



Steeple Notes

First Presbyterian Church of Huron

November 2019

PRAYER CALENDAR FOR THE CHURCHES OF HURON

November 3, 2019

Christ Episcopal Church
Reverend Michael Floyd

November 10, 2019

Lighthouse Assembly of God Church
Pastor Tom Holzaepfel

November 17, 2019

St. Peter Catholic Church
Father Jeff McBeth

November 24, 2019

United Methodist Church
Pastor Pamela Sayre

"Music Under the Steeple" 2019-2020 CONCERT SERIES First Presbyterian Church

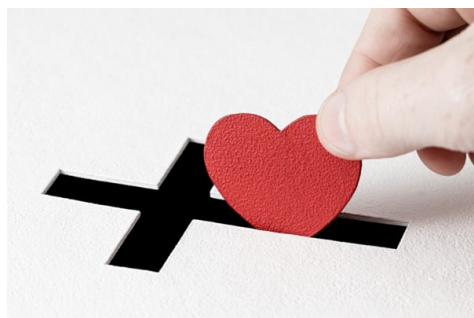
225 Williams Street
Huron, Ohio 44839



Craig Slagh, Classical Guitar
Oberlin Conservatory of Music
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3RD, 2019, 3:00PM

Programs run approximately 45 minutes to 1 hour. A free will offering will be taken up at each concert. Light refreshments will be served in the fellowship hall after each program. For more information contact Matthew Dion, director at mdion@oberlin.edu or visit <https://www.mdionorganist.com/firstpresandconcert>

WHY SHOULD I PLEDGE?



Pledging is an important spiritual exercise which allows us to reflect on the gifts God has given us and shown our thanks for those gifts by giving BACK to the church. It also models the importance of our spiritual lives and our commitment to a growing relationship with God and the church. For the church, there is a very practical reason. Each year FPC Huron creates an operating budget based on total income we expect to receive in the coming year. The majority of that income comes from

pledges. Please give prayerful consideration to pledging for 2020. And return your pledge card to the office or offering plate by Monday, December 2nd.

SESSION MEMBERS

John Blakeman— F&M

Gail Burke— Stewardship

Carolyn Culbertson— Christian Education

June Hanes— Worship

Phillip Hopkins— F&M Chair

Cindy Kaman— Worship Chair

Katy McGraw— Christian Education Chair

Janet Mueller— N&M Chair

Ann Pullano— Clerk of Session

Patti Smith— N&M

Looking Ahead....

BOY SCOUT SPAGHETTI DINNER

Saturday, November 2nd

Boy Scout Troop 31 will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner at our church on Friday, November 2nd from 5-7:30 pm. The dinner includes spaghetti, roll, salad, drink, and dessert. Tickets are \$7 for adults and \$5 for children. Carry out is available. Please consider supporting our scouts by stopping on out for a delicious meal!



LITTLE WONDERS SPAGHETTI DINNER

Friday, November 8th

The Little Wonders Presbyterian Preschool's will be hosting a Spaghetti Dinner & Raffle Fundraiser on Friday, November 8th from 5-7 pm. Each dinner will come with a generous helping of spaghetti, meatballs, bread, salad, dessert, and a drink. Dinners are also available for carry-out. This fundraiser is their main fundraiser of the year.

THANKSGIVING DINNER

Sunday, November 24th (following worship)

Mark your calendars for the Annual Thanksgiving Dinner following worship on Sunday, November 24th! Table service, turkey and the fixings will be provided by N&M. Sign-up in Fellowship Hall with the number attending and if you can bring a salad, side or dessert. Another sign-up sheet will be posted recruiting help with serving and clean up.



WORD FROM THE TRANSITION TEAM



We are asking
for continued
prayers for the
Transition com-
mittee as we

move toward calling the person God has
picked for our church!

50 PLUS MEMBER RECOGNITION

On Sunday, November 24th, we'll be recognizing our 50+ members during the worship service. Please join us in celebrating the following individuals: Marian Howland, Joanna Oller, Fern DeLamatre, Eileen Wikel-Darby, Ward DeLamatre, Rita Phillips, Eileen Daughtery-Stewart, Emma Corwin, Janet Ware, Carl Kovacs, Harold Wright, Jeanne Smith, Herb Chapin, John Phillips, Christine Scott-Metzger, Charlene Schuman, Leonard Homyak, Ginny Parisi, Margaret Swords, Dr. S. Baird Pfahl, Jr., Rachel Pratt, Dave Fenn and Ellen Drumm.



ADVENT ACTIVITY

Join us on Monday, December 2, 2019 (time TBD) for a holiday activity with Scouts in grades K-12, during their parent meeting and FPC church kids are welcome to attend as well. Activities included, but not limited to the following: making ornaments & decorating the tree in Fellowship Hall, decorating cookies, making (or buying) pizza to eat during our time together. We need church family to participate in this joint activity. Seeking volunteers to join the planning committee and the fun/fellowship during the event on December 2nd. If you are interested in helping out, please contact a member of the Christian Ed Committee: Katy McGraw, Carolyn Culbertson, or Cindy & Chuck Kaman with any questions.



MESSAGE FROM THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee asks all church members to prayerfully consider serving on Session for our upcoming openings



starting in January 2020. If God is calling you to share your wisdom, faith, and energy, it will be put to good use. Session meets once a month as do the various committees that coordinate the work of God's church.

You can contact any member of the Nominating Committee (Janet Mueller, Katy McGraw, Ellen Drum, Clark Culbertson, or Chuck Kaman) or ask Becky in the office to relay it to the committee. Thank you and God Bless.

Thank you to all who assisted with the Rummage Sale from those who donated, sorted, worked the sale, and cleaned-up. The sale brought in \$860. A special thank you to the Scouts of Troop 31 for helping bring items down from upstairs and helping set-up for the sale.





Happy Halloween from Little Wonders!



How Do I Pray?

'So...how do I pray?'

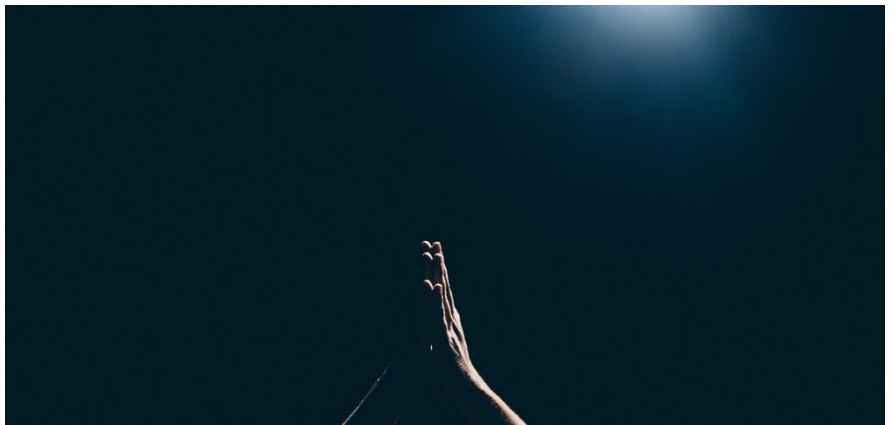
I hear these words so often that I'm no longer surprised by them. Prayer is one of the most basic ways of connecting with God, yet we often feel inadequate when it comes to praying. This is doubly true of prayer out loud, where everything that is supposed to be beautiful and intimate and holy all of a sudden might become intimidating, public, and downright scary.

Here's the good news: there's no one right way to pray. So if you're worried about 'getting it right,' you can let go of that right now. The best way to learn how to pray is— *ready for this?*— by praying.

'This all sounds good, Greg,' you say, 'but can you give me a little more to work with?'

Why, yes I can. Thanks for asking.

There are some fantastic prayer resources within scripture— Psalms is an early prayer book of the church, and in Matthew 6:5-15 Jesus teaches how to pray— but I'd like to take a moment to teach a form of prayer that's been very instructive for me. It's called a Collect (pronounced Call-ect). Collects have been used by Christians as far back as the 5th century, and I often use them at youth group when teaching prayer.



A Collect is a short, thematic prayer that follows a specific blueprint. It's kind of like 'mad libs,' but with God. A Collect has five pieces:

I. **Address**— The prayer begins by directly addressing God (e.g. "Dear God").

II. **Acknowledgement**— This is where you praise God and acknowledge God's power in your life and/or the world (e.g. "You are so good").

III. **Petition**— This is where you ask God for a specific thing that you need (e.g. "Please mold my heart to be more like yours...").

IV. **Desired Result**— This is the result you hope will come out of the granting of your petition (e.g. "...so that I may grow closer to you").

V. **Conclusion**— This is something simple to end the prayer (e.g. "In Jesus name, Amen").

Each portion can be stretched out really long or kept short and compact, like the example above. Take some time to try a Collect of your own.

Written by: Rev. Greg Rapier of the First Presbyterian Church of Delray Beach, Florida



IN THE COMMUNITY



MVP PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN'S FALL GATHERING

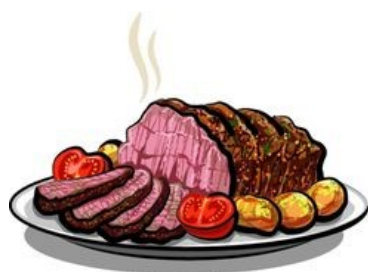
Saturday, November 2nd from 9am until 2 pm

Save the Date! The 2019 Fall Gathering of Maumee Valley Presbyterian PW on Saturday, November 2nd from 9 am until 2 pm. The event will be held at the Findlay First Presbyterian Church (located at 2330 S. Main St., Findlay, OH 45840). The program will be a presentation on the USA Mission Exchange to the Finger Lakes Region of New York State. Stay tuned for further details. If interested in attending, contact Gail Burke at 419-366-7009.



ROAST BEEF DINNER-CONGREGATIONAL UCC

Saturday, November 2nd from 4-7 pm



Castalia Congregational UCC will be hosting a Roast Beef Dinner on Saturday, November 2nd from 4-7 pm. Dinners include slow roasted beef, home cooked mashed potatoes with gravy, green beans, fresh salad bar, dinner roll and choice of homemade dessert. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for children. All proceeds to benefit local missions and ongoing church projects.

ERIE COUNTY CHILDREN SERVICES— CHRISTMAS DRIVE

Erie County Children Services is working hard to gather Christmas presents for their kids! They have individuals who are willing to shop for kids if a monetary donation is given (checks can



be made out to: Erie County Children Services) *OR* You can call and get the name, age, and wish list of a child and shop for them yourself! They would love to help as many children as they can during the holiday season and throughout the whole year with your generous donations. Please call Kristen Lindsey, if you are interested in shopping for a child or have questions. Call 419-627-5306 or email Kris-

tin.M.Lindsey@jfs.ohio.gov. If you would like to give a monetary donation that is tax deductible, please put in attention to AJ Hill, Erie County Children Services, 221 W. Parish Street, Sandusky, OH 44870.

November 1 Church Women United @ 1 pm

November 2 Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner @ 5-7:30 pm

November 3 "Fall Back"- change your clocks back an hour

November 3 "Music Under the Steeple" Concert @ 3 pm

November 4 Prayer Group @ 1 pm

November 5 Polling Location (all day)

November 6 Girlfriends in God @ 6 pm

November 8 Little Wonders Spaghetti Dinner @ 5-7 pm

November 11 Church Women United @ noon

November 12 Worship Committee Meeting @ 9 am

November 13 Christ's Meal @ 5 pm

November 13 Girlfriends in God @ 6 pm

November 18 Steeple Notes Deadline

November 18 Prayer Group @ 1 pm

November 20 Session @ 7 pm

November 24 Honor 50+ Members (during worship)

November 24 Turkey Dinner (following worship)

Nov. 27-29 Office Closed/No School-Little Wonders



November 19 Deborah Schisler

November 20 Joanna Phillips

November 22 Terry Emerson

November 25 Kerry Glann

November 25 Ava Moser

November 26 Brian McGraw

November 27 Kenneth Zorn

November 29 Parker Muntz

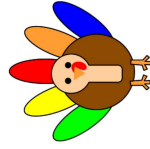
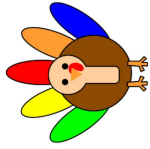


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	Ushers	Liturgist	Hospitality	Flowers
Nov. 3	Bob & Marcie Muntz	Carolyn Culbertson	Patti Smith	Edwina Chamberlin
Communion Servers: Lesa Guerrero, June Hanes, Barb Haase, and Janet Mueller Communion Set-up: KC Wittmer				
Nov. 10	June Hanes & Patti Smith	Cynthia Brown Mathews	Ellen Drumm & Katy McGraw	Mueller Family
Nov. 17	Jack & Marcia Martter	John Blakeman	Cynthia Brown Mathews	Ron Ruble
Nov. 24	Wendy & Doug Quinn	Phillip Hopkins	Turkey Dinner	Jann & John Glann/ Muntz Family

NOVEMBER 2019



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Church Women United @ 1pm	2 Boy Scout Spaghetti Dinner @ 5-7:30 pm
3 Adult Bible Study @ 8:45am Worship @10:00am (Communion/2-Cents-A-Meal) Music Under the Steeple Concert @ 3 pm	4 Hot Dog Monday @ noon Prayer Group @ 1 pm	5 Polling Location (FH-all day) PW Circle @ 3 pm	6 Girlfriends in God @ 6pm	7 Little Wonders Spaghetti Dinner Prep (all day) Handbell Practice @ 6:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice @ 7:30 pm	8 Little Wonders Spaghetti Dinner @ 5-7 pm	9
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17 Adult Bible Study @ 8:45am Worship @10:00am	18 Steeple Notes Deadline Hot Dog Monday @ noon Prayer Group @ 1 pm	19 Little Wonders- "Back to the Wild Presentation" @ 8:30-10 am (FH)	20 Session @ 7 pm	21 Handbell Practice @ 6:30 pm Chancel Choir Practice @ 7:30 pm	22 Turkey Dinner Setup (all day)	23 Turkey Dinner Setup (all day)
24 Adult Bible Study @ 8:45am Worship @10:00am/ Honor 50+ Members Turkey Dinner (following worship)	25 Hot Dog Monday @ noon	26	27 Christ's Community Meal @ 5 pm Little Wonders- No School/Office Closed	28	29	30