



Greetings Friends!

After a few weeks here, I am learning my way around and remembering a couple more names each week. It is a joy to be getting acquainted with “PCPC” and sharing this special season with you. I look forward to our special services for Palm/Passion Sunday (April 13), Maundy Thursday with Holy Communion (April 17), and Easter Sunday with Holy Communion (April 20). I like your tradition of sharing donuts *before* church on Easter – see you there!

You will be hearing more in the coming weeks about the *transition* period and the steps the church takes to prepare for your next pastor. Clerk of Session Judy Brady jumped right in to start work on the Mission Study, a first step toward searching for your next pastor. Additional input from the wider congregation will help to complete that study, so stay tuned!

Please join me in prayers of thanksgiving for this congregation and its long history of faithfulness, as well as prayers for God’s guidance in what the next steps in that faithful journey will be.

See you in church,

Wendy

### Schedule for April Holy Week

**April 13-** Palm Sunday Holy Week Begins!

**April 17–** Maundy Thursday Services 7 pm With Holy Communion

**April 20—**Easter - Deacons hosting fellowship time beginning at 9:30 am prior to service. Come celebrate the Risen Lord together. Easter choir will be sharing special music. Holy Communion to be served. Invite family and friends.

**April 27–** Rosemary Anderson will be leading worship and sharing the message.



## Update on the Transition Process....

### WHAT'S HAPPENING?

- Session is also evaluating whether the church can continue financially with a full-time call or possibly may have to go in the direction of a part-time pastoral call.
- Session is currently working on the mission study with assistance from The Presbytery.
- A PNC will be nominated and will be elected by the congregation.
- The PNC will write the MDP which states information about the church and what the church is looking for in a pastor, and it will be placed online through the denomination's call process for potential candidates to view.
- The search for a new pastor by the PNC will continue until a new pastor is called.
- A congregational meeting is held after the pastor preaches and is voted on.
- A new pastor begins serving the church.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SESSION –**

**There is a lot to do in the time of transition!!**



## Easter Choir



Anyone is welcome to join us to sing on Easter Service April 20. Two Rehearsals Sat April 12 and Sat April 19 both at 9 am at the Church in the sanctuary. See Ailene for the music if interested .



**NEW DATE Sunday, April 13 – Grub and Games Potluck after worship with game time following lunch. This month we are doing a baked potato bar and more. Sign up sheets for items will be in**

**the parlor.** Women's Circle heard that many of you were missing having potlucks and we found it was hard to get people to come back out for Game Night activities. So we will try to have a potluck after worship once a month . Even if you are not a game player, come enjoy a meal and time of fellowship with others. It is also a great chance to invite someone to church. You can stay after worship, enjoy a meal and if you want afterwards, enjoy some rounds of BINGO.



Keep these folks and their caregivers in your prayers for healing and recovery from hospitalization or recent illness including Covid.

Pat Myers  
Larry Myers  
Marion Stenner ( upcoming)  
Elmer Collier



### **Board Meetings after worship:**

**Session—April 6**

**Trustees— April 13**

**Deacons— April 13**



## **Thank You! -**

- ***Thank you to Jim Kaufman for cleaning up and painting the old library as transforms to the Stenner Family Prayer Room.***
- ***Nancy Patterson, Brynn Craney and Donna Rihl for setting up and organizing the Grub and Games events.***

### **April Lay Liturgist**

4/6 Sharon Newell

4/13 Leanne Manring

4/20 Barb Holliday

4/27 Carolyn Gibeaut

### **April Coffee Hour**

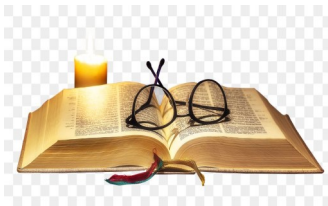
Valerie Merideth

**April Greeter**

Leanne Manring



The church shares its deepest condolences with the family and friends of Ralph Smucker who passed on March 28. Ralph and his family attended here before moving to Columbus. He was a very well known community member and businessman.



### **BIBLE STUDIES:**

**Monday Night-** Lenten Study of *Meeting Jesus at the Table* at 6:30 pm via Zoom continues. Contact Rev. McCormick or church office if you would like the link to join.

**Men's Study**– Join the Men's Bible Study led by Bill Pettibone on Saturday mornings at 9 am here at the church. April dates are April 5 and April 19.

**A Big Thank You to Beth Beach** for her well over 20 years of service as the coordinator of the Scholarship and Memorial Loan Fund. Beth has been a faithful and diligent servant in maintaining records, processing loans and tracking their repayment for student members of our church. We as a congregation owe her many thanks for her dedicated effort for so many years! Your service was very much appreciated.

We also welcome and thank Nancy McKelvey for picking up the baton as coordinator. We thank you both!



## **RAISE THE ROOF**

As March came to a close, the much-needed roof repair on our 2000 building addition is being completed. This unplanned work costs \$18,000. Our thanks go to Jim Kaufman and the Board of Trustees for scoping out the best and most affordable option. To cover this expense, the Session allocated the remaining funds in the Mission Trip account (about \$6000) and paid the rest from the Legacy Fund. This depletes the Legacy Fund significantly and makes us less able to weather another such unexpected expense. The Session invites contributions to help defray this roof repair cost. Any contributions will go toward replenishing the Legacy Fund. You can make a contribution to the church in the Sunday offering or through the mail and mark your check "ROOF".



### **Annual Plain City Lion's Club Dinner and Auction**

**Thursday, April 24 at 6 pm Doors Open**

**Dinner at 6:30 pm Der Dutchman Restaurant**

Tickets are \$25 and available from Lion Members or locally at Plain City Shell, Plain City Library or Rummell Brill Cassady Insurance

Come enjoy a great meal and fun event. Auction proceeds benefit many local non -profit organizations.

### **"Let Us Pray"**

If you have prayer requests, please submit them to the pastor or the church office (seccg@plaincitypresby.org) by Wednesday of each week. If your request is one you do NOT want shared publicly, please indicate that. Otherwise, prayer requests will be shared during the Sunday announcements. There will also be an opportunity to add to the prayer list during Sunday announcements.

Please remember to update the office or the Pastor about your request and whether that Individual should continue on our prayer list.

If you have questions or suggestions about our common prayers on Sundays, please reach out to Rev. Wendy McCormick.

## Church Treasurer Report for February 28, 2025

The general fund balance for the end of February increased due to donations being much higher than the expenses for the month. The lower than average expenses were due mostly to not having the usual minister costs.

### General Expenses Fund

Beginning Balance 02/01/2025	\$ 8,330.17
Income	10,420.10
Expenses	<u>( 5,808.63)</u>
Ending Balance 02/28/2025	\$ 12,941.64

If there are any questions about the financial information of the church, please let me know.

Best Regards,  
Gary Gibeaut, Treasurer



**Fill Up Sunday is**

**April 6–** Our tubs are in good shape this month. Please keep us in mind for May 4th.

### REMEMBERING OUR SHUT-INS



Being shut-in during the pandemic should have given us a better appreciation for those on our shut-in list. Please take a moment to remember our shut-ins. Drop them a card or give them a call!

- Bob and Suzanne Merkle– Dublin Retirement Village
- Chuck Stoker—Home
- Bryan Becker—Home
- Arlene Perkins, Paul Gibson– Walnut Crossing Assisted Living, Marysville
- Charlotte Lambka , Betty Ferguson-Heritage PC
- Jack Mercer, Dick and Kathy Wilson, Harley and Judy Bodenbender– Bluebird Marysville



### WOMEN'S CIRCLE MEETING

**( No Foolin' )**

**Tuesday, April 1 at 6:30 pm** here at the church. Ladies, come join in this time of fellowship and planning for service of the church and community. Moderator will be Donna Rihl , and Nancy McKelvey will be providing refreshments. Come join us!

Hope to see you there!



04/03 Lauren Erdman  
 04/05 Matt Holliday  
 04/08 Jim Kaufman  
 04/14 Elaine Wilcox  
 04/17 Natalie Walker  
 04/18 Heidi Beachy  
 04/18 Brandon Bradley  
 04/19 Ian Reed  
 04/20 Katelyn Rihl  
 04/21 Ailene Albrecht  
 04/24 Beth Beach  
 04/29 Shane Manring  
 04/30 Larry Myers

04/05 Brandon & Elizabeth Bradley  
 04/08 Jay & Paula Ferguson  
 04/19 Roy & Lisa Woods



**DARBY TOWNSHIP**  
**ROAD**  
**CLEANUP**

We have been approved to pick up trash for the Darby Township once again. This is a great project to help the environment, the community and the church. It's great exercise too!

If you can help do a section of road, please let Jim Kaufman know ASAP.

**Try Pie. Buy Pie. And Raise Pie "Dough"!**



**PLAYS & PIES**

**The Creation Chronicles**

Theatrical production by:  
 Stage Righteous  
 (Marysville's Drama Ministry)

**Friday, April 11th**  
 6:00pm

\$20 admission at the door

Sharon Mennonite  
 7675 Amity Pike, Plain City

All proceeds go to  
 Daily Needs Assistance

**HOSPITAL VISITATIONS** -If you are in the hospital or a loved one is and want a visit... please call the church 614-873-5011 or Rev. McCormick at (812)455-9556.