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APRIL 7, 2019

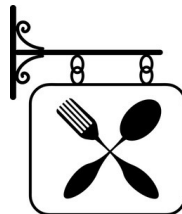
April Is Personal Care Items Month

For April, special emphasis will be on donations to Associated Charities of personal care items – soaps, toothbrushes and toothpaste, hair care products, shaving supplies, feminine hygiene products, etc. Boxes are in place in the narthex and near the chapel entrance for depositing your contributions. As always, checks made out to Associated Charities for the Food Pantry also can be placed in the boxes, in envelopes, please.



Presby Lunch Bunch Tuesday, April 9 11:30am

The Presby Lunch Bunch will meet at IHOP on Walker Lake Road in Ontario. If you need a ride or can share a ride, let Cora Walker know by Sunday, April 7. Otherwise, see you there!



One Great Hour of Sharing

Our congregation has participated in this annual Lenten offering for many years, providing support for projects which currently are in place in over 100 countries. Each gift supports three impactful programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People. Bulletin inserts will provide additional evidence of the assistance provided through these funds. Special envelopes are in place in the pews, with Palm Sunday being the final to opportunity donate through the congregation. Credit card donations will be welcome at any time at presbyterianmission.org/give-oghs. \$10 can be donated by texting OGHs at 20222.

Bible Journaling Workshop

Saturday, April 13
10:00am—12:00pm at FPC

Free Donuts, Juice, Coffee
Ephesians 3
Unity and Diversity

What to bring:
A journaling Bible, or an inexpensive wide margin Bible (you do not want to use your good study Bible) Economical Bibles are for sale on Christian Book Distributors website. Also practice sheets will be available for anyone who does not have a journaling Bible.



Please pre-register with Patti Fenwick 419-908-0530 or sign up in the Narthex.



Maundy Thursday

April 18
Worship
7:00pm

Easter Breakfast

We will have breakfast before worship on Easter morning beginning at 9:00am. Please see the sign-up board in the Narthex to volunteer to bring casseroles, fruit, etc. to share.



Ashland Pregnancy Care Center Annual Fundraising Banquet
Thursday, April 11, 6:00pm,
Convocation Center at AU
Complimentary dinner,
reservations before Tuesday,
April 2, at 419-281-1111
Please notify Tia Sponsler
(419-606-7155) who is
planning to attend.

FPC Next Couple of Weeks

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 Host ACCESS 9:00am Confirmation 10:00am Coffee 10:30am Worship 5:30pm Small Group @ Eckenroths'	8 Host ACCESS Church Office Closed	9 Host ACCESS 9:00am Worship Planning 11:30am Presby Lunch Bunch @ IHOP 8:00pm AA	10 Host ACCESS 10:00am Bible Study 5:30pm Lenten Potluck 7:00pm Choir	11 Host ACCESS	12 Host ACCESS	13 Host ACCESS 10:00am Bible Journaling Class 5:00pm Potluck 6:00pm Chinese Church

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14 Palm Sunday 9:00am Confirmation Communion 11:30am Evangelism and Outreach Team	15	16 9:00am Worship Planning 8:00pm AA	17 10:00am Bible Study 5:30pm Lenten Potluck 7:00pm Choir	18 7:00pm Maundy Thursday Worship Communion	19 Office Closed— Good Friday	20

**Transforming Lives
in Jesus' Name**

FIFTH
SUNDAY



IN
LENT

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ASHLAND
April 7, 2019

320 Church Street, Ashland, OH 44805
(419) 289-6205
ashlandfpc.org

GOD GATHERS US

Preparation for Worship

based on Psalm 19:14

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.

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Moment for Mission One Great Hour of Sharing Barb Latham

Call to Worship

***Opening Song** *Here I Am to Worship*

***Opening Prayer**

One: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

One: For the peace from above,
for the loving-kindness of God,
and for our salvation,
let us pray to the Lord.

All: Lord, hear our prayer.

...continue responding "**Lord, hear our prayer**"

One: Almighty God,
you have given us grace at this time with one accord
to make our common supplication to you,
and you have promised through your well-beloved Son
that when two or three are gathered together in his name
you will be in the midst of them.

**All: Fulfill now, O Lord, our desires and petitions
as may be best for us,
granting us in this world knowledge of your truth,
and in the age to come life everlasting. Amen.**

***Song of Praise** *Shout to the Lord*

Prayer of Confession

Moment of Silent Confession

One: While it is true that we have sinned,
it is a greater truth that we are forgiven
through God's love in Jesus Christ.
To all who humbly seek the mercy of God I say,
in Jesus Christ your sin is forgiven.

All: Thanks be to God.

***Gloria Patri #579**

Presentation of Our Sacrifices and Offerings

(Place information cards in the offering plate.)

Offertory *God Leads Us Along* G. A. Young

GOD SPEAKS TO US

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading John 1:1-5, 10-13 NT p. 91
 Matthew 5:1-12 NT p. 4

Sermon "Cultivating Our Contentment:
Identity, Security, and Our "Be-Attitudes"
Pastor Mike Parker

WE RESPOND

A Time of Prayer, Reflection, and Ministry

*(please fill out the information card in your bulletin and share your
prayers and praises—these can be turned in during the offering)*

***Song of Response** *Who You Say I Am*

GOD SENDS US

Closing Prayer

***Closing Song** #140 red hymnal *Bind Us Together*

***Blessing**

***The Peace**

May the peace of the Lord be with you. **And also with you!**
(Greet one another in Christian love.)

***Postlude**

*Please Stand, as able