



We are pleased to tell you the Deacons are coordinating a Food Drive program with the Second Presbyterian Church of Newark and the Outville Presbyterian Church.

The event, scheduled for TODAY,

**September 24, 2017 – 2 to 4 p.m.**, is a LifeLine Meal Planning project. (The time will be determined). Each year the program has the privilege of involving thousands of people in this family friendly, hands-on project. People love this program because they are able to be the hands and feet of Jesus by doing something tangible for someone in need. It's like going on a mission trip without leaving the country, and it's also a perfect event to engage groups of all ages. We will be packing a specially formulated, fast cooking rice based combination of vitamins, soy, dehydrated vegetables and other nutrients that provide in one serving about 75% of a child's daily requirement for a healthy diet. The current per meal cost is \$0.22 (with each bag being 6 meals). That price pays for all of the ingredients, bags, boxes AND shipping to our location in Haiti!

On the 24th, we'll be heading to Newark (details about how and when we'll travel will be forthcoming) to help pack food. Mark your calendars to join us for an afternoon of food packing. For more information, feel free to ask any Deacon or you can check it out online at <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=IAIKcOuReRU>

### SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

- 3 *Jeff & Tami Conrad*
- 6 Nancy Stehno
- 9 Linda Glenn
- 11 Sawyer (Chalfant) Weinhold
- 12 Heather Gardner, Parker Wildman
- 13 Jeremy Goldstein
- 15 Sherri Mauger
- 17 Celler O'Toole
- 19 Mike Lightle
- 24 Dean Buri
- 25 *Leigh Ann & David Zeller*
- 28 *Mark & Patsy Kraft*



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

- Sympathies to the Wandersleben Family on the loss of Eric's Mother, Jane Wandersleben who passed away Thurs., August 31 after a long illness – arrangements pending;
- Sympathies to the family of Janet Horner (Tom Johnston's niece) who passed on 8/23 in a Pittsburgh hospital; now at peace with The Lord!
- Jo Boggs (Jim Boggs' Mother), fell and broke her hip which led to a hip replacement / recovering at Altercare in Canal Winchester;
- Courtney Carroll (Natalie Wildman's friend) leukemia/transplant;
- John Conrad (Tami Conrad's Father-In-Law, Elise & Anna's Grandpa) had a brain bleed last week & went in for brain surgery and is now recovering / hoping & praying for full recovery;
- Dena (Wandersleben's friend) Melanoma / highly aggressive;
- James Effinger (Tiffanie Chalfant's friend) heart & knee problems;
- Chris Farley (Requested by Winston Page), cancer;
- Craig Howland (Sarah Wolfe's friend) recovering from heart bypass;
- Hurricane Harvey & Irma Victims;
- Brenda Jenkins (Pat Landis' friend) kidney issues;
- Karen Johnston – heading back to Florida in November!
- 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;
- **Sympathies the family of Granny Laura (Karen Johnston's Florida friend) who passed away Friday, Sept. 15 / Memorial in the Fall;**
- Dick Lord, doing well after 6 stents in his left leg, but sore!
- Ken Merrill (Tom Veregge's friend of 45 years) cancer;
- Rev. Paul Meyers (Karen J.'s friend) pneumonia in both lungs;
- Wanda Neudorfer Pack (Linda Glenn's friend) discouraging results from tests following chemo & radiation for cancer / Wanda's son lives in Huston – his home wasn't flooded, but surrounded by water and then a few days ago he fell and broke his leg. Unable to see a specialist for several days afterwards because of the local flooding;
- Jane Wildman (Wildman Girls' Grandma) cancer has spread to other lung / resuming chemotherapy;

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#### Church Family & Friends with Cancer

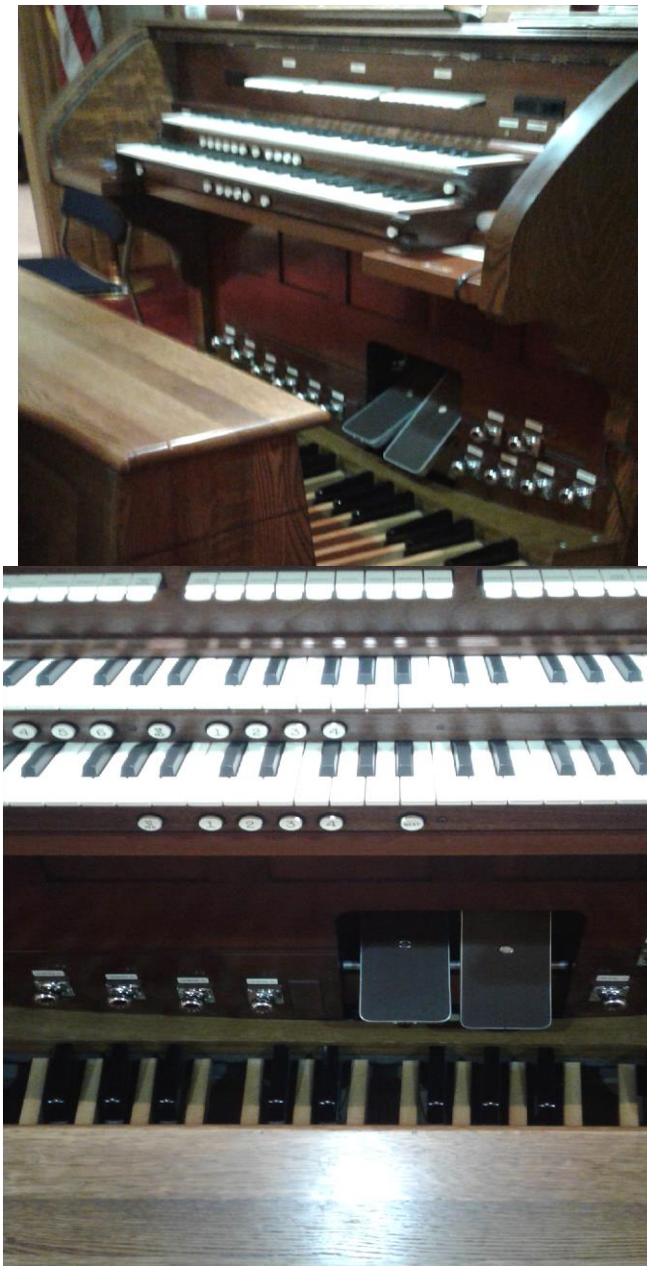
Bruce DeHart, Janice Hammond, Jon Thom

#### Church & Family Members at Home/Care Centers

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

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# The Pipe Organ Repair is Completed!



## Old First Church News September 24, 2017

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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.

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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.

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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.  
Cub Scout Pack #4021, (2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays), 6-8 p.m.  
WEDS: Karate Class, 6:30 to 8 p.m. – Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.  
Illumin8 & Adult Bible Study – Every other Week, 6–8 p.m.  
THURSDAY: Girl Scout Troop #386, 6 – 9 p.m. (Every Week)

### \*\*\* SPECIAL CALENDAR DATES \*\*\*

- Congregation Meeting – TODAY AFTER WORSHIP, Sept. 24
- Berean Meeting – Thursday, September 28 at Noon

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### Giving Totals for Sunday – September 17, 2017

Deacons \$25 (ABC Food Lifeline) Missions \$200, Codex  
Organ Fund \$100 Rental Proceeds \$1,975 Plate \$3,080.17

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

8/27: 50/\$2,232.17 9/3: 50/\$5,523.49 9/10: 61/\$1,614 9/17: 44/\$3,080.17

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The Session has called a CONGREGATIONAL MEETING  
for TODAY, September 24, immediately following the  
worship service, for the purpose of approving the  
financial terms of dissolution with Rev. Turick.

# Worship for the Lord's Day

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m.    Sept. 24, 2017    Worship, 10:45 a.m.

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## 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)*

### ORGAN PRELUDE: "Andante Cantabile (Symphony IV)"

*Charles Marie Widor*

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

*Psalm 130*

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice.

Let your ears be attentive to the voice of my supplications!

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand?

But there is forgiveness with you, so that you may be revered.

I wait for the Lord, and in your word I put my hope.

My soul waits for the Lord more than those who watch for the morning.

Let us worship God!

\*Hymn of Praise No. 15: "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above"

### \*PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Loving God, You have shown yourself to us in Jesus, perfect in every way, compassionate and kind, faithful and loving, gracious, hospitable, open. While you direct us to follow in his way and embrace the qualities that marked his life, we confess that we have stumbled and fallen. Our sins are real, and they are many. Have mercy on us. Forgive our failings. Encourage us to start again, trusting that what we have seen in Jesus is true, and nothing, not even our sin, can separate us from your love.

### \*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

The saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. He himself bore our sins in his body on the cross, that we might be dead to sin and alive to all that is good.

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel:

**In Jesus Christ we are forgiven!**

### \*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 Tom Johnston*

### ANTHEM: "Change My Heart Lord, Be Glorified"

*Espinosa / Kilpatrick*

### SCRIPTURE

*Jonah 3:10-4:11 and Matthew 20:1-16*

### SERMON: "That's not fair!"

*By The Rev. Gary Brose*

### \*Hymn of Response No. 110 (First Tune):

*"There's a Wideness in God's Mercy"*

### \*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

*(Confession of 1967)*

We believe that in Jesus of Nazareth, true humanity was realized once for all. Jesus, a Palestinian Jew, lived among his own people and shared human needs, temptations, joys and sorrows. He expressed the love of God in word and deed and became a brother to all kinds of sinful people. In giving himself for them, he took upon himself the judgment under which all people stand convicted. We believe that God raised him from the dead, vindicating him as Messiah and Lord. The victim of sin became victor, and won the victory over sin and death for all.

## Response to God's Word

### CALL TO STEWARDSHIP

OFFERTORY: "Blessed are the Faithful Souls" *Johannes Brahms*

\*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. 358: "God of Grace and God of Glory"

\*Benediction

\*POSTLUDE: "Postlude in C" *Arthur Whiting*

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FOR PASTORAL CARE, PLEASE CALL:  
The Rev. Gary Brose at 513-260-8230



Matthew 20:1-16

### CHURCH STAFF

Stated Supply Pastor: The Rev. Gary Brose  
Custodian: Tim Klinker  
Nursery Attendant: Linda Flowers  
Organist: Dr. Thomas Veregge  
Secretary: Denise Kelling  
September's Elder Assisting: Mrs. Sally Kean