

## Congregational Calendar

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### **SUNDAY, October 27**

9/10:30/11:59 Worship (Sanctuary)  
9:00 am The 9 (Youth Room)  
9:30 am Pathfinders (Chapel)  
9:45 am Friends Class (102)  
10:30 am Breakfast Club (Youth Room)  
4:00 pm Vespers (Laurel Lake)  
6:00 pm SALT (Youth & FH)  
6:00 pm Handbells (Choir Room)  
7:30 pm Teen Band/Choir (Sanctuary)

### **MONDAY, October 28**

4:00 pm Wang Innovation Center (WRA)  
7:00 pm Mat Yoga (FH)

### **TUESDAY, October 29**

1:00 pm Walking Warriors (Barlow CC)  
1:30 pm Congregational Conversations (LL)

### **WEDNESDAY, October 30**

9:00 am WOW (FH)  
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)  
7:00 pm Investment Committee (304)  
7:00 pm Chancel Choir  
8:30 pm Men's Ensemble

### **THURSDAY, October 31**

1:00 pm Happy Hikers (Liberty Park)  
6:00 - 8:00 pm Pipe Screams (Sanctuary)

### **FRIDAY, November 1**

6:30 am JourneyMen (Yours Truly)

### **SATURDAY, November 2**

9:30 am Gennesaret (off site)  
10:00 am Al-Anon Newcomers (120)  
11:00 am Al-Anon Meeting (102)  
11:00 am Alateen (Youth Room)

**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.

### ***Today's Scripture: Luke 18:9-14***

*<sup>9</sup>He also told this parable to some who trusted in themselves that they were righteous and regarded others with contempt: <sup>10</sup>“Two men went up to the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. <sup>11</sup>The Pharisee, standing by himself, was praying thus, ‘God, I thank you that I am not like other people: thieves, rogues, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. <sup>12</sup>I fast twice a week; I give a tenth of all my income.’ <sup>13</sup>But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even look up to heaven, but was beating his breast and saying, ‘God, be merciful to me, a sinner!’ <sup>14</sup>I tell you, this man went down to his home justified rather than the other; for all who exalt themselves will be humbled, but all who humble themselves will be exalted.”*

## WELCOME TO FIRST CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

**SUNDAY, October 27, 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.

### **Welcome New Members!**

We are so excited to welcome members joining today.

Please extend a warm welcome to our newcomers!

*(See inside for the names of those joining First Congregational Church today.)*

### **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.

**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)).

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

The Sanctuary flowers are given in memory of Emily Updegraff's mother, Martha Donaldson, in recognition of her birthday.

# Welcome New Members!

## Jason and Michele Bogniard

4492 Hemingway Court, Hudson 44236  
Jason is a Financial Analyst for Apple Growth Partners. Jason and Michele have two daughters: Ava, 10 and Ella, 7.

## Carl and Martha Butcher

6653 Rosewood Trail, Hudson 44236  
Carl is a physician at University Hospitals and Martha is a stay-at-home mom. They have two daughters: Sophia, 3 and Scarlett, 14 months.

## Jack and Diane Fries

7523 Huntington Road, Hudson 44236  
Jack and Diane are both retired.

## Joseph and Deborah Pineau

2273 Wellington Circle, Hudson 44236  
Joe is Vice President for Snap On Tools and Deborah is a stay-at-home mom. They have two sons, Jack and Nicholas.

## Jack Pineau

2273 Wellington Circle, Hudson 44236  
Jack is in the 11th grade at Hudson High School.

## Nicholas Pineau

2273 Wellington Circle, Hudson 44236  
Nicholas is in the 10th grade at Hudson High School.

## Laura Query

1127 Springbury Drive, Uniontown, OH 44685  
Laura is a senior consultant in process management for Nationwide Insurance Company.

## Raymond J. Rohm

449A West Streetsboro Street, Hudson 44236  
Ray is employed at Underwood Building Services, Western Reserve Academy.

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

## The Findley Family Harvest Dinner is **Thursday, November 21!**

Findley School families *LOVE* coming together for this dinner! We plan on feeding 600 and hope you will sponsor a Family of 4 for \$25 (or, feel free to sponsor a few families!) *Cash accepted. Checks made payable to FCCH with Findley Dinner on the memo line.* Come to our table in Fellowship Hall to donate and to sign up to help. Many thanks for being that special church that adopted an underserved Akron Public School. Contact Jane Penny with questions: janempenny@gmail.com

## Adult/Health Ministry

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

### **Veterans! Thank you to those of you who have provided information on your service!**

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! FYI is open to **everyone in the church**. Please sign up on the Connection Card or call the church office.

**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 *Liberty Park, Black Bear Trail*, 9999 Liberty Road, Twinsburg, on **Thursday, October 31 at 1:00 pm**. This is a 2.1 mile moderate 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.

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**Courtyard Memorial Columbarium** - Did you know the church has a Columbarium wall right here in our Courtyard? Members and their families have the opportunity to have their final resting place within the shadow of the church that has been a central part of their lives. This sacred site of beauty and dignity is a place where loved ones can visit and meditate any time. One of the most loving gifts you can leave your family is having already arranged for your memorial service and cremation. Niches are available for purchase and include engraving and continuous maintenance. To discuss purchasing a niche, contact the Church Office at (330) 650-4048.

## 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 Fun & Godly Stuff Teacher 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.

**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.

### **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.

### **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).

## 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.

**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**.

### **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).**

**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!

### **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:

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!

**Equal Exchange Coffee, Tea, Cocoa Mix and Chocolate Bars** - Show your support of Fair Trade by stopping at the Equal Exchange table following all three services. Fair Trade enables farmers to stay on their land, receive a fair price, send their children to school and care for the environment.

*All proceeds benefit Family Promise of Summit County.*

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**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 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).

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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: \_\_\_\_\_

In honor 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 \_\_\_\_\_

## 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** - Bonjour! Ohayōgozaimasu! Namaste! All middle and high school students are invited to the Youth Room during the 9:00 and 10:30 worship services. Today's topic: The Tower of Babel. Good morning!

**SALT** - High school students, please join us in the Youth Room, **6:00-7:30 pm**. You're never too old to trick-or-treat as long as you wear a costume. Tonight we'll talk about masks! Friends are welcome to join us for an evening of games, snacks, and discussion.

**ASP** - Registration for the high school summer mission trip is due **TODAY!** If you haven't already, please turn in your registration forms and a \$75 deposit to Amy Baldwin's mailbox today, or 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, **October 30 at 3:00 pm** is our annual Halloween party. Get those costumes ready!

**TPP** - Registration for The Pittsburgh Project, our middle school summer mission trip, is underway! The informational meeting for first-time families has been **rescheduled**. It will take place **Wednesday, November 6 at 5:15 pm** in the Youth Room (**right after D&D**). Trip dates are **July 6 - 10, 2020**.

**Confirmation** - Our next meeting will be **November 3**, one week from today. Please attend the 10:30 service with your mentor and then head to the Activity Room for our meeting (which starts with lunch). Bring your Bible and your binder.

## Adult Faith Formation

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

**Journeyman 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).

**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.

**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 ([hockstra@hudsonucc.org](mailto:hockstra@hudsonucc.org)) for more information.