

Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church—— September 7, 2022

A Letter to Our Youth and Parents

Dear Youth and Parents of Youth,

Your input is important to help Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church shape a ministry that helps youth strengthen their faith and live it out. Our ministry teams can try to come up with programs that we think are meaningful—but we will just be guessing unless we hear from you!

FPC's Children's Ministry Team and Youth Ministry Team invite all youth (ages 4 to 18) to participate in a conversation to shape our children and youth programs on **Sunday, September 18, during wor-ship service (9:30-10:30 am)**. We will start off with breakfast in the fellowship hall and divide into groups, ages 4 years to 6th grade in the Kids Sunday School room and grades 7-12 and recent grads in the Youth Room. Even if you haven't participated in youth programs for a while, please come!

Recent graduates (ages 18-20), we'd love your input as well. Even though you won't be in youth group anymore, your experience and insight are important.

Some things to think about before the meeting:

Children (ages 4 – 6th grade)

Do you want to do any activities outside of church such as going to Acres of Fun, Movie and Popcorn Night, etc.?

Edge (4th – 6th grade)

What type of activities would you like to do and how often would you like to meet?

Youth $(7^{th} - 12^{th} \text{ grade})$

What youth activities in the past have had the most impact on you?

What ideas do you have to make youth group a meaningful experience that you prioritize over other activities?

As we look for new leadership, what thoughts do you have about the next youth leader(s)? What time/day of week would work best for you to meet? YMT has talked about hosting youth group during the second hour (after worship, from 10:30-11:30am) on Sunday mornings with occasional activities outside of that timeframe. Do you like that idea?

Parents: After our discussion with the youth, we invite you to join us at 10:30 to recap the discussion and get your input as well.

Any questions or input can be directed to

Bridget Rhamy – 330-621-4084 Jeff Styer – 330-234-7657

Blessings – Jeff Styer and Bridget Rhamy

September 9 - Kim Crosby September 11 - Jessie Kidd September 12 - Gary Graham September 12 - Janine Schlauch September 14 - Brady McKelvey September 14 - Brady McKelvey September 8 - Joyce & Don Rhamy September 8 - Joyce & Don Rhamy September 8 - Joyce & Don Rhamy September 9 - Kim Crosby McKelvey September 8 - Joyce & Don Rhamy September 8 - Joyce & Don Rhamy We know some in our congregation may have been under the impression that Nancy would apply for the position of full time pastor. She asked us to clarify that at this time they would be unable to relocate to Fredericksburg full time due to her husband's job in Columbus. However she is willing to help in the short term with our pastoral needs. There are some good reasons to consider Nancy's offer to us. She has gifts and training that would be beneficial to our church and would provide some spiritual continuity. It would also help protect Jeann and Darcy from getting overwhelmed with needs especially during the upcoming holiday seasons. Nancy would step down as soon as we have engaged a new full time pastor. We are excited about the responses our PNC is receiving and we are aware that if the pro- cess moved very quickly it would be unlikely we would need Nancy's help. So please pray with us as we seek the best way forward. Feel free to talk to any session member to express your views on the above. Thank you for your prayers, Steve Moffitt, Session President	 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 Praise for the Community Worship Service Praise family gatherings over the holiday Military Service: Shannah Swinehart Isaiah Styer Rusty King 1st Lieutenant Ohio National Guard Jeff & Veronica's nephew in National Guard Prayer Needs Batha - loss of her sister, prayers of her nephews Ethan Wengerd - grieving the loss of a close friend Pastor Darcy - her current Hospice load College Students headed back to classes School staff and students headed back to school. Session, Trustees & the PNC The Ukraine & Danny Health Concerns: Shirley Swinehart - broken collar bone Walt - cardiac issues Bob Thomson - rehab at Westview Spencer - back surgery Lauren - multiple injuries from motorcycle/truck crash Suzie Gortner - severe back pain Tanya Chupp - continued healing Lillian Duncan - non cancerous brain tumors Veronica's mom - appointments in September Susie Parrot - inoperable brain tumor
 <u>COMING ACTIVITIES and EVENTS</u> Sunday, Sept. 11 @ 9:30 a.m Worship Service Wed. September 14 @ 10:00 a.m GLOW Women Wed. September 14 @ 6:30 p.m Music Team 	 Suste Partot - Inoperable brain tumor George & Jane Ann Heilman Battling Cancer Mike - cancer has spread Delores Schlegel's sister Rose's finance Mike Harter Art Wetmore
ATTENTION WOMEN OF THE CHURCH! Beginning September 19, there is a Women's Group meeting in the café on the first and third Monday of each month. Each week will be differ- ent - hot topics, videos, recorded sermons, or cur- rent events. Questions? Talk to Tanya Chupp.	 Sean Allen - liver cancer Chris - brain tumor Renee Wood

 The PNC is asking for your prayers as they work through the process, 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 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 commit tee and their families. 	 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 Dumsford 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. Joe Chupp 330-466-5305 Beth Miller 513-319-6447 Paul Miller 330-465-8329 Steve Moffitt 234-249-2371 Earl Rhamy 330-988-4285 Matt Smith 330-464-4698 Jeff Styer 330-234-7657 Adam Swinehart 330-641-1575 Randy Wirick 330-473-2362
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).	to contact church leaders & staff: 201 N. Mill St. Fredericksburg, Ohio 44627 Phone 330-695-2511
Sunday, September 25	Email: fredpresby@gmail.com Website: www.fredericksburgpres.org Follow us on Facebook too!
And a Hotdog Roast. Details to come JOIN US FOR A HAYRIDE	Steve Moffitt, Session President 234-249-2371 Or any of the Elders listed in this publication Darcy Miller, Pastor of Congregational Care 330-440-4155 * * * * * Church Office Hours
SUNDAY MORNING SPEAKERS September 11 - Rev Randy Weaver September 18 - Rev. Bandy Weaver	Monday thru Friday 9:30 a.m 3:00 p.m.

BE THANKFUL DAILY

-NOT JUST IN NOVEMBER

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September 11 - Rev Randy Weaver September 18 - Rev. Randy Weaver September 25 - Rev. Nancy Dumsford October 2 - Pastor Darcy Miller