



Weekly Update

Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church

October 5, 2022

What : Young Adult Group

**Where : Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church
201 N Mill St, Fredericksburg, OH 44627**

When : Sunday mornings 10:30 – 11:30 (starting October 16)

A LIFE WORTH LIVING

Freedom. It is an awesome feeling. It removes all boundaries. When I was in my 20's the sky was the limit and the only thing in my way was the consequences of the choices I made. As I made life altering choices, my life started molding itself into the world I live in today. Where do you gain wisdom to make decisions that shape your tomorrows?

Church isn't very popular for young people today. It is a place that has too many rules and is filled with too many opinions. It's like those church doors have some magical powers. When a wife and husband argue all the way to church, they walk through the doors and "poof" they smile and act as if everything is perfect. Someone once told me "If church was real.....people would come." I don't know what kind of life you are living. I don't know how you make the decisions that will define the world you will live in when you are my age. But I know that Jesus is real. I know there is far more to knowing Jesus than eternal life. Following Him in this life will bring you more joy than you can imagine. Jesus himself said **"I came that they may have life and have it abundantly"**. A real church isn't a place where people go and pretend they are righteous. Jesus also said, **"I have come to call not those who think they are righteous, but those who know they are sinners"**. I am inviting you to come and give this group a chance. I won't be fake. I will give you real answers to real questions.

Jesus is real, He offers eternal security, He knows who you are, and He makes this life worth living. That freedom that feels so good, God created it. The Apostle Paul said "So Christ has truly set us free. Now make sure that you stay free, and don't get tied up again in slavery to the law".

BTW don't worry about what you are wearing or any other church rules. Everyone is welcome. My number is 330-465-8329, if you have a question shoot me a text and I'll get back to you.

Paul Miller



St. Peter Church, 379 S. Crawford St., Millersburg, is playing host to a three-day exhibition of The Man of the Shroud, featuring information and displays on the Shroud of Turin. The exhibition is open to the public noon-5 p.m. Friday, Oct. 7, and Saturday, Oct. 8, and 2-4:30 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 9. The exhibit features a full-scale linen replica of the Shroud, a life-size crucifix based on the Shroud and 31 informational panels from more than 25 years of study and research by the Center for the Study of the Passion of the Christ and the Holy Shroud.



October 7- Matt Chabak
 October 8 - Heidi Yacapraro

What : New ABF Series

When : Sundays 10:45 – 11:30 (Kick-off October 9)

Where : Fellowship Hall

“WHAT I BELIEVE”

Let me ask you a question, “What are you comfortable with?” Your answers are probably things you have practiced doing, things you do a lot, things you invest in. Peter gave us some advice in 1 Peter 3:15-16. Andy Stanley concluded his book **IRRESISTIBLE** with this verse as our marching orders for New Covenant living. Here’s what Peter said, *“And if someone asks about your hope as a believer, always be ready to explain it. But do this in a gentle and respectful way.”*

Learning to tell others what we believe and backing it with the reasons for our hope can seem like a daunting task. This world desperately needs us to speak truth with love. The problem is most of us just avoid these conversations. We label them too tough, not necessary, awkward, (enter your favorite excuse). You can do what Peter is asking and you can do it well. I know this of you because you have a relationship with Jesus. The world needs people that have a relationship with Jesus to talk about it. It is not a secret. It isn’t meant to be kept private.

You are to be a light on the hill. Jesus will take care of all the hard stuff, but we need to tell folks why we love Him. I have never struggled telling others about my awesome kids. The more times I tell stories about them, the better I get at it. So it goes with Jesus. The more I talk about my awesome God, the better it gets. So stick around after service. We won’t make you say anything, but you might end up wanting too.

SUNDAY MORNING SPEAKERS

October 9 - Rev. Randy Weaver
 October 16 - Rev. Bill Sowers
 October 23 - Rev. Randy Weaver
 October 30 - Rev. Randy Weaver



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

- **For the beautiful fall weather**

Military Service:

- Rusty King deploying in November to Middle East
- Shannah Swinehart currently in Texas
- Isaiah Styer currently in North Carolina
- Jeff & Veronica's nephew in National Guard

Prayer Needs

- Unspoken
- Anniversary of Deanna Smith's illness
- Adam Baker's family
- Nate struggling with new teaching job
- Hailey Schlegel in Boston
- Session, Trustees & the PNC
- The Ukraine & Danny

Health Concerns:

- Bev Wines - Hospice care
- Alena Wolf - Overseas & ill
- Veronica's mom - lost strength/mobility. More PT
- **Sean Allen - healing from liver transplant**
- Shirley Swinehart - healing
- Tanya Chupp - continued healing
- Spencer - back surgery
- Lillian Duncan - non cancerous brain tumors
- Susie Parrot - inoperable brain tumor
- George & Jane Ann Heilman

Battling Cancer

- **Mike - on hospice**
- Delores Schlegel's sister Rose's finance
- Mike Harter
- Art Wetmore
- Chris - brain tumor
- Renee Wood

Condolences

- **The family of Kim Slutz**

The PNC is asking for your prayers as they work through the process of resumes and interviews related to calling a new pastor to our church. Below are a few areas that they would ask you to pray over.

Members of the Team are: Tanya Chupp, Paul Miller, Melinda Moffitt, Earl Rhamy, Delores Schlegel, & Matt Smith

1. Pray for the team to have extraordinary wisdom as to the unique characteristics and traits most needed for our church.
2. Pray for the team to have no timetable but God's. They must be determined to find God's perfect will in God's perfect time.
3. Pray for the future pastor and his/her family to have absolute certainty in their sense of call to our church. (He/she must know he/she has God's direction).
4. Pray for the prevention of Satan's influence in misleading or rushing the search team. (One of Satan's wiles is deception.) Pray for a powerful hedge of protection around the committee and their families.
5. Pray for God's guidance in how the future pastor is presented to the church. Pray for the church to have unity in the pastor's call to our church. (1 Corinthians 1:10; Acts 2:1).

Women of the Church – on Monday, October 17, a new Monday Night Ministry group will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the café to discuss the plan and vision for this new women's ministry. The group will meet the first and third Monday of each month. Each week will be different - hot topics, videos, recorded sermons, or current events. We hope you will join us. Please talk to Tanya Chupp for additional details.

You are invited to an Open House

To celebrate the 65th wedding anniversary of Don and Joyce Rhamy
Date: October 9th, 2022
Time: 2:00 - 4:00 PM
Location: Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church
Please no gifts



FROM YOUR SESSION

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.

- Pray for the decision regarding Rev. Nancy Dumford.
- Pray for the Pastor Nominating Committee.
- Pray for the Youth programs.
- Pray for all those in church leadership roles.
- 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, concerns, or anything to share with the church, contact one of the elders.

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ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA QUESTIONS.

- ◆ How many taste buds? **About 10,000**
- ◆ Ancient forest? **Daintree Forest, Australia**
- ◆ Globe and Jerusalem are **artichokes**
- ◆ 1921 Nobel Prize in physics - **Albert Einstein**
- ◆ What did the Crocodile swallow? **An alarm clock**
- ◆ Arachnophobia is the fear of **Spiders**
- ◆ Where did the first official American baseball game take place? **New Jersey**
- ◆ Which US city is known as the City of Brotherly Love? **Philadelphia**

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Church Office Hours

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