



Springfield Area Emmaus

March 2019

Prayer to The Holy Spirit

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of Your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created. And you shall renew the face of the earth. O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit We may be truly wise and ever enjoy your consolations. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

On the Road to Emmaus

¹³ Now that same day two of them were going to a village called Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem. ¹⁴ They were talking with each other about everything that had happened. ¹⁵ As they talked and discussed these things with each other, Jesus himself came up and walked along with them; ¹⁶ but they were kept from recognizing him.

¹⁷ He asked them, "What are you discussing together as you walk along?"

They stood still, their faces downcast. ¹⁸ One of them, named Cleopas, asked him, "Are you the only one visiting Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?"

¹⁹ "What things?" he asked.

"About Jesus of Nazareth," they replied. "He was a prophet, powerful in word and deed before God and all the people. ²⁰ The chief priests and our rulers handed him over to be sentenced to death, and they crucified him; ²¹ but we had hoped that he was the one who was going to redeem Israel. And what is more, it is the third day since all this took place. ²² In addition, some of our women amazed us. They went to the tomb early this morning ²³ but didn't find his body. They came and told us that they had seen a vision of angels, who said he was alive. ²⁴ Then some of our companions went to the tomb and found it just as the women had said, but they did not see Jesus."

²⁵ He said to them, "How foolish you are, and how slow to believe all that the prophets have spoken! ²⁶ Did not the Messiah have to suffer these things and then enter his glory?" ²⁷ And beginning with Moses and all the Prophets, he explained to them what was said in all the Scriptures concerning himself.

²⁸ As they approached the village to which they were going, Jesus continued on as if he were going farther. ²⁹ But they urged him strongly, "Stay with us, for it is nearly evening; the day is almost over." So he went in to stay with them.

³⁰ When he was at the table with them, he took bread, gave thanks, broke it and began to give it to them. ³¹ *Then their eyes were opened and they recognized him, and he disappeared from their sight.* ³² *They asked each other, "Were not our hearts burning within us while he talked with us on the road and opened the Scriptures to us?"*

³³ They got up and returned at once to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven and those with them, assembled together ³⁴ and saying, "It is true! The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon." ³⁵ Then the two told what had happened on the way, and how Jesus was recognized by them when he broke the bread. Luke 24:13-35

Remember your walk to Emmaus? When were your eyes opened to the immense Love of God? When did you really see Jesus? The time of silence? Dying Communion? The Scripture reading? The clowns? Candlelight? All the agape? The singing? Were our hearts burning within us? Has our fire gone out?

Be in prayer for the Women's walk scheduled for June 20-23, it will be held **IF** there are enough applications received by March 10th.

Please, pray about this. The women who have their applications in are looking forward to being on the walk. If He is not laying someone on your heart, is He talking to you about serving at the walk? Kitchen? Cleaning? Set up? There are many ways to serve!! Share groups can do Agape.....

Speaking of Share Groups...

MEET THE BOARD



Phyllis M Johnson, Springfield Area Emmaus Woman's Walk #15, table of Priscilla. (clap) I took my walk in October 1995 and have been active in the Community since my walk. I loved working in the kitchen on Saturdays for lunch. I have been an assistant table leader (ATL) once and table leader (TL) once. ATL was with Theresa Ehalt at the table of love, TL was the table of Priscilla with Bobbi Jean Estes as my ATL. I have served on two boards, first as worship and now as Good Shepherd.

The job of the Good Shepherd is to keep the records of share groups and help set them up. If you are looking for one, call me. If you would like to start one, call me. If you want to know what they are.... You know!! H 937-325-2086; C937-346-5743

I love mushrooms, blueberries and strawberry ice cream. (ed.note. these are included for ideas for social/fellowship foods to share ;^), also, can anyone tell me what the scene is on the tapestry behind Phyllis?)

Order of the Reunion from the Group Reunion Card (group reunion AKA Share Group.)

1. Review your Group Reunion Card----- Prayer, Study, Action.
2. Closest to Christ—At what moment this past week did you feel closest to Christ?
3. Call to Discipleship--- At what moment during this week did you feel you were responding to God's call to be a disciple? Where did you participate this week in being the church, the heartbeat of Christ?
4. Discipleship denied--- When was your faith tested this week through failure?
5. Your Plan--- What is your plan for prayer, study, and action for the week to come?
6. Reunion Group Activities
7. Prayers for Special Needs---Pray for those who are absent.
8. Prayer of Thanksgiving

Almighty God, who lives and reigns forever, we give you thanks for all the gifts you have bestowed upon us
Amen

How is your share group going? Do you need to get in one? Remember, call Phyllis Johnson, the Good Shepherd, who has all the info! H 937-325-2086; C937-346-5743

(As you read on you will see we'll be changing Good Shepherd to Fourth Day Coordinator)

IMPORTANT NEWS



Springfield Area Emmaus

Each community must have its own local Emmaus Board of Directors. Insofar as they take responsibility for enabling Emmaus weekends in their locality, it is recommended that the Board be structured as a “Working Board” described in the outlines for Springfield Area Emmaus Board of Directors. The Board of Directors of each new Emmaus Community should adopt bylaws which set forth the structure and rules of operation for the Board of Directors. The bylaws which follow are those set forth for the Springfield Area Emmaus Communities, originally published September 16, 1992 and most recently revised at the ~~March 2018~~February 17, 2019 board meeting to be effective on ~~April 17, June 10, 2019~~April 21, 2019.

BYLAWS OF THE SPRINGFIELD AREA EMMAUS COMMUNITY

Revised effective ~~June 10~~April 21, 2019

ARTICLE V. COMMITTEES

Section 1. The Board of Directors consists of Board members to chair the following committees: Registration, Sponsorship, ~~Good Shepherd~~Fourth Day, Kitchen, Purchasing/Supply, Social, Logistics, Worship, ~~Outreach~~Nurturing, Agape, Supplies, Music, Newsletter, ~~Chrysalis, Kairos~~, and the High Street United Methodist Church Representative.

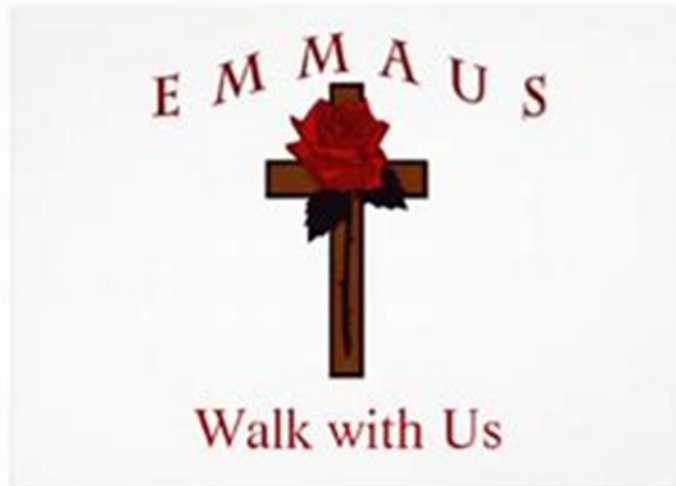
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Guidance for the Community:

In accordance with Springfield Area Emmaus By-Laws, ARTICLE VII, *AMENDMENT*, the board proposes the above amendment. If anyone in the community objects to the proposed change, a petition describing the objection, with signatures of at least twenty-five (25) community members, must be received by the Community Lay Director, **Gene Porter**, gporter1@woh.rr.com, within sixty (60) days of amendment posting date (18 April 2019). If an objection petition is received, the amendment is not enacted. If the Board wishes to submit the amendment to the entire Community for a vote, it may do so by posting that intent in the newsletter 30 days prior to the gathering where the vote occurs. A simple majority of votes cast by the membership present at the gathering will decide the matter. If no objection petition is received, the amendment is enacted after the completion of 60 days from the posting date.

Note – Chrysalis and Kairos are to become committees under the Nurturing chairperson. Other changes are renaming of roles and combining Purchasing and Supply. No other changes to the By-Laws are proposed at this time.

Schedule for Sunday March 10, 2019
5:30pm board meeting, (there will be no sponsorship training)
6:30pm Social, bring something to share and fellowship before the fellowship!
7pm Gathering.



Has the Lord laid a name on your heart of a potential pilgrim for an upcoming Walk to Emmaus??? Now is the time to act upon it.

Women's Walk # 74 is scheduled for June 20 – 23, 2019. **We need approximately 10 women's applications by March 10, 2019** to allow the team to begin preparations for a June walk. **The application is included with this newsletter.** Please prayerfully consider who God has placed on your heart.

Applications should be sent to:

High St UMC
Springfield Emmaus Community
230 E High St
Springfield, OH 4



Lent will begin on Wednesday, March 6, 2019 and end on Saturday, April 20, 2019. A time of heart preparation for



Revised: Sep 2013

SPRINGFIELD AREA WALK TO EMMAUS (Please PRINT and fill in ALL blanks)

Name _____ Age _____

Sex M _____ F _____ (as preferred on name tag)

Address _____

Phone _____

City _____ State _____

Zip Code _____ - _____

Church now attending:

_____ Pastor: _____

Church Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Married _____ Single _____ Divorced _____ Widowed _____ Separated _____

Spouse's name _____ Walk spouse attended _____

Sponsor's name _____

Phone _____

Address _____ City _____

State _____ Zip _____

Walk attended _____

Dietary concerns Medical concerns Disability concerns

Occupation: _____ Company Name: _____

Name of a close friend: _____

Phone: _____

Address: _____
_____ City/State _____

Zip: _____

Briefly state why you want to attend a Walk to Emmaus and what you expect.

Would you be able to attend on short notice? Yes _____ No _____ Perhaps _____

I understand that this application does not reserve a position on a particular Walk, but does place me on a list for future Walks to Emmaus in Springfield.

Signature _____

Date _____

Enclose a NON-REFUNDABLE, NON-TRANSFERRABLE deposit of \$25.00, which applies to your \$75.00 donation to offset expenses. Make checks payable to Springfield Area Emmaus. Remit to: Registrar, Springfield Area Emmaus, High Street United Methodist Church, 230 E. High St., Springfield, OH 45505.

REGISTRATION ONLY Date received _____ Card sent to: Sponsor _____

Pilgrim _____ Deposit rec'd _____ Cash _____ Check # _____ Rec'd from _____
_____ 1st Invite _____ 2nd Invite _____ 3rd Invite _____

Inactive _____

Springfield Area Emmaus Willing Servant Sheet

Please Print:

Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Home Ph: _____ Cell Ph: _____ Regularly Attend Share Group? Y / N

Church Attending: _____ Walk # _____ Walk Location _____

Email: _____

Information is current as of: (Date) _____

===== I Am Willing To Serve In These Areas: =====

Please Check All That Apply

- Help serving meals
 - Be a Meal Coordinator
 - Help with Agape for weekend
 - Help Registrar (contact pilgrims before walk)
 - Help Set up/Tear Down for weekend
 - Help with Sponsorship (help get info to Sponsors)
 - Help get word out about Emmaus
 - Help on purchasing team for weekend
 - Be on a Live-In Team
 - Lead Music
 - Play an instrument: _____
 - Offer special music for Gatherings or walks
 - Help with the newsletter
 - Help with social after Gatherings
 - Help set up Worship
 - Provide secretarial help at Board Meetings
 - Help inventory and organize supplies
 - Help with cleaning bathrooms during a walk
 - Help get people connected to Share Groups
 - To learn more about Emmaus by attending the Leadership Development Event (LDE)
- Help in other ways: _____

Please Mail to:

Springfield Area Emmaus, 230 East High St. Springfield Ohio 45505

Or drop off at the back table at any Gathering.