

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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June 2024

Steeple Notes

A MESSAGE FROM YOUR PASTOR

I love the first spring drive—when the air is warm enough to put all the windows down. I breathe in the fresh air, and I turn up the music (probably to the annoyance of others, sorry to say). As spring goes into summer, when it is cool enough, I roll those windows down again and play my music loudly. And there are certain songs that I love to hear when I'm driving.

Do you have a driving playlist? Or, as Jackie Gleason would call it, "a little traveling music?"

Our spiritual ancestors, the Israelites, may not have had cars, iPads, or CD players, but they, too, had a road trip playlist. It was the Book of Psalms. They would sing these songs together, a shared experience that resonates with us today. Sometimes, they were uplifting songs of praise. Sometimes, they were sad songs or songs of longing and yearning.

From June 2 through August 2, I will preach a sermon series on the Psalms. We'll journey through Psalms of praise, lament, thanksgiving, and trust. On June 2nd, we'll delve into an enlightening introduction to the Psalms and the mindset God wants us to have as we read them.

As we listen to the Psalms playlist, we will be equipped to navigate the ups and downs of our lives. It will be a meaningful journey. I hope you'll come and listen to the playlist with us this summer.



RSVP for the next
Ladies Who Lunch

When: Friday, June 14, 11:30 a.m.

Where: Chet and Matt's,
1013 E. Strub Road.

Call the church office
before noon on June 13th to RSVP

Coming in the July Newsletter:
Celebrating Graduates

Upcoming Events

June 2024

Young Life Car Wash

Saturday, June 1st, 10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m., church parking lot!



Jeanne Schafer Memorial Lunch

Friday, June 7th at 1:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Join Jeanne's family for a celebration of life lunch. The family will provide pizza. The ladies of the church will bring salad and dessert. If you would like to bring dessert or a salad, please contact Kathy Kirby' or the church office by June 5th.

Red Cross Blood Drive

Thursday, June 6th, 12 p.m. - 7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall.

Fathers Day



Sunday, June 16th

Join us for a special Father's Day fellowship hour after worship.



Quilting Group

Join the quilters every Thursday from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Quilt with them, learn how to quilt, or just joining in on the fellowship. Bring a packed lunch!



Christ Community Meals

Every Monday at noon, Two Wednesday's a month, June 12th and June 26th st 5 p.m.

SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

At the May Session meeting, we reviewed the progress of the Transforming Church Initiative. The team is working on defining our church's core values. The next step is to consider strategic priorities.

We also received Deb Knight into church membership. Deb's parents were married by Rev. George Bell at the Olena Presbyterian Church. Welcome, Deb!

The Session also elected members to the Growth and Preservation Committee: Karen Terenzi and Amy Nevison.



SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Starting June 1st our Church office hours will be Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 9 a.m. - 2 p.m. Thursday 8 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Huron Community Churches Presents

VBS 2024

BIBLE CHAMPIONS

June 18-20, 9:30 am-11:30 am
at Huron United Methodist Church



TO REGISTER: SCAN THE QR CODE, VISIT Huronumc.org, OR CALL (419) 433-3984

SCAN HERE!

This FREE Vacation Bible School is for children who have completed preschool through completed 4th grade.

Empty toilet paper rolls are needed for VBS craft. Please drop off at the church office, or to Gail Burke.

PRAYER PAGE

Pause and Pray for Our Persecuted Christian Brothers and Sisters

Imprisoned, held without trial, and separated from their families for decades, many of our Christian brothers and sisters endure persecution simply for proclaiming the Good News of Christ. Their persecutors' motive? Silence the bold witness of these Christians. But God's purposes will never be thwarted. No enemy can stop the advance of the gospel. Hebrews 13:3 is a compelling reminder for us: "Remember those who are in prison, as though in prison with them, and those who are mistreated, since you also are in the body." One of the most meaningful ways to remember our fellow members of the body of Christ is through prayer. As you pray, will you trust God to meet the needs of our Christian brothers and sisters who face persecution today?

- Pray for their release.
- Pray that they will have adequate food.
- Pray that they will sense God's presence.
- Pray that their families' needs will be met.
- Pray that they will have access to God's Word.
- Pray for the continuation of their faithful witness, even in prison.
- Pray that they will demonstrate God's love by witnessing to their persecutors.

PrayerList

Paul Brown, Mark Crumrine, Harry Wright, Ally Caudill (Daughter of Kim Hartnett), Anne Russell, Judy Hartley, Nancy Mayer, Kristine Wesler, Pat Marrion, John Nichols Jr., Eileen Darby, Eldon Zimmer, Delores Hodsden, Ron Harper, Jackie Metzger, Mike Bork, Sarah McCoy, Ward DeLamatre, Ann West, Tony & Barb Smith, Cameron James, Carol Kopkas, Rachel Leonard, Denny Velliquette, June Franduto, Paul Brown, Angela Belliveau, Brad Mason, Jim, David Wittmer, Gabe Phillips, Kerry Lynn, Marla Pederson, David Claxton, Nick LaFace, Rev. Clair Brewer, Sharon Carnal, Barb Gettman, Roberta Leimbach, Billie Urie, Pam Heschel
Roger & Barbara Gravlin.

Pray for our Military.

Dominic Parisi, Ben DeLamatre,
Dan Work & Emily Stellpflug



Please Pray for our local churches

6/2 Journey Church
6/9 Christ Episcopal Church Father Michael Floyd
6/16 St. Peter Catholic Church Father Doug Garand
6/23 Huron United Methodist Church Pastor Pamela Sayre
6/30 Zion Lutheran Church



SCHEDULES

Communion Set Up

6/2 Janeane Hopkins

Communion Servers

6/2 Phillip Hopkins

Janeane Hopkins

Cindy Kaman

Francesca Lendrum

Liturgist

6/2 Chuck Kaman

6/9 Cynthia Brown Mathews

6/16 Wendy Quinn

6/23 Betty Reed

6/30 Jack Arthur

Ushers

6/2 Jack & Marcia Arthur

6/9 Phillip Hopkins, Kitty Cunningham

6/16 Marci Muntz, Betty Reed

6/23 Anne & Don Russell

6/30 Kathy Kirby & Patti Smith

Sunday Count

6/2 Francesca Lendrum & Ellen Drumm

6/9 John & Sarah Blakeman

6/16 Bob & Marcie Muntz

6/23 Jack & Marcia Arthur

6/30 Chuck & Cindy Kaman

Flowers

6/9 Ron Ruble to the Glory of God and for those church members who are suffering from illness.

6/23 Jann Glann in celebration of Kerry and Sally's first wedding anniversary.

6/30 Ellen Drumm in celebration of John and Erin's wedding.

June Birthdays

6/2 Thomas Williamson

6/4 Chuck Kaman

6/8 Cindy Kaman

6/17 Marcia Arthur

6/18 Joanna Work

6/20 George Bell, Marc Martter

6/23 Barbara Haase

6/24 Richard Mathews

6/28 Willson Pullano



Usher Guidelines

The Worship Committee has updated its usher guidelines for 2024. Please take note of the usher duties. Thanks to all who sacrifice their time to serve our congregation in this way!

A special thank you to Bob Kaman, our lead usher. On most Sundays, Bob unlocks the doors and turns on the lights. If he is not in attendance, we rely on the ushers to do those two things. Below, you will find our new usher guidelines.

- Please arrive by 9:30 a.m. and unlock the parlor doors. There will be a labeled key for the door on a hook in the Treasurer's office closet (if Bob Kaman is not in attendance).
- Please turn on the sanctuary lights and fans and open the windows if the weather calls for it (if Bob Kaman is not in attendance).
- As worshippers arrive, please ensure they know where to pick up their bulletins (Bob does this too, but if he is not in attendance, or if someone needs a large print bulletin, please make sure they know where to get one).
- Please assist those who need help with seating
- Please ask visitors to complete the Pew Pads
- If anyone comes with young children, please provide parents with one of the children's activity bags
- During the announcements, should anyone in the congregation wish to speak, please give them a portable microphone so they can be heard on our broadcast (even when they think their voice is loud enough to be heard!).
- Please circulate with Offering Plates at the appointed time during Worship
- Please take attendance and place the sheet in an Offering Plate. The sheet will be located in the offering plate before the service begins.
- Following the worship service, please turn off the lights and fans and close the windows. If people congregate in the sanctuary following worship, please encourage them to continue their conversations in Fellowship Hall.
- Please collect Pew Pad sheets and place them on the desk in the church office. The key is in the Treasurer's office closet.

If you have any questions, please speak to Cynthia Brown Mathews, Pastor Sara, Wendy Quinn, or Jann Glann. Thank you again for being an important part of our congregation!



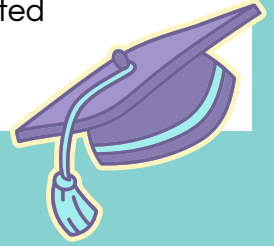
Little Wonders Preschool

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That's a wrap!

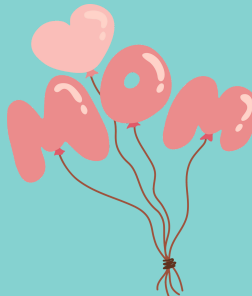
Congratulations to our Little Wonders Preschool graduates. The Pre-4 class graduated Thursday, May 23rd at 10 a.m. We ask that you keep them all in your prayers!



The morning and afternoon class enjoyed Lake Front Park and popsicles on their last day of school!



May was mornings with Mom for Mother's Day.





JUNE

2024

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
26	27	28	29	30	31	9 a.m. - 12 p.m. 1 Young Life Car Wash Parking Lot
2 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Fellowship	3 12 p.m. Community Meal 7 p.m. Scouts	4 7 p.m. AA	5	6 12 p.m. - 7 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive 8 p.m AA	7 1:00 p.m. Jeanne Schafer Memorial Lunch	8 Fellowship hall use 12 p.m.- 5p.m.
9 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Fellowship	10 12 p.m. Community Meal 7 p.m. Scouts	11 7 p.m. AA	12 6 p.m. Community Meal	13 9 a.m. Quilting Group 8 p.m AA	14	15
16 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m. Fellowship	17 12 p.m. Community Meal 7 p.m. Scouts	18 7 p.m. AA	19 6:30 p.m. Session	20 9 a.m. Quilting Group 8 p.m AA	21	22
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30 10 a.m. Worship 11 a.m.Fellowship	1	2	3	4	5	6

