



SEPTEMBER 2025

From Pastor Sara

It never fails. September begins, and I wonder what has happened to the summer? Every summer, I vow to James that this is the year we will take his mother to Kelly's Island. Every Labor Day, I tell James, "Well, we didn't make it out to the island again!" It isn't that we didn't have time to go to Kelly's Island. We just didn't make the time to go.

Americans generally like to be busy. It's part of the Protestant work ethic. The positive side is that we have a knack for getting things done. The negative side is that we sometimes set aside truly important things to ensure we fit everything into our busy schedules.

Do you remember the story of Jesus visiting Mary and Martha in Bethany? They were two sisters, and they both loved Jesus. He came to their home on the way to Jerusalem, and Mary, Martha, and their brother, Lazarus, invited Jesus over for a meal.

When Jesus arrived, he reclined at the table as he taught those gathered. Mary and Martha were hard at work in the kitchen. Mary heard Jesus teaching, and she went into the dining room to listen to him. Martha looked up from her busy work and noticed Mary was gone. She storms into the dining room, sees Mary sitting at Jesus's feet, and she is furious.

"Jesus! Mary's left me alone in the kitchen with all this work. Tell her to get back into the kitchen at once!"

Jesus responded, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things, but one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the good portion, which will not be taken away from her." (Luke 10:41-42)

James and I missed out on seeing the beauty of Kelly's Island because we didn't make the time to visit. I wonder what we miss out on when we don't make the time to sit and listen to Jesus? I think we miss opportunities to share our joys and worries with him, which allows us to relieve ourselves of burdens. I think we miss out on surrendering to God, who desires to shape and form us.

As summer gives way to fall, our schedules don't let up. In fact, things may be even busier now than they were 30 days ago. Now is the time to carve out a piece of each day to spend with God. Maybe you read Scripture or a devotional. Perhaps you spend time praying. Or, you pull out an old hymnal and sing to God. Whatever it is that keeps you connected to God, I encourage you to make time for it.



Prayer Page

"Our Father who art in Heaven, hallowed be Thy name. Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven."

We have lots on our minds, and our prayer list keeps getting longer. But whatever you end up praying for specifically today and in the coming days, ask God for His kingdom to come. Ask Him for His will to be done. What a joy that He calls you to keep on praying, and then answers your prayers to build His kingdom!



Please Pray For

Guy Munafo, Jeff Blankenship, The Family of Sharon Carnal, The Family of K.C. Wittmer, Jennifer Kelley (Kerry Glann's Mother-In-Law), The Family of Rev. Mike Leonard, Kathryn Skelley-Watts and her parents, The Rev. Roger and Joan. Ken Alexander, Rita Phillips, Larry Klaiber, Zac, The family of Thomas Litz, Mackenzie Marsh, Kristine Welser, Pam Heschel, Paul Brown, Harry Wright, Eldon Zimmer, Ron Harper, Jackie Metzger, Sarah McCoy, Ann West, Carol Kopkas, Kerry Lynn, Marla Pederson, David Claxton, Nick LaFace, Rev. Clair Brewer, Roberta Leimbach, and Billie Urie.

Remember Our Military.

Dominic Parisi, Ben DeLamatre, and Emily Stellpflug

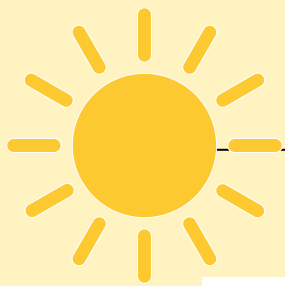
Huron Church Prayer Calendar

- 9/7** Salvation Army
- 9/14** Christ Episcopal Church
Father Michael Floyd
- 9/21** St. Peter Catholic Church
Father Doug Garand
- 9/28** Huron United Methodist Church
Pastor Pamela Sayre

Prayer and Scripture Study Group

Lectionary Look-In: On Monday, September 15th, and Monday, September 29th at 1:30, join us in the Youth Room for a Bible Study and time of prayer. We study each week's Lectionary passage in preparation for the following Sunday.





Upcoming

Mission Rally Day

FILL YOUR BUCKET SUNDAY: RALLY DAY, 2025 SEPTEMBER 21, 2025, 10 A.M.

WE'RE DOING A MESSY CHURCH, MISSION-FOCUSED RALLY DAY THIS YEAR! COME FOR THE INTERGENERATIONAL WORSHIP CELEBRATION AT 10:00 A.M. IN THE SANCTUARY. WE'LL MOVE INTO THE FELLOWSHIP HALL AND PACK CLEANING BUCKETS FOR THE CHURCH WORLD SERVICE, ALONG WITH OTHER ACTIVITIES.

DRESS
CASUALLY!

BRING A BOX
OF CEREAL FOR
HELPING
HANDS!

STAY FOR
LUNCH!

BRING YOUR KIDS, GRANDKIDS, OR NEIGHBOR KIDS!



Ladies Who Lunch

Ladies who Lunch will be Babes who Breakfast on September 12th. We will be going to Saw Mill Creek Resort for their breakfast buffet. Several ladies have been there and remarked how nice it was. We thought it might be a nice change. As always, please let Dawn or Marcie know by September 10th if you plan to attend. Cedar Point owns Sawmill and therefore does not accept cash. They accept credit or debit cards. We will meet at Sawmill at 9:30 a.m. If anyone needs a wake-up call, let Marcie know. Kathy Kirby will be big game hunting in Africa, so she will miss this, which she is brokenhearted about. See you all at breakfast!

K.C. Wittmer Memorial

*in
loving
memory*

Memorial Services for K.C. Wittmer will be held on Saturday, September 6th at 11 a.m. followed by a luncheon in the fellowship hall. If you would like to send a sympathy card, please send it to:
The Wittmer Family
C/O Peggy Wittmer
105 Laura Ave
Washington Township, OH 45458

Upcoming



Find out about Cub Scouts!

Join Pack 31 Huron for an evening of inflatable archery, hot dogs, & s'mores.

When: September 8, 6:00-7:00 p.m.

Where: First Presbyterian Church, 225 Williams St. in Huron.

email us at pastorfpchuron@bex.net for more info.

CELEBRATE THE TABLE OF ABUNDANCE

A RETREAT LED BY:

REV. STACY LAUER-SCOVANNER

ST. JOHN'S, MILAN

REV. SARA HODSDEN

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN, HURON



JAMES 1:17:
"EVERY GOOD AND
PERFECT GIFT IS
FROM ABOVE,
COMING DOWN FROM
THE FATHER OF THE
HEAVENLY LIGHTS,
WHO DOES NOT
CHANGE LIKE
SHIFTING SHADOWS."

NOVEMBER 8TH, 12:00 P.M.- NOVEMBER 9TH, 11:00 A.M.

HOLIDAY INN EXPRESS, PORT CLINTON, OHIO

Join us to celebrate God's gracious abundance with worship, conversation, wine, and food. Your registration includes lunch, a flower arranging Workshop, and transportation from the hotel to two wineries and a brewery.

Please note that your hotel stay, dinner, and wine tasting are not included in the package.

Registration: \$110, payable by credit or debit card online.

To pay by check, contact First Presbyterian Church at 419-433-5018

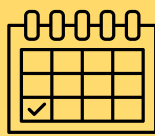
To Reserve Your Hotel Room at Holiday Inn Express at an event rate of \$99 plus tax, call 419-732-7322

To Register, use the QR code,

visit <https://fpchuron.churchtrac.com/connect?ei=DAG1V83>,

or contact us at 419-433-5018.





Schedules

Liturgist

9/7 Betty Reed

9/14 Jack & Marcia Arthur

9/21 Phillip & Janeane Hopkins

9/28 Marcie Muntz & Betty Reed

Ushers

9/7 Rick & Cynthia Brown Mathews
9/14 Jack & Marcia Arthur
9/21 Phillip & Janeane Hopkins
9/28 Marcie Muntz & Betty Reed

Communion Set Up and Servers

Communion Set-Up - Katy McGraw
Communion - Ann Pullano, Katy McGraw,
Marcie Muntz

Flowers

9/7 NONE
9/14 Katy McGraw - In celebration of Charlie's
baptism and Hugh's 7th birthday.
9/21 NONE
9/28 John Bickell In celebration of Andrew's Birthday

Counters

9/7 Ellen Drumm &
Francesca Lendrum
9/14 Bob & Marcie Muntz
9/21 Jack & Marcia Arthur
9/28 Chuck & Cindy Kaman

Birthdays



9/3 David Asher
9/6 Fritz Mueller
9/7 Lesa Guerrea
9/9 S. Baird Pfahl
9/10 Daniel Ryu
9/12 Charlene Schuman
9/22 Sarah Blakeman
9/23 Dennis Horan
9/26 Connie Litz
9/25 Patricia Williamson
9/30 Andrew Bickell

Thank
you

Little Wonders Preschool

WELCOME
back to
SCHOOL

We welcomed back our Little Wonders Teachers and students on Tuesday, September 2nd. We pray the year is blessed with fun, laughter, love, good health, and lots of learning!



Stewardship



We're almost 3/4 through the year! Are you up to date on your pledge? Install the ChurchTrac app on your phone or tablet to find out. Visit <https://open.churchtrac.com?code=8U8P6V>. You may also request a giving statement at any time through the church office. Thank you for your generosity.

Our Stewardship Theme this year is "All Creatures Great and Small." October 12th is our kick-off luncheon, and on October 19th, we will have an intergenerational stewardship event. Mark your calendars and bring your kids, grandkids, and neighbor kids (and even pets a little later in the day) on the 19th!



Save the date:
Stewardship Luncheon
Sunday, October 12th
following worship

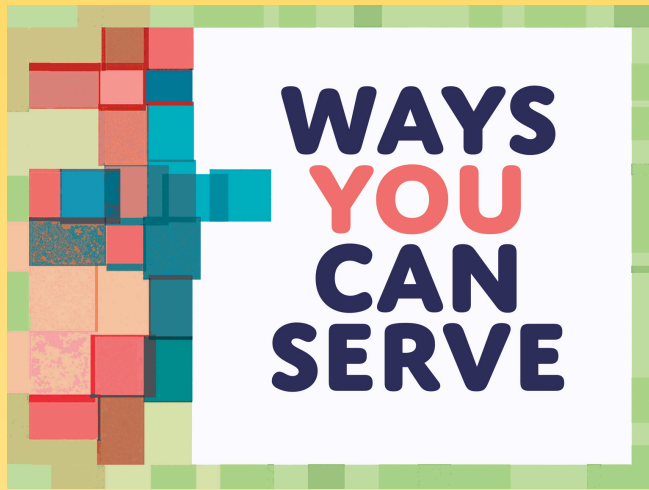
Building Updates



The biggest building update is what Christ's Community meal is installing in our kitchen! As the ministry continues to grow, so does the need for space. A generous donor to CCM has allowed them to purchase and pay for this walk-in refrigerator and freezer. Praise God! This will replace our current refrigerator, and three freezers on our premises.

Over the summer, our carpets were cleaned, and our trees were trimmed to comply with our city's regulations. We also needed to install a new fire system to comply with building codes, and that cost \$25,000. Soon, we will need to repair the steeple, and fix our sidewalks. Donations to our building fund are always welcome.

At its most recent meeting, Session approved a motion from the Growth and Preservation Board to tithe the recent bequest from Parmalee Jones. \$60,000 will go to the Maumee Valley Presbytery for mission. In addition, a motion was approved to send \$15,000 to OhGo to assist with the purchase and equipping of a van used for its mobile food pantry.



Birthday Box

Want to make a child's birthday brighter? Join Birthday Box to help provide birthday treats for a child who would normally be unable to supply treats for his or her class on their birthday. All treats must be pre-packaged due to health department regulations. See Pastor Sara for more information.

Bibles for Belize

FPC Norwalk is raising funds to provide classroom Bibles for their partner Christian School in Belize. There are seven classrooms of varying grades. They are purchasing Beginner's Bibles and Adventure Bibles. Each Bible costs \$15. If you'd like to sponsor a Bible, write a check and in the memo put "Belize Bibles." You can also give cash. Place in an envelope, and mark it for "Belize Bibles." The deadline is September 30th.



The Presbyterian Women will have their Fall Rummage Sale on Oct. 4th from 9 am to 1 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you would like to donate items to this sale, please place them in the Fellowship Hall starting Sept. 29th after 2 pm. Items needed for the sale:

- Clothing (especially winter clothing)
- Shoes/Boots
- Bedding/Towels
- Household items
- Kitchen items
- Toys/Games
- Puzzles/Books

Volunteers are needed to help sort/set up (Friday, Oct. 3rd, from 9 am to noon) and on Saturday during the sale and after to clean up. Thank you!

Puzzle!

Who made the following statements in the Bible?

1. "Am I my brother's keeper?"
Samuel, John, Cain, Andrew
2. "I have no silver and gold, but what I do have I give to you."
Peter, James, John, Paul
3. "What is truth?"
Herod, Pilate, Simon Magus, Cornelius
4. "Choose you this day whom you will serve ... but as for me and my house, we will serve the LORD!"
Abraham, Jacob, Moses, Joshua
5. "You are the Christ, the Son of the living God."
Nathaniel, John, Peter, Paul
6. "In a short time would you persuade me to be a Christian?"
Herod Agrippa, Pilate, Caiaphas, Annas
7. "Do not urge me to leave you or to return from following you. For where you go I will go."
Rebekah, Rachel, Ruth, Rahab
8. "I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith."
Paul, Peter, James, Barnabas

Answers: 1. Cain (Genesis 4:9); 2. Peter (Matthew 16:16); 3. Pilate (John 18:38); 4. Joshua (Joshua 24:15); 5. Peter (Matthew 16:16); 6. Herod Agrippa (Acts 26:28); 7. Ruth (Ruth 1:16); 8. Paul (2 Timothy 4:7)

Upcoming Events



On September 14th, Charlie McGraw will receive baptism in Lake Erie following worship. Details on the time and exact location will be shared during worship on September 14th.

On Sunday, September 21st, we will honor Judy Andrews for her years of service at FPC Huron. If you'd like to contribute toward her gift or share a card with her, please drop off your contribution to the church office by Wednesday, September 17th.



190th Anniversary

It's our 190th birthday, and this year we are celebrating with thanksgiving on Thanksgiving. Join us for a special worship service, followed by our always wonderful Thanksgiving Feast. Details coming soon!

Maumee Valley Presbytery is sponsoring a one-day retreat on Saturday, September 20, 2025, 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 pm, followed by lunch at the Toledo Museum of Art. Dr. Marie Loudon-Hanes will lead us in viewing selected art pieces.

Cost: Admission to the museum is free.

There is a \$10.00 charge for parking per vehicle

Lunch at the TMA café costs vary depending on your order.



September 2025

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 12 p.m. Christ Community Meal	2 7 p.m. AA	3	4 8 p.m. AA	5 7 p.m. FH Use (2 hr.)	6 11 a.m. Wittmer Memorial Service 3 p.m. FH USE
7 10 A.M. WORSHIP 11 A.M. FELLOWSHIP HOUR	8 12 p.m. Christ Community Meal	9 7 p.m. AA	10 5 p.m. Christ Community Meal	11 8 p.m. AA	12 9:30 p.m. Ladies Who Breakfast	13
14 10 A.M. WORSHIP 11 A.M. FELLOWSHIP HOUR	15 12 p.m. Christ Community Meal 1 p.m. Bible Study	16 7 p.m. AA	17 6:30 p.m. Session	18 8 p.m. AA	19	20
21 10 A.M. WORSHIP 11 A.M. FELLOWSHIP HOUR	22 12 p.m. Christ Community Meal	23 7 p.m. AA	24 5 p.m. Christ Community Meal	25 8 p.m. AA	26	27
28 10 A.M. WORSHIP 11 A.M. FELLOWSHIP HOUR	29 12 p.m. Christ Community Meal 1 p.m. Bible Study	30 7 p.m. AA				

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Calendar