

## Welcome to the Wildermuth Church Newsletter!

We're excited to introduce this way of staying connected as a church family. Each edition will highlight the life and ministry happening here at Wildermuth—upcoming events, special services, ministry opportunities, and stories of how God is at work among us.

Our hope is that this newsletter will not only keep you informed but also encourage you to be involved, pray for one another, and celebrate the ways God is moving in our community.

Whether it's a Bible study, a youth outreach, a mission project, or a fellowship meal, there is always something to take part in as we grow together in Christ.

Thank you for being part of Wildermuth Church. Let's continue walking in faith, serving with joy, and sharing the love of Jesus!

# From the Pastor's Desk



Church family, as I am writing this first newsletter for us, I would be remis if I did not take pause to address some recent and current events which surround us.

Our hearts are heavy these days. We grieve the killing of Charlie Kirk, the tragic shooting at Annunciation Catholic School, and we paused last week to remember the anniversary of 9/11. Each of these moments reminds us of the brokenness of our world and the pain which violence leaves behind.

Yet we also remember that "the Lord is close to the brokenhearted" (Psalm 34:18). Evil does not have the last word. Our hope is in Christ, who conquered death and offers peace beyond understanding.

While I pray that this section can be uplifting, encouraging, and perhaps even include some lightheartedness in the future, I felt compelled to address these events now.

Let us honor those we've lost by being a people of prayer, lifting up the hurting; a people of love, standing against hate and fear; and a people of hope, pointing to Jesus — the only One who can heal, redeem, and bring lasting peace.

— Pastor Vance



# **Pastor Vance's Ventures**

For your convenience, below is Pastor Vance's tentative schedule for the next few days. (It may vary depending on emergency situations, meetings, etc.)

Appointments can be made by calling/texting 614-706-3040 or email at PastorVance@WildermuthChurch.com

#### Wed 9/17

**Carroll Business Association Meeting** 

GPS Ministries - Somerset – details below

#### **Thurs 9/18**

Office and by appointment

Baltimore/Thurston/Carroll Ministerial Association meeting

## Fri 9/19

Office and by appointment

Food Pantry Setup – details below

#### Sat 9/20

GPS Ministries - Airport – details below

### Sun 9/21

Worship

Small Group

#### Mon 9/22

Office and by appointment

#### **Tues 9/23**

Office and by appointment

#### Wed 9/24

GPS Ministries Somerset – details below

## Meetings, events, and Worship services

• GPS Ministries stands for <u>G</u>od and <u>P</u>eople <u>S</u>tories Ministries, an outreach ministry by Pastor Vance in our area.

#### **GPS Ministries – Somerset**

- Everyone is welcome to join us Wednesday evenings at Wannabees (the sign out front says "Main Grill") at 105 W Main St, Somerset, OH. We fellowship over a meal between 5-7 PM (arrive as you can, purchase your own meal from their great menu) and Bible study starts at 7.
  - o Contact Pastor Vance if you would like transportation to this service.
- o Current series is Discussing "Why Studying the Bible Matters"

## **GPS Ministries – Airport**



 Join us for a Fly-In (or you can drive in) Church service.

- Meets on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month at 10 AM at Fairfield County Airport (KLHQ) located at 3430 Old Columbus Rd NW, Carroll, OH.
- Enjoy Coffee and donuts in the Terminal Building as we gather around and learn about a Pilot Story, how it relates to a God Story, and discover how we can apply it to our lives.

## **Small Group Opportunities**

- Sunday Evenings at 5 PM Wildermuth Annex
  - Have you ever wondered how faith and science fit together? Join us for an engaging small group study featuring Dr. Dino (Kent Hovind)'s Creation Seminar video series. Each week, we'll watch a segment of the series and then dive into a discussion time.



- This study will help you:
  - Defend and boldly share your faith in today's skeptical world.
  - Understand the biblical perspective on creation and evolution.

## **Ministry / Volunteer Opportunities**

- We invite all to share your gifts during our Worship Service
  - o This can be by serving as a Greeter or a Bell Ringer some week
  - It could also be by sharing a poem, some musical gift, or other talent during our services
  - o It could even be to serve as a Song Leader during our Worship time
  - o or in some other way.
- BC Food Pantry Monthly (typically the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month but subject to change) we can minister to our community by helping to set up for the Bloom Carroll Food Pantry. 6:30 PM to ? at Shalom UMC, 4925 Plum Rd NW, Carroll, OH 43112
  - o Donations of canned Dog and Cat Food can be brought to Wildermuth.
- As Fall approaches we need assistance in keeping the leaves raked. Please consider giving of your time and energy as we strive to keep the leaves under control.

Please contact Pastor Vance if you would like to assist in any of these ways!



## **Looking to the Future**

- Make plans now to attend and help spread the word about our next Concert on Saturday Oct 11<sup>th</sup> at 5 PM.
  - O See the flyer at the end of this newsletter.
- Our current plans are to have a singer/group come and be with us whenever there is a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in a month and a carry-in dinner after.
- One of our long range visions for our church is to become a host church for two different youth groups.
  - o **Trail Life** for boys and **American Heritage Girls** are Christian based Scout-like organization for youth ages 5 to 18.
    - We will need a minimum of 5 adult males and 5 adult women to commit to being the leadership teams in order to get these troops chartered.

If you have any interest in learning more about these, please contact Pastor Vance.

# An <u>Evening of</u> Worship in Song

Come and enjoy a powerful evening of worship as three gifted ministries lift high the name of Jesus through music!

**Date:** Oct 11, 2025

♦ Location: Wildermuth Memorial Church, 3405 Carroll Eastern Rd, Carroll, OH

Time: 5 PM



Michael King is an extremely talented and gifted singer with a heart to draw people into the presence of God thru his music and personal testimony. Michael is a founding member of One True North and has performed with numerous artists. His anointed voice and passion for worship inspire believers to encounter God in a fresh way.



John & Debi Levier from Heath, Ohio, have been singing and ministering in song for over 16 years. Their love for worship has led them into nursing homes, hospital rooms, parks, barns, churches, restaurants, county fairs, and even the Christian TV station in Marion, Ohio. Wherever the door opens, they faithfully share the gospel of Jesus Christ through music.



John Westling is a gospel singer/songwriter from Greeneville, TN, originally from Southeastern Ohio. The proud son of a preacher, John built his foundation of faith early, which continues to shape his heartfelt gospel songwriting. In 2018, he founded Spirit-Born Ministries and has since recorded four albums, with his newest project, NEW SONGS OF FAITH, set