

Congregational Calendar

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SUNDAY, June 17

9:00 am Outdoor Worship (Courtyard)
10/11:30/12:30 Equal Exchange Sale (FH)
10:30/11:59 Worship (Sanctuary)
10:30 am Breakfast Club (Youth Room)

MONDAY, June 18

9:30 am CE Craft Day (102)
12:00 pm FYI Luncheon (FH)
7:00 pm Deacons (304)

TUESDAY, June 19

1:00 pm OPEN M Cooking (FH Kitchen)
1:00 pm Walking Warriors (Barlow CC)
1:30 pm Congregational Conversations (LL)
5:00 pm Yoga (FH)
7:00 pm Adult Ed Board (301)

WEDNESDAY, June 20

9:00 am WOW (FH)
9:30 am Women's Bible Study (301)
9:30 am Cakes for OPEN M
10:30 am Tai Chi (FH)
7:00 pm ASP Tri-Folds Meeting (Youth)

THURSDAY, June 21

9:30 am Prayer Quilting (102)
1:00 pm Happy Hikers (TBD)

SATURDAY, June 23

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

Equal Exchange Coffee, Tea, Cocoa Mix and Fair Trade Chocolate for Dad!

Buy Dad a Fairly Traded Organic Dark Chocolate Bar for Father's Day! Chocolate bars available are Almond, Caramel Crunch with Sea Salt, Orange, Mint Crunch, Very Dark and Panama Extra Dark. Show your support of Fair Trade by stopping at the Equal Exchange table following all three services. Fair Trade enables farmers to stay on their land and send their children to school. *All proceeds benefit Family Promise of Summit County.*

Today's Scripture: 2 Corinthians 4:5-12

⁵For we do not proclaim ourselves; we proclaim Jesus Christ as Lord and ourselves as your slaves for Jesus' sake. ⁶For it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. ⁷But we have this treasure in clay jars, so that it may be made clear that this extraordinary power belongs to God and does not come from us. ⁸We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; ⁹persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; ¹⁰always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be made visible in our bodies. ¹¹For while we live, we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be made visible in our mortal flesh. ¹²So death is at work in us, but life in you.

Today's Flowers

The Sanctuary flowers are given by Kathy Schieber in memory of John and Eileen Berg and Reinhard and Rose Marie Schieber.

WELCOME TO FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

SUNDAY, June 17, 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.

From Where Will You Collect Water for Water Sunday 2018?

As we did last summer, we encourage you to **collect water** from a place this summer that has special meaning for you and bring it to church on **Sunday, September 16**. On that day, we will pour all our water together and bless it as our holy water for the upcoming year. We'll use it in baptisms, confirmation, and other special blessings, adding it to water collected last year. **Pick up your water bottles** from baskets outside the sanctuary doors and at the Welcome Table by the 2nd floor elevator level.

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, June 21 at 1:00 pm** at *Freedom Trail, Middlebury Road Trailhead*, 1765 Northeast Avenue, Tallmadge. This is a relatively new, paved trail, 6.0 miles in length and is a very pretty trail! We can hike out a mile or a little more and hike back. Everyone is welcome on either hike or walk!

FYI (Feeling Young Inside) will enjoy an evening out again this summer to see ***Singin' In the Rain* 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. (Included with your ticket is a parking ticket for lots "B" and "C". These lots provide tram transportation to the admission gate.) Everyone is welcome to join us at Blossom! **Deadline for reserving seats is this Friday, June 22!**

June FYI luncheon and program will be held **TOMORROW, June 18 at 12 noon** in Fellowship Hall. The program, ***Adding Life to Your Years and Not Just Years to Your Life***, will be presented by Dr. Jason Cerutti, who has a chiropractic practice in Streetsboro.

Yoga will continue through this Tuesday, **June 19**. Yoga will **NOT** meet on **June 26 or in the month of July**. Remember, this is a gentle yoga class and beginners are welcome!

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.

Craft Day! Grades K-5 (2017-18) - join us in the Friends Room (Room 102) to paint Prayer Rocks and make Blessing Jars!

Date: **TOMORROW - Monday, June 18**

Time: **9:30 am—11:30 am**

RSVP to Caitlyn Menolasino (our summer intern) at cmenolasino@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. **It is easy-peasy: all curriculum will be emailed to you, and all supplies will be ready on Sunday morning!** On **June 24**, we need the following:

9:00 Toddler-K Teacher and Shepherd 10:30 Toddler-K Teacher

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. These beautifully crafted, laser-engraved bricks will be an ongoing way to celebrate your child's time in our preschool, honor a church member, staff member or teacher or memorialize a loved one. For more information or to place an order, go to the church website (www.hudsonucc.org) and click on **Pathway to Fun**.

The Children's Center is expanding for the 2018-2019 school year! As a result, we will be adding some new teachers to our amazing team. We are currently in search of 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.

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.

Breakfast Club - Next **Sunday, June 24**, is ASP Sunday. Please join us in the sanctuary as students from ASP share their experiences during worship. There is NO Breakfast Club this day.

Gennesaret - Join us **Saturday, July 7** at Gennesaret, the soup kitchen in Akron that we visit each month. This is an awesome way to stay involved in service over the summer. We meet at church at **9:00 am** and return around **2:30 pm**. Contact Jeff Wells (jeffreylwells@gmail.com) or Scott Hooker (mrscotthooker@yahoo.com) to sign up.

TPP - Just a few people haven't turned in their paperwork - please do so as soon as possible! Trip dates are **July 9 - 13**. Contact Callie with any questions.

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 at FCCH continues: **June 20, 27 and July 11, 18 and 25 from 9:30 - 10:30 am in Room 301**. NO HOMEWORK - NO OUTSIDE READING - NO PRESSURE TO BE THERE EVERY WEEK. Grab a friend and come when you are in town and available! This is a great way to spend time each week in God's word and enjoy fellowship with other women! Childcare will be provided.

Topic for June 20: Hannah: Surrendering in Waiting

Book Study - led by Rev. Dick Clewell has been postponed until September. If you have questions, please contact Steve Hockstra (shockstra@hudsonucc.org).



Music Notes - Arthur Sullivan is better known for his association with W.S. Gilbert (Gilbert and Sullivan). Together, they wrote such famous comic operas as The Mikado, The Pirates of Penzance and H.M.S. Pinafore. The piece that David Curtiss is singing today is taken from one of Arthur Sullivan's sacred oratorios. John Jacob Niles is best known for legendary pieces like *I Wonder as I Wander* and *Black is the Color of my True Love's Hair*. His writing style is so entrenched in the folk and spiritual genre that many people think his songs are actually indigenous melodies from a bygone era.

Chelsea Selvaggio is moving on to become the Music Director at a church in Stow and will be leaving her position as vocalist at our eleven fifty-nine service. If you know of a talented and engaging singer who might be interested in working with the eleven fifty-nine band, please contact Tom Scott at the church. Thanks!

Outreach Ministries

Family Promise Host Week is quickly approaching (June 24 - July 1). Please consider volunteering 1-2 hours of your time in providing hospitality to our guests. The following spots are still in need of volunteers:

Day Leader: June 30

AM Driver: June 26 and July 1

PM Driver: June 29 and June 30

Evening Hosts: June 24 (2); June 26 (1); June 28 (1); June 29 (1); June 30 (1)

Move-Out: July 1 (3)

Laundry: (1)

Please contact Beth Sosinski (bethsosinski@gmail.com or 330-283-6843). Thank you!

CAKES FOR OPEN M - Please bring your donation of baked goods in a disposable container on **Wednesday, June 20, no later than 9:30 AM** to the Fellowship Hall kitchen. Contact Nancy Martinez at martclan@outlook.com with any questions.