

CUBA NEEDS for April 2018

TRIP DATES: April 4 – April 13

DESTINATIONS: Camajuani & (possibly Remedios)
(Stan & Adelle Tinon can be reached at 740-403-1854)

Because of weight and space limitations, we must accept only NEW and LIKE NEW items.

2 SUITCASES (larger than carry-on size): to be left in Cuba along with all contents (PLEASE no mold or mildew odor)

SCHOOL & OFFICE SUPPLIES:

- * pocket folders (with paper fasteners inside to secure the papers)
- * lined notebook paper
- * pencil sharpeners
- * new pens and pencils

MEDICINE / FIRST AID SUPPLIES:

- * Band-Aids & wound supplies
- * antibiotic & hydrocortisone cream/ointment
- * pain relievers (adult & children's Tylenol, low dose aspirin, ibuprofen, naproxen sodium)
- * vitamins (especially children's & pre-natal)

TOILET ARTICLES:

- * deodorant
- * hand lotion & body butter
- * tooth paste & tooth brushes, dental floss
- * soap

MISCELLANEOUS:

- * individually wrapped chocolates/candy bars – mini size only (a rare treat they LOVE!)

SPECIFIC REQUESTS THIS TRIP:

- * a desk stapler & staples
- * solder (for electrical connections)
- * a hot glue gun and glue sticks
- * glass tint (to cut down heat & glare on car windows)
- * pistol type soldering iron
- * micro SD cards
- * good quality electrical tape
- * Large size cable ties

All of these items are typically not available in Cuba for any price. If they can be found, the cost is prohibitive. The average Cuban's disposable income is roughly \$8.00 per month. A quart of bottled water costs approximately \$1.00.

A sandwich in a restaurant costs about \$3.00 - \$4.00.



MARCH 25 at 10:45 A.M.
Easter Egg Hunt
Following Worship



MAUNDY
Thursday

MARCH 29
at 7 P.M.
Communion
Served



APRIL 1 – Sunrise Service & Brunch
in Fellowship Hall, 8:00 a.m.
Sanctuary Traditional Service, 10:45 a.m.

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

- **Praise!** Amber Springer (Mother of Rhian & Payton) has just returned from deployment.
- **Praises for Furman Tinon** (Stan Tinon's Father) is now home with better pain meds and physical rehab with Home health care set up to assist with care; Best of all, we received a report that a pastor Furman has known for years visited him and has led him to the Lord.
- **Praise for June Conrad** (Tami's Mother-In-Law) who is back in her own home now after improvements are completed and managing very well.
- **Jim Hess** (Hungerford's friend) pancreatic cancer has spread throughout;
- **Shelby Mullins** (Kathy Wallace's friend) 16 yrs. old, blood clot in leg;
- **Steve & Angie O'Toole** (David's brother & his wife) recovering from flu;
- **O'Toole Family** (Kenny, Steve, Angie, Sherrie, Tammy and Randy) all are in need of prayer right now;
- **Paula Redden** (Jamie Bowlby's friend) hospitalized with flue/pneumonia;
- **Aryanna Thompson** (Tiffanie Chalfant's friend) pancreatitis;
- **Rev. Jennifer Turick**; feeling very isolated and lonely;
- **Anthony Violi** (Joyce Mathews' Father), age 99, no surgery at this time – now here in Pataskala with Joyce & Ken recovering and healing;
- **Please pray for Roger Woods** who will have the third surgery on the same knee, 3/14 early morning for non-healing fracture.

Church Family & Friends with Cancer

Bruce DeHart, Chris Farley, Wanda N. Pack, Jon Thom, Jane Wildman

Church & Family Members at Home/Care Centers

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

MARCH BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

1 Victor DeRose, Pat Morrison	3 Melanie Smith-Lincoln
10 Chris Crawford, Richard Gualtieri	
11 Beth Vanko	13 Alaina Dixon, Dee Spaulding
14 Beverly Hammond	15 Kim Lightle
18 Mike Bowlby, Ava Wandersleben	23 Joyce Mathews
27 Catherine Baird, Brian Ladd	
29 Brian & Genie Dixon, Larry & Diana Mock	
30 Brian Dixon	31 Betty Gieseck

If you have a change of address or new email, please let Denise know in the church office. Your email address would be used for emergency notifications, such as church being cancelled due to weather, etc.

Olde First News – March 18, 2018

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.
Cub Scout Pack #4021, (Every Monday), 6-8 p.m.
WEDS: Karate Class, 6:30 to 8 p.m. – Choir Practice, 7:30 p.m.
Illumin8 & Adult Bible Study – Every Week, 6–8 p.m.
THURSDAY: Girl Scout Troop #386, 6 – 9 p.m. (Every Week)

UPCOMING SPECIAL DATES:

Potato Bar Fellowship – TODAY, March 18, following Worship
Next Berean's Meeting – Thursday, March 22 at Noon
Palm Sunday / Easter Egg Hunt – Next Sunday, March 25
Easter Sunrise Service – Sunday, April 1 at 8:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall
Traditional Easter Service – Sunday, April 1 at 10:45 a.m. in Sanctuary



DEACONS' BAKED POTATO BAR TODAY

During Fellowship Hour

Donations of canned food items and all monetary proceeds will go to the “Storehouse for Jesus” food pantry.

Giving Totals for Sunday – March 11, 2018

Deacons \$24 Lilies \$56 Rental Proceeds \$910 Plate \$2,750

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

2/18: 53/1,866 2/25: 49/\$3,501 3/4: 51/\$4,141 3/11: 44/\$2,750

Worship For the Lord's Day

Sunday School, 9:30 a.m. March 18, 2018 Worship, 10:45 a.m.

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 126

When the Lord restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dream.

Then our mouth was filled with laughter, and our tongue with shouts of joy!

Restore our fortunes, O Lord, like the watercourses in the Negeb.

May those who sow in tears, bearing the seed for sowing, reap with shouts of joy.

Let us worship God!

*Hymn of Praise No. 96: "All Beautiful the March of Days"

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Gracious God, Your giving is without end; but we struggle to receive all that you offer. We misuse your gifts, ignoring your intents, and refusing your abundance. We hoard what you would have us share, and we throw away what you would have us keep. Forgive us and help us discern your priorities. Govern our hearts with your spirit, so that we can live into the fullness of the gospel, and for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*ASSURANCE OF PARDON

"As far as the east is from the west, so far God removes our transgressions from us." 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:

Genie Dixon

ANTHEM: "Behold the Savior"

SCRIPTURE:

Isaiah 43:16-21
Philippians 3:8-14
John 12:1-8

SERMON: "Forget the Old Things"

By The Rev. Gary M. Brose

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH:

We trust in God, whom Jesus called Abba, Father. In sovereign love God created the world good and makes everyone equally in God's image, male and female, of every race and people, to live as one community. But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator. Ignoring God's commandments, we violate the image of God in others and ourselves, accept lies as truth, exploit neighbor and nature, and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care. We deserve God's condemnation. Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation. In everlasting love, the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people to bless all families of the earth. Hearing their cry, God delivered the children of Israel from the house of bondage. Loving us still, God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant. Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child, like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home, God is faithful still. (from A Brief Statement of Faith, PC(USA))

*Hymn of Response No. 195: "In the Cross of Christ I Glory"

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

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. 339: "Guide Me O Thou Great Jehovah"

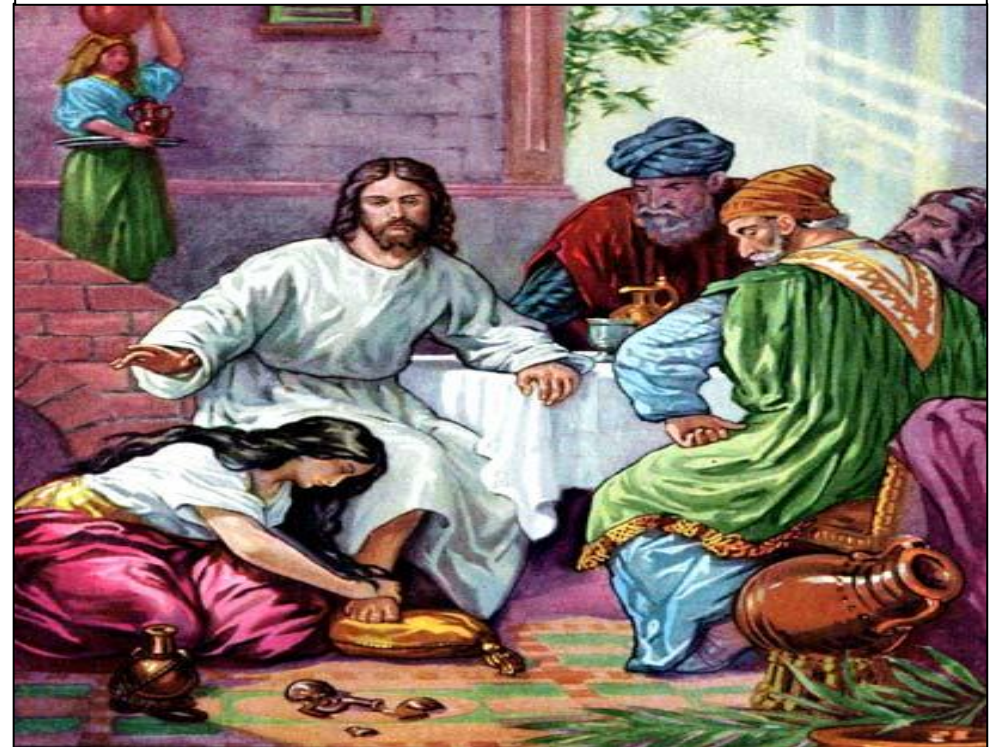
*Benediction

*POSTLUDE

First Presbyterian Church
405 S. Main St. Pataskala, OH 43062
WEBSITE: www.FPCpataskala.com
Email: FPCpataskala@gmail.com
Church Office: 740-927-4796

March 18, 2018
Fifth Sunday of Lent

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



CHURCH STAFF

Transitional Pastor: The Rev. Gary Brose
Choir Director: Gary Brose Custodian: Tim Klinker
Nursery Attendant: Linda Flowers Organist: Doug Ritchey
Secretary: Denise Metzger-Kelling
March Elder Assisting: Leslie Crawford