

The Presbyterian



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Exalting Christ. Denying Ourselves. Loving our Neighbors.

What is the Lord's Day?

There is no commandment of God more frequently ignored than this:

“Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it holy. Six days you shall labor and do all your work, but the Seventh day is a Sabbath to the Lord your God. ... For in six days the Lord made the heavens and the earth... and rested on the seventh day.” (Ex. 20:8-11)

Why is that? Why do we as God's people in the 21st century find this commandment so easy to ignore? It seems that because it does appear to be a blunt moral command like the other of God's laws (i.e. “don't murder,” don't commit adultery,” etc.) that it doesn't carry the same weight. However, God frequently rebuked his people, and even brought discipline upon them, for not keeping the Sabbath. In Isaiah 58, God's people are in exile, and God is explaining to them what it will look like for him to rebuild them as a people. He says,

“If you turn back your foot from the Sabbath, from doing your pleasure on my holy day, and call the Sabbath a delight and the holy day of the Lord honorable; if you honor it, not going your own ways, or seeking your own pleasure, or talking idly; then you shall take delight in the Lord, and I will make you ride on the heights of the earth; I will feed you with the heritage of Jacob your father, for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.” (Is. 58:13-14)

Another false assumption is that the Sabbath was strictly part of the law given to Moses that doesn't apply to us today. However, we see the Sabbath established in Genesis before the law as ever given to Moses. We see Jesus defend a proper view of the Sabbath. And we also see that the Sabbath regulation never ends, but is rather celebrated for all of eternity in Christ. Hebrews 4:9-10 looks forward to that day when it declares, “*So then, there remains a Sabbath rest for the people of God, for whoever has entered God's rest has also rested from his works as God did from his.*”

But, what is the Sabbath? How do we keep it holy? The Westminster Shorter Catechism answers the question in this way:

*“We keep the Sabbath holy by resting **the whole day** from worldly affairs or recreations, even ones that are lawful on other days. Except for **necessary** works or acts of **mercy**, we should spend **all our time** publicly or privately **worshipping God.**”*

Why? Because Sabbath is about faith. Sabbath is about trusting God. Sabbath is believing that God will truly provide all we need, and that we are to worship him and rest in his provision for us. As Christians, we have all the more reason to keep the Sabbath, for all we have truly needed for us has been provided in Christ. We can rest because we have nothing to prove to God. We worship because God in his infinite grace has set his affections upon sinners. We keep the Sabbath because we love God. We set aside one day completely and totally for him because he commanded it, and his commands are always for our good and his glory. The Sabbath is a testimony of our love for God. As the world continues its hustle and bustle, we step aside and say, “My God is enough. I can rest fully, knowing that Christ has accomplished for me eternal rest. So I worship him, and rest in him, trusting in him completely.”



Group and Committee Dates

Author of Life Book Club

The Author of Life Book Club will meet **Thursday, June 6th**, at **6:30 PM** at Dorothy Watts home.

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee will meet **Monday, June 10th**, @ **9:30 AM** at the church.

Deacons Meeting

The Deacon's will meet **Wednesday, June 12th** @ **5:00 PM** in Fellowship Hall.

Presbyterian Women

The Presbyterian Women will meet on **Thursday, June 13th**, @ **10:30 AM** at **Nancy Crum's home**.

Session Meeting

The Session meeting will be on **Thursday, June 13th**, @ **6:00 PM** in Fellowship Hall.

Gamma Delta

Gamma Delta will meet on **Wednesday, June 19th**, @ **12:30 PM** at the **fairgrounds for the Kiwanis Chicken BBQ**. Tickets will be purchased at the door.

Presbyterian Men

The Presbyterian Men's group meets each **Friday @ 7:00 AM**, at the **Pelican**. All men of FPC are invited to attend.

Book Study/Discipleship Group

The **Women's Discipleship Group** will meet **June 4th**, discussing **Chapter 10 and 18th**, discussing **Chapter 11**, at **Marcia Stout's home @ 6:00 PM**

The **Men's Discipleship Group** will meet **June 11th & 25th** at the church @ **6:00 PM**.

[Check the Church Website Calendar for any changes.](#)

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In Our Prayers

Surgery, Injury, and/or Recuperating:

Bob Downing, Kelli, Patterson, Gary Irwin, Judy Eichhorn, Judy Diederich, Connie Watts, Tami Robinson, Norm Campbell,

Shut-Ins:

Mary Lou Hastings, Sue Headley, Glenn & Jeannie Gibson, Grace Kearns, Mary Kiess, Margaret Price, Marcia Dobbins

Cancer

Nancy Crum
Steve Hoover
Brooke Lane (Kelli Patterson's cousin)
Susan Murphey (Jan Fulton's cousin)
Wendy Owen (friend of Barb Price)
Ann Pokopac (Kathy Bardon's sister)
Bruce Price, in remission (Dan's brother)
Ruthie Robinson (friend of Gennie Rios)

Members, Family and Friends of Members:

Marcia Heminger
John Cole and Phyllis Cole
Bruce Betz (Kelli Patterson's step father)
Michelle Holcomb (Lori Rager's cousin)
Marcia Burkhart's husband and son
Jennifer Roshon
Cindy Davis (friend of Susan Irwin)
Kathy Powell (Jeri Hargis's sister)
Gary Waugh (Gennie Rios' cousin)
Brett Erwin (Anya Schell's son)
John Scott (Kathy Bardon's relative)
Michael Cole (son of John & Phyllis Cole)
Connie Watts grandson Kade
Sharon Roth (friend of Kathy Bardon)
Cody Howard (friend of Ashleigh Helbert)
Florence Cooper (Vickie Ahlefeld's mother)
Sandy Will (Carrie Diebler's mother)

Military:

John T. Ballinger III, Cody Gibson, Keagan Rios, Levi Diebler, Jason Hahn, Daron Watts, Zach Wilson, John Bacon, Todd Loy, Brydan Lohr

Prayer Requests

Add to Prayer Requests _____ Remove
from Prayer Request _____
Prayers are needed for:

Member ____ Member's Family ____ Friend of
Member ____

Requested by:



Happy Birthday

4 Christian Linn
5 Deb Hablitzel
10 Mark Dishon
16 Joyce Hahn
17 Kathy Bardon
20 Judy Eichhorn
30 Jan Fulton

Anniversaries

5 Tom and Marcia Heminger
8 John and Phyllis Cole
14 Norm and Caroline Campbell
17 Kevin and Janet Kohls
21 Jeremy and Mary McNeill
22 Gabriel & Ashleigh Helbert
25 Marv and Betty Hauenstein

Flowers

02 - Tami Robinson
09 - Judy Rhode
16 - Judy Diederich
23 - Marv & Betty Hauenstein
30 - Tasha Nickler

The office will be closed June 10th through 14th. Pastor Jeremy will have regular hours.

Pastor Jeremy will be at General Assembly in Denver June 17th through 21st. Bob Thompson will be the guest speaker on June 23rd.

Deacon of the Month: Jeri Hargis

Elder of the Month: Al Fulton

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June Ushers/Greeters

- 02 – Al & Jan Fulton
Tom & Vicki Ahlefeld
09 – Al & Jan Fulton
Janet Kohls
16 – Al & Jan Fulton
23 - Lori & Sam Rager
Joe & Angela Collene
30 – Al & Jan Fulton
Dave & Debbie Hablitzel

June Congregational Meeting

The June Congregational Meeting will be held on **June 30th**, following worship service.

Deacon's Offering

Deacon's Sunday will be **June 16th**, all loose offering will go to the Deacon's fund to help them with all they do. Please let them know they are appreciated.

Worship Service

The Deacons are now recording "From beginning of prelude to end of postlude." Visit the website www.firstpresbucyrus.org, from the HOME page and go to WORSHIP to listen to the full service

Alarm System

Just a reminder when you are entering or leaving the church and set the alarm off accidentally please call the police department immediately. There have been 2 false alarms this year, if there are 3 more the church will begin to incur fees.



Youth News

Vacation Bible School

There will be a volunteer meeting on **June 3rd @ 7:00 PM** at the **BUMC Outreach Center**, 216 Hopley Ave. If you did not attend the April meeting please plan to attend. If you have any questions please contact Angela Collene.

Thank you

Dear Church family, Thank you for the Bible kindly given to me and the reception after church to celebrate graduation. I really appreciate your thoughtfulness. Thanks again, Hanna Mutchler.

Dear Church family and Finance Committee, Thank you so much for the opportunity to receive this scholarship for the upcoming school year. It will go a long way towards my tuition and other expenses. Thanks Again! Spencer Mutchler.

Dear, First Presbyterian Church Finance Team, I could never fully put into words how thankful I am for The First Presbyterian Church of Bucyrus. I am so blessed for the spiritual impact that this community has had on my life, from helping me to have a firm spiritual foundation to helping me grow in my faith to guide me so that I can help others grow in their faith. In addition, I am so thankful for the generosity of the church in helping me to continue my education. This scholarship is such a blessing. College is so costly, yet is such a valuable investment. Thank you so much for generously contributing to my education, not only financially but also emotionally and

spiritually. I am eternally grateful for the love and support from the church in all aspects of my life, especially in my pursuit of graduating from The Ohio State University. From the bottom of my heart, Thank You! In Him, Victoria Hoerig

Scholarship Recipients



Graduates



Downtown First Friday

Join the community
downtown
June 7th for
1st Friday's Fun and Fitness

2019 Music at the Mural Concert Lineup 7:30 to 9:00 rain or shine Bring your own chair

- June 6 - The Haz Benz
Advanced Fiber Technology
- June 20 - BHS X-Band
First Federal Community
Bank
- July 11 - United in Harmony
Rotary Club of Bucyrus
- July 25 - Greg Bell
- August 8 - Ohio's Rough Country Band
FCBank
- August 22 - Ella Hoover

Bucyrus Farm Market

Open Saturdays
May 4 - October 26
8:30 - 12:00

The Family Farm & Home Parking lot

Men's Breakfast

The Men's Breakfast will be Wednesday, June 12th, @ 7:00 AM in the Bucyrus Community Hospital. The speaker will be Joel Penton, Executive Director with National Championship OSU Football Team, 3 Big Ten Championship OSU Teams, 4-Time Academic All-Big Ten Selection and received the Prestigious Wuerffel Trophy. Sponsored by Woodlawn United Methodist Church.

BORN News

Fundraiser Sponsored by

JNK. Taxi

Cookout

The JNK Taxi is sponsoring a cookout on June 28th, @ Aumiller Park from 12:00 - 5:00 pm. The Taxi company will be offering rides to and from the cookout for \$5.00 round trip. There will be 3 drawings 1:00, 3:00 & 5:00, you must be present to win.



Annual BORN Garage Sale

You are invited as a participating church of BORN, to be part of BORN's upcoming **Garage Sale** on **Friday, July 12th 9:00 a.m.—5:00 p.m.** and **Saturday, July 13th 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.** at the **First Alliance Church at 1955 Hopley Ave.**

Each of the supporting churches of BORN is being asked to begin collecting items (**no clothing**) for this fundraiser. The items should be clean and in good condition. Your individual churches will decide who can lead your collection. Set up for the Garage Sale will be on Thursday, July 11th from 5:00—8:00 p.m. You are asked to bring with you as many tables and volunteers as you will need to help with the display of your items for sale. There will be no pricing of items as everything will be sold by donation.

At 2:00 p.m. on Saturday, July 13th, your volunteers will need to be back at the First Alliance Church to pick up your tables and to help pack up the leftovers.

If you have any questions, please contact Tabby Linn - Event Coordinator 419-562-2150 or email tabby.newhart@gmail.com

Blessings,
Eliza E. Cole
Director of Operations

FATHER'S DAY WORD SEARCH

Happy Father's Day!



Celebrate	Gift	Home	Caring	Honor	Daughter
Relaxation	Son	Hugs	Holiday	Hero	Gentleman
Inspiration	Wise	Sunday	Giving	Daddy	Children
Appreciate	Laugh	Happy	Love	Loyal	Encourager
Grandfather	Kiss	Fun	Family	Friend	Provider
Devoted	Card	Cake	Strong	Father	Greatest

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