

"Daily Thoughts" are now on Facebook – Please check out our Facebook Page for daily thoughts & Scriptures for yourself and to share with family and friends! Here is a sample:



Thoughts from Psalm 52:
Why do you boast all day long, you who are a disgrace in the eyes of God? Your tongue plots destruction; it is like a sharpened razor, you who practice deceit.

You love evil rather than good, falsehood rather than speaking the truth. You love every harmful word, O you deceitful tongue! Surely God will bring you down to everlasting ruin. But I am like an olive tree flourishing in the house of God; I trust in God's unfailing love for ever and ever. I will praise you forever for what you have done; in our name I will hope, for your name is good. I will praise you in the presence of your saints.

Holy God, Let me boast in nothing but you! Let me be quick to listen and slow to speak. With the tongue we praise you and we curse men who have been made in your likeness. Out of the same mouth come praise and cursing, this should not be! Can both fresh water and salt water flow from the same spring? Can a fig tree bear olives, or a grapevine bear figs? Neither can a salt spring produce fresh water. (*James 3:9-12*) Let me hear my own words and be offended by their slander, so that I will surrender my tongue unto your control. Let me see that my false, harsh, unthinking, mean words cut others like a razor. They hurt as much as a physical blow. Take every word of gossip away from me! Let my words be gentle and true; sometimes these words will hurt others as well, but let them build up your kingdom, not tear it down. Father, start with control of my words, other disciplines of the heart will follow, so that I may grow and flourish like an olive tree in your house. I will praise you forever for what you have done.

You alone are my hope! Amen

STREET FAIR is COMING SOON AND WE NEED YOUR HELP!



Here is a list of items we need for Street Fair 2017

Please donate your time!

SIGN-UP SHEETS are in fellowship hall after church each Sunday, and / or you can donate any of the items listed below:

- CASH: Make checks payable to the church with Street Fair donation listed on the notation line.
- DRINKS: Water, Pepsi/Diet, Coke/Diet, Mt. Dew, Dr. Pepper/Diet, Sprite, 7-UP, A&W Root Beer/Diet
PLEASE NO OTHER KINDS OF POP!
- PIES: Apple, Apple Crumb, Cherry, Blueberry, Peach, or any other type of fruit, Rhubarb, and Pecan.
Please NO CUSTARD TYPE PIES, Like Pumpkin / No Strawberry
- BROWNIES: With or without nuts / No icing, please!

CHICKEN BROTH

College Inn and Swanson have the best flavor for our purposes, but other brands will help. But please buy the large size cans.

All donations may be left in the kitchen, but please attach a note to hold for street fair.

If you have any questions please contact
Betty Gieseck or Sarah Wolfe

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

- **Sympathies to Anna Jane Justice & Bays Families** (Anna Jane is Kathy Wallace's 95 yr. old Mother) Anna Jane's youngest brother, Floyd Bays died suddenly Friday, June 30;
- **Sympathies to the family of Gordon Woodring** (Sarah Wolfe's friend) who passed away June 28th at home with family;
- **Our Pastor Jen and her healthy return to us!**
- **Dora Lee Askoff**, has a fracture in her back after a recent fall;
- **Courtney Carroll** (Natalie Wildman's friend) leukemia / bone-marrow transplant;
- **Pam Coldren** (Karen Johnston's friend) having heart issues;
- **Russel Cook** (Kathy Russo's friend) recovering from ulcer;
- **Bruce DeHart** (Mat & Sherri Mauger's Bro-In-Law) bladder cancer;
- **James Effinger** (Tiffanie Chalfant's friend) heart & knee problems;
- **Ronald Farioli** (Leslie Crawford's brother) pacemaker re-inserted;
- **Praises for Grace Halsey** (Jim Charles' Sister) home & doing well!
- **Janet Horner** (Tom Johnston's niece) hospitalized in ICU; Heart / lung issues / neurological issues;
- **Gayle Joyner** (Dee Spaulding's Sister), recovering after fall;
- **Jerry Joyner** (Dee Spaulding's brother-in-law), poor health;
- **Phil Kourim** (Jamie Bowlby's brother) recovering from a stroke;
- **Don Kristoff**, late stage lung cancer;
- **Bob Lutz** (Karen Johnston's brother) colon & blood pressure issues;
- **Susan Lutz** (Karen Johnston's sis.-in-law) lump on kidney/testing;
- **Jon Thom** (Dan Beckner's friend) diagnosed with cancer;
- **Jane Wandersleben** (Ava & Katie's Grandma) back in the hospital;

Church Family & Friends with Cancer

Bruce DeHart (Mat & Sherri Mauger's Brother-In-Law)
Janice Hammond (Betty Gieseck's Sister-In-Law);

Church & Family Members at Home/Care Centers

Connie & Victor DeRose, Howard Efaw, Faye Hammond,
Anna Jane Justice, Claudia Johnston, Anne Nixon

Please Note that the new "FPC Friends & Family" Directory" is finished and available at the back of the Sanctuary.

DIRECTORY CORRECTIONS:

Sherri Mauger's CELL: 614-579-4226
Mat Mauger's CELL: 614-832-2655

Old First Church News - July 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.

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

TUESDAY: Cub Scouts on Summer Break

THURS: Illumin8 Youth Gathering - Every Week, 6 - 8 p.m.

***** SPECIAL CALENDAR DATES *****

- Berean's Meeting - Thursday, July 27 at Noon / Fellowship Hall

Giving Totals for Sunday - July 9, 2017

CHF/VBS \$267	Deacons \$30	Missions \$700	Plate \$2,147
<i>Past Attendance & PLATE Offering - Budget needs \$3,700 weekly</i>			
6/18: 55/\$2,665	6/25: 49/\$2,133	7/2: 41/\$3,993	7/9: /\$2,147

JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Sara Lee Etter
- 3 *Ken & Joyce Mathews*
- 8 Jo Ellen Askoff-Nesteruk
- 10 Norma Kraft
- 12 Marjorie Rensch
- 13 Susan Baird-Rawls, Sandra Baird-Gundler
- 17 Nancy Lord, *Tom & Claudia Johnston*
- 22 Elise Conrad, Howard Efaw
- 25 Shirley Beckner
- 27 Frank Gieseck, Jr.,
- 31 *Richard & Sue Gualtieri*



Our Church at Worship
First Presbyterian Church of Pataskala – July 16, 2017

Gathering of God's People

Ringing of the Steeple Bell

Welcome: *Fill our worship with grace, Lord Jesus Christ,
that every thought, word, and deed may be acceptable to you,
our Rock and our Redeemer. Amen.*

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

*Call to Worship *Psalm 119*

Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path.

**Accept my offerings of praise, O Lord, and teach me your
ordinances.**

Your decrees are my heritage forever; they are the joy of my heart.

**I incline my heart to perform your statutes forever, even
unto the end.**

Let us worship God

*Hymn of Praise No. 368: "My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less"

*Prayer of Confession: Sometimes, Loving God, we do not know what to confess. We seek to keep your law, but the right course is not always clear. We want to follow your direction, but it is hard to discern what is true. Sometimes it is difficult to care about people whose values are different from ours. How can we be one with those who do not share our beliefs? At times, our own faith is shaken – our faith in ourselves and our faith in you. We need your help, God, so our sins will not have dominion over us. Send a fresh word of faith to us, that it may spring forth and produce faithfulness. In Christ's name we pray. Amen.

*Assurance of Pardon

Psalm 145:13-14

The Lord is faithful in all his words,
and gracious in all his deeds.

The Lord upholds all who are falling,
and raises up all who are bowed down.

*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 Genie Dixon

Old Testament Lesson

Isaiah 55:6-13

Gospel Lesson

Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

Sermon: "The Sower"

By The Rev. Gary Brose

*Hymn of Response No. 338: "He Leadeth Me: O Blessed Thought!"

*Affirmation of Faith

The Nicene Creed, -- Modern English

**We believe in one God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven
and earth, and of all things visible and invisible; And in one Lord
Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father
before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, Very God of Very
God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by
whom all things were made; who for us, and for our salvation, came
down from heaven, and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the
Virgin Mary, and was made man, and was crucified also for us under
Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried, and the third day He
rose again according to the Scriptures, and ascended into heaven, and
sits at the right hand of the Father. And He shall come again with
glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom shall
have no end. And we believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and Giver
of Life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the
Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified, who spoke
by the prophets. And we believe one holy catholic* and apostolic
Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the remission of sins.
And we look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the
world to come. Amen.**

* "catholic" means God's mercy extends through the church to all peoples in the world

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.

Prayer of Dedication for Offering

Lord God, thank you for the blessings
you have given us year after year.
Help us to wisely use the time you have given us.
Lead us, while we remain here on earth,
to serve you through all the people around us
who are in need.
Amen.

Sharing of JOYS and CONCERNS of the CONGREGATION

Pastoral Prayer

The Lord's Prayer in Unison

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. 379:** "Come, Thou Fount of Every Blessing"

*Benediction

*Postlude

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CHURCH STAFF

Minister: The Rev. Dr. Jennifer L. Turick
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State Supply Pastor: The Rev. Gary Brose
Choir Director: Thomas Kimble
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Organist: Dr. Thomas Veregge Secretary: Denise Kelling
Today's Elder Assisting: Thomas Kimble
Guest Pianist: Angie Klinker