



CUP CHOIR 2014



SHINE CHRISTMAS PROGRAM



CONFIRMATION CAVING TRIP 2015



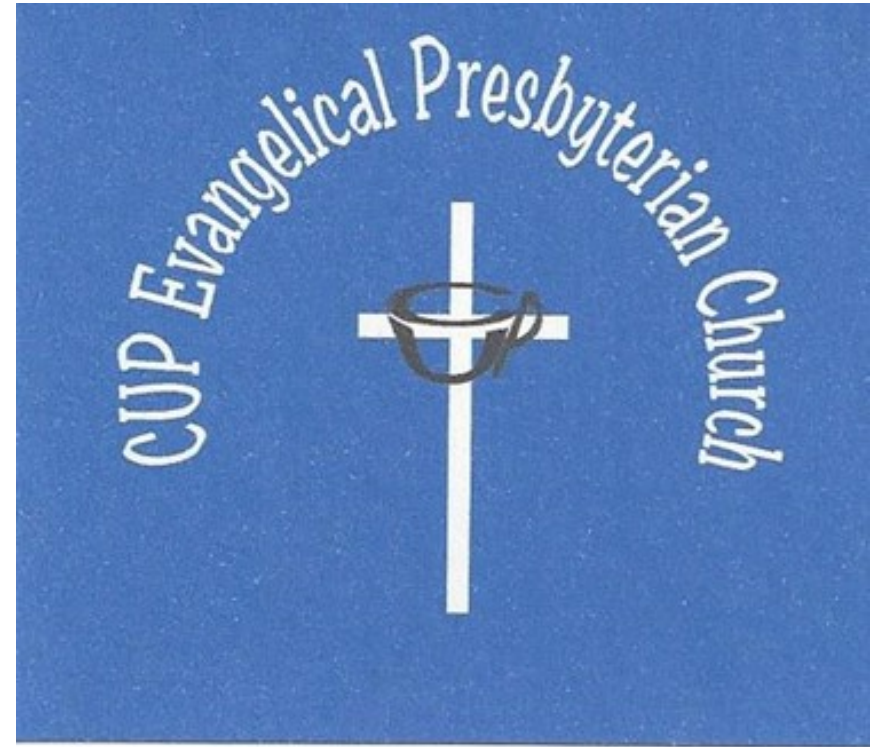
**JOHN, JUD, AND BUD
AT 2014 GENERAL
ASSEMBLY**



CHRISTMAS TEA 2016



**SIERRA LEONE
BAPTISM - ATLANTIC
OCEAN**



*60th Anniversary
November 1957-2017*



CUP STAFF

Pastor: Rev. Scott Graham

Children & Youth Director: Joel Cuniff

Secretary & Financial Secretary: Cindy Wilson

Director of Choir & Organist: Pat Shawgo

Treasurer: Cindy Vannoy

Accompanist: Evan Shaw, Beth Hesselson

Library Manager: Paula Keefer

SESSION - RULING ELDERS

Moderator: Rev. Scott Graham **Clerk of Session:** Jud Herter

Suzi Clark – Christian Ed., Dave Pawlos - Mission,

Wade Rider - Mission, Brian Hughes – Fellowship,

Paula Keefer - Worship, Jud Herter - Personnel,

Bud Trimmer – Outreach, John Brieck - Prayer

BOARD OF DEACONS

Moderator: John Myers

Chris Schetka, Neil Clark, Carol Talvola, Cathy Cantrell,
Joy Joseph, Donna Ewing, Lori Derringer, Linda Trimmer

TRUSTEES

Moderator: Russ Ewing

Gary Arbogast, Judy Bixler, Jeff Estermyer, R. William Mills,
Doug Cline, Terry Brandt, Rex Graham

60TH ANNIVERSARY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Chairman: Jud Herter

Nancy Hinzman, Agnes Dillan, Mary Ann Beatty



CUP SHINE MEMORY VERSE DURING STORY TIME 10/14



CAROLING GROUP 2016



MISSION TRIP TO CLEVELAND 2015



FAITH NIGHT TRIP 2015



COMMUNITY SERVICE DAY 2012



**CUP ALL CHURCH RETREAT AT
CAMP FREDERICK 2015**



**PASTORS DOMINIC & RUTH
WITH COMMUNION
SET FROM CUP**



BRADY'S RUN YOUTH OUTREACH



**CHURCH
DECORATING 2014**

Dear CUP family and friends,

In April of 1957, a group gathered on a bare patch of ground on Blackhawk Road.

After singing 'The Church's One Foundation', and reading from Psalm 84, they shared in the following litany:

'To the glory of God our Father, to the service of our dear Master and his Church, and to the abiding presence of the Holy Spirit, We dedicate this ground for this church. . .

For a building of which Jesus Christ is the chief cornerstone, the pillar and ground of the truth, We dedicate this ground . . .

For a church that shall exalt the ministry of the open Bible, with its faithful record of human life, its unfolding of the redeeming grace of God through Jesus Christ, its message of warning, inspiration, comfort, and hope, We dedicate this ground . . .

For a church with an open door for all people, rich or poor, homeless or desolate, who need the help of God through us, We dedicate this ground . . .

For a church that shall gather the children in its arms and hold them close to Christ, that they may grow up in the church and never be lost from the fold, We dedicate this ground. . .

On November 3, 1957 the first service was held in the space that is now the church gymnasium. Over the past 60 years, well over 3,000 worship services have been held, tens of thousands of meals have been served, hundreds of baptisms have been performed, and at least 900 communion services. But beyond

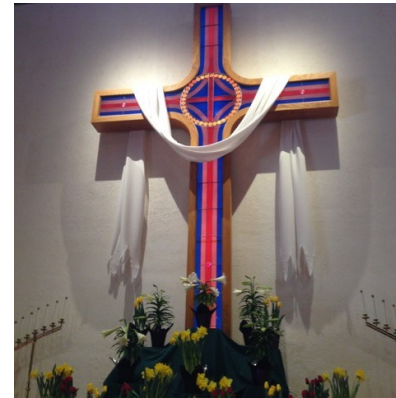
CUP CHURCH FAMILY THROUGH THE YEARS

the numbers, a vision of furthering the Kingdom of God through this plot of land and the people who responded to the call of its ministry has faithfully continued. The needs and challenges in Chippewa and the wider world have changed in these past decades. More than once we've seen fears of unemployment, recession, political and theological tensions and hardship stalk our community. We've wondered what the future would hold. Yet time and again, God has responded through his Holy Spirit, through fresh faces walking through the doors and familiar faces responding to needs in a way that have shown the faithfulness of our God, who has said, 'I have loved you with an everlasting love' (Jeremiah 31:3), 'be strong and courageous, for I will never leave you or forsake you' (Deuteronomy 31:6), and 'All authority in heaven and earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you, baptizing them in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. And I am with you always, even to the very end of the age.' (Matthew 28:18-20)

God still has important work to do in Chippewa Township, the United States, and around the world, work that He will accomplish, and work that we want to be a part of! I pray that 60 years from now (if the Lord tarries), our community will continue to find a faithful and joyful band of disciples, inviting their neighbors to join them for a drink of living water from the Lord Jesus at Cup church!

Cordially,

Pastor Scott



EASTER CROSS



ELMCROFT GAME NIGHT



SHINE CHRISTMAS PARTY



ECHO VALLEY CONCERT 2016



**TEACHING MINISTRY STUDENTS
IN ALBANIA 2015**



**FINTONIA ELEMENTARY
SCHOOL CLASS**

In Memoriam

Emerson Arthur 2008
Nancy Hutchinson
Maria Schilajew
David Scott
Adam Kimberlin
Shirley Michael 2009
Irene Annico
Janet Green
Bert Morrison 2010
Wylie Graham
Maxine Laney 2011
Wilber Estermyer
Jack Laney
Ted Laszlo
Harry Elder 2012
Vera Johnson
Jane Barnhouse
Marilyn Burgoyne 2013
Matt Pawlos
Bill Elmore
Mae Kross
Dorothy Figley 2014
Gary Laney
Billy Arbogast
Bobbie Gumpf 2015
Gary Keefer
William Dillan 2016
John Trn
Judy Graham

Winter and Spring 2008: Congregational Meetings held with PC (USA) and EPC/ New Wineskins representatives to determine direction church wanted to proceed

April 5-12, 2008: West Virginia mission trip to Kopperston doing home reconstruction

June 8, 2008: Church members vote 117—9 to leave PC(USA)

July 22, 2008: Proposal for CUP to leave PC(USA) approved by Beaver-Butler Presbytery with total payment of \$33,600 over three years (\$21,000 paid to PA(USA) Missions and \$12,600 in per capita payments)

September, 2008: Beaver Butler Presbytery proposal approval placed on hold by three members of Beaver Butler Presbytery which placed it before the Synod of the Trinity for a trial in 2009

Fall, 2008: Ginny Huston begins mission work with Campus Crusade for Christ at Grove City College

April 19, 2009: Church members approve Synod of the Trinity “Agreement of Understanding” which added \$46,500 to be paid with no interest from years 4 through 13 plus settle with PC(USA) on the loan/grant agreement dispute by the end of 2010

April 19, 2009: Church members also voted 106 – 4 to transfer from Beaver-Butler Presbytery into the New Wineskins Presbytery of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church (EPC) and Pastor Scott Graham was voted to be retained as the pastor in the new denomination

April 25-May 2, 2009: West Virginia mission trip to Kopperston doing home repair and reconstruction for several families and becoming friends in Christ with the community

May 4, 2009: Congregation selected the official name of the church as CUP Evangelical Presbyterian Church

August 30, 2009: Youth Director, B.J. Leicher, departs to begin seminary.

December 23, 2009: Church secretary, Peggy Arthur, resigns after 8 years of service

January, 2010: Cindy Wilson begins work as new church secretary and Nathan Bryant becomes new Youth Director

April 23, 2010: Pastor Graham is officially accepted by EPC after being questioned extensively on his faith, Biblical understanding, Westminster Confession, and sacramental understanding before the EPC Presbytery of the East

April 24, 2010: CUP is officially accepted into the Evangelical Presbyterian Church denomination

April 24-May 1, 2010: West Virginia mission trip to Kopperston for third time developing relationships with community homeowners, learning together, and serving in the name of Jesus Christ

September 21, 2010: Session authorizes payment of \$7,004 to PC (USA) Vestment and Loan Department for Loan/Grant to finalize "Agreement of Understanding." This was 50% of remaining Grant

September, 2010: Shine begins with 23 children attending.

Fall, 2010: Church building reroofed

April 19, 2011: Seder Meal held for the Congregation in the Sanctuary with 33 participants

June, 2011: Presbytery of the Alleghenies (POA) formed to accommodate the number of churches joining the EPC denomination. CUP is in the center of the POA geographical area

August 5-7, 2011: Gary Hixson leads a seminar on Inner Healing and Deliverance. Prayer Team meetings are scheduled for the second and fourth Sunday evenings to continue Inner Healing prayers

November, 2011: Men's retreat held at Seneca Hills Conference Center with all local EPC church men invited

December, 2011: Organist and Music Director, Jim Green, retires and Cindy Wilson becomes the Church Financial Secretary to replace Beth McClymonds

April 3, 2012: Seder Meal held for the Congregation in the Sanctuary with 36 participants

May 13, 2012: Shine attendance rises to 35 children for spring musical

June 20-22, 2012: Pastor Graham, John Brieck, and Jud Herter attend the EPC General Assembly in Baton Rouge, Louisiana

August 21-28, 2012: Pastor Graham travels to Sierra Leone on mission being undertaken by POA to build schools and baptize citizens of Sierra Leone in Freetown and the villages. CUP plans to aid the village of Fintonia

October, 2012: Calvin Hitchcock is hired as the choir accompanist to replace Beth Hesselson who provided the service for the first nine months of 2012

November, 2012: Men's retreat held for second year at Seneca Hills Conference Center with all local EPC church men invited

January 17, 2017: Church Vitality Vision Committee formed to determine how to reach the community

February, 2017: Pastor Graham accepted into Gordon Conwell Doctor of Ministry program

February 17, 2017: CUP Wedding Policy approved to meet EPC recommendations

February 24-25, 2017: Youth Group goes to EPiC Youth Retreat at Beulah Beach, Vermilion, Ohio

March 20-31, 2017: Pastor Graham takes mission trip to Sierra Leone with three other POA mission people

May, 2017: Fintonia Church Building completed

May 21, 2017: CUP hosts Fintonia dinner for 10 POA churches to raise money to build church in village of Mapinda and contribute \$1500 for motorcycle for their pastor

June, 20-23, 2017: Pastor Graham and Jud Herter attend EPC General Assembly in Sacramento at Fair Oaks Presbyterian Church

June 27, 2017: Session approves 60th Anniversary pastor portrait painting concept presented by Kristin Reda.

July 3-7, 2017: Youth Group has mission trip to Pittsburgh to help inner city families.

September 13, 2017: CUP hosts Jeremy Casella Concert

November 5, 2017: CUP celebrates 60th Anniversary with Pastors Curtiss Brown, Robert Frazier, and Scott Graham in attendance. Painting is unveiled at refreshment gathering after Worship Service

The flowers in the sanctuary for the Anniversary Service on November 5, 2017 were similar to the arrangements for the First Church Service in 1957. They are given by Pat & Nancy Hinzman in memory of her parents, Jack & Betty Ohnsman, and all the other deceased Charter Members of our Church. The flowers are also in honor of those Charter Members who are still with this congregation:
Merle Crawford, Agnes Dillan, Bert Gumpf & June Smith.

We also want to thank Judy Bixler and her team (Margretta Kerr, Valerie Borsje and Carol Osterman) for all their hours assembling the commemorative cookbook.

May 7-9, 2015: Men take trip to inner city Cleveland Family Ministry Center to alter school toilet and help with other activities as part of a combined ministry church planting project

June 23-27, 2015: Wade Rider and Jud Herter attend EPC General Assembly in Orlando, Florida which has been selected as the new headquarters for the EPC beginning in the fall of 2016

August 22, 2015: CUP participates in Fore Fintonia Golf Tournament to raise money to build a church in Fintonia; \$7,000 is raised toward the \$35,000 needed for the church

November 13-15, 2015: CUP retreat is held at Frederick Camp in Ohio with Rev. Scott Boerckle and his wife Carol leading the retreat

November 15-21, 2015: Pastor Graham travels to Tirana, Albania to teach New Testament at International School of Theology and Leadership

January 24, 2016: Congregation approves new CUP by-laws developed to meet EPC requirements since CUP is officially incorporated in Pennsylvania as CUP Evangelical Presbyterian Church

February 3-14, 2016: Pastor Graham takes mission trip to Sierra Leone with 7 other EPC personnel after Ebola restrictions lifted

May 22, 2016: CUP members participate in Fintonia Feast in Mercer to raise \$9,000 for new church

June 4, 2016: Idora work day helps make church plant home for Rev Gary Koerth livable

June 21-25, 2016: Wade Rider, Jud Herter, Sarah Cantrell and Emma Rider attend EPC General Assembly in Northfield, Michigan at Ward Church which is considered the home of the Evangelical Presbyterian Church. Sarah and Emma participate in various Youth Mission activities in Detroit

July 24, 2016: Pastor Graham and CUP hold Community Worship Service at Veteran's Park to commemorate Chippewa's 200th Birthday

August, 31, 2016: Matt Ulrich's last day as Youth Director as he takes the Youth Director position at a larger church in Pittsburgh

November 1, 2016: Joel Cuniff is hired as the new CUP Youth Director

November 19, 2016: CUP hosts a Presbytery of the Alleghenies Vitality Seminar with 60 attendees from 15 churches in the presbytery

December 4, 2016: CUP sponsors an Echo Valley Concert to raise money for the Fintonia Church Building Fund

January 25-27, 2013: Youth attend EPC Youth Winter Retreat at Seneca Hills Bible Camp with 6 other church youth

March, 2013: CUP members begin to adopt about 28 of the 190 school children in Fintonia schools

March 26, 2013: Seder Meal held for the Congregation in the Sanctuary with 58 participants

April 4-13, 2013: Pastor Graham takes mission trip to Fintonia, Sierra Leone where he met the new minister, Dominic, and his wife, Ruth. The trip included baptizing 58 citizens of Sierra Leone. After the trip CUP votes to provide \$2300 for motor bike transportation for Dominic

June 13-21, 2013: Pastor Graham travels to St. Vincent Island to teach a marriage seminar

August 31, 2013: Nathan Bryant leaves as Youth Director to begin a teaching career

September, 2013: Evan Shaw is hired as Choir Accompanist to replace Calvin Hitchcock who leaves for college

October, 2013: Matt Ulrich is hired as new Youth Director

December, 2013: CUP website is updated

February 21-22, 2014: CUP hosts Presbytery of the Alleghenies meeting

March 20- April 1, 2014: Pastor Graham takes mission trip to Sierra Leone and delivers CUP's original communion servers to the Fintonia church for their use

April, 2014: Money raised by CUP Cub Scout Pack 407

Bowl-a-Thon buys 4 sewing machines for Ruth in Fintonia to use to teach the village women how to sew

June 15, 2014: Rev. Samuel Sesay, head of Sierra Leone Educations, and his daughter Samuella visit CUP with Samuel providing the Worship message to the congregation

June 17-21, 2014: Pastor Graham, Bud Trimmer, and John Brieck travel to Knoxville, Tennessee to the EPC General Assembly

Summer and Fall, 2014: CUP bathrooms and Social Hall renovations done by Gary Crawford and his crew

October 10-12, 2014: CUP Church Retreat held with Rev. Dr. Tom Bier and his wife Rhonda leading the sessions at the church

January 23-25, 2015: Youth attend EPC Youth Winter Retreat at Camp Allegheny

March 31, 2015: Seder Meal held for Congregation in Sanctuary with 50 participants

April 25, 2015: First trip taken to determine CUP participation in Idora church planting mission