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UNITED PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

May 2019

*She is Clothed with
Strength
and
Dignity
and Laughs
without
Fear of the
Future.*

Proverbs 31:25



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Monday - Tuesday 8:00am - 4pm
Wednesday - Thursday - Friday 9am - 1:30pm



Dear Friends,

Do you feel the energy? With the lifting of the cold temperatures, and the melting of the snow; do you feel the energy? As spring bulbs push their way through the resistance of the cold earth, and daylight savings time extends our light time moments; are you sensing a renewed spirit and attitude? Does the Good News that Jesus Christ is raised, lighten your heart and call you out of the tomb of doubt into the new that God is calling into being?

I feel the energy of this congregation renewed and alive. I see an increased interest in study and service to our neighbors. We laugh together, disagree well and hold each other up in our sorrows and disappointments. It seems to me that we are willing to listen, and appreciative of what the past teaches us.

As Peter preaches to the crowds after Resurrection a voice from the crowd cries “What shall we do?” It is our where do we go from here question. On Sunday May 5 at 10:45 am a congregational meeting we will be electing individuals to serve the congregation as Ruling Elders and Deacons. Leaders in whom we will place our confidence and trust to lead us into an answer of this significant question: Where do we go from here? May 31 and June 1 Eastminster Presbytery will be hosting a Vital Congregations training event. It will be a time to consider where we are within the lifecycle of the congregation and how we can grow in a renewed vitality as the Body of Christ in Cuyahoga Falls.

It’s time, isn’t it? Let’s ready ourselves for the next chapter of ministry that God has prepared for us. My prayer is that together we will be willing to commit to a future which grows out of foundation built by so many who have gone before us, incorporating the new that comes from resurrection of our lives and our life together.

Peace,
Pastor Karen

Worship Committee Thank You!

The Worship Committee would like to thank everyone who participated in making this Lenten season, Maundy Thursday and Easter Sunday so very special! We had such a wonderful turn out for worship on April 21st! Special thank you to Pastor Karen for all your hard work, organizing and making each worship service so well thought out and unique. Thank you again to everyone that made this a memorable Lenten season!

Easter Pancake Breakfast Thank You!

The Outreach Committee would like to thank everyone that helped with the Easter Pancake breakfast this year. Coffee, juice, sausage and pancakes were served. We even had gluten free pancakes this year! Thank you to Ure family for sharing their gluten free recipe. Everyone's participation was so very appreciated!

Attention UPC Family

The Session is calling for a congregational meeting in the sanctuary on May 5, 2019 at 10:45 AM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the report from the nominating committee. The nominating committee has a full slate of Deacons and Elders for the congregation to vote on.
Elders for nomination: Kathy Craddock, Patti Scott, Dale Chapman, Cathie Lojkovic, Ken Marquette, Lori Vella, Amy Helsel, Ward Souders and Dave Gaston

Deacons for nomination: Elaine Frazee, Char Johnson, Nancy Tipton, John McKinley, Mary McKinley, Barb Chapman, Sue Davis, Eileen Moore and Jill France.
The Nominating committee thanks everyone for their prayers. Mike Mariani, Leslie Holbert, Mark Walters, Amy Helsel and Doug Steidl

May
BIRTHDAYS!



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| 1st | Sandra Myers |
| 4th | Robert Schmitt |
| 5th | Emma Harris |
| | Kayla Smith |
| 8th | Mike Giorgio |
| | Erin Gillette |
| 9th | Dale Craddock |
| 10th | Rick Earle |
| | Joseph Morgan |
| 11th | Molly Marquette |
| | Brian Shaw |
| 12th | Glorene Boso |
| | Rachel Sokira |
| 13th | Helen Croley |
| | Amanda Flavelle |
| 14th | Allison Schmitt |
| | Emilia Robinette |
| 15th | Julie Kurtz |
| 16th | Sydney Smith |
| 19th | John Cox Jr. |
| | Kendra Chambers |
| | Megan Deal |
| | Zach Chapman |
| 20th | Brady Marquette |
| 21st | Sue Stewart |
| | John Flavelle |
| 22nd | Gretchen Sues |
| | Jon Loresh |
| | Debbie Shatzer |
| 24th | Manuel Nunez |
| | Sadie Marquette |
| 25th | Ruth Hummel |
| 27th | Maya Marquette |
| 28th | Alexander Ott |

MAY 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1 10:00am Prayer Shawl Ministry 6:30 pm Deacons Meeting 7:00 pm Praise Team practice	2 9:00 am TOPS Meeting 6:30 pm Cathedral Ringers 7:30 pm Cathedral Singers w/social	3 10:00 am Tai Chi-Café Connection	4 2:00 pm Game Day @ Ewing's
5 8:30 am Traditional Worship 9:45 am Education Hour 10:45 am Congregational Mtg. 11:00 am New Creation Worship	6 6:00 pm Special Session Mtg.	7 Primary Election Day 8:30am TLC 10:00 am Tai Chi-Café Connection 10:00 am Pantry Inspection 6:30pm PNC mtg. 6:30 pm Heart 2 Heart Prayer	8 5:00pm Personnel Mtg. 6:30 pm Finance Cmte Mtg. 7:00 pm Praise Team practice	9 9:00 am TOPS Meeting 6:00 pm RFL Meeting 7:30 pm Cathedral Singers	10 10:00 am Tai Chi-Café Connection	11 9:00 am Project Rise in library 9:00 am Work Day - Mulch 11:30 am Community Meal hosted by UPC Volunteers
12 Communion Sunday / Mother's Day 8:30 am Traditional Worship 9:45 am Education Hour 11:00 am New Creation Worship	13 6:00 pm Mission Cmte Mtg. 6:00 pm Christian Ed Cmte Mtg. 7:00 pm Bldg & Prop Cmte Mtg	14 10:00 am Tai Chi-Café Connection 6:30pm PNC mtg. 6:30 pm Heart 2 Heart Prayer	15 8:00 am Fellowship Hall reserved 7:00 pm Praise Team practice	16 9:00 am TOPS Meeting 12:00 pm DMA potluck lunch & games in Fellowship hall 7:30 pm Cathedral Singers	17 10:00 am Tai Chi-Café Connection	18 6:30 pm Iron Chef Fundraiser in Fellowship Hall
19 8:30 am Traditional Worship 9:45 am Education Hour 11:00 am New Creation Worship 12:30 pm Personnel Cmte Mtg. 2:00pm Shower (Ebba Smith)	20 6:30 pm Session Meeting	21 10:00 am Tai Chi-Café Connection 6:30pm PNC mtg. 6:30 pm Heart 2 Heart Prayer	22 7:00 pm Praise Team practice	23 Amy Vacation 9:00 am TOPS Meeting 7:30 pm Cathedral Singers	24 Amy vacation 10:00 am Tai Chi-Café Connection 6:00 pm Pantry Set-Up	25 9:00 am Pantry Distribution
26 8:30 am Traditional Worship 9:45 am Education Hour 11:00 am New Creation Worship	27 MEMORIAL DAY Office & building are closed	28 10:00 am Tai Chi-Café Connection 6:30pm PNC mtg. 6:30 pm Heart 2 Heart Prayer	29 7:00 pm Praise Team practice	30 9:00 am TOPS Meeting 6:00 pm RFL Meeting 7:30 pm Cathedral Singers	31 Tawnya Vacation Amy Vacation	June Newsletter article submission deadline is May 13th

May Community Meal - LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!



Every month the Community Meal is able to serve a good meal to 65 - 80 people only because of the people who volunteer to host the meal. Volunteers are a vital part of this outreach program! Usually the hosts are a Sunday School class or other group, but in May and June we're looking for volunteers from the congregation at large. Please consider committing time on Saturday May 11th to cook and serve the Community Meal. Desserts are also needed! It's a

rewarding and enjoyable way to spend a Saturday morning - please join us! Sign up on the sheet outside the church office.

New Member Inquiry Coffee With Pastor Karen

Perhaps you are considering becoming more involved at United Presbyterian Church. This is an opportunity to meet with Pastor Karen and members of the congregation to explore membership and involvement in the mission and ministry of United Presbyterian church. This four week series begins May 5th at 9:45am between services.

PNC Update

We are diligently reviewing PIFs (Pastor Information Forms) as they are matched with our MIF (Ministry Information Form). We have received several and have been reading, discussing, and rating each one. Please continue to pray for this process and our committee as we move forward to find the person that God has selected to partner with us in our ministries and missions.

Food Pantry Update

The Pantry Partnership at the Cuyahoga Falls High School has been well utilized by multiple students since we started in December 2018. The Heat and Eat or Grab and Go are the most needed items for these students. We also need small bottles of sports type beverages (ie Gatorade) especially as the hot weather hits.

During May the Pantry will be collecting new beach towels, sunscreen, and chap sticks to fill woven beach bags that we have. Place your donations in the Pantry box in the Chapel hallway.

Thank you all for your support of this expanded mission. - Julie and Janice

Prayer Shawl Group

The Prayer Shawl knitting and crocheting group meets the first Wednesday of every month to make shawls which are given to those who need comfort or who are celebrating a joy. Over 200 shawls have been given out since the group first began. We would love to have more willing hands to help with this ministry. If you are interested, please contact Jill France at 330.472.8212 or Pat Ewald at 330.607.1298 for more information.

IRON CHEF AND RELAY FOR LIFE

Mark your calendars and save the date! May 18th is our 5th annual Iron Chef competition. Talented chefs will prepare a favorite dish for everyone to sample. Seating and appetizers will be between 6-6:30pm, 6:30-8:30pm the fun begins! There will be raffle baskets to bid on and a children's dessert auction. Everyone will vote for their favorite entrees and desserts. We will then crown the champions of the Iron Chef! The cost is \$25.00 per adult \$15.00 for children under 12. All proceeds will be donated to Relay for Life! To reserve your spot reach out to Mike Mariani at 330.697.2071 - Mike Simms is looking for more chefs contact Mike at 330.606.2699 Thank you for all the support over the years!

