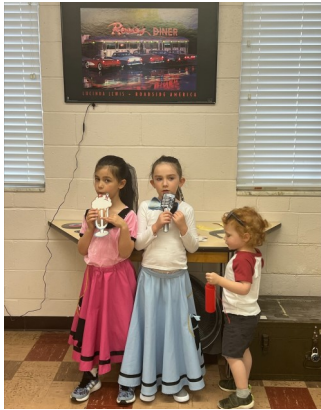




May 2024

LIFELINE

So much fun at our Sunday Fun Day 50's Sock Hop! April 21, 2024



Stopping for a photo op with a picture of Rosie's Diner in the background



We gathered together before worship



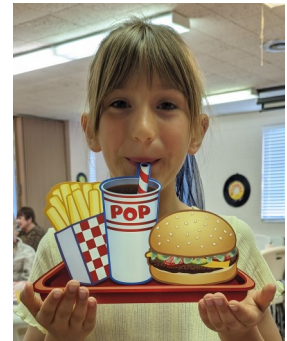
Heidi and Parker loved their poodle skirts and danced to "Rockin' Robin" for us. What a special treat!



The Pink Ladies from "Grease" stopped by



Obie showed everyone how it's done on the dance floor



Hamburgers and french fries just like in your favorite diner



Darrell impressed everyone with his authentic outfit



Linda and Judy still dancing and having fun like teenagers



Thank you Congregation for your generosity! You donated 240 pairs of socks for FISH and the School Pantry. Thank You!



CLERK'S CORNER
Session Meeting Recap

Session did not meet in April. Session meets on the third Sunday of odd numbered months (Jan., Mar., May, July, Sep., and Nov.). The next regularly scheduled Session meeting will be on Sunday May 19th immediately after worship. As always, if you have any suggestions, concerns, or questions at any time, you can contact any member of Session—Pastor Joe and Ruling Elders (Julie Brown, Linda Hartsock, Dixie Jenkins, Art Myers, Kathleen Seewer, Dave Sellers, Kim Sellers, and Roland Sommer).

A NOTE FROM ECCLESIAL—OUR RESIDENT CHURCH MOUSE

Several activities happened in the life of our church during the month of April. You may have noticed that the elevator is finally working. Our Rummage Sale (May 2, 3 & 4) preparations have begun. Donations of items are currently being accepted - so it is a great time to clean out your closets, drawers and junk rooms! We sure did enjoy the 50s Sock Hop! Listening to Pastor Joe spin some tunes and seeing dancing, singing and everyone having a good time is always a pleasure. The Name that Tune game was a lot of fun. The lunch of typical diner food looked and smelled great also! The root beer floats and ice cream sundaes were a huge hit. Our "First Presbyterian Walking Club" started off their season on Earth Day - picking up trash while walking at Community Park. Afterwards, they went to lunch and had a great time sharing a meal and chatting. It was a beautiful day! As usual, our Senior Center lunch was a big hit. If you haven't enjoyed the free lunch which is provided the fourth Wednesday of the month, we understand you are really missing out. We have been asked to stay here to keep an eye on things while everyone is there, but we hear there is always great food and a good time to get to know our neighbors. The month of May looks to be another fun filled month - mark your calendars for our day trip to volunteer and enjoy lunch at Matthew 25 Ministries in Blue Ash on May 13th. Blessings to you all! ~*Ecclesial Mouse*



Rummage Sale May 2– 4
9:00 am—5:00 pm each day
and
Freddie's Franks and Burgers
Food Truck

Friday May 3 at 11:00 am

The rummage sale is set for Thursday May 2nd through Saturday, May 4th. Freddie's Franks and Burgers food truck will be in the lower parking lot on Friday starting at 11:00am for lunch. The profits will from the rummage sale will go toward the cost of repairing the elevator. We need help setting up, pricing items, and selling.

Please let Troy know if you can help or if you need more info.



Thank you Dixie Jenkins and Cindy Bowen for donating this picture to hang in the Lounge. It is a replica of one of the panels in the Sistine Chapel painted by Michaelangelo. The painting depicts the hand of God giving life to Adam. Cindy and Dixie shared this painting which had hung in their previous church that is now closed. What a beautiful and meaningful addition to our church. Thank you.



On Easter Sunday the children paid close attention as Pastor Joe demonstrated how Mary Magdalene mistook Jesus as a gardener when she found the tomb empty. The props made the story memorable.

Graduation News

Please let us know if you have any family members that are graduating. We'd like to recognize and congratulate them in the June Lifeline. Please send their name, school name, graduation date, major, and future plans to the church email by May 24th.



Montessori Kindergarten Graduation May 17th

We are hosting a reception for the Montessori school's Kindergarten graduation on Friday May 17th at 6:00pm. If you would like to help serve or can donate cookies, please let Diane know.



Something to think about...

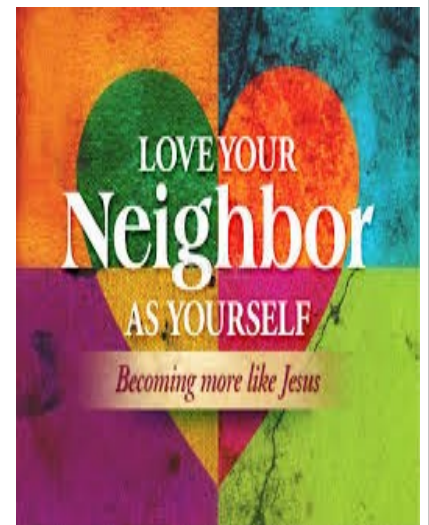
His name is Bill. He has wild hair, wears a T-shirt with holes in it, jeans, and no shoes. This was literally his wardrobe for his entire four years of college. He is brilliant, kind of esoteric and very, very bright. He became a Christian while attending college.

Across the street from the campus is a well-dressed, very conservative church. They want to develop a ministry to the students, but are not sure how to go about it.

One day Bill decides to go there. He walks in with no shoes, jeans, his T-shirt, and wild hair... The service has already started and so Bill starts down the aisle looking for a seat. The church is completely packed and he can't find a seat. By now, people are really looking a bit uncomfortable, but no one says anything. Bill gets closer and closer and closer to the pulpit, and when he realizes there are no seats, he just squats down right on the carpet.

By now the people are really uptight, and the tension in the air is thick. About this time, the minister realizes that from way at the back of the church, a deacon is slowly making his way toward Bill. Now, the deacon is in his eighties, and has silver-gray hair, and wears a three-piece suit. He is a godly man, very elegant, very dignified and very courtly.

He walks with a cane and, as he starts walking toward this boy, everyone is thinking that you can't blame him for what he's going to do. How can you expect a man of his age and of his background to understand some college kid on the floor? It takes a long time for the man to reach the boy. The church is utterly silent except for the clicking of the man's cane. All eyes are focused on him. You can't even hear anyone breathing. The minister can't even preach the sermon until the deacon does what he has to do. And now they see this elderly man drop his cane on the floor. With great difficulty, he lowers himself and sits down next to Bill and worships with him so he won't be alone. Everyone chokes up with emotion. When the minister gains control, he says, "What I'm about to preach, you will never remember. What you have just seen, you will never forget." Be careful how you live. You may be the only 'Bible' some people will ever read. ~Author unknown~





Happy Birthday!

May 14 Ken Gadd
 Paul Botts
 16 Mitch Oliver
 19 Ralph Beaver
 24 John McMillan
 31 Darla Thompson

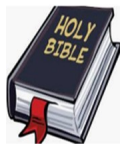
Dear Church Family,
 Thank you for the beautiful flowers that graced our altar on Sunday, April 7, donated by Bill Arnold and delivered by Bob Hendrix. They are a bright spot in my living room and a reminder of the love of my church family. You and the flowers are greatly appreciated.

Love,
 Jan Smith



Cornerstone Class

The Cornerstone Class meets at 2:00 pm every Wednesday for Bible study and discussion. We are currently reading various Epistles of the New Testament. There are snacks!



Elevator Repair Status—The repair of the elevator is finished. The state inspector completed the inspection and certified the elevator for use.



2024 Church Directory

The directory is now available. If you haven't been able to pick up a copy at church and would like a copy, please contact the church office (phone or email) to request a copy.



Heifer International gratefully recognizes

Fairborn First Presbyterian Church

for your contribution of healthy animals and training in their care to help struggling families overcome a life of hunger and poverty.

"The Earth is the Lord's, and the fullness thereof; the world, and they that dwell therein." Psalm 24:1

Christy Moore

Heifer International

April 2024

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We continue to draw quite a crowd for our lunches at the Senior Center. Everyone loves the good food and time spent with good friends.



The Walking Club met at the Fairborn Community Park on Earth Day, April 22nd, to pick up trash as they walked. They definitely left the park a nicer and more enjoyable place for all the other park visitors.

May 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<p>1</p> <p>2:00 pm Cornerstone Class —Lounge</p>	<p>2</p> <p>9:00 am Rummage Sale - Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>3</p> <p>9:00 am Rummage Sale - Fellowship Hall</p>	<p>4</p> <p>9:00 am Rummage Sale - Fellowship Hall</p>
<p>5</p> <p>10:15 am Worship with Communion</p>	<p>6</p> <p>1:00 pm Hope Circle — Lounge</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8</p> <p>2:00 pm Cornerstone Class —Lounge</p>	<p>9</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11</p>
<p>12</p> <p>10:15 am Worship</p> 	<p>13</p> <p>10:15 am Matthew 25 Ministries Field Trip</p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15</p> <p>2:00 pm Cornerstone Class —Lounge</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p>6:00 pm Montessori Graduation</p>	<p>18</p>
<p>19</p> <p>10:15 am Worship 11:30 am Session Mtg</p>	<p>20</p> <p>10:30 am Walking Club— Location TBD</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p> <p>11:30 am Sr. Ctr. Lunch 2:00 pm Cornerstone Class —Lounge</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>
<p>26</p> <p>10:15 am Worship 12:00 noon Deacon's Mtg</p>		<p>28</p> <p>Lifeline articles due in office</p>	<p>29</p> <p>2:00 pm Cornerstone Class —Lounge</p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p>	

SCHOOL PANTRY NEEDS

A shopping list is provided for your use. Any items collected will be given to the Fairborn School Pantry. You can leave items in the bins in the narthex. If you need help with shopping or with pick-up and delivery, just let me know. I'll be happy to help.

Linda Hartsock
School Pantry Coordinator



Pasta Noodles	Oatmeal	Crackers
Pasta Sauce	Pancake Mix (add water only)	Snacks
Ravioli (Can or individual)	Pancake Syrup	Canned Vegetables
Soup	Poptarts	Juice
Rice and Noodle Mixes	Nuts	Paper Towels
Mac and Cheese (Box or individual)	Pudding	Toilet Paper
Tuna and Chicken cans	Fruit cups	Shampoo/Cond.
Vegetable Oil/Spray	Peanut Butter	Body Wash
Cereal	Jelly	Feminine Hygiene
Breakfast bars/muffins		

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Sunday Worship: 10:15 am with an on-line option from the church website

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Organist: Jeff Firestone

Choir Director: Shelda Cox

Director of Chancel Ringers: Rena Leatherman

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Moderator: Reverend Joe Hinds

Clerk: Kathleen Seewer

Ruling Elders: Julie Brown, Linda Hartsock, Dixie Jenkins, Art Myers,
Kathleen Seewer, David Sellers, Kim Sellers, and Roland Sommer

Articles for next month's Lifeline need to be in the office by May 28th.

There will be a limited number of copies of the *Lifeline*
in the lower narthex near the Welcome/Visitors table if you want to pick one up.

Please let the office know of any meetings that you have scheduled in the church building
so that we can maintain an accurate calendar and answer questions as folks call.