

1st Presbyterian Church Newsletter

August-September 2023

BLESSING OF THE BACKPACKS

On August 20th we were blessed to have Rev. Melinda Gallant bless our children and their backpacks at the start of the new school year.



Upcoming worship Servers:

SEPTEMBER 17: DON YOUEL, RANDY & EILEEN PHILLIPS, RICK GILTS, STEPHEN POTTS

SEPTEMBER 24: DON YOUEL, DORIS CURRIE & ROBB GATES, MEGAN MERRELL, GRETCHEN DOWNS

OCTOBER 1: STEPHEN POTTS, ALLISON MACKIN & BRENDA YOUEL, MARY BETH GILTS, NANCY GATES

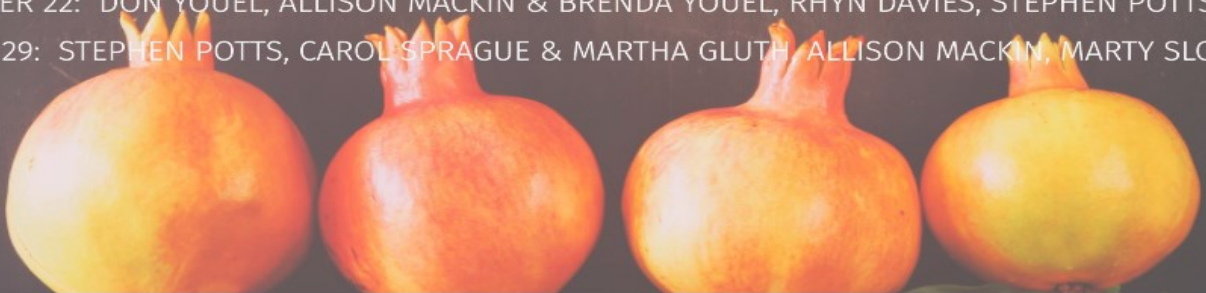
COMMUNION: MARGOT QUICK & JULIE LINDSEY / JACK & LINDA SIMMONS

OCTOBER 8: DON YOUEL, ALLISON MACKIN & BRENDA YOUEL, MATT HOLLAR, KATHY JAROSZ

OCTOBER 15: STEPHEN POTTS, ALLISON MACKIN & BRENDA YOUEL, JACK SIMMONS, GRETCHEN DOWNS

OCTOBER 22: DON YOUEL, ALLISON MACKIN & BRENDA YOUEL, RHYN DAVIES, STEPHEN POTTS

OCTOBER 29: STEPHEN POTTS, CAROL SPRAGUE & MARTHA GLUTH, ALLISON MACKIN, MARTY SLOAN



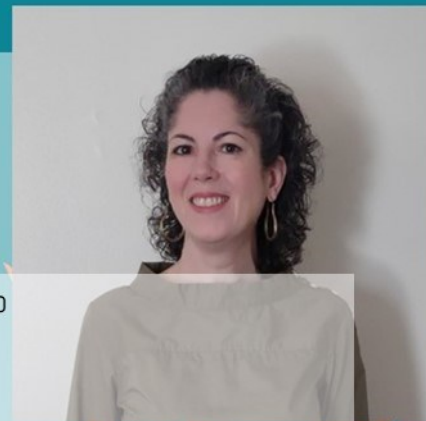
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Celebrating Christ's love for all people

Pastor's Page



"For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven: a time to be born, and a time to die; a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted"

—*Ecclesiastes 3:1-2*

Although Summer does not officially end until Sept. 23, it is for all intents and purposes over. The time of Fall concerns is upon us. And we ramp ourselves up again. Wee. But let us do our best to be present to and enjoy the beauty of the late summer earth. It is all around us, singing praises to the Creator.

Things I'm thinking about right now: a new experiment in Christian education and discipleship development with our youth. I am pretty excited about it and hope it bears fruit. I am thinking about how excited I am that the Tuesday Bible Study is going to be considering Danielle Shroyer's book, *Original Blessing*, and my hope that it becomes central to our identity as a congregation. My mind has turned, of course, to Stewardship Season, and the financial planning that goes into our preparations for next year. Stewardship will run mid-October to mid-November. And I am beginning to wonder who among us God is calling to active church leadership on the Session. Keep your ears and hearts open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, my friends!

We are about to have a very full weekend of church fellowship. I hope you will find time to engage. Some of you will be here on Sept. 15, setting up our little church beer garden. And some of you will be here on Sept. 16, to run our little church beer garden. I hope others of you who are available will carve out time to come enjoy this time of gathering, which will continue the following day, Sun. Sept. 17, after worship, as we have our indoor church picnic in the Fellowship Hall. Remember how much fun we had last year with the pushup contest? This year we will celebrate the refurbished church tower, and for the young and young at heart we will have Cornhole in the hallways.

I encourage you to bring other games you like to play both Saturday and Sunday. Let's do it up right, let's have a great time together!

As summer ends and fall begins, I pray you are open to the blessings, *Pastor Katie*



Blessing the Animals Service
Bring your non-human friends
(your human friends are very welcome too!)

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 4
5:30PM
CHURCH LAWN

September 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 3:30pm Presby Pies 4pm MVP Vision Team | 15 10am-4pm Blood Drive at Zoar Lutheran | 16 HEAVENLY BRATS AND BREWS |
| 17 10am worship 11:15am Indoor Picnic (bring games) | 18 5pm S/F/M Team mtng | 19 10am Bible Study 3pm Presbytery meeting | 20 5:30pm THE TABLE 7pm AIAnon | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| 24 | 25 5pm Congregational Life Team | 26 10am Bible Study 6pm Joy Belles | 27 7pm AIAnon | 28 3:30pm FINAL PRESBY PIES OF THE YEAR | 29 | 30 |

A weekend of church fellowship!

HEAVENLY BRATS AND BREWS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

1st Presbyterian will be selling Heavenly Brats and Brews during the Perrysburg Homecoming Festival. Come out and enjoy this gathering!



**JOIN US FOR A
CHURCH PICNIC!**

GATHER WITH US

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17TH

Enjoy a delightful afternoon of food and fun after worship. We welcome all ages and families to join us for a lively church picnic at the church. Bring games you like to play and come ready to eat and have a great time!



Our crew is faithful and hard working. Thank you to Lowrie Gilmore, Carol Sprague, Karen Roderick-Lingeman, Mary Beth Gilts, Jo Salvage, Marty Sloan, and David Sloan. Without these hard-working souls, we would not have pie sales at all!

Our pie bakers have created masterpieces worthy of any Food Network competition! Thank you to Jo Salvage, Rusty Phlegar, Kathy East, Lowrie Gilmore, Mary Beth Gilts, Karen Roderick-Lingeman, Marty Sloan, Allison Mackin, Michelle Chavez, Julie Lindsey, Margot Quick, Gretchen Downs, Don & Brenda Youel, and The Davies Family.

If anyone is interested in using the winter to try out their pie baking skills I am always willing to coach new bakers! Your kitchen or mine! We would love to have new bakers next year!

Nancy Gates



PRESBY PIES
THANKS YOU FOR
A BANNER YEAR!



Mission

May the bounty of Fall be blessed upon us all.

PCU: September = CRACKERS & October = CEREAL

BLOOD DRIVE AT ZOAR: Friday, September 15th from 10-4pm

Meijer's "Simply Give" campaign raised \$12,000 for the food bank

PHCC: Hygiene/Cleaning Products needed

All donations place in the vestibule. Thank you!

PEACE & GLOBAL WITNESS:

SPECIAL OFFERING TO HELP THOSE IN NEED.

PLEASE CONSIDER DONATING WHAT YOU CAN.

25% OF THE DONATIONS WILL GO TO THE COCOON.

THE OPEN DOOR MINISTRY: Donating another \$300

THE TABLE: Wednesday, September 20th - Theme "Fall"

Sign up sheet located on the Mission bulletin board.

***UPCOMING CONGREGATIONAL MINISTRY: Free Fair
scheduled for Saturday, October 14th. Details to come.***

NOSA CARDS: AUGUST'S TOTAL WAS \$1675. KEEP COMING BACK!

NEXT MEETING: October 4, 2023 at 6:00PM

Submitted by: Mary Beth Gilts

Congregational Care

By Marty Sloan



THANK YOU TO ALL WHO ATTENDED OUR AUGUST 29TH INFORMATIONAL EVENT PRESENTED BY MONICA ABERL, THE WELLNESS COORDINATOR AT KINGSTON REHABILITATION OF PERRYSBURG. MONICA INTRODUCED OUR ATTENDEES TO SOME OF THE EXERCISES & ACTIVITIES WHICH ARE PART OF THE WELLNESS PROGRAM AT KINGSTON. THE PROGRAM IS INCLUDED AS PART OF THE SILVER SNEAKERS PROGRAM & MANY INSURANCE COMPANIES WILL COVER THE COST FOR SENIORS TO ATTEND THESE TYPES OF PROGRAMS IN SUPPORT OF GOOD HEALTH. THE PUBLIC IS WELCOME & ENCOURAGED TO SIGN UP & PARTICIPATE IN THE VARIOUS PROGRAMS INCLUDING: STRENGTH & BALANCE, POOL AEROBICS, AQUA JOG, CHAIR YOGA, & MORE. THE CHARGE FOR THE CLASSES (IF THEY ARE NOT COVERED BY YOUR INSURANCE) IS ABOUT \$5 PER CLASS. IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN ADDITIONAL INFORMATION, PLEASE SEE MARTY SLOAN.

WE WILL MISS YOU!



The Congregational Care Team wishes to express our best wishes to Randy and Eileen Phillips on their pending move to a location closer to their children. We are so grateful for all they have done for our church community. Their countless hours, their generous giving, and their ever-present care for all church members has truly left a lasting impression on us. Thank you for being such wonderful and faithful disciples, loyal friends, and all around delightful people!

THE GOODNESS AND GENEROSITY YOU BOTH SHARE SO HAPPILY ARE WONDERFUL REMINDERS OF THE TRUE MEANING OF GOD'S LOVE!

October 2023

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
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| <p>1</p> <p>8:30am Men's Bible Study</p> <p>10am World Communion Sunday</p> | <p>2</p> | <p>3</p> <p>10am Bible Study</p> | <p>4</p> <p>5:30pm BLESSING THE ANIMALS</p> <p>7pm AIAnon</p> | <p>5</p> <p>5pm Worship Team</p> <p>6pm Mission Team</p> | <p>6</p> | <p>7</p> <p>Pastor Katie away</p> |
| <p>8</p> <p>Pastor Katie away</p> <p>10am worship</p> <p>Guest Preacher</p> | <p>9</p> <p>Pastor Katie away</p> | <p>10</p> <p>Pastor Katie away in the a.m.</p> <p>10am Bible Study</p> <p>6:30pm Session</p> | <p>11</p> <p>Pastor Katie away</p> <p>7pm AIAnon</p> | <p>12</p> <p>Pastor Katie away</p> <p>4pm MVP Vision Team</p> | <p>13</p> | <p>14</p> <p>SAVE THE DATE FOR THE RETURN OF THE FREE SALE!!</p> |
| <p>15</p> <p>8:30am Men's Bible Study</p> <p>10am worship</p> | <p>16</p> | <p>17</p> <p>10am Bible Study</p> | <p>18</p> <p>5:30pm The Table</p> <p>7pm AIAnon</p> | <p>19</p> | <p>20</p> | <p>21</p> |
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