



First Pres News Flash – September 24, 2020

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We will be having in person worship service this Sunday at 9:30 a.m. Temperatures will be taken, facial masks required, and distancing observed. Seating in the Sanctuary will be in marked areas. Please call in to make reservations and leave a voicemail message.



We extend the sympathy of the church to the family of Helen Jacob who passed away on on September 22, 2020. If you would like to send a card to Judithe Craig, her address is: P.O. Box 1863, Wooster, OH 44691.



PHOC MAPLE SYRUP - The Pleasant Hill Outdoor Camp maple syrup sales to support the youth programs (SWEET!) continues to be available through the Shorts. Please call them and leave a message - (Ted's cell: 330-466-2763; Karen's cell: 330-466-3404) for pick-ups at their home at 935 Fenwick Circle. It will be valuable to have the exact cash or a check made out to PHOC for the exact amount to minimize cash exchanges. Pints are \$9, quarts \$16, half-gallons \$28, and gallons \$50. We hope to again, have a supply in the church visitation area after we re-open.



Amy Baxstrom will be doing a read-aloud on Tuesday's and a meditation on Thursday's on our Facebook page -<https://www.facebook.com/FPCWooster> Please like our page to keep up to date!

Amy Baxstrom will be sending out via email Wednesday evening devotionals written by other people. We hope you find these uplifting and encouraging.

Amy will also be hosting a monthly prayer meeting on the first Wednesday of each month. It will be a time to pray for and with each other. Register for the virtual event here:

When: Oct 7, 2020 11:00 AM Eastern Time (US and Canada)

Register in advance for this meeting:

https://us02web.zoom.us/join/tZMpcuiqDMpGNDnwrERh_BIDp8kD5XygfFB

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.



WE NEED SUBSCRIBERS – Please subscribe to our YouTube channel – go to youtube.com and in the search bar put in First Presbyterian Church Wooster Ohio and our channel will come up – First Pres Church. We currently have 30 subscribers. We would like to grow our audience! We have playlists for worship services, musical offerings, children messages etc. Subscribe today so we can grow to 100 subscribers! Tell your friends 😊

The deadline for October Tower Tidings is now upon us! Please submit your articles to dbye@firstpreswooster.org. Thank you.

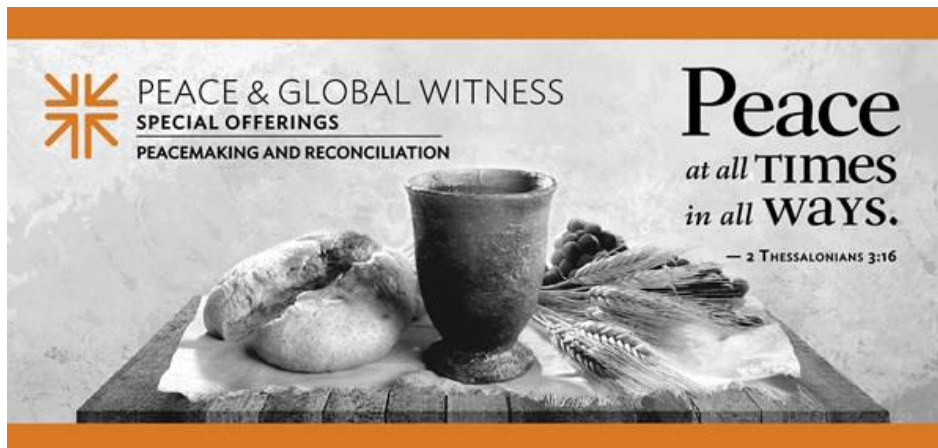
You're invited to join the Black Lives Matter vigil downtown on the square every Monday through Saturday from 12:00 - 1:00 p.m. and on every Sunday people of faith on the square from 12:00 – 1:00 p.m.

The Peace & Global Witness Offering draws Presbyterians together as active peacemakers and provides education and exposure to those who show us how to do this work well. It allows us to create resources for dealing with conflict and nurturing reconciliation and stand in support of our global sisters and brothers, because the peace of Christ belongs to people everywhere.

Your gift will join with others as the Church works for peace including an end to gender-based violence and discrimination. The PC(USA) responds by supporting partners in places like Guatemala and the Democratic Republic of Congo working to address the trauma of gender-based violence and advocate for changed hearts and minds. In addition, your gifts aid in developing resources that help congregations respond to this need in their context. (PCUSA)

Please mail your contribution to the church office and denote "Peacemaking" in the memo. Thank you for your generosity.

Your Social Justice Committee and Faith and Practice Coordinating Team



Are you registered to vote? Your Social Justice team encourages you to inform yourself on the candidates and issues, and let your voice be heard. The voter registration deadline is Oct. 5 in Ohio, so it's about time to check on your registration status and register if you haven't already done so. If you're not sure if your registration is current (maybe you moved?), you can use this link to check. Just enter your name and county: <https://voterlookup.ohiosos.gov/voterlookup.aspx>.

Vote! Great, now you're registered. You have options! At www.waynecountyoh.gov/, you can learn about your options.

1. Request an absentee ballot, which will be mailed to you and you mail it back. Absentee ballots must either be postmarked by the day before the election, or delivered in person to the Board of Elections by 7:30 p.m. on Election Day.
2. You can vote in-person absentee, by visiting the Board of Elections between Oct. 6 and Nov. 2 to cast your ballot, which hopefully will be less crowded.
3. In any case, you can also view a sample ballot for your exact location, so you will know exactly what's on the ballot and can cast your vote knowledgeably and quickly.

Voting Options for November 3 General Election

[Absentee by Mail \(click here for info\)](#)

[In-Person Absentee \(click here for schedule\)](#)

[Polling Locations on Election Day \(click here for list\)](#)



Here are links to four churches with similar theology and worship styles that are streaming Sunday worship and other resources:

Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church in New York City <https://www.fapc.org>

Fourth Presbyterian Church in Chicago www.bit.ly/FPCworship

with the bulletin here <https://fourthchurch.org/bulletins/2020/index.html>

Redeemer Lutheran Church in Columbus www.redeemerluth.com

David Shull, Pastor – Son of Gordon and Betty Shull

First Presbyterian Church in Holt, Michigan <https://www.fpc-holt.org>

Ben Rumbaugh, Pastor – Son of Tom and Lisa Rumbaugh

CALENDAR FOR SEPTEMBER 24 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30

Monday, September 28 11:00 a.m. Zoom Staff Meeting

Tuesday, September 29 8:30 a.m. Zoom Bible Study
5:30 p.m. Zoom Task Force Reopening Committee