

The Dueber Doings

2026

August

MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT



Let the words of my mouth, and the meditation of my heart, be acceptable in thy sight, O Lord, my strength, and my redeemer. Psalm 19:14

If anyone speaks, they should do so as one who speaks the very words of God. 1 Peter 4:11a

Sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth. Psalm 96:1

We speak with words. When arranged in a certain way, words become poetry. They take on a different voice. When words are accompanied by music, they become a song. Here, the words take on something else altogether. Words, when married to the instrumentation of music become a different piece of art.

I spend a lot of time looking at words and the musical arrangement that is assigned to them. Most of the time, the tune of the instruments falls into the background, and the words become the focus—the message, the place where the meaning is held. The work that's being done with the music has a way of...well a way of getting out of the way of the words. But music is important too, instruments are necessary for the composition. However, music usually gives way to the words. Practically speaking, the music carries the words. Somehow, their "union" works out. At other times, poetry is sufficient.

Recently, I've spent some time in a music studio recording songs with the band that I've been a part of for some 25 years. When you record a song, you separate the music from the words, you even separate the music from itself (drums are recorded separately from the bass, etc.). Meticulously, the notes are dissected; the syllables are emphasized; the phrases harnessed and haggled over. "Should I do that part again?" "Yes, says the engineer,

let's record it all...one more time". The process is fun but also grueling and painful. This is okay, because you want to get it right - despite the cost. The song is torn apart in order to be put back together again.

Sometimes I think we need to be the music for the lyrics. Carrying and lifting the truths found in The Word, delivering them to the heart. Let me clarify, I don't think God needs us to deliver his message. But he chooses to include our contribution to the song. What a privilege to be "instruments" that carry His words. Our witness to God's words becomes our part of His song.

The words are from God, whether you are reading the actual Word of God or when God is speaking through you. The accompaniment is our part. He gives the words, we play the music and we sing His lyrics. We add instruments uplifting the song. Now, the words don't always need the music. They can stand alone. But when His Word and our instruments come together—the composition becomes a song.

Sometimes it's a beautiful song.

Sometimes we can't sing the words.

Sometimes it's too much. One song we often sing says "So clean my hands, purify my heart, I wanna burn for you".

Being a part of this song, what you create with God is going to be challenging. Sometimes it is difficult.

He is refining us; Molding us!

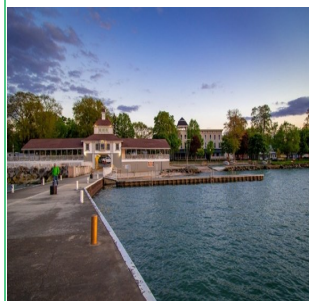
He invites us to be a part of the band.

We are in the studio together. And as hard as it is, it's also a place of restoration and rejuvenation. He says his yoke is easy and his burden is light. Those who come to him find rest.

His words. Our music. Married, together, unified. it's a melodious, beautiful song.

Jon Mathewson

Dueber Church - Kingdom Queens Lakeside Day Retreat - Sept. 19



Depart Church at 8a

- Devotions 10:30a
- Lunch at 12:30p
- Explore 1:30p
- Dinner at 5:30p

Depart at 7:00p

Look for the 2026 Interest Registration



Thanks
Karen,
For making
me Famous!



Prov. 27:9 Oil and perfume make the heart glad, And a person's advice is sweet to his friend.



Dueber Church will not be overseeing entry gates at the Stark County Fair and have handed over the reins to our good friends from the Stark County Granges. They have extended the invitation for us to join by working as teams in the gates throughout the week.

If you are interested in participating, please complete the forms found on the bulletin board by the main office and return them to the office so that we can forward the information to their leadership.

Questions? See or call Char.

The mission committee is hosting a mission auction and potluck dinner Saturday Nov 7th.

We will again be looking for handmade donations to auction off. In order to avoid multiple similar items we are limiting the numbers of blanket donations (afghans, quilts, wall-hangings and shawls) to 2 per person. Non-perishable items need to be turned in no later than Sunday Oct 25th to give everyone time to view the items.

August 25th 7pm at Church of the Lakes
5944 Fulton Drive NW, Canton, OH, 44718

Join Us for a Circuit-wide
Worship Gathering



with Allegheny West
Associate Conference Superintendent
Dan Gildner

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"Joshua told the people, 'Consecrate yourselves, for tomorrow the Lord will do amazing things among you.'" (Joshua 3:5)



Wednesday Morning Bible Study
Sept. 9th, 11:00am Dining Hall
Come join us for a study entitled "The God Who Sees" by Kathy Lee Gifford and Joann Moody.

See Kay Eakin for questions or details.

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August 14 - 15, 2026

Church of the Lakes

<https://alleghenywestgmc.org/events/awaken-equip-church-of-the-lakes/>

Dueber Church Kingdom Queens
women's ministry

Look for the flyer outside the church featuring all the upcoming activities; it also includes the **2026 Interest Registration form!**

It will be a great blessing to your life!



Hello, Dueber Church
As we move through the summer, please keep your eyes out for school supplies, especially as they go on sale. We are in need of glue sticks, sharpened #2 pencils, colored pencils, and markers. Please reach out if you have any questions! Contact Emily.



Exodus 20:3-17,

- You must not have any other god but me.
- You must not make for yourself an idol of any kind or an image of anything in the heavens or on the

earth or in the sea. You must not bow down to them or worship them, for I, the LORD your God, am a jealous God who will not tolerate your affection for any other gods. I lay the sins of the parents upon their children; the entire family is affected—even children in the third and fourth generations of those who reject me. But I lavish unfailing love for a thousand generations on those who love me and obey my commands.

- You must not misuse the name of the LORD your God. The LORD will not let you go unpunished if you misuse his name.
- Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. You have six days each week for your ordinary work, but the seventh day is a Sabbath day of rest dedicated to the LORD your God. On that day no one in your household may do any work. This includes you, your sons and daughters, your male and female servants, your livestock, and any foreigners living among you. For in six days the LORD made the heavens, the earth, the sea, and everything in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the LORD blessed the Sabbath day and set it apart as holy.
- Honor your father and mother. Then you will live a long, full life in the land the LORD your God is giving you.
- You must not murder.
- You must not commit adultery.
- You must not steal.
- You must not testify falsely against your neighbor.
- You must not covet your neighbor's house. You must not covet your neighbor's wife, male or female servant, ox or donkey, or anything else that belongs to your neighbor."

Martin Luther would teach others when they read their Bible to see the point of the passage and then to give God thanks and praise Him for what He says in His Word. We don't often read commandments like the Decalogue and think of how thankful we are that God gives us instructions. We like freedom and we all have a sinful desire to be the one who decides right and wrong for ourselves. Yet, God sets before us a beautiful life which comes when our lives can be described using these 10 Commandments.

Life is so stressful and complex and draining when we have multiple gods which take our attention and vie for our attention. How many times in your life have you found some idol taking your attention and making demands of your life bringing stress, anxiety, burdens? I know I have had many and I have had many which I have

given up and found freedom, peace, and greater joy in life without them when I let them go.

It brings great peace to know when your heart is in the right. So many people wonder if they are in the right. They struggle to know if they are right or wrong before God. Because of ignorance they misuse the name of God. Isn't good to know and have assurance that you are right with God. Don't take that for granted. Many people live without peace in their heart and to have it is a blessing from God.

Rest, it is a blessing to rest. We can be still because we know who is God. People fly about this world constantly working and unable to stop because they don't have hope of eternal salvation. This is all they have and they can't let themselves rest because they know nothing of eternal life.

We see the destruction in society when people dishonor those who come before them and live to deconstruct instead of building on the past. Even when those how have come before us have had flaws and have done hurtful things, we can still choose to find honorable characteristics and reasons for us to be respectful. We can make a choice with how we give respect and show honor to others and being respectful and honoring others is good for the soul.

It is good to have a heart free from hate and lust. For those who have lived in the bondage of a hateful, vengeful, lust filled spirit, you know how freeing it is not to have thoughts bent on hate and lustful yearnings. The freedom from those evils is a wonderful thing.

What an ease for our minds to not need to lie or cover things up? To have to cover up the origins of how you came to own some item or to feel the burden of guilt for having what is not your own eats at our souls. There is such a strength which comes with integrity. Don't let any spirit or person be able to hold anything over your head and have to fear that a lie will be uncovered. To be able to hold our heads up with integrity and to know we are in the right is something which can't be taken from us.

Lastly and simply ask yourself, "Would you rather have a heart filled with contentment or envy?" These commandments are promises of blessing waiting to be fulfilled. God has this life waiting for us. It is a life of spiritual blessing and wealth. It is a life where we can have joy and peace and hold our heads high even without the things of this world. Let your soul rest easy in living in the way God has instructed. God does not instruct us because of some divine power trip. He instructs us so we might live lives filled with blessing as He intends.



There is a calendar and reference map posted outside the office for anyone who would be willing to take a week to mow the church's grass. The lawn equipment in the garage can be used.



How can you help?

Missions of Prayer



Please pray for: all missionaries and the ill, healing of division and discrimination, Celebrate Recovery, RAHAB Ministries, The Pregnancy and Parenting Center, and Hammer & Nails.

Missions of Service



Volunteer with: Street Hope Ministry, HOPE Family or to be a van driver or rider - see Char.

Sign up for a Mission opportunity

Finance Missions



If you feel led to give financially to any ministries in addition to your tithe please designate such on your offering envelope or on the memo line of your check.

Collection Missions



If you feel called to serve by giving items: Street Hope ministry needs men's clothing, (in sizes S-XL ONLY). We can also use women's slacks.

Operation Christmas Child



It's that time of year again! We will be collecting school supplies for the shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child. We need crayons, colored pencils, markers, scissors, glue sticks, pencils, pens and erasers. We don't need any paper this year. Please look for sales on these items as you are shopping!



The deadline for submissions for the next edition of The Dueber Doings is the 3rd Friday of the current month. Please have submissions to the office by that date.

Wednesday Bible Study

Does your Bible look like this?
If not, you need to join us!



Beginning August 5, at 6:30pm in the overflow and on ZOOM, led by Pastor Doug. This is a lively time of growing deeper in our understanding of God's will for us.



We desperately need men's summer clothing. Thank you for your generosity.

Pray.
Lord,
Use Me!

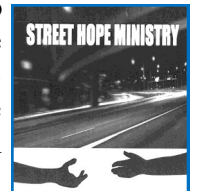
The living waters class is looking for some additional help, Questions?
Contact Char.



Upper Room Devotionals and the Mission Prayer Calendar can be picked up near church entrances.



Street Hope Ministry continues to reach out every Thursday night. We thank all those who have been praying for this ministry. Please continue to pray (or **join us!**) each Thursday from 6:30 to 8:30 PM.



Local Relief - If you are in need of financial assistance or know someone who is; please get in contact with the church office. Be the connection who gets people the help they need.

SUNDAY WORSHIP

Traditional at 8:45
Contemporary at 11:11
Living Waters (kids) at 11:11
Online anytime at Dueber.org
Sunday school for all ages at 10 AM



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BIBLE STUDY

on Zoom and in person
each Wednesday
at 6:30 PM
Contact the church office
for information