

Ashland Area Emmaus Community
A LIGHT SHINING

From the Community Lay Director

“Just a little bit of love goes a long, long way.” That was one of our songs from this year’s VBS. I helped with the 4,5,6-year olds. What a Blessing and a challenge that can be. To watch those little ones learn about God through their eyes. Someday they will be the leaders of our churches, so it is so important to guide them in the way God wants us to.

In Emmaus, we have the opportunity to help others to continue and grow in their walk with God. Our Emmaus walks helped us to grow and hopefully teach us to be leaders of our churches. Now it is time for us to step up and ask others to go on an Emmaus Walk. We will always have many reasons to not do what God ask us to do. But, if we pray about it, God will let us know who to ask and how to ask them.

The past years our numbers of pilgrims have been fewer and fewer. Is that because the Emmaus Community has gotten too busy and forgot to challenge ourselves to keep it going forward in what is really important. To let others have the Emmaus experience that we had.

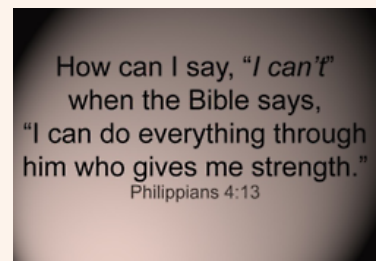
My heart is sad that we can’t get at least 12 pilgrims per walk. I’m sure we all know (including me) of someone that we can ask to go

August 2019

Gathering Info



Friday August 16, 2019
South Ashland Methodist
Potluck/Fellowship 6:30 p.m.
Worship 7:15



Fourth Day Speaker

Alicia Katterheinrich

Community Singing

Jessica Roe & Kim Williams

Special Music

SAUMC Stick Ministry

Sponsorship Moment

Cindy Poling

Lay director continued...

on a walk that really deserves this opportunity.

Wouldn't it be so amazing if we filled up both walks to the limit?!?!

As the song said, "Just a little bit of love goes a long, long way."

I ask that we all pray about what God wants us to do as a Community.

Let's be God's hands and feet and see what God will do.

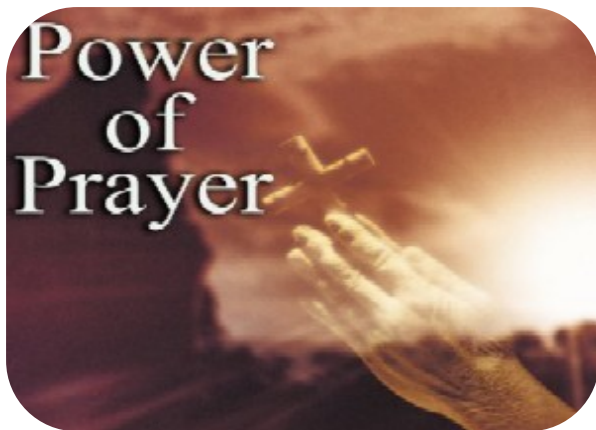
1 Corinthians 12:27, says

"You are the Body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it."

To God be the Glory,

DeColores!

Anita Fitzpatrick, CLD



Pray for the Emmaus Community,
leaders and volunteers...

Heavenly Father, God, our creator, we give you praise and thanksgiving. Your wisdom, grace and mercy surround us as we gather together as a body of believers.

The prayer of our hearts is to build the Emmaus community through sharing your love and grace through service. Encourage leaders to be humble yet bold for your kingdom. Inspire the hearts of community members to plug into the ministry always seeking be your hands and feet to others through action.

May each of us be filled with the Holy Spirit, always seeking your will not our own.

In Jesus' Name,

Amen



	Offered by	Concerning	Request
Prayer	Community	Janice Waters	Starts chemo August 1st
Prayer	Community	Terri Cash	Construction of ministry center in Mozambique
Prayer	Community	Paul Conley	Home recovering from Surgery

FALL WALKS

Men – October 3-6, 2019 LD Brian Poling

Women – October 17-20, 2019 LD Anita Martin

Lets get our 12+ pilgrims signed up for each of these walks so we can proceed.

As of August 1st we still only have 8 Men and 8 Women

We can have up to 20 each walk. The sooner we get the applications in the better.

LETS ALL WORK TOGETHER AS A COMMUNITY AND MAKE THE FALL WALKS BE BEST THEY CAN BE TO GLORIFY GOD FOR ALL HE HAS DONE, IS DOING AND WILL DO.

(We have sponsorships available- We don't want anyone to miss out on the Emmaus walk experience)



Applications for the Walk

Walk applications are available on the web at www.ashlandemmaus.com. Send the applications to the address on the form. Remember to be specific about the needs of your pilgrim, including food requirements and sleeping arrangements.

Please email the registrar if you have a pilgrim application as we are nearing the Walk deadlines: aaec.registrar@gmail.com

Fall Walk Dates:

Men's Walk #41 – October 3-6, 2019
 Women's Walk #49 – October 17-20, 2019

**Sponsorship is an act of love for God, for the Pilgrims, for the church, and for the Emmaus Community.
It is a demonstration of agape love and an instrument of prevenient Grace.**

1. Prayerfully consider whom you could make a commitment to sponsor. Pray for the person's openness to God's call to discipleship.
2. Make an appointment with the person (or participating couple) to discuss their participation in Emmaus.
3. Invite them to take part in Emmaus for the sake of a more vital relationship with Jesus Christ. Share your own faith. Explain the basic purpose, elements of the Walk, and follow-up dimensions, which help us live in grace for the rest of our lives. Have the attitude that you are giving them a wonderful gift, rather than that they need to go.
4. Encourage the commitment once interest has been given. Have the application with you and ask the prospective pilgrim to fill it out while you are there so you can answer any questions they may have.
5. Continue to prepare... prayer support, answering questions, gathering agape letters. Talk to the pilgrims pastor to elicit support and explain the Walk to Emmaus.
6. Handle the pilgrim's weekend responsibilities. Help with family, home, animals, pick up mail or just be available in case something is needed. Be sure to bring your pilgrim, attend sponsors hours, Candle light, closing and don't forget to take them home with that silly grin on their face!

What a Spirit-filled weekend a pilgrim can have in store for them!

Pray. Make the offer. Follow through with the application.
Be prepared to listen as their excitement takes you back to your own walk.
Such Joy!