

DEACONS' DIAPER DRIVE

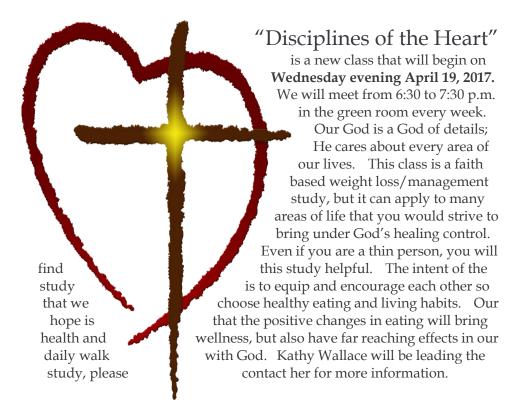
Did you know that low-income families face a "diaper loophole?"

That's because food stamps can't be used to purchase diapers. WIC benefits for mothers and babies don't come with diapers. Medicaid doesn't cover them, either! It's estimated that an adequate supply of diapers can cost a family nearly \$1,000 per child each year. As a result, diaper-buying families in the lowest income bracket can spend nearly 14% of their after-tax income on diapers!

A shortage of diapers can have health consequences, too. Babies exposed to soiled diapers for too long develop very severe rashes which can cause pain. Some babies develop infections. Moms get stressed when they can't adequately provide the diapers their children need.

The Deacons would like to help! We've decided to hold a diaper drive from now through the end of June. The diapers will be given to our local LEADS center; they also share with the Baby Pantry in Hebron. We are asking the congregation to donated diapers – any brand, any size. Please help us close the "loophole" for our local families in need.

See our display and collection area at the ground level entry! Thank you in advance for your support!



APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Fred Goldstein
- 3 Claudia Johnston, Rob Kosch, Jeff Ladd
- 5 Connor Zeller
- 6 Mike Slaymaker, Jennifer & Jeff Ladd
- 7 Melanie Goldstein
- 9 Judy Baird, Laura Kimble, Jon & Karen Davis
- 10 Paul Ray Hammond, Jr.
- 17 Jennifer Ladd
- 18 Dora Lee Askoff, Avery Wildman
- 19 Pam Parkinson
- 23 Anne Nixon
- 26 Donald Crawford
- 28 Kennedy Wildman



PRAYER LIST: (New prayers should be given to Denise in the Church Office.)

- PRAISE for Linda Deming (Joyce Mathews' Sister) for 1st year since her kidney transplant! She and her donor are <u>both</u> doing well!
- PRAISE for Bobby Lutz (Karen Johnston's brother) cancer-free and will be coming to visit Karen in late April!
- **Kathleen Bender** (Jamie Bowlby's Aunt) had open-heart surgery and there complications with blood clots that put her in ICU;
- Karen Cruse recovering from shoulder replacement surgery;
- Larry Farley (The Lords' friend) back at Riverside with infection;
- **Jerry Joyner** (Dee Spaulding's brother-in-law), poor health;
- **Anna Jane Justice** (Kathy Wallace's Mother) who is now in hospice care in her home;
- Tony Kohler (Joyce Mathews' friend) knee replacement surgery;
- Logan, infection from strep throat led to stroke / brain surgery;
- **Bob Lutz** (Karen Johnston's brother) broke his ankle/now home but is in a lot of pain;
- Susan Lutz (Karen Johnston's sister-in-law) lump on kidney / to undergo testing for cancer;
- Sally Seiberling, recovering from surgery;
- Isaac Solove (Jamie Bowlby's nephew) needs prayer & guidance;
- **Jon Thom** (Dan Beckner's friend) diagnosed with cancer;
- **Tom Wandersleben** (Eric's Brother) battling pneumonia.
- Mrs. Wandersleben (Eric's Mother) not feeling well / hospitalized;
- **Sympathies to the McCulley Family** (Kathy Russo's friend) in the loss of Harold Lee McCulley;
- Sympathies to the Family of Sara Beiler (Linda Glenn's Family) a wife, Mother and Grandmother who died suddenly;

Church Family & Friends with Cancer

Janice Hammond (Betty Gieseck's Sister-In-Law), breast cancer;

Darlie Hart (Dick Lord's Sister) breast cancer;

Doris Laughlin stomach cancer;

Jane Wildman (Wildman's grandmother) lung cancer;

Gordon Woodring (Sarah Wolfe's friend) kidney cancer;

Church & Family Members at Home/Care Centers

Connie & Victor DeRose, Howard Efaw, Faye Hammond, Claudia Johnston, Anne Nixon, Billie Ritchey

Old First Church News - April 2, 2017

Childcare offered 9:30 – Noon in the Lower Level Nursery. If you are visiting today, we thank you for your visit and hope you enjoy the "Welcome Packet" provided by our Church Greeter.

Please call the Office or an Elder for any prayer needs and emergencies. Call the office at 740-927-4796 and leave a message for changes in the weekly prayer list, updates or announcements. PLEASE NOTE: Assisted Listening Devices are available in the Sanctuary during Worship. If you need instructions, please see the Greeter.

After Worship, please join us in Fellowship Hall, for coffee & light refreshments!



Weekly Calendar of Events:

SUNDAY: Sunday School 9:30 a.m. / Worship at 10:45 a.m. Confirmation Classes at 9:30 a.m. through Easter 2017
Table Take With Jesus (w/ Jim Boggs) at 1 - 2 p.m.

MONDAY: Clogging, 7:30-8:30 p.m.

TUESDAY: Cub Scout Pack #4021 (2nd & 4th Tuesdays), 6 - 8 p.m.

WEDS: Karate Class, 6:30-8 p.m. - Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.

Illumin8 Youth Gathering – Every Other Wednesday, 6 – 8 p.m.

Thy Will Be Done (w/ Rev. Jen) at 10 a.m. / Dinner at 6 p.m. Thy Will Be Done (w/ Kathy Wallace) 6:30-7:30 p.m.

THURS: Girl Scout Troop #386, 5:30 – 9:00 p.m. (Every week)

*** SPECIAL CALENDAR DATES ***

- Deacons Annual Baked Potato Bar TODAY after Worship
- Session Meeting Tuesday, April 11 7:30 p.m.
- Deacon's Meeting Sunday, April 16 10:15 a.m.

A BIG THANK YOU to Ken & Joyce Mathews and our beloved work crew for all of your hard work in and around the church! Please take a minute to look at the fresh paint, wall repair and organization in the lower foyer and all the way up to the upper restroom area! Looks great!

Giving Totals for Sunday, March 26, 2017

Bereans \$3 Choir Fund \$100 Deacons \$30 Flowers \$26 Missions: Jesus S.H. \$75 / United Way \$100 Plate \$1,656

Past Attendance & PLATE Offering - Budget needs \$3,700 weekly

3/5: 50/\$4,795 3/12: 61/\$2,941 3/19: 50/\$2,617 3/26: 48/\$1,656

Our Church at Worship First Presbyterian Church of Pataskala Communion Sunday – April 2, 2017 – 10:45 a.m.

Gathering of God's People

Ringing of the Steeple Bell

Welcome: Welcome in the name of Jesus Christ!

May each one of us find great joy and spiritual renewal as we worship tighter today.

Greeting and Sharing God's Peace

As God has greeted us with his peace, so let us pass the peace of Christ to each other.

Announcements (Also See Old First News Bulletin Insert) **Ritual of Friendship** (Please sign & pass the black pew pads) **Prelude**

Choral Introit
Call to Worship

Leader: I will bless the Lord at all times;

his praise shall continually be in my mouth.

People: My soul makes its boast in the Lord;

let the humble hear and be glad.

Leader: O magnify the Lord with me,

and let us exalt his name together.

People: I sought the Lord, and he answered me,

and delivered me from all my fears.

Leader: O taste and see that the Lord is good; People: happy are those who take refuge in him

*Hymn of Praise No.194: "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

*Prayer of Confession:

Lord, sometimes our lives have such little focus: we have so much to do; we possess so much stuff; we're driven by the need for still more—and it easily seems to control us.

We're sorry, Lord, for how distracted we've become and for losing our way without even realizing it.

Forgive us and help us to know that you are the only one we need. Amen.

*Responsive Assurance of Pardon

Isaiah 53:1, 4-5

Leader: Who has believed what we have heard?

And to whom has the arm of the Lord been revealed?

People: Surely he has borne our infirmities

and carried our diseases; yet we account him stricken, struck down by God and afflicted.

Leader: But he was wounded for our transgressions,

crushed for our iniquities;

upon him was the punishment that made us whole,

People: and by his bruises we are healed.

*Gloria Patri / Response No. 546:

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be world without end. Amen, Amen.

Proclamation of God's Word

Children's Message

By Jamie Bowlby

Anthem: "I Surrender All"Arr. Moses Hogan

Scripture Reading *Isaiah 53: 1-6 and Matthew 27: 27-31*

Sermon By The Rev. Dr. Jennifer L. Turick

"Via Dolorosa: Blasphemy in a Barrack"

*Hymn of Response (See Insert): "Father, I Adore You"

*Affirmation of Faith:

Do nothing from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility regard others as better than yourselves. Let each of you look not to your own interests, but to the interests of others. Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death—even death on a cross.

Response to God's Word

Call to Stewardship

Offertory

*Doxology: Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below; Praise Him above, ye heavenly host, Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Unison Prayer of Dedication

Almighty God, giver of every good and perfect gift, teach us to render to you all that we have and all that we are, that we may praise you, not with our lips only, but with our whole lives, turning the duties, the sorrow, and the joys of all our days into a living sacrifice to you, through our Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Choral Response

Communion Anthem: "In Remembrance"Allen Koepke

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Prayer of Consecration

Fellowship of the Communion Meal

Unison Prayer of Thanksgiving

God of unfailing love, in your holy mysteries you have graciously fed us with the body and blood of your dear Son. We pray that we and all who faithfully receive him may grow together in the communion of the body of Christ and finally attain to the glory of the resurrection, through Christ, our Lord. **Amen**

Go Out as God's People in the World

*Closing Hymn No.198: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross"

*Benediction

*Choral Response

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April 2, 2017

FOR PASTORAL CARE, PLEASE CALL: Rev. Jennifer Turick at 740-739-1109 or 740-927-4796. For immediate needs, prayer or counsel – call a church elder.



CHURCH STAFF

Minister: The Rev. Dr. Jennifer L. Turick The Rev. Dr. Richard Ellsworth, Parish Associate

Secretary: Denise Metzger Kelling Organist: Dr. Thomas Veregge Choir Director: Thomas Kimble Custodian: Tim Klinker

Nursery Attendant: Linda Flowers