



FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

Depart to Serve

MAY 20, 2018

SAFE AND HEALTHY OHIO CAMPAIGN To learn more about this ballot initiative to reduce the incarceration rate in Ohio, stop by the Mission Table in Parish Hall, located directly beneath the Sanctuary, during Fellowship Hour.

YOU CAN HELP IN FRANKLINTON! The congregation is being asked to help our Youth Mission Trip to Franklinton. Please consider providing paint brushes, paint trays, yard waste bags and Home Depot gift cards.

MEAL SCHEDULE FOR YOUTH MISSION TRIP JUNE 4-8 We hope church commissions/committees and families will volunteer for one of the time slots. Lunches could be sandwiches, fruit, cookies, chips and drinks. We also want to provide lunch for those senior citizen families we are serving. The evening meal could be a variety of options that includes a salad, main course, drinks and dessert. To sign up to provide a meal or to get additional information, please contact Dawn George at dawngeorge16@gmail.com. The following times are still open:

- *Lunch: Wednesday, June 6* - *Dinner: Wednesday, June 6* - *Lunch: Thursday, June 7* - *Lunch: Friday, June 8*

HOMELESS IN WEST FRANKLINTON PROJECT The Youth will be collecting the items listed below and distributing to the Homeless camps during the Youth Mission Trip to West Franklinton. Please place donated items in the boxes near the office.

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| 1. Gallon Zip Lock bags | 5. Water bottles | 8. Waterless hair shampoo |
| 2. Socks | 6. Ponchos | 9. Baby Wipes |
| 3. Protein/M meal Bars | 7. Razors/shaving gel/ tampons | 10. Travel size deodorant, toothpaste, soap |
| 4. Ready-to-eat Soups | | |

LAUNDRY LOVE: TUESDAY, MAY 29 from 6-8 p.m. at WashLand Laundromat, 1469 West Broad Street in West Franklinton. The initiative helps to wash the clothes and bedding of individuals and/or families living in poverty.



CHOIR'S FINAL FUNDRAISER HIGH TEA ON SUNDAY, JUNE 3 AT 4 P.M. An authentic English High Tea will be offered at the elegantly restored Olde Towne East home of Al Waddell and Allen Baker. Tickets will be offered on a first-come, first-served basis, but must be purchased by May 20.

WOMEN'S RETREAT: SATURDAY, JUNE 16 from 9:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at David's UCC, Canal Winchester, Ohio

SABBATICAL INFORMATION Mark Williams, Director of Christian Education, will be on Sabbatical May 21 – August 21. A brochure which explains the Sabbatical and how the congregation can support the ministry during this time of learning and rest is available at all entrances. We welcome Karen Mozingo to our staff to assist us during this time.

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK Today – Kim Crabtree, Todd Cunningham, Alyah Dean, Krisanna Deppen, Tom Kiesel, Matt Myers, Mike Weddle; 21 – Leslie Boltz, Carol Gallagher, Martha Loy; 22 – Nick Bruckelmeyer, Val Stichter, Ann West, Becky West; 23 – Guy Cole; 24 – Gil Kirk, Jr., Dorothy Vish, Chase Wagner; 25 – Dominick Blanks, Tim Brownlee, Brian Cave, Andy Smith-Verhage; 26 – Luke Ahrens, Adam Ghose, Bill Heer

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK 22 – Mario and Jessica Catenacci; 21 – Margaret and Bill Wells; 23 – Betsy Hubbard and Sam Spofforth; 25 – Rachael and Lanier Frush Holt

JOYS AND CONCERNS

MEMBERS Wayne Redenbarger; Ed Koetz; Sue Salak; Dean Hafey; Anne Hudson; Andrew MacGregor; Wally Giffen; Lindy Miller; Carl Miller.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY Tim Acton; Sally Glover, daughter of Al Glover; Vic Merrett, stepfather of Melissa Prendergast; Matthew Turck, brother-in-law of Ellen and Pete Boriin; Charles Murray, father of Peter Murray; Joyce Marcum, sister of Betty Conn; and Brooke Chute, cousin of Amy Wagner.

THROUGHOUT THE WORLD We pray for the victims and families of those killed in the attack on Gaza this past week and we pray for peace throughout the Middle East. We pray for those in Democratic Republic of Congo affected by the Ebola outbreak. We pray for those around the world who suffer from brain diseases and their caregivers. We pray for mission co-worker Sara Makari serving in Israel/Palestine.

IN GOD'S HANDS: THE ECUMENICAL PRAYER CYCLE This week we pray with and for the people and churches of the Indian Ocean Islands: Comoros, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritius, Seychelles.

Need Prayer? If you have any prayer requests or joys to share, please contact Amy Wagner, Office Manager, at awagner@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 10 or the ministers: ecorzine@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 21, or tahrens@first-church.org or 614-228-1741, ext. 13.

THIS WEEK AT FIRST CHURCH

Sunday, May 20: Pentecost, Confirmation and Graduate Recognition

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion – Parish Hall
10 a.m. – Jubilate and Exultate Choirs – Music Activities Room
11 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary
Noon – Fellowship Hour – Parish Hall

Deadline for Newsletter

Monday, May 21

6 p.m. – House and Grounds Long-Range Planning – Parish Hall
7 p.m. – Trustees – Adult Library

Tuesday, May 22

2 p.m. – Worship Planning – Children's Library

OFFERING TOTAL FOR LAST WEEK'S MISSION

May 13 – \$809.38 – The Well

Wednesday, May 23

9:30 a.m. – Staff Meeting – Children's Library
4 p.m. – Building and Office Close

Friday, May 25

1 p.m. – Faith Mission Meal Preparation – Kitchen

Sunday, May 27

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion – Parish Hall
11 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary
Noon – Fellowship Hour – Parish Hall

Monday, May 28: Memorial Day

Office Closed All Day

NEXT WEEK'S MISSION OFFERING –

Community Mediation Services of Central Ohio

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