

## VMPC: A Traditional Church with Spirit...



## We congratulate our very own Jeanne Finstein on receiving the 2024 Friend of Heritage Award. A ceremony was held on Thursday, April 18, 2024 at the Artisan Center. Congratulations Jeanne!



Hi everyone. My name is Diane and I'm a grateful believer of Jesus Christ. I celebrate recovery from people pleasing, codependency and childhood trauma but still struggle with social anxiety & depression. If you've ever attended a Celebrate Recovery (CR) meeting then you have heard similar introductions. If you've not been to CR then that introduction may sound a little strange to you. I remember when I first went to CR over ten years ago, I first thought that introduction was odd as well, so I get it. But I've since learned, it's freeing to call out what I'm needing help with, and sharing what God has helped me conquer.

I understand that most don't understand what CR is. My first time at CR I honestly didn't get it either. I went simply to appease a friend who was repeatedly asking me if I would attend with her. I went assuming I was supporting her, but what I wasn't expecting was it's exactly what I needed too. Hearing others' stories, being part of the fellowship and worship of CR - it was therapeutic to me and helped me begin facing the hurts habits and hang ups I'd been trying to avoid facing for years. See for

years I told myself I'm good. I had issues but convinced myself that it was nothing that I needed to go to CR for. But that was me simply allowing fear to rule me. Yes fear. Fear of admitting I needed help. Fear of facing my hurts habits and hang ups. Fear of taking a good long look at myself kept me away. But God gently showed me that fear alone only ensures I remain isolated. And at the time I did feel so alone and isolated. Society has convinced us that there's shame in sharing our issues. But that's the furthest from the truth. We are one body and we're to be there for one another. 1 Corinthians 12:26-27 says "If one part suffers, every part suffers with it. If one part is honored, every part shares in its joy. You are the body of Christ. Each one of you is a part of it." Friends, we're all broken and dealing with hurts habits and hang

ups. So I'm glad my friend convinced me to go to CR and I'm glad God has helped me through CR to conquer many of my hurts, habits and hangups. At CR, we are a "forever family". We are there to support each other in the dark times and celebrate with each other in the good times. We all need extra support in life. So I invite you to join us Thursday night at 6:30 pm in the Merrimen Chapel. Come see for yourself what CR is and allow God to do amazing things in your life.



....Serving the Greater Wheeling Community and Beyond



T-Shirts will again soon be available for purchase!

Available sizes are S, M, L, XL, 2X, 3X, 4X, 5X

Cost per T-Shirt is \$15.00

Checks can be made payable to Vance Church.

Watch for the sign-up coming soon in the Narthex.

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Sponsored By:

Christ United Methodist Church First Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) St. Michael's Parish Vance Memorial Presbyterian Church

## **July 14-18, 2024 6p.m.-8p.m.** 1232 National Road, Wheeling

2024 Sweet Treats & Sweet Sounds



Join Faith in Action Caregivers for their signature event on June 15, 2024, from 6-9pm at the Sonneborn Shelter

Tickets \$75/individual or \$120/couple

Call Yvonne at 304-243-5420 for details



Please remember the following members who are in need of special care. They are all going through unique journeys and need your prayers, cards/calls, and visits.

If you would like to inquire about a specific person's needs, please contact an Elder or Deacon or the Pastor.

If *any* information listed is incorrect, or you would like to add someone, please notify the church office *immediately*. 304-232-0980



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Member	Room/Phone #	Address
Arch & Sally Riley	304-233-9056	89 Bethany Pike Wheeling, WV 26003
Parky Beneke	304-243-3815	Continuous Care 236 Hullihen Pl. Rm. 202 Wheeling, WV 26003
Shirley & Sam Driehorst	304-242-6833	14 Fairfax Dr. Wheeling, WV 26003
Danna Tyska	740-738-0074	626 Grant Ave. Martins Ferry, OH 43935
Bob & Jo Ann McColloch	304-242-1082	11 Echo Terrace Wheeling, WV 26003
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Ted Owens	304-231-4994	206 E Cardinal Avenue Wheeling, WV 26003
Bill & Virginia Crowl	304-242-1015	57 Stamm Circle Wheeling, WV 26003
Geri Sloane	304-280-6696	Attic Angel Community 8301 Old Sauk Rd Apt 270 Middleton, WI 53562





Worship Sundays at 10am Communion Service First Sunday of the Month



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