

“Member Profile”

This week’s feature: *Michelle Christian*



Member Michelle Christian grew up in the city of North Ridgeville, and attended schools there. Her mother, two sisters and one brother still live in the area. Combined, the siblings have 10 children that offer lots of opportunities to gather as a family. Seven of them have been baptized and received their first communion at POP!

Michelle works as an Instructional Designer for Hyland Software. She is part of the Learning & Development Team in HR and is responsible for creating content and programs for company leaders. Her son, Christian, is age 21 and attends Akron

University for Accounting. Daughter, Mackenzie, age 18 attends LCCC for Business. I would expect both to have much success in the future.

She attended Shepherd of the Ridge Lutheran Church in North Ridgeville with her sister, Pam Ventimiglia, growing up. While in their 20's they decided it was time to search for another church to call home. They loved the welcoming environment at Prince of Peace , and enjoyed both Pastor Bishop & Pastor Brett's voices at Sunday services. Michelle and Pam have been members now for about 25 years!

Michelle has been involved with teaching Sunday School over the years, and now is volunteering to serve as Usher and Communion Assistant at the 9am worship. She is also helping out her mother more now as she needs extra care during her free time. She likes to stay active and her friends keep her busy walking, riding bike, and kayaking. Something people may not know is that Michelle had lost about ½ of her body weight 18 years ago and continues to work hard to keep herself in check. Her experience as a Zumba instructor in the past will be a good resource. She has also participated in many local 5ks and does yearly fundraising for The Multiple Sclerosis Society.

What a wonderful family, you will be glad you met them on Sundays! Their positive and friendly attitude are infectious. You will always see Michelle with a smile on her face at the contemporary service.

By Tom Robinholt , Profile Reporter

