


# First Pres Happenings – Thursday, April 25, 2024

WELCOME TO THE SANCTUARY and ONLINE SUNDAYS @10am

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*



APRIL 28, 2024  
REV. NATHAN LOUDON  
FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH / LANCASTER OH 43130

Join us in the Sanctuary or follow the link to the church website to watch LIVE through Facebook and YouTube, or to watch later.

[www.firstpbc.org](http://www.firstpbc.org)

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## CHURCH BIRTHDAY PARTY – Sunday, April 28



*Church Birthday Party*

Join us for a church-wide birthday celebration!

**April 28**  
Immediately following worship

## BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

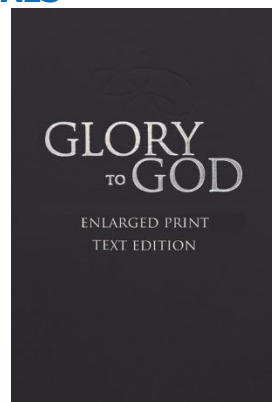
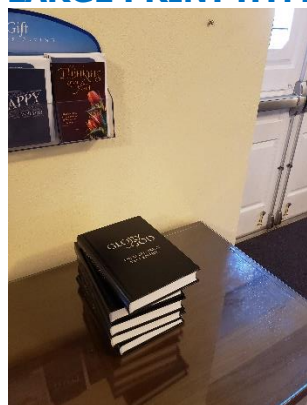


**Young at Heart**

A night of adult fellowship.  
Bring your favorite appetizer or dessert and your own beverage.

First gathering at Mike & Jill Gilmore's  
Saturday, May 11<sup>th</sup> at **6:30pm**  
Questions? Contact Tom Tobin

## LARGE PRINT HYMNALS



Large print hymnals are available in the Narthex from a Greeter upon request. Please return them to the Narthex after the Worship service.

## GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS



We want to celebrate and honor our graduates on Sunday, May 19! To do this we need your information and a picture of you.

- Senior Bio forms are available from Leyton Mathias, Youth Group Leader or the Church Office
- Submit the completed form with a picture by May 3 to [church@firstpbc.org](mailto:church@firstpbc.org)

(Contact Leyton Mathias, Youth Group Leader or Jenny at [church@firstpbc.org](mailto:church@firstpbc.org))

**LANCASTER HANDBELL ENSEMBLE CONCERT**  
**Sunday, May 5 @ 3:00pm @ First Pres**

**Masters and the Movies!**  
**Spring Concert**  
 Sunday, May 5, 2024  
 First Presbyterian Church  
 3:00pm  
 William L. Wittman  
 Artistic Director  
 The Lancaster Handbell Ensemble  
 The Lancaster Handbell Ensemble

**BOTTOMS UP DIAPER DRIVE AT FIRST PRES**  
**during the month of May**

**WHY DIAPERS MATTER**

Most childcare centers, even free and subsidized facilities, require parents to provide a day's supply of disposable diapers.

Diapers can cost \$70-\$80 per month: babies need 6-10 diapers per day.

Many parents cannot go to work or school if they can't leave their babies at child care.

Too many moms are forced to re-use diapers or leave them on their baby way too long.

Bottoms Up Diaper Drive  
 749-808-6131  
<https://bottomsup.life>  
 Jo Welch

(Contact Dave Brennan)

**FIRST PRES NAME AND ADDRESS DIRECTORY**

**NAME & ADDRESS CHURCH DIRECTORIES**  
 Pick up your copy in the Heritage Room  
 Notify the office with corrections or additions.  
 740 / 653-1594  
[church@firstpbc.org](mailto:church@firstpbc.org)

First Presbyterian Church  
 Lancaster, OH  
 Name and Address Directory  
 (Please call the office for corrections or additions.)

Pick up your copy in the Heritage Room. Notify Jenny in the office with any corrections or additions. Updated versions will be printed periodically and can be swapped into your folder. (Contact Jenny at [office@firstpbc.org](mailto:office@firstpbc.org))

**SUNDAY MORNINGS AT FIRST PRES**  
**DISCIPLES WITH CHRIST –**  
**Sundays @ 9am in Room 319**

**Disciples with Christ**  
 Sundays @ 9am  
 Room 319  
 New Study  
 See Barb Callahan for class information

**RIGHTNOW MEDIA**

**EVERYTHING HAPPENS SOMEWHERE**  
**Make it happen where YOU are.**  
 ...as part of a small group or on your own with **RightNow Media**.  
 Contact Jenny in the office about getting your **free** account or for questions about the site.

**SAVE THE DATES – Family & Children Ministry Events**  
**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL – June 10-14 / 5:30-8:00pm**

**Camp FIRELIGHT VBS**  
 FOR CHILDREN AGE 3- FIFTH GRADE  
 June 10-14  
 5:30-8:00  
 QUESTIONS?  
 Contact Stephanie Loudon,  
 Director of Family and Children's Ministries  
[children@firstpbc.org](mailto:children@firstpbc.org)

**5:30pm** – Family Dinner  
**6 to 8pm** – Vacation Bible School Fun!  
 We will bring the great outdoors inside for a fun filled camp theme!  
 Join us for a great adventure this summer!

Bringing the great outdoors inside for a fun filled camp theme. Join us for a great adventure this summer! Registration is available online at: <https://lancaster-fpc.mycokesburyvbs.com/> (Contact Stephanie Loudon, Director of Family & Children's Ministry at [children@firstpbc.org](mailto:children@firstpbc.org))

**SPECIAL PW/PSV GATHERING**

A special PW Gathering will be held on May 7, 7-8:30pm, by Zoom. It will be a program to hear from three people (Mary Gene Boteler, Rick Nutt, and Hunter Farrell) who traveled to Israel/Palestine February 13-23. They were part of the Israel/Palestine Study Pilgrimage group, which was a PC(USA)-led delegation. They

were in conversation and solidarity with our Christian siblings. Many of us are deeply troubled with what we hear in the news about the Middle East since the attack by Hamas on Israel last fall. Come be part of this Extra Special PW Gathering and hear the latest news from that region. Invite others, men and women, who are interested in learning more. You may register by emailing Martha Pool ([mjpool53@gmail.com](mailto:mjpool53@gmail.com)) by May 5. A Zoom link will be sent out no earlier than 24 hours before the gathering begins.

### WEEKDAY LIFE GROUPS

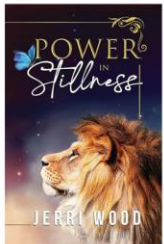
#### WOMEN OF A GREAT INHERITANCE LIFE GROUP

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday @ 9am – Dining Room Annex

## Women of a Great Inheritance Bible Study

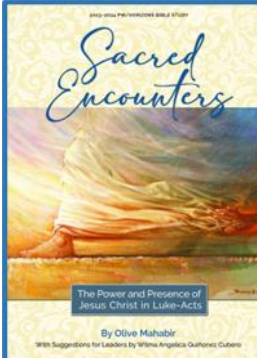
❖ 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday  
❖ @ 9am  
❖ Dining Room Annex (Lower Level)  
See Susan Johnson for more info.

Join them for fellowship, learning, & prayer



#### LOYALTY CIRCLE

3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday @ 9:30am – Room 319



Women's Loyalty Circle  
3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday  
@ 9:30am in Room 319


Join them for

- Bible Study
- Prayer
- Fellowship

Contact Martha Pool for a copy of the Bible Study.

#### MEN'S CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday @ 9am – Room 319



## Men's Christian Fellowship

❖ April 13 & 27  
2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays  
❖ 9 – 10:15am  
❖ Room 319

Contact Pastor Nathan at [pastor@firstpbc.org](mailto:pastor@firstpbc.org)

#### FIRST PRES PRAYER CHAIN – CONNECT

Let us know of your prayer needs.



Send your prayer request to Lyndel Taylor, Prayer Request Coordinator at: [fir.pres.prayer.request@gmail.com](mailto:fir.pres.prayer.request@gmail.com)  
Lyndel will then share your request with all of the faithful Prayer Chain participants, a group of 80 people.  
First Pres also has the **Care First Prayer Team**, a prayer group that meets every Monday morning at the church. They pray for our church, its people and others.

*Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love. Ephesians 4:2*

#### ELDERS

- Ken Culver, Finance – 2024
- Susan Johnson, Worship & Music – 2024
- Cathy Schmidt, Adult Connections – 2024
- Tessie Swain, Growth – 2024
- Barb Callahan, Youth – 2025
- Scott Craft, Building & Grounds – 2025
- Tiffany Culver – 2025
- John Davis, Personnel – 2025
- Dave Brennan, Mission - 2026
- Karianne Havlicek, Family & Children – 2026
- David Ray – 2026
- John Turnbull, Technology – 2026

#### DEACONS

- Suzanne Culver – 2024
- Sandy Smith – 2024
- Ron Swain – 2024
- Barbara Brown – 2025
- Carolyn Hiestand – 2025
- Carolyn Hoyt – 2025
- Judy Custer – 2026
- Molly Hampshire – 2026
- Derrill Weaver – 2026

## PROCEDURE FOR CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Organizing a church event? Involved in a community event and want to share it with the church? Wanting to publicly thank someone for a kind gesture or answered prayer? Please send announcements to Jenny Miller ([jmiller@firstpbc.org](mailto:jmiller@firstpbc.org)) and Pastor Nathan ([pastor@firstpbc.org](mailto:pastor@firstpbc.org)) by Wednesday at noon to make sure we don't miss including them in our verbal and/or written announcements.

## FIRST PRES HAPPENINGS SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Tuesday is the submission deadline if you would like something to be considered for that week's First Pres Happenings. Thank you!



Contact the Office by email with any questions or comments, [jmiller@firstpbc.org](mailto:jmiller@firstpbc.org).  
***Have a blessed weekend and week!***

*Jenny Miller*

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