

Safety Practices: In light of falling local COVID case numbers and new recommendations from the CDC, the Church Session has determined that it will no longer recommend masks for the gathered congregation. Individuals should make that decision for themselves in light of their own risk profile and comfort level. We will also resume our pre-COVID practice of standing to sing the hymns. However, we still encourage you to remain home and join us virtually if you are feeling ill or experiencing flu-like symptoms.



THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Sunday, May 22, 2022

8:30 and 10:00 a.m. – Worship
 9:30 a.m. – Children and Youth Sunday School
 10:00 a.m. – Worship (livestream from our website)/Baptism/Officers Installation

Monday, May 23, 2022

Tuesday, May 24, 2022

5:30 p.m. – Presbytery Meeting at First Covenant Church, Erie

Wednesday, May 25, 2022

Thursday, May 26, 2022

Ascension of the Lord



5:00 p.m. – Trustee Meeting

Friday, May 27, 2022

Saturday, May 28, 2022

Sunday, May 29, 2022

Summer Worship Begins

10:00 a.m. – Worship

Monday, May 30, 2022



First Presbyterian Church

Last's Week's Attendance:

(May 15, 2022)
 8:30 a.m. – 43
 11:00 a.m. – 112
 Total Giving: \$5,484.00
 Online Viewers: 68
 2022 Per Capita to date: \$5,996.00
 (2022 Per Capita is \$33.00 per member)

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 22, 2022

Welcome to this service of prayer and praise at First Presbyterian Church. If we can be of service to you in any way, please call the church office weekdays from 9:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m. at (814) 333-2161. Childcare is available downstairs in Cornerstone Child Care during the worship service.

SERVING THIS MORNING

- **The Audio/Video Technicians** today are Ross Feltz and Lydia Green at 10:00 a.m.
- **The Ushers** today are Tom Barratt at 8:30 a.m.; and Logan Luce and Keith Edwards at 10:00 a.m.
- **The Liturgist** today is Margaret Nelson.
- **The Cantor** today is Sonya Eagles-Dill at 10:00 a.m.

The Chancel Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of our parents, David and Marnie Kirkpatrick; Robert and Mary Malone; and sister, Jane Malone Sanko, by Marty and Suzie Malone.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

- † **Friends and members hospitalized, ill, and recovering:** John Robb, Cathy McKinney, Janet Koller, Becky Jordan, Tom Hilburn, Margie Thompson, Cheri McFate, Jeremy Pruskowski, Tom McFate, Carol Young, Ginny Burchfield.
- † **The concerns of Lake Erie Presbytery this week:** Titusville Presbyterian Church, Rev. Vaughan Smith; Rev. Keith Sundberg, Honorably Retired, Moderator of Presbytery.
- † **Service Personnel:** Ben Bartoe, Donald Albaugh, Andrew Hall, Travis Jensen, Kirk Mumau, Paige Junker Ormiston, and Kloe Peterson.
- † **The work at the Outreach Center at Fairview/Fairmont.** YMCA Kids Club Staff - Rosanne Sommers and Emily Seibel and Volunteer, Preston Miller.
- † **The mission work of Ross and Mary Hunter (Ecuador), Rev. Celestin Musekura (E. Africa - ALARM), Donnie Brake (South Sudan - SEA Partners), Andrew and Amy Funka (Along Side Ministies Int.), Medical Benevolence, Living Waters of the World, La Gonave Hospital (Haiti), Wee Kirk, Presbyterian Disaster Relief, Compassion International (Haiti Children, Carlos and Mimine), Myoung Ho Yang and Ji Yeon Yoo (Thailand - Payap University), The Carter Foundation, Josh Heikkila (West Africa - PCUSA).**



Our Steinway is in service once more, after being in the care of piano technician Amy Marshall of Wexford for the past few weeks. In addition to replacing worn-out moving parts from the 19th century, Amy has also repaired the chipped & yellowing ivory keys. This will keep the instrument in good playing condition for several more decades. Kevin would like to express his gratitude towards all the donors who stepped forward to support this project.

NEWS OF THE CHURCH ALIVE



The Prayer Lifeline is available to pray for your joys and concerns. Call the church office at (814) 333-2161 to make your request. You can also e-mail Laurel Porter at hlporter20@yahoo.com. <mailto:hlporter20@yahoo.com>. All requests will be kept confidential.

STEPHEN MINISTRY: If you have an immediate prayer need, call the Stephen Minister on call; their name and number will be listed below. Please note this is meant to supplement, not replace, the prayer line, which offers long-term, ongoing prayer. Our goal is simply to offer the important ministry of one-on-one, confidential conversation and prayer as the immediate need arises. We can visit with you by way of phone calls, virtual connection, or social distancing.



For this week the on-call Stephen Minister is Veronica Asay. She can be reached at 814-336-5408.

We love because he first loved us.

1 John 4:19



Librarians' Picks for May: What is a bookshelf other than a treasure chest for a curious mind? We have bookshelves filled with informative, inspirational and entertaining books for you! Lots of great DVDs too! Come in and Check Them Out! Look on the Library Shelf, at the top of the stairs, for the Librarian's special selections.



Whirl Sunday School

Children's Sunday school: Sunday school will start at 9:00 a.m. in the **Art Room (room 201)**. At approximately 9:30 a.m., all the children will walk to the Chapel to sing their favorite Sunday school songs and learn some new ones. Sunday school will end approximately 9:45 a.m. in the Chapel.



Youth Sunday School meets from 9-9:45 a.m. Sunday mornings for kids in grades 5-12. We meet in room 200.

COMING EVENTS AND IMPORTANT NOTICES



"Praying for Children" (momsinprayer.org) will meet Tuesday, May 17th at 1:00 p.m. in the church Library. End of the school year luncheon will be May 24th. We will not meet during the summer months but will resume in September.



Presbyterian Women's Mission Project for May will be personal hygiene items for the Free Clinic i.e., shampoo, soap/body wash, deodorant, lotion, razors, and shaving cream. Please place items in the PW box in the office.



Presbyterian Women are still supporting the Crawford County Coalition of Housing for emergency shelter. Their goal is to provide a clean, safe, and comfortable space, with the basic necessities available to guests when they move into the shelter. Clients take the items provided during their stay with them as they move to more permanent housing. Here is an updated list of items they need the most: *Coffee Pots, *Pots/Pans, Toasters, Bath Towels, Brooms, mops/buckets, paper products and cleaning supplies. (*Items needed) Take these items to the church and put them in the bin located in the Parlor. Thank you!



THE CHOSEN: For the first time ever, the greatest story ever told is being presented as a multi season show. Digging deeper into the backstories and context of the people and events of the gospels, *Season One* of the #1 highest crowd-funded media project of all time introduces you to people such as Simon Peter, Nicodemus, Mary Magdalene, Matthew, and of course, Jesus Christ, in a way never before seen on film. This week will be the last adult Sunday school class until next fall. The class begins at 11:00 a.m. and will be meeting in the Culbertson Theater Room. Please plan to join us!



YOUTH GROUP will continue meeting throughout the summer. All youth in grades 5th-12th grade are encouraged to attend! Friends are welcome as well! We meet on alternating Sundays from 4-5:30 p.m. in the Youth Room. Copies of our Spring/Summer Schedule can be found on the bulletin board outside of Dawn's office.



Vickie is asking the Sunday school children to celebrate **Compassion** Sunday the entire month by providing an offering each week of Sunday school through May 22. Special envelopes will be provided to the children for the weekly donations. All donations will go to Carlos and Mimine for school supplies, snacks, and activities they do at their centers. There will be envelopes available by the offering plates also for you to help Carlos and Mimine. Please pray for a successful celebration.



Coming Soon!!! A banner will soon be displayed in front of our church proclaiming "Honor God's Image in Everyone." The banner attests to our conviction that people are more alike than they are different and that we value the humanity of others. The message summarizes the insights inspired by Miles McPherson in his book, *The Third Option*. To learn more about how our church is doing our part to promote love for all, plan to attend a presentation on June 15, 2022, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.



Margie Thompson will be celebrating her 90th Birthday on June 9th. Let us celebrate with her on this special occasion with a card shower.

Margie Thompson
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