

FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH
UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

DEPART TO SERVE

JULY 2, 2017

PLEASE JOIN the Wade family in celebrating Adam Wade's Eagle Court of Honor on today at 2 p.m. in the sanctuary. A brief reception will follow in the Parlor. Adam is most grateful to his church family for their support of his Scouting journey and his Eagle project.

THE CUPBOARDS ARE BARE. HELP RESTOCK! Our Good Samaritan supply of toiletries is greatly diminished. We need the following items:

- Toothpaste
- Body wash for both men and women
- Shampoo
- Razors (disposable)
- Shaving cream
- Toilet paper



We would like to replenish our supply. *There is an easy way to do this!* When you come to church on Sundays or during the week for meetings, you can bring a few things and drop them in the bin outside of the church office. Please bring **full size items** (not samples). Good resources are weekly coupons in the newspaper and the Dollar Store is a treasure trove for such items. Buy one or several. Our clients are so appreciative for these gifts. Thank you in advance, and for all that you do to support our Good Samaritan program.

NEXT BOOK STUDY SELECTION On Wednesday, August 2 at 11 a.m., the Book Study will begin discussing Paul Tillich's *The Courage to Be*. Paul Tillich defines courage as the self-affirmation of one's being in spite of a threat of non-being. He relates courage to anxiety, anxiety being the threat of non-being and the courage to be what we use to combat that threat. Tillich outlines three types of anxiety and thus three ways to display the courage to be:

- 1) The Anxiety of Fate and Death;
- 2) The Anxiety of Guilt and Condemnation and finally
- 3) The Anxiety of Meaningless and Emptiness.

Through the anxiety of our time, this classic book will give us all a language and a pathway to discover the courage that is in each one of us.

JULY ACOLYTE SCHEDULE

July 2	Mae Hubbard	AnnaSofia Severson
July 9	Caroline Thompson	Maddie Helmer
July 16	Ethan Murray	Jack Patterson
July 23	Sammy Myers	Ben Mailer
July 30	Sammy Myers	Ruby Holt

JULY MISSION OFFERING SCHEDULE

July 2	Compass
July 9	Children's Defense Fund
July 16	NAMI
July 23	Faith Mission Meals
July 30	Laundry Love



OFFERING TOTAL FOR LAST WEEK'S MISSION

June 25 – \$331.25 – CUE

MEMBER BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK 7/3 Liam Collins; 7/4 Cori Rowley; 7/5 Bronya Boykin, Nancy Evans; 7/6 Sandy Mathias, Janet Newcity; 7/7 Kathy Brownfield; 7/8 Joyce Campbell, Mike Rippel

MEMBER ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK 7/7 Trisha and Tom Bishop, Lauren and Scott Hamman, Kerry and Rob O'Leary; 7/8 Denise and Nate Vogt

JOYS AND CONCERNS

CONGRATULATIONS to Rachel Messaros and Brian Lee who were married here last Sunday, and to Sarah Forgy and Gregory Mustric who were married here yesterday.

PRAYERS FOR CAMPER We hold in prayer Madalyn Dean, who is attending camp this week: You may send Madalyn a note at Pilgrim Hills, 33833 Township Road 20, Brinkhaven, Ohio 43006.

MEMBERS Frank Hussey; Don Erickson; Lindy Miller; Ron Cook; Bernie Martin; Ray Pendell; and families and friends who continue to mourn the loss of loved ones.

FRIENDS AND FAMILY Rev. Louis Dorsch; Lorene Ahrens, mother of Tim Ahrens; Rev. Roger Miller; Navamani Peter, mother of Pavan Peter; Paul Hunt, cousin of Mary Kay Beall Carter; Ben Brewer, friend of Melva Fisher; Dan Campbell, friend of Greg Halbe; Marian Blum; David Wyatt; Kathie Daniels, Abbas H. Al-Qaraghuli; and Jill Ford, friend of Mark Williams; and families and friends who continue to mourn the loss of loved ones.

THROUGHOUT THE WORLD We hold in our prayers the delegates to the United Church of Christ General Synod in Baltimore, Maryland from June 30-July 4. We pray for our church and its national and global leaders. We pray for those across this country who are affected by natural disasters such as wildfires and tropical storms. We continue to pray for those suffering from the devastating famine in South Sudan. We pray for all persons along the Gulf Coast who are impacted by tropical storm Cindy. We pray for individuals and families who face immigration and deportation challenges. We pray for all people affected by brain disorders. We pray for churches of Egypt and the Middle East.

IN GOD'S HANDS: THE ECUMENICAL PRAYER CYCLE This week we pray with and for the people and churches of Sudan, South Sudan and Uganda.

MISSIONARIES This week we pray for Jeanette Salley, serving in Nicaragua.

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 one of 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, July 2

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion – Parish Hall

11 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary

Tuesday, July 4

Building Closed for 4th of July Holiday

Wednesday, July 5

11 a.m. – Book Study – Parlor

Saturday, July 8

8:30 a.m. – House and Grounds – Ralph Fanning Room

10 a.m. – First Church Quilters – Parish Family Room

Sunday, July 9

9 a.m. – Worship: Morning Prayer and Holy Communion – Parish Hall

11 a.m. – Worship – Sanctuary

ABOUT YOUR OFFERING TODAY All our offerings support the Ministry of First Church through its programs, outreach, and related groups as, together, we witness to God’s love. Thank you for your gifts.

- **Offertory envelopes** are provided in the pews for members or visitors.
- **Submitting a pledge?** Please use those envelopes, marking the “Pledge” box.
- **Church Support:** Checking this box directs your gift to general ministry support.
- **Mission:** Please specify today’s mission so your gift is distributed correctly.
- **Online Giving:** Go to our web site www.first-church.org click on **Give** or <http://www.first-church.org/give.aspx> and then click or copy the link into your browser to set up an account and pay with your credit card or through your checking or savings account.

easyTithe

<http://www.easytithe.com/dl/?uid=Firs444421>

PayPal

<https://www.paypal.com/signup/accountCreate>

- **Other Gifts:** Please designate your intention: *Memorials, flowers, fund raising projects, music, education, etc.*

CHURCH STAFF

Senior Minister	Timothy C. Ahrens, D. Min.
Associate Minister	Emily Krause Corzine, M. Div.
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Wedding Coordinators	Janet Axt, Margaret Cipriani, Diana Chandler, Amy Wagner, Katie Wagner
Nursery Staff	Evin Wimberly, Simone Ellerson, Natalie Barker, Taylre Arnold

DIACONATE

Senior Deacon	Alec Deitz
Deacons	Kris Brant, Anthony Brown, Valerie Conlin-Losinski, Bert Cook, Martha Fullemann, Dean Hafey, Todd Jacobson, Karen Mozingo, David Nassau, Janet Newcity, Jorge Polo, Alejandro Rodriguez, Hugh Schultz

CHURCH COUNCIL

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Moderator-Elect	Joe Baszynski
Treasurer	David Holt
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Assistant Secretary	Nancy Loy

COMMISSIONERS

Administration	Sue Cook, Elect - Chris Glaros
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