

## Congregational Calendar

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### **SUNDAY, August 5**

9:00 am Outdoor Worship (Courtyard)  
10:30/11:59 Worship (Sanctuary)  
10:30 am Breakfast Club (Youth Room)

### **MONDAY, August 6**

9:00 am Deaconess Board (304 & Chapel)  
7:00 pm Mission Board (304)

### **TUESDAY, August 7**

1:00 pm Walking Warriors (Barlow CC)  
6:30 pm Prayer Quilting (102)  
6:30 pm Children's Ministries Board (304)

### **WEDNESDAY, August 8**

9:00 am WOW (FH)  
10:30 am Tai Chi (FH)

### **THURSDAY, August 9**

1:00 pm Happy Hikers (Brandywine Falls)  
7:00 pm NAMI (102)

### **SATURDAY, August 11**

10:00 am AlAnon-Newcomers (120)  
11:00 am AlAnon (102)  
11:00 am Alateen (Youth Room)

**Volunteer Opportunities in Friends' Class!** Our church has supported **Friends** since 1976 and we need your help to keep it going! This is a fun group that meets Sunday mornings from 9:45-10:45 am during the school calendar year. We have 3 teams; each with 4 teachers and rotate during the year. It is a small amount of time needed. Please contact Sandy Miller at [sandyxd91@gmail.com](mailto:sandyxd91@gmail.com) or 216-310-1489 for more information. Thank you!

### ***Today's Scripture: John 6:24-35***

<sup>24</sup>So when the crowd saw that neither Jesus nor his disciples were there, they themselves got into the boats and went to Capernaum looking for Jesus. <sup>25</sup>When they found him on the other side of the sea, they said to him, "Rabbi, when did you come here?" <sup>26</sup>Jesus answered them, "Very truly, I tell you, you are looking for me, not because you saw signs, but because you ate your fill of the loaves. <sup>27</sup>Do not work for the food that perishes, but for the food that endures for eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you. For it is on him that God the Father has set his seal." <sup>28</sup>Then they said to him, "What must we do to perform the works of God?" <sup>29</sup>Jesus answered them, "This is the work of God, that you believe in him whom he has sent." <sup>30</sup>So they said to him, "What sign are you going to give us then, so that we may see it and believe you? What work are you performing?" <sup>31</sup>Our ancestors ate the manna in the wilderness; as it is written, 'He gave them bread from heaven to eat.'" <sup>32</sup>Then Jesus said to them, "Very truly, I tell you, it was not Moses who gave you the bread from heaven, but it is my Father who gives you the true bread from heaven. <sup>33</sup>For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." <sup>34</sup>They said to him, "Sir, give us this bread always." <sup>35</sup>Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life. Whoever comes to me will never be hungry, and whoever believes in me will never be thirsty."

### ***Today's Flowers***

The Sanctuary flowers are given by the Speakman family dedicated to the glory of God.

## WELCOME TO FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

*SUNDAY, August 5, 2018*

*Wherever you are on your journey... you are welcome here.*

Guests are invited to participate in any of the church's varied activities.

Contact the Church Office (330) 650-4048 for more information or check off your interests on the back of the Connection Card.

**A Farewell** - After more than five years singing the eleven fifty-nine service, Chelsea Selvaggio has accepted the position of Director of Music at a Methodist church in Stow. She has been an incredible blessing to us and we wish her continued success in her new position. Her last day with us will be **Sunday, August 12** at the eleven fifty-nine service. Please come on out for a heartfelt farewell and small reception. The few remaining eleven fifty-nine CD's (with Chelsea singing) will be available for sale.

**Men!** Would you like to stand at Homeplate at Progressive Field and sing the National Anthem with 100 other men? The Men of Independence welcomes you to this stunning opportunity to sing the Anthem on **Tuesday, August 28** at the 7:10 game against the Central Division rival Minnesota Twins. Father-son combos are especially welcome. For details, please contact our Director of Music Ministries, Tom Scott at (330) 650-4048.

### **Adult Ministry**

For questions, contact Kathy Yeakley, (330) 650-4048, or [kyeakley@hudsonucc.org](mailto:kyeakley@hudsonucc.org).

**Walking Warriors** will continue to walk behind the *Barlow Community Center* on **Tuesday** at **1:00 pm**. This is a paved walking path and a gentle walk.

**Happy Hikers** will hike on **Thursday, August 9** at **1:00 pm** at **CVNP, Brandywine Falls Area, Brandywine Gorge Loop & Stanford Trail**. Take Hines Hill Road to Olde Eight and take an immediate left turn onto Brandywine Road. Take Brandywine one and a half miles to the Brandywine Gorge trailhead. This is a moderate 2.9 mile hike. Everyone is welcome to join in on the fun with either group. Remember to stay hydrated in this hot weather!

**FYI (Feeling Young Inside)** luncheon will be held on **Monday, August 20** at **12:00 pm** in Fellowship hall and will feature **Emily Lopick**, Director of **First Connect**. She is excited to come and share what's been happening with this new and up-and-coming ministry here at FCCH! She will provide updates and leave plenty of time for questions!

**Walk to End Alzheimer's** takes place on **Saturday, September 15** in **Akron** at **Canal Park Stadium**. If you would be interested in starting a team or participating in the walk, please contact Kathy Yeakley at [kyeakley@hudsonucc.org](mailto:kyeakley@hudsonucc.org).

**Yoga** will return to FCCH on **Tuesdays** at **5:00 pm** beginning **September 4**.

## Adult Faith Formation

For opportunities in Adult Faith Formation, contact Steve Hockstra, (330) 650-4048 or [shockstra@hudsonucc.org](mailto:shockstra@hudsonucc.org).

**Women's Short Term Bible Study** - *Numbers: Learning Contentment in a Culture of More*, by Melissa Spoelstra. ALL women are invited to join us as we dive into God's word and strengthen our faith together! This 7-week study is good for first-timers or Bible Study "veterans"!

- Wednesdays, **September 12 - October 24**
- Daytime: 12:30-2:00 pm OR Evening: 6:45 pm-8:15 pm (pick the one that works best for you!)
- Workbooks provided for all participants
- Childcare available upon request for evening session
- **Sign up TODAY** on the Connection Card or call the Church Office (330) 650-4048.
- Questions? Contact Tracy Zappone ([pzappone@yahoo.com](mailto:pzappone@yahoo.com))
- **"Genesis Flipped"** Steve Hockstra will be offering a fresh, broad-range, church-wide study looking at some oldies, but goodies from Genesis on **Thursdays, September 13 – October 25, from 10:30 a.m. - noon OR 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.** Childcare available upon request for P.M. session.

## Youth Ministry

For Youth opportunities, contact Callie Baylor [cbaylor@hudsonucc.org](mailto:cbaylor@hudsonucc.org) or Amy Baldwin [abaldwin@hudsonucc.org](mailto:abaldwin@hudsonucc.org).

**So many exciting things happening in August! We hope you can join in on all the fun!**

**Freshman Ice Cream Social** - On **Monday, August 13**, all ninth graders are invited to an evening of ice cream and fun to celebrate the last days of summer before heading off to your first days of high school. We'll meet at **7:00 pm** at the Baldwin House (19 Warrensburg Circle, Hudson). Let's start the school year right!

**Chalk the Walks** - All middle school students (rising 6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders) are invited to meet at the middle school on **Tuesday, August 14** to "chalk the walks" to welcome everyone back for a new school year in the form of fun and inspirational chalk drawings and messages. You don't have to be an artist to join! If you can write with chalk, you can do this. Meet in the middle school parking lot at **2:30 - 3:30 pm**. Chalk will be provided. See you there!

**Sixth Grade Welcome to Breakfast Club** - **NEW SIXTH GRADERS!** We are so excited for you to join the fun! We officially welcome our newest friends to Breakfast Club at **10:30 am on Sunday, August 19** (the weekend after school starts). Head right to the Youth Room for interesting discussions, fun games and donuts! Until then, rising 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders continue to meet in the Youth Room today and for the rest of the summer.

**Impact is Back on Sunday, August 19** - Impact kicks off another great year at 6:00-7:30 pm in the Youth Room. We are so excited for you and your friends to start your week with us! Be there!

**D&D resumes on Wednesday, August 22** - Your favorite Wednesday afternoon snack shack and hang out is back in business! Callie will meet you outside the cafeteria right after school and we'll walk to church together. From 3:00-5:00 pm, we'll have a snack, play some games, talk about things and have dinner. Friends are always welcome!

## Children's Ministry

For opportunities in Children's Ministry, contact Dee Buchanan or Katie Morgan: (330) 650-4048, ext. 301 or email [dbuchanan@hudsonucc.org](mailto:dbuchanan@hudsonucc.org); [kmorgan@hudsonucc.org](mailto:kmorgan@hudsonucc.org).

**Blessing of the Backpacks** - Don't miss it! **Sunday, August 12, 9:00 and 10:30 Worship Services.** Come to Church...bring your backpack...be ready for a fabulous 2018-19 school year! **All** children (PK-?) may come to worship through the Children's Message to have their backpacks blessed (not just 1<sup>st</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> graders!). Adults from local school districts and universities are invited to participate, too!

**Free, Summer Accommodations Still Available** - Have you considered vacationing this summer on the 1st floor of our building on **Sunday mornings**? It is *easy-peasy*: **all curriculum will be emailed to you; all supplies will be ready for you!** For **August 12**, we need:

**9:00** Toddler-K Teacher and Shepherd

**10:30** 1<sup>st</sup> - 5<sup>th</sup> Teacher

**The Children's Center is expanding for the 2018-2019 school year!** As a result, we will be adding some new teachers to our amazing team. We are currently in search of an **Afternoon Preschool Teacher and Assistant**, 5 days/week from 12:45-6:00 pm. If you know anyone who might be interested, have them contact Dee Buchanan, 330-342-3977.

**Parents of our Rising Third Graders!** An exciting Sunday is coming! Each child entering 3<sup>rd</sup> grade will be presented with a Bible on **September 16** during the 9:00 and 10:30 worship services. The Bibles will be inscribed with your son or daughter's name, the date presented and the church's name. Your child will learn how to use his/her Bible as part of the Sunday School rotation curriculum. Please contact Dee or Katie for more information or to sign up your rising third grader!

**Wonderful Wednesday** - All children KG - 5<sup>th</sup> grade (2018-2019 school year): *you're invited ...* to be a part of the gang! Join us for **Wonderful Wednesday** (Wednesdays, 5:00 - 6:30 pm) and be a part of all the great things we are going to do (including the Christmas Pageant) and all the amazing fun we are going to have! Join us on **August 19 after the 10:30 am service** in Fellowship Hall for our **Wonderful Wednesday Rally**. We can answer all your questions and introduce you to the rest of the gang. Hope to see you there!

**Are you ready to be an ACOLYTE?** All 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> graders who are interested in bringing in the Light of Christ during our worship services are invited to be an Acolyte. Acolyte training will begin **PROMPTLY at 9:45-10:15 am on Sunday, September 16** in the Alcove. *We are trying to squeeze training into a very slim time period between the 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> services!*

- **Acolyte training is mandatory for all acolytes, even if the child was an acolyte last year.** Acolytes will begin serving at both services on **September 16** and continue through **May 19**. Please email Dee or Katie with the acolyte's name, grade, mailing address and best email address: [dbuchanan@hudsonucc.org](mailto:dbuchanan@hudsonucc.org) or [kmorgan@hudsonucc.org](mailto:kmorgan@hudsonucc.org).
- **Parents are asked to attend the training, as well!** Questions? Call or email Dee Buchanan or Katie Morgan: (330) 650-4048, ext. 301.