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THE PRESBYTERIAN MESSENGER

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12th Sunday after Pentecost <u>August 11</u> Communion

1 Kings 19:4-8 Ephesians 4:25-5:2 John 6:35, 41-51

"Using Your Super Power"

<u>Liturgist</u>: Rev. Trina Lewis 13th Sunday after Pentecost August 18

Proverbs 9:1-6 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58

"Eat Wisely"

<u>Liturgist</u>: Paul Fennema 14th Sunday after Pentecost <u>August 25</u> Congregational Meeting

> <u>Liturgist</u>: Sue Skiba

following Worship

<u>Music</u>: Michael Quinn Project 15th Sunday after Pentecost <u>September 1</u>

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-9 James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

"Be a Good Human"

<u>Music</u>: Western Reserve Brass

I have an update from your Pastor Nominating Committee.

We have chosen a candidate, the minister and their family have accepted and we have a signed initial terms of call. Over the past 3 months, we have conducted numerous in-person meetings with this minister and feel that this is the person that God has chosen for our church.

We are all anxious to finalize this, however, as you know as Presbyterians we still have processes that are required by the presbytery and we have been diligently working on completing this.

As Frank announced, the PNC requested from the Session a Congregational Meeting for Sunday, August 25, 2024.

At this time, the minister will conduct worship at our church and a vote by registered members of our church will be held and administered by our General Presbyter, Barry Chance and our Committee of Ministry representative Mike Shepherd.

On Saturday evening, August 24, prior to their sermon, there will be a meet and greet of the minister, the family and children in fellowship hall which everyone is invited to attend.

We will have more information about the minister prior to that event which will be announced in the next few weeks.

We are in the process of finalizing a few more details and paperwork with the Presbytery and COM; however, this minister is coming and is extremely excited about the opportunity to be part of our church family.

We ask that you continue to pray and have patience for just a little more time, and we will be able to provide additional information to you. Thanks.

Ray Cox, Moderator of Pastor Nominating Committee

"We are centered in Christ and powered by love."

CHURCH INFORMATION:

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Thank You Notes:

To My Church Family: I would like to say — "Thank You" to Ellen Matiscik for delivering flowers to my home on Sunday, June 16. As I enjoyed them these last weeks, it made me think about how very fortunate I am to have such a caring, loving and giving church family I have. Thanks and Love to all. ~ Virginia (Jenny) Wilms

Thank you for your prayers when my sister, Lorrie Brinker, was sick all those months, and to Pastor Trina for her support with phone calls and prayers. Thanks, also, for the pretty flowers! They helped to brighten my days.

~ Sandy Herman

To the many parishioners, I thank you for the beautiful and kind get well and speedy recovery cards. I am glad to be recovering rather quickly with my new knee. And...I am glad to be back amongst all of you in worship. Blessings, ~ Nancy McNeal

The Session has called a Congregational Meeting to be held in the Sanctuary immediately following worship on Sunday, August 25, 2024. The purpose of this meeting is to hear the report of the Pastor Nominating Committee; and, to vote on its recommendation, i.e., to vote on the candidate the committee nominates for the position of installed pastor of First Presbyterian Church of Salem, OH.

Sunday Worship Bulletins:

Open dates are September 22, October 6, 27, November 3, 17, 24, December 1, 22. The cost is \$15.00 a Sunday.

Sunday Chancel Flowers:

Open dates are August 18 (1 vase), September 1 (2 vases), September 8 (1 vase), September 29 (1 vase), November 3 (2 vases), November 17 (2 vases), November 24 (1 vase). The cost is \$10.00 for a vase.



Café Justo's great Organic Coffee we serve every Sunday during Coffee Hour is for sale on the 1st Sunday of the month in Fellowship Hall!! Cost is \$12 for a 1-pound bag of Regular, Decaf, or Whole Bean Coffee. Cooperative members own the entire business from the growing through the roasting, and the coffee is famous for its smooth taste and low acidity. It is Organic certified and has a Fair Trade Plus certification.

Vision Statement

To glorify God and share the Spirit and love of Christ with our community and the world.

Enrolling Preschool Students for 2024-2025 School Year

<u>Open House – Monday, August 19 from 5-7 p.m.</u> <u>Parent Orientation – Wednesday, August 28 at 6 p.m.</u>

The five day a week program combines the very best elements of a Preschool for 3-, 4-, and 5-year-old children. We provide a curriculum-based program that meets the whole child, and speech and language services to those who qualify. Our Preschool follows a Christian theme and participates in Ohio's "Step Up to Quality" system. Children will develop skills needed for kindergarten readiness. Call Administrator Jennifer Gillis for more details at 330-332-8620.



The Preschool is currently receiving applications for partial scholarships that will reduce the tuition rates for parents of preschool students that need some monetary assistance in order to attend our preschool this year. The Preschool would appreciate any contribution you could give so more students can attend this year's preschool. We now have expanded our preschool to include both AM and PM classes and any contribution would help more students to attend either the AM or PM class. This can be done by contributing through your church contributions. Putting the words "Preschool Scholarship Fund" on your check or envelope will ensure that the funds will go to scholarships to the preschool children. The Preschool Board thanks you in advance for your consideration in supporting this initiative

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4	5	6	6:00 Denise's Big Backyard Therapy Dogs	5:30 Preschool Board of Trustees	9	10
9-Adult Class Summer Term 10-Coffee Hr 10:30-Worship Communion	12	3-Eastminster Presbytery Meeting at Petersburg	7-Finance Committee via Zoom	7-Regular Session Meeting (Library & Hybrid)	16	17
18 9-Adult Class Summer Term 10-Coffee Hr 10:30-Worship	5-7: Preschool Open House 7-Congregational Care Committee	20	21	22	23	Meet & Greet Candidate, Fellowship Hall
9-Adult Class 10-Coffee Hr 10:30-Worship Congregational Meeting after Worship Environmental Team	26	27	6-Moderators Meeting/Zoom 6-Preschool Parent Orientation	29	30 10-Preschool Visitation Day	31