

February 18, 2026



Greetings,

As I sat down to write this edition of our newsletter, I found myself wrestling with what to share. Should I revisit some of the important reminders we often talk about—like linking your Kroger Rewards Card to Wildermuth Memorial Church so a portion of your purchases supports our Missions Fund? Or perhaps highlight that this Friday we once again have the opportunity to serve by helping set up the local Food Pantry? Maybe I should encourage participation in a New Members Class and invite those who are interested to take the next step toward membership here.

But then I realized that all of these opportunities—and more—are already shared throughout this newsletter each week.

I also considered writing about Lent: what it is, why we observe it, and what it means for our faith. Much of that conversation has already taken place in our new Tuesday Bible Study at Carroll Cup Coffee House. Still, a couple of reflections from that time together have stayed with me.

First, we talked about how the Apostle John shared what he had seen, heard, and learned—and we were challenged to ask ourselves if we are doing the same. Are we allowing excuses to keep us from sharing the gospel with others? Or do we love people enough to help them honestly confront their condition—separated from God and bound by sin? Individually and collectively, what are we doing to help others find life and hope in Christ?

The second challenge centered on the phrase *“practice the truth.”* In 1 John 1:6 we read: *“If we say that we have fellowship with Him and walk in darkness, we lie and do not practice the truth.”*

Friends, rather than repeating announcements or urging participation in specific activities, I want to invite us—especially during this Lenten season—to reflect on our personal habits and our daily walk with Christ. Are we truly practicing the truth in our lives?

If you’d like to explore this more deeply, I invite you to join us on Tuesdays at 9:00 a.m. at Carroll Cup Coffee House. I believe God has something meaningful to say to each of us as we seek to follow Him more faithfully.

Grace and 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 2/18

Kiwanis @ Noon

GPS – Somerset @ 7 PM – Ash Wed

Thurs 2/19

Office by Appointment

Ministerial Assoc Meeting @ 6:30 pm

Friday 2/20

Office by Appointment

Food Pantry Setup @ 6:30 pm

Saturday 2/21

Ministers EQUIP Conference 8am-2pm

Sunday 2/22

Worship @ 10AM

Board Meeting @ 11:30

Monday 2/23

Office by Appointment

Tuesday 2/24

Bible Study – Carroll Cup – 9AM

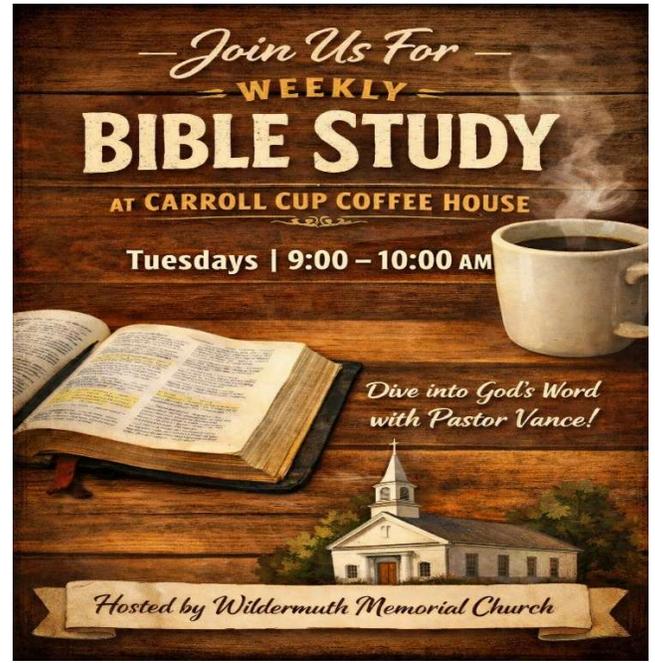
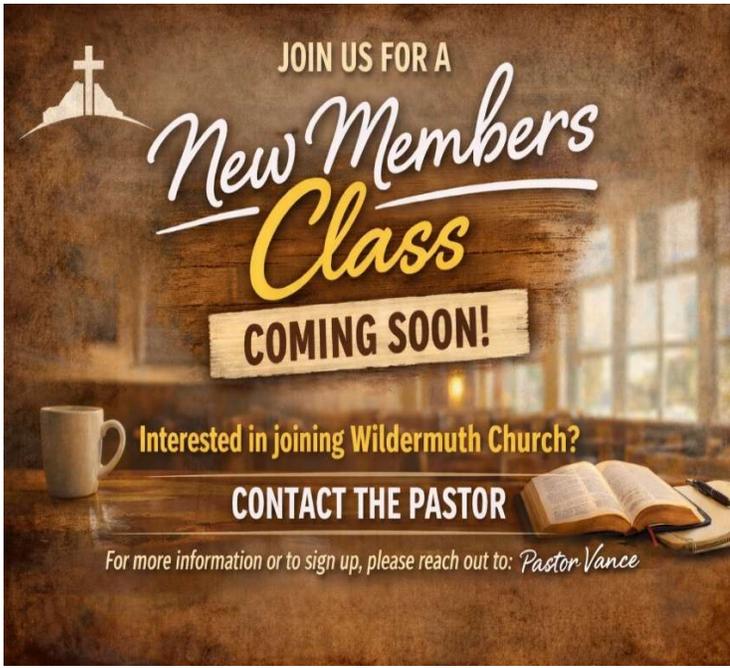
Office by Appointment

Wednesday 2/25

Kiwanis @ Noon

GPS – Somerset @ 7PM

Meetings, events, and Worship services



God and People Staories (GPS) Ministries, an outreach ministry by Pastor Vance in our area.

GPS Ministries – Somerset

- o 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.

GPS Ministries – Airport



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

- o Meets on the 3rd Saturday of each month at 10 AM at Fairfield County Airport (KLHO) located at 3430 Columbus Rd NW, Carroll, OH.

- o 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.

Ministry / Volunteer Opportunities

- We invite all to share your gifts during our Worship Service
 - It could also be by sharing a poem, some musical gift, or other talent during our services. It could even be to serve as a Song Leader during our Worship time, or in some other way.
- BC Food Pantry - Monthly (typically the 3rd Friday of the month)
 - Come join us as we minister to our community by helping with the setting up for the Bloom Carroll Food Pantry.
 - Approx 6:30 - 8 PM at Shalom UMC, 4925 Plum Rd NW, Carroll



Minister to others by bringing in donations of canned Dog and Cat Food

to Wildermuth Memorial Church. We serve as a collection site for these items.

- Would you consider helping Wildermuth Church in supporting missionaries by linking your Kroger rewards card to Wildermuth Memorial Church, ID # RJ186.



- If you do not shop at Kroger, then please note that all money donated in the Missions cup by our offering plate also goes to this mission's support.

Looking to the Future

- Saturday - Feb 28th at 6 PM - Gospel Concert featuring Kameron Waits!
 - We will have a dinner after the concert – **Please sign up with what you will bring**
- Several Concerts are getting scheduled for 2026.
 - Flyers will be attached to the newsletters.
- One of our long-range visions for our church is to become a host church for two different youth groups.
 - 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.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS! **Help Out With Our Youth!**



TRAIL LIFE



AMERICAN HERITAGE GIRLS

Wildermuth Church Needs Your Help!

To volunteer with our Trail Life or American Heritage Girls programs,
please reach out to **Pastor Vance**

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BEAT THE WINTER BLUES CONCERT

JAN 24TH • 6 PM

Kameron Waits

Rescheduled to
Feb 28th

WILDERMUTH MEMORIAL CHURCH

3405 CARROLL EASTERN RD NW • CARROLL, OH

FREE ADMISSION • ALL AGES

DONATIONS APPRECIATED

NEWARK / ZANESVILLE ZONE MISSION TOUR

Mission Service with



Roberto & Rhesa Rodriguez

Missionaries – USA / Mexico Nazarene Border Initiative

Thursday, March 12 • 7:00 PM

Hebron Nazarene Church

115 W. Cumberland St.



Sharing Hope & Building Bridges at the Border



All Are Welcome!

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New Promise



Palm Sunday Concert

March 29, 2026

10:00 AM

Wildermuth Memorial Church

3405 Carroll Eastern Rd, Carroll, Ohio



**Wildermuth
Memorial Church**

CONCERT



Don & Sylvia Lemley

★ **Saturday, April 25th | 6:00 PM** ★

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ALL ARE WELCOME!

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Bryan & Yvonne Hutson
Rescue Me Ministries



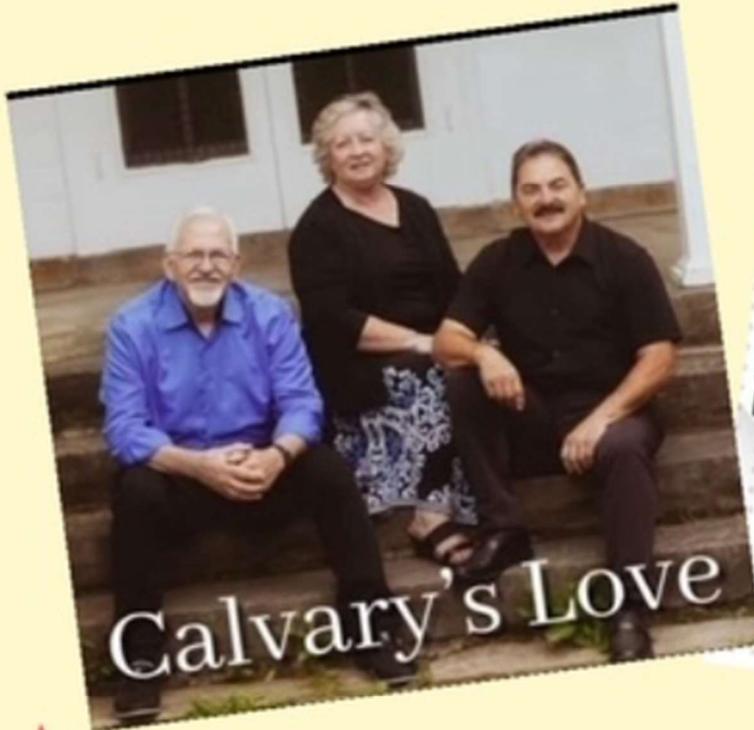
In Concert

Saturday, May 23, 2026

6:00 PM

Wildermuth Memorial Church
3405 Carroll Eastern Rd, Carroll, Ohio

★ IN CONCERT ★



**BRYAN
LANGLEY**
LIFE IS GOOD



★
★ **SUNDAY** ★
28 JUNE 2026
6:00PM

★ **WILDERMUTH MEMORIAL
CHURCH** ★
3405 CARROLL EASTERN RD
CARROLL OH