



DEACONS' DIAPER DRIVE

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

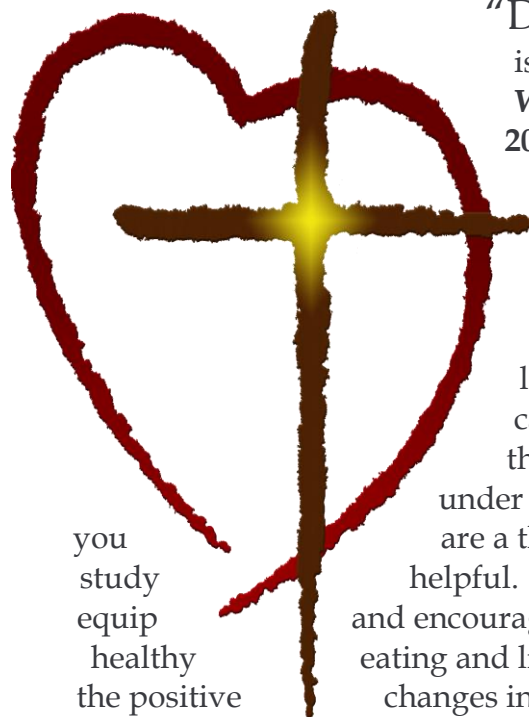
That's because food stamps can't be used to purchase diapers. WIC benefits for mothers and babies don't come with diapers. Medicaid doesn't cover them, either! It's estimated that an adequate supply of diapers can cost a family nearly \$1,000 per child each year. As a result, diaper-buying families in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

A shortage of diapers can have health consequences. 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 donate 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!**

PLEASE NOTE: When making out your offering checks, please use blue or black ink only. Our bank, Huntington National, has asked us to do this because their reader cannot read reds, pinks or other light colored inks. And, for your **One Great Hour of Sharing fish banks** - we need to have your name and/or envelope number so that we can adequately give you credit for the donation. **Thank you so much for your cooperation and for your giving hearts!**



you study equip healthy the positive wellness, but walk with God.

"Disciplines of the Heart" is a new class that will begin on **Wednesday evening April 19, 2017.** We will meet from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. in the green room every week. Our God is a God of details; He cares about every area of our lives. This class is a faith based weight loss/management study, but it can apply to many areas of life that you would strive to bring under God's healing control. Even if you are a thin person, you will find this helpful. The intent of the study is to and encourage each other so that we choose eating and living habits. Our hope is that changes in eating will bring health and also have far reaching effects in our daily life. Kathy Wallace will be leading the study, please contact her for more information.

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.)

- **Kathleen Bender** (Jamie Bowlby's Aunt) had open-heart surgery and there complications with blood clots that put her in ICU;
- **Leslie Crawford & Family**, please pray for Leslie's brother who is having pace-maker problems/infection with high temp / for her Mother who had a stroke / for her Father who is back in the nursing home and has taken a couple falls / and for Leslie who is the one running back and forth to PA taking care of everything;
- **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;
- **Tony Kohler** (Joyce Mathews' friend) knee replacement surgery;
- **Logan**, infection from strep throat led to stroke / brain surgery;
- **Bob Lutz** (Karen Johnston's brother) broken ankle/now home;
- **Susan Lutz** (Karen Johnston's sis.-in-law) lump on kidney/testing;
- **Friends of Celler O'Toole: Carolyn M.** has new diagnosis of metastasized lung cancer; **Ron** has complications after shoulder surgery, unable to move right arm, admitted to hospital; and **Bill and Susan L.** - awaiting test result for pancreatic cancer for Bill, recovering from spinal surgery for Susan;
- **Marjorie Rensch**, now home after a brief hospital stay / testing;
- **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,

Anna Jane Justice, Claudia Johnston, Anne Nixon, Billie Ritchey

Old First Church News - April 9, 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 *****

- Session Meeting - Tuesday, April 11 - 7:30 p.m.
- Maundy Thursday - Thursday, April 13 - 7 p.m. -- Communion
- Deacon's Meeting - Sunday, April 16 - 10:15 a.m.
- Easter Brunch - Sunday, April 16 - 8:30 a.m. / Worship - 10:45 a.m.
- Friday, April 21 - Boggs-Witt Wedding Rehearsal Dinner (set-up)
- Saturday, April 22 - Julie Boggs & Jack Witt Wedding Day
- Berean's Meeting - Thursday, April 27 - Noon

Giving Totals for Sunday, April 9, 2017

Deacons \$87 Flowers \$32 Missions: Codex \$200

Rentals \$420 **Plate \$3,635**

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

3/12: 61/\$2,941 3/19: 50/\$2,617 3/26: 48/\$1,656 4/2: 62/\$3,635

Our Church at Worship
First Presbyterian Church of Pataskala
Palm Sunday - April 9, 2017

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: "Les Rameaux" *Jean-Baptiste Faure*

Choral Introit

Call to Worship *— based on Luke 13:34; 19:38*

Leader: People of God, be gathered together!
People: **Like a hen with her brood beneath her wings,
God has brought us together!**
Leader: People of God, await Christ's coming!
People: **Blessed is the one who comes
in the name of the Lord of heaven!**

***Hymn of Praise No. 185:** "Hosanna, Loud Hosanna"

***Prayer of Confession:** Loving God, you rode a donkey and came in peace, humbled yourself and gave yourself for us. We confess our lack of humility. As you entered Jerusalem, the crowds shouted "Hosanna: 'Save us now!'" On Good Friday they shouted "Crucify!" We confess our praise is often empty. We sing "Hosanna," but cry "Crucify." As the crowd laid their palms in front of you, you took no glory for yourself. We confess that we want to be accepted and take the easy way. We do not stay true to your will. Forgive us, Lord, and help us to follow in the way of obedience. **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 Chuck Long*

Anthem: "Fanfare For Palm Sunday" *Katherine K. Davis*

Scripture Readings *Zechariah 9: 9-13 and Matthew 21: 1-13*

Sermon *By The Rev. Dr. Richard Ellsworth*
"The King Nobody Wanted"

***Hymn of Response No. 188:** "Ride On! Ride on in Majesty!"

***Affirmation of Faith:**

This is the good news that we have received,
In which we stand and by which we are saved.
Christ died for our sins, was buried,
Was raised on the third day,
And appeared first to the women,
Then to Peter and the Twelve,
And then to many faithful witnesses.
We believe that Jesus is the Christ,
The Anointed One of God,
The firstborn of all creation,
The firstborn from the dead,
In whom all things hold together,
In whom the fullness of God was pleased to dwell
By the power of the Spirit.
Christ is the head of the body, the Church,
And by the blood of the cross reconciles all things to God. Amen.

Response to God's Word

Call to Stewardship

Offertory: "Take up Your Cross, the Savior Said" *Johann Walther*

***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.

Prayer of Dedication

God of Love,
As in Jesus Christ you gave yourself to us,
So may we give ourselves to you.
Whatever you may do with me, I thank you.
Into your hands of love we place ourselves
and all that we have and are.

Sharing of Joys and Concerns of the Congregation

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us
our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the
kingdom and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

Go Out as God's People in the World

***Closing Hymn No. 187:** "All Glory, Laud, and Honor"

***Benediction**

***Choral Response**



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Palm Sunday – April 9, 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