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WORSHIP



We will be observing
Communion Sunday, March 6th

Ash Wednesday,
March 2, 2022
marks the

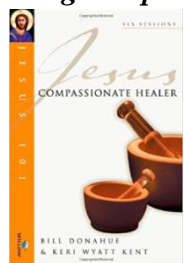


beginning of the season in the church year known as Lent. **Lent is a time to prepare for the celebration of Easter** and to renew our life in the mystery of the saving death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. We begin this holy season by acknowledging our need for repentance, and for the mercy and forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel of Jesus Christ. We begin our journey to Easter with the sign of ashes, a biblical symbol of mourning and penitence. This ancient sign speaks of the fragility of human life, and marks the penitence of the community of faith. I invite you, therefore, in the name of Christ, to observe a holy Lent by self-examination and penitence, by prayer and fasting, by works of love, and by reading and meditating on the Word of God.

ADULT ZOOM SUNDAY SCHOOL

Jesus 101 Bible Study Series: *Jesus Compassionate Healer* by Bill Donahue

This guide presents Jesus as a teacher with unconventional wisdom. This look at Jesus will shatter your illusions about religious leaders. As you clear your mind, you will find unexpected hope that can replace illusion. Come and meet Jesus the teacher.



The Jesus 101 series engages both mind and heart. The sessions bring a fresh perspective on who Jesus is, how he interacted with people in Scripture and how he relates to us. As you discover the ways Jesus fulfills our lives, you may fall in love with him again-or for the first time. Leader is Linda Smith. Books are provided during class.

CONGREGATIONAL CARE



Prayer Chain Updates – Please send all prayer requests to Kim Dershem at kdershem@windstream.net. Please state whether requests are for Prayer Chain Only or should also be distributed to the church body. You can also do a reply all on one of your prayer chain emails and send out a new request to the prayer team.

EVANGELISM AND OUTREACH



SPECIAL OFFERINGS

ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING OFFERING

As a church worshiping in the reformed tradition, Wednesday, March 2 begins our Lenten journey. This journey prepares us for the celebration of Easter. It is a season to observe and commemorate the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, our Redeemer and Savior, and is a season of fasting, prayer and almsgiving.

Since just after World War II, our church has collected monetary gifts for the One Great Hour of Sharing. The Session has once again approved receiving these sacrificial gifts. They will be evenly divided between World Vision International and the local Salvation Army. The gifts will be collected between Ash Wednesday, March 2, 2022 and Palm Sunday, April 10, 2022.

World Vision International is an evangelical Christian humanitarian aid, development and advocacy organization, which was founded in 1950. Their focus is on helping the most vulnerable children and their communities overcome poverty and experience fullness of life. Children of all backgrounds are helped, even in the most dangerous places, inspired by Christian faith. They seek in working with the poor and oppressed to promote human transformation, to seek justice and bear the good news of the kingdom of God, to the children and their communities.

The Newark Salvation Army, part of an international movement, is an evangelical part of

the universal Christian church. Its message is based on the Bible. Its mission is to preach the Gospel of Jesus Christ and to meet human needs in His name without discrimination.

Resources in Newark and Licking County are focused on alleviating poverty. The corps' centers provide the needy with hunger relief. They accomplish this from the soup kitchen, choice food pantry, community dinners and summer feeding programs for children. Other programs include programs for the homeless, adult education, job service programs, senior and elderly assistance, programs for teens and children, clothing distribution and worship services.

Envelopes for this offering and collection banks will be available at the sanctuary doors starting on February 27. The offering is to be dedicated on April 10. Last year we received \$1085.00.

Hebrews 13:16 reminds us - "And do not forget to do good and to share with others, for with such sacrifices God is pleased." May we please God in this holy season.

The E&O Committee

Missionary Prayer and Request

We have received an update from **Nancy and Mike Mahon** about their work with Samair in Peru. They shared with us that Mike will be having surgery in Lima later this month and it will require Mike and Nancy to spend two weeks in Lima. Insurance will likely cover the cost of the surgery, but their stay in Lima is an expense that they must cover. As you might guess, this will be a difficult expense for them to cover from their support.

First of all, please pray for excellent results from the surgery and for their safety during their time in Lima. If you feel God calling you to help with a financial gift, please send a check to Michael J. Mahon, 458 Brenaird St., Coshocton, OH 43812-9025. Please contact Nancy if you wish to contribute through another method. They will be in Lima from February 26 to March 12. Thank you for your consideration in this need of our missionary couple. The E&O Committee



Starting Strong Ohio is an organization spun out of Fostering Further, a local Licking county Organization whose goal is to support foster kids and fostering families. Starting Strong Ohio works to support kids aging out of the foster system and transitioning into adulthood. They provide classes, mentoring, and some help with housing. Licking County has an average of 25-30 kids aging out of the system every year.

We are gathering items to create apartment kits that will be given to youth as they move into their first apartments. Last year Starting Strong Ohio gave out 46 apartment kits in Licking County and surrounding counties. Our goal is to donate 10 kits. We have a sign-up sheet in the back of the church for the items requested to make the kits. (Gently used pots and pans are acceptable as long as they meet the requirements for the kit.) You may also donate money designated to the apartment kits. If you have any questions or would like to shop for items please contact me, sarah@bowlesfamily.us

Please bring in all items by Sunday April 24th.



Operation Christmas Child Collection



March suggested item is washcloths and soap. The box will be up front in the sanctuary.

FYI

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.



Blessings Box is in need of items if you are able to contribute. Pop top cans, breakfast bars, orange juice, tuna, small jars of peanut butter, etc.



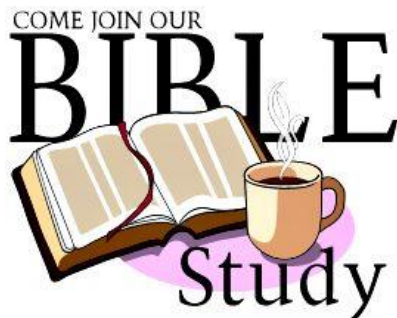
The scrip program is continuing the first Sunday of each month. Please see Gaye Gibson in the front of the Sanctuary before or after the Worship services on Sunday.

Lieb's New Address



Please call the church office if you need to get this new address.

May God richly bless you in this new season of your lives. We pray that you will find a new House of Worship and enjoy your retirement. You will be missed!!



Good Morning Bible Study will resume meeting in the Fellowship Hall on Thursdays, starting March 3rd at 10:00am. This is weather permitting.



March Birthdays

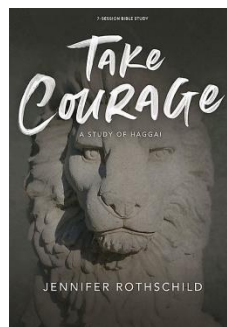
Nicholas Barr	3/7
Becky Mahon	3/16
Karen Fish	3/29

St Patrick's Day Luncheon

March 13th will be a St. Patrick's Day Luncheon after Worship.

"Irish Beef Stew" will be provided.

Bring your favorite side to share and plan on staying for a good time of fellowship.



New Women's Bible Study 3/8 - 4/19

Take Courage by Jennifer Rothschild Tuesday evenings in the Fellowship Hall at 6:30pm will be a new Women's Bible Study. All women are welcome. Please ring the bell to get in the building if you

don't have a key. After this study we will roll into The Encountering God Study that we tried to start in January. Please come and invite a friend!



MARCH 2022

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20 9:15 Adult SS in FH & Zoom 10:15-10:45 Coffee Hr. FH 11:00 Church – Sanctuary	21 6:30 Session Meeting	22 10:00 am Church Mice 6:30pm Women's Bible Study FH	23	24 10:00 Good Morning Bible Study -FH	25	26
27 9:15 Adult SS in FH & Zoom 10:15-10:45 Coffee Hr. FH 11:00 Church – Sanctuary Last day to order Easter Lilies	28	29 10:00 am Church Mice Partnership Meeting 3:00 6:30pm Women's Bible Study FH	30	31 10:00 Good Morning Bible Study -FH	28	29

Don't forget to set your clocks ahead one hour on Saturday evening March 12th
Daylight Savings Time begins March 13th.



APRIL 2022

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Wilson Gift Card order form

Campaign dates: January 30-March 13

You can get a form in the back of the sanctuary or they will be in the bulletin on Jan 30, 2022.

You can mail them to the church or drop them in the offering boxes in the Sanctuary.

Name _____

Phone _____

I would like to order _____ Wilson Gift Cards at \$25.00 each.
(number of cards)

I am enclosing \$ _____
(total enclosed)

Date ordered _____ Check number _____



Easter Flowers order form 2022

In **HONOR** of:

In **MEMORY** of:

Given by: _____

Total number of plants: _____ @ \$10.00 each Total \$\$ enclosed: _____

Order deadline: March 27, 2022

Feel free to use the back of this form for additional flower dedications

If using this form, please include payment with order



