

THIS WEEK AT OUR CHURCH

Sunday, May 19



PENTECOST

Install & Ordain Church Officers

New Members Received

8:30 a.m. – Worship/Communion

9:30 a.m. – Sunday School

11:00 a.m. – Worship/Communion

Monday, May 20

Tuesday, May 21

2:00 p.m. - Stated Meeting of the Presbytery
at Camp Lambec

Wednesday, May 22

Thursday, May 23

11:30 a.m. – Fairview Fairmont Board
Meeting at the Fairview Fairmont Center
5:00 p.m. – Trustee Meeting

Friday, May 24

Youth Group Lock In

Saturday, May 25

Sunday, May 26



Summer Worship Schedule Begins

10:00 a.m. – Worship



Surplus items were discovered in storage. Check the table in the foyer for hidden treasures you may enjoy!

Attendance Last Week (May 12):

8:30 a.m.: 41

11:00 a.m.: 73

Online Views: 21

Total Giving - \$3,861.73

2024 Per Capita to date – \$5,746.00

2024 Per Capita Budgeted – \$6,000.00

Total Due to Presbytery – \$20,774.00

(2024 Per Capita per member - \$34.00)



The Church Picnic will take place on Sunday, July 14th at 11:30 a.m. at the Wesbury pavilion. Mark your calendars, more information will be coming soon.



The WINS Project is still collecting good clean plastic grocery bags (no wine and spirits bags). Please collect your bags in June, July and August and drop them off in their designated spot across from the church office at the end of August. Thank you!



Summer Worship Hours will be starting on Sunday, May 26 at 10:00 a.m.

WELCOME TO FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 19, 2024

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 Technician** today is Chuck Jones at 11:00 a.m.
- **The Liturgist** today is Ross Feltz.
- **The Greeters** today are Kendra Fischer and Brandi Schutz at 8:30; Kandy Davis, Madalyn Davis, Laurie Jones, and Juanita Shutsa at 11:00 a.m.
- **The Acolytes** today are Molly Schutz at 8:30 a.m.; Carson Hilburn at 11:00 a.m.
- **The Cantor** today is Nancy Smith at 11:00 a.m.
- **The Pianist** today is Lois Kafferlin.

The Chancel Flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in loving memory of Anne Hotchkiss by David Hotchkiss.

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

- † **Friends and members hospitalized, ill, and recovering:** Bonnie Murphy, Joe Shutsa, Marlene Braham, Christianne Marawba, Lydia Marquinez, Virginia Oback, Ruth Cooper, Cathy McKinney, Erin Hart, Marilyn and John Robb, Tom and Cheri McFate, Jeremy Pruskowski, Carol Young, Ginny Burchfield.
- † **Sympathy to Dr. Richard and Anne Turk** on the death of their son, Geoffrey Allan Turk, on May 9.
- † **The concerns of Lake Erie Presbytery this week:** Girard Presbyterian Church and Rev. Nicola Vitiello, Pastor; Rev. David Fugate, Honorably Retired, Validated Ministry Chaplain, Springhill Senior Living.
- † **Members' and Friends' Loved Ones Being Deployed:** Tyler Schmidt, and Shawn Woolstrum.
- † **Service Personnel:** Karalyn Adams, Ben Bartoe, Donald Albaugh, Andrew Hall, Travis Jensen, Kirk Mumau and Kloe Peterson.
- † **"The work at Fairview/Fairmont Family Center."** Staff - Rosanne Sommers, Family Center Director, Emily Seibel, Assistant, and Allegheny Bonner students Azalia and Niyah.
- † **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 (Czech Republic - Along Side Ministry Int.), Medical Benevolence, Living Waters of the World, Presbytery of Redstone, (PA Wee Kirk Conferences), Presbyterian Disaster Relief, Haiti Children (Compassion International), Myoung Ho Yang and Ji Yeon Yoo (Thailand - Payap University), The Carter Foundation, Josh Heikkila (West Africa - PCUSA), Rev. Mark Adams and Miriam Escobar (U.S./Mexican Border - PCUSA), Cindy Corell (Joining Hands Against Hunger, Haiti - PCUSA), Rev. Cathy Chang and Juan Lopez (Migration and Human Trafficking, Philippines - PCUSA), Dr. Larry and Inge Sthresley (Health, Hunger and Malnutrition Programs, Democratic Republic of the Congo - PCUSA).**

In Acts 2:1-13 the Holy Spirit arrives on the day of Pentecost (50 days after Easter), filling the Christians with the Spirit's presence, resulting in the formation of the church.

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 hporter20@yahoo.com. All requests will be kept confidential.



Stephen Ministry: If you have an immediate prayer need, contact the on-call Stephen Minister 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.**



If for some reason you must leave the sanctuary during the 11:00 a.m. worship service, but would still like to watch what's going on, we now have the capability of livestreaming our service via the television in the youth room.



Where's Kevin? Our Music Director is currently on tour with the Allegheny College Choir, which is performing in Oslo tonight after spending the past few days in Copenhagen. **We are grateful to Lois Kafferlin for taking over the Sunday morning duties until Kevin returns to the United States!**



PRAYER SHAWL DISPLAY... It's been a few years since Knit Unto Others displayed prayer shawls in our sanctuary, so we felt it was time to show you our recently completed creations. On June 2, you may view the shawls before and after the church service and chat with members of Knit Unto Others. Many hours of preparation have gone into these shawls including searching for patterns, yarn types and colors. Prayer shawls are prepared for the members of First Presbyterian Church. Requests for a shawl may be directed to either Carol Ann McCall or Kandy Davis or leave a message in the Knit Unto Others mailbox in the Church office.



PNC Update: We continue to analyze different match candidates. We have currently sent 3 requests for matches to apply. At this point in the process, things may slow down some while we look at different candidates and decide if they are a good fit. I appreciate continued prayers and patience through this phase of the process.
Ryan Claspy - Chair



Free Clinic Summer Fundraiser: On June 15th, the same weekend of the Thurston Classic, the Clinic is having a fundraiser at the 4H barn at the Fairgrounds. Vendors are paying a fee to be there, and we want to make their participation profitable for them. The event runs from 11 a.m. until 7:00 p.m. Please call Madalyn Davis at 814-724-2088 if you would like to volunteer.



“Goodbye Winter, So Long Snow! The More You Read This Month, The More You'll Know!!” So, visit our church library and find a good book or DVD. Come In and Check Them Out!!



Outreach Films has opened limited streaming of the first four episodes of Season 4 of *The Chosen* through a church venue. Our church will be showing the episodes during **Adult Sunday School** in the Culbertson Room during the month of May.



Attention graduating seniors both high school and college seniors. PLEASE text Shelly Smith at 814-795-1371 before May 17, 2024. Shelly needs you to contact her. We will be celebrating your achievements on June 2, 2024 at the summer worship service. Please plan to attend this service. (vickiefischer@meadillefpc.org)



Youth Group will have a very busy month. They will be involved in a service/mission project and attend a lock-in on May 25-26th. They will also be assisting with honoring our high school and college graduates. Check Facebook regularly for the details.



Washington D.C. Cultural Diversity Youth Mission Trip: A trip to understand how Christ has called us to love each and every person, and to invite an appreciation of diverse cultures is planned for June 11-15. Youth and chaperones of our church will have the opportunity to visit monuments related to Western Pennsylvania and African American art and culture. Scripture Focus of this trip is “The Golden Rule” (Matthew 7:12). This is a wonderful opportunity for the youth of our church. If you would like to support this trip, please write your check out to *First Presbyterian Church* and write *Washington D.C. Trip* in the memo. Thank you for your generosity.



The **Birthday Offering of Presbyterian Women** was born in 1922 when Hallie Paxson Winsborough challenged members of the Woman's Auxiliary of the Presbyterian Church in the United States to give a penny for each year of her life as a “birthday gift.” Hallie encouraged the women to offer “a penny for every year you have lived, and if that is a secret, bring a dollar!” Over the last century, this offering has provided grants to more than 200 major projects. *Birthday Offering envelopes will be available in the pews during the month of May or you can send a check to the church with “Birthday Offering” written in the memo.* Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



Save the Date! Presbyterian Women are having their year-end luncheon at Venango Valley Inn on Wednesday, June 12, at noon. More details will be in the May Evangel. If you would like to carpool or need picked up to attend the ladies' luncheon on Wednesday, June 12th please let Mary Truran know. Carpooling will meet @ 11:30 in the upper church parking lot. **This is open to all women of the congregation.**



Presbyterian Women are also collecting sample-size shampoo, hand sanitizer, bath gel, lotion and toothpaste for homeless patients who visit the **Free Clinic**. Donations can be placed in the Church Office PW Bin.

Our next Soulstice gathering will be on Wednesday, June 5th at 7:15 p.m. Join us in the downstairs chapel for a time of music, prayer, and silence. This will be our final gathering before our Summer break.