

PASTOR'S PONDERINGS

PEDAL W/PASTOR PAUL

Over the past few months, I have shared Michael Beck's ministries called Fresh Expressions where people gather in groups to get to know each other and to share Jesus Christ grace and love. Fresh Expressions can be around a person or people's passion such a love of favorite restaurants, bowling, hiking, or walking, book clubs, and knitting groups or a host of small groups. These Fresh Expression groups gather out in the world to share Jesus amongst people and building relationships that encourage people to connect with the church.

One of my passions over the years has been bicycle riding all over Ohio and especially on Rails to Trails bike paths. On June 2nd at 4:30pm I will be doing a bicycle ride on **the Metro Parks Bikeway-Farm Trailhead** (7574 Columbiana-Canfield Rd, Canfield, OH 44406). We will be doing a causal group bicycle ride that we call Pedal with Pastor Paul. This will be a time to talk, ride and get to know people from the Poland and Canfield United Methodist Churches. The next weekend we will be doing a Pedal with Pastor Paul ride on June 9, 4:30pm at the **Stavich Bicycle Trailhead**. (Meet at public parking area just east of The Station Grille at Melillo's, 300 E. Liberty St., Lowellville, OH 44436). On June 18th I will be having a total hip replacement and would like to do some short rides before my surgery. Please dress appropriately for the weather, bring a helmet to wear, and some water and snacks as needed. If the weather is bad, we will not ride.

PEDAL WITH PASTOR PAUL

June 2nd @ 4:30PM | The Metro Parks Bikeway-Farm Trailhead
(7574 Columbiana-Canfield Rd., Canfield, OH 44406)

June 9th @ 4:30PM | Stavich Bicycle Trailhead
(300 E. Liberty St. (by Melillo's Grill), Lowellville, OH 44436)



Dress for the weather, bring a helmet, water and snacks!

LET'S RIDE AND ROLL WITH THE LORD, AMEN!

MISSIONS

ISAIAH 40:10-11

Thank you all for your generosity for the Poland Food Pantry and Akron Children's Hospital!

MAY MISSION: JOSHUA MISSION TRIP

This month we will be collecting needed items for our Joshua Mission Trip in Steubenville, OH which is scheduled for July 9th – July 13th. They will be needing painting items, such as brushes, rollers, paint scrapers, paint trays and a variety of buckets. There will be 10 persons attending from PUMC as well as volunteers from Canfield and Boardman PUMC. Please watch the PUMC website for other needed items. **(SEE MISSION TRIP NEEDS PAGE #3).**



POLAND INTERFAITH FOOD PANTRY

Thank you to all who donate their time and food every month. In April, the pantry distributed food to over 50 needy families in the Poland Struthers zip codes. Anyone in those zip codes or affiliated with any of the Poland churches is eligible for help.

Thanks to the incredible amount of generous donations from the participating churches and community the Pantry is well stocked so please if you know of someone or family in the community that needs food, please let them know. The Pantry is in a great position to help them.



"For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat..." Matthew 25:35

THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR FAMILIES

PUMC Cabinet

Thank you all so much for donating toys, games, decorations and gifts for the kiddos at Akron Children's Hospital! We know how much the families appreciate your generosity! Thank you to Bob Long for coordinating the monthly mission opportunities! **The Codners**

Dave Wagner and I want to thank everyone who came together as a team to get our "Chicken Dinners" back up running!!! It was a success and we sold out of the dinners. Praise the Lord!!

Thank you, **Sandy Beckwith** and **Dave Wagner**

THANK YOU NOTES

MISSION TRIP UPDATE

We are finalizing our plans and getting things in order. All paperwork and deposits are due at this time.

With that in mind if anyone would like to help out from home. We are asking for the following items to help keep our costs down. There will be a sign up sheet in the back of the Narthex as well as a collection cart. If you have any questions please talk to Robin or Eileen.

ITEMS NEEDED:

Paper towels, toilet paper, napkins, hand wipes, box of lg trash bags,

Bathroom cleaner, disinfecting wipes (for cleaning purposes), bleach spray,

Canisters of lemonade and ice tea mix (5 gallons), safety glasses, work gloves, drill bits, mustard, ketchup, mayo and miracle whip, salad dressings, individual use hydration packs (propel, crystal light, Gatorade), individually wrapped snacks (chips, cookies, crackers, trail mix, nuts, granola bars....), fruit juice (individual boxes or large bottles)

Sunscreen, bug spray (for mosquitos and for bee/hornets)

I shop at Walmart/Sam's Club, Aldi's, GFS.

GLANCE AT FINANCE

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Monthly physical contributions	\$24,698.00	\$ 59,408.00
Monthly on-line contributions	\$ 1,626.00	\$ 5,127.00
Other revenues	\$ 3,529.00	\$ 9,396.00
Less monthly expenses	<u>\$25,636.00</u>	<u>\$ 72,041.00</u>
Net impact to Budget	\$ 4,217.00	\$ 1,890.00

Thank you to each one who continues to support PUMC!

Let's Honor The Lord With Our Giving

*"Remember this, whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly.
And whoever sows generously will also reap generously."*

2 Corinthians 9:6





Vacation Bible School

A big THANK YOU to everyone who supported our Pepperoni Sale fundraiser! Our next fundraiser will be a drive thru hot dog sale on May 18 from 11-1:00.

****2 grilled hot dogs, chips, bottle of water & treat for \$4.00****

PUMC Vacation Bible School is always free of charge; your support helps in many, many ways!

And don't forget; we are still in need of:

- * any size empty round oatmeal containers with lids
- * clean, plastic caps from milk jugs (no jugs, just caps please)
- * any size empty pringle container with lids

Kids Klub Prayer Buddies As you know, our kids made Prayer Buddies during Kids Klub. They are all finished & ready to be distributed. Of course, we want to remember our own friends & families; so, if you know of a child (or children) that you think would like to receive a bear, let me know & we will get them to you. We have 5 fun colors available. "Let all that you do be done in love." 1 Corinthians 16:14



DRIVE-THRU HOT DOG SALE



Saturday May 18

11-1:00

2 grilled hot dogs/chips

bottled water & treat \$4

Vacation Bible School Fundraiser

Thanks for supporting our kids!



SAVE THE DATE
VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



JULY 15-22 6-8:30 PM

COME & JOIN THE PARTY **SOMETHING NEW EVERY NIGHT**
BIBLE/MUSIC/KID-FRIENDLY DINNERS DINNER/CRAFTS/ACTIVITIES

LABOR OF LOVE

Bring your gloves, tools and smiling faces!

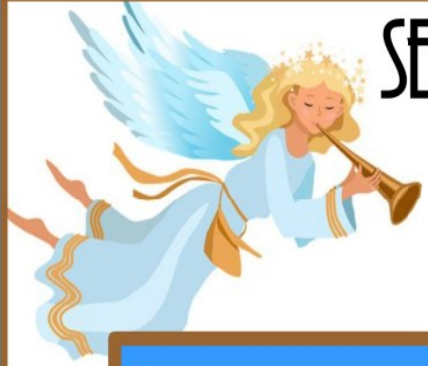


PUMC YARDWORK DAY | SUN MAY 19 | 12PM

MEDIA RESOURCES

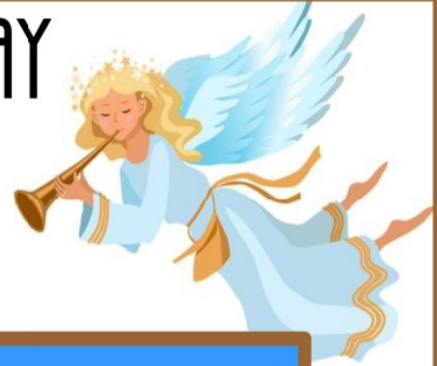
You may be aware that we no longer have the Media Center at the East Ohio Conference office since it was eliminated last year. We now have access to a very similar resource. The Illinois Great Rivers Conference also closed their Media Center but all of their materials were transferred to a local United Methodist Church – Kumler UMC in Springfield IL. This is now a volunteer-run ministry of this church and they are happy to lend their video & print materials to groups in our church. As it is totally volunteer-staffed, they do ask for your patience in getting these materials to you via the USPS.

You may contact them directly via email at umrc@igrc.org or by requesting materials directly thru their website at <https://www.igrc.org/UMRC>. See Blaise Prentiss if you have any questions.



SECOND SUNDAY

MAY 12TH
11:00 AM



FAMILY CELEBRATION BRUNCH

CELEBRATING OUR
"HEAVENLY FAMILY"

Last Stop on 2024 Passport Tour - Heaven

Abigail Circle

May 7th 6:30 Room 202



Please Bring Items
To Complete
UMCOR
Female Hygiene Kits



WE'RE BACK!

Poland UMC'S
Drive-Thru Chicken Dinner

Thur, May 2nd

3:30PM til Sold Out

\$10 ea

1940 Boardman Poland Rd., Poland OH 44514

To support our UM outreach and Missions



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News from last month:

It was National Week of the Young Child the first week of April and each class celebrated with special events:

Kindergarten Readiness Classes:

Monday: Solar Eclipse Day

Tuesday: Taco Tuesday

Wednesday: Wacky Wednesday

Thursday: Baseball Bonanza

Friday: PJ's & Ice Cream

Rainbow Class:

Monday: Sweets & Treats

Tuesday: Lego Day

Wednesday: Rainbow of Colors Day

Thursday: Creative Art Day

Friday: Under the Sea Experience

Teddy Bear Class:

Monday/Tuesday: Teddy Bear Picnics

Wednesday/Thursday: Carnival Days

Friday: Fantastic Fun Friday



In addition this month, the KR classes learned the letters K (Kites and wind), the letter U (Umbrellas and rain), the letter N (Nests and birds), and the letter S (Space exploration).

In the Rainbow class they learned about Birds in Spring, Ocean Wonders, My Five Senses. And April showers.

In the Teddy Bear Class they had units on Bugs, Farm Animals, Springtime Planting, and Pond Habitats.

*We have started enrolling for the Fall and Summer term—for more information call Erica at the child care office (330-757-9747) or email: pbccc@polandumc.org. **We also are hiring for summer help in our Summer Camp program---this is a great job for college students wanting a summer job!

polandboardmanchildcarecenter.com