



PRESBYTERIAN TIDBITS

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Welcome to July at OPC! If you're reading this either before or during worship on the 3rd, Happy Independence Day!

The first week of July will find me sitting in front of my computer in my apartment for the Plenary Session of the 225th General Assembly on Zoom! My week in Louisville was amazing in so many ways – from the people I met and worked (and yes, partied!) with to the humbling reality that I was actually involved in “the process” and was at the epicenter of the debate of what decisions were made (and sometimes more importantly NOT made) for the life of the Presbyterian Church (USA) for the next two years. If you ever feel God calling you to be part of the life of the “larger” Church, I would strongly recommend you give this a try.

The month of July looks to be a little bit calmer than the previous two months – but that, of course, is always subject to change. Two big events to look forward to this month will be: Worship in the Park on Sunday the 24th at 9:00 AM. We will be in shelter house #10, and you are invited to bring a beverage of choice and your lawn chair – if you don't want to sit on a hard picnic bench. Donuts and muffins will be provided (and for this particular Sunday, we will be having breakfast and worship *at the same time*). The following Sunday (31st), Riepenhoff's will be hosting our second Intergenerational Fellowship Event at 4PM. More details to follow.

Following Worship on the 24th, I will be taking a week of vacation, so I will not be in the office on Thursday the 28th and there will be pulpit supply on the 31st.

As a reminder, I am now in the Office (or in the Ottawa Community) on Thursday mornings and afternoons. I am also available for an hour (or 2) after Sunday Worship each week, if you want/need to talk or visit. Remember, if you need to contact me for any reason, my email address is: wiesmannlance@gmail.com or Pastor@ottawapresby.org. My mobile phone number is: 517-270-4837 and (if I don't answer) you can either text or leave a message. I will return the message/call as quickly as I can.

Peace,
Pastor Lance



Prayer Concerns

Please note: Specific information about those included in our prayers is available during worship, from Pastor Lance, in our office, or from our Session members. However, specific names will not be posted on this web version of the newsletter.

Please pray for those with **health concerns** no matter what their stage of life.

Please pray for those **servicing in the military**, both at home and overseas, as well as the families who watch and wait for them.

Please pray for those who are either waiting for or who have received **organ transplants** and the families who face difficult decisions.

Please pray for **those facing decisions** in their personal lives, their professional lives, their family lives, or their spiritual lives.

Please pray for all those touched by the **COVID pandemic**—whether through personal illness or loss or through hardships caused by the disease.

Please pray for **Pastor Lance** and his ministry with our congregation. And finally, please say a prayer of thanksgiving for the **blessings of this congregation**—especially as we celebrate 175 years of congregational life here in Ottawa!

Financial Reports

Financial reports for the church are available in the hard copy version of this newsletter. If you would like more information, you may also contact our treasurer (treasurer@ottawapresby.org).

Fun Events



A **kayak trip** is scheduled for this Saturday, July 2 from 10 -11 am. Contact Karl Hirzel for more details.

Fellowship night at the Riepenhoffs house on July 31st beginning at 4pm. You are welcome to bring your swimsuit, life jackets, kayaks and any floaters for pond swimming and water activities. Please bring a side or snack you want to share and also a lawn chair. Hot dogs will be provided. All ages are welcome!



Field Trip!!! If anyone is interested in going to the Do Good Restaurant in Osgood, OH to eat, please sign up on the sheet on bulletin board and list days/lunch/dinner that would be best for you. If you would like to read about the



restaurant you can go to www.dogoodrm.com, find them on FaceBook, or read the article that is posted with the sign-up sheet. Any questions, please contact Nancy Kaufman.

Outdoor Worship at Ottawa Memorial Park will be on Sunday, July 24 at 9 am. Shelter House #10. Breakfast will be muffins/doughnuts. Bring your own drink.



Christian Ed. News

By Katrina R.

Sunday June 26th after church we had a short Christian education meeting. These were the major things we discussed. Please feel free to ask me any further questions!

- There is a plan to get the nursery back up and running and we have given out one application!
- We are discussing getting a new curriculum called **Rightnow Media**. You would need a device such as a smartphone, table or smart TV to access the app. Everyone in our church will have access. The material is set up for all ages and has Bible-based videos on other topics such as leadership, recovery, or parenting.
- We are planning on **Sunday School** starting this fall in **September**.
- We discussed having four classes: nursery (three years and under), K - 4th grade, 6th - 8th grade, and an adult class.
- Pastor Lance has been in communication with Findlay and Bluffton about a combined confirmation class. The details are still being worked out.

You're Invited

You're invited to Chloe C's graduation from college (BGSU) celebration. The party will be held Saturday, July 16, from 3 pm. More details are available in the church office.



Volunteers are needed for the **nursery** on Sundays. Please sign-up if you are interested in helping out. Two will be needed.

Liturgists are needed for the month of July. Please sign-up on sheet on bulletin board if you are interested in helping.

Ottawa Food Pantry

Food Pantry could use the following to help fill our shelves: Knorr Side Dishes

Rice-A-Roni

Pasta

Condiments - including Ketchup

Boxed Potatoes - including Mashed Potatoes

Boxed Dinners/Pizza

Snack Crackers, Snacks, Granola, Breakfast,

Energy Bars

Cereal

Beverages (all sizes)

Canisters of Country Time/Kool Aid

Canned: Mandarin Oranges, Pineapple

Jams/Jellies

Peanut Butter

Items for the Baking/Pantry Shelves

Feminine Hygiene Products

Community Events

Good Grief Fun Camp for kids will be held on Wednesday, July 13 from 9 am – 3 pm at Trinity United Methodist Church. For more information, call 419-523-6496.



New Creation Church & Trinity United Methodist Church will be hosting Vacation Bible School on Monday, July 18 –

Thursday, July 21 for our community. It will be from 6 pm – 8:30 pm and be hosted at New Creation.

The theme is Monumental-Celebrating God's Greatness! This will be for Pre-K/5th grade. Participants must be at least 5 yrs old by June 1st.

If you feel lead to volunteer or help out in anyway, (1 day, 2 days or all the days) volunteer forms along with the registration forms are on the bulletin board in hallway.

The **Putnam County Senior Expo** is being held on Friday August 5th at Ottawa Elementary from 8:30am- 12:30pm. This is a free community event open to all Seniors. The event includes a complimentary lunch, medication disposal, many exhibitors, free health screenings, entertainment by Country Gentleman and a Presentation by Cea Cohen Elliot. Come join us for a morning of fun and mark your calendars for our next Expo, held every year on the first Friday of August!"

Pastor Lance will not be in the office on Thursday, July 7 due to being online for General Assembly.

For Laughs 😊

[Church Jokes: Clean and Hilarious Jokes for Pastors – Ministry Voice](#)

1. **What kind of person was Boaz before he got married? ... Ruthless!**
2. **Who was the greatest comedian in the Bible? ... Samson. He brought the house down.**
3. **Which servant of God was the worst lawbreaker in the Bible? ... Moses. He broke all 10 commandments at once.**
4. **At what time of day was Adam created?... A little before Eve.**
5. **Which Bible character had no parents?... Joshua, son of Nun.**
6. **What animal could Noah not trust?... Cheetah**
7. **Who was the straightest man in the Bible?... Joseph: Pharaoh made him a ruler**
8. **Who is the biblical character who likes to drink soft drinks?...HABBA-COKE (Habakkuk)**
9. **Where's the first mention of "laxatives" in the Bible?... In Exodus, the part when "Moses took the tablets and went into the wilderness"**

Next Session meeting will be on Sunday, July 24, after worship

DON'T
be a *victim*



Scammer Techniques and Ways to Avoid Them AND Banking Safety

Presentation will be given at three locations in Putnam County:

July 13, 2022 10:00—11:00 a.m.
Immaculate Conception Parish Hall
189 Church Street, Ottoville

July 20, 2022 10:00—11:00 a.m.
The First National Bank of Pandora
102 East Main Street, Pandora

July 27, 2022 10:00-11:00 a.m.
The Leipsic Community Center
120 E. Main Street, Leipsic

Presenters:

Jackie Ernst, MaMFT, Elder Victim Advocate
Elder Victim Ministry, a program of Crime Victim Services

And

Kendra Kuhlman, Marketing Director at the First National Bank
Sarah Klausing, Branch Manager and Consumer Lender

Light refreshments will be provided.

**If you have any questions about the program, please call Putnam County Council on Aging
at 419-523-4121 or toll-free 1-877-796-1790**



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The **Prayer Circle** is a group willing to confidentially pray for your joys and concerns.

Please contact prayercircle@ottawapresby.org.

DATE	ELDERS IN CHARGE	FLOWERS
July 3	Stan B.	TBD
July 10	Nancy K.	TBD
July 17	Karl H.	TBD
July 24	Carrie J.	Hirzel
July 31	Katrina R.	Myers

Session:

Class of 2022: **Karl Hirzel, Nancy Kaufman**

Class of 2023: **Wayne Badder, Carrie Johnson**

Class of 2024: **Stan Beckman, Katrina Riepenhoff**