

Congregational Calendar

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SUNDAY, May 20

9/10:30/11:59 Worship (Sanctuary)
9:00 am Pathfinders (Chapel)
10:00/11:30 Blood Pressure Clinic (Office)
10:00/11:30 Blessing of the Playground
10:30 am Breakfast Club (Youth Room)
11:30 am TPP Meeting (Youth Room)
11:30 am Bible Study (301)
6:00 pm Impact (Youth Room/FH)

MONDAY, May 21

12:00 pm FYI Luncheon (FH)
7:00 pm Stew Crew (304)
7:00 pm Deacons (301)

TUESDAY, May 22

12:30 pm ROMEOs (The Gables)
1:00 pm Walking Warriors (Barlow CC)
1:30 pm Congregational Conversations (LL)
5:00 pm Yoga (FH)

WEDNESDAY, May 23

9:00 am WOW (FH)
10:30 am Bible Study (301)
11:00 am Memorial Choir (Choir Room)
7:00 pm First Connect (304)
7:00 pm Chancel Choir (Choir Room)
8:30 pm Men's Ensemble (Choir Room)

THURSDAY, May 24

1:00 pm Happy Hikers (Furnace Run)
7:00 pm Investment Committee (304)

SATURDAY, May 26

10:00 am AlAnon-Newcomers (120)
11:00 am AlAnon (102)
11:00 am Alateen (Youth Room)

Coffee Hour during the month of May is provided through the generosity of the members of the Finance Committee.

Need help getting started on REALM®? Questions about Recurring Giving? Visit the REALM® Information Table today in Fellowship Hall after the 9:00 and 10:30 services.

Adult Ministry

For questions, contact Kathy Yeakley, (330) 650-4048, or kyeakley@hudsonucc.org.

Walking Warriors will continue to walk on **Tuesdays at 1:00 pm** behind the *Barlow Community Center*. This is a paved walking path and a gentle walk.

Happy Hikers will hike on **Thursday, May 24 at 1:00 pm** at *Furnace Run Metro Park, 4955 Townsend Road, Richfield*. Old Mill (1.4) and Rock Creek (1.3) are two easy trails. We can tackle both or just one! Everyone is welcome in both groups!

FYI (Feeling Young Inside) will enjoy an evening out again this summer to see *Singin' In the Rain* presented at Blossom Music Center on **Saturday, July 14 at 8:30 pm**. Please make checks out to FCCH with "Blossom" in the memo line. These pavilion tickets are \$23 and close-in parking is \$20. Close-in parking permits are limited so reserve ASAP!

Today's Flowers

The Sanctuary flowers are given by Emily Updegraff in honor of her parents, John and Martha Donaldson to celebrate their 48 years together.

WELCOME TO FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY, May 20, 2018

Wherever you are on your journey... you are welcome here.

Guests are invited to participate in any of the church's varied activities.

Contact the Church Office (330) 650-4048 for more information
or check off your interests on the back of the Connection Card.

Annual Congregational Meeting, Sunday, June 3. Single Worship at 10:00 am immediately followed by the Annual Meeting. Afterwards, you are invited to share in fellowship and refreshments at coffee hour. No RSVP needed.

Family Scouting at First Congregational Church - for GIRLS AND BOYS grades K-5
Is your family interested in a fun, character development and values-based leadership program here at First Congregational Church? FCCH is forming a Family Scouting Cub Scout Pack and we need parents and volunteers to help make this successful! Interested? Contact Brian Ford: fordtwin2@gmail.com or (216) 375-5010.

Today's Scripture: Acts 2:1-21

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ²And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting.³Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability. ⁵Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. ⁶And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.⁷Amazed and astonished, they asked, "Are not all these who are speaking Galileans? ⁸And how is it that we hear, each of us, in our own native language? ⁹Parthians, Medes, Elamites, and residents of Mesopotamia, Judea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, ¹⁰Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya belonging to Cyrene, and visitors from Rome, both Jews and proselytes, ¹¹Cretans and Arabs—in our own languages we hear them speaking about God's deeds of power." ¹²All were amazed and perplexed, saying to one another, "What does this mean?" ¹³But others sneered and said, "They are filled with new wine." ¹⁴But Peter, standing with the eleven, raised his voice and addressed them, "Men of Judea and all who live in Jerusalem, let this be known to you, and listen to what I say. ¹⁵Indeed, these are not drunk, as you suppose, for it is only nine o'clock in the morning. ¹⁶No, this is what was spoken through the prophet Joel: ¹⁷'In the last days it will be, God declares, that I will pour out my Spirit upon all flesh, and your sons and your daughters shall prophesy, and your young men shall see visions, and your old men shall dream dreams. ¹⁸Even upon my slaves, both men and women, in those days I will pour out my Spirit; and they shall prophesy.¹⁹And I will show portents in the heaven above and signs on the earth below, blood, and fire, and smoky mist. ²⁰The sun shall be turned to darkness and the moon to blood, before the coming of the Lord's great and glorious day. ²¹Then everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.'

Children's Ministry

For opportunities in Children's Ministry, contact Dee Buchanan or Katie Morgan:
(330) 650-4048, ext. 301 or email dbuchanan@hudsonucc.org; kmorgan@hudsonucc.org.

Free, Fabulous Summer Accommodations Available - Have you considered vacationing this summer on the 1st floor of our building on **Sunday mornings**? The views are spectacular; the people you meet are young, open-minded, innocent and impressionable; the accommodations are spacious, cool and engaging. Bookings are on a weekly basis. **It is easy-peasy: all curriculum will be emailed to you, one week commitments, and all supplies will be ready on Sunday morning!**

5/27	9:00 and 10:30 Toddler-K Teacher and Shepherd
6/3, 6/10, 6/17, 6/24	9:00 Toddler-K Teacher and Shepherd
	10:30 Toddler-K Teacher

Vacation Bible School - This year's theme is **Holy Moses** and will take place **June 4 - 7**, from **5:30 - 8:00 pm**. Online registration is open on the church website: www.hudsonucc.org.

Pathway to Fun! Our fantastic, new playground is for all the children of First Congregational Church and The Children's Center. We are offering a very special fundraising opportunity with our "Pathway to Fun" campaign that will create a brick entryway for our playground. Please visit our booth in Fellowship Hall today for more information.

The Children's Center is expanding for the 2018-2019 school year! As a result, we are looking for some new teachers to join our amazing team. We are in search of a **Morning Pre-school Teacher and Assistant**, 2 days/week from 8:45-2:15 pm and an **Afternoon Preschool Teacher and Assistant**, 5 days/week from 12:45-6:00 pm. If you know anyone who might be interested, have them contact Dee Buchanan, 330-342-3977 or dbuchanan@hudsonucc.org

Adult Faith Formation

For opportunities in Adult Faith Formation, contact Steve Hockstra, (330) 650-4048 or shockstra@hudsonucc.org.

Women's "Drop-In" Bible Study - Coming this summer to FCCH **June 13, 20, 27** and **July 11, 18 and 25** from **9:30 - 10:30 am** at the church. **NO HOMEWORK - NO OUTSIDE READING - NO PRESSURE TO BE THERE EVERY WEEK.** This is a great way to spend time each week in God's word and enjoy fellowship with other women!

Book Study - led by Rev. Dick Clewell on *The Cross and The Lynching Tree* by James Cone. The group will meet **June 20, 27** and **July 11** at **7:00 pm** in Room 301. If you are interested in participating, please email the church office to sign up and to secure a copy of the book. (churchoffice@hudsonucc.org)

Interfaith Group - The mission of Interfaith Group is to facilitate an understanding of the core principles of various religious faiths and to disseminate information fostering better understanding of issues confronting today's diversified religious society. This group meets once a month and all are welcome! Questions? Contact Van Carter at interfaith.ucc@gmail.com.

Pathfinders - This morning Pathfinders will discuss *The Myth-Making Brain*. This is Pathfinder's last gathering until September 16. Questions? Contact Marie Libby at mclibby64@aol.com.

Youth Ministry

For opportunities in Youth Ministry, contact Steve Hockstra shockstra@hudsonucc.org, Amy Baldwin (High School) abaldwin@hudsonucc.org or Callie Baylor (Middle School) cbaylor@hudsonucc.org.

Impact - Tonight is our **LAST** Impact of the school year! We will be playing some "oldie but goodie" games and celebrating our seniors. Hope to see you at **6:00 pm** in the Youth Room.

ASP Paperwork - All ASP paperwork is currently due. If you haven't turned it in, please do so ASAP. Questions? Contact Amy Baldwin.

ASP Van Clean-up - It takes many hands to make the ASP mission trip go smoothly. We are so grateful to parents who are going as crew leaders but we also need help from parents with Van Clean-up on **June 16** when the exhausted crew leaders and students return. The more people we have, the faster it goes! If you can help us, please contact Amy Baldwin.

Baccalaureate: Tuesday, May 22 at 7:00 pm - Parents have told us year after year how meaningful this service is for them, so plan to make it a part of your student's graduation experience on **Tuesday, May 22 at 7:00 pm** at Hudson High School auditorium.

Breakfast Club - Would God REALLY ask a parent to sacrifice their child? We will be wrestling with this question this morning at Breakfast Club, as we take a look at the story of Abraham and Isaac.

D&D - What a great year we have had with our middle schoolers at D&D! Thank you for being a part of the Wednesday fun! We have finished for the school year and will start up again in August. Have a great summer!

Confirmation - SEVENTH GRADERS: now is your time to sign up for next year's Confirmation class. Please register as soon as possible. You should be registered and have a mentor before school is out! Contact Steve or Callie with any questions or if you need help choosing a mentor. It's going to be a great year!

Gennesaret - Once a month our church volunteers at the soup kitchen in Akron and we would love for you to join us on **Saturday, June 2**. We meet at church at **9:00 am** and return around **2:30 pm**. Contact Jeff Wells (jeffreylwells@gmail.com) or Scott Hooker (mrscothooker@yahoo.com) for more information.

TPP - Get ready, TPP families. We are having a mandatory meeting for students and parents **TODAY** in the Youth Room **right after the 10:30 service**. Bring any questions or concerns you have. Just a reminder that the trip dates are **July 9 - 13**. See you then!

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The Friends' Class is recruiting volunteers for fall 2018. A few fun facts:

- We follow the school calendar beginning in September.
- Music therapy is the first Sunday of each month, October – May.
- We have three teams of teachers/assistants who rotate during the school year.
- Each team only teaches four or five weeks, twice a year.
- We use children's Bible stories, a craft or art project, and lots of smiles and hugs!

Please contact Sandy Miller at sandyxd91@gmail.com or 216-310-1489 for more information.