



# PRESBYTERIAN TIDBITS

The Newsletter of Ottawa Presbyterian Church

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9:00am Worship/10:15am Sunday School ♦ [ottawapresby.org](http://ottawapresby.org)

Lance Wiesmann, *Pastor* ♦ Andrea Morman, *Secretary*

## June 2023



Summer is here (well, not quite officially, but pretty close)! We have some fun and creative stuff lined up for the month of June!

The Education Committee is hosting/sponsoring a Vacation Bible School for **all** youth in the area on Thursday evenings in June (1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>) from 6:30 – 8:00PM during the concerts at the Rex just down the street. This is being called “Happy Campers” and is designed and intended to give parents an opportunity to leave their young ones in the care of a “safe place” to learn and play, while they enjoy the concert nearby.



Are you planning to go to the Putnam County Fair? It runs from Monday, June 19<sup>th</sup> through Saturday, June 24<sup>th</sup>. If you plan to go, I am going to encourage you to come out on Wednesday evening the 21<sup>st</sup> for Gospel Night. Participating musicians will be a soloist from Breakthrough Harvest Assembly, a small ensemble from New Creation Lutheran Church, a small folk group from Glandorf St John’s, St John’s Adult Choir and your very own Ottawa Presbyterian Church Choir! The concert begins at 7:00PM. We hope to see you there!

As a reminder, I am 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 **Pastor Lance** and his ministry here and his future ministries elsewhere. Likewise, pray for our congregation and its **PNC (Pastor Nominating Committee)** as we look to our future.

And finally, please say a prayer of thanksgiving for the **blessings of this congregation**—especially as we have celebrated more than 175 years of congregational life here in Ottawa!

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

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## Upcoming Happenings

The June 10 meeting of OPW will be held at Henry's at 11:30a.m. We will order off the menu or the buffet will also be available. Please sign up on the board or let Nancy K. know if you will attend by June 5. We will celebrate all of our birthdays at this meeting and begin to plan for our Quarter Auction. Also bring ideas for any other summer or fall activities that you would like to see happen!

There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board for anyone who would be willing to volunteer to help mow the church lawn for a week. If you need a tutorial on the mower, see Becky.

**The month of June** is our church's month to "host" the Ottawa Food Pantry at Trinity United Methodist Church. Volunteers are needed for the

Mondays of June 13 & June 27 from 9:30 – 11:30 am to help pick-up, unload and put away/sort food and the Tuesdays of June 14 & June 28 from 9:30 am – 2 pm to assist customers with selecting their items. Please sign-up on bulletin board if you are able to help. THANKS!

## Community Happenings

The Friends of the Putnam District Library will be holding their Annual Used Book and Attic Treasures Sale plus DVD's and Records on Tuesday, June 6 and Wednesday, June 7 from 9AM to 7PM at the Ottawa Elementary Gym at 123 Putnam Parkway. All books and Attic Treasures donations may be dropped off at school Saturday, June 3 and Monday, June 5 from 9AM to 3PM.



The Friends of the Putnam County District Library are sponsoring a Chicken BBQ Dinner from 11AM to 1PM on Sunday, June 11 at the Ottawa Library location, 136 Putnam Parkway. Presale tickets only for \$11.00 are available by calling 419 230-0459 or email [klokuley@woh.rr.com](mailto:klokuley@woh.rr.com). Tickets may also be purchased at the Friends Used Book Sale June 6 & 7 at 136 Putnam Parkway. Proceeds will benefit all Putnam County Libraries.

A county-wide Shred-A-Thon will be held on Wednesday, June 14 at the Putnam County Council on Aging in Ottawa. From 9 am until noon, individuals can bring their credit card receipts, bank statements, tax forms, and any other paper documents that contain personal information, to the Shred-A-Thon to be safely destroyed. The event is drive-through style, and will be held rain or shine. Due to the expected turn-out, this Shred-A-Thon will be available for individuals in the county, only. Agencies supporting this event are the Putnam County Council on Aging, Putnam County Job and Family Services, Mennonite Home Communities of Ohio, First National Bank in Ottawa, Area Agency on Aging 3, and the Ottawa Police Department.



Our summer worship schedule began Sunday, May 28 with worship starting at 9 am and a breakfast at 10 am.

Summer schedule will continue until Labor Day in September.

**Session will meet Sunday,  
June 18 after worship.**

# HAPPY CAMPERS

## REGISTRATION

Happy Campers is a small group gathering on Thursday evening to share Bible stories, games, songs and snacks!

There will only be 30 slots!  
Register by calling, texting or emailing Vickie Barteck



oboe\_player@outlook.com



Enjoy a dinner out, browsing jewelry at Beckman or listening to live music at the Rex Pavilion.



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### WHO

Children 3 (potty trained) through 6th grade

### WHERE

Ottawa Presbyterian Church  
150 N Oak St. Ottawa  
Ohio 45875



### WHEN

Thursday evening June  
1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd  
from 6:30-8pm

*You're invited. Evan C's graduation party. Saturday, June 3, from 4 pm - ?. Location at 13525 Road 26M, Cloverdale, OH. Bring your own adult beverage, pop and water will be supplied. There is a pond, so free feel to bring a towel and a swimsuit.*



## Presbytery Report

Our Presbytery gathered in Bowling Green on May 16. Much of the business was a follow-up to paperwork from last summer's General Assembly meeting. To summarize, all of the proposed changes to the Book of Order have received enough votes from the PCUSA presbyteries to be approved. To some this may seem like a lot of "red tape;" however, we need to celebrate that we can peaceably look at issues and continue to move ahead even if we don't always agree. For more active news, a PDA trip to Kentucky is being planned for October 7-14. Cost is roughly \$200/person. Positions are still available. We know how helpful those PDA (Presbyterian Disaster Assistance) volunteers were here in Ottawa. This can be an opportunity to return the service, so consider signing up. *And you can wear those wonderful blue T-shirts again!!*

All our church and faith family are invited to join us (Tom & Andee Parker) on June 17<sup>th</sup> for an open house at the VFW-AMVETS from 4 pm to 8 pm to help us celebrate our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary. We were married here at OPC on a very hot Saturday afternoon (June 16<sup>th</sup>) by Rev. Emil Holzhauser. The Presbyterian Women did the reception in Fellowship Hall complete with flowers, beautiful serving pieces and table decorations. Mr. Don Quint opened the windows in the sanctuary the night before to cool the room, knowing that the next day would be 90 degrees or hotter.

# WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OTTAWA THIS SUMMER?

## Yoga In The Park

Waterworks Park  
1035 E. Third Street

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

Yoga each Saturday in June, July & August

Join Geri Otto the first Saturday of each month

Join Megan Clinton all other Saturdays

\*All classes are free of charge, but a suggested donation of \$5.00 is welcome

\*\*Please bring a yoga mat, towel, etc. as needed

# Thursdays at the Rex

Food Trucks • Live Music • Farmers Market  
100 E. Main St. • Downtown Ottawa • 5:00 - 8:30 p.m.

## June 1

Live Music: **Two Fat Dads**  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Amy's Tacos  
Chill Wagon  
Grandma Moses Ice Cream  
Gilbo Grindz  
Hickory Barrel

## June 8

Live Music: **Connor Raines**  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Frog Sneeze Mac & Cheese  
Taco Fiesta Hinojosa  
Hickory Barrel  
Gilbo Grindz

## June 15

Live Music: **Alvey's Mixed Up Band**  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Busy Mom's Kitchen  
Hickory Barrel  
Gilbo Grindz  
Grandma Moses Ice Cream  
Chill Wagon

## June 22

Live Music: **Aaron Hertzfeld**  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Frog Sneeze Mac & Cheese  
Taco Fiesta Hinojosa  
Gilbo Grindz  
Hickory Barrel

## June 29

Live Music: **Olivia Ebling**  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Hickory Barrel  
Chill Wagon  
Grandma Moses Ice Cream

## July 6

Live Music: **60's Survivor Band**  
OG Jaycees  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Busy Mom's Kitchen  
Chill Wagon  
Grandma Moses Ice Cream

## July 13

Live Music: **Wastin' Neon**  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Chill Wagon  
Taco Fiesta Hinojosa

## July 20

Live Music: **Electric Raindrops**  
Frog Sneeze Mac & Cheese  
Chill Wagon  
Gyro Corner  
Rick's Shack Outback

## July 27

Live Music: **Faith Over Fear**  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Frog Sneeze Mac & Cheese  
Taco Fiesta Hinojosa  
Gyro Corner

## August 10

Live Music: **Two Groovy**  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Amy's Tacos  
Smokestacks

## August 17

Live Music: **Scott Fish Band**  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Busy Mom's Kitchen  
Taco Fiesta Hinojosa

## August 24

Live Music: **Red Feather**  
Naughty Lobstah  
Rick's Shack Outback  
Taco Fiesta Hinojosa  
Busy Mom's Kitchen

## August 31

Live Music:  
**The Make Believe Spurs**  
(formerly The Wallens)  
- Food trucks TBD -

# KIDS FEST | August 12th

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

Memorial Park by the Caboose

Connecting families & children with organizations & businesses that have programs, services, activities or products for kids!  
Kona Ice • Hot Dogs • Giveaways • Hands On, free or low cost activities  
Look for more details in coming months!

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<b>DATE</b>	<b>ELDERS IN CHARGE</b>	<b>FLOWERS</b>
June 4	Kate G.	TBD
June 11	Becky R.	TBD
June 18	Katrina R.	Hirzel
June 25	Carrie J.	TBD

**2023 Committees Chairs and officers:**

Treasurer - Beth Myers  
Financial Secretary - Lynne Hirzel  
Worship and Music – Kate Gerding  
Fellowship - Carrie Johnson  
Mission and Evangelism - Stan Beckman  
Stewardship - Wayne Badder  
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OPW - Nancy Kaufman

**Session:**

Class of 2023: **Wayne Badder, Carrie Johnson**  
Class of 2024: **Stan Beckman, Katrina Riepenhoff**  
Class of 2025: **Katelyn Gerding, Becky Riepenhoff**