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1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Presbyterian VBS  
July 10-14 From 6-8:30pm

This VBS includes free dinner each night for the whole family! Dinner is from 5:30-6pm. Programming is from 6-8:30pm and is for children from 3 years to entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Every day the kids will sing songs, play games, make crafts, learn Bible stories and have fun! Register on our website today.

## Behind the Stained Glass

Over the past few weeks I have been leading a new member's class. We have four people who will be joining our church. Ron Noland, Christa Brace, John & Tricia Denune will all be joining 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian on July 16<sup>th</sup>. It has been a pleasure getting to know those folks over the last few months and years. During the class, we talked about many things: how our denomination works, how our congregation is ordered, what kinds of activities we offer. We also talked about theological ideas like how we understand baptism, communion, sin, evil and grace. Our class used the membership vows as a leaping off point for our discussions. It was a wonderful class and I thought maybe we could all benefit from hearing those vows and looking at what it means to be a church member.

The following list of what it means to be a faithful member of the church is from the second part of our denomination's constitution, The Book of Order.

A faithful member accepts Christ's call to be involved responsibly in the ministry of his Church. Such involvement includes:

- a. proclaiming the good news,
- b. taking part in the common life and worship of a particular church,
- c. praying and studying Scripture and the faith of the Christian Church,
- d. supporting the work of the church through the giving of money, time, and talents,
- e. participating in the governing responsibilities of the church,
- f. demonstrating a new quality of life within and through the church,
- g. responding to God's activity in the world through service to others,
- h. living responsibly in the personal, family, vocational, political, cultural, and social relationships of life,
- i. working in the world for peace, justice, freedom, and human fulfillment.

I ask you to look back over that list and see if you are involved in each part of Christ's call on church members. Do you proclaim the good news? Do you take part in the common life and worship of the church? Do you serve others? Do you work for peace? Do you participate in the governing responsibilities of the church? Do you participate in each one of these categories of church membership?

As Christians, we are to live out our faith in all aspects of our lives. As members of a particular church, we are called to live out all aspects of our faith through that particular church. You and I are called to be involved in each of those categories of faithful ministry at church AND everywhere else. For example, as members of 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church: We are called to proclaim the Gospel through the evangelical acts of 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian AND in my home, AND at work, AND at school, AND with my friends, AND with those God has placed around me. We would not be faithful church members if we never supported the evangelical acts of 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian. We would not be faithful members of the Church Universal if we only supported the evangelical acts of 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian. This is true for each category of church membership.

I suggest that you look though that list and commit to being involved in one thing under each category at 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian and somewhere else. For example: You might decide to serve others at 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian through volunteering with the Backpack Program. You might decide to serve others outside the congregation by volunteering with the Humane Society. Another example: You might decide to come to Coffee Hour twice a month at 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian and to take part in the common life of your neighborhood by making a concerted effort to get to know your neighbors. Or: You could pray for 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian three days a week and pray for schools the rest of the week.

Spend some time this week looking at how you can involve yourself in all parts of the mission at 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian and how you can involve yourself in all parts of God's mission to the world around you. I'll leave you with the vows of church membership:

- Do you renounce all evil, and powers in the world which defy God's righteousness and love?
- Do you renounce the ways of sin that separate you from the love of God?
- Do you turn to Jesus Christ and accept him as your Lord and Savior?
- Will you be Christ's faithful disciple, obeying his Word and showing his love, to your life's end?

In Christ,



Rev. Steven Brand

## WORSHIP

### July Sermons

- 2-Chrysal Blume – Newark Naz Children’s Pastor
- 9- Warning to Us – Matthew 23
- 16- The Abomination - Matthew 24 a
- 23- Notice What is All Around – Matthew 24 b
- 30- The Kingdom of Heaven Is... - Matthew 25

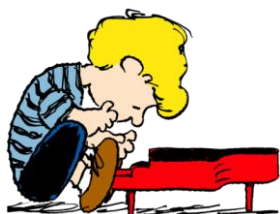
### August Sermons

- 6- Ken Keck Preaching
- 13- That’s Not Quite Right – Everything Happens for a Reason
- 20- That’s Not Quite Right – God Helps those Who Help Themselves
- 27- That’s Not Quite Right – God Won’t Give You More Than You Can Handle

**Summer Worship** – There are all sorts of neat things planned for worship over the summer months. Including...



**Guest Speakers**-We have quite the line-up of speakers coming in when Pastor Steve is traveling. May 28<sup>th</sup> - Ruth Cooper from 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian has already spoken and did a wonderful job. July 2<sup>nd</sup> - Rev. Crystal Blume, the children’s pastor from Newark Nazarene (and my next-door neighbor), will be preaching. August 6<sup>th</sup> - we will hear from our own Ken Keck.



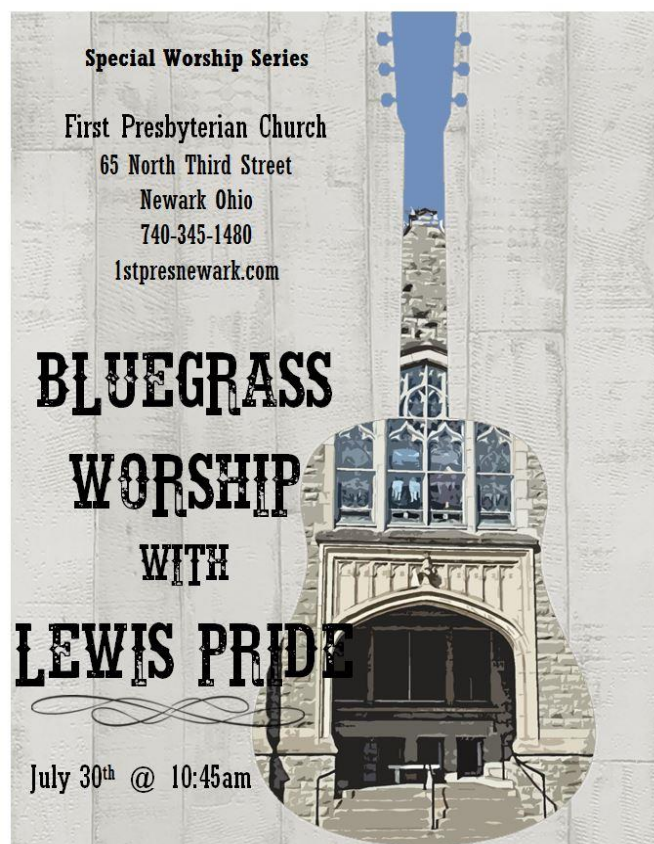
### Guest Musicians

Ann Robinson will be doing some traveling of her own. While she is away, on August 6<sup>th</sup> our worship will be led by Angie Klinker. Angie has led service here before and does so regularly at her home church. She sings from a Southern Gospel perspective and plays the piano.

**Special Services** -We look forward to some special services this summer. July 16<sup>th</sup>, we will be welcoming in new members during worship. Lewis Pride will be back with their Bluegrass band on July 30<sup>th</sup>. This summer, we will have a special service that dedicates our new sanctuary projection system. September 17<sup>th</sup>, we will have another multi-church picnic at Rotary Park.



**A New Sermon Series** – ‘That is Not Quite Right’ is a 5-part sermon series beginning August 13<sup>th</sup>. Each week we will look at one common phrase that is often considered biblical or Christian but isn’t really. A lot of times there is a biblical root to the saying. It has since been taken way out of context, however, or has come to mean something completely different. We will start with ‘Everything Happens for a Reason’ and work from there. Look for some of the messages to include live interviews with congregation members!



### Gluten Free Communion Available

We now have gluten free communion wafers available for anyone who wants them. They will be in the communion cup trays.

## CHURCH LIFE



**Fellowship Hour** - Make sure to join us each Sunday at 10:15 a.m. for some refreshments and fellowship prior to worship. There is a sign-up sheet in the kitchen, if you would like to bring the snacks.



## CHRISTMAS IN JULY POGLUCK

July 30<sup>th</sup>, after Bluegrass Worship, come down to Fellowship Hall for a pot-

luck. The theme of our fellowship will be Christmas in July. We will be wrapping some of our 300 Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes that day. Bring your leftover wrapping paper, shoeboxes, a dish to share and your Christmas spirit!



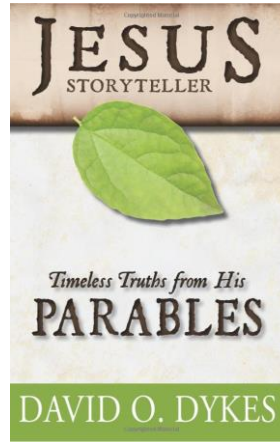
Lunch Bunch is a fellowship lunch group to which everyone is invited. The next Lunch Bunch will be August 16<sup>th</sup> at noon @ Ye Old Mill in Utica  
See Rose Gibson or Louise Whitis for more details.



August 27<sup>th</sup> after Church

Wear your favorite team logo to church & bring your favorite tailgate food to share!

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



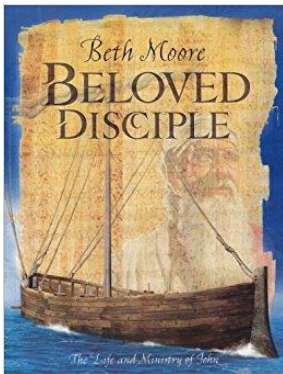
### Sunday Morning

#### Adult Elective -

This summer the Adult Sunday School class will be looking at some of the parables Jesus taught. A parable is an earthly story with a heavenly meaning. Nearly one-third of Jesus' teachings were through parables. Beginning June 25<sup>th</sup>, we will consider a different parable each week. The lessons

are self-contained, so you won't be missing out if you have to miss a week. Various members will take turns leading the class. Schedule below.

Date	Parable	Chapter in Book	Scripture	Facilitator
6/25	Introduction to Parables	1		Peggy Lieb
7/2	Parable of the Sower	5	Luke 8:5-15	Linda Smith
7/9	Parable of the Wheat and the Tares	7	Matthew 13:24-30	Linda Smith
7/16	Parable of the Ten Virgins	8	Matthew 25:1-13	Carolyn Durr
7/23	Parable of the Prodigal Son	2	Luke 15:11-24	Gaye Gibson
7/30	Parable of the Talents	9	Matthew 25:14-30	Carolyn Durr
8/6	Parable of the Unforgiving Servant	11	Matthew 18:23-35	Steve Smith
8/13	Parable of the Persistent Widow	10	Luke 18:1-8	Gaye Gibson
8/20	Parable of the Dinner Party	4	Luke 14:16-24	Kim Frick
8/27	Parable of the Rich Fool	3	Luke 12:13-21	Sandy Noland
9/3	Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard	6	Matthew 20:1-16	Steve Smith



**Women's Bible Study** – The Monday Night Ladies Bible Study is working through Beth Moore's Study: Beloved Disciple. Every disciple and early follower of Christ left a legacy for future believers. John's legacy was love. Perhaps like no other disciple, John understood

that relationship is the point. Every command of Christ and call to obedience is to enhance relationship and place the recipient in a posture the Giver can bless. This study is about finding our way to the heart of Jesus and reclining so closely that our pulse begins to throb in tandem, loving what He loves and hating what He hates. Monday nights in Fellowship hall @ 6:30pm.



**Good Morning Bible Study** – The Good Morning Bible Study meets every Thursday morning from 10:00 a.m. to noon in the Golden Circle Room. The class is open to all people and is going to be doing

a self-study of the Scriptures. See Linda Smith for details.

## SAVE THE DATE!!!

The next offering of Alpha will begin Thursday, August 31st! Please prayerfully consider being a part of our 12-week journey, discussing the Christian faith – no pressure, no follow-up, any and all questions are allowed and encouraged. We will need hosts, helpers and kitchen staff. To register or for more information email [1stpresnewarkALPHA@gmail.com](mailto:1stpresnewarkALPHA@gmail.com), call Peggy (740-323-2353) or Kim (740-877-0346) or go to [www.alphausa.org](http://www.alphausa.org).



## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



**1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church VBS!**  
 July 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> 5:30-8:30pm : 65 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Newark, Ohio  
 Register Online Starting in June @ [1stpresnewark.com](http://1stpresnewark.com)  
 740-345-1480



**Share VBS with Others!** – Did you know that last year VBS was advertised online, in the newspaper, at downtown events, in business around town, on huge signs on front of the church and still every kid that came had some connection to the church? That means they were invited by one of you. Invite your neighbors, your grandchildren, your friends, your co-workers that have kids. All the information they would need is on our church website and there are flyers on the back, sign-up table for you to use as invitations. These are the people we will reach at VBS. Maybe this year a kid you invite to VBS finds the Lord! Last year at least two kids made their decision for Christ.



## MISSIONS

### LICKING COUNTY JAIL MINISTRIES (LCJM)

“For all have sinned and fall short of the Glory of God” – Romans 3:23

Who understands this reality more than those of us who get caught! The Good News is that God doesn't abandon us; and, dear friends, in His Name; we are not to abandon those who find themselves on the wrong side of the law (man or God's).

**LCJM provides a full-time Chaplain (on call 24 hours a day) who works with inmates and:**

- Provides spiritual counsel and direction for inmates
- Provides crisis intervention/prayer intercession
- Oversees and assists LCJM volunteers
- Offers and leads weekly worship services
- Provides spiritual support for Justice Center staff

**LCJM provides spiritual direction and care to inmates by offering:**

- Bible Studies led by area volunteers at the jail
- One-on-one mentoring ministry through the "Be a Friend" program
- Regular weekly worship services
- Local clergy visitation opportunities
- Aftercare to inmates upon release

### **Belay Ministry**

A "belayer" is someone who gives support to a mountain climber should they slip and fall. The purpose of the Belay Ministry is to give support and encouragement to families of those incarcerated. This ministry seeks to address the family's needs for: friendship, acceptance, transportation, financial assistance, ministerial needs for adults and children.

### **Contact information:**

Licking County Jail Ministries  
P.O. Box 535  
Newark, Ohio 43058-0535  
Phone: [740\) 670-5170 Ext. 2515](tel:7406705170)  
E-mail: [scott@lookupcenter.org](mailto:scott@lookupcenter.org)

**Please pray** for those incarcerated, their families, & for them to find recovery & rehabilitation through the love & forgiveness of our Savior Jesus Christ! Also for those people involved in ministering to them! :-)  
Love & Peace to you,  
Tracee Barr.

"I was in prison, and you came to visit me . . .  
"Matthew 25:36

## **EVANGELISM & OUTREACH**



**First Presbyterian Church**  
**4<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show**

Enter to win this handmade Queen Size quilt!  
6 Tickets for \$5.

Part of the DNA Final Friday Art & History Night. Activities all over the square.

**Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 1-8pm**  
**@ First Presbyterian Church**  
**65 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Newark**

**Register Your Quilt for Display**  
**Thursday July 27<sup>th</sup> from 2-7pm**  
Contact the Church Office for Questions 740-345-1480

**CANDLEWICK COMMONS** - Whether you grilled, cooked, baked, served, transported, cleaned up, provided music or socialized with the residents at Candlewick Commons on the June 8th picnic, we thank you. It truly takes a team effort to share a meal with our neighbors, and you are the best at showing you care. A total of thirty residents signed up for the meal, and I believe they had a good time and enjoyed the food, and we were able to meet their new Service Coordinator, Erika Brown.

Mark your calendar for our next outreach to Candlewick on September 14, 2017. We hope you will be able to attend this special outreach to our neighbors.



### **Final Friday Tent Art Walk July 28 5-8pm**

In addition to the Quilt Show in the sanctuary, our tent will be set up again for the Downtown Newark Association (DNA) Final Friday Art Walk on Friday, July 28 from 5-8 pm. The tent will be set up right next to the Popcorn Cart and, to relieve the thirst it builds, we will have small bottles of cold water. We can invite folks to come into the tent, sit down, chat or ask a question. If you are a good listener, love to talk to folks and/or pray for folks, please consider joining in this outreach to Newark.



We'll also distribute information on upcoming events at the church, including Alpha. Don't feel pressured to pray, we'll have someone there who is comfortable doing that. We've found that people just like to sit down and share their cares and burdens. We have a few comfortable chairs provided. Please pray and consider if you would be able to participate in this way of sharing the love of God with others.

The Final Fridays run from 5-8 pm. Please contact Karen Birtcher at [kb8114@windstream.net](mailto:kb8114@windstream.net) or Kim Dershem at [kdershem@windstream.net](mailto:kdershem@windstream.net) or 740-345-6624 if you would like to give this a try.



## NARFE Dinner Help Needed for July 11 with Evangelism and Outreach Committee

The next NARFE Dinner takes place the same week as VBS.

The NARFE Dinner will be held at SECOND PRESBYTERIAN

CHURCH. So many folks will be busy at this time reaching the children by volunteering with VBS at First.

If you are available to help with this NARFE Dinner, please contact Gaye Gibson or Kim Dershem.



## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Hello Friends and Family of First Pres! We strive to do our best in reaching out to those in our congregation. Please update our CCT of any address, phone number changes. If you are not sure of who your CCT person is, please contact Ann Robinson at 366-1579 (home) [6145577489](tel:6145577489) (cell/text) or [annmarie0458@gmail.com](mailto:annmarie0458@gmail.com) Without accurate information, it makes it difficult for our team members to be in touch with all of you.

Thank you.  
Ann Marie Robinson  
Chair, CCT

### Hospice of Central Ohio Volunteer Training

I am writing on behalf of Hospice of Central Ohio as your church's liaison.

I can be that person who will guide you with questions you may have about WHAT Hospice is and what they do.. from palliative care, through transitions from this life to the next and how to cope with changes in life.

We do have Volunteer Training for all who are interested. I know MANY of you have a heart to volunteer, this may be for you :)

Next training dates are:

August 15, 17 22 and 24 from 6:00-8:00 pm

October 9 10 16 and 17 from 6:00-8:00 pm

All training is held at Hospice of Central Ohio offices 2269 Cherry Valley Road. Please call Volunteer Services at 740-788-1404 or 740-788-1416

Email : [volunteerservices@hospiceofcentralohio.org](mailto:volunteerservices@hospiceofcentralohio.org)

Ann Marie Robinson

[annmarie0458@gmail.com](mailto:annmarie0458@gmail.com); 740-366-1579



## Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

### ROAD TO 300 BOXES



Each year, First Presbyterian works hard to send hundreds of boxes to needy children all over the world. This year we want to try to get to 300 boxes.

This would be an amazing feat! To do that, we need 300 boxes, 300 boxes of crayons, 300 sets of school supplies, 300 of everything. Each month, we are going to focus on a few items that we need to collect. There are boxes in the sanctuary set up for collection of each item. Let's try to collect as much of each item as we can so that this can be a happy Christmas for more needy kids around the globe!

**This month we need:**

**50 Boxes**

**Wrapping Paper**



**Heartbeats Bottles for Life 2017**  
**Please return your bottle to the church**  
**so it can be delivered to**  
**Heartbeats to extend God's work.**

## FYI

### SPARK Free Lunches

Tuesdays, noon-1p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

SPARK Academy works with adults with developmental disabilities. Every Tuesday, students and staff from SPARK will be serving a free lunch and everyone is invited. The food is provided by Denison University. SPARK students serve the food, and do all the set-up and take-down. For them, this is a job that they get paid to do. It is also a time for community involvement and job training. They would like us to advertise the meal, to provide the space and the dishware. Most importantly, they would like us to come to the meals and to work alongside SPARK developing relationships. If you would like to volunteer, they arrive at 11:00 a.m. and stay till about 2:00 p.m.



### Kroger Rewards:

Did you know you can link your Kroger Rewards card to 1st Presbyterian Church? Kroger Community Rewards donates money to your

favorite charity every time you use your Kroger card. All you must do is go online to Kroger.com. Go to the community section of the drop-down menu, and click on Kroger Community Rewards. Then you sign in with your Kroger Card ID and click on enroll. Search for First Presbyterian Church 84451 and enroll. Doing this does not affect your regular Kroger Rewards or Gas Points. The more folks we have registered the more money Kroger donates to our church.

**NARFE Dinners** are the second Tuesday of every month. These dinners serve as fundraisers for the committee that hosts. These dinners help to give needed support to our mission and witness as a church. Please consider helping with them. July (E&O), August (Christian Ed), September (Scholarship), October (Worship), November (E&O) and December (Church Life).

**SCRIP Cards** – Come to the library before or after each Worship the first Sunday of each month to buy gift cards for all sorts of different stores and restaurants. Pick up your order the next Sunday. It is easy and there are volunteers in the library to help you with your purchase. Your purchase of SCRIP cards supports the programs and needs of First Pres. Thanks to all who have supported our Church through the SCRIP program!

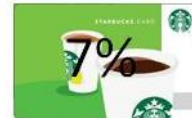
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## SCRIP Cards

Each Gift Card You Buy Gives a Percentage Return to the Church

Put Your Budget to Work With SCRIP!

Coffee  
\$20 per week



Eating Out  
\$70 per week



Arby's 8%, Burger King 4%, Donato's 10%, Subway 6%, Wendy's 4%, Applebee's 8%, Bob Evans 12%, BW3 8%, I Hop 8%, Olive Garden 9%, Texas Roadhouse 8% and more!

Entertainment  
\$48 per week



Gas  
\$27 per week



= 4%

Groceries  
\$150 per week



Average Expense  
\$315 per week

=

Average Return to the Church Using  
SCRIP Cards  
\$13.54 per week  
Or \$704 per year

**Woodside Presbyterian Baked Steak Dinner** - The public is invited to a baked steak dinner on Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, 2017, 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., at Woodside Presbyterian Church, 295 Woods Avenue, Newark, (740) 345-3742. The menu includes baked steak, homemade mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, coleslaw, bread, dessert, and a beverage. Carryout is available. Cost: \$9 minimum donation.



**3rd Street Closure:** As of July 10<sup>th</sup>, 3rd street will be closed from the alley southward. This means it will be open from Locust to our parking lot, but not from Church Street - which is great for VBS.

August 1st, it will be closed completely to Locust. They hope that all of it will be reopened by Thanksgiving. If not, they know they will be done through Parks driveway and are confident they will be done through our alley.

For 90% of that time, we will be able to walk from church to PNB's parking lots. Our lot will be accessible by driving down the alley from 4<sup>th</sup>, Locust, or Church Streets.

Other Parking Options: Please keep in mind that the church has a gravel parking north of the office wing. This lot is rented out weekdays 9-5pm, but is available all other times. The phone company has told us that we can park in the fenced in lot behind the chapel.



## AUDIT



The audit committee has completed its audit of the financial records, procedures and controls of the First Presbyterian Church. The audit consisted of a review of the check register, checks issued and bank statements from the following: First

Presbyterian general fund, mission's, women's ministry, and SCRIP accounts. As part of the process, a majority of the invoices were reviewed for proper approval and making sure that they were appropriate in nature and paid in a timely manner.

While most of the disbursements were made correctly, some were missing proper approval or documentation (check request form) as required by the Financial Internal Controls that were established in 2013, under Cash Disbursements, Invoice requirements items #3 and #7. Steps should be taken to see that all cash disbursements are made as outlined in that policy.

All Invested funds were verified to the year-end statement provided by Edward Jones and were as stated in the Churches Annual Report to the congregation. The line of credit with Park National Bank was also verified.

It is recommended that the Financial Internal Controls that were established in 2013 be reviewed and adjusted for any procedures that have been changed over the past few years because of software updates, technology advancements or internal operations that have changed since this policy was first written. We have also audited the month of April 2017 and will do one more month at random between now and the end of 2017, as required by the financial internal controls. Please feel free to contact me if you or anyone on the committee has any questions regarding this audit.

Sincerely,

Bruce D. Weekly  
Audit Chairman



## Healthy Kids Network Backpack Program

### -About the Program

The Healthy Kids Network (HKN) Backpack Program addresses the basic needs of students in Licking County by providing carriers of nutritious and easy-to-prepare food to take home on weekends when other resources may not be available. While free and reduced breakfast and lunch are available during the school week, unreliable access to food over the weekends can affect the level of food insecurity experienced by the student, increasing stress and decreasing productivity. Children who are hungry simply cannot concentrate to learn, have low energy, and reduced ability to fight off common childhood illnesses.

HKN launched the Backpack Pilot Program in January 2015. 65 elementary students in one Newark school were served 4-meals and it has continued to expand. In 2017, the program will be at 15 Licking County Elementary schools and serve 450 students per week.

There are several advantages in the way the Backpack Program addresses the needs of hungry children:

- Referrals are made by Teacher, School Social Worker, Administrator, School Health Aide, and other staff who are in a position to identify hungry children.
- Children are not stigmatized because the food is given to them discretely.
- Food gets directly and immediately into the hands of hungry children.
- Children receive food that is appropriate for them to eat and meets many nutritional requirements.
- Children receive food with no questions asked and without bureaucratic requirements.



### -How We Are Helping

#### PRESBYTERIAN PARTNERSHIP

Granville First Hanover Newark First  
Newark Second Outville Woodside

Six Presbyterian churches from Licking County started to form a partnership that would allow us to work together in the community for good. We decided early on that this partnership would be based on a shared mission. The Y- Healthy Kids Network became that shared mission. It fit what we are trying to do so well. The mission feeds hungry children in each of our towns, and it helps children learn. By working with this program, we are also able to help wonderful organizations do more like the local schools, the Food Pantry Network, and the YMCA.

We are helping by providing space for food storage, providing volunteers who will run logistical coordination, food organization, food packaging and delivery services. We are also working in order to raise funds to help support the program. All of these involvements are aimed at helping this program expand so that one day it is available to all 25 elementary schools in Licking County.

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#### HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS:

##### Phase One: Filling Basic Food Packs

Community volunteer groups pack foods that provide approximately six meals for a youth for the weekend. The buying power of the Food Pantry Network of Licking County is used, thus the pack costs \$2.84 per student. Approximately 2,000 packs are assembled monthly. The packed foods plus supplemental foods will be moved for storage to the Annex of the Newark First Presbyterian Church.

##### Phase Two: Distributing Foods Schools

The Presbyterian Partnership will be responsible for distribution as arranged with the Food Pantry Network of Licking County.

##### Phase Three: Filling Individual Back Packs to Go Home Weekly

Volunteers are needed for each school building.

##### Phase Four: Teachers and other school

employees bring the bags to the students who need them. The students bring the empty bag back the following week and the whole cycle starts over for the following week

## -How You Can Be Involved

Volunteers are needed at all stages of the process. Volunteers are needed to unload deliveries of food from the Food Pantry Network into First Presbyterian's building. Volunteers are then needed to pack the food in to individual bags that go into boxes and are stored until they need delivered to the schools. Volunteers are needed to transport the boxes of prepacked food to the individual schools. Volunteers are needed to put the prepacked foods into individual backpacks for the students adding any perishable food items.

You can also be involved by helping to coordinate volunteers, organize the food storage, or support the program with your finances. Finances can be donated to any of the six local churches or to the Licking County Family YMCA. Checks can be made out to the church you are sending the funds to or the Licking County Family YMCA. Funds should be clearly marked for the Y Healthy Kids Network.

Help is needed year-round. Food begins to arrive at First Presbyterian in late July. Food is packed and delivered each week throughout the school year.

Contact any of the six church offices for more details or questions.  
email: [firstpresnewark@gmail.com](mailto:firstpresnewark@gmail.com)



## Schools Participating for 2017-18 School Year

NEWARK – 5	WATKINS MEMORIAL - 3
BEN FRANKLIN	ETNA
CARSON	PATASKALA
CHERRY VALLEY	KIRKERSVILLE
MCGUFFEY	JOHNSTOWN - 2
JOHNNY CLEM	OREGON
HEATH - 2	SEARFOSS
GARFIELD	HEBRON-2
STEVENSON	HEBRON
NORTHRIDGE - 1	JACKSON
ALEXANDRIA	

## JULY BIRTHDAYS

Johnson, Nancy	July 3
Hollingshead, Lora	July 4
Montgomery, Lauren	July 4
Blamer, Bob	July 6
Denison, Carol	July 6
Frick, Kim	July 7
Drake, Matthew	July 9
Spangler, Dan	July 11
Bardsley, Andrea	July 12
Parkinson, Bob	July 14
Parkhill, Lovona	July 16
Messer, Elizabeth	July 19
Floyd, Carol	July 21
Kiely, Sue	July 21
Ashcraft, Mike	July 23
Drake, Miles	July 24
Johnston, Joe	July 24
Birtcher, Dick	July 24
Blamer, Katie	July 27
Kiely, Mick	July 28
Hartman, Wendy	July 29



## JULY ANNIVERSARIES

Drake, Matthew & Shannon	July 15
Carlyle, Wayne & Joyce	July 23
Walker, Lee & Phyllis	July 23
Gibson, Dwight & Rose	July 24
Hollingshead, Jordan & Lora	July 31

1st & 2nd  
Presbyterian VBS  
July 10-14 From 6-  
8:30pm\*

# First Presbyterian Church 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Quilt Show

Enter to win this  
handmade Queen  
Size quilt!

6 Tickets for \$5.

Part of the DNA  
Final Friday Art  
& History

Night.

Activities all  
over the  
square.

Friday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 1-8pm

@ First Presbyterian Church

65 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Newark

Register Your Quilt for Display

Thursday July 27<sup>th</sup> from 2-7pm

Contact the Church Office for Questions 740-345-1480

Special Worship Series

First Presbyterian Church

65 North Third Street

Newark Ohio

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# BLUEGRASS

# WORSHIP

WITH

# LEWIS PRIDE

July 30<sup>th</sup> @ 10:45am

