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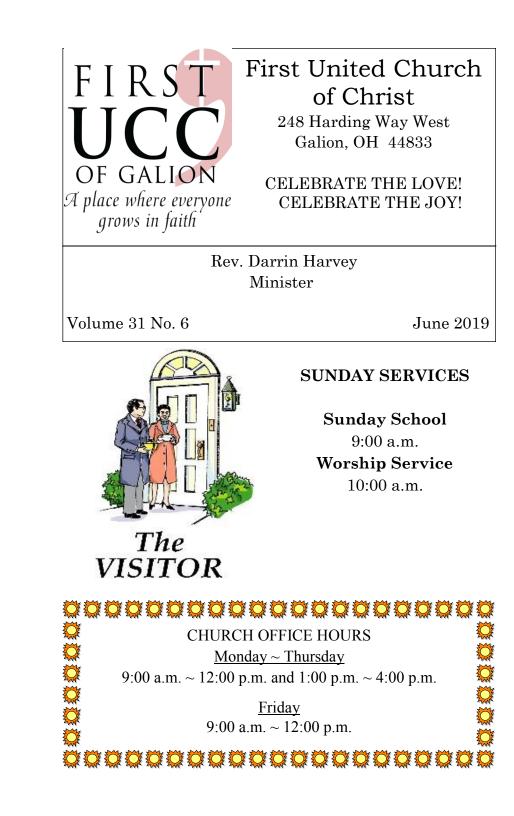
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Dear Church,

With May comes some changes in programming for the summer months. Our Sunday School classes are going to be discussing timely topics. Our adult Sunday

School, under the leadership of Doug Court, is going to be meeting in the Heritage Room and discussing some of the resolutions that are up for a vote at the General Synod this year. Our Senior High School class that has been meeting in the youth room is going to be discussing issues related to Open and Affirming. We have already discussed Biblical interpretation in matters having to do with sexual orientation. If you missed it, we plan on repeating some of this material this month, as well as looking at what the Open and Affirming designation means. These conversations will likely continue most of the summer.

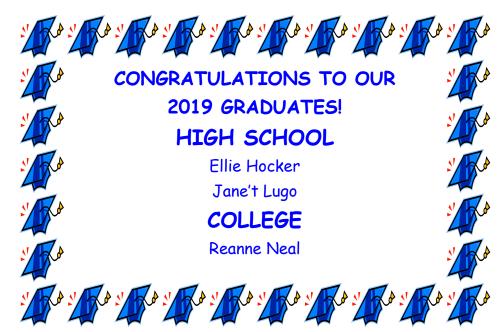
Speaking of General Synod, we are once again sending three official delegates to the biannual UCC gathering in Milwaukee in the middle of June. This is a big honor for our church and for the delegates themselves. It doesn't seem like it was two years ago when Doug Court, Anna Court, Ellie Hocker and myself left early in the morning for Baltimore but we will once again venture out representing our church. As before, we will return with stories and news to share about the exciting things our denomination is doing. Please pray for safe travels for us back and forth, as well as for a meaningful time.

In June we also celebrate and bless our graduates. Ellie Hocker and Jane't Lugo graduate High School and Reanne Neal is graduating from Ashland University with a degree in early childhood education. Please pray for these three talented and bright young people as they move into the next chapter of their lives. Last year we had a Father – Son brunch and it was a hit, so this year we are going to try it again. It's going to be on Saturday, June 15th at 10am at the Bistro 217 in Galion. Invite your dad, son, uncle, granddad, brother or friend! We also are sending two young people to choir camp June 16th for a week and my house will be a lot quieter!

Looking at the calendar for June there are a lot of celebrations. We are blessed to have so many things to celebrate in our church family and it's good that we get to do it together. Congregations that celebrate together strengthen bonds and build friendships that last. These are the things that build meaning and memories for us that we can draw upon when the going gets tough. Mutual care and fellowship are a big reason why people still physically meet together in one place in an age where more and more people work and go to school online. Church often meets our crucial human need for companionship and interaction. If you read the book of Acts, it's apparent that a big reason the church grew so quickly is that people wanted to be involved in something that was completely different than what they had known. They took care of each other's needs. Being a part of something positive is still the biggest reason, in my opinion, to be involved at a church. You can know God and strengthen your relationship with Jesus without having to get up on a Sunday morning, yet we were designed to be a part of something larger than ourselves. So, come celebrate this month with us. Your soul will be glad that you did.

Blessings,

Pastor Darrin



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3rd: Ken & Evelyn Feik Mark & Sandy Powell Doug & Carole Schreck 8th: Bruce & Rachel McKibben 9th: Steve & Jessica Hammond 10th: Ken & Nancy Green 11th: Chris & Hannah Ruth 13th: Frank & Jo Isaacs 18th: Steve & Lynda Eidt Keith & Cheryl Ketterman 21st: Andy & Rachel Roesch 23rd: Tom & Deb Jeffers 25th: Terry & Janet Snyder 26th: Ted & Robin Bruner Ed & Jenay Pfeifer 27th: Jim & Ellie Heiser 28th: Gary & Brenda Neal Jerry & Mary Nicholls Kevin & Beth Cotsmire 29th: Dave & Angie Brocwell Todd & Sherri Murray Robert & Robin Zier



ALTAR FLOWERS

Please sign the "Flower Chart" on the bulletin board outside the church office.

RADIO BROADCASTS

The cost is \$70.00 per broadcast. Please sign the chart posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. Listen on **WBCO 107.5FM** on Sunday from 9:00am-10:00am.

PRAYER CHAIN

For prayer requests, please call the office at 468-4380.

CARING CORNER

We continue to have cards to sign in the Caring Corner. If you know of any member, friend or relative who could benefit from visits or cards, please let the office know! Also, please continue to fill the pull tab jar. Little things mean a lot so save those tabs for the Ronald McDonald House!

FOOD PANTRY

Canned vegetables, Hamburger Helper, Tuna Helper, dried beans, paper products, cleaning supplies and personal care products are needed. There are containers at both entrances to the sanctuary.

PEACE CAMP

This year for our annual Vacation Bible School we are hosting a "Peace Camp". The dates are **July 8th - 12th**, Monday - Friday from 9am - 12pm. This year, the ages are slightly older as we will be offering this to students who are going into grades 3 - 8 this coming fall. Peace Camp is an opportunity to learn about cultural differences, different religions, practice meditation, conflict resolution, have unique field trips and much more! To reserve a spot for your child, please call the church office. See you in July !!

FRANK ISAACS CELEBRATION

This year Rev. Frank Isaacs will celebrate 60 years of ordained ministry! Peace Community is pleased to be a special part of Frank's life. You are invited to join them on **Sunday, June 30th, 2019** to express our thanks to God and honor this faithful witness. Ministry is not just to one congregation, but to the whole world. Your presence will help to make this celebration whole.

Schedule:

10:30 a.m. A Spirit- filled worship.

12:00 p.m. Sit down meal in the Fellowship Hall. There will be 2 meat options: chicken or roast beef, potatoes, a vegetable, cookies & drinks. A vegetarian option is also available. Please RSVP for the meal by Monday, June 10th. Please call 740-726-2808 to RSVP.

1:30 p.m. A brief musical program with people from Peace Community congregation and community providing special music. A cake & punch reception will follow.

If you are unable to attend and would like to share a special memory or a word of congratulations, please send a note, letter or card to :

Peace Community United Church of Christ P.O. Box 176 4061 Columbus Sandusky Road South Waldo, Ohio 43356

740-726-2808





STRENGTHEN THE CHURCH

Thank you to everyone that purchased a beautiful geranium to decorate the inside & outside of our church. We were able to donate \$538 to the Strengthen the Church campaign of the United Church of Christ. A list of who participated in this offering is enclosed in this month's Visitor.



SCHOOL BACKPACK PROGRAM

The Mission Committee would like to thank the following for delivering backpacks to the Galion Schools on Fridays filled with weekend food throughout this past school year. Thank you to Bruce & Betty Angell, Lynne Goldsmith & Deb Jeffers, Ken & Nancy Green, Jim & Ellie Heiser, Doug Court & Mary Ann Stone. If this sounds like a project that you might be interested in helping with, please let the office know, as we may have a few openings next school year.



FELLOWSHIP & OUTREACH MEAL

Our next Fellowship & Outreach Meal will be on Thursday, June 20th at 5:00 p.m. This month we are asking for strawberry desserts from our bakers. If you have a favorite strawberry dessert and would like to donate, watch for the sign outside the office to sign up. Thanks for your help!



BOOKS FOR BUDDIES

As you are doing your "spring cleaning" and cleaning out closets & shelves & finding unwanted or gently used books that young readers might be interested in reading, save them for us. During the summer feeding program for needy children in our community, we have a library of books for them to take home and read. This keeps their minds in reading mode for the summer & frees up some space for you. If you don't have any books to donate but would like to help with this program, you can also drop a donation in the offering plate & we will purchase gently used books with our donations. The children of Galion really appreciate these books.

COMMUNITY BREAKFAST UPDATE!



Thank you for your generous contributions to the Community Breakfast!!! Remember the breakfast is the last Sunday of every month! If you are donating breakfast items, please make sure that your items are at the church no later than the Friday before the breakfast. There is a sign up sheet for donated items on the office window. This month we are serving pancakes, sausage & fruit. Last month we served 17 people outside the church. We are so happy we can help our neighbors in need!





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Fairhaven Community **Volunteer Service Group Newsletter** May 20, 2019

The meeting was called to order by President Barb Nigh. Devotions were given by Marion First Roll Call: Volunteers – 24, Staff – 3, Guest – 1 Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Thanks You's received for the \$1,000 given for residents' Christmas gifts were read.

Treasury Balance - \$1,073.39 Gift Shop Balance - \$2,946.12 Bingo Cup - \$14.00

VSG Business:

The committee concerning the Harvest Fest for this year made the following suggestions: It was suggested to keep the date the same, that being the last Thursday in September (the 26th) but to change the menu to offering sandwiches, relishes, pies, and ice cream and not having soups. The desire is to make the offering more accessible to the residents as they are already paying for a meal at Fairhaven and we do not want to (expect) additional expense for them. Plus, also we want to cut back on what our aging volunteers need to prepare and transport in for the day. Would hope the churches no longer furnishing soup would possibly assist with the ice cream or other expenses. Suggested to have a live auction for an expanded offering of baskets, to have an expanded bake sale, and possibly offer some of the baked goods for auction also. Raffles were suggested where tickets could be offered to the various communities and the person would not have to be present to win. The committee wants to serve popcorn and hopefully have the quilters once again involved. There may or may not be a silent auction. The hope is to get both more residents involved along with more of the community. All of the suggestions, including the raffles, were approved by the group.

Staff:

The Scholarship Recipient, Sarah Faber, was introduced. Both Lori Marsh and Becky Blocksom spoke glowingly about Sarah and the work she does at Fairhaven.

Becky closed the introduction with prayer.

Becky King closed the meeting by leading the group in "The Way." The next meeting will be June 17th. Tiffin St. John's will have devotions. The annual carnival will be run by the volunteer group for the residents. The gift shop is furnishing prizes for the five games from last year. St. John's Bucyrus will furnish two more games and prizes. Additional help is being requested from 9:45 to 10 am that day to set up the games, and volunteers will be needed to run the games during the carnival. There will be no pie list for the June meeting.

Joys & Concerns

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* Barbara Thompson

***** If you are hospitalized, it is very important that you (or a family member) inform the church office. Remember, hospitals can no longer provide us with this information. Please call 419-468-

₩ 4380. ₩ CON **CONDOLENCES**

1st UCC extends sympathy to the family of Janet Oehler. Janet passed away May 19, 2019. Please keep her family in your thoughts and prayers.
** 1st UCC extends sympathy to the family of Ruth Ness. Ruth

passed away May 26, 2019. Please keep her family in your thoughts and prayers.

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HEARTFELT THANKS

Thank you to Pastor Harvey, Adair & everyone that expressed their sympathy when our beloved Jerry passed away. We are all so grateful for the cards, calls and everyone who came to his funeral. Thank you for your continued prayers. Pat Winters & family

We would like to thank each & every one of you for making Sabrina's confirmation such a special day. Thank you to Maggie, for serving as Sabrina's Mentor, the elders and deacons for helping the confirmands with communion, the congregation with your blessings, the special gifts and most importantly, thank you, Pastor Harvey for the altar flowers & the heartfelt words.

We are truly blessed to be part of such a loving, caring church. Eddie, Rose & Sabrina Roach

To all that were involved with the Diamond Dinner,

Jim & I would like to thank you for inviting us to the lovely Diamond Dinner. The tables were beautifully decorated, the food was absolutely delicious and the entertainment by the Ambassadors of Great American Song was great. We don't exactly know how Jim (and, I am not far behind him) got to the age of 75 already but we are so thankful that we are still able to get around and we do appreciate every day of our life together. With both of us having worked in the church kitchen for 13 years, we know how much time and effort it takes to put on any type of a meal and certainly do appreciate your effort.

Everything was truly lovely!

Sincerely,

Jim & Nancy Reid

CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

May 21, 2019

During Summer Services outdoors, people are encouraged to bring their own water bottles, if they feel water is needed.

The kitchen screen door has been replaced.

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Help is needed to deliver backpacks next school year. It takes about 40 minutes on a Friday. If interested in helping, please contact Mary Ann Stone.

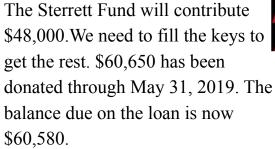
Sunday, June 30, 2019, Peace Community UCC in Waldo, OH is having a ceremony for Rev. Isaacs recognizing his 60 years as an ordained minister. Worship will be at 10:30 with a sit down meal at noon (Reservations for the noon meal are due by June 10). At 1:30 there will be a music program with a cake and punch reception to follow. If you are unable to attend, you are asked to send a message of congratulations, which will be shared at the afternoon program.

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New Breakfast signs will be purchased.

Doug Court's Class will organize the Corn Roast.

Organ Repair Payoff



The colored in keyboard on the right represents the progress in paying for our organ repair. Every \$500 fills a key, and when all keyboards from bass to treble are filled we will be "paid off." Contributions of all sizes are appreciated. If your contribution is in honor or memory of someone, indicate that.

Additional keys have been dedicated in memory/ honor of:

Veda Shifley Wilbur Shifley Doris Burkhart Rev. Ruben Elliker Richard & Gertrude Shifley Marcia Burkhart Dale & Carol Miller





SPECIAL MUSIC

Summer music will begin June 9th and end September 1st!

Do you have a musical talent you would like to share on Sunday mornings? We would love to have you!

There are still many dates available!

Sign up sheet is posted on the office window!



CHOIR ANNOUNCEMENT

The Senior Choir will perform Sunday, July 14th @ the 10am Worship. All Senior Choir members & Bell Choir members are welcome to stay after worship for the annual "Choir Picnic."

NEED HELP AROUND THE HOUSE?

Amanda Harvey is available this summer to assist people with odd jobs around the house. She would like to work for donations to earn money for a school trip to Costa Rica in June 2020. If you are interested , please contact Wendy Harvey @ 937-776-6207.

In Memory continued:

James Wittibschlager by Douglas & Mary Ann Stone Chet & Alice Zimmerman by their family Harold & Thelma Zimmerman by their family

Geraniums Are Given in Honor of:

Our girls, Jessica & Abbie by Dave & Angie Brocwell Our past & present ministers by Doug Court & family Our 5 grandchildren by Dan & Lisa Eichhorn Parker's Confirmation by Grandpa & Grandma, Gary & Martha See Jim Sulser by Maggie & Paul Sulser Paul Sulser by Jim & Maggie Sulser

Geraniums Are Given To The Glory of God by:

Bruce & Betty Angell Ken & Nancy Green Miriam Shifley

Geranium donations are listed in alphabetical order by the last name of the person the donation is given for. If a name is not specified, the donation is listed by the donor's last name.



Strengthen the Church

Geranium Project May 19, 2019

Geraniums Are Given In Loving Memory of:

Lee & Marsena Brooks by Douglas & Mary Ann Stone Herb & Carole Brown by Philip & Sundie Brown Susan Reid Cohn by Jim & Nancy Reid Betty M. Durtschi by the Fritz Durtschi family Lowell & Mabel Eichhorn by Dan & Lisa Eichhorn Our parents by Keith & Judy Eichhorn Our loved ones by the Goldsmith/Keller families John Heitzman by Mary Ann & our children Joyce Hollingsworth by Philip & Sundie Brown Arpad & Teresa Kiss by First U.C.C. Mission Committee Our loved ones by Dale & Carol Miller Past Bethany members by Carol Moran Stan & Anna Mae Morris by Philip & Sundie Brown Kyle Morrissey by Philip & Sundie Brown Charles, Ruth & Linda Neal & Don Hayes by Dan & Pam Hayes; Chuck & Maureen Neal & family & Gary & Brenda Neal & family Billy Pfaadt by Bill & Lynne Shifley Clovd & Mildred Rhinehart by Dorothy Rhinehart Don Rhinehart by Dorothy Rhinehart Susan Ritzhaupt by Dorothy Rhinehart Melinda M. Sheriff by The Fritz Durtschi family Veda Shifley by Genesis Friends Joyce Spore by Gail A. Spore Eric Stone by Douglas & Mary Ann Stone L. Dean & Louise Stone by Douglas & Mary Ann Stone Loved ones by Ruth Swick Harry Thompson by Barbara Thompson Richard Wiggins by Dorothy Wiggins