

1st Presbyterian Church Newsletter
February - March 2026



Tell me
something
good

**Grounding ourselves in
the good news this Lent**

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Celebrating Christ's love for all people

PASTOR'S PAGE:



“Now in that same region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people.”—Luke 2:8-10a

Beloved siblings in Christ,

Here is my final newsletter note to you. Lent is about to begin—a season of fasting for the purpose of paying closer attention to God, and amending ourselves more fully to living the way of Jesus Christ. Our Sanctified Arts worship and devotion theme for Lent is “Tell Me Something Good.” And, beloved, I have some good things to tell you.

First, last, and forever—Jesus! He is the best news for all people. He will ultimately bring great joy to all people. First, last, and forever—Jesus! Receive him. Walk in his way. Share him everywhere.

Second, God has chosen You! Picked You! You as a congregation, AND you as individuals within the congregation. Do you know *why* that is good news? Because you have the necessary gifts, skills, abilities, wisdom, and resources to accomplish God’s will here on the corner of 2nd and Elm. And you with your crumbling joints, and you who are just now learning the life of faith, and you who with your quirky personality, and you with the tears you are always holding back, and you who are worn out and worn down, and you who have secretly lost hope, and you who really, really screwed up this time, and you who struggle to let others help, and you who are as terrified as a shepherd facing an angel, and you who are way too busy, and you who thought for sure it was your turn to relax for awhile, and you who really can’t hear what anyone is saying, and even you who are angry at God right now—All of You have been given something by God that is necessary for the will of God to be done here. And. You. All. Need. Each. Other. (And that is actually also some of the best news ever too. That’s what God came to show us. That’s what’s going to heal the world and usher in God’s Kingdom.)

Third, you are losing nothing in my departure from leadership among you. You still have your mission and your calling as a congregation. You are still the people God needs and placed here to live that mission and calling. You all still have Jesus. *And you still have all of my love.* You are allowing me to continue onward where God is calling me. You have done your work well in blessing me, and nurturing me, and playing with me, and laughing with me, and creating with me, and thinking, and praying, and discerning, and working, and worshiping with me. You have done your work well in preparing me for the next leg of my journey of faith. Just as you have been prepared for what lies ahead for you. Thanks be to God. Praise be to God. Thanks be to God for the time we have had together and the tie that binds us securely to one another forever as sibling in Christ Jesus. I entrust you to God, who will not fail you, Pastor Katie

GIVING

Per Capita

WHAT IS PER CAPITA?

Per capita is an annual per member apportionment assessed by the General Assembly (Book of Order, G-3.0106), and by many synods and presbyteries, to enable Presbyterians mutually and equitably to share the ecclesiastical and administrative costs of sustaining our witness to Christ through the Presbyterian Church (USA).

2026 PER CAPITA

\$45.00

What does it do?

PCUSA per capita is an annual, per-member fee paid by congregations to the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to support the shared, connectional work of the denomination. It funds essential ecclesiastical functions, such as the General Assembly, ordination exams, governance, and training. This system ensures all churches contribute equally. Essentially, it is a way to maintain the infrastructure of the church, allowing it to function as a unified body.

How do I pay it?

You pay it to the church **separately from your pledge** and indicate in the payment that it is your, or your household's, per capita apportionment. (\$45 x # of members in your household)

Church Doors and Access:

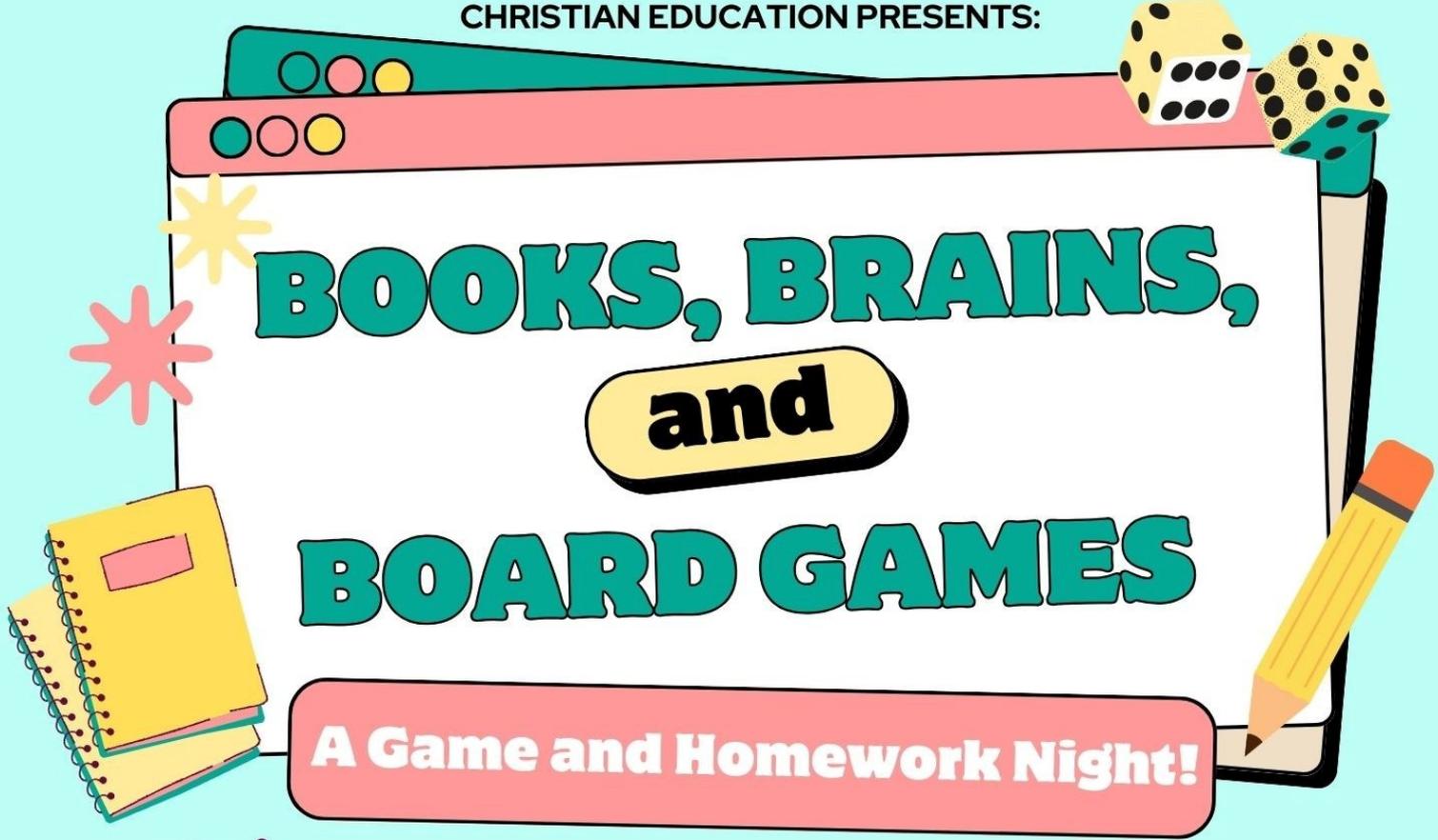
All doors are functioning and accept codes and fob touches.

Many of you are using a temporary code to enter the building. Near the end of the month of February, the temporary code will probably be removed from the system.

It may turn out that you have reason to request a fob or code for accessing the building, take that request to the Property Team.

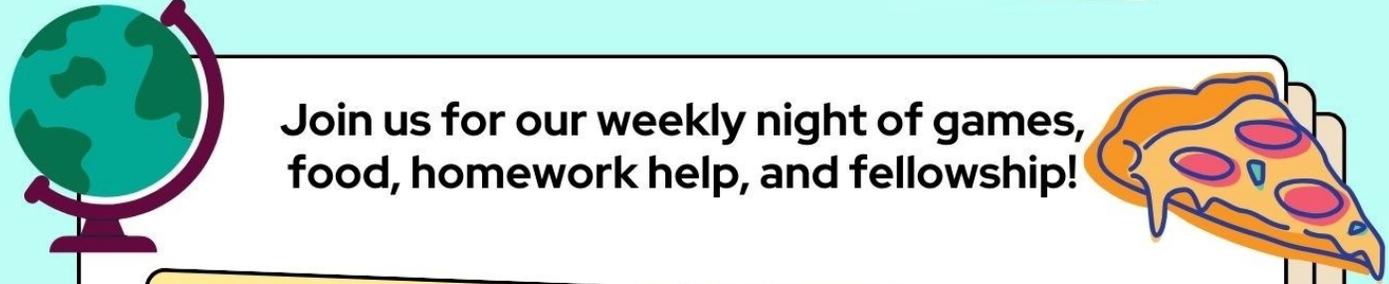
And be kind to them, because they are learning as they go!

1ST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
CHRISTIAN EDUCATION PRESENTS:



BOOKS, BRAINS, and BOARD GAMES

A Game and Homework Night!



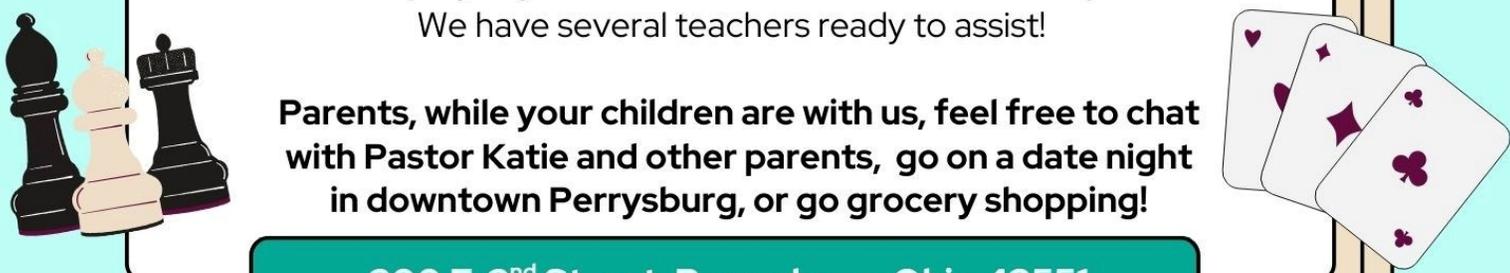
Join us for our weekly night of games,
food, homework help, and fellowship!



ALL ARE WELCOME!

Wednesday,
FEBRUARY 11TH, 2026
5:00 PM - 7:00 PM

Drop by any time for some fun or homework help!
We have several teachers ready to assist!



Parents, while your children are with us, feel free to chat
with Pastor Katie and other parents, go on a date night
in downtown Perrysburg, or go grocery shopping!

200 E 2nd Street, Perrysburg, Ohio 43551

Tuesday Morning Adult Bible Study

As the season of Lent starts on February 18th we will use the devotional, "Tell Me Something Good: Grounding ourselves in the good news this Lent" to guide our time together. Starting on February 17th we will consider the heart of Jesus' teaching in each week's Bible verses to focus on the liberation, love, mercy and grace in His message. Join us at 10 AM on Tuesday mornings in person at church and on Zoom for a Joyful Lent in our loving community.

Ask Selinda for copies of the devotional and the Zoom link. Selinda5971@gmail.com



SAVE THE DATE
FAITH & FAMILY NIGHT

TOLEDO WALLEYE

SUNDAY

MARCH 8, 2026

Faith Family Fellowship

Join us for a night to remember!

Huntington Center - Toledo, Ohio





Community Outreach

PCU "One Day Sunday"
Feb 22 - Hamburger Helper

*Feed the 5,000 ~ February 18-
April 5 ~ Any kind of canned meat.*

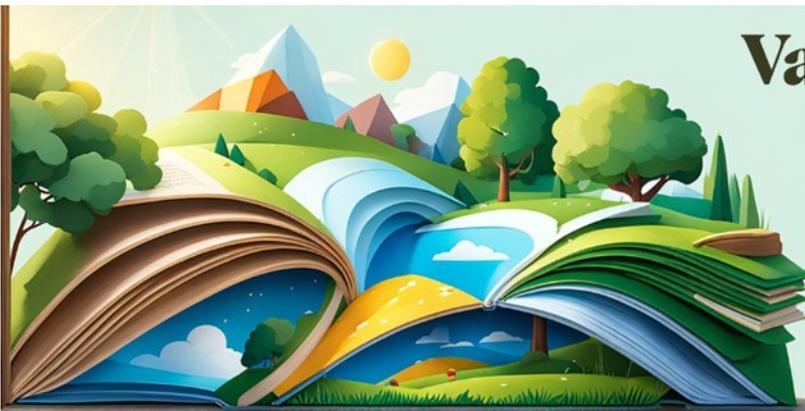
The Table - Feb 18 - Homemade
Lasagna & Veggie Lasagna

*One Great Hour of Sharing "Special
Offering" ~ February 22-March 15*

Christian Education



As we journey through the Lenten Season, our curriculum will be offered by Sanctified Arts. The theme is "Tell me something Good. Grounding ourselves in the good news this Lent." We are thrilled to kick off this series, which features an interactive, skit-based curriculum that spans 7 weeks of lessons from Lent to Easter. The Gospel stories will be shared through music, weekly skits, and by diving deeper into the theme with crafts, books, and games.



Vacation Bible School

It's never too early to start thinking about VBS! Our dates for this year are June 4, 5, and 6, with a presentation for the congregation on the 7th. We hope that this early notice will assist you in your summer planning. Expect to receive many more details in the months ahead.

We are excited to welcome several new members to our CE Team. Jean Thayer will be taking the minutes during our meetings. She will share the minutes with the team and at Session during their monthly meeting. Thank you, Jean, for stepping up to handle this important responsibility for us.

Marti Clayton will be contributing her creative, artistic, and teaching skills to our team. Our weekly Jr. Worship services and special events will definitely benefit from Marti's contributions. We are eager to collaborate with you, Marti.

Tom and Karen Lingeman have kindly agreed to assist with special art projects for the children. The kids are going to love this, and so will the team. Thank you both for sharing your artistic gifts with the youngest members of our congregation.

SESSION TEAMS - 2026

Bold=Chair

Italic=Session Member

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

(1st Sunday @11:15)

Gretchen Downs

Julie Lindsey

Marti Clayton

Nick & Claire Krabill

Adam Rauscher

Selinda Schultz

Jean Thayer

CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

(4th Monday @ 5:00 pm)

Jo Salvage

Nancy Gates

Gretchen Downs

Lowrie Gilmore

Allison Mackin

Margot Quick

Chris Stuart

COMMUNICATIONS

Amy Reiter

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

(1st Wednesday @6:00)

Mary Beth Gilts

Rick Gilts

Karen Lingeman

Tom Lingeman

Diana Oliver

Cecilia Richardson

Kathy Seinkowski

Brenda Youel

FACILITY MANAGEMENT

(3rd Tuesday @ 5:30)

Rick Gilts

David Nunn

Kristin Burgoon

Nancy Gates

Tom Stuart

Don Youel

PERSONNEL

(as needed)

Jay Salvage

Karen Lingeman

CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Sue Fyten

Allison Mackin-Steven Minister

Fay Mitchell

Selinda Schultz-Steven Minister

Jean Thayer

STEWARDSHIP&FINANCE

(3rd Monday @ 5:30)

Stephen Potts

Tom Connelly

Fay Mitchell

Jack Simmons

Marty Sloan

Don Youel

MISSION/VISION

(as needed)

Allison Mackin

Jay Salvage

Marti Clayton

Susan Rowland Miller

WORSHIP&MUSIC

(1st Wednesday @ 5:00)

Allison Mackin

Lowrie Gilmore

Kathy Jarosz

Aaron Roos

Selinda Schultz

Brenda Youel

2/10/2026

Underline=Staff

Nominating: ***Rick Gilts***, ***Jay Salvage***, Marty Sloan

Audit: ***Jay Salvage***, Nancy Gates, Fay Mitchell

Greeters/Ushers

March, May, July, September, November, January

1st Sunday: Mary Beth and Rick Gilts

2nd Sunday: Jay and Jo Salvage

3rd Sunday: Rauscher Family

4th Sunday: Karen and Tom Lingeman

5th Sunday: Jean and Dennis Thayer

February, April, June, August, October, December

1st Sunday: David Nunn and Marty Sloan

2nd Sunday: Lowrie Gilmore and Nick and Claire Krabill

3rd Sunday: Cecilia Richardson and Delbert Duckins/Marty Sloan

4th Sunday: Sarah Crawford and Paul Martell

5th Sunday: Davies Family

Substitutes: Julie Lindsey, Margot Quick, Allison Mackin

Liturgists

Red Team: Gretchen Downs, Kathy East, Jay Salvage, Claire Krabill

Green Team: David/Susan Rowland Miller, Sarah Magoun, Jo Salvage, Isla/Fiona Davies

Blue Team: Allison Mackin, Michelle Chavez/Matt Hollar, Marti Clayton, Sue Fyten

Yellow Team: Mary Beth/Rick Gilts, Carlee Campbell, Jack Simmons, Rhyn Davies

5th Sundays: Allison Mackin

March 2026: (Red Team)

1st Sunday: Gretchen

2nd Sunday: Kathy East

3rd Sunday: Jay

4th Sunday: Claire

5th Sunday: Allison

April 2026: (Green Team)

1st Sunday: David/Susan

2nd Sunday: Sarah M.

3rd Sunday: Jo

4th Sunday: Isla/Fiona

May 2026: (Blue Team)

1st Sunday: Allison

2nd Sunday: Michelle/Matt

3rd Sunday: Marti

4th Sunday: Sue Fyten

5th Sunday: Allison

June 2026: (Yellow Team)

1st Sunday: Mary Beth/Rick

2nd Sunday: Carlee

3rd Sunday: Jack

4th Sunday: Rhyn

July 2026: (Red Team)

1st Sunday: Gretchen

2nd Sunday: Kathy East

3rd Sunday: Jay

4th Sunday: Claire

August 2026 (Green Team):

1st Sunday: David/Susan

2nd Sunday: Sarah M.

3rd Sunday: Jo

4th Sunday: Isla/Fiona

5th Sunday: Allison

September 2026 (Blue Team):

1st Sunday: Allison

2nd Sunday: Michelle/Matt

3rd Sunday: Marti

4th Sunday: Sue Fyten

October 2026 (Yellow Team):

1st Sunday: Mary Beth/Rick

2nd Sunday: Carlee

3rd Sunday: Jack

4th Sunday: Rhyn

November 2026 (Red Team):

1st Sunday: Gretchen

2nd Sunday: Kathy East

3rd Sunday: Jay

4th Sunday: Kathy Jarosz

5th Sunday: Allison

December 2026 (Green Team):

1st Sunday: David/Susan

2nd Sunday: Sarah M.

3rd Sunday: Jo

4th Sunday: Isla/Fiona

January 2027 (Blue Team):

1st Sunday: Allison

2nd Sunday: Michelle/Matt

3rd Sunday: Marti

4th Sunday: Sue Fyten

5th Sunday: Allison

February 2027 (Yellow):

1st Sunday: Mary Beth/Rick

2nd Sunday: Carlee

3rd Sunday: Jack

4th Sunday: Rhyn



Communion Servers

1st Sunday of the month

Feb 2026: Margot Quick & Julie Lindsey

Allison Mackin & Marti Sloan

March 2026: Rick & Mary Beth Gilts

Matt Hollar & Michelle Chavez

Easter 2026: Jay & Jo Salvage

Tom & Karen Lingeman

May 2026: Kathy East & Allison Mackin/

David & Susan Rowland Miller

June 2026: Margot Quick & Julie Lindsey

Jack & Linda Simmons

July 2026: Rick & Mary Beth Gilts

Matt Hollar & Michelle Chavez

August 2026: Jay & Jo Salvage

Tom & Karen Lingeman

September 2026: Kathy East & Allison Mackin

David & Susan Rowland Miller

October 2026: Margot Quick & Julie Lindsey

Jack & Linda Simmons

November 2026: Rick & Mary Beth Gilts

Matt Hollar & Michelle Chavez

December 2026: Jay & Jo Salvage

Tom & Karen Lingeman

January 2027: Kathy East & Allison Mackin

David & Susan Rowland Miller

Substitutes: Nick & Claire Krabill

February 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
15 8:30am NVC Book Study 10am Worship	16 	17 10am Bible Study 11:30am NVC Book Study	18 5pm B, B, & B 5pm The Table 6pm Ash Wednesday 6pm AlAnon	19	20 5:45pm Toastmasters	21
22 10am Worship Annual Meeting	23 5pm Cong Life Team meeting	24 10am Bible Study 1pm Joy Belles	25 5pm B, B, & B 6pm AlAnon	26	27	28



MEN'S BIBLE STUDY

The Men's Bible Study group will gather at 8:30 AM on the following dates, utilizing the series "Tell Me Something Good: Grounding ourselves in the good news this Lent" to guide our discussions.

March 1, 15, 22

UPCOMING WORSHIP LEADERS:

February 15: Stephen Potts, Cecilia Richardson & Delbert Duckins/Marty Sloan, Allison Mackin, Stephen Potts

February 22: Don Youel, Sarah & Lizzie Crawford/Allison Mackin, Rhyn Davies, Amy Reiter

March 1: Stephen Potts, David Nunn & Marty Sloan, Gretchen Downs, Nancy Gates

Communion: Rick & Mary Beth Gilts, Matt Hollar & Michelle Chavez

March 8: Don Youel, Lowrie Gilmore & Nick & Claire Krabill, Kathy East, Kathy Jarosz

March 15: Stephen Potts, Cecilia Richardson & Delbert Duckins/Marty Sloan, Jay Salvage, Stephen Potts

March 22: Don Youel, Sarah Crawford & Paul Martell, Claire Krabill, Amy Reiter

March 29: Stephen Potts, Davies Family, Allison Mackin, Marty Sloan

March 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 8:30am Men's Bible Study 10am Worship Communion	2	3 10am Bible Study	4 5pm Worship & Music Team 5pm B, B, & B 6pm Community Outreach	5 5pm Mission & Vision Team	6	7
8 10am Worship	9	10 10am Bible Study 6:30pm Session	11 5pm Books, Brains, & Board Games 6pm AIAnon	12	13	14
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