

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ASHLAND

THE JOYFUL NOISE

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Our 2014 CROP Walkers:

Connie Dravenstott
JoAnne Kash
Pam Keener
Aiden Keener
Maddie Keener
Susie Keil
and dogs!



Everyone is Invited
to our Celebration Sunday
and Harvest Dinner

Sunday, November 16
Following Worship



Come, enjoy our annual turkey dinner
and all the fixings. Together let's celebrate
all the blessings of the season.



Communities
Responding
to Overcome
Poverty

CROP HUNGER WALK 2014

CHALLENGE MET!

FPC met the Board of Deacons'
\$500 matching funds challenge. Together we
raised \$1,187.00 to support efforts to alleviate
hunger and poverty around the world.

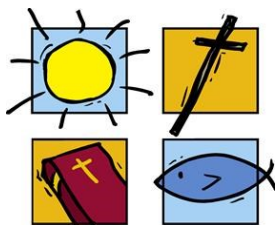
Keep in mind that Crop Walk funds support
these local Ashland hunger programs:

- Emmanuel Methodist Saturday Breakfasts
- Salvation Army Food Bank
- St. Edward's Hunger Center
- Helping Hand in Loudonville

Thanks for Your Support!

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

On Sunday mornings the Atrium continues to be filled with the Spirit and we would like to welcome adult guests at anytime. If you would like to join in the spiritual journey our children of FPC are on, just call/text me to set up a Sunday morning to visit.



We are also asking for someone that would enjoy helping in the nursery once every 6 weeks. If you have prayerfully decided that this could be a fit for you please call me.

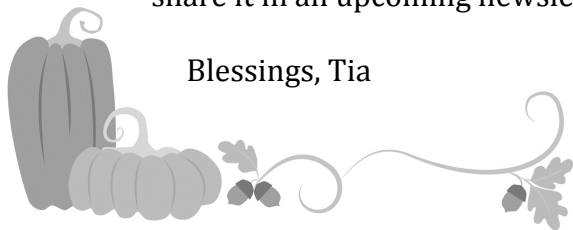
Blessings, Tia Sponsler 419-606-7155
Director of Children's Ministry

Pioneer Clubs will meet for three more Thursdays in November., 6:00-7:30pm. Our last meeting on November 20 will be a parents night and celebration.



Have you been touched by your experience with Stephen Ministry, whether as a care receiver or Stephen Minister? Would you like to share your story, anonymous or named, if so please contact me to share it in an upcoming newsletter.

Blessings, Tia



First Presbyterian Christmas Presence

To bring joy to a young child, consider filling a box of goodies for the preschool children in Head Start. Look for the boxes in the narthex the next two Sundays, November 2 and 9, fill it up (suggestions on lists enclosed in boxes), then return it to the church during the Harvest Dinner on November 16. You can also drop filled boxed off in the office, just as long as they are turned in by November 23. No need to wrap, just have the fun of selecting small items such as washable markers, play dough, small toy or craft project, mittens and more.



No candy or other food items, please. Boxes will be wrapped at church and delivered to Head Start classes.



Isabel Serrano and
Jeremy Brinker
were married on
October 11, 2014

Julia Beer and Joshua
Schoonover
were married on
October 25, 2014



Kyson Matthew Brinker
was born to Isabel and
Jeremy on October 21,
2014. He was 7lbs. 11
oz. and 21 inches.



To the family of Stephen
W. "Jake" Jacobs,
who passed away on
October 8, 2014.



November 2, 2014

Martin Sheen plays a father who goes to France to claim the body of his son, never suspecting that will launch him on a long spiritual pilgrimage in the film to be shown Friday, November 21 at the home of Bill and Connie Dravenstott, 1211 Fairway. The movie will start at 7 p.m., but come at 6:30 to feast with friends. Bring something to share. A discussion, led by Terry Mapes, will follow the movie.



CHURCH OFFICE CLOSINGS

Friday, November 14
Wednesday, November 26
Thursday, November 27
Friday, November 28

ACCESS UPDATE



Our time to host is
November 9-16.

Guests will be staying at Peace Lutheran Church. Please sign up to volunteer on the board in the narthex, or contact Becky Sheeks.



Let's Deck the Halls!
Hanging of the Greens
Sunday, November 23
Following Worship

Please come and help
decorate our church
for the Advent season.

More details TBA.



LOUD SUNDAY OFFERING

NOVEMBER 30

Bring your spare change to make a joyful noise for this special offering. This fifth Sunday of the month, we will support The Salvation Army's Red Kettle Drive.



Advent
First Sunday of Advent
November 30

NOVEMBER

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2 Daylight Savings Time Ends Hunger Sunday	3	4 9:00am Staff 8:00pm AA	5 9:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Healing Care Group 7:30pm Choir	6 9:30am Worship Ministry Team 6:00pm Pioneer Club 7:00pm Euchre	7	8
9 Host ACCESS	10 Host ACCESS Young Life Banquet	11 Host ACCESS 6:30pm Session 8:00pm AA	12 Host ACCESS 9:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Healing Care Group 7:30pm Choir	13 Host ACCESS 6:00pm Pioneer Club 7:00pm Bridge	14 Host ACCESS Church Office Closed	15 Host ACCESS
16 Host ACCESS Celebration Sunday/Harvest Dinner	17 Quarterly Newsletter Deadline	18 9:00am Staff 6:30pm Deacons 7:00pm Invite, Connect, & Sent 8:00pm AA	19 9:30am Bible Study 6:30pm Healing Care Group 7:30pm Choir	20 6:00pm Pioneer Club	21 6:30pm Movie Night @Dravenstotts'	22
23 Communion Hanging of the Greens	24	25 6:30pm Healing Care Group 8:00pm AA	26 Church Office Closed	27 Church Office Closed—Thanksgiving	28 Church Office Closed—Thanksgiving Observed	29
30 Advent I Loud Sunday Offering for SA Red Kettle Drive						

THE FIVE C'S OF YOUNG LIFE

Young Life of Ashland County is holding its annual Celebration Banquet on Monday, November 10, at 6:30pm. Our own Matt and Lauren McClain are the leaders of Young Life in Ashland. This is a good time to review Young Life's philosophies and methods.

Young Life began with a few simple ideas about sharing the truth of God's love with adolescents. Seven decades later, those simple ideas have become time-tested methods for reaching out to middle school, high school and college students in friendship and hope.

Club — A Party With a Purpose

What is it about Young Life club that makes it the best night of the week for thousands of kids every week? We like to think of it as a party with a purpose. It's controlled chaos that's almost impossible to describe, but kids know it when they see it. And before the party ends, we share a simple message about God's love for them. After all, that's what the celebration is all about.

Campaigners — A Time to Learn and Grow

Campaigners (a name that points back to the early days when Young Life was referred to as "The Young Life Campaign") is a weekly meeting for kids who wish to learn more or grow in their faith through study, service and leadership. Young Life leaders also encourage these kids to celebrate their faith through participation in a local congregation.

Camp — The Best Week of Their Lives

Kids consistently tell us that Young Life camp is the best week of their lives. That's a rousing (and unsolicited) endorsement! But how else would you describe a week where deep relationships are forged in the midst of mind-boggling fun and you experience and listen to what we believe is the greatest love story ever told?

Contact Work — Caring for Kids

Because kids don't care how much you know till they know how much you care, Young Life leaders show

they care by going where kids are, meeting them as they are, believing in who they can be. Within Young Life we call the persistent going out into the world of kids "contact work," but kids just call it friendship.

Committee — Adults Who Care

Young Life is making a difference in the lives of kids around the world because we are supported by adults who care about kids in their community. For every talented Young Life staff person, there is a team of dedicated volunteer leaders who works directly with kids. In each community, the local "committee" — comprised of parents, Young Life alumni and civic leaders — provides a foundation of financial, administrative and moral support for the local Young Life team.

The above was taken from www.younglife.org.

For more information, or if you would like to get involved, please contact Lauren McClain, (567) 215-7806.



CHRISTIAN SYMBOLS



Cornucopia, a Greek word meaning "horn of plenty," has origins in Greek mythology. But the cornucopia became a religious symbol and was even stamped on Jewish coins.

Overflowing horns, now common as Thanksgiving centerpieces, came to symbolize abundance and blessings.

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MEET HUMAN NEEDS**

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**NewsLetter
DEADLine**

**Monday
November 17**

**Food Gram
From the Food Dude**

October paper products
donations were outstanding.
We could bulk up our food
donations for November.

Keep in mind that
Associated Charities
will assist
around 300 families
with their
Thanksgiving meals.

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To:

November 2014



Associated Charities Requests the following items:

Food Needs:

Complete Pancake Mix and Syrup
Cereals, boxed or oatmeal
Tuna
White and Brown Instant Rice
Canned Soups-especially Chicken Noodle!
Jelly-Grape or Strawberry
Juices-any!
Sugar and Vegetable Oil
Canned Fruit

Taxable items Needs:

Paper Towels
Kleenex
Toilet Paper
Bar soap
Laundry and Dish Soaps



**HUNGER
SUNDAY**

November 2