
Dean Moore, Howard Hewitt, Erik Pimentel, Kurt Brindley, Linda Johnson,
Sarrah Brown, Mary Lewis, Stoneman Family, Jackie McKee, Jim McKee,
Keith Youngberg, Louise Ebetino, Chuck Ebetino, Kelly Forren, Monna O'Connor,
Lisa Buck, Virgil & Carol Hammonds, Gary & Debbie Munson, Ron McIvaine,
Charlene Hopkins, Mike Greenwood, Marilyn Wenner, Kathy Feiler,
Dixie & Larry Leggett, Billy Hudson, Sue Hogan, Robin Nagle, Lou Buck,
Bill Swanson, Edie Ann, Denny & Bobbi Heil, Diane (Swiger), Don & Mary Clugh,
Cheryl McLaren, Shelley Didonato, Chris Stiltner, John, Tim Cambell,
Rick Arnold, Leo, Rev. Joe Platt, Mallory Wickert, Kelli Nelson,
Patty Moore, Emily Fisher, Cheryl Josson, Ruth Falcione, Jim Smith, Barb Conrad.
Baby Zayne Pniewski, Paul Gynn, Pam Thompson & family, Genny Wallace,
Becky Schaade & Family, Janette & Chuck Davis, Jeff & Sandy Corbett, Karen Palo,
Kathy Johnson, Justin Nelson, Brenda MacNaughton, Tom & Donna Orr, Kathleen,
Art, Eddie, Judy Richards, Roberta ,Mary Lou, Hanna Powell, Tom Stern,
Martha Haluszka, Carol Karpowicz, Ellen Benedict,
Ruth Falcione's son in law, Don Lute passed away last week,
please keep Bridgette (his wife) and family in prayer

Our Service

**Sunday Worship Services at
Plymouth 8:30am
At Saybrook 10:00am
Adult Sunday School at 9:00am**

Service can also be viewed online.
The link is on our Facebook page or
we can email you the link.

**Worship on Wednesday
6:00pm Saybrook UMC**

**Saybrook UMC
Easter Sunday is just around
the corner.**

Karen Keesler is taking orders for
Easter Flowers or you can bring your
own. Ordering slips are on the table
in the Narthex.
If you would like to purchase your
own flowers you may do so but
please have them in the Friday
before Easter.

Thank you

and Our Witness

By Betty Cochran [Hearing the Word of God](#)

I've heard some really good messages during the Lenten Breakfasts we have been having here at the Saybrook UMC and it got me to thinking about what it would be like if we couldn't come and worship together.

Because it is a joy to hear these uplifting messages about our Heavenly Father and how much he loves us and what he wants from us.

How fortunate we are to be able to worship and talk about God without having to hide, like they do in some countries. We must never take our freedom of Religion for granted.

I've heard rumors about one world order, churches closing, children and young people not coming to church to hear the good word.

It's scary and sad at the same time. I wonder what God is thinking about all this?

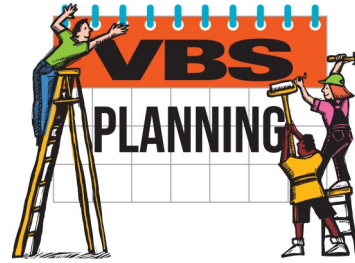
In [Ephesians 2:19-22](#) gives an example of why we should be together.

So then you are no longer strangers and aliens, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure, being joined together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you also are being built together into a dwelling place for God by the Spirit.

Keep praying for our Country, our Churches and each other that we will always be able to do God's will, be as one in his word and bring others to Christ.

A Big Thank You for the volunteers who have been helping out with the Food Distributions at the Plymouth UMC!

April 3rd. And April 17th.
Produce Distribution
at the Plymouth UMC
1-5pm Distribution begins at
3:00pm
Don't be shy!
Volunteers are needed!



LOOKING.....

for volunteers and helpers for this year's VBS please speak with Nick Leavitt. The need for volunteers ranges from crew leaders, station leaders, to even stage hands.



Saybrook UMC
Family Game Night
April 21st.
At 6:00pm.-8:00pm

We have games galore here at the church! Pot Luck, so bring a dish if you can Come join us and have some fun and fellowship!

PLYMOUTH EASTER FLOWER ORDERS

A group order will be placed for Kelly's Gardens
You may select from:

\$10 Lilies, \$8.00 Tulips, Hyacinths, Daffodils
Or You may purchase your own elsewhere and bring them.

Deadline to order is March 27th.

You may call the church office to order or the pastor at 440-813-9145

COME ONE COME ALL- PLYMOUTH COMMUNITY UMC **BARGAIN BASEMENT BONANZA SALE**

Saturday, May 20, 2023 Time 9:00- to 5:00
Donations welcomed Wed. May 17 to Thursday May 18
from 12-5 at the church

Plan to donate: Household items in good working conditions.
(No Clothing please).

Bake Sale with many delicious goodies.
Saturday, May 20, 2023 Time 9:00- to 5:00

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(No Clothing please).

Shoebox Mission Notes From Karen

On Saturday March 18 I **HAPPILY** attended a celebration event in Jefferson of Northeast Ohio Shoebox Churches and leaders. What a joyous celebration it was.

IT was reported that the Northeast Ohio area collected 920,902 boxes. the United States 9,303,907 boxes and the world 10,599,907. I have always sought to make the shoebox mission to children a mission of the children for the children. With this in mind I am planning an activity to teach about faith, mission giving, and service. OF course we will be inviting all of you to join in the fun. I am **HOPEFULLY** planning that the following dates will work out for this event which will take place over a 3 week period.

SOUP FOR SOCCERBALLS (FOR SHOEBOXES!)

April 16- Stone Soup Children's Message (our Girl Scouts will be here)

April 23- Our Children will collect items from all of you on Sunday morning to prepare STONE SOUP

April 29- Stone Soup Cooking Day with Children
Hot Pick Up Day for Soup
April 30- Cold Pick Up Day for Soup

Soup will be made available to both Saybrook and Plymouth congregations by donation and in one quart containers.

We hope you will plan to join in this Soup for Soccer ball EVENT!!!!



ALL CHURCH WORK DAY for SAYBROOK UMC SATURDAY APRIL 29TH. AT 9:00AM. “A Little Story”

This is a story about four people named
Everybody, Somebody, Anybody and Nobody
There was an important job to be done and **Everybody** was sure that
Somebody would do it.

Anybody could have done it, but **Nobody** did it.
Somebody got angry about that because it was **Everybody's** job.

Everybody thought **Anybody** could do it,
but **Nobody** realized that **Everybody** wouldn't do it.
It ended up that **Everybody** blamed **Somebody** when **Nobody** did what
Anybody could have done.

Hope to see **EVERYONE** on **April 29th**. **Anybody** is welcome.
Somebody will hopefully make coffee and lunch.

Most definitely Nobody should stay away.



ASHTABULA COUNTY CONCERTS OF PRAYER BREAKFAST MAY 5, 2023 @ 6:45AM

Host Church: Eagleville Bible Church 1981 St. Rt. 45 Rock Creek, OH 44084

Guest speaker– Nobles Darby, IV
Metro Cleveland Director of Fellowship of Christian Athletes

Tickets are \$12.00. Adults Students Free.

We have reserved 3 tables for Adults and one Table for Students this year.
Please indicate if you are willing to sponsor student ticket when you sign up.



APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

SAYBROOK UMC

- 1 Brad & Becky Schaade
- 2 Cassidy Bryner
- 3 Scott Stumbo
- 7 Jim Wright
- 10 Tom Orr
- 13 Jacey Martello
- 13 Charmaine Brink-Smith
- 15 Phillip Wenner
- 16 Hal Loudermilk
- 16 Scott & Marianne Solomon
- 18 Lois Fowler
- 18 Lance Lorelli
- 18 Jillian Farman
- 19 Mike DeCamillo
- 22 Ann Felde
- 23 Roy & Earline Stiltner
- 23 Nick Stumbo
- 25 Roy Stiltner
- 26 Brian & Brenda MacNaughton
- 26 Patricia Nemeth
- 26 Jonamarie Laurila
- 26 Bonnie Pillars

PLYMOUTH UMC

- 09 Jeri Lynn Bell
- 19 Donna Sergeff
- 27 Janet Sharp



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Annual Easter Egg Hunt

Here comes Peter Cottontail Hoppin' down the bunny trail Hippity hoppin', Easter's on its way....

That right Mr. Cottontail is coming soon but he needs your help this year by filling eggs filled with wrapped candy. You can pick up a bag of 24 eggs from the basket outside of the sanctuary doors. You can bring the filled eggs back anytime and put them in the filled egg basket or to give them to Nicholas Leavitt.

All eggs are due back by Palm Sunday (April 2nd) to give time to sort and prepare the eggs for the hunt on **Saturday April 8th at 11am.**

Please contact Nicholas Leavitt if you have any questions regarding the egg hunt.



The Education Committee thanks you for your support.



easter egg hunt

COME JOIN THE FUN AT OUR EASTER EGG HUNT AND GET YOUR PICTURE TAKEN WITH THE EASTER BUNNY!!! SATURDAY APRIL 8TH. AT 11AM

EASTER FAMILIES

We have adopted several families for Easter. To share our **love** of Christ from Easter Dinner to the Children's **Easter Baskets**. On the 8th. Of April at 8:30am we will be making up Easter Baskets and getting all the food ready for the families to pick up. Soon...you will see **Chicks and Egg** cut outs on the bulletin board with items that you can purchase to donate to the families. Thank you for all your help in the past and future Missions. *In Christ's Love*

