

June 2019

Our Vision

“By the grace of Jesus Christ, we will strive to share the Good News with the world, to nurture each other in our faith and to go into the world sharing Christ’s love and mercy.”

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Packet Articles are due
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**“The Beatitudes – Be Like Jesus”
June 14-15, 2019**

Join us Friday at 5:30pm for an intergenerational evening with a Spaghetti dinner, puppet skit, theme song, introduction to Beatitudes, brief program on bees and pollinators and a lot more fun.

- *Offering collected during VBS will go to the Heifer project to buy a hive of bees.
- *Saturday kicks off with a light breakfast at 9:00am for the children, followed by beatitude stations with lessons, crafts, games, chimes, and other activities including bread making and lunch.
- *Registration forms are available on the ledge below the bulletin board. Sign up your children, your neighbor’s children, and/or your grandchildren.
- *Sign up to donate food items (list is found on the bulletin board), or see Brad about helping whether it’s an hour or two or the whole time.
- *Pray for the children and the volunteers as they learn about The Beatitudes and how to



like Jesus.



**Golf Picnic 5-7PM
June 2nd at Pioneer Golf Center**

We will be gathering for a time of food, fellowship and miniature golf. Hot dogs, drinks and condiments will be provided.

****Please bring a side to share with the group.**

Dear Sisters and Brothers,

Do you remember the sense of freedom you experienced as a child when summer vacation came? Do you remember the joy of walking out of the classroom looking forward to several months with no classes? Even though it has been more than a few years for me since that time, I can still remember the elation of that moment.

As Christians, we need to recognize the freedom that exists for us as followers of the risen Messiah. In Christ's life, death and resurrection we have been freed from the chains of sin and death. We have been freed to love, to grow, and for so much more. The letter to the Galatians will invite us to consider this freedom this summer and the elation it can bring.

May we find joy in this and the freedom to share this good news with others!

Grace and peace,
Pastor David



June Birthdays

Georgaleen Hockenberry 6/4
Kristi Kirkham 6/4
Lisa Miller 6/7
Mark Wieferich 6/7
Stan Piekarski 6/14
Julie Hoerst 6/16
Courtney Schuck 6/16
Ryan Kirkham 6/17
Matthew Wieferich 6/17
Paul Garrison 6/18
Larry Slater 6/18



Nicholas Krivchenia 6/19
Rebecca Miller 6/19
Jennylou Brock 6/21
Dorothy Erb 6/21
Charles Barnes 6/22
Lois Trout 6/24
Brian Schuck 6/27
Bonnie Donnelly 6/28
Pearl Guyer 6/28
Margaret Alden 6/29

New Website will be launching in June!
fpcmariettaoh.org will be undergoing renovation throughout the month.
Thank you for your patience.

Worship in June

June 2, Ascension Sunday

Psalm 47 & Acts 1:1-11
"Are You Looking Up?"

June 9, Pentecost Sunday

Ezekiel 37:1-14 & Acts 2:1-21
"Can These Bones Live?"

June 16, Youth Sunday

June 23

Galatians 3:23-29 & Luke 8:26-9
"Freed!"

June 30

Galatians 5:1,13-25 & Luke 9:51-62
"Freed to Love"

An Important Message on Our Financial Condition

This place is amazing. It truly is. Look around and see what's happening. You should be proud to know you are part of it. Supporting local missions, providing meals to our community friends, teaching kids in a safe environment, worshipping together with joy in our hearts ... we're doing all that is good, and we're making a difference.

Over the years we've been blessed to have adequate resources to support our mission. That unfortunately may not be the case this year. With nearly half the year gone by, we project we will not have sufficient funds to meet our budget needs later in the year. While year-to-date expenses are in line with our budget, a significant decline in contributions in April and May is not what we expected. Our budget requires about \$20,000 in contributions each month for the remainder of the year. In April we received \$16,000, and May was less than that. We obviously need to address this sooner than later.

We are confident we can overcome this, just as we have in the past. We've reduced expenses, and we continue to become more efficient in our operations. Are there ways you can help? Sure. Consistent continuing payment on your pledge through these summer months will help our cash flow. Consider giving above and beyond what you pledged. Make a payment on your pledge before you go on vacation, rather than after you return. Continue to pray for our financial stability and well-being.

Our church is indeed amazing, because you are a part of it.

"You will be enriched in every way so that you can be generous on every occasion, and through us your generosity will result in thanksgiving to God."

2 Corinthians 9:11

We welcome your suggestions on how to turn this around without negatively impacting our mission. We'd love to hear from you.

Your Stewardship & Finance Commission

Rick Peoples, Chair
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Hank Goehring
Gail Reynolds
Pastor David Smith

Session Summary for May 14, 2019

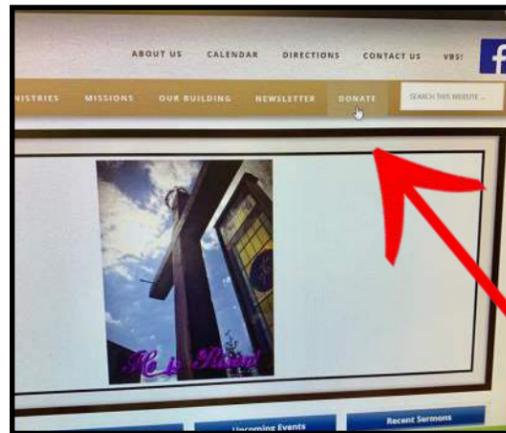
Motions presented and approved by session:

1. To approve a request from JoEllen (Evans) Kuroski to transfer her membership to the First Presbyterian Church of Portland, Oregon.
2. To approve a motion to have First Presbyterian Church add their name to a pledge of Unified Support for Communities of Faith.
3. To approve the Pastor's work as a member of the Washington County Crisis Response team under the church's liability policy.

Next session meeting: June 11, 2019

Giving Options

STEP 1



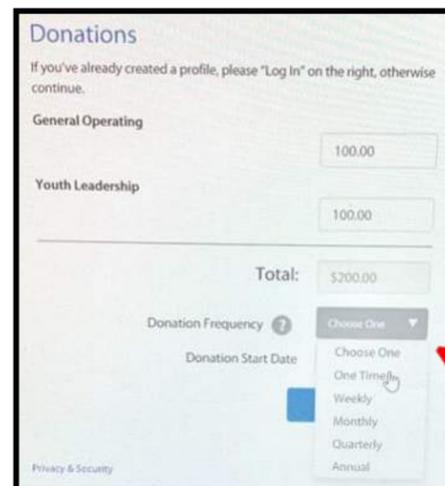
1. From your computer or phone, go to fpcmariettaoh.org.

STEP 2



2. Click on "Donate".

STEP 3



Check this out!

You can now contribute to the church via our website. It's simple, safe and secure.

With this Packet you'll find answers to questions you might have about this new online giving program.

We think you might just discover you prefer this method of giving.

Online Giving Program Frequently Asked Questions (and answers, too !!!)

Q: Why implement something like this? I'm comfortable the way I'm now giving to the church.

A: Simply because it's cool!!! More and more people are learning to make payments without the use of cash and checks. Paying online saves time and money.

Q: Is this really safe and secure?

A: It sure is. Facilitated through the Presbyterian Foundation, we are assured the information you provide is not shared with others. The Foundation has successfully implemented this program in hundreds of churches since 2013.

Q: How do I know my donations are being credited to my name?

A: The first time you make an online donation you will be asked to create an account. Each time you make a donation you log into your account so the company can credit you. A statement of giving will be sent to you after the end of the year.

Q: How will I know my gift was received by the church?

A: You'll receive acknowledgement of your gifts, and a year-end report to use for tax purposes. Your gift first goes to the Foundation, and then it is deposited in the church bank account.

Q: There are only two funds listed as options for my gifts. What's up with that?

A: We're slow learners! We've been advised to keep the program simple at the outset. We accepted pledges for General Operating and for Youth Leadership, so we decided to begin with only these categories. We'll likely add more options as we become more comfortable with the program. We of course encourage your continuing payments to Deacons and Endowments via cash and checks.

Q: I pledged to pay an equal amount each month. Can I do this online?

A: Yup. There's a "Donation Frequency" option where you can indicate if you want to pay just one time, or multiple times.

Q: What are the advantages of this program?

A: No checks. No cash. Pay anytime, any day, anywhere. Give when you're on vacation, or away for an extended time. At the beach? Sure. In the mountains? Yeh, there too!

Q: OK. There must be a cost for this. What is it?

A: You're very, very sharp! There is indeed a cost, but it is minimal. 2% of each gift is retained for administering the program; the church receives 98% of the gift. Do the math - only \$2 for a \$100 gift, or \$5 for a gift of \$250. Although the church absorbs the 2% cost, you have the option of paying it as well when you give online.

Q: Is there a simple way from my smartphone to get to the donation page? I don't like typing in a long address.

A: Yes, you can use a QR code. A QR Code is a two-dimensional, modular barcode that, when scanned by a smart phone, will direct the user to a chosen webpage. Our church's QR code is to the right of this Q and A. This code will only work on a printed copy of the packet. Online readers, follow this link: [Your Donation Form](#)



Q: I have another question, but I feel a little silly asking it.

A: Not a problem. Talk with Rick Peoples. He'll try to answer your question, and he won't tell a soul you asked.

June 2019

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
May 26	27	28	29	30	31	Jun 1
9:00am Adult Sunday School 10:15am Worship (Sanctuary) 11:30am Sip N Chat 1:00pm Youth Group 5:00pm Golf Picnic	3 6:00pm Building & Administration 7:00pm Deacons (Fellowship Hall)	4 9:30am Christian Education 11:30am GoPacks Kids Workshop (Fellowship Hall & Kitchen) 12:00pm Endowments	5 9:30am Evangelism & Discipleship (Library)	6 7:00pm AA (Resource Room)	7	8 8:00am Men's Fellowship 9:00am AA 10:00am Seventh-day 12:00pm SDA Fellowship
9 Pentecost 9:00am Adult Sunday School 10:15am Worship (Sanctuary) 11:30am Sip N Chat 11:30am VBS Training (Library) 7:00pm HS/College Group	10	11 6:15pm Mission (FH Conference Room) 7:00pm Session (Fellowship Hall)	12	13 5:30pm Stampin' Up (FH Conference Room) 7:00pm AA (Resource Room)	14 6:00pm Vacation Bible School	15 8:00am Men's Fellowship 9:00am Vacation Bible School 9:00am AA 10:00am Seventh-day 12:00pm SDA Fellowship
16 Youth Sunday 9:00am Adult Sunday School 10:15am Worship (Sanctuary) 11:30am Sip N Chat 1:00pm Youth Group	17	18 11:30am GoPacks Kids Workshop (Fellowship Hall & Kitchen) 5:00pm Book Club	19	20 11:30am GoPacks Kids Workshop (Fellowship Hall & Kitchen) 7:00pm AA (Resource Room)	21	22 8:00am Men's Fellowship 9:00am AA 10:00am Seventh-day
23 9:00am Adult Sunday School 10:15am Worship (Sanctuary) 11:30am Sip N Chat 7:00pm HS/College Group	24	25 11:30am Community Meal (Fellowship Hall) 6:00pm Worship & Music 7:00pm AA District 15	26	27 6:00pm Stewardship/Finance (FH Conference Room) 7:00pm AA (Resource Room)	28 5:00pm Right Path Swim Night (Sponsored by EBD)	29 8:00am Men's Fellowship 9:00am AA 10:00am Youth Trip to Cuyahoga National Park 10:00am Seventh-day
30 9:00am Adult Sunday School 10:15am Worship (Sanctuary) 11:30am Sip N Chat	Jul 1	2	3	4	5	6

**June 2nd and 16th - Youth Group from 1-3PM
June 9th and 23rd - HS/College Group from
7 to 8:30PM at Tim Horton's**

June Youth Activities!

June 16th - Youth Sunday! - During Worship

This Father's Day, our youth and children will be working together to lead worship during Youth Sunday. We will be leading many aspects of the service, including writing prayers to be shared with our congregation. If you would like to be a part of this, please see Brad! Everyone is welcome!

June 28th - Swim Night @ Marietta Aquatic Center - Time is TBD

In partnership with The Right Path, FPC will be sponsoring a swim night for everyone (ALL AGES) at the Aquatic Center. There will be reduced admission rates, games, activities, and the snack stand will be open. This is a great opportunity for our church to fellowship with all ages and to meet our neighbors in the community.

June 29th -Cuyahoga Valley National Park - 10AM - Early Evening

Our youth and college ministry will be taking a trip to the only National Park in Ohio. This trip will be an awesome chance for everyone to hike, hang out, and reflect on the beauty God has created for us to enjoy in nature. We will be stopping for lunch and dinner, so please bring money for both. There is also a visitor's center where souvenirs can be purchased. A sign up sheet will be posted in the church, or you can RSVP by emailing or calling Brad.

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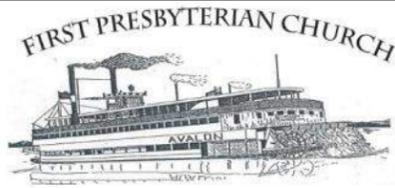
Sunday School
9:00 am
Worship Service
10:15 am

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**PENTECOST
SPECIAL OFFERINGS**

CHILDREN AT RISK • YOUTH • YOUNG ADULTS

Pentecost Offering will be received Sunday, June 9

A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support young people, and address the needs of at-risk children. Forty percent of the Pentecost offering will be retained by our church for local needs. The remaining 60% is used to support ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency: Young Adult Ministries, Ministries for Youth, Children-at-Risk. Please use the special envelopes you will find in the bulletin that Sunday. Thank you!

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