

FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ASHLAND

The Joyful Noise

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HURRICANE RESPONSE



There are several ways you can help those effected by recent hurricanes.

Ashland Church of Christ invites all to join them in filling a semi truck with needed items for hurricane relief. Their trailer will be located in the Walmart parking lot the last week of September and will be in Millers Hawkins in October. The truck will head to Houston around the middle of the month.

Items needed includes:

Bottled Water	Diapers
Tools	Hygiene Items
Mold Cleaner	Mops
Buckets	Flathead Shovels
TrashBags	Bleach
Batteries	Hand Sanitizer
Gloves	Non-perishable Foods

New Underwear, T-shirts, Shorts

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Sunday, October 1, 2:00pm (beginning at Christ United Methodist Church)

WHAT DOES CROP STAND FOR?

When CROP began in 1947 (under the wing of Church World Service (CWS), which was founded in 1946), CROP was an acronym for the Christian Rural Overseas Program. Its primary mission was to help Midwest farm families to share their grain with hungry neighbors in post -World War II Europe and Asia.

Today, CWS has outgrown the acronym but they retain it as the historic name of the program. CROP Hunger Walks are interfaith hunger education and fundraising events. With its inception in 1969, CROP Hunger Walks are "viewed by many as the granddaddy of charity walks," notes the Los Angeles Times (Oct. 26, 2009).

On October 17, 1969, a thousand people in Bismarck, ND, walked in what may have been the start of the hunger walks related to CROP – and raised \$25,000 to help stop hunger. As far as CWS knowS, York County, Penn., was the first walk officially called the CROP Walk for the Hungry – and that event has been continuous since 1970.

Currently, well over 2,000 communities across the U.S. join in more than 1,300 CROP Hunger Walks each year. More than five million CROP continued on p. 2

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If you need help delivering your items or have any questions, contact Pastor Tim Nowlin on his cell phone, 567-274-8695. Ashland Church of Christ is organizing this for all of Ashland, Ohio in the name of Jesus.

PRESBYTERIAN DISASTER ASSISTANCE

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance (PDA) is responding to all recent natural disasters, including three hurricanes, the fires in northwest USA, and the earthquakes in Mexico City. Regarding Puerto Rico, PDA is remaining in constant contact with PCUSA leadership on the island. It is still too early to send in National Response Team members as the resources in Puerto Rico are already stretched too thin. Emergency grants are being issued and when it is safe and secure, and volunteers will not be creating an additional burden on the limited resources, and the national response team of bilingual volunteers will be deployed to assist. PDA anticipates a need for long-term volunteers to help with the recovery.

You can join in the response and encourage those in need by standing in the "GAP" — Give. Act. Pray.

GIVE: Support Presbyterian Disaster Assistance's (PDA) emergency response and long-term recovery work in the areas affected by Hurricane Harvey. Gifts can be given directly to PCUSA, or through the church office. ACT: Put together Gift of the Heart kits for survivors in the affected areas — hygiene kits and cleanup buckets are especially needed. For more information, go to pda.pcusa.org/page/ kits/ or visit our blog at ashlandfpc.org. PRAY: For everyone effected and responding to these disasters.

For more information, visit pda.pcusa.org.

CROP WALK

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Hunger Walkers have participated in more than 36,000 CROP Hunger Walks in the last two decades alone.

CROP Hunger Walks help to support the overall ministry of CWS, especially grassroots, hungerfighting development efforts around the world. For Ashland, 25% of the funds raised support these local Ashland hunger programs:

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

Please look to sponsor FPC's CROP walkers: JoAnne Kash, Barb Latham, Lana Potter, Susie Schwartz, Becky Sheeks, the Dew family, and the Wolfe family. Thank you to all who have pledged support to CROP through these individuals, but it's not too late! Donations can be made through October 1. From: www.crophungerwalk.org/Static/About-Us

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH PRESENTS: FATHER GOOSE TALES

Saturday, October 14, 6:00pm

Fairy tales as told by Father Goose himself will be presented Peace Theatre of Peace Lutheran Church. Father Goose will help our cast tell "Snow White Was So Forgetful" and "Prince Cinders" and more stories from his latest book. Rumor has it that FPC's own Linda Swanson may be making an appearance.

A chocolate buffet bar will be



offered at intermission. Tickets are \$10 and can be picked up at Peace Lutheran, or you can call Linda Swanson in FPC's church office to make arrangements to pick up tickets. All proceeds will benefit the youth of Peace Lutheran as they travel to Houston summer 2018 for the national ELCA Youth Gathering.



PRESBY LUNCH BUNCH

The Presby Lunch Bunch will meet on Tuesday, October 11, 11:30am at Tim Hortons in Ashland on Main Street.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month



Rape Crisis Domestic Violence Safe Haven has a number of events to highlight Domestic Violence Awareness.

Domestic Abuse AWARENESS

<u>Candlelight Vigil—Tuesday, October 3, 6:30pm</u> Safe Haven invites us all to a candlelight vigil at the Corner Park, Main/Cottage Street, to honor victims and celebrate survivors of domestic violence. There will be several guest speakers and they will be handing out purple light bulbs for the "Turn the City Purple" campaign.

<u>The Silent Witness Project—October 3</u> The project focuses on awareness of victims that have been murdered due to domestic violence by displaying red silhouettes throughout Ashland County as a reminder.

<u>Turn the City Purple—October 10</u> Safe Haven is asking everyone to turn on their purple porch or outdoor lights on October 10 and consider keeping it on during the night for the rest of the month. Purple light bulbs will be handed out during the October 3 vigil.

For more information, call 419-282-6097.

LOUD SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29 As part of Domestic Violence Awareness Month, our Loud Sunday offering will benefit Rape Crisis Domestic Violence Safe Haven.



Bring your change for this special offering and make a joyful noise to the Lord!

Women's Group Monday, October 2



Women's Group Book Study starts a new book in October. They meet the first Monday of every month at 6:00pm. Contact Tia Sponsler for the location and more information.

An introverted dwarf inherits an abandoned train station and sees it as a place to escape from the world, but the world finds him anyway in the film to be shown at the next Movie Night, Oct. 20 at the home of Steve and Peggy Yoder, 1100 Surrey Circle. Come at 6:30pm with some food to share. The



movie starts at 7:00pm, with a discussion led by Terry Mapes to follow.

PLEASANT HILL OUTDOOR CAMP 4654 Pleasant Hill Rd, Perrysville, Ohio, 44864

October Work Day & Rummage Sale Saturday, October 28, 9:00am - 5:00pm

Volunteers Welcome! Project details still to come. All skill levels welcome - If you have a specific skill, let us know you're coming so we can connect you with a role that suits you best!

Local apple cider and fresh doughnuts provided for all you weekend warriors!



Fall Work Day Saturday, November 18, 9:00am - 5:00pm

Volunteers Welcome! Now's the time to winterize our cabins and ensure we're ready for whatever may come with winter knocking at the door. All skill levels welcome.

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 Hunger Sunday Communion 2:00pm CROP Walk, Christ UMC 4:00pm PMS Family Picnic Yoder Cabin 	2 6:00pm Women's Group Book Study 6:00pm Healing Care Group	3 10:30am Worship Ministry Team 8:00pm AA	4 Reports to Session Due 10:00am Bible Study 6:30pm Praise Band 7:30pm Choir	5 10:30 Finance Ministry	6	7
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DON RINEHART LECTURE IN PRACTICAL THEOLOGY

Wednesday, October 11, 7:30pm Miller Chapel on AU Campus Free and open to the public

Speaker: Dr. Wesley Null, Baylor University Lecture: The Virtues of a Christian Teacher

What virtues are most foundational to Christian teaching? What about teacher educators and those who make decisions about teacher

education curriculum? What virtues should they uphold?



The College of Education and the Department of Religion at Ashland University are delighted to announce that Dr. Wesley Null, Vice Provost for Undergraduate Education and Professor of Curriculum at Baylor University in Texas, is to give the second annual Don Rinehart Lecture in Practical Theology.

In his lecture, Dr. Null will draw upon his background as a K-12 teacher, teacher educator, educational historian, and university administrator to discuss these and related questions that are at the heart of private and public K-12 schools and universities today.

As a former middle school teacher and teacher educator, Dr. Null has worked closely with curriculum development and the preparation of future teachers. He draws on his love of history and philosophy as well as his deep Christian faith to explore the challenges educators face today. He works with schools and universities alike to focus on their sense of mission as they reimagine their curriculum and the impact they have within their communities.

This annual endowed public lecture honors the memory and continuing the work of Dr. Don Rinehart who, in his 46 years of teaching at Ashland, inspired generations of students.

Ashland Center for Nonviolence and Symposium Against Indifference Events

In these times of anger, fear, and separation, Imam Jamal Rahman will talk about the six stages of Interfaith dialogue to help us move beyond polarization, share practices to open the heart and use humor to convey inconvenient truths about ourselves. A popular speaker on Islam, Sufi spirituality, and interfaith relations, Jamal, along with his Interfaith Amigos, has been featured in the New York Times, CBS News, BBC, and various NPR programs. A local pastor and rabbi will join the discussion enhance our interfaith dialogue.

Workshop: Inviting the Stranger Wednesday, October 4th at 2:30pm in Eagle's Landing (Hawkins-Conard Student Center) Public Lecture: Dialogue, Practices and Laughter in Challenging Times Wednesday, October 4th at 7:30pm in the Student Center Auditorium

Both events are free and open to the public.

MEDICARE CHECK - UP

A Medicare specialist from the Ohio Department of Insurance will share a group presentation, "Medicare Check Up Event: A Personalized Review," at 10:00 a.m. on October 27 at the UH Samaritan building on Main Street. The talk includes a comprehensive review of Medicare Parts A, B, C and D as it applies to members' needs, and individual needs.

Although this event is free and open to the public, registration is required. To register, call

419-207-7874 or 800-257-9917, ext. 7874, leaving a name and phone number. Your call will be returned to confirm your attendance and to answer any questions.



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TRANSFORMING LIVES IN JESUS' NAME

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Monday October 23



- gently used toys
- musical instruments
- Diaper Genie

Please note that these items need to be age appropriate for children 0-36 months. Donations can be brought to the church. Contact Patti Fenwick for more information.

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Associated Charities requests the following items:

Non-Perishable Needs:

Saltine Crackers Boxed Cereals Jelly Frosting Fresh Potatoes Canned Fruits – **ALL** are needed! Egg Noodles Instant / Fresh Potatoes Sugar and Vegetable Oil Juices (of any kind)

Personal Needs:

Dish Soap Toothpaste Laundry Detergent Shampoo and Conditioner Deodorant-Female and Male Razors



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