

# The Visitor

A monthly newsletter for  
St. John's Christian Church Family and Friends

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## Prayer Corner

### Please pray for...

- ♦ Sue Kinsman, Rod Kinsman, and families, upon the passing of Mert on 9/28 at the age of 79.
- ♦ Linda Hayes and family, upon the death of Linda's husband, Duane, on 9/23 at the age of 76.
- ♦ Nancy Lightner and family, upon the death of her husband, David, on 9/21 at the age of 87.
- ♦ Lynne, Erich, and Ryan Christman, as Lynne's brother, Paul, entered eternal life 9/30. Paul was diagnosed two years ago with an aggressive type of dementia, and experienced a rapid decline in his health this past month.
- ♦ Jack Spotts, who is now in rehab at Rupp Rehab following hip surgery.
- ♦ Carol DeVries, who is recovering well after surgery on 9/21 to implant a pacemaker.
- ♦ Mark Beltz and family upon the death of Mark's mother, Rilla Beltz, on 9/15.
- ♦ Judy Sears, who recently dealt with back pain and other health issues.
- ♦ John Barr, father of Mary Hall, as he recovers from heart bypass surgery.
- ♦ Bryce Winzeler, as he continues to receive treatment for leg nerve regeneration.
- ♦ Chloe Merillat, who received good reports of healing during a follow-up exam from her recent two surgeries.
- ♦ Kenn Sweitzer, who is dealing with being off work due to a recent case of Covid-19.
- ♦ Jodi Beltz, who is grateful for your prayers as both tibias are healed (Yay!) and the left fibula shows it is starting to heal, so she is down to wearing just one boot.

### Prayers for protection and for the increase of peace worldwide:

- ♦ PFC Brenden Bostelman, Deployed, Iraq (Army) (Grandson of Bill & Kathy)
- ♦ Kali Collins, Washington, DC (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)
- ♦ Kohl Collins, Ft. Myers, VA (Army) (Grandson of Nan Neill)
- ♦ Kyle Ducey, Deployed, USS Iwo Jima (Navy) (Son of Kelly & Betsy)
- ♦ Brayden Hall, Newton Falls, OH while at Kent State (OANG) (Son of Vond & Mary)
- ♦ MAJ Jared Kuntz, Washington, DC (Army) (Son of Keith & Kelli)

- ♦ Eric Maag, Port Clinton, OH (Coast Guard) (Son of Joe & Sheryl Short)
- ♦ AB Shayne & Taylor Pitts, Albuquerque, NM (Air Force) (Granddaughter of Nan Neill)
- ♦ David Richardson, Okinawa, Japan (Marines) (Son of Shannon and Yesi)
- ♦ Joshua Richardson, Kaneohe, HI (Marines) (Son of Shannon and Yesi)
- ♦ Steve Schink, Chesterfield, MI (Coast Guard) (Son-in-law of Ed and Julie Ruffer)

Please consider sending cards to these individuals letting them know that we continue to lift them up to God in prayer; and that He will guide, comfort, and sustain them through these times:

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Verlene Lovejoy, Room #203B

Genacross, 1036 S. Perry St., Napoleon, 43545  
Audrey Smith, Room #403

**"I consider that our present sufferings are not worth comparing with the glory that will be revealed in us"**

**Romans 8:18**



## Pastor's Column

I was blessed to turn sixty years of age on Monday, October 4th. That's fifteen years longer than my father lived, and I've marked each of these years beyond forty-five as a true blessing of life. Sixty seems to be one of those milestone ages worthy of a special party, and here's how I celebrated my 60th:

I spent much of the day with thirty high school students working at both the Friendship House and at the church. I've been overseeing an apartment addition to the Friendship House, the Archbold area homeless shelter, and the students signed up to help with the project.

They were there to clean the original home – not the most exciting or sought after type of volunteer work! The house has been empty for over a year, and with six months' worth of construction dust accumulating, it was indeed in need of a thorough cleaning. Every cabinet was emptied, every dish was washed, every curtain taken down, every wall and surface washed. Furniture was cleaned and rearranged, and order was restored to the house. The students helped with yard work, too, sowing new grass seed and trimming bushes. I learned that one student cleaned a toilet for the first time!

In about three hours' worth of time, the entire house was clean and almost ready for use, once the addition work is complete. After a pizza lunch, the students then walked to the church, as they were scheduled to work until 2:15pm or so. Who wants to go back to school early??? At the church, they helped with a few items in the storage building and removed shelving from the stage – projects I'd been hoping to accomplish for a few months now. All in all, the day was a great way to celebrate my birthday – in service with others, accomplishing work in the ministry of the church.

The students were part of FCCLA (Family, Career and Community Leaders of America). Watching them work and interact throughout the day was a wonderful blessing. Yes, they were happy to be out of classes for the day, but their work ethics were evident. It was difficult to keep all of them occupied all of the time, so they took turns and helped each other out. Several kept looking for another project to do – they really wanted to be of help. And they were. Watching them help each other accomplish the many different tasks of cleaning was a blessed reminder of the educational process. Lessons of the day included teamwork, patience, motivation, community spirit, fellowship, and fortitude (cleaning, cleaning and more cleaning)! Treating the students to ice cream at DQ topped off my birthday celebration!

Cecily Rohrs and I shared with the students what the Friendship House was all about – a homeless shelter for people in our local area – and they were being the hands and feet of Jesus through their efforts. The day was more than time away from classes or a break in their routine. I asked one youth I know what FCCLA stood for, and he couldn't tell me, as he didn't know. He said he just saw a sign-up sheet for FCCLA and signed up. By that mere whim, he got involved in serving in the community, a lesson that the Bible speaks of, most notably for me, in Matthew 25:31-46. A call to love and action by Jesus himself.

Blessings,

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## News and Thank You's

Dear Fellowship Committee:

On behalf of the St. John's Family, we would like to thank you for everything you did in preparation for B.L.A.S.T. Sunday! What a joy it was to be together as a church family.

Love, Your St. John's Family

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"Wham," down I went. Confused and bloody, I had no idea what had just happened to me. And where did all these people come from? From the Lord, that's where. God always makes sure we are never alone in our times of troubles. That is why I want to say how grateful to all who were sent by God to send a card, a caring word, or a pat on the back. You have helped me get through this life not feeling alone.

Carol

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Hello to the friends of St. John's Church,

I would like to say thanks to all that mailed me those nice cards with such loving expressions on so many. I'm grateful for all and those that remember who I am. Keeps me busy reading over all the mail I get!

Our family had an outing in a park in town. It was a party for my great-great niece. 1-year-old and was born on September 12th. She is very active. Her aunts and uncles were all invited to enjoy the celebration.

Everybody around the Manor yards are all busy. The parking lot with all the cars has been pretty well filled. The lot was redressed with new stones and tar. Then when it was dry, the parking spaces were all marked by young boys who worked a few days to make it new again. It looks so very nice. We have been served in our rooms for some time but would be nice to go back to the dining room to eat meals again. Staff shortage. The people who cook the meals daily. Yes, there are visiting days in our activity room for families. I spent time coloring picture books to help the laundry people, the floor cleaners and others who

make beds, etc - plenty of jobs by others who care for residents.

Reading the bulletin and the Visitor news about your programs keeping everyone busy. Now since school is in progress, I have to keep them in mind. Where they are and when the school bus drivers will be safely delivering the children to their stops. We appreciate their service for safety.

I thank you for the service of church.

Until Next Time,  
Bernice Rice

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CONGRATULATIONS to Ryan Christman and Keira Grandey, who were engaged on Saturday, September 18th! Many prayers and blessings to the happy couple as they begin this next chapter of life together!




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Evelyn Leann Walker was baptized in the Sanctuary on Sunday, September 26th during our 10:30 a.m. service of worship. Evy was born on April 21, 2021 to Corey and Jocelyn Walker, and is a little sister to Allie. Grandparents include Dave and Karen Walker and Mike and Colleen Mankowski. Great-grandparents include Dencel and Phyllis Miller, Lee Mankowski, and Ann Mackley.

## Ministry Happenings

### Couples Small Group

Attention couples! You are invited to Couples Small Group, which meets each second Sunday of the month at 6:00 p.m. in the SYF room. Our next gathering will be on October 10th, where Sarah Nafziger will begin to lead a video series from RightNow Media. We hope to see you there!

### GIF Gals

On September 12th, the Gif Gals were the guests of Nancy Rupp at her beautiful home near Stryker. Everyone knew that a good time was to be had by their hostess and they were right. Nancy was ready with her tubs of hats, wigs, and instruments. With her magic, she turned the group into a marvelous choir with instruments. They had a joyful time singing favorite hymns. I believe their voices were so joyful that it reached our heavenly Father's ears. Can't you just imagine how God enjoyed their singing so much, that He joined in with the singing? There was a delicious ice cream sundae bar served for refreshments.

The next meeting for the GIF Gals is October 19th. We will be meeting at the church parking lot at 5:00 p.m. then carpooling to Bryan to have supper at Jackie Blu's. We invite any lady who is single to come and join us. This is a nice place to meet new friends and fill your heart with the joy of the Lord!

### Life Planning

We are very excited for the 2021/2022 year! Life Planning kicked off the new year with some goal setting for the youth and their mentors. We also welcomed seven new youth to the program.

If you are ever in need of some helping hands, please consider our group for the work. You may contact Kim Hines, Karen Walker, or Pastor Erich. Our next meeting will be Wednesday, October 13th in the Chapel from 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.

### Connections Sunday School

On September 26th, Connections Sunday School began a five-week study on Bob Goff's book, "Everybody Always." All are welcome to join us for our journey through this book at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the Fireside Room!

### New Sunday School Offering: Attributes of God

On September 26th, an 8-10 week study of the divine attributes of God from "Reasonable Faith" with William Lane Craig began.

Dr. Craig is a philosopher and theologian. God as an infinite and personal being has attributes such as self-existence, eternity, omnipresence, omnipotence, omniscience, and holiness. This study is led by Ryan Christman and offers a deeper connection of God. The class is open to all youth and adults at 9:15 a.m. on Sunday mornings in the Chapel.

### Leaf Raking in the Neighborhood

The Evangelism Committee invites any and all to share in a time of getting to know our neighbors. On Sunday afternoons, October 17th and/or 25th, beginning at 2:00 p.m., folks will go into the neighborhood east of S. Defiance Street and north of W. Barre Road, knock on peoples doors, and offer to rake up and haul away their leaves. It's an opportunity to meet our community members while providing a helping hand. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board, or you may contact the church office. We need people with rakes, leaf blowers, tarps and trucks/trailers!

### Veterans Breakfast

The annual breakfast honoring our military veterans will be held on November 7th, beginning at 9:15 a.m. in the Parish Hall. To reserve a seat for the breakfast and program, please rsvp to the church office. Thank you!

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## Ministry Happenings (cont.)

### Advent & Christmas Decorating – Twelve Member Team

It's hard to believe, but yes, we are thinking about Christmas! On Sunday, November 21st at 1:00 p.m. the church will be decorated for Advent and Christmas. It takes about 12 people to get down all of the decorations stored in the attic, prepare them for display, set-up the trees, hang or set out all of the many decorations, and then clean up afterwards. It's work, but it's also a time to fellowship with church family. We are relying upon people who have helped in the past, but we also need folks who have never done this before. Please consider and sign-up on the bulletin board!



JYF and LOGOS had a blast with their evening activities in September!



## Mission Corner (cont.)

### October Mission-A-Month: Operation Christmas Child



Throughout the month of October, St. John's will once again collect for Operation Christmas Child with Samaritan's Purse. We welcome your generosity in items to supply for the boxes, such as small toys (cars, balls, dolls, kazoes, harmonicas, jump ropes, etc.), toiletries, school supplies, small Bibles, t-shirts, socks, or ball-caps, to name a few; or in financial contributions which will be used to purchase supplies for the boxes. Boxes will be packed by a team of volunteers here at St. John's. If you would like to pack your own box, please contact the church office so that we may supply you with a box.

Items should be dropped off in the Chapel Narthex on or before October 24th. We thank you for your kind generosity as we support this important mission!

### **2022 Trip to Biloxi, Mississippi to Serve with Back Bay Mission (BBM)**

A week in service with Back Bay Mission provides a wonderful opportunity to live out the prophetic call of Micah 6:8 – "...to act justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with your God." The week is a service learning opportunity that builds upon a time away from the normal routine of everyday life. The impact of a week of fellowship and faith building while working with a group of volunteers on a common project is always a blessing to observe!

This Saturday to Saturday experience is scheduled for March 6-12, 2022. BBM serves the needs of the homeless, the needs of people living in poverty, and the needs of people surviving in low income realities. Besides working on a new home construction of existing home repair project, there are opportunities to spend time interacting with people at the Micah Day Center or a local soup kitchen. And the local seafood and Cajun style of cooking adds to the adventure!

Cost of the trip will be \$200, covering lodging, most meals, transportation and work camp material fees. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board!

### **Toledo Gospel Rescue Mission**

St. John's provides the Sunday evening chapel service and meal four times a year – the next opportunity is scheduled for November 14. It's best to have six to eight volunteers share in the service and meal. Anyone with interest or questions should talk with Dale or Ann Grime.

### **2022 Mission Trip to Freedom International Ministries in the Dominican Republic**

We are once again working to schedule this week long experience to the DR, hopefully during mid-to-late June, 2022. Youth and adults interested in this experience are asked to share their interest with Pastor Erich – this will be helpful in making some initial plans!

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## Mission Thank You's

Dear St. John's Christian Church,

Thank you for your most recent gift. Your congregation is a blessing! May God continue to bless you also.

The Friendship House

Hello Friends & Family,

As the grip of Covid has lessened over the past few months, we have found our island lives moving on towards a new kind of normal. Here is our summer update in brief:

- ♦ Curfew was pushed back to 11 p.m., so we are back to evening classes and club.
- ♦ We are attending lots of weddings in spite of restrictions.
- ♦ There is no active unrest, but lots of shortages.
- ♦ In June, we went to Kenya for medical check-ups, passport renewals, and a break.
- ♦ Teammates are set to break off and start a medical team in a couple of months.
- ♦ Study packets of the translated Word are getting used more.
- ♦ Tom is studying with new seekers and island brother.
- ♦ We will be getting to know a new teammate by the end of the year.
- ♦ Our boys only just finished last island school year!

Let us know how we can be praying for you and what is new in your lives.

Blessings,  
Tom, Megan, Grace, Peter, & David

### Additional Thank You's From...

- ♦ The Friendship House, for our gift of \$360.
- ♦ Crossroad, for our gift of 170.
- ♦ The Outback, YFC, for our gift of \$100.
- ♦ Kyle Chase, Reliant, for our gift of \$1,100.
- ♦ Matt & MaryLynn Pardi, Reliant, for our gift of \$1,200.
- ♦ Tony & Leila, for our gift of \$2,125.

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## Consistory

### Custodial Service at SJCC

With the blessed start of a new year of programming, more people are in and out of the church building on a daily and weekly basis, so we want to update everyone on how the building is cleaned and prepped each week. There are three entities involved in this important and necessary work.

Dean Buckenmeyer continues to serve as the church's custodian, working 12.5 hours per week, normally splitting his hours on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and Fridays, mid-morning to early afternoon. Dean is responsible for overall building concerns, with a primary focus on much of the first floor areas of the building.

We contract with Advanced Cleaning Contractors (ACC) for 12.5 hours per week. ACC employees normally clean on Tuesday and Friday evenings and are responsible for the gym, the entire second floor, and the sanctuary (including the narthex, choir room, sacristy and vestry).

We are a training center for students in the Work Transition program through Northwest Ohio Educational Service Center. On Monday afternoons and Wednesday mornings, a small crew of students helps with table set-ups in the gym and chapel, organizing and filling the pew racks in the sanctuary, assists with light cleaning duties as needed, and helps with many other tasks.

### Highlights of the September 20, 2021 Consistory Meeting

#### Committee Reports - Gary Frazier

- ◆ Fellowship Committee – Crissi Stuckey
  - BLAST Sunday meal - Served 140 with 45 “to go” boxes
  - Patti Lirot will be joining the Fellowship Committee, as Lynn Stuckey is stepping down
  - Upcoming events: Veterans Breakfast, Senior Adult Christmas Dinner, Birthday Party for Jesus
- ◆ Mission Committee - Ryan Christman
  - Budget is looking good, allowing for the possibility to add more mission partners
  - Currently evaluating missionaries looking for support
- ◆ Property Committee – Tim Beck
  - No success in finding a maintenance person – still looking
  - Carport – volunteers will be scraping and painting the ceiling
- ◆ Pastor’s Report – Erich Christman
  - Chairs placed outside Chapel – looking to “jazz up” the area to make it look more welcoming
  - Stage Area – was previously used as preschool storage, shelves will be moved to storage building, looking to turn the stage into a game area after putting a guard rail on the stage for safety reasons, have had donations of some items – for example, an arcade style basketball game and an air hockey table
  - Two new Smart TV’s have been purchased, one for the chapel and one for the youth room. In time, one of these TV’s will be mounted in the sanctuary as a test to try to move away from using the screen up front – part of the renovations and the move forward in technology
- ◆ DQ Land Purchase – Gary Frazier – the Consistory accepted the \$15,000 offered by DQ, plus all closing costs. A meeting with the lawyer is scheduled on October 28 to finalize details.
- ◆ Facility Committee Proposal
  - A motion was made and approved to have a special congregational meeting on November 14, 2021, after the 10:30 worship, to discuss and act upon the proposal of the facility committee.



## Stewardship Report

### 2021 Year-to-Date Stewardship Report

As of September 30, 2021

	2021 Budget	2021 YTD Budget (39/52) Weeks	2021 YTD Receipts	2021 YTD Expenses	2021 YTD ( + / - )
<b>Operating Fund</b>	\$ 441,312	\$ 330,984	\$ 270,447	\$ 246,268	\$ 24,179
<b>Mission Fund</b>	\$ 116,800	\$ 87,600	\$ 89,388	\$ 84,776	\$ 4,612

## Committees

### Special Congregational Meeting – Sunday, November 14, 11:30 a.m.

The Facility Committee presented their report and recommendation to the Consistory on August 16th. After a month of study and discernment, the Consistory, at their September 20th meeting, called for a special congregational meeting to act upon the recommendation.

It's been seven years since the congregation approved the 2014 report and proposal regarding renovations and improvements to the church facility, which launched our Imagine Your Faith Building Capital Campaign.

To prepare for the congregational meeting, information packets will be made available, and two informational gatherings will be held: 1) Sunday, October 31st at 11:45 a.m.; and 2) Thursday, November 4th at 7:00 p.m.

Everyone is asked to, 1) be in prayer surrounding this informational and decision making process; 2) be as informed as possible regarding the recommendation; and 3) ask questions and offer input at one or both of the informational gathering and the congregational meeting.

### Search Committee for the Pastor of Music and Worship

The committee has posted the position on two church staffing websites, sent the information to the Evangelical Association, and shared the position information with some seminaries. A few hundred people have reviewed the postings, but only three individuals have sent in resumes so far. Two were interviewed, with one person being asked for a second interview, and that candidate remains of strong interest to the committee. The committee is now reviewing resumes posted on the websites and will be seeking out potential candidates of interest.

The committee consists of Eric Nafziger, David Stuckey, Chris Baden, Sue Buehrer, Lynne Christman, Norm Fether, Kim Kern, Emma Nafziger, Avery Roth, Cayla Walker, Jocelyn Walker and Pastor Erich.

## Calendar of Events

### October Worship Schedule:

October 3	World Communion Day Scriptures – Jeremiah 6:16 Sermon – “Crossing the Road”
October 10	Scriptures – John 15:1-8 Sermon – “Plug into the Source”
October 17	Gideon Sunday Scriptures – Mark 11:20-26, Luke 22:31-32 Sermon – “Maintain, Remain, and Guard” Junior Choir
October 24	Scriptures – Psalm 1 Sermon – “Reading for Transformation” Special Music - Klaire Kern, “All in All”
October 31	Reformation Sunday Scriptures - Matthew 6:9-15 Sermon - “Why Forgive Others?”

### Siberian Solstice – In Concert at SJCC in the evening of Sunday, December 19th

We are scheduled to host another Christmas season concert featuring Siberian Solstice! Siberian Solstice is a Trans-Siberian Orchestra Tribute featuring the presentation of the show, “The Angel’s Gift.” Siberian Solstice has become one of the very few enduring TSO tributes in the country through growth and hard work over the past 15 years. They perform in theaters and larger churches in northwest Ohio, northeast Indiana, and southern Michigan. The light show and video presentation augment the vocal and musical performance that brings many to return more than once a season and year after year.

### GIF Gals Upcoming Events:

- ♦ Tuesday, October 19th      Supper in Bryan, Ohio
- ♦ Saturday, November 13th      GIF Gals Christmas
- ♦ Saturday, December 11th      Texas Tenors Christmas Show at Shipshewana with R&R Tours



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>Sunday Schedule:</b> 8:00AM Worship 8:30AM Pause for Praise 9:15AM SS, FV, Confirm. 10:30AM Worship	<b>Elder of the Month:</b> Jon Lindsay  <b>Mission-A-Month:</b> Op. Christmas Child				1	2
3 6:00PM Seekers	4 11:00AM Staff Meeting	5 9:15AM Bible Study 5:00PM Community Meal 7:00PM Mission Committee	6 8:30AM Moms in Prayer 6:00PM LOGOS/JYF Meal 6:45PM LOGOS/JYF 7:00PM SYF	7	8	9 7:40AM Men's Prayer Breakfast
10 6:00PM Couples Small Group	11 11:00AM Staff Meeting 4:15PM Budget and Stewardship Com.	12 9:15AM Bible Study 5:00PM Community Meal 7:00PM Property Committee	13 8:30AM Moms in Prayer 6:00PM LOGOS/JYF Meal 6:45PM LOGOS/JYF 7:00PM Life Planning	14	15	16
17 <b>Gideon Sunday</b> 6:00PM Seekers	18 11:00AM Staff Meeting 6:15PM Spiritual Council 7:30PM Consistory	19 9:15AM Bible Study 5:00PM Community Meal 5:30PM GIF Gals	20 8:30AM Moms in Prayer 6:00PM LOGOS/JYF Meal 6:45PM LOGOS/JYF 7:00PM SYF	21 11:30AM Senior Luncheon	22	23
24	25 11:00AM Staff Meeting	26 9:15AM Bible Study 5:00PM Community Meal	27 8:30AM Moms in Prayer 6:00PM LOGOS/JYF Meal 6:45PM LOGOS/JYF 7:00PM SYF	28	29	30
31 11:45AM Facility Committee Info Session						

## Birthdays and Anniversaries!

- 2 Kyle Ducey, Layla Gilroy, Zander Johnston, Nan Neill, Kane Overmier, Louise Short
- 3 Emily S. Walker,
- 4 Bud Beck, Erich Christman
- 5 Bri Krukowski
- 6 Devin Beltz
- 7 Roger & Sandy Miller, Warren & Cindy Sauder
- 8 Susie Enderle, Jo Short, Steve Walker
- 9 Quinn Planson
- 10 Jack Spotts
- 11 Roger Zimmerman, Gary & Teresa Mann
- 12 Vond & Mary Hall
- 14 Brooke Hines

- 15 Barb Sigg
- 16 Todd Nafziger
- 17 Jebb Bernath, Jera Bernath, Keith & Kim Kern
- 19 Emma Nafziger, Tim & Jamie Beck
- 22 Justin Yoder
- 23 Ben Buehrer, Vicki Nofziger, Phyllis Swietzer
- 24 Tim Beck, Todd & Jill Nafziger
- 25 Jenny Grieser
- 26 Dan Martinez, Harrison Rohrs, Justin & Carrie Yoder
- 28 Mary Ellen Johnson, A.J. & Kisha Genter
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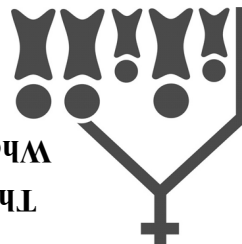
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