FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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SEPTEMBER EVENTS



Presbyterians in the Park

Presbyterians in the Park is fast approaching! Mark your calendars for Sept 15th at 10:30 am and join us at Rotary Park on Sharon Valley Rd in Newark, for a time of worship and fellowship with other Presbyterians. Bring a chair or you can sit at the picnic tables and a dish to share at our potluck following our morning worship service.

Help is needed for set up and clean up so if you are willing to help with supply gathering from our building, hauling, cleaning, rearranging or set up at the park; please contact Priscilla Hare at 740-587-0157 or priscilla@jcc.com.



Thom Ogilvie, our new Choir Director says to join him on Wednesday nights at 7:00 in the Chapel for choir practice. Voices are optional. They will begin singing during worship on Sept. 8th



Fall Kick-Off Breakfast -Sunday, September 8th @ 9:15am in Fellowship Hall -Join us for breakfast and learn a little bit about the upcoming events in the church.



Thursday is the new Friday.

#TryAlpha

ALPHA update!

Alpha is returning once again to the Look Up Center (the former Hazelwood school on O'Bannon Avenue)!!! We had a wonderful time using this fabulous facility earlier this year.

Alpha begins Thursday, September 5th.

Please be praying for this ministry, maybe ask God to show you someone to invite and bring with you. This is an excellent way to share your faith in a relaxed, open, non-judgmental setting.

We are always looking for table hosts, helpers and prayer partners. If you would be interested in helping or attending, please contact Peggy (1stpresnewarkALPHA@gmail.com or 740-323-2353) or Kim (740-877-0346).

CANDLEWICK COMMONS



On Thursday, September 12 at 4:00pm we will be at Candlewick Commons for our third outreach to them this year. We hope all of you can join us there to spend some time with our special neighbors. The menu will be: Chicken casserole, coleslaw, a vegetable, dessert and beverages. Ann Robinson will be there to entertain us with some lively music.

If you can provide a dessert of your choice for this outreach, please sign-up on our sheet provided at the sign-up table in the sanctuary or call Gaye Gibson at 740-344-3933 or email her at Igayegibson@gmailcom. We have been told by the staff that the residents really look forward to our visits. Thank you for all your support of this outreach for these past nine years.

Please bring your desserts to the church by 3:30 pm or directly to Candlewick Commons after that time.



Rev. Jimmie Ray Hawkins Visits PSV September 14-17, 2019



Reverend Jimmie
Hawkins, Director of
the Presbyterian
Mission Agency Office
of Public Witness in
Washington D.C., will
be our guest in Scioto
Valley, September
14-17. Jimmie will
not only be speaking
at the September
17th Presbytery

Meeting, he will be leading several conversations and gatherings throughout the Presbytery. Events are hosted by the Commission on Nurture and Outreach.

Saturday evening, September 14; 5:30 - 8:00 pm - Waverly for dinner; All are invited; Topic - What are the priorities of the PC (USA) in addressing poverty in rural America?

*Monday evening, September 16; 7:00 - 8:30 pm - Trek Brewing Company (1486 Granville Road, Newark); All are invited; Topic—Balancing Church and State in 2020.

*Tuesday afternoon, September 17; 1:00 - 3:00 pm - Pre-presbytery at meeting Liberty Presbyterian Church in Delaware; All are invited; PC(USA) and Justice Advocacy; Presbytery meeting - What is the Office of Public Witness?

To view the entire schedule and to sign up for the events please visit:

www.psvonline.org





Y-HEALTHY KIDS BACKPACK PROGRAM

How Can You Take Part?

- -Would you like to take part in a program that provides a weekend worth of food, every weekend of the school year, to over 500 kids in our county who would likely go hungry?
- -Would you like to take part in a program that is a partnership of churches, the Licking County Food Pantry, the Licking County YMCA, local schools and business leaders?

Here is How:

In School Preparation – On Thursdays, the food gets taken out of the boxes. The bags get put into the kid's backpacks and other items are added. This job takes about 45minutes to complete but most schools have their teachers doing this. The teachers already do so much. If you would like to help with this final stage, speak with Sally Henry tomsallyh@windstream.net (She is a member of 2nd Pres and is coordinating this part of the program).

Food Delivery – The Presbyterian Partnership is also tasked with taking these prepacked boxes to the Newark and Heath Schools every other Wednesday. There are seven schools that we will be delivering to. We need people who would be willing to help load the boxes onto a truck and unload the boxes at the schools. Deliveries start in the middle of September. See Rev Steve, or Ron Noland, if you have any questions.

Packing Party – On Saturday, August 24th we had a great time packing up food. We had two lines going at the same time and the team that was there unloaded and loaded 3 pallets full of food which resulted in 630 bags being packed for the upcoming

year for Newark City Schools. Great job! And thank you to all that came to help.

We would like to hold a second packing party. This will be coordinated though the church emails. So that we pick a time and date that works for those who wish to participate.

OCTOBER EVENTS



(Shoebox Ministry)

Packing Party November 3rd, 2019 4:00 PM – 8:00 PM

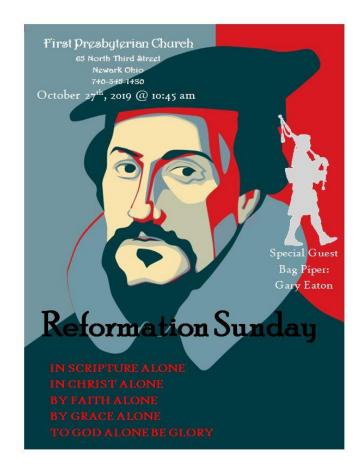
(or any time in between)

Come join us on November 3rd 4:00 PM until 8:00(ish) PM. We'll have snacks around 6:00. If you can come for just an hour, that's fine; just come. We'll need folks to label boxes with shipping tags, write notes to children, etc. We'll also need some adults or teens to help little ones make age-appropriate selections for their boxes. Please come join us in this important (and fun) ministry. Bring a few goodies of you own or choose treasures from our First Pres "store" to fill a shoebox that will be delivered to a child with an introduction to the real gift, our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

Items Needed To Fill Boxes: Items are Collected Year Round. A Collection Box is Located Outside the Sactuary Doors on the NW Corner.

> August-School Supplies as above September- socks or footies

October- Bandanas and toothbrushes
November-OCC Shipping Money
Every month-shipping money, shoeboxes
wrapped, plastic shoeboxes.





Reformation Sunday– October
27th – This is the day that we celebrate the anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. Our branch of protestant comes from John Calvin.

"Calvin argues that the knowledge of God is not inherent in humanity nor can it be discovered by observing this world. The only way to obtain it is to study scripture. Calvin writes, "For anyone to arrive at God the Creator he needs Scripture as his Guide and Teacher." He does not try to prove the authority of scripture but rather describes it as self-authenticating. He defends the Trinitarian view of God and, in a strong polemical stand against the Catholic Church, argues that images of God lead to idolatry."

On October 27th we will celebrate our Scottish Reformed roots with Scottish flair throughout the service including a guest bag piper who will lead us in from out on 3rd Street.

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Lunch Bunch is a fellowship lunch group to which everyone is invited. The next Lunch Bunch will be October 16^h at noon @ Watt's Family Restaurant in Utica. See Louise Whitis to RSVP or for more details.

Safe Trick or Treat on the Square



- October 31st, 5-7. Downtown Newark has a wonderful trick or treat program. There will be 1,000s of kids downtown. Last year we passed out over 1,000 bags of candy with Bible

tracks in them. First Presbyterian will again be participating in Safe Trick or Treat on the Courthouse Square. We need candy to donate and smiling happy faces to pass them out to the kids. In October there will be a sign-up sheet if you would like to pass out candy and there will be a basket in the sanctuary for your donated candy. So start buying now.

Candy Packing Party! October 20th after worship, join us in Fellowship Hall as we pack the bags for all of the kids.



SERMONS



Sermon Series: Favorite Scriptures-Recently, I asked Session Elders to send me their favorite

scripture and 1 or 2

reasons why. We have been focusing sermons on those scriptures and will continue through the month of Sept.

September Sermons

Sept 1 – Linda Smith's Favorite - John 3:16

Sept 8 – Ed Jobes' Favorite - Eph 5:1-2

Sept 15 - Church Picnic @ Rotary Park

Sept 22 – Karen Birtcher's Favorite - Ecc. 3:1

Sept 29 – Carolyn Durr's Favorite - Jude 1

October Sermons

Oct 6 – Keith Hare's Favorite - Deut. 10

Oct 13 - The Valley of the Shadow - Psalm 23

Oct 20 – Up to the Mountains – Psalm 121

Oct 27 – A Royal Priesthood – 1 Peter 2

WORSHIP

The Worship Committee is looking for some suggestions/ideas, and volunteers to expand the committee members.

We would also appreciate your ideas for favorite hymns that you would like to have included in our worship service. Several members have already mentioned their favorites and these have been included in recent services.

Volunteers would be appreciated, if you have interest in any of the following:

- One volunteer to help setup for communion and /or cleanup communion items after service. Setup is between 8:30 to 9:00 AM and cleanup takes ~30 minutes immediately after the service.
- One volunteer to light/extinguish candles on the communion table for one or a few Sundays in a month; immediately before and after Sunday service.

- Periodically someone to clean out the wax from the brass candle tops (followers) and lightly polish them.
- One volunteer to help change out the paraments on the lectern and communion table after service Nov. 17th, Nov. 24th, and Dec. 22nd
- In December, at least one volunteer before the Christmas Eve candlelight service to prepare the candles/holders.

Please contact Carolyn Durr if you are willing and able to volunteer, the task(s) of interest, and the date(s) you find convenient and any suggestions you may have for music and worship services.

Work email: <u>Carolyn.Durr@dnvgl.com</u>

Work phone: 614-761-6930 (9:00 to 5:00 M-F)

Home phone: 740-366-2189 (leave message or

call after 7:00 PM).



Gluten Free Communion Available

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



Peanut Free Worship, Sunday School & Coffee Hour



Coffee 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 Sanctuary, if you would like to bring the snacks. Please remember NO PEANUTS.

Communion will be offered on September 1st during the morning Worship.

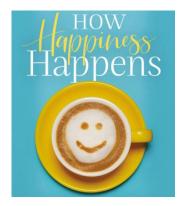
October 6th is World Communion Sunday

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION



Good Morning Bible Study is from 10:00 am to noon in the Library. We are currently studying the book of **1 Samuel**. No book to buy, just bring your Bible for some good Bible study and fellowship. Please join us!

SUNDAY SCHOOL



"How Happiness
Happens" - Our culture
tries to convince us there
is one way to happiness:
aspire, acquire, desire,
retire. Happiness
depends on what we
hang in our closet, park
in our garage, and
deposit in our bank

account. God wants to bring joy to the people of this generation. In his Word, God has given us practical and applicable ways to acquire that joy by sharing it with others. If you don't seem as happy as you used to be, please join the Adult Sunday School class as we begin a 6-week DVD-based study on September 22nd at 9:30 in the Journey Room. Life can drag us down, but circumstances don't have to determine how we respond to them.



EVANGELISM & OUTREACH

Second Mile Giving Missionaries Drs. Mary Lou and Leroy Peters

Drs. Mary Lou and Leroy Peters have been a part of the sacrificial giving to missionaries by this church for about four decades. They are a part of the mission agency Ethos 360, formerly known as New Tribes Mission. Ethos 360 is an international, theological, evangelical mission based in Sanford, Fla. with about 3,300 missionaries in more than twenty countries. The vision of Ethnos 360 is a thriving church for every people group.

Though partially retired, the Peters continue to play a vital role as part of the church planting team by providing training, accounting for and transferring gifts, recruiting missionaries and involving churches and individuals. In their latest communication with us, they told us of their continued good relationship and constant contact with the Cuban churches they have ministered to over many years. They also reminded us that the situation for these churches grows more difficult with the Cuban government.

The Peters also report that they have been blessed in helping to plant another church in the center of Bogota, Columbia. They are working with the pastor of that church, and all is going well with this new church.

Please pray for the Cuban churches and this newly planted church in Columbia. The Peters also ask that we pray for their health.

Their giving address is: Ethnos 360 1000 East First St. Sanford, FL 32771-1487

The Peters receive 4.5% of the Second Mile Mission Fund each year. You are encouraged to give to these missionaries by writing a check to the church and noting that it is for the Second Mile Mission Fund on the check.







Because of your sacrificial giving during this Lenten season a total of \$913.85 was received to share among the local Salvation Army, World Vision and Presbyterian Disaster Services. The checks have been written and distributed to these mission agencies.

An exciting opportunity developed as we wrote the check for World Vision. Thanks to grant funds received for the East Africa hunger crisis by World Vision, our gift will be multiplied seven times to save children and their families. Our gift becomes \$2135 for emergency food, lifesaving medical care and clean water to fight famine in Ethiopia, Somalia, South Sudan and Eastern African countries.

Thank you for putting your faith into action to help those in need locally and around the world.

"For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink..." Matthew 25:35

Downtown Newark Association (DNA) Final Friday

September 27, 2019 5-8pm



The last Final Friday of 2019 will be Taste of the Harvest Newark Style. Come enjoy this final event for the season. Also, you can see a new art show opening at the Licking County Arts from 6-8pm. Come on down for fall fun.

Our TLC (Talking-Listening-Caring) Tent and Popcorn Cart will be set up again for the Downtown Newark Association (DNA) Final

Friday. We will be set up close 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 whether you would be able to participate in this way of sharing the love of God with others.

The Popcorn Cart run by Dick Birtcher and Ron Noland could always use some friendly faces to greet the kids, both big and small, old and young; prep the popcorn or give breaks.

We can always use help with transport, setup and teardown of the tent, equipment and popcorn cart. The Final Fridays run from 5-8pm from May through September. Please contact Sandy Noland at rsjnoland@windstream.net or 740-323-0169 or Kim Dershem at kdershem@windstream.net or 740-345-6624 if you would like to give this a try.



REFIT fitness class
Every Monday at 6 pm
Led by Kim Frick
Cost: \$5
Second Presbyterian Church Gym, Newark

Park between the church and Park National Bank, enter in the back door (gym entrance). Front doors will be locked.

What is REFIT?

REFIT is a positive fitness experience that fits everybody. Age or fitness level are not a barrier in a REFIT workout. REFIT involves repetitive movement to music, providing aerobic exercise with toning. The entire workout is done while standing and without equipment.

How is REFIT different from other formats? REFIT is a fitness experience that centers around helping people change from the inside out. REFIT is is body work + heart work. After the workout (body work), the instructor offers inspiration and encouragement (heart work). All music is family friendly and promotes a positive message. Anyone who attends should leave feeling better than when they came in.

Questions? Contact Kim Frick at 740-405-5666.

FROM THE OFFICE

Office Hours are Tuesday – Thursday from 9-2pm. Sheri, the church's secretary, will regularly be there during those times.

Church Emails – Every Wednesday, a church wide email is sent out with announcements, prayer requests, volunteer schedules and other information. Please send your email to firstpresofc@gmail.com if you are not receiving these emails.

No Email? – We are compiling a list of individuals with no email that would like to be called if important information arises. This would include: church cancelations, event changes, important events, or serious events. Please call the church office to be placed on this list.

Prayer Chain – The prayer chain is an email list that updates everyone on new prayer requests as they come in. If you would like to be added to

the prayer chain email Kim Dershem at kdershem@windstream.net.

Pictures – Please remember to take pictures of church events as they happen. Send them to the church office email if you take a picture you wish to share. firstpresofc@gmail.com

Trainings - We are hosting a series of trainings in order to help us all understand our church and its property better.

- Church Tour – September 8th & 22nd after church. This training will show different parts of our building and what those rooms are used for. Sept 8th will be the office and classroom wing. Sept 22nd will be the Annex & 3rd Floor.



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.





Anniversaries Steve and Kenita Keck 9/17

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Birthdays	
Charlotte Frick	9/1
Dianne Schleeper	9/2
Jean Holman	9/4
Kay Kittel	9/4
Ted Brace	9/6
Shannon Montgomery	9/8
Rose Novell	9/8
Ryan Ashcraft	9/10
Jenna Dodson	9/13
Gaye Gibson	9/13
Sheri Bogardus	9/13
Beverly Schwehm	9/14
Keith Rainey	9/16
Vincent Drake	9/19
Jim Rodeniser	9/21
Lorraine Cox	9/22
Jo Deweese	9/24
Carol Balderston	9/26
Anna Fish	9/26
Logan Ashcraft	9/28



September 2019



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 9:15a - Adult Bible Study 10:15a - Coffee Hour 10:45a - Worship Communion	2 CLABOR	3 Noon-1p - SPARK Free Lunch 6:30 Session w/dinner	4 7-8p Choir Practice Chapel	5 10a – Bible Study 6:30p –Alpha - LUC 7p – Women's AA	6	7
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15 10:30a - Worship and Picnic @ Rotary Park	16 7:00-8:30 Jimmy Hawkins @ Trek in Newark: Balancing Church and State	17 Noon-1p – SPARK Free Lunch	18 7-8p Choir Practice Chapel	19 10a – Bible Study 6:30p –Alpha - LUC 7p – Women's AA	20	21
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