

# Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church

June 8, 2022

# THINGS TO PONDER from Pastor Jesse

# The Never-forsaking God

He Himself has said, "I will never leave you nor forsake you." Hebrews 13:5

What line of thinking do my thoughts take? Do I turn to what God says or to my own fears? Am I simply repeating what God says, or am I learning to truly hear Him and then to respond after I have heard what He says? "For He Himself has said, 'I will never leave you nor forsake you.' So we may boldly say: 'The Lord is my helper; I will not fear. What can man do to me?' " (Hebrews 13:5-6).

"I will never leave you..."— not for any reason; not my sin, selfishness, stubbornness, nor waywardness. Have I really let God say to me that He will never leave me? If I have not truly heard this assurance of God, then let me listen again.

"I will never...forsake you." Sometimes it is not the difficulty of life but the drudgery of it that makes me think God will forsake me. When there is no major difficulty to overcome, no vision from God, nothing wonderful or beautiful— just the everyday activities of life— do I hear God's assurance even in these?

We have the idea that God is going to do some exceptional thing—that He is preparing and equipping us for some extraordinary work in the future. But as we grow in His grace we find that God is glorifying Himself here and now, at this very moment. If we have God's assurance behind us, the most amazing strength becomes ours, and we learn to sing, glorifying Him even in the ordinary days and ways of life.

Blessings,

Pastor Jesse

# FROM YOUR SESSION

Below is a list of what session is currently discussing and in prayer about. Session wants the congregation to be informed about what they are doing, and would be greatly appreciative if you would join them in praying for these things.

- Continued prayers for wisdom as the body of documents (mission and vision statements, and church profile) required to guide the PNC in the search for a new pastor are very close to completion.
- Pray for the Pastor Nominating Committee as they await to meet together for the first time.
- Praise for a good Session meeting where a lot of progress was made with a lot of good discussion.
- Pray for all those in church leadership roles during this continued time of transition.
- Pray for all the church as we wait in patient anticipation to meet the person God has chosen to be our next pastor!

If you have questions or concerns about the church, the list of Session members and their phone numbers can be found on page 3 of this newsletter.



#### HAPPY BIRTHDAY

June 8 - Randy Wirick

June 10 - Lydia Styer June 11 - Heather Hutchison

June 11 - Don Rhamy

June 11 - Allison Yacapraro

June 13 - Dale Cramer



#### HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

June 9 - Mary Ann & Barry Henderson June 11 - Beth & Larry Collins

THE CHURCH WORK DAY

has been postponed. We will meet to clean up the church grounds on June 25. We will still need wheel barrows, shovels, rakes, etc. We will

still be spreading mulch, pulling and killing weeds, and cleaning windows. Everyone is still welcome to come help beautify the church grounds! And most importantly, we'll have pizza & chips when we are finished!

A carry-in dinner this Sunday, June 12

In honor of Pastor Jon and Heather Hutchison and family, we'll have a carry in dinner this Sunday, June 12th following worship. Pastor Jon has been Family Ministries Director here at FPC since 2019. He has taken the position of Executive Director for the Wooster Boys & Girls Club. They've also purchased a house in Wooster and will be moving soon. Pastor Jon will preach a sermon and celebrate communion here on June 19. We will miss them, and we wish them well.

#### THE FULLER CENTER BIKE ADVENTURE

Gary Graham is seeking volunteers to provide riders from



Fuller Center Bike Adventure with an evening meal on June 22, and breakfast the following morning.

On June 22, the church will host overnight participants of the Fuller Center Bicycle Adventure. The mission of the group is to end poverty

housing worldwide. Their goal this summer is to raise \$400,000 by biking 1,500 miles from Slidell, LA to Cleveland OH.

The group has invited any who are interested to ride along with them on the trail. There is a poster and a brochure on the bulletin board, and additional information on the table in the Gallery. Questions can be directed to Gary Graham.



Please keep these people/situations in your prayers.

Note: The prayer needs listed in **BOLD** are new to the list, gathered from the Sharing of Joys & Concerns from the previous Sunday.

#### **Praises**

- Janine Schlauch's mother's hearing has returned and she is doing much better.
- Janet Albright home, doing better

### **Military Service:**

- Shannah Swinehart –boot camp (address on bulletin board!)
- Isaiah Styer (address on bulletin board!)
- Phyllis Miller's 2 great grandsons currently overseas
- Rusty King 1st Lieutenant Ohio National Guard
- Ryan Chabak
- Jeff & Veronica's nephew in National Guard

#### **Prayer Needs**

- Uvalde, Texas school shooting
- The Ukraine & Danny

#### **Health Concerns:**

- Orion Auhbil concussion nursing home
- Mary Ann Lytle pneumonia
- Veronica's mom prayers she will continue exercises
- Mike & Christine moving to Ashland
- Yvonne Jugan
- Pastor Tim Hull recovering from kidney/liver transplant
- Susie Parrot inoperable brain tumor
- George & Jane Ann Heilman

#### **Battling Cancer**

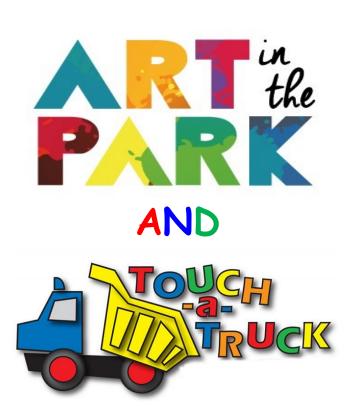
- Mike Berkhouse
- Renee Woods
- Julie recurrence of breast cancer
- Lillian Duncan
- Paul Weber
- Rose Reilly

#### Condolences

- The family of Deegan Bee
- The family of Bobbi Lax
- The Danny Shetler family

# TRIWAY WINS DIVISION II TITLE

Triway outlasted Jonathan Alder Saturday at Firestone Stadium to win the Ohio High School Athletic Association Division II state softball championship. It was the first-ever victory for the Titans in the tournament, and just the second state title for the school in any sport. Carter Wachtel was the star of the afternoon, allowing just two hits and striking out 10 in a completegame effort. Haylee Pruitt had an RBI double in the first inning while (our very own) Emily Yacapraro drove in what proved to be the gamewinning run with a single in the fifth.



# Art in the Park/Touch-A-Truck

WHEN: June 18th 10-12

WHERE: Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church

parking lot and field.

WHY: Kick off summer reading with this free community event filled with art activities and up close encounters with some really cool trucks!

Presented by the Fredericksburg Community Library and Simply Hand Made

### ADULT BIBLE FELLOWSHIP

6/12 - Carry-in dinner for Pastor Jon and Family 6/19 - ABF Irresistible

## COMING ACTIVITIES and EVENTS

- Wednesday, June 8 @ 6:30 p.m. Music Team
- Wednesday June 8 @ 6:30 p.m. Trustees Meeting
- Friday June 10 from 10 a.m. 1:00 p.m. Waynedale school counselors will be at the church offering grief counseling
  - Friday, June 10 Church Office will be closed.
- Sunday, June 12 @ 9:30 a.m. Sunday Morning Worship
- Carry-in Dinner following worship service. In honor of Pastor Jon & Heather Hutchison & family
- Sunday June 12 @ 5:00 p.m. The Edge Group meets
- Wednesday June 15 @ 10:00 am GLOW Ladies
- Wednesday, June 15 @ 6:30 p.m. Music Team

### to contact church & staff:

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**Darcy Miller, Pastor of Congregational Care** Pastor Darcy Is currently on sabbatical

#### **Church Office Hours**

Monday thru Friday 9:30 a.m.- 3:00 p.m.

If you have questions, concerns, or anything to share with the church, contact one of the elders.

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