

Youth News at FPC_{Salem}

Sunday School

Discovering the Bible
Experiencing God
Celebrating Church
Embracing the World

Pre-Kindergarten: God's world is all around us (*Julie Mackall, Gloria Shafer*)

Grades 1-4: Zoom through the Bible with Travel Fish - ways to live out what we learn in the Bible (*Denise Weingart*)

Junior High: Meets with Scoop Troop to tackle questions like "How can I make a difference?" (*Lauren Arnold*)

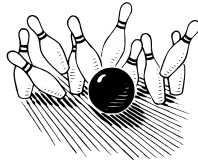
Senior High: Life questions using book of Matthew - Does God really have a plan for my life? (*Ken Double*)



Advent Workshop
Sunday
November 29
during
Sunday School
Hour

Pres-Bees Youth Club

Pre-Kindergarten, age 4 - Grade 5
Wednesdays at 4:30 p.m.



November 4, 11, and 18
*Bowling Tournament with
Adult Members*

All adults are invited to participate with Pres-Bees youth in this intergenerational time of fellowship. Age groups of children will rotate each week at Hunt Club Lanes from 4:30-5:45, then everyone is invited back to Fellowship Hall for supper.

Create-A-Smile M & M tubes will be collected November 4, 11, 18, and December 2 for this community Christmas project.

No Pres-Bees on November 25.



Children's Choir Schedule

Cherub - November 8, December 20, January 24, February 14, March 14, April 25
Praise - November 15, December 20, January 31, February 21, March 21, April 25

JBM Camp Fundraisers



Taking Orders for **Buckeyes**
in Fellowship Hall
starting November 1
Pick up - December 13



Put Our Youth to Work
Leaf Raking
Basement/Garage Cleaning
Taking Recycling Items
Labor (maybe, just time)
or Your suggestions
Call Kim Double, 330-337-0512



Youth are needed to ring the Salvation Army Bells during the Holidays. If interested, please contact Kim Double.



Operation Christmas Child



As Pres-Bees, we like to participate in service projects which will help others. We will be joining members of the congregation in "Operation Christmas Child". The project entails filling wrapped shoe boxes with small gift items to be given to children around the world to help them celebrate Christmas (see article below). At Pres-Bees, we want the children to actively participate so we are doing things a bit differently. There will be collection boxes on the stage. One is for shoe boxes which the Pres-Bees kids will wrap. The other is for the items to fill the shoeboxes. You can refer to the list of suggested items below and/or get creative. On November 18, the kids will wrap the shoe boxes and fill them with the donated items and label them for the appropriate age and gender of the child for which it is intended. You can donate individual items such as a toothbrush or Slinky® or a multi-pack of something like batteries, lollipops, or socks. We think the kids will have a lot of fun filling the boxes! All donated items need to be at Pres-Bees by November 18 so we can get them to the congregational coordinator for adequate shipping time.

The *Board of Deacons* has decided it would like our church to participate in "Operation Christmas Child," sponsored by Samaritan's Purse. This is a nondenominational program designed to give Christian children in distressed areas around the world a little bit of Christmas. We would like all age groups to be represented in this project. If you are not familiar with this program, there will be brochures at church in the next few weeks that should answer your questions. The basic idea is to purchase small items that would appeal to children ages 2 - 14. These items will be used to fill shoeboxes, one per child. The brochures give a list of suggested items, and other helpful information. The pick-up dates for the boxes are November 16 - 23, so it isn't too early to start shopping!

Gift Suggestions

School Supplies - pens, pencils and sharpener, crayons or markers, stamps and ink pad sets, writing pads or paper, solar calculators, coloring and picture books, etc.

Toys - small cars, balls, dolls, stuffed animals, kazoos, harmonicas, yo-yos, jump ropes, small Etch A Sketch®, toys that light up or make noise (with extra batteries), Slinky®, etc.

Hygiene Items - toothbrush, toothpaste, mild bar soap (in a plastic bag), comb, washcloth, etc.

Other - hard candy and lollipops, mints, gum (please place all candy in ziploc bag), T-shirts, socks, ball caps, sunglasses, hair clips, toy jewelry, watches, flashlights (with extra batteries)

A Personal Note - You may enclose a note to the child and a photo of yourself or your family. (If you include your name and address, the child may write back.)

DO NOT INCLUDE: Used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives or military figures; chocolate or food; out of date candy; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers; aerosol cans