



# ***PRESBYTERIAN TIDBITS***

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## ***August 2022***



And once again, the calendar rolls around to August and the “Dog Days” of Summer! It doesn’t seem possible that it’s August already.

As we launch into August, I wish to alert you to the fact that Andrea will be on vacation for the first week (or so) of the month. Please remember this if you try to call the Office for any reason. Someone will get back to you as soon as possible, but we may not be quite as prompt as Andrea is. We will be holding her, and her family, in prayer as they take a well-deserved break.

As we look forward into the end of the Summer Season, I wish to draw your attention to Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>. We are planning to return to the park for Worship that day, and, if everyone is in agreement, I’d like to invite you to bring your family pets with you for an Animal Blessing Service. All types of pets are welcome.

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](mailto:wiesmannlance@gmail.com) or [Pastor@ottawapresby.org](mailto: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 **serving 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 Report

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](mailto:treasurer@ottawapresby.org)).

## Ottawa Presbyterian Women News

We will be hosting a Quarter Auction fundraiser with Jeannie Verhoff on Thursday, September 29, at 6:30 p.m. Jeannie will print tickets and fliers in August, so for now just save the date and start telling friends about it! These Quarter Auctions have been lots of fun in the past and help our women's group raise money for our childcare and mission projects.

## Session News

At our meeting on July 24, Session discussed the results of the last Congregational Conundrum question with regards to starting time this fall, and found that a clear majority of respondents wanted to **retain the worship start time at 9:00 am** and Sunday School to follow. As a result, Session

voted at the last meeting **to start the Sunday School on Sept 11 with Worship starting at 9:00 am, and Sunday School following from 10:15 to 11:00 am.** Thank you for your participation in these survey questions!!

## Christian Ed. News

We are exploring a new curriculum called Rightnow Media. You will be getting an email asking if you would like to join and make an account. The Christian Education Committee encourages you to make an account and explore the Netflix like program on your own. A more official and in-depth explanation of how to use our new resource will be coming in August!



Janice G has a new home phone number. It's available in the office.

## Community Events

THE PUTNAM COUNTY SENIOR EXPO is being held on Friday August 5 at Ottawa Elementary from 8:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. 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!

**Acquire a Family Fun Interactive Movie Kit @ the PCDL:** August features *Finding Nemo*. Family Movie Kits each month may contain a script, items to go with it, and a bag of microwave popcorn etc. Contact Heather to receive a kit [hkuhlman@seolibraries.org](mailto:hkuhlman@seolibraries.org).

**Acquire a Teen Interactive Movie Kit Today! @ the PCDL:** August features *Dolphin Tale* Teen Movie Kits each month may contain a script, items to go with it, and a bag of microwave popcorn etc. Contact Elyse to receive a kit [eschroeder@seolibraries.org](mailto:eschroeder@seolibraries.org).

**Next Session meeting will  
be in September.**

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**Breakfast – 8:30 am/Worship – 9:00 am**

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

Please contact [prayercircle@ottawapresby.org](mailto:prayercircle@ottawapresby.org).

<b>DATE</b>	<b>ELDERS IN CHARGE</b>	<b>FLOWERS</b>
August 7	Nancy K.	Doepker
August 14	Stan B.	Beckman
August 21	Carrie J.	Kaufman
August 28	Wayne B.	TBD

**Session:**

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

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

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