

First News & Views

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Prayers for Peru Mission Trip Team

Our Peru Mission Team departs early on Saturday, June 17. Please pray for our mission participants as they go out into the world to spread God's love. They are Lily Anderson, Abby Federici, Matthew Hards, Nick Kuhlman, Duncan McMath, Jason Tornes, Julie Anderson, Marty Hards, Lark McCormick, Jeff McMath, Brent Neuenschwander, and Pastor Jessie Myers. The FPC Mission Committee will be giving them an "oh so early" snack at 6:30am for the road to Peru! Get up to say goodbye and please pray for safe travels and blessings for twelve faithful. Watch for more information on Facebook and email.

Time is Running Out to Register!

Music & Arts Camp, July 17-23

If you haven't registered your children for the FPC Music & Arts Camp July 17-21, time is running out. Our group is almost to capacity so get your registration forms in as soon as possible. The camp is for children ages 3 years old through 5th grade and will provide musical opportunities to teach participants about the love of God through music and art. The camp will be held **daily from 9am -11:30am for 3 years old through pre-k and 9am -4pm for Kindergarten through 5th grade**. The cost is \$25 for the first child, \$20 for the second child, \$15 for the third child, etc. Scholarships are available. Registration forms are available on the music page of the website or in the office.

How Can You Help with Music Camp?

There are many opportunities to contribute to a successful Music & Arts Camp this summer! Come and make an impression that will last a lifetime! Need flexibility in donating your time? Volunteer for one day or two or the entire week. Stay one hour, two, or three. Be a part of this innovative approach to Music. **We need you!** You are welcome to join in whole group activities or the break-out groups. Come sing, do art, help with food, shepherd children or just lend a hand. Food donations as well as helpers are welcome. A sign-up sheet is available outside the office. Please sign up today. Thank you!

The volunteer meeting has been rescheduled for Wednesday, July 13, at 7pm in room 211.



Summer 2017 Faith Formation

For ALL AGES!

"Take-Out" Church boxes still available!

If you didn't get your 'Take-Out' Church pizza box stop by the church today! Engage your faith wherever you are, and share it with others. From a "thanksgiving" beach ball, to Skittles prayers and the infamous "flat Jesus." Take "flat Jesus" with you and take pictures with him at different locations throughout the summer then share them on social media. Show your faith and have fun doing it! (Tag us on Facebook!) Get your box today!

Summer Bible Study

June 18, July 16, 23, 30, 5:30-7pm

Gene McEvoy is leading the study at her home, 2419 S. Main St. across from the church on Sunday evenings. The study is based on the book *Making Sense of the Bible* by Adam Hamilton.



FPC Bicycle Bash!

July 8, 10:30am -12pm

Don't miss this wheelie fun event for family and friends in the spacious FPC parking lot! We'll play bicycle games, have a bicycle wash, do some bicycle decorating, enjoy a cook-out together, and more! There will be other fun activities including a water balloon toss. So grab mom, dad, grandma, grandpa, aunts, uncles and friends, for some cool summer fun! Volunteers, both youth and adult are welcome. Contact Nicole at nicole@findlayfpc.org or sign up outside the church office.

Youth Overnight Retreat

July 14-15

High school youth are invited to Pastor Jessie's house 2111 Rosendale Road, Bloomdale, OH. Contact Jessie if you would like to attend and/or be added to our youth contact list. Bonfire, swimming and more! Bring a tent, and/or a sleeping bag. We'll be spending the night outside!

Adult Education

Sunday at 10:45am

Character Builders Rm 209-210

The Present Word Summer Study begins!

"God's Urgent Call" is the focus topic for the Summer quarter.

June 18 - "Jephthah Answers the Call"

Jephthah had been rejected and sent away from Israel when he was called upon to lead the battle against Israel's enemy, the Ammonites. Jephthah agreed, with the provision that if he was successful in battle he would become the leader of Israel. In Judges 11:4-11:29-31 we find the account of how he became one of Israel's twelve Judges. Quentin Wood will be the discussion leader. Come join us for fascinating Bible study and lively discussion.

Please join in ANY Sunday you are available.

June 25 - "Samson's Call"

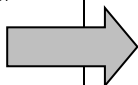
Remember Samson, the strong man who came into power as one of Israel's Judges? In this lesson, "Samson's Call" from Judges 13:1-7, 24-25, we find a story relating that even those called by God can be susceptible to human weaknesses and failure. Samson's mishandling of his power as a Judge led to tragedy. Join us with Tom Bronder as our discussion leader as we consider what wisdom for today's world might be gleaned from Samson's negative example.

MOPS Thanks You!

The MOPS Mother's Day Diaper Drive was a huge success. With your help MOPS was able to collect over 12,000 diapers and over 10,000 wipes to support women with young children in Hancock County.

Come Together During the Summer

Join us for **FAITH & FELLOWSHIP** this summer after worship in Fellowship Hall. There will be large posters for you to color as you mingle. Growing in faith doesn't always mean being in a classroom. Sometimes it is just being together.

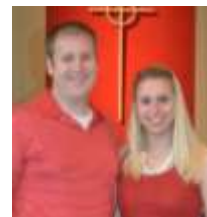


Welcome to Our Newest Members!



Curt & Ellen Hugunin: Curt is employed at Whirlpool and Ellen is a former pastor in the United Methodist Church, and is temporarily working for our church providing pastoral care support. They both come via letter of transfer from St. Andrews UMC.

Brandi Dominique & Jordan Clark both work at Cooper, as an accountant and credit analyst respectively. Brandi is originally from Wasseon and Jordan from Kenton, Ohio. We welcome them through affirmation of faith.



Kendra Sponsler, a cradle Presbyterian from Bryan Presbyterian church, comes to us with a letter of transfer. She is an accountant for Cooper Tire.

Amy Fisher

is a native of Findlay and recently has felt the need to further her relationship with Christ. Her daughter Alyse recently participated in the confirmation class. Amy works remotely for a software company.



Welcome Michael

This summer, we have the privilege to welcome Michael Minnich as the Music Intern. Michael is a senior at Bowling Green State University and is pursuing a Bachelor of Musical Arts Degree with a Minor in Music Industry. He is originally from Ashland, Ohio, and has also served here at FPC as the Bass Section leader for the past choir year. Michael will be working on numerous projects in the Music Department and will have a vital role in the Music and Arts Camp.

This internship is a fantastic opportunity for the music program here to grow and to accomplish much needed tasks. It is also a required part of Michael's degree program, and we have the opportunity to help fulfill that requirement. You will see Michael around all summer in the Music Office and periodically during Worship Services!



Mission In Motion

We will, once again, be participating in the MVP Mobile Health Fair Ministry. The dates are: June 26 – Louisville, Ohio; June 27 – Willard, Ohio; June 28 – Miller City, Ohio; June 29 – Delta, Ohio; July 5 – Fremont, Ohio; July 6 – Elmore, Ohio; July 7 – Tiffin, Ohio; July 16 – Plymouth, Ohio. Opportunities are available to all to offer time and talents. We need doctors, nurses, dentists, medical assistants, greeters, note takers, general assistants, and smiling faces. A [sign-up sheet](#) is posted outside the church office for you to let us know when you will be able to help. Jim Baker is in charge of the Mobile Health Fairs for our church, 419-889-5447 or thebaker@bright.net. You can also help by putting together and donating Health Fair Kits that are distributed to those who participate in the fairs. **It really doesn't matter what size the products are. They prefer regular size not travel size but the need is so great they will take travel size.** Here are suggested items:

Shampoo	<u>Additional items</u>
Conditioner	Dental floss
Deodorant	Socks
Soap	Hand towel
Wash cloth	Chap stick
Comb and/or brush	Razor
Toothbrush and toothpaste	Hair ties

You may bring completed kits in gallon size zip lock bags or bring individual items to the church and they will be packaged for you. Look for the [collection basket](#) in the entry of the church.

Mission Schedule for July

July 8 Prep Community Dinner, 8:30am -10:00am Great Kitchen

July 9 Community Dinner 11:00am -12:30pm Great Room

July 17 - 21 Music & Arts Camp feeding & prepping

July 20-22 STUFF THE BUS with school supplies, supporting Christian Clearing House Drive (watch for sales and start shopping now)

Watch for the Habitat for Humanity Apostle Build coming this fall!

Hot Potato Movie July 22, 6pm Fellowship Hall

Bring your heart and mind as we explore the complex social issue of racism in viewing the film "13th". We will watch the movie and then have a time of reflection and discussion. A basic synopsis of the film is : *The 13th Amendment to the U. S. Constitution abolished slavery. But it also included a provision many people don't know about and that is what this documentary brings to view. "Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist."* Please join us! No RSVP needed. Snacks will be provided, but are welcome as well! Childcare with a viewing of a film of their own will be available at the same time. RSVP to info@findlayfpc.org or call 419.423.2112 if you plan to bring children!



Flat Jesus
at Kirkmont Camp
with
Addie and Kenzie Lobb
(Send us your pictures
with Flat Jesus!)



JUNE 2017

SATURDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 17
6:30 a.m.	Mission Team Sendoff	GR
SUNDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 18
8:00 a.m.	Bible Study & Reflection	C
8:45 a.m.	Prayer Ministry	C
9:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship	S
	Illustrated Compassion	107C
10:45 a.m.	Character Builders	209-210
MONDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 19
9:30 a.m.	Women of Faith	L
7:30 p.m.	Board of Deacons	P
TUESDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 20
6:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast	Café Marie
9:30 a.m.	FPC Playgroup	GR
6:00 p.m.	Presbyterian Women	
	Coordinating Team	P
WEDNESDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 21
THURSDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 22
FRIDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 23
9:30 a.m.	KnitWits	112
SATURDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 24
SUNDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 25
8:00 a.m.	Bible Study & Reflection	C
8:45 a.m.	Prayer Ministry	C
9:30 a.m.	Traditional Worship	S
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MONDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 26
9:30 a.m.	Women of Faith	L
TUESDAY	Peru Mission Trip	JUNE 27
6:30 a.m.	Men's Breakfast	Café Marie
4:00 p.m.	Maumee Valley Presbytery	112
	Committee on Ministry	
WEDNESDAY		JUNE 28
9:00 a.m.	MOPS GIFT	332, 107
THURSDAY		JUNE 29
FRIDAY		JUNE 30

On June 23, both Dana & Chris will be out of the office. We are seeking 2 or 3 volunteers to answer phones in the main office. Please contact Dana if you can help! No experience necessary. 419-423-2112 – Thank you.



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Bus Driver for 9:30am service
 June 18 & 25:
 Dave Reynolds 419-889-3690

Newsletter Deadline is June 23.

Interim Pastor Search Committee Update

The Interim Pastor Search Committee continues to look for the best possible interim minister for our congregation. We are in active communication with two potential candidates at this time. We anticipate having more news in the next four weeks. Thank you for your patience as we continue to see where God is guiding us in this endeavor.

Is Your Information Up-to-Date?

NEW DATA SOFTWARE – we will soon begin using a new software program for the church membership, contribution, attendance, and financial data. We know some people are no longer using "land-lines" for telephone service. We are asking EVERYONE to please make sure the office has your correct/preferred contact information, particularly phone numbers and email addresses. Please call or email your preferred phone numbers and email addresses to info@findlayfpc.org or 419-423-2112. You may also fill out a card that is available in the bulletins on Sunday morning and place it in the offering plate. Thank you!

Next Kairos Book Study

The next Kairos Book Study will meet on July 10, place TBD. We will be reading Brian McLaren's book: "Why did Jesus, Moses, Buddha and Mohammed cross the road?" Please contact Pastor Jessie if you would like to join us! jessie@findlayfpc.org or 419.423.2112 x 23.

If you would like a large print newsletter, please contact the church office.

Sunday Worship Summer Update

8:00am Reflection & informal Bible Study in the Chapel

8:45am Prayer Ministry in the Chapel

9:30am Worship in the Sanctuary

June 18: Rev. Ken Wessler
 June 25: Ellen Hugunin
 July 2: Rev. Dave Montgomery
Director of Toledo Campus Ministries

Out of the Office:

Jessie: June 17 – 27 Peru
 Brent: June 17 – July 1 Peru & Montreat music conference
 Nicole: June 19-25 vacation
 Dana: June 23 PW Gathering
 Chris: June 12 - 23, July 14 & 17 vacation

In Jessie's absence, Ellen Hugunin will be providing pasotral care. ellenhug1@att.net or call the church office.