



FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF ASHLAND

# THE JOYFUL NOISE

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## AN UPDATE FROM THE CCO MINISTRY AT ASHLAND UNIVERSITY:

Let's celebrate some of the great things that have happened with Ashland students during the spring semester:

- In February, FPC hosted a Chinese New Year celebration where nearly 100 students, church congregants, and community members came together to share a meal, get to know each other, and watch international students display their gifts and talents on stage.
- Jake and I got to spend 3 days with 9 AU students, along with several other young families from FPC, in Pittsburgh at the Jubilee Conference. Here, students heard about the redemptive power available for believers through Jesus Christ. For Yayu, a Chinese student, Jubilee offered her a deeper understanding of the life offered through Jesus, and in the weeks to follow, she committed her life to him. We rejoice in this!
- The day before Easter, Yayu, was baptized along with two others. Together with the Chinese church congregants, a few FPC members got to celebrate these young women's new lives in Jesus.
- Peggy and Steve Yoder opened their cabin to welcome 30 international students and celebrate their graduation. Together, we



INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS CELEBRATE GRADUATION

enjoyed the spring weather, laughter, and burgers of all kinds!

God has poured His love into students lives through First Presbyterian church, and we look forward to all the ways we can continue to be used as a vessel over the summer and into next year.

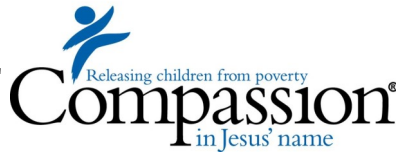
Please prayerfully consider how you might join into this work that God is doing in the lives of students.

Thank you for all of your love and support!

Sarah Bardall and Jake Blasdel



**COMPASSION  
INTERNATIONAL  
SUNDAY  
MAY 6, 2018**



**WHAT IS COMPASSION SUNDAY?** Compassion Sunday is a national movement that starts with local churches. It strengthens church communities, deepens believers' faith in Christ and unites the worldwide body of Christ.

**HOW DOES IT WORK?** Individual sponsors provide the means to a brighter future for select children around the world who would otherwise continue to live in poverty and hopelessness. Each sponsored child is nurtured physically, emotionally and socially at a child development center in an evangelical, neighborhood church. Children hear the gospel of Jesus and have the opportunity to experience faith in Jesus that endures into adulthood.

**HOW CAN I RESPOND?** On May 6, select a packet describing a child designated by Compassion International who would benefit from regular support, providing basic necessities and educational opportunities. Packets will be available in the lounge following worship where you can speak with others already sponsoring children. Once registered, you will begin receiving additional information about the child's country of origin, then communications from your child will begin as your sponsorship becomes effective.

Be sure to check out Compassion's blog at <http://blog.compassion.com>. Get an insider's perspective on what life in poverty is like for sponsored children. Compassion's blog is their way to share the most recent and powerful stories while providing a more personal look into poverty. One can engage with other sponsors and read updates from around the world.



## HELP FILL OUR RED WAGON

For the Month of May, the Evangelism & Outreach Ministry Team (E&O) invites you to participate in a special collection for Associated Charities. Instead of our usual Hunger Sunday collections that we do every month on the first Sunday, consider donating the items on the check list below on the given Sunday. Please add your donations to the red wagon which will be located at the front of the sanctuary.

Thanks for your support of the Ashland County Food Bank located at Associated Charities!



## Associated Charities Shopping List

- ☐ **May 6  
Canned Goods**
- ☐ **May 13  
Paper Products**
- ☐ **May 20  
Cereals**
- ☐ **May 27  
Personal Care Items**





INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS GRADUATION CELEBRATION AT YODER CABIN

AU STUDENTS AT CCO JUBILEE CONFERENCE IN PITTSBURGH FEBRUARY 23-25





## FPC BRIGHTENS AND REFURBISHES EXTERIOR

As you have noticed, the building's exterior has been getting mortar ground and replaced, patching to chipped capstones, power washing of each facade and a weather proof sealant applied. On the west side of the building, casement windows were caulked. To date, our contractor has completed all work on the west and 80% of the east side. Attention next turns to the south and north elevations as well as the stonework on the interior courtyard. Anticipated completion is in early June...

Kevin Reidy  
Property Committee Chair



**The church  
will be closed on  
Thursday, May 3!**

We ask that no one come to the church that day because the power will be off for the entire building. The men working on our building need to have the power turned off for their safety that day. Sorry for the inconvenience and thanks for your cooperation.

Dear Church Family,

I wish to thank you for the prayer shawl that Josiah brought to me. It will bring comfort and strength during my chemo treatments.



Blessings, Sandy Bartter

## CELEBRATE RECOVERY

First United Methodist Church  
Wednesday evenings, 6:30 – 8:30pm

Have you seen some orange yard signs around town? Wonder what that is about? It is Celebrate Recovery.



The purpose of Celebrate Recovery is to enjoy fellowship and celebrate God's healing power in our lives through the eight recovery principles found in the Beatitudes and Christ-centered 12 Steps. These gatherings provide a safe place to share experiences, victories and hopes. Each gathering time includes worship, small group sharing times and light refreshments. Child care is provided for the evening.

United Methodist churches in the Ashland area are sponsoring this program that is open to all. "Habits, hurts, and hang-ups" .....we all have them, and this is an opportunity to explore ways to recovery, not limited to substance abuse.

For questions, please call Pastor Jake Heskett at 740-801- 1146, or Jenny Whitmore at 419-289-7551.



**Saturday May 5 from 11:00am to 5:00pm**

Come, find out what Pleasant Hill Outdoor Camp is all about! This is a FREE event and it is open to the public, so please invite your friends and family! You will have the opportunity to tour cabins, ride the zip line, and meet members of the summer and year-round team.

Summer Camp Registration Open Now!

<https://www.phoc.org/>



## EVANGELISM AND OUTREACH NEWS

Tuesday, May 1 - Tour of Safe Haven Domestic Violence Shelter at 12:15pm for those interested in volunteering to meet with residents of the shelter. Due to limited parking, we need to carpool at the church at 12:00pm for the short ride to the shelter. Please let Lana Potter know if you will be attending.



**ACCESS—  
ASHLAND COMMUNITY  
CHURCHES EMERGENCY  
SHELTER SERVICES**  
Our next week to host is  
May 6-12.

## MOM AND BABY CARE GROUP

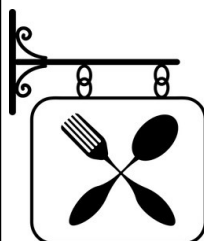
Wednesday, May 19, 6:30pm in nursery



Each mom who comes with their baby will get a mommy and me baby picture taken for Mother's Day.

For moms and babies 0-36 months. Come hang out with other moms and let your little ones enjoy the nursery.

## PRESBY LUNCH BUNCH



The Presby Lunch Bunch will dine at Cracker Barrel in Mansfield (I-71 and Route 13) on Tuesday, May 15 at 11:30am. Come to rock or shop! Reservations to Cora Walker no later than Monday, May 14.



## Unity

*Making every effort to keep the unity  
of the spirit through the bond of peace.*

—Ephesians 4:3

Thursday, May 3, 2018, 6:30 - 7:59am  
at Ashland University Convocation Center

Join Ashland's civic, church, ministry, business leaders, and community members as they meet to pray for the elected officials of our community and nation. This prayer breakfast is hosted annually by Ashland Community Ministerial Association (ACMA) in conjunction with the National Day of Prayer.

The guest speaker this year will be Dr. Carlos Campo, President of Ashland University.

Tickets available at these locations:  
Transformation Network, Trinity Lutheran Church, Grace Brethren Church,  
or online at [www.ashlandcma.org](http://www.ashlandcma.org)

## SELAH CONCERT

Friday, June 8, 7:00 - 9:00pm  
Ashland High School  
Archer Auditorium



The Mohicanville Community Church is hosting this concert as a mission. Their hope is that Christians in the area will invite the un-churched to this event. Selah has won 8 Gospel Music Association Dove Awards and have graced the stage of Nashville's historic Ryman Auditorium and the Grand Ole Opry.

For tickets go to: [www.mohicancc.com](http://www.mohicancc.com) or  
contact Kendra Carnegie 419-938-3006.

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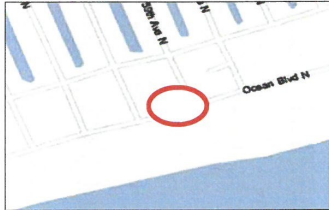
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1  8:00pm AA	2 10:00am Bible Study  1:30pm Prayer Shawl 6:30pm Praise Band	3  Church Building Closed Power Out!	4	5
6 Host ACCESS Bring Canned Goods Compassion Sunday 5:30pm Small Group @ Eckenroths'	7 Host ACCESS  6:00pm Women's Group Book Study	8 Host ACCESS  10:30am Finance Ministry Team  8:00pm AA	9 Host ACCESS Quarterly Reports to Session Due 10:00am Bible Study 6:30pm Praise Band	10 Host ACCESS  11:00 Prayers in Chapel	11 Host ACCESS	12 Host ACCESS  Private Event in Fellowship Hall
13  Bring Paper Products	14	15  11:30am Presby Lunch Bunch @ Cracker Barrel  8:00pm AA	16  10:00am Bible Study  6:30pm Praise Band	17  11:00 Prayers in Chapel	18	19  Quarterly Session Meeting
20 Bring Cereal Communion 11:30am Evangelism and Outreach Team 5:30pm Small Group @ Eckenroths'	21  Quarterly Newsletter Deadline	22  8:00pm AA	23  10:00am Bible Study  6:30pm Praise Band	24  11:00 Prayers in Chapel	25	26
27 Bring Personal Care Items  Communion	28 Memorial Day Office Closed	29  8:00pm AA	30  10:00am Bible Study	31  11:00 Prayers in Chapel		

## 2018 ACCESS Vacation Raffle - 3 prizes!

Three winning tickets will be drawn on Thursday, May 16, at Buffalo Wild Wings. The prizes are

- ♦ a 1-week's stay in 2019 at a North Myrtle Beach condo + \$500.00,
- ♦ a check for \$300.00, and
- ♦ a \$50.00 gift card to Bella Bleu's restaurant.

The first winner will have the choice of the 3 prizes, the second will have the choice of the two remaining prizes, and the third winner will receive the remaining prize.



### About the condo -

Ocean front - less than a 5-minute walk to the beach!

3 bedrooms, 2 baths - sleeps up to 8 people

All household goods furnished except bed linens, bath linens, and paper products

Raffle tickets are available for a suggested donation of \$10.00 each from the ACCESS Office, Irwin's Office Supplies, Miller's Hawkins, or an ACCESS Cheerleader.

ACCESS is a nonprofit corporation that helps homeless women and families of Ashland County, OH. We receive funds, not from any government sources but from donations from generous individuals and area churches, occasional grants, and fundraisers.

**ACCESS Office: 1605 CR 1095, Ashland, OH 44805 419-685-1232**



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RESTAURANTS

## COMMUNITY FUNDRAISER

*Dine to make a difference*

**ACCESS**

**Monday, May 14, 2018  
7:00am-8:00pm**

Bob Evans will donate 15% of your check\* when you present this flyer during checkout at this location:

**1304 East Main Street  
Ashland, OH 44805**

\*Flyer must be presented at time of checkout.

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## Dining To Donate

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**ACCESS**

Ashland Church Community  
Emergency Shelter Services

Needs Your Support

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**Applebee's  
Ashland, Ohio**

Present this to your server or Carside To Go Specialist.

**May 15, 2018  
11:00am - 8:00pm**



Donation percentage excludes tax and tip. Valid ONLY at above mentioned location during specified hours. Must present flyer in order for organization to receive credit for purchase. Flyers are not to be distributed in the restaurant or within the perimeter of the parking lot. Doing so will result in a voided event.



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WILD  
WINGS**

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Buffalo Wild Wings® always is to support our community and the organizations and sports teams within it. Together we can make a positive impact and help keep our community working and playing together. Before dining out, look for the Buffalo Wild Wings logo on restaurant premises. On the day listed above, present this flyer on receipt of purchase and 10% of your total bill will be donated to the organization of your choice.

**ACCESS - Ashland**  
**Wednesday, May 16, 2018**  
**Ashland • 419-281-9464 • All Day**

**ADMIT ONE**

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**NewsLetter  
DEADLine**

**Monday  
May 21**

Each week, we are truly humbled as our church community continues to faithfully and generously give so that we can have the items needed for those who struggle to feed their families. We can't change the world but we can start by helping one family at a time!

Thank you for joining us in our ministry to serve others in need. God Bless!

~Rosemarie Donley  
Associated Charities

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**To:**

**May 2018**



Associated Charities Requests the following items:

Non-Perishable Needs:

Jelly-Strawberry would be wonderful!  
Pancake Mix and Syrup  
Canned Chicken  
Vegetable soup  
Egg Noodles  
Tea Bags  
Brownie Mixes  
Saltine Crackers  
Potatoes, Fresh or instant

Non-Food Items:

Deodorant  
Toilet Paper  
Paper Towels  
Dish Soap  
Laundry Soap  
Shampoo and Conditioner (Please!)

