



August 30th, 2024

PEACE CONNECTION

Friday August 30th
Pastor Charlie's Day Off

Saturday August 31st
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday September 1st
9 & 11 am In Person Worship
10:00 am Christian Education

Monday September 2nd
Office will be closed for Labor Day
1:00 pm Comfort Quilters
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Tuesday September 3rd
6:15 CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday September 4th
2:00 pm Book & Bible Study

Thursday September 5th
Sexton's Day Off
11:00 am FLO Welcome Back at
Edgewater
3:00 pm Organ Practice
7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday September 6th
1:30 pm Travel Quest Goodtime Cruise

Saturday September 7th
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday September 8th
9 & 11 am In Person Worship
10:00 am Blood Pressure Screening
10:00 am Coffee with the Pastor
10:00 am Christian Education
7:00 pm Council Meeting

Monday September 9th
10:00 am Staff Meeting
2:00 pm Organ Practice
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday September 10th
6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

*Grow in Faith * Serve In Love *
Live In Peace*

Comfort Quilters

On Sunday, August 18th, 76 comfort quilts were on display and received a blessing. The patriotic quilts (28) were taken to The Hospice of the Western Reserve to be given to veterans receiving hospice services. The staff was so excited and appreciative to receive them! Some of the quilts were taken to LLM and will be given to men who are transitioning from the shelter to permanent housing. Another group of quilts will be given to Habitat for Humanity to be given to new home owners as they take possession of their new house.

The Comfort Quilters will resume quilting on Monday, September 9th at 1:00 in the fellowship hall. Come and join us! We're always looking for donations of fabric, fleece fabric, printed sheets, etc.



Thank You

Thank you to all those who have sent Diane Schlegel cards and well wishes while she is recovering from being in the hospital (She has received so many that it is difficult for her while in recovery to thank everyone individually.) She sends her heartfelt appreciation!

TRAVEL QUEST



Friday September 6th
2:30 pm – 5 pm

825 East Ninth Street Pier
North Coast Harbor
Cleveland, OH 44114



ADULTS 13-59: \$30.00 & SENIORS 60+: \$25.00

Experience Cleveland like never before aboard a
Narrated Sightseeing Cruise on the Cuyahoga River
and Lake Erie that lets you see the city in a unique and
spectacular way.

TOUR TIMES: (approximately 2 hours)
Please use the sign up
sheet, carpooling will
meet at 1:30pm at POP.

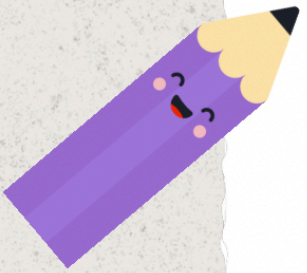


ARE YOU READY FOR...

SUNDAY SCHOOL

RALLY DAY SEPT. 29TH

Join us for a small
craft at 10:10AM in
the Sunday School
wing to kick off the
new school year



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SISTERS IN SPIRIT

2024-2025

FALL: FRIENDSGIVING, SATURDAY NOVEMBER 16TH, 12-2 PM IN FELLOWSHIP HALL, BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH AND A DONATION FOR SECOND HARVEST FOOD PANTRY ORGANIZED BY JOAN DROBNAK, MONICA DRAGONY & RUTH MORTENSEN

WINTER: MOVIE NIGHT AT POP, SATURDAY MARCH 1ST, 5:30 PM BROWN BAG; BRING DONATION FOR FRIENDSHIP APL (ITEMS NEEDED TBA), ORGANIZED BY JOAN DROBNAK & BETH COMNICK

SPRING: GATHERING AT POP, SATURDAY MAY 31ST, 12-2 PM, BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH AND A DONATION TBA. WE WILL PAINT A POT FOR SPRING, DETAILS WILL FOLLOW. ORGANIZED BY LINDA THOMPSON & BETH COMNICK

SUMMER: HUNTINGTON BEACH, WEDNESDAY JULY 9TH, 6 PM. BRING YOUR OWN DINNER & BEVERAGE, MEET RAIN OR SHINE! ORGANIZED BY LAUREL COVELL

IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE TO ORGANIZE AN ADDITIONAL EVENT PLEASE DO! CONTACT ANY OF US WITH QUESTIONS!
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LAURIE MILLER

This week's feature : Laurie Miller
(pictured with Joe Kives)

Our congregation has a wonderful partnership with Arden Courts Care Center. On the third Sunday of each month, our team of volunteers: Deb Gibbons, Mark Givens and myself bring a communion service to the residents. Laurie Miller has been a great resource while we are there. She prepares the room for the service, and assists us in our work. Laurie has attended our services as a visitor. This gave me the idea to offer a story of her life and faith journey!

Laurie was born in Cleveland, OH on October 19, 1968 and the family moved to Onalinda, Pennsylvania. At age 9 ½ years old she moved back to Cleveland. She has an older brother Dennie and a younger brother Lonnie and a sister Heather that is the youngest. After high school, she went on to College to be a Medical Assistant, a Nursing Assistant after that and then earned a Management Certification in Assisted Living when she lived in Dallas, Texas. Additional studies include Certified Medication Tech and Certified Personal Trainer which she loves the most! Laurie worked her way up from an STNA (State Tested Nursing Assistant) to Assisted Living Manager over 2 departments and now earned an Activities Director Certification in 2021.

Laurie has divorced but is blessed to have raised 3 children. Son Christopher is 38 and works as an Executive at Antonio's Pizza and is married to beautiful wife Hanna. Grandchildren include Tyler 14, Baileigh 11, Colton 2 ½, and a new baby boy is expected in January 2025! Laurie's daughter Tara is 34 recently divorced raising grandchildren Courtney 15, Christopher 14, Caleb 12, and Cayla 11! Laurie's son Raymond 31 is married to beautiful wife Kayla raising grandbaby Oliver, age 1 ½.

Her devotion to Our Lord is evident everytime I visit! She enjoys working with the Eucharistic Ministers and considers Deb Gibbons a friend! And she likes all the Ministers that visit Arden Courts. She has interests and goals to keep her busy in her free time. Laurie loves to exercise at the gym. She is thankful for her wonderful partner Joe and thanks God for him everyday! She really wants to have private clients as a Personal Trainer and help ladies (and men) to get healthy and bring their self esteem and confidence back.

Her life has brought her much happiness to have children and grandchildren to spend time with. She loves being with Joe, her life partner and his children and grandchildren, they're wonderful. Laurie plans to get her passport again and visit Niagara Falls, Canada. She can point to 2013 as the year she was saved by accepting Jesus Christ as her Savior! Laurie was baptized in a lake as a child, but wants to be baptized as an adult.

Prince of Peace has reached out to our community in many ways. Laurie is also always reaching out to do God's work. I know our Peace Pavilion can be another resource that our congregation will offer to the residents living just across the street from us!

By Tom Robinholt : Profile Reporter

God's work. Our hands.



September 8, 2024

SAVE THE DATE—September 8th

“God’s work. Our hands. Sunday” is coming up quickly! The GWOH Committee has been hard at work planning 5 impactful projects for all to participate and serve together doing God’s work!



- Sign-up sheets will be available in the lower lobby starting August 18th.
- See below for details on projects.
- Donation bins for needed items will be available in the narthex and by the donation station. (see bold items below)
- Please reach out to Diane & Shawn Merhaut with any questions

1. **Friendship Animal Protective League (Sue Stevens)**: Led by Sue, we will collect and sort donations for Friendship APL in Elyria, Ohio. We are also looking into possible volunteer opportunities at the shelter either on GWOHs Sunday or on another date. **Suggested items for donations include Dog and Puppy wet food and kibble, Cat and Kitten wet food and kibble, Pill Pockets/Pill Wrap, Cat nip spray, Treats, Baby wipes, Cat scratch pads, Pee Pads**

- You can support monetarily by submitting a check made payable to Prince of Peace with Friendship APL on the memo line.

2. **Soap S.A.C.K. Support A Community with Kindness (Joanne Burns)**: Joanne will lead a small group to crochet/knit “soap sacks” to donate to those in needs. Supplies will be provided but **we ask for donations of (unopened) Bath Size Soap Bars for the bags.**

3. **Lutheran World Relief Personal Care Kits (Shawn Merhaut)**: Shawn will lead a group to assemble the kits and pack in boxes in preparation for delivery to the gathering church in Seville, OH Oct 19-20 for distribution. Towels and some supplies will be provided **but ask for donations of (unopened) Bath Size Soap Bars, Adult Toothbrushes (in package), Sturdy Comb, and Nail Clippers.**

4. **Brookdale Westlake Village Hand Bells (Teresa Peter)**: Teresa will lead a group over to Brookdale Westlake Village to bring the gift of music through hand bells to the residents.

5. **LMM 2100 Lakeside Men’s Shelter—Bag Lunches (Bev Braun)**: Bev will lead the group in packing lunches to deliver down to the 2100 Men’s Shelter for those in need to “grab and go.” Supplies will be provided to pack lunches and will also ask for volunteers to transport lunches down to the shelter.

BIBLE STUDY

Theme : The ministry of St. Paul

WE ARE EXCITED TO SHARE THAT WE WILL BE RESUMING ON AUGUST 14.

STARTING AUGUST 21, WE WILL BE USING A DVD AND BOOK BY ADAM HAMILTON ENTITLED "THE CALL." IT IS ABOUT THE MINISTRY OF ST PAUL, WHICH IS APPROPRIATE FOR THOSE OF US TRAVELING TO GREECE IN OCTOBER! THE BOOK IS NOT REQUIRED, BUT YOU CAN GET IT ON AMAZON- PAPERBACK OR KINDLE.

ALL ARE WELCOME. WE MEET IN THE CHARTER ROOM!

Wednesday	Subject	Notes
8/14	Gospel	Daily Discipleship
8/21	The Call - Adam Hamilton	Chapter 1
8/28	The Call - Adam Hamilton	Chapter 2
9/4	The Call - Adam Hamilton	Chapter 3
9/11	The Call - Adam Hamilton	Chapter 4
9/18	The Call - Adam Hamilton	Chapter 5
9/25	The Call - Adam Hamilton	Chapter 6
10/2	Off	Greece Trip
10/9	Off	Greece Trip
10/16	Gospel	Daily Discipleship
10/23	Some Reflections from our Trip to Greece	
10/30	Gospel	Daily Discipleship
11/6	Gospel	Daily Discipleship
11/13	Gospel	Daily Discipleship
11/20	Gospel	Daily Discipleship

Thank you for your generous support of the Peace Pavilion Project!

Thank you for your generous support of the Peace Pavilion Project. We have now exceeded \$300,000 in total funds received for construction. Our total funds received or identified for the overall project we are over \$350,000. THANK YOU!

Please keep those donations coming and if you are able to commit over our three year period, please consider the attached commitment card if you have not already done so.

Commitment Card

As you will see in our donation timing chart, we will need to continue to increase pledges in 2025 and 2026 to reach our overall goal.

Peace Pavilion Capital Campaign Plus Status as of August 19, 2024

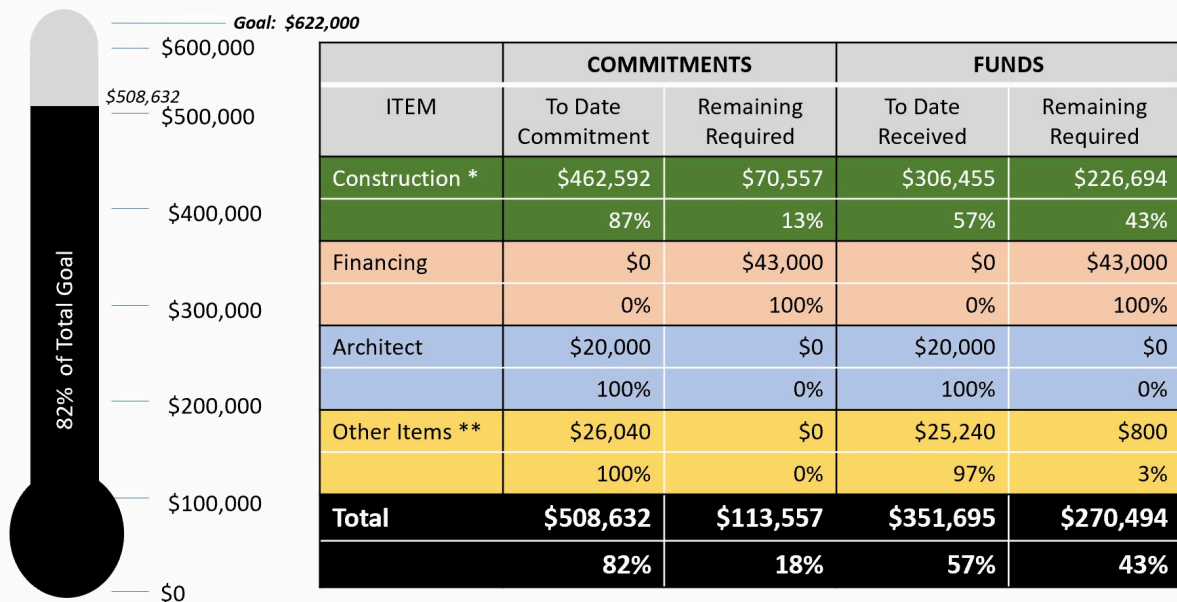
Architect = \$20,000

Construction Cost* = \$533,149

Financing Cost = \$43,000

Other Items * = \$25,840

Total Commitment Status



Note: Commitment Status includes "silent" commitments

* Includes change orders.

** Other items include \$14,000 for Worship & Music (funding by W&M / Ilene Hardy Memorial Fund), \$8,800 for Benches ("fund a bench"), \$3,240 for Outdoor Altar (funded by Altar Guild). Additional landscaping option being developed and additional funding from base landscaping not included.



Peace Pavilion Capital Campaign – Construction Cost Only
Status as of August 19, 2024

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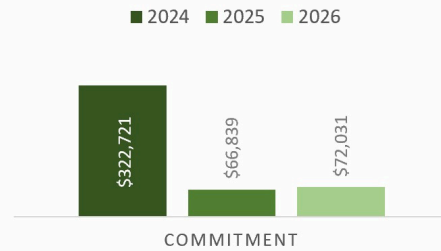


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Donor Level	3 Year Commitment	Number of Pledged Donors
Buckeye	\$50,000+	2
Oak	\$25,000 - \$50,000	4
Maple	\$10,000 - \$25,000	8
Rose	\$5,000 - \$10,000	9
Tulip	\$3,000 - \$5,000	9
Daisy	\$1,000 - \$3,000	21

COMMITMENT BY YEAR



For additional detail, please see our Q&A link below.

Updated Q&A

In His service, The Outdoor Worship Committee Phil

Sprague (Chair)

Jim Dickey

Mary Meadows

Evan Saunders

Dineen Terstage

Pastor Charlie Woodward

Steve Zinram



PASTOR CHARLIE'S BLOG



Psalms 89:1-4

1 I will sing of your steadfast love, O Lord, forever;
with my mouth I will proclaim your faithfulness to all generations.
2 I declare that your steadfast love is established forever;
your faithfulness is as firm as the heavens.
3 You said, "I have made a covenant with my chosen one,
I have sworn to my servant David:
4 'I will establish your descendants forever,
and build your throne for all generations.'"

Tony Campolo is an American sociologist, pastor, author and public speaker. He spoke at the ELCA Youth Gatherings in 1991 and 1994.

He shared this story in Dallas at the 1991 gathering:

He was flying from Denver to Colorado Springs, a short flight of less than half an hour, but it seemed like eternity.

It began nicely enough, waiting to board the plane and watching a noisy, happy little girl bouncing around, clapping her hands, and chanting, "I'm gonna see Daddy! I'm gonna see Daddy!" His smile began to sag, though. Campolo said that after the first ten minutes, what was once cute began to become irritating and obnoxious. But then they boarded the plane.

Campolo took his seat and to his dismay, the noisy little girl was sitting right across the aisle, continuing to clap her hands and announce to all in a singsong fashion that she was going to see her daddy.

Being a short flight, the flight attendant offered only cookies and drinks, and the little girl took a cookie and a Coke, then another and another. He was amazed how such a little girl could consume so much sweets on that short a flight. As the plane approached Colorado Springs, it went through a thunderstorm, which made for a bouncy, rough ride.

We all know that cookies do not smell bad nor does Coca Cola smell bad. Therefore, it figures that if you mix cookies and Coca Cola in a sweet little girl with a fluffy dress, patent leather shoes and pigtails, what comes out should not smell bad. Such was not the case this time. It wasn't long before the little girl threw up -it was all over the little girl and all over her mother. Remember those days? But the little girl didn't miss a beat - she kept on singing her song. "I'm gonna see Daddy!"

"When the airplane finally touched down, I couldn't wait to get down the aisle and away from the whole smelly mess. As I walked up the connecting corridor and into the airport, I saw a man standing at the end of the walkway, dressed in a white flannel suit, eagerly looking for someone I just knew who he was and I lingered behind because I wanted to see the encounter between this elegantly dressed father and the little, smelly girl.

"What happened next really took me by surprise. The little girl came running up to her father and he got down on one knee and swept her into his arms. She was covered with yuck and she smelled very bad, but it didn't make any difference to him. He had his little girl and that was all that mattered."
(Tony Campolo, "A Father's Blind Love," in *Stories That Feed Your Soul*, Gospel Light, 2010)

God's steadfast love. Even when we are a mess, God still loves us.

Give thanks to God for God's unconditional love.

Let us pray: Almighty God, you are love, and all you do is out of love for those you created IN love TO love. In Jesus name we pray. Amen

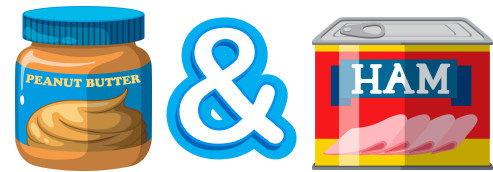
Save the Date!

Mark your calendar for our next OMNI Bluz Event! We will be holding it on October 13th! Be a part of OMNI's biggest annual fundraiser!



Second Harvest

For August the requested items are peanut butter & canned meats



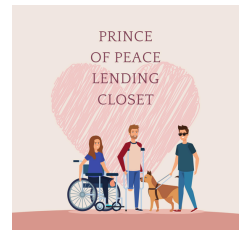
Giving Data

Operating Giving Report	YTD	AVG/Week
Total Giving as of July 31st, 2024:	\$286,289	\$9,542.97
% of Annual 2024 Budget Received to Date:	59%	
Remaining Giving to Meet 2024Budget:	\$199,711	\$9,077.73
Total Expenses incurred through 7/31/24	\$280,282	\$9,342.733



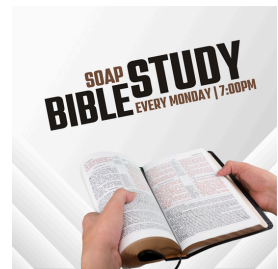
Lending Closet

Are you in need of some crutches? A shower chair? Walker? Cane?
Please click on the logo on the right hand side of the page or check the website for our updated lending closet list!



SOAP Bible Study

Schedule:
9/2: Labor Day holiday



Coffee with the Pastor

Coffee with the Pastor will be held the second Sunday of every month at 10 am.

We will meet in the Education Wing Second Cup of Coffee Room.
Come for conversation, questions and fellowship. Bring your coffee and donut and join us.



Prayer LIST

Sunday, September 1, 2024

Prayer Request - Long Term

(All prayer requests made after Thursday at Noon will be posted the following week)

Ren	Granddaughter of Linda Baumbach
Patty Doran	Sister-in-law of Chuck Sieving
Dawn Higgins	Neighbor of Fran Molnar
Jayne Kramic	Friend of Kathy McCollum
Angela Missig	Daughter of Gloria Starr
Jenn Pitts	Daughter of Judy Kazak
Lois Reichert	
Pam Rotella	
Bill Sweeny	Friend of Kathy McCollum
Robert Sieving	Brother of Chuck Sieving
Al Tielke	
Mike Hosler	
Chris Sikora	
Claudette Plavan	
Hilary Mason	
Kathy and Tim Needham	
Judy Kazak	
Cynthia Flores	

Recent prayer requests received within the past 3 weeks:

August 18	Diane Schlegel Joe Fortuna (Diane Fortuna's brother-in-law) Family of Linda Baumbach
August 25	Family of Ron Filkill Marilyn Wingfield
September 1	Sharon Olson Ron Karl and Family (Friend of Rusty Blakeslee) Levi (first great grandchild of the Fronczak's) Sandie (Gloria Starr's sister)

Happy Birthday

<u>Date</u>	<u>Online</u>	<u>In Person</u>	<u>Total</u>
08/25/2024	22	110	132
08/18/2024	34	148	182
08/11/2024	29	95	157
08/04/2024	44	124	168

08/01 Natalie Pearce
 08/02 Anita Briggs
 08/02 Josie Wilhelm
 08/02 Kroy Carimi
 08/02 Paul Winslow
 08/03 Jaime Alspach
 08/03 Suzann Creech
 08/05 Chip Bailey
 08/06 Dale Dragony
 08/06 Sharon Olson
 08/09 Bill Vorobej
 08/11 Joey Frey
 08/14 Addy Lipschutz
 08/14 Tom Drobnak
 08/16 Christian Juntunen
 08/17 Cameron Wenhm
 08/20 Vivian Gleespen
 08/21 Jon Peter
 08/22 Benjamin Creech
 08/22 Peggy Kreueger
 08/22 Sherry Webber
 08/23 Bennett Woodward
 08/23 Nolan Woodward
 08/24 Phillip Bruneau
 08/25 AJ Jagels
 08/25 Bryce Bruneau
 08/27 Shari Demby
 08/27 Tyrus Petta
 08/28 Evan Saunders
 08/28 Kate Weaver
 08/29 Ron Thorne
 08/31 Mariah Thompson

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

08/02 Barb & Dan Fronczak
 08/03 Debbie & Bob Thomas
 08/04 Bradley & Bethany Pearce
 08/04 Charles & Lisa Woodward
 08/07 Brent & Daniea Beard
 08/10 Doug & Carol Leavens
 08/10 Michael & Patricia Pietaroia
 08/13 Christine & Al Tielke
 08/15 Mary & Joseph Olah
 08/18 Jaime & Tom Alspach
 08/18 Jerry & Diane Karp
 08/20 Uwe & Helga Susemihl
 08/21 Mark & Karen Givens
 08/23 Ron & Becky Kear
 08/30 Mike & Abbie Gleespen
 08/30 Steve & Cindy Zinram

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Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9-3

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Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am & 11:00 am in person.

Livestream

Christian Education - Sundays 10-10:50 am

Adult supervised child care for children 5 and under is
offered for both services and during

the Christian Education hour between services.



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