

## First Presbyterian Church

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# NOVEMBER 2021



#### **Church Staff**

Pastor Sara Hodsden Administrative Assistant Dawn Fleming

Church Treasurer Donna Myers Director of Music Jann Glann

Little Wonders Preschool Teachers: Director Kim Hartnett, Lead Teacher Amber Rager.

Church Custodian: Judy Andrews

#### Session Members (Next meeting Wednesday November 10th @ 7 p.m.)

Pastor Sara Hodsden...Marcia Arthur—Clerk of Session....Phillip Hopkins—F& M Chair....Doug Quinn—F&M...

Chuck Kaman— Christian Education, Chair.....Francesca Lendrum—Stewardship, F&M.....Cynthia Brown Mathews—G&P, Worship

Sarah Blakeman.—N&M, nominating Chair ...Ellen Drumm —N&M .....Carolyn Culbertson—Nominating Chair... Marcie Muntz—PW,

#### A Message from Your Pastor



"Together." We used to think we knew just what the word meant, didn't we? We never used to wonder, most of us, how the definition might be stretched, how important togetherness might become, or how clever we'd need to become

in order to make it happen.

But haven't these last two years changed and challenged things? Amid a sea of confusion, fear, and discord, we suddenly became desperate for some kind of joy, precisely when it became impossible to get together for joy in most of the ways we knew: shared meals, fellowship hours, church dinners, and even from March-May of 2020, for worship.

So we all stretched. We flexed more than we thought we could. We groaned and reached and complained and expanded and wept.

- We expanded our online presence with worship.
- We supported Christ's Community Meals with kitchen space, fellowship space, and many helping hands.
- We had our confirmation class.

- We enriched our community with both virtual and in-person organ concerts and poetry readings.
- We added new weekly chapel services for our Little Wonders, providing families with resources for Christian discipleship.

In the end, we were together, weren't we? Sometimes it was virtual--committee meetings, Session meetings, prayer group, Bible studies. Other times we transitioned back to in-person togetherness-coffee hour, adult Sunday School, prayer group, and, of course, worship. We were together in joy weren't we?

And now that the world is beginning to open back up again, it's safe to say we may never appreciate the gift of in-person church more than we do right now: the beauty of worship, the power of music, the sweetness of sacraments, the dignity of service-always together for joy in community with God, whose love through Jesus Christ covers every distance and heals every heart.

Soon you will be receiving from the Stewardship Team a pledge card and a prayer. I hope you will join me in praying the prayer regularly as we discern together the giving for the coming year. We will focus on Stewardship on November 14th, and will dedicate our pledges on December 12th during worship. What better time of year to celebrate joy and giving than Advent?



Sing to God a new song, for God has done marvelous things.

Make a joyful noise to God, all the earth; break forth into joyous song and sing praises.

Let the floods clap their hands; let the hills sing together for joy.

+ Psalm 98

# Little Wonders Preschool

October was a busy month for our Little Wonders Children





They enjoyed learning all about fire safety







## Learning all about fall





They continue to enjoy Kids Chapel every Tuesday with Pastor Sara

Picture day was
October 26
for all students



Little Wonders Fundraiser will be held Friday November 5th .

\*\* Reminder if you ordered a Pizza dinner, you can pick up

curbside at FPC Fellowship Hall, between 4:30 p.m. –7:00 p.m.





John Calvin wrote "There is scarcely any subject on which the Holy Spirit more carefully prescribes than on the proper method of prayer." So, what is that proper method?

We find four principles of prayer in the Bible.

- 1.) Heb. 12:28-29. Approach God with reverence and awe.
- 2.) Luke 18:9-14. Like that tax collector, realize our true needs and our dependance on God for those needs.
- 3.) Isa. 66:2. Approach God with humility.
- 4.) John 16:23. Ask in Jesus' name.

Do we need to be perfect In these principles on prayer? No, our confidence is in Christ, our Advocate. We shall obtain all we ask of the Father in his name.



Prayer Calendar for the Churches of Huron

11/7—Huron United Methodist Church—Pastor Pamela Sayre

11/14—Zion Lutheran Church—Pastor Kristine Schroeder

11/21—First Presbyterian Church—Pastor Sara Hodsden

11/28— Christ Episcopal Church—Pastor Michael Floyd

# What's Happening



**Tuesday November 2nd** 

6:30 a.m.—7 p.m.

**Fellowship Hall** 



Communion

Sunday November 7th 10 a.m. Worship





#### STUDY GROUP

**Prayer group Monday** 

November 1st & 15th at 1 p.m.

Contact Susan Martter for

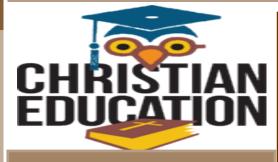
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Girlfriends & God

Women's Bible study

Wednesday November 10

6 p.m.-7 p.m. — Youth room



**Tuesday** 

**November 16th** 

In the Parlor.

#### Little Wonders Pizza dinner & raffle fundraiser

Friday November 5th 4:30 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Pick up in Fellowship Hall.

Dinner tickets were available for presale, however, raffle tickets are available until dinner pick up! Ticket drawings will take place at 7:30 p.m., Live on the Little Wonders Facebook page.

Proceeds are used for education scholarships, games, toys and supplies.

Thank you for your support!

# Upcoming

2-Cents-a-meal

Sunday November 7th

Sunday Worship 10:00 a.m. 11/7, 11/14, 11/21, & 11/28

Liturgist Schedule

11/7— Tamara Boos

Communion Server—

**Cynthia Mathews** 

November 28, 2021 FIRST SUNDAY OF

Christ Community Meal

All are Welcome

\*\* Community Lunch every Monday @ 12 p.m.

\*\* Community Dinner 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month...November 10th & 24th @ 5 p.m.

11/14 — Casey Whittmer

11/21 — Janeane Hopkins

11/28 — Carolyn Culbertson



Enter his gates with thanksgiving. and his courts with praise!

Give thanks to him:

bless his name!

### Church Office

#### **Holiday Hours**

The week of November 22-26

Monday 11/22—8:00-3:15

Tuesday 11/23—8-:00-3:15

Wednesday 11/24-8:30-12:30

Thursday 11/25—Closed

Friday 11/26 — Closed



11/19 —Deborah Schisler

11/20 — Joanna Phillips

11/22 — Terry Emmerson

11/25 — Kerry Glann

11/26—Brian McGraw

11/29 — Parker Muntz



#### **Ushers:**

Ushers are needed Sunday's before and after Worship. If you would like to sign up, please contact the Church office.

Little Wonders Chapel Assistants are needed in the afternoons. Sign up at the following link or by contacting the Church office.

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040949AEA72AABF58-preschool

#### Coffee Hour:

Volunteers are needed for Coffee Hour after Worship. If you would like to volunteer, please contact the Church office or Gail Burke.

DESSERTS NEEDED FOR CHRIST'S COMMUNITY MEALS Volunteers are needed to provide homemade desserts for the Christ's Community Meal program. Donations of cakes, cookies, pies, or fruit dishes are needed. Please contact Jane at 419-370-9274 If you would like to donate.

# Thank you

Thank you all for all your prayers, support, and concern over the past two months.

Life has been quite a challenge, and while we are not out of the woods yet, there is no way we could have made it this far without your help. You are a wonderful example of what Christians should be like!

Nick & Jane Laface



# **November 2021**



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	Christ Meal 12 p.m. Prayer Group 1 p.m. scouts	Voting 6:30a.m7p.m. Scouts LW Kids Chapel 10:45 & 2:45 AA	3	4 AA	5 LW Fundraiser 430-7 p.m. OFFICE CLOSED	6 OFFICE CLOSED
7 Worship 10 a.m. Communion 2-cents-meal Coffee hour after Worship	8 Christ meal 12 p.m. scouts	9 Scouts LW Kids Chapel 10:45 & 2:45	Community meal 5 p.m. Girlfriends & Bible 6 p.m. Session 7 p.m.	11 AA	12 OFFICE CLOSED	13 OFFICE CLOSED
14 Worship 10 a.m. Stewardship Sunday Coffee hour after Worship	15 Christ meal 12 p.m. Prayer Group 1p SCOUTS	16 LW Kids Chapel 10:45 & 2:45 Scouts Christian Education	17	18 AA	19 OFFICE CLOSED	20 OFFICE CLOSED
21 Worship 10 a.m. Coffee hour after Worship	Christ meal 12 p.m. scouts	23 LW Kids Chapel 10:45 & 2:45 scouts	24 office hours 8:30a.m 12:30p.m. Community Meal 5 p.m. Girlfriends &	25 Happy Thanksgiving OFFICE CLOSED	26 OFFICE CLOSED	27 OFFICE CLOSED
28 Worship 10 a.m. Coffee hour after Worship First Sunday of Advent	29 Christ meal 12 p.m. Scouts	30 LW Kids Chapel 10:45 & 2:45				