

**THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH**

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HELLO 
September
2023

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CHURCH ELDER INFORMATION

Class of 2025:

Marilyn Johnston -Clerk- 2nd term
Sarah Bowles -1st term

Class of 2024:

Linda Smith - 2nd term
Karen Fish - 1st term

Class of 2023:

Sandy Noland - 2nd term
Priscilla Hare -2nd term

WORSHIP

WE WILL BE SERVING COMMUNION ON
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3RD.



Pastor Nominating Committee

The progress in August feels slow. We are still waiting on call seekers to upload their profiles. It almost feels as though we have made no progress at all. But a reminder to the church and to the committee that this process is not in our time.

Keep the committee in your prayers.
Sarah Bowles

SCRIP

September 3rd is SCRIP Sunday. Please see Gaye Gibson in the library before and after the worship service if you would like to purchase

EVANGELISM AND OUTREACH

Operation Christmas Child 2023

To make OCC shopping easier for church members this year, the E&O Committee will have monthly shopping list inserts in the Sunday bulletins. The lists will have suggested items to purchase, children clothing sizes and shopping hints. See Kenita Keck or Sandy Noland if you have any questions.

MINUTE FOR MISSIONS



Habitat for Humanity
MidOhio

July 13, 2023

First Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for prioritizing affordable housing through your outreach efforts and generous support. Last fiscal year, Habitat MidOhio realigned 102 families with life-changing services through home repair and home ownership programs. Because of generous people like you, 11 Newark families benefitted with 4 through home ownership and seven through affordable home repair.

Thank you again.
Kristina Ward

P.S. Our Restore opened in February 2023 and we hope this presence in the community allows even more opportunities for Licking County families.

Y HEALTHY KIDS BACKPACK PROGRAM

August Packing Party

These volunteers packed 390 meals. Had so much fun that the next packing party is scheduled for Saturday September 23rd at 1pm. We hope you can come and join us as we pack meals for hungry kids in our local school districts. Thank you for your hard work and participation. Many hands make light work.

The Lions Club came in on Wednesday, August 30th with 16 people and they packed 90 boxes.



Next Packing Party is:

Saturday September 23rd at 1pm

**All are welcome to come help pack
food for the Y Healthy Kids Backpack
Program**

Please come join us!!



Project Leader Workshops – Sept.8 and 9th – Sign up now!

We are excited to have Project Leaders and their team members join us this year for our Project Leader Workshop. Come see what the next steps are after your boxes leave the US. We will be demonstrating a distribution so you can experience the fruits of your labor! This year, to make it more convenient for you, we are having the workshop in three places – Circleville, Newark, and Reynoldsburg. Free boxes will be distributed at the events. (One case of 50 boxes per church/organization). Be sure to register so we ensure that we have a carton for you and your team!

Below, please choose your site and day, and then click on the link to register.

September 9th – 10:00 am – First Presbyterian, 65 N 3rd St, Newark, OH 43055

Register: <https://forms.gle/zuoZHc734iD27URaA>

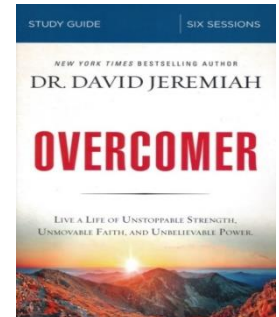
SUNDAY SCHOOL

The current study on Anxiety, facilitated by Ed Jobses will continue on through September 17th.

Sheri Bogardus will be bringing a study on the Feast of Tabernacles on Sept 24th for one Sunday only. If you want to know more about the Feasts you can read Leviticus 23.

Starting on October 1 – facilitator Carolyn Durr

In this 6-session video study, Overcomer, David Jeremiah explores the armor of God in Ephesians 6:10-18 and provides practical ways for believers to equip each piece and persevere from a place of victory in Christ.



CONGREGATIONAL CARE



September Birthdays

Jean Holman	9/4
Kay Kittel	9/4
Ted Brace	9/6
Shannon Montgomery	9/8
Rose Novell	9/8
Gaye Gibson	9/13
Sheri Bogardus	9/13
Jim Rodeniser	9/21
Lorraine Cox	9/22

September Anniversaries

Steve and Kenita Keck 9/17



SEPTEMBER 29

Chocolate Walk
on the Square

Downtown Newark Association
September 29, 4:00-7:00pm on the Square



CHURCH LIFE

Good Morning Bible Study is in the Gold Circle room from 10:00am -12:00 on Thursday mornings. They are studying the book of Daniel. Everyone is welcome to attend. It is a great time of Bible Study, prayer and fellowship.



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH PARTNERSHIP

1st Presbyterian Church hosted the Presbyterian Partnership Meeting this month in the Fellowship Hall.



Preparations were made on Tuesday morning for the meeting. The Church Mice were busy cleaning and preparing food and drinks for the meeting.



August 29 Presbyterian Church Partnership meeting held at First Presbyterian Church in Newark. Twenty two representatives from Granville, Newark First, Newark Second, Hanover, Woodside and Outville met in the fellowship hall, Tuesday. (Utica sent a report) Thank you to our hostesses, Gaye Gibson, Jo Dewese, Becky Mahon, Sandy Noland and Priscilla Hare. All felt welcomed.



Invitations from 2nd Presbyterian Church

Saturday, September 9th OSU Tailgate party begins at 11:00 with kickoff at noon.

Sunday, Sept. 24th
Rise Against Hunger packing party
11:30-5:00

Sunday, Oct. 22nd Kirkin of the Tartan

Saturday, Dec. 9th, The Polar Express Experience

For all these events please check the bulletin boards for the Invitation from 2nd Prs for more details.



**Candlewick Commons Dinner
September 12th**

4:00pm at Candlewick

If you would be interested in making the food or in coming to the event to help serve please contact Gaye Gibson.

The residents always seem to have a good time and it is a great outreach project in our community. All are welcome to come.



Dear Congregation,
We want to thank you
for the Gideon Bible
donations in our Monica
Name. It is exactly
what she would have
wanted, and we are
so grateful for your
kindness.
Sincerely,
Dale & Sara Lewellen

Thank you from the Lewellen family.

The roof is being fixed this week, August 29- 30th at the church and last week Sarah had to help the roofer get to the spot that needs fixed by crawling out the window. Thanks Sarah and Priscilla!! I think this goes above and beyond the call of duty.



So cute!! Sara going through the window to get to the roof to show the roofers how to get where the roof needed repaired. It takes all of us to get the jobs done here. Thank you to all that serve Jesus here at First Pres in so many capacities.