

# Good News

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Empowered by the Holy Spirit, Emanuel's mission is to witness  
to the good news of salvation through Christ to individuals, the community  
and the world through discipleship and service.

This is especially for the people who won't read this. Or course, they won't know this is especially for them, unless you or someone else tells them.

I have no illusion about how many people read my article or the newsletter in general. I have no doubts that in a great many households, it goes from the mailbox to the trash can. For some, it is a kind of a protest or an act of disobedience from which they can get at least a degree of satisfaction.

Others do not want to take the time and be bothered with it. Any really important things will be made known to them somewhere along the line. Some simply don't like to read. Anything apart

from a bill receives the same treatment. And still others always mean to read it, but don't always get around to it. There are yet others who pick and choose what might of interest and what will not.

Some, of course, read it from cover to cover, often on the day they receive it.

In any case, I again am writing this particular article especially for those who won't read it. Please know that I care for you as well. My prayers are often with you. And I hope to see you and the regular readers in church.

Blessings, peace and Christ's love to you all.

*Pastor Jim Castello*

We were notified by the Worship for Shut-Ins broadcast that our stained glass windows will be featured on their program on Sunday, October 29. This program will air on Channel 40 (Napoleon cable channel 14) at 9:30 a.m.

## All Saints Day - November 5

Celebrate with us the lives of all believers who have died in the faith, the heroes of centuries past, and our own ancestors and relatives. Members of our congregation who have died in the preceding 12 months will be remembered by name in the prayers on this day.

**Vernon Rohrs**  
**Noah Yaw**  
**Pauline Polker**  
**Eugenia Gerken**  
**Marie Sauer**  
**Laura Rohda**

## Thanksgiving Service

Please join us for Thanksgiving Service on November 22 at 7:30 p.m. The service this year will highlight not only the religious aspects of Thanksgiving but the historical ones as well. It promises to be a unique worship experience.

# Music Notes

## Cherub Choir

Cherub Choir practiced for the first time this season on October 4. They have learned a new opening song, a prayer song for snack time, and are learning new sign language. We hope to have them sing in December.

## Adult Choir

We worked hard in October getting songs prepared for our concert. We will spend all of November practicing songs for our Cantata in December and other numbers for the Christmas season.

## Rainbow Ringers

We have a few new members this year and they are doing fantastic! They will play on November 5 at the 10:30 service and November 19 at the 8:00 service. Give them a pat on the back when you see them.

## Fall Musical Celebration – Bell Choir & Choir Concert

Our Bell Choir and Adult Choir will present their annual concert on Sunday, November 5 at 7:00 p.m. here in our sanctuary. Many styles of music will be performed including gospel, contemporary, and classical. Famous quotations of Martin Luther will also be featured. Please plan on joining us for an inspirational evening; punch and cookies will follow the concert.

## More opportunities to hear great music...

- Ridgeville Community Choir will be performing a cantata entitled “Come Ye Faithful” on Sunday, December 3 at 2:00 p.m. at St. John Lutheran Church, corner of Co Rd U & 16. If anyone is interested in singing with the choir, please see Angela Tonjes for more information.
- The Bryan Madrigal Chorale will be presenting a “Christmas Madrigal Feast” November 30 - December 3. For information or reservations, call Jenella Tilton, 419-636-6602.

# SOUL FOOD

Upcoming menus for November include:

November 1 - Brats & Sauerkraut with Mashed Potatoes

November 8 - Chicken Pot Pie

November 15 - Ham and Scalloped Potatoes

November 22 - Soups & Salads

November 29 - Pizza Casserole

\* Please Note: All menus subject to change!

Along with the good food and great fellowship provided every Wednesday evening at 5:30 p.m., there are plenty of opportunities for plenty of help with these meals, too; check out the sign-up sheets on the bulletin board by the church office – we can always use some more cooks, servers, and cleaner-uppers. We also offer a “Kids’ Table” weekly, with hot dogs and peanut butter and jelly, for those whose “acceptable appetites” don’t include casseroles or whatever! “Soul Food” is for everyone and for all ages, so come and enjoy a weekly supper that’s good for you, body and soul!

## Advent Devotions

“Christmas is coming...” which means it is time for our Advent devotion booklets! These would be a collection of brief “essays” or reflections on what this most blessed time of year is all about, written by you and for you, the Church Family of Emanuel. How do you prepare for the coming of the Christ Child? Do you have any special “traditions” for Christmas each year? What special memories do you have that make Christmas meaningful to you? We are hoping to have enough submissions for a devotion each day of the Advent Season, which begins with the First Sunday in Advent, December 3. Please submit yours to the Church office by November 20.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Henry County CROP Walk...so far...

As of Walk Day on October 1, we had a total of 78 Walkers, 7 other “helpers”, and a total of \$3,254.60 to collect! That would mean that roughly \$813.65 will be returned to Henry County for Christmas Cheer and 5 other local food pantries. Final figures should be available next month!

### Food for Thought...

Of 1,000 Americans surveyed, 42% said they donated money to non-profit groups serving the poor, and 33% gave time to help the poor (Barna Research Group). You are one of the 42% when you give to the ELCA World Hunger Appeal.

### Good Coffee is a “Fair Trade”!

Have you noticed a difference in the taste of the coffee here at church? It is probably because it is now flavored with justice and fair trade! We have become part of the Lutheran World Relief Coffee Project by purchasing our coffee from Equal Exchange in Boston. Through the LWR COFFEE PROJECT, we can enjoy delicious coffee while helping small-scale farmers in Latin American, Africa, and Asia as they build a better future for themselves and their families. Through the project, farmers earn a fair price for their products, have access to affordable credit, and gain a long-term trading partner they can trust, a Fair Trade Organization called Equal Exchange. With our support, these communities invest in education, health care, and agricultural improvements. In addition, for each pound of coffee purchased by Lutheran churches through the project, Equal Exchange makes a contribution to the LWR “Small Farmer Fund” for projects supporting small farmers and their families. For further information, visit their website at [www.equalexchange.com](http://www.equalexchange.com) or [www.lwr.org/coffee](http://www.lwr.org/coffee). Equal Exchange has regular, decaffeinated, and flavored coffees, teas, and cocoa. If you’d like to order some for yourself, please see Carol Castello for more details.

### Needed: More “Links” on the “Prayer Chain”

More “pray-ers” are ALWAYS welcome to add to the “prayers” of our Prayer Chain. If you would like to become another “link” on the “e-mail chain”, please just e-mail Carol Castello at [cjcast@earthlink.net](mailto:cjcast@earthlink.net). To become a “link” on the “phone chain,” please just call Carol at 419-592-0847. We always need “prayers” for our “pray-ers”, too, so please contact Carol with any prayer requests. As we are told in 1 Thessalonians 4:16-18: “Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.”

## Thank You!

- Thank you for the large donation of fabric. It will help to continue our quilt ministry for our hospice patients.  
-Sincerely, Janelle Cline, RN
- Thank you very much for the donation of school supplies. On Monday, several teachers were able to outfit students lacking in supplies. I also was able to use a backpack for a fourth grader - she was so happy! We appreciate your generous offering.  
-Sincerely, Karen Bachman
- We would like to thank everyone for the cards, prayers, and kind words following the recent passing of Joe's father. Everything was greatly appreciated.  
-Joe & Julie Kohout, Erica & Ryan
- Thank you all for your prayers and cards and well wishes during and after my recent surgery. A special thanks to Pastor Castello for his prayers.  
-Mel Lanzer
- We are extremely thankful for the recent donation of spaghetti and meatballs to Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission's PATH Center. Because of kindness of groups like yours, the PATH Center is able to provide food for our soup kitchen. We appreciate your thoughtfulness, the food was delicious. Thank you for helping us to help our neighbors.  
-Sincerely, Northwestern Ohio Community Action Commission  
Mary Schnitkey, PATH Center, Program Manager

*From the Congregational Life Board*

*Giving/donation corner*

The November collection/donation efforts will be focused towards “Christmas Cheer” and “PROJECT: We Care”. The donations needed for Christmas Cheer include canned food products, noodles, cereals, drink mixes, paper products, and personal hygiene items. These items will be delivered to the AmVets on 12/5/06 for sorting. Basket preparation will take place 12/6/06 for distribution on 12/7/06. If anyone would like to help at the AmVets on any of these days or has any questions they may call LeRoy Helberg at 419-267-3619 for further details. If you’d like to help deliver the items from Emanuel to AmVets please contact Gayla Yaney at 419-598-8784. Monetary donations may be sent to Henry County Christmas Cheer

c/o LeRoy Helberg  
Q610 County Road 19  
Napoleon OH 43545

Applications for RECEIVING a Christmas Cheer basket are available on the bulletin board next to the church secretary’s office to be completed and returned as instructed on the application form by November 15, 2006.

Last year Emanuel “adopted” two families in the “PROJECT: We Care” program. This year, we will be adopting five families in this project. That means the members of Emanuel Lutheran Church will have the opportunity to help, through your generous donations, to provide needed items to five families this Christmas season.

There will be Christmas trees at church decorated with “angel tags” which will have the requested item listed on it. Then you can pick a tag from the tree, shop for the requested item, wrap the gift, put the tag on the outside of the gift so it can be used to identify whom the gift is for, bring the gift to church, place it under the tree and it will be distributed to the families in time for Christmas. Or, if you’d prefer, the “Kids for Christ” (KFC) youth group will be going shopping for the needed items for one of the families and would be greatly appreciative of any monetary donations from the congregation that they could use towards their purchases. Your monetary donation can be dropped off at the church office or placed in the offering plate clearly marked to go to “KFC-PROJECT: We Care” and the kids will do the shopping, wrapping and returning the gift to the church for YOU! Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration and help in making this project a success!

And, just as a reminder, the October collection for items to be donated to th Cherry Street Mission in Toledo will continue through the end of October, so don’t forget to keep bringing in your donations for them also. Thank you!

## *Poinsettias*

The Congregational Life Board will once again be taking orders for poinsettia plants through the supplier, Stratton Greenhouse of Bluffton, beginning November 1 through November 26, 2006.

The plants will be delivered to the church the week of December 18 so they will be available to help adorn the sanctuary for the holiday and be available for you to take home after the Christmas church services.

This year Stratton Greenhouse will be donating \$.50 per plant ordered to Lutheran Disaster Response. The charge is \$8.00 for each 6½" pot with proceeds going to Emanuel's Good Samaritan Fund. Order forms are available in this newsletter and in future bulletins.

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**Church Office Hours**  
**Monday - Thursday 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.**  
**Friday 8:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**

## **Simply Giving** Update from the Congregational Life Board

Dear fellow members of Emanuel,

*Simply Giving* through Thrivent Financial became available to Emanuel as an automated giving program in May of 2004.

Steve and I have chosen *Simply Giving* as our weekly offering way of being consistent with our donation to the church. We have a certain amount drawn out of our checking account each week. That amount is reflected on our monthly checking account statement as a debit. We have split our weekly amount between the General Fund and the Building Fund. We can increase or decrease the amount as we see fit; we can discontinue the program as we see fit. We have chosen to have our donation withdrawn weekly, but you can have it withdrawn semi-monthly, monthly or you can pick the date you want the transaction(s) to occur. This can be done through any bank. And Thrivent will not send you an correspondence to get you to do anything else like buy insurance etc.

We chose the *Simply Giving* program because it is our “regular” way of giving to Emanuel, even if we are not in church to put in our offering envelope each week. We don’t write 52 separate checks every year either! This is a painless way to become good stewards and it is a true way of giving “first fruits” to the church. We know that the church will consistently receive our weekly offering even if we are gone. At first it felt “funny” not putting in a weekly offering envelope, but you can give a separate weekly offering in a different envelope each week to so many other worthy causes like the ELCA World Hunger Appeal, The Gideons, etc. if you feel the need to donate while you are at church. What a great way to help other charitable causes! Also, you can still use your weekly offering envelopes and put them in the offering plate with a *Simply Giving* sticker attached to indicate that is how you donate. But the bottom line is, what and how you give your offering is between you and God. No one else needs to “see” you place your envelope in the offering plate each week.

This is a completely safe way to make your charitable contribution to church through electronic funds transfer. You can sign up anytime to enroll by picking up a brochure at the tables at any entrance, completing the form and placing it in the offering plate or the church office. If you need assistance completing the form, I would be glad to assist you!

Please consider *Simply Giving* as a consistent form of donating to Emanuel.

Thank you.

Phyllis Kloos, Auxiliary Member of the Congregational Life Board  
February 06, Oct. 06

## Membership News

*Births* God's blessings to Kyle & Kristie Miller on the birth of a daughter, Avary Alison, on September 19. We look forward to her baptism.

*New members* Welcome new members, Donald & Carolyn Schmidlin who have transferred to Emanuel from Providence Lutheran in Holland, Ohio.

Mr. & Mrs. Donald Schmidlin  
11880 Co Rd P  
Napoleon OH 43545  
419-592-8428

*A son, Maxwell James, was born to Greg & Christine (Bostelman) on October 3. Proud grandparents are Gary & Jamie Bostelman. Congratulations!*

**Please let us know of any family birth announcements, etc. so we can celebrate with you!**

Remember our members in nursing homes and assisted living facilities with prayers, cards, visits.

**Lutheran Home** (1036 S. Perry St., Napoleon)

**Margaret Fahy**  
**Marie Heuer**

**Marge Gathman**  
**Irma Overhulse**

**Alfred "Petey" Ruetz**  
**Hildegarde Reiser**

**Alpine Village Assisted Living** (1032 S. Perry St., Napoleon)

**Christine Rath** (#412)  
(#319)

**Miriam Smith** (#303)

**Reim Eickhoff** (#405)

**Carl Bockelman**

**Cincinnati** (c/o Steve Wittenberg, 7225 Camargo Woods Dr., Cincinnati OH 45243)

**Esther Wittenberg**

# Health Ministry

-Candise Ankney

## *Do you need Flu vaccine?*

Anyone who wants to reduce their chances of getting the flu can get vaccinated. It is recommended that certain people should get vaccinated each year and those people include:

- Those that are at high risk of having serious flu complications
- People who live with or care for those at high risk for serious complications
- Children aged 6-59 months
- Pregnant women
- People 50 years of age and older
- People of any age with certain chronic medical conditions
- People who live in nursing homes and other long term care facilities

October or November is the best time to get vaccinated, but you can still get vaccinated in December and later. Flu season can begin as early as October and last as late as May.

Those that should not be vaccinated include:

- People who have a severe allergy to chicken eggs
- People who have had a severe reaction to a flu vaccine in the past
- People who developed Guillain-Barre syndrome within 6 weeks of getting a flu vaccine previously
- The flu vaccine is not approved for use in children less than 6 months of age
- People who have a moderate or severe illness with a fever should wait to get vaccinated until their symptoms lessen

The viruses in the flu shot are inactivated, so you cannot get the flu from a flu shot. Some minor side effect that could occur are:

- Soreness, redness, or swelling where the shot was given
- Fever (low grade)
- Aches

If these problems occur, they begin soon after the shot and usually last 1 to 2 days.

It is important to remember that it takes about 2 weeks after the vaccination for the antibodies that provide protection against influenza to develop in the body.

## Church Council Chat - October 16, 2006

- Real Estate taxes in the amount of \$2790.06 have been returned to Emanuel Lutheran Church.
- Members of the adult Sunday School class will be available to assist with the elevator before late service.
- Thanksgiving service will be held on Wednesday, November 22 at 7:30 p.m.
- Donation Corner for November: Project We Care. We will assist five families over the holidays.
- Council approved the transfer of membership for Donald and Carolyn Schmidlin.
- A request was made for everyone to submit a bit of history trivia. The details and forms have been in recent bulletins. Be sure to ask former members, family that has moved out of the area, etc. to join in!

### Statistics

Date	Attendance	Communed	Offerings
September 24	130 + 118 (248)		4,479.19 Bldg Fd - 320.00 Wrld Hngr - 5.00 Good Sam Fd - 75.00
October 1	149 + 110 (259)	135	6,490.32 Bldg Fd - 445.00 Wrld Hngr - 5.00
October 8	132 + 125 (257)	104	4,299.03 Bldg Fd - 200.00 Wrld Hngr - 10.00
October 11 (2:30)		3	
October 15	114 + 135 (249)		7,273.41 Bldg Fd - 615.00 Mem to Bldg Fd - 70.00 * Wrld Hngr - 5.00 Reimb - 2,871.56
October 22	129 + 131 (260)		4,012.80 Bldg Fd - 75.00 Mem to Bldg Fd - 45.00 * World Hngr - 5.00 Mem to Roof Fd- 100.00**

\* Dorothy Babcock

\*\* Joyce Lanzer

## WELCA News

We will be having a Thankoffering Service at both services on Sunday, November 19, 2006. Pastor will be offering the sermon, and the women will be doing the rest of the service. Ami Allison is doing the scheduling. Please check out the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the church office. There is a need for ushers, readers and the children's sermon. Please do this by Sunday, November 5, 2006.

Ami also delivered 29 comforters, 20 health kits, 9 school bags, 3 layettes and 26 sewing kits recently for Lutheran World Relief. THANK YOU to each of you for making all of this possible! Thirty-seven comforters were also delivered to Lutheran Social Services. Our WELCA group decided we needed to share our sewing efforts with a local group and LSS was definitely thankful for the call!

Our sewing group (which includes Al Duquette) also made a Christmas comforter to be donated to the Filling Fall Fling's live auction. It will be on display in the overflow on Sunday, October 29. It's gorgeous!

-Carol Dille for the WELCA Board

*Guess Who? Elinor Brown*

## Worship participants in November

### Ushers

8:00 Jack Ruby, Lee Weirauch

Steve Kloos, Dr. Ray Manahan

10:30 Ken Lange, Gary Bostelman,

Larry Ashbaugh, Shelley Higbea

### Lay assistants

8:00 Barb Hoffman

10:30 Karl Yunker

### Acolytes

8:00 Ben Flogaus, Nick Rohrs

10:30 Clayton Burken, David Yunker

### Altar Guild

Julie Mt.Castle & Jamie Bostelman

## Altar Flowers

November 5 - Janice Rohrs family in loving memory of Vernon Rohrs

November 12 - Pat & Jody Dille, wedding anniversary

November 19 - Norm & Kathy Bostelman

November 26 - Joe & Julie Kohout, 13<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary

Altar flowers cost \$20. This amount should be placed in the offering plate and designated for altar flowers. Flowers are automatically ordered from Cattails. If you have a special flower, color or container request, Cattails can customize your arrangement. Price of the arrangement can be increased also. If you wish to make your own arrangements, you should notify the church office a couple weeks ahead of the designated Sunday.

Watch for the new flower chart which will be posted in the narthex in the very near future. Sign up early for your special day - and please be careful to indicate exactly which Sunday you are signing up for!

## Guess Who!

Following tradition, she as a baby was carried about in a cardboard box balanced on someone's head. There were no strollers or baby buggies. The first white baby born in the hospital at Freetown, Sierra Leone, she was a missionary's daughter.

They said she was an international baby: cut her first tooth there, her second in London en route and the rest in United States.

Always active in church groups, she grew to know well and like a youth she met there. Years later he was the one she married.

At Otterbein College she studied music education. Her graduation ceremony closed with the announcement that Germany had surrendered, ending that part of World War II.

Her first year as music teacher in the public schools must have been hectic. At the same time she taught in six public schools. Her favorite was the last of the day where children in a one-room schoolhouse eagerly waited for her.

Eventually her husband decided to become a minister. They raised four children. At her last church, expecting to just sing in the choir she ended up intermittently directing it, the bell choir, and a children's hand chimes class for nineteen years.

In June, 2005 her husband died and she has come here to live with her daughter and son-in-law, Pastor and Carol Castello.

What is her name?

*(Answer on page 13)*

## News of the Synod & Community

### Filling Fall Fling - Saturday, November 4, 2006

We are in need of homemade pies for the Filling Fall Fling. If you would like to donate pies, please have them in the church kitchen by 10 a.m. or at the multi-purpose facility at the Filling Home between 10 & 11 a.m. on November 4, 2006. Thanks in advance for your donated pies!

Also, please join us that day - hours are 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. There will be a live polka band and then a blues band. Food and silent auction all day - a magician, clowns, games and crafts for the kids and a live auction at 6 p.m. Hope to see you there. No admission charge - free will offering for food. Free door prize every hour, a raffle of several items and 6 vendors with items everyone can use. So, come on out - start your Christmas shopping and help out the Filling Guild to make another generous donation to the Filling Home.

### Give the Gift of Life

The Henry County Red Cross Bloodmobile will be at the following locations:

Wednesday, November 1, 1 - 7 p.m. - Liberty Center High School Old Gym

Friday, November 3 - Napoleon Community TBA

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# Savior's Signal

A newsletter for Emanuel's youth

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When you're making your Christmas cookies this year, please consider making an extra dozen or two for our final Children's Christmas program rehearsal!

## Baptismal Birthdays - November

Candise Ankney  
Madison Ashbaugh  
Heidi Bertz  
Gary Bostelman  
Lorna Bostelman  
Denise Brown  
Brock Brubaker  
Traci Conklin  
Rodney Dachenhaus  
Rudi Dachenhaus  
Gary Daman  
Esther Fouts  
David Gerken

Joshua Gerken  
Abriana Hernandez  
Cheryl Hershberger  
Dawn Hoops  
Phyllis Kloos  
Stephanie Kloos  
Ryan Kohout  
Alyssa Kruse  
Mike Kruse  
Richard Landversicht  
Vanessa Lanzer  
Karilyne Manahan  
Derek Miller  
Kyle Miller

Madison Nashu  
Tyler Nation  
Barb Nye  
Scott Rex  
DeAnn Reynolds  
Mark Rohrs  
Nathan Rohrs  
Nicholas Rohrs  
Jack Ruby  
Caye Schroeder  
Nanette Schwab  
Tammy Schweinhagen  
Chase Sherman  
Ashley Simpson

Zachary Skeens  
Michelle Slee  
Miriam Smith  
Lana Sonnenberg  
Angela Sosebee  
Seth Tonjes  
Katherine Updegraff  
Lisa Vajen  
Barbara Walter  
Andy Weirauch  
Sandi Weirauch  
Troy Weirauch  
Lila Wernecke  
Gayla Yaney

## K.F.C. “Serving in November and “Shopping” in December

(Kids For Christ)

The junior high youth group will be learning first-hand about serving this month as we venture to Cherry Street Mission in Toledo on Saturday, November 11. Since 1947, Cherry Street Mission Ministries (CSMM) has served homeless and low-income individuals. The doors are open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year to provide food, clothing, shelter, and other vital services including literacy and vocational training, resource networking and job readiness assistance.

We will meet at the church at 10 a.m. and travel to Cherry Street Mission, delivering all the donations that have been collected through October and touring the facility. We will then help to serve a luncheon meal there from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m. We'll plan on a fast-food lunch together on the way home and should return to the church by 3 p.m. We will probably need drivers and welcome any parents who would like to accompany us. Please call Gayla Yaney (419-598-8784) or Carol Castello (419-592-0847) to volunteer.

On Sunday, December 3, we will be Christmas shopping for some of the families that Emanuel is adopting through Project: We Care. If anyone would like to donate toward this shopping “service”, please see Gayla or Carol to contribute.

# Club Christ

Holly Mohring

Club Christ has had a busy fall! On September 24, 2006 we took over the kitchen and made Chinese Food with Marvin. The food was FANTASTIC - it was like having Emeril cooking with us! With Marv's guidance, we made Cashew Chicken with lots of vegetables to make it healthy and then finished it off with fortune cookies and sugar cookies, because we don't want to be too healthy. Everyone pitched in, and we all left with all of our eyebrows and fingers intact. (Phew!)

We met again on October 15 to decorate pumpkins for fall. The boys' work can be seen on top of the drinking fountain, in the Sunday School office and on Pastor's desk. Once we had finished the gruesome paintings, we decided to wander around some vegetation and get lost at Leader's Corn Maize. Between posts 6 and 8, I wasn't sure we'd make it back in time for Thanksgiving!! After following Marv and Zach through the first half, Dylan, Jordan and Marcus managed to lead us home - without a search party, but with the aid of a map and a digital camera. Don't let the fact that it's friendly vegetation fool you - it's a tough maze to get through! All in all, we had a great time wandering around and meeting other poor lost souls.

We did manage to find some time in all the madness to plan our next month. On November 4, 2006, the K.F.C. will be joining Club Christ in raking leaves! If your leaves are piling up and you'd like to have some rambunctious (but entertaining) young people invade your yard to rake your leaves, please contact the church office! We will be requesting a free will donation that we will then donate to the general fund.

Also in November, we are continuing tradition with our OSU vs Michigan game sub sale! The subs will be Ham, Turkey, Salami and lettuce and will include chips and a cookie. There is an order form included in this newsletter and will also be in the Sunday bulletins on November 5 and November 12. Please have orders in to the church office by Wednesday, November 15. They will be available for pick-up on Saturday, November 18 in the kitchen between 10 and 11:30 a.m. (to get you - and us! - home in time for kick-off!) Having a Game-Day party? Bring along a few of our subs! Sure to be a hit with no cooking required on your part! We'll even let you take the credit!