

First Presbyterian News September 2016

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Presbyterian Weekday Nursery School: Another year is about to begin! Starting **September 12th** the classrooms will be full of tiny feet running and children's laughter ringing. There is always room for one more and applications for the school year can be found in the office. Our open house is September 8th at 6 pm. PWNS accepts children from ages 3 to 5 for a 1 or 2 year program. Please share with friends and family! Our program starts children off with sharing, learning, please & thank you, ABC's and the days of the week. The children receive a sound foundation to begin their school life. Also, please remember that at drop off (8:45 to 9:10) and pick up (11 to 11:30) times to not park in the east lot. This helps us teach the children the proper way to enter and exit vehicles. Thanks, Jayne and Eileen

Presbyterian Women will have their annual **Circle Kick-Off** supper on Wednesday, **September 14 at 6** p.m. in Fellowship Hall. This year's Bible Study will be introduced.

On September **23 & 24 Presbyterian Women will enjoy a Fall Gathering/Retreat** at the Geneva Center Re-wine-d Weekend. All Women are invited, please see page 3 for more details.

The **Mission Committee** is having a **MISSION FOCKS** in September. This will include displays of the various mission and outreach programs and this year a printed directory for all to have and share.

DEACON'S HAPPENINGS!

Hacienda 'GIVES BACK' To support our Children's Christmas Shopping **Monday, September 19th** Once again we will be participating in a Hacienda Give Back Fiesta (100 Center location)! On this day/ night FPC will <u>earn 20% of our total guest checks</u> for lunch, dinner, food, alcohol, Fiesta To Go & Gift Cards. Hacienda has been a long standing local favorite and this is their way of thanking the local communities for their patronage. Please plan on dining out, or carrying in or purchasing a gift card for future dining while supporting the Deacons' Children's Christmas Shopping in December.

Your 'Gives Back Token' sheet is on page 7, please copy, share w/family & friends! We are also lucky to still have Postage Stamps available for purchase to also help support the Christmas fund. The stamps come \$4.70 for 10 or \$9.40 for 20. 100% of the proceeds support the fund, so please pick up pre-packaged stamps in the C.E. office.

SCRAPBOOKING & CRAFTING CLUB with Brittany Rice

Fall has arrived and Christmas is fast approaching! Do you have a project that you need to start, work on or get finished? Please come join us for the evening. The conversation varies, the laughs continue and by the end of the evening you wonder where the time went. We meet in the Fellowship Hall, from 6pm to 11pm. A cost of \$5 includes set-up, tear down, and tableware. Bring your own drink and maybe a goodie to share. See you soon, Brittany scrap.brittany@comcast.net Only 3 more Fridays for the year, **September 23rd**, October 21st, & November 18^{th.}

Canticle Ringers: Calling out to anyone wanting to ring hand-bells. Practices will be Tuesdays at 7:00 pm, <u>Session 1</u>) starts Sept 27, running through Christmas Eve, the plan is to ring in worship on October 23, December 4 and Christmas Eve. <u>Session 2</u>) February 1 thru April 5 ringing on March 5, April 9. and <u>Session 3</u>) May 10 thru 31, ringing on June 4, 2017. Please consider joining the group, one or all three sessions. I understand how busy everyone is but for us to be at our best we need all members available regularly and on time. Contact Judy, <u>mtcgjag@aol.com</u> or 259-2096, *beginners welcomed and cheered!*

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN NEWS	Presbyterian Women 2016 – 2017 CALENDAR		
 Our annual letter has been placed in mail boxes, if you have not already picked yours up, please check your mailbox. Our yearly calendar and mission envelopes have been included. Please mark your calendars for the upcoming events for PW. September 23-24 @ Geneva Center Re-Wine-d Weekend (see Call Letter) This will be a fun weekend to relax and re-wine-d! Lots of fun activities! Sign up deadline the 7th. September 14th PW Circle Kick Off @ 6:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall, Carry In Supper and Bible Study Introduction Our Bible Study this year is <u>WHO IS JESUS?</u> By Judy Yates Siker Books will be available that night. Cost is \$8.00. Elizabeth Circle meets the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. October 23rd Dedication Sunday Together In Service Projects will be dedicated during worship service BAKE SALE *October 25th Bake Sale Work Night 6-8pm *Novembr 8th Bake Sale Work Night 6-8pm *Novembr 11th Set Up for Bake Sale in 	 Sept. 14 PW Circle Kick-Off Fellowship Hall - light supper 6:00 p.m. Bible Study Introduction. Sept 23-24 Fall Gathering/Retreat @ Geneva Center Re-wine-d Weekend <u>Registration due Sept. 7th.</u> Oct 23 Dedication Sunday - Together in Service Projects during service Oct 25 Bake Sale work night 6–8 p.m. noodle Nov 8 Bake Sale work night 6–8 p.m. cheeseball & soup mixes. Nov 11 Set-up for Bake Sale in Fellowship Hall 8:00 a.m. Nov 12 Bake Sale 9 to 2 p.m. Fellowship Hall Dec. 10 Breakfast with Santa. 9:00 am Dec 9th set-up in Fellowship Hall Jan 14 PW Winter Gathering PWCT Meeting @ 9 a.m. Jan. 16 Kitchen clean-up 10:00 a.m. Mar. 11 Joint Circle Mtg. & Bible Study @10:00 a.m. Carry-in Brunch Election of Officers PWCT Meeting @ 9 a.m. Apr. 23 Gifts of Women Sunday Honorary Memberships, Install officers 2017, Birthday Offering Celebration Apr 23 Basement Sale set up 11:30 am Apr. 24-26 Work days Apr 27 Basement Sale 9 - 6 p.m. 		
Fellowship Hall 8 a.m. <u>*November 12th BAKE SALE & VENDOR</u> FAIR 9 am to 2 p.m. Fellowship Hall	Apr 28 Basement Sale 9 – 2 p.m. Apr 29 Bag sale 10 – noon Clean-up @ noon		
Our Bake Sale monies help to fund our Mission Work here and overseas. Please consider helping in any way	TBD Spring Gathering - Presbytery June 7 Calendar Meeting & Supper @Church 5:30 p.m.		
that you can. We always need workers for the work nights/event and homemade items for the Sale!	<u>PWCT MEETINGS</u> Sept. 11 th Noon Oct. 2 nd Noon Nov. 6 th . Noon Jan. 14 th 9 am Feb. 5 th Noon Mar. 11 th 9:00 am Apr. 2 nd Noon June 7 th 5:30 pm		
Stay tuned to this channel for further information! *December 10 th Breakfast with Santa @ 9 a.m. in Fellowship Hall. Mark your calendar for a fun morning with your little folk!	Book Club: We resume in September (third Sunday of the month at 2:00) Judy G. will host and Dyan will lead the discussion. Contact Judy-mtcgjag@aol.com, for title and details.		

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Join the fun with Wine and Canvas – Calling all painters and non-painters!!



t-shirts, Bring some old t-shirts that we all can cut up.

Friday, Sep 23 registration starts at 4:00 p.m. (EDT) Supper is 5:30 p.m.

Linda Gingrich 210 W. Vine St. Delphi, IN 46923 765-564-2188 Email: grandmag3@frontier.com



Hurry! Hurry! Wine & Canvas at no additional charge. The first 40 people are guaranteed a spot for painting. We will supply some wine.



How about a facial? We'll have fun laughing at each



Your name	
Telephone Number	
E-mail Address	(Needed, if you wish to receive PW Newsletter)
Diet restriction:	
Home Church	
Comments:	

We are planning lots of things to do, or if you wish take this time for yourself: Enjoy nature on the grounds, walk the Labyrinth, read a book, or meditate – it's your free time. The rest of us will have facials, do our own manicures and/or pedicures; make different necklaces & jewelry; paint; walk the Labyrinth (weather permitting); Vespers at the lake (weather permitting); and have a chair massage at a small price. We are going to have a great time. Hope to see you there!!



We will have a station for a manicure or



We will be shepherded with spiritual guidance through the Labyrinth (weather permitting)



This is another example from a wine and canvas class. We will supply some wine or you may bring some, but be prepared to share.

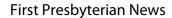


Weather permitting we will have vespers at the lake Friday night. Please bring a flash light.



You may have a chair massage at your expense of \$1.00 a minute. The normal massage runs between 10 to 15 minutes. Please let us know if you wish to have a massage when you register. We have to tell the company how many plan to have a massage. Massages will be on Saturday

Forms are on bulletin board at church. September 7 deadline for signing up



Women's Re-wine-d Slumber Party (replaces Fall Gathering) Sep 23 – 24, 2016 Fri 4:00 p.m. - Sat 3:00 p.m. (EDT) at Geneva Center 5282 N. Old US Hwy 31 Rochester, IN 46975 574-223-6915

Renew your Spirit – Relax with friends

(All ladies welcome)

Registrations are due Wednesday, Sep 7, 2016

Ask a friend!! Please make your check payable to PW of Wabash Valley Please send the section below with check to:

Prices are: Double occupancy is \$85.00; Single

Included in the price is "Wine and Canvas" (8x10

canvas) – except Day rate. This is our treat to you – no discount if you don't wish to paint. Scholarships are available – talk or email Linda Gingrich (Below)

occupancy is \$110.00; Day rate is \$20.00

Mishawaka Heritage Festival -- September 4, 2016

The second annual Mishawaka Heritage Festival will take place on Sunday, September 4, 2016 from 4pm-10pm in Central Park and celebrates the ethnic, religious and industrial heritage of the Mishawaka community. It includes music, dance, food, drink and history; focusing on where our City has been and the core of what makes our City unique today.

The Prayer Chain's only requirement is for you to pray for others. We are a faithful group of folk who pray daily for those in need from our congregation or friends of our congregation. If you would like to help with prayers, and would like to be included in our Prayer Chain please contact Pam C., Lynett, or Darlene.

Prayer needs will be sent to your email address.

I would like to thank all that helped move the tables and chairs off the basement carpeting for cleaning. Also to those that helped restore the basement to functionality.

Now some church information....

Some updates have taken place with the mailboxes in the C.E. office., with some names added and some removed. Please take the time to double check that your box is where you remember it.

The weeds at church seem to be plenty, fruitful and multiplying greatly, if you have a few spare minutes, the church would be ever so pleased & grateful to have a hand in the removal of some of them.

Members have observed that the Pine Street closure has influenced some local drivers to use the church parking lot as a pass-through between Lincoln Way and Third Street. Many of these drivers aren't worrying about safety. There is also an increase in traffic proceeding the wrong way on Union Street. Assuming that the Pine Street work won't be done for weeks yet, please be aware when parking/moving thru the lot.

The Mission Committee has the CROP walk coming up on September 25 at 2 pm. Those not wanting to walk can help end hunger by sponsoring us walking. Watch for more info coming in September.

The committee is planning on giving a housewarming party for Megan and her family moving in across the street from the church this fall. Stay tuned for the date and items needed and help requests.

And the collection pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald House at Memorial Hospital and non perishable food items for the food pantries are as always, an on going mission.

Thank you everyone for your generous support of our many activities.



I think that you have some serious faith issues



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<u>Custodian</u>

Church Officers and Committees

Session: Angela Bellinger, Alan Camren, Judy Green, John Martz, Ron May, Darlene Seufert Board of Deacons: Lynett Heritz; moderator, Tom Camren, Teresa Primmer, Jason Pursehouse, Judy Sulak

Facilities and Operations

John Martz, chair (elder) Ethan DeMaegd, Dick Dentino, Chuck Wukovits Book Club: Judy Green Clerk of Session: Teresa Primmer Christian Education: Darlene Seufert Finance: Ron May, Chair Mission and Evangelism: Angela Bellinger, Chair Newsletter: Sue Rice Nominating: Darlene Seufert, Chair Personnel: Alan Camren, Chair Prayer Chain: Lynett Heritz Presbyterian Women: Carole Polk and Lynett Heritz PWNS Board: John Rice, Chair Scrap Booking: Brittany Rice Special Gifts: Sue Rice, chair Stewardship: Ron May, Chair Treasurer: John Rice Worship and Music: Judy Green, Chair

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Pastor hours: mornings, 9 a.m. to noon Secretary hours: 9 a.m. to noon Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday Financial Secretary hours: Mondays & Thursdays 8 - 11:30 a.m. Custodian hours: Contact us at (574) 259-7874 or fpcmishawaka@gmail.com OUR_ADDRESS: First Presbyterian Church Michawaka

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Newsletter deadline is September 17 at noon. Please send information for September issue to Sue Rice at <u>suce@aol.com</u> or mail/email the church secretary.

THE LATEST NEWS FROM THE MAC

The Food Pantry, housed at Albright United Methodist Church, works in conjunction with other pantries in the South Bend/ Mishawaka community. There are more than a dozen pantries. Most allow a one time visit each month which enables folks to feed families, small and large.

It should be noted working with the United States Department of Agriculture distribution, certain rules must be followed if the pantries accept food through the local Food Bank in South Bend. Food purchased from the Food Bank at eighteen cents per pound must be given to clients prior to any donations coming from churches or individuals. All of these directives are carefully documented by the voluntary directors of the Pantry. In addition the Pantry is inspected on a regular basis by the Health Department. The inspection on June 17 passed with no violations. There was no Board meeting in July, therefore, statistics for June and July are combined: Households served averaged 75;

food donations, 3672 pounds; monetary donations, \$2254.00; food and personal items purchased, \$3561.

Coupons from the Food Bank from the Great American Milk Drive were given to clients, redeemable at Martin's Supermarket. The Albright Food Pantry is indebted to the local super markets in the area for the continuing support.

The voluntary coordinators, working together to maintain the inventory of food on hand, are considering giving clients the opportunity to participate in a survey regarding their visits to the pantry. There were 18 fuel only and 9 bus passes given to clients. The MAC churches participated in the WNDU Pack-A-Backpack event. (FPC partnered with Battell School as did some other churches)

Among future events,

The American Cancer Society Walk, October 22.

The Pantry volunteer's dinner will be held October 13. Invitations will be sent to these folks thanking them for their service. Respectfully submitted, Janet Freeman

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Prayer and Visioning 9am Worship 10 am Fellowship at 11 am Sermon Talk Back 11:15 am



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
ARE the DOORS LOCKED whe	n you leave	the church?		1	2	3
<i>4</i> greeter: Judy S. ushers: Ethan D. & Dan B. W. Leader: Darlene Seufert	5	6 First Day of PWNS	7	8	9	W.
 <i>11</i> greeter: Janet F. ushers: Carole P. & Bill B. W. Leader: Janna McLean <i>We Will Always Remember</i> 	12	13	14 Pw kick off 6 pm	15	16	17
 18 greeter: Bill B. ushers: Michael G. & Judy S. W. Leader: Chris Wukovits **gift cards for sale** 	19 _{Deacon's} Hacienda Fund Raiser	20	21 Tomorrow is first day of Autumn!	22 Let the leaves Fall!	23 6-11pm scrapbook club PW @ Geneva	24 Center
25 greeter: Bill B. ushers: Dick D. & Janet F. W. Leader: Chuck Wukovits	26	27 Canticle ringers 7pm	28	29	30	



I want to send out my thank you to fellow church members and friends for the many cards they sent me in regard to my fathers death.

Thank You John Martz and Family

2016 Events at Geneva Center Inc.	1
*Labor Day Family Camp – Reservations	
required- sign up on line at ww.genevacenter.org	STAL.
*September 25th, 2 - 4 pm - Fall Open House	
*September 27th, 10 am – 2 pm	1
Church Staff Appreciation Luncheon – All Churches are invited. \$15.00 per person.	
*October 11 - 14 Stained Glass Workshop	
Join us for 3 nights, 10 meals and learn the fine art of stained glass. You will be able to r	nake your own
piece to take home with you. All tools and instruction for the workshop are included.	•
*Oct. 30, 2016 4-7 pm - Fall Harvest Celebration – For all ages. Youth Groups welcome	. \$5.00 per person.
Join us for a hayride, hotdogs & more!	

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