

## Congregational Calendar

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### **SUNDAY, October 20**

9/10:30/11:59 Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:00 am The 9 (Youth Room)  
9:45 am Friends Class ((102)  
10:30 am Breakfast Club (Youth Room)  
2:30 pm Trunk or Treat (FH)  
6:00 pm SALT (Youth & FH)  
6:00 pm Handbells (Choir Room)  
7:30 pm Teen Band/Choir (Sanctuary)

### **MONDAY, October 21**

12:00 pm FYI Luncheon (FH)  
7:00 pm Deacons (304)  
7:00 pm ShE (Youth Room)  
7:00 pm Mat Yoga (FH)

### **TUESDAY, October 22**

12:30 pm ROMEOs (Lager & Vine)  
1:00 pm Walking Warriors (Barlow CC)  
1:30 pm Congregational Conversations (LL)  
2:00 pm OPEN M Cooking (FH Kitchen)  
7:00 pm Adult Ed Board (301)

### **WEDNESDAY, October 23**

9:00 am WOW (FH)  
9:30 am Women's Bible Study (301)  
9:30 am Cakes for OPEN M  
10:00 am Chair Yoga (FH)  
10:45 am Tai Chi (FH)  
3:00 pm D&D (Youth Room & FH)  
5:00 pm revoice (Choir Room)  
5:00 pm Camp Wednesday (FH)  
6:45 pm Women's Bible Study (301)  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir  
8:30 pm Men's Ensemble

### **THURSDAY, October 24**

1:00 pm Happy Hikers (Silver Creek Metro Pk.)  
7:00 pm Investment Committee (304)

### **SATURDAY, October 26**

9:30 am Centering Prayer (301)  
10:00 am AI-Anon Newcomers (120)  
11:00 am AI-Anon Meeting (102)  
11:00 am Alateen (Youth Room)

**Trinity Household/Clothing Ministry** - Looking for a place to donate clothing or household items? Our Outreach Information Station has a list of needed items and drop off information!

### ***Today's Scripture: Luke 18:1-8***

*Then Jesus told them a parable about their need to pray always and not to lose heart. <sup>2</sup>He said, "In a certain city there was a judge who neither feared God nor had respect for people. <sup>3</sup>In that city there was a widow who kept coming to him and saying, 'Grant me justice against my opponent.' <sup>4</sup>For a while he refused; but later he said to himself, 'Though I have no fear of God and no respect for anyone, <sup>5</sup>yet because this widow keeps bothering me, I will grant her justice, so that she may not wear me out by continually coming.'" <sup>6</sup>And the Lord said, "Listen to what the unjust judge says. <sup>7</sup>And will not God grant justice to his chosen ones who cry to him day and night? Will he delay long in helping them? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will quickly grant justice to them. And yet, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"*

## WELCOME TO FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

*SUNDAY, October 20, 2019*

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

Guests are encouraged to participate in any of the church's varied activities or support groups. Contact the Church Office (330) 650-4048 for more information or check off your interests on the back of the Connection Card.

### **All Saints Sunday – November 3, 2019 – 9, 10:30 & 11:59 am**

Come remember your loved one in these services of remembrance and thanksgiving. There will be a time in worship to come forward and light a candle in memory of those who have died. At the 9 and 10:30 services, we'll toll the church bell for those in our church family who have died in the last year as we read their names.

**Photos for All Saints Sunday** - You're invited to submit a photo of your loved one who has died to be shown during the All Saints worship services on November 3. Email your photo and the person's name to Lora Eureka ([leureka@hudsonucc.org](mailto:leureka@hudsonucc.org)) by **Monday, October 28**. If sending a cell phone image, please choose a large file size. This is not limited to deceased church members—share a photo of anyone important to you who has died.

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**Tour WRA Wang Innovation Center - Monday, October 28 at 3:30 pm.** Western Reserve Academy's Wang Innovation Center, a 6,000 sq. ft. collaborative learning space, is the next step in experiential learning where WRA students can take ideas from concept to completion with state-of-the-art design and production equipment. We'll meet at church at **3:30 pm** and walk to WRA for a **4:00 pm** tour. This is a Connections Ministry FREE event. For more information or to RSVP, contact Missy Kisthardt ([mkisthardt@hudsonucc.org](mailto:mkisthardt@hudsonucc.org)).

**Coffee Hour** in October is provided through the generosity of members of the Membership Board.

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

The Sanctuary flowers are given in loving memory of Richard Gary on his birthday from his family - Nancy; his children and spouses, Tara, Ryan, Steve, and Keri; and his grandchildren, Grady, Kenzie, Hunter, Asher, and Juliette.

## 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).

**The 9 and Breakfast Club** - All middle and high school students are invited to the Youth Room during the 9:00 and 10:30 worship services. Our topic today is "Noah and the Flood." Let's look back at this Bible story from a new perspective.

**SALT** - S is for Serve tonight at SALT. High school students, please join us in the Youth Room, **6:00-7:30 pm**. We will complete a service project and serve up some Chipotle. Remember to bring your donation of travel size toiletries for the hygiene kits we will be assembling. If you have not yet paid your \$9 for your order, please bring that as well. Friends are welcome to join us for an evening of games, snacks, and discussion.

**ASP** - Registration for the high school summer mission trip has officially kicked off. Be sure to register ASAP to secure your spot! Registration forms and a \$75 deposit can be turned in to the church office, or you can bring them to SALT. Trip dates are **June 7-13, 2020**.

**D&D** - Middle schoolers are invited to hang out every **Wednesday, 3:00-5:00 pm**. This week we continue our two-week topic on Harry Potter. What can HP and his friends teach us? Be here to find out! Friends are welcome. Also, mark your calendar for our annual **Halloween Party, October 30, 3:00-5:00 pm**. Get those costumes ready!

**TPP (The Pittsburgh Project)** - Registration for the middle school summer mission trip is underway! There will be an informational meeting for first-time families on **Sunday, October 27 at 11:30 am** in the Youth Room. We hope your 6, 7, or 8 grade student will join us. Your \$50 deposit and registration are due **November 6**. Total cost is \$395. Trip dates are **July 6 - 10, 2020**.

**Confirmation** - We have already had a busy October. What a great way to start our year! Our next meeting will be **November 3**.

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**CAKES FOR OPEN M** - We are in need of bakers to provide desserts. Please bring your donation in a disposable container on **Wednesday, October 23, by 9:30 am** to the Fellowship Hall Kitchen. Questions? **Contact Nancy Martinez at [martclan@outlook.com](mailto:martclan@outlook.com)**.

## Adult/Health Ministry

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

**Veterans!** On **Tuesday, November 12, FYI (Feeling Young Inside)** luncheon and presentation will honor **all** veterans in our church. If you served in any branch of the service at any time, or have a child in the service, contact Kathy Yeakley to provide information on the branch of service, tour of duty, years served and any other pertinent information that you would like to share. Pictures can be brought in (or emailed) and they will be copied - pictures will NOT be kept or damaged. I look forward to hearing from you!

**Unused, unwanted or expired** medications that you don't know what to do with? FCCH is partnering with the Summit County **Community Partnership** program to distribute *Deterra Bags*. These bags deactivate drugs so that you can safely throw them in your trash. A labeled bin of bags is located above the coat rack near the Health Ministries bulletin board. Help yourself - keep our community safe!

**Happy Hikers** will be hiking the *Silver Creek Metro Park, Chippewa Trail*, 5000 Hametown Road, Norton, on **Thursday, October 24 at 1:00 pm**. This is a 2.0 mile easy trail. **Walking Warriors** walks behind **Barlow Community Center Tuesdays at 1:00 pm**.

**Mat Yoga** is here, **Mondays at 7:00 pm** with Cynthia Field. Class will take place in **Fellowship Hall** through November 4. Bring a mat and foam block if you have one or a towel roll. Relax and breathe while moving through gentle yoga poses. Beginners are welcome! Good will donation accepted.

**Chair Yoga**, a gentle movement class, will be continuing every **Wednesday, from 10:00-10:30 am** with Kristin Keller in Fellowship Hall. Donations are accepted but not required.

**Need a ride to an appointment? Called to Care is here for you.** Just let us know! Called to Care transportation volunteers seek to help people in times of need, like an illness or injury. They provide church members and friends with transportation for occasional needs, like a medical appointment or treatment. **Coordinator Tom Hudson will connect you with a driver (330) 650-1199 or [tghudson@juno.com](mailto:tghudson@juno.com)**.

## Children's Ministry

For Children's opportunities, contact Dee Buchanan [dbuchanan@hudsonucc.org](mailto:dbuchanan@hudsonucc.org) or Katie Morgan: [kmorgan@hudsonucc.org](mailto:kmorgan@hudsonucc.org).

**Teachers and Shepherds needed!** We would love to have you join the fun on the 1<sup>st</sup> floor! We are looking for a Pray-per-View Teacher on **10/27** and a 2<sup>nd</sup> grade, 3<sup>rd</sup> grade, and 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grade shepherd from **11/3 - 11/24**. Contact Katie if you can help. Thank you! Hope to see you soon.

**Do you know any two year olds** who are ready for their first time away at preschool? Yes? We have the perfect place to start! **Time for Tots**. We have a couple spots left on **Monday or Thursday, 9:15-11:45 am**. It is a 2.5 hour class with a 2:8 teacher to child ratio. Contact the Children's Center for more information: 330-342-3977.

### **Mission: Thanks - Sunday, November 3, 9:45 am**

#FCCHKidsonaMission is back with "Mission:Thanks." On **November 3**, all children 2 years old through 5th grade are welcome to join us in the Activity Room to complete some thanks-filled missions from **9:45-10:30**. Contact Jen Barden at [JBarden@hudsonucc.org](mailto:JBarden@hudsonucc.org) with questions.

**All Kg-5th graders** are invited to join **Camp Wednesday!** Camp Wednesday meets every **Wednesday 5:00-6:30 pm**. (Dinner is included!) We play games, sing songs and have an incredible time. Contact Katie Morgan for more information.

**Counting Down to Christmas - Sunday, November 24 at 2:00 pm** in Fellowship Hall. We are going to kick off the Advent season with a Counting Down to Christmas celebration. All children, 3 years old through First Grade are invited to join us for crafts, games, stories, and fun to begin the holiday season. Questions? Contact Jen Barden: [jbarden@hudsonucc.org](mailto:jbarden@hudsonucc.org).

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**Project Live Well Wall** - In John 10:10, Jesus promised abundant life - but what does it mean to you to live abundantly or live well? We invite you to stop by our Live Well Wall. Share your hopes, dreams, desires ... whatever living well means to you. While there, take a picture and share on social media using #LiveWellWall.

## Adult Faith Formation

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

**Congregational Conversations** - This weekly Bible study, led by Rev. Steve Hockstra meets **every Tuesday from 1:30-2:30 pm** at Laurel Lake Mixing Place #1. Contact Steve Hockstra ([shockstra@hudsonucc.org](mailto:shockstra@hudsonucc.org)) for more information.

**ROMEOS, "Retired Older Men Eating Out,"** will meet at **12:30 pm, Tuesday, October 22** at Lager and Vine for lunch and fellowship. For more information, contact Henry Vigor: [hkvigor@windstream.net](mailto:hkvigor@windstream.net).

**Journeymen Breakfast** - All men are invited to breakfast and fellowship, **Friday, November 1** at Yours Truly restaurant. Come join us, as well, for spontaneous "Thirsty Thursdays" and service opportunities. Contact Trip Kern: [Trip.Kern@gmail.com](mailto:Trip.Kern@gmail.com).

**Centering Prayer Group Session** - As a follow-up to our Introductory Workshop, we are meeting to "practice" Centering Prayer and discuss how we can continue practicing together. Join us on **Saturday, October 26 at 9:30 am**, in Room 301. If you were unable to participate in the workshop but would like to learn about Centering Prayer, please consider joining us this October. Contact Kelly Berger [KACBerger@aol.com](mailto:KACBerger@aol.com) for more information.

**Pathfinders** meets on the **2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays** of each month. Join us on **Sunday, October 27 at 9:00 am** in the 3<sup>rd</sup> floor chapel as we study *The Apocryphal Jesus* with Dr. David Brakke, history professor at The Ohio State University. We hope to gain new perspectives on early Christian life and history.

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**ACME Cash Register Receipts** - It is that time of year, again! Look for the words **Community Cashback** at the bottom of your receipts along with a dollar value. Bring the entire receipt to the church and drop it in the marked box in the hallway. Register receipts must be current and have the **Community Cashback** notation on them dated **August 8 to December 28, 2019**. Thank you for helping us with this very easy fundraiser for the continued support of the **Women's Ministries of First Congregational Church**.

## Music Ministry

**Halloween Pipe Screams! Thursday, October 31, 6:00-8:00 pm** - Planning to be out trick-or-treating on Halloween? Adults and children alike are invited to stop by the sanctuary to hear an informal concert of the spookiest, scariest, silliest organ music to be heard today, performed by organist, Charlotte Beers Plank. Come to an entertaining evening of Halloween-themed organ music and pick up some candy while you're here! All trick-or-treaters and Halloween enthusiasts are welcome. Costumes are encouraged and treats will be available!

\*\*Candy donations are graciously accepted until **Wednesday, October 30**. Please bring your donation to the Church office. Questions? Contact Charlotte at [cplank@hudsonucc.org](mailto:cplank@hudsonucc.org) or call the Church Office (330-650-4048) if you have questions.

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**Poinsettia Orders** - The Deaconesses are pleased to continue the tradition of offering poinsettia plants for purchase this Christmas season. The price we charge for each poinsettia includes the cost to purchase a mini poinsettia plant for our "Over 85 Ministry". Thank you for making this possible. Please complete the form below and send or bring to the Church Office with your check payable to "FCCH" and note Poinsettias in the memo line. **Deadline for orders is Sunday, November 17**. If you have any questions, call the Church Office (330) 650-4048.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Poinsettias \_\_\_\_\_ x \$22.00    Total Payment \$ \_\_\_\_\_

In memory of: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Please indicate whether you intend to take or leave your plant/s after service on Sunday, December 22:*

TAKE \_\_\_\_\_ LEAVE \_\_\_\_\_

**Dopplebockers** (our group for Dads of elementary children and younger) will meet at Kepner's Tavern (88 North Main Street, Hudson) for a night out of fellowship. Join us **Tuesday, November 19 at 7:00 pm!** Please RSVP to Jen Barden at ([jbarden@hudsonucc.org](mailto:jbarden@hudsonucc.org)).

**ShE Asks for Help** - ShE, our fellowship group for Mom's with children in elementary school and younger, will be meeting in the Youth Room **tomorrow, Monday, October 21 at 7:00 pm**. The topic of the evening will be "asking for help". Childcare will be available at the church. RSVP to [JBarden@hudsonucc.org](mailto:JBarden@hudsonucc.org).

**ShE Rejuvenates** - ShE will be meeting at the Gavin Scott Salon, **Monday, November 4 at 6:00 pm** for a night of relaxation. No childcare will be available. Contact Jen Barden for more information at [JBarden@hudsonucc.org](mailto:JBarden@hudsonucc.org).

**Shoebox Ministry - Operation Christmas Child, Saturday, November 23, 9:00 am**

Join us as we fill shoeboxes for children around the world! Come to **Fellowship Hall on Saturday, November 23** to help fill and sort boxes for shipping. Until then, you can shop and prepare for the day. Suggestions of what to buy include:

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| Musical Instrument  | Stuffed Animals, small     | Dolls                             |
| Toy Cars/Balls      | Jump Rope                  | Yo-Yos                            |
| Socks               | Hats                       | Sunglasses                        |
| Hair Clips          | Jewelry and Watches        | Flashlights, with extra batteries |
| Toothbrushes        | Bar Soap                   | Washcloths                        |
| Combs               | Pencils, Sharpeners        | Crayons and Markers               |
| Notebooks and Paper | Coloring and Picture Books | Solar Calculator                  |

DO NOT INCLUDE: Candy; toothpaste; used or damaged items; war-related items such as toy guns, knives, or military figures; seeds; fruit rolls or juice boxes; liquids or lotions; medications or vitamins; breakable items such as snow globes or glass containers.

If you are unable to shop or be involved on the day, you can make a monetary donation to the church to support the effort and aid in shipping costs. Mark your memo line for Shoebox Ministry. You can also help by picking up an empty box now and bringing it back filled OR just dropping off a variety of items to be included. Please bring these to the church by **November 22**. Thank you!