

The Grapevine



“Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous.

**Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed,
for the LORD your God is with you wherever you go.”**

Joshua 1:9

This precious verse has recently taken on special meaning for my family. As we prepare for a cross-country move and all the challenges that come with it, I have found myself repeatedly whispering these words over my children each night: “Be strong and courageous. The Lord is with us.”



There is a lot of excitement in a new beginning, but there can also be uncertainty. New schools. New friends. A new home. A new church family. It can feel intimidating for anyone, but especially for young children.

But remember, when God spoke these words to Joshua, He didn’t promise an easy road. He promised him something infinitely more valuable: His presence.

Maybe you have something new in front of you, too. Perhaps it’s the start of a new school year, a career change, or a difficult decision. Whatever lies ahead on the path before you, hear these words: The God who was faithful to Joshua is the same God who has promised to be with us.

So the words I have been whispering over my children each night, I want to speak over you as well: Be strong and courageous. Do not be afraid. The Lord your God is with you wherever you go.

And as my family begins this new chapter, we are grateful that “wherever you go” is bringing us to Cove Spring.

Grace and peace,
Pastor Josh

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Joys and Concerns

- *Please pray for Pastor Josh Miller and his family as they prepare to move from Texas*
- *Congratulations to Mitchell and Kendra Binkley on the birth of their daughter, Sadie Mae*
- *Congratulations to Kendal (Staley) and Michael Hohenstein on their marriage at Cove Spring in August*
- *Amelia Wolfe—high school student at Miami East in ICU for a month—serious liver, pancreas, and kidney issues*
- *Kathy Zerkle Struman – cancer diagnosis*
- *Jayne Benham – broken wrist & surgery to repair*

Please pray for God's comforting touch for the families who have lost loved ones in August

- The family of Babs Young

Continued Prayer for those with ongoing health issues and/or Cancer.

Nevin Elleman	Julie Kurtz
Kathy Shellhaas	Betty Trostel
Patty Taynor	John Jess
Lynda Mott	
Judy Taynor	
Gage Thompson	
Marty— Marilyn Rowe's brother	

Happy Birthday!

Brenner Greenlee, Cory Manning, Eric Wright, Tyler Dunivan, Allison Rose, Emily Fox, Lauren Landis, Justin Hershberger, Bradley Knife, Jim Sutherly, Cael Rose, Ira Worthington, Dan Sutherly, Jay Benham, Amanda Fine, Emma Pohlmeier, Samuel Sutherly, Alex Hilliard, Pam Sutherly, Natalie Rindler, Tammy Hamiel, Jane Hershberger, Doug Wagner, Ellie Bennett, Phil Greenlee, Susie Miller, Miranda Sharp, Savannah Holzen, Hadley Russell, Everett Benham, John Fulton, Henry Hershberger, Richard McMaken Jr., Leah Dunivan



HAPPY Anniversary

Sam & Laura Sutherly, Bill & Tammy Hamiel, Joe & Cheryl Jackson, Tim & Gaile Knife, Justin & Vanessa Sandberg, Nick & Michelle Miller, Robert & Jenny Sharp, Nick & Danielle McMaken, Doug & Anita Csikos, Dick & Cynthia Hill, Kevin & Tina Buntin, Gary & Jeannie Unger

BLESSING BOX

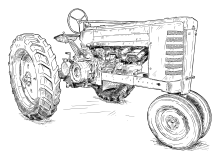


The Blessing Box is being used every week. Non-perishables are needed.

Blessing of the Farmers Sunday, September 13 at 9:30 am

**at Lostcreek Memory Barn
3360 St. Rt. 589
Casstown, OH 45312**

Please join us for our Special Sunday service which includes a blessing for the upcoming harvest season.



Please send any old farming photos for our slide show to Betsy Staley at covespringchurch@gmail.com or give to Betsy at church.



Cove Spring Church Anniversary Sunday September 27 at 9:30am

**Please join us for a carry-in lunch after church.
Main dish, drinks, plates and cutlery will be provided.
If able, please bring a dish to share.**



CHURCH CONTACT INFO

**church email:
covespringchurch@gmail.com**

**New Church Phone Number
937-315-1647**

**For pastoral care,
please contact
Pastor Don Trumbull
937-418-1088**

**For the One-Call prayer chain and
announcements, please use the new
church phone number.**

Important Dates

SEPT 8 - DEACON BD MTG - 7 PM

SEPT 9 - WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

*Wednesday's at 12:30pm

SEPT 13 - BLESSING OF THE FARMERS

*church service will be held at
Lostcreek Memory Barn

SEPT 13 - LEMONADE & BAKE SALE

*Cove Spring Kids will help

SEPT 16 - CHOIR PRACTICE

*choir will start up again

SEPT 20 - COVE SPRING KIDS

SEPT 27- ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY

Celebrating 211 years!

SEPT 27 - CHURCH PICNIC

Potluck lunch after church

OCT 4 - WORLD WIDE COMMUNION

OCT 5 - DEACON BD MTG 7PM

OCT 13 - WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

OCT 13 - CHURCH BUSINESS MEETING

OCT 15 - FOOTBALL TEAM MEAL



COVE SPRING KIDS (PRE-K TO 5TH GRADE)



SEPT 13 - We will be doing a lemonade and baked good stand for donations to support the youth programs (at Lostcreek Memory Barn - Blessing of the Farmer's Service). If you would like to make a baked good for this please let Michelle know.

SEPT 20 - Cove Spring Kids will be after church services until 11:45.

YOUTH GROUP (6TH -12TH GRADE)



Cove Spring Youth will have a planning meeting in September.

Be on the look out for information from Michelle



YOUTH DIRECTOR POSITION -OPEN

We are still looking to fill the position of the Youth Director.

Please email covespringchurch@gmail.com.

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP - WILL MEET IN OCT

Womens Fellowship will begin meeting again in October.

FOOTBALL TEAM MEAL - OCT 15

Sign up to provide dessert for the Miami East football team meal on Oct. 15

*"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace"
1 Peter 4:10*

The Choir will start back up with their first practice on September 16 at 7:30 pm.
Please consider joining us!



THANK YOU

Thank you so much to our congregation members that have given their time and talents over the past year to make Cove Spring Church so special. Your love and commitment are a blessing to the church and to all who walk through our doors.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We need to fill 4 Deacon Board positions for 2027
- The Youth Director position is open
- The Youth program is in need of a Nursery volunteer and Childrens Church volunteer (once a month)
- We have many committees that we need volunteers for 2027

SERVING OTHERS

Opportunities to serve Cove Spring Church in 2027

We need volunteers to serve in 2027 for these special events:

- Graduation
- Mother's Day
- Father's Day
- Easter Party
- Bible School
- Harvest Party
- Children's Christmas Program
- Christmas Treats Committee



WE NEED YOUR HELP

More Committees:

- Funeral Dinner Committee
- Church Sign Committee
- Christmas Decorating
- Missions Committee
- Audio Visual Team

Officers:

- Deacon Board
- Trustee



**We also need
any phone #
& address
updates for
the Yearbook**

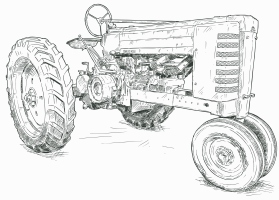
Please email covespringchurch@gmail.com or talk to Betsy Staley if you are interested in any of the serving opportunities by Oct. 13. Thank you!!

Betsy Staley, 937-608-0807



**Each of you should use
whatever gift you have
received to serve others, as
faithful stewards of God's
grace in its various forms.**

— 1 PETER 4:10, NIV



SEPTEMBER 2026



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 Labor Day	8 Deacon Bd. Mtg 7pm	9 Women's Bible Study 12:30pm	10	11	12
13 Blessing of the Farmers held at Lostcreek Memory Barn 9:30 am Bake Sale	14	15	16 Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Choir practice 7:30pm	17	18	19
20 Cove Spring Kids	21	22	23 Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Choir practice 7:30pm	24	25	26
27 Anniversary Sunday Lunch after church	28	29	30 Women's Bible Study 12:30pm Choir practice 7:30pm			



Then he said to his disciples, "The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Matthew 9:37-38