



April 19th, 2024

# PEACE CONNECTION

Friday April 19th  
 Pastor Charlie's Day Off  
 6:00 pm SIS Meeting

Saturday April 20th  
 2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday April 21st  
 9 & 11 am In Person Worship  
 10:00 am Christian Education  
 10:30 am Arden Courts

Monday April 22nd  
 10:00 am Staff Meeting  
 2:00 pm Organ Practice  
 7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday April 23rd  
 6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday April 24th  
 1:30 pm Watercolor Painting Class  
 2:00 pm Book & Bible Study

Thursday April 25th  
 Sexton's Day Off  
 11:00 am FLO  
 3:00 pm Communion Ministry team Meeting  
 3:00 pm Organ Practice  
 7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday April 26th  
 Pastor Charlie's Day Off  
 10:00 am Travel Quest, A Day in Mansfield  
 12:30 pm Young at Heart Lunch

Saturday April 27th  
 2:00 pm Organ Practice  
 6:30 pm Open Mic Night

Sunday April 28th  
 9 & 11 am In Person Worship  
 10:00 am Christian Education

Monday April 29th  
 10:00 am Staff Meeting  
 2:00 pm Organ Practice  
 7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday April 30th  
 6:15 CrossFire Rehearsal

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

## Coffee House & Open Mic Night

Saturday, April 27th at 6:30 pm.

Enjoy great entertainment in a Coffee House setting with a variety of performers sharing their music. This is a free event. Join us for desserts and aromatic coffee in a friendly and relaxing atmosphere!

## Travel Quest

Our next Travel Quest event is on April 26th, at 10:00 am-5:00 pm. It will be "A Day in Mansfield" Van transportation provided to Kingwood Gardens Spring display. with Lunch at Der Dutchman.



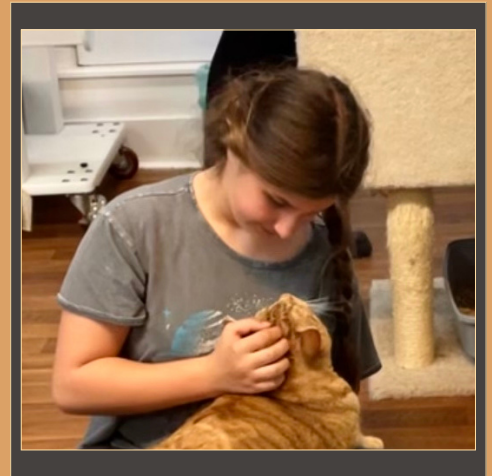
Please contact Diane Schlegel, who is this coordinating this event!

## Young at Heart Lunch

Please join us on Friday, April 19th at 12:30pm. We will be enjoying good food and fellowship at BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse, located at 25779 Brookpark Rd. in North Olmsted.



Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in the lower lobby. Questions, contact Kathy Kettler at (440)734-6511.



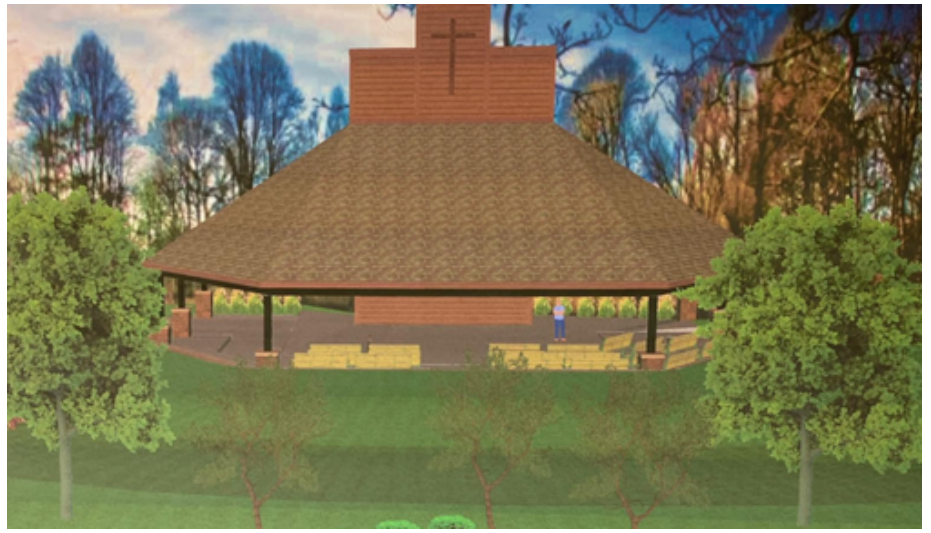
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Pop Youth  
**CAT CAFE**

Thank you Affogato Cat Cafe for hosting Prince of Peace for a purrrfect visit with the cats. We hope our gift bags with home made toys will be a nice treat for new owners as they adopt the cats.



# Peace Pavilion Capital Campaign Status as of April 17, 2024

Goal = \$500,00



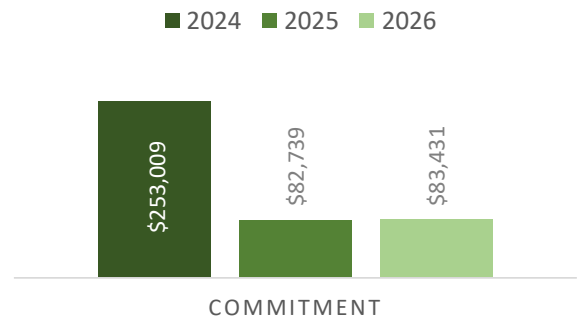
## Commitment Status Received Donation Status



Note: Commitment Status includes "silent" commitments

Donor Level	3 Year Commitment	Number of Pledged Donors
Buckeye	\$50,000+	2
Oak	\$25,000 - \$50,000	4
Maple	\$10,000 - \$25,000	7
Rose	\$5,000 - \$10,000	7
Tulip	\$3,000 - \$5,000	8
Daisy	\$1,000 - \$3,000	10

### COMMITMENT BY YEAR



*So Grateful for Your Support!*

## Peace Pavilion – The Time is Now

Dear Prince of Peace Members,

Our Time is Now. We continue to make great progress with our initial capital campaign for our Peace Pavilion. We have **received commitments from our first wave of pledges of over 80% of our goal** and pending approval at the April 28th Special Congregational Meeting, **we look to begin the project in May**. We are currently focused on short-term financing to complete the project and preparing for our meeting with you.

This week, we are providing additional details for your review. Please find this “project details” document (which can be found by logging into the members only page located here: [Click Here](#) please call the office if you are unable to access the document) that includes additional information on the design of the Peace Pavilion, proposed construction cost and schedule information, and potential financing information. If you have any issue accessing this information or would like a paper copy, please contact the church office.

We appreciate the questions that are being asked and want to give everyone a chance to have them answered. Attached ([Click Here](#)) is a “Q&A” document which addresses several questions that we have been asked recently. Please take a look and feel free to ask additional questions.

We hope to see you at one of our information sessions between worship services and also at the special congregational meeting on April 28th. Thank you for your consideration and support.

In His service,  
The Outdoor Worship Committee  
Phil Sprague (Chair)  
Jim Dickey  
Mary Meadows  
Evan Saunders  
Dineen Terstage  
Pastor Charlie Woodward  
Steve Zinram



Travel Quest Presents:

All aboard the Prince of Peace Chartered bus. Even if you already have tickets, you can ride on the bus for \$15. Group rate for Pavilion & Lawn Seating.

Depart Prince of Peace Parking Lot 5:00pm Return approx.11:30pm Prince of Peace members and Guests welcome.

Checks payable to Prince of Peace, please use the memo: TQ Blossom and are due by June 2nd.  
Please contact [msfiddlesticks@hotmail.com](mailto:msfiddlesticks@hotmail.com) to register!

★ SLAUTE TO FREEDOM ★

# Concert

**July 3rd, 2024**

**8:00 PM**

## **BLOSSOM MUSIC CENTER**

1145 W STEELS CORNERS RD, CUYAHOGA FALLS,  
OH 44223

**FOOD**

**FUN**

**MUSIC**

LAWN SEATS \$20, BUS \$15, BOXED LUNCH TBD,  
PAVILION SEATING \$23-\$31

Prince of Peace



# ROLLER DERBY DAY

Saturday May 4th  
12pm Doors, Games 1pm & 3pm

**25 FREE Tickets**  
**Sign up in Narthex**  
**First come first serve**

Cleveland Heights Community Center  
1 Monticello Blvd. Cleveland Heights, OH 44118

**MAY THE 4TH  
BE WITH YOU**



... and Chosen for tickets, You will be



## Jonah 2 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

*A Psalm of Thanksgiving*

**2** Then Jonah prayed to the Lord his God from the belly of the fish, **2** saying,

*"I called to the Lord out of my distress, and he answered me; out of the belly of Sheol I cried, and you heard my voice.*

**3** You cast me into the deep, into the heart of the seas, and the flood surrounded me; all your waves and your billows passed over me.

**4** Then I said, 'I am driven away from your sight; how shall I look again upon your holy temple?'

**5** The waters closed in over me; the deep surrounded me; weeds were wrapped around my head

**6** at the roots of the mountains. I went down to the land whose bars closed upon me forever; yet you brought up my life from the Pit, O Lord my God.

**7** As my life was ebbing away, I remembered the Lord; and my prayer came to you, into your holy temple.

**8** Those who worship vain idols forsake their true loyalty.

**9** But I with the voice of thanksgiving will sacrifice to you; what I have vowed I will pay. Deliverance belongs to the Lord!"

Christ is Risen! He is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!

So where is the most unique place you have ever prayed?

Ever pray from the inside of a fish? The Old Testament book of Jonah is just four chapters long. Jonah is a reluctant messenger of God, who is called by God to go to Nineveh, because its wickedness has come up before God.

Jonah agrees – Nineveh IS a bad place, and he certainly doesn't want to go there. So Jonah goes to Joppa and catches a boat to Tarshish – the OPPOSITE direction from Nineveh. While on the boat, God sends a storm, and the sailors realize someone has made God upset. They find out it is Jonah, so they rid themselves of the problem by throwing Jonah overboard.

God calms the storm – the sailors are safe. God calls a fish to swallow up Jonah. Jonah is safe. Well, as safe as you can be in the belly of a fish for three days! Now let me say here that I do not believe God sent us things like Covid-19 or cancer or broken relationships or hardship to punish or to teach us a lesson. God is love, and all God gives is IN love. God creates. God's desire is NOT that the world be condemned, but that WORLD might be saved through God. (John 3:17). Let's make that clear.

That being said, are you feeling the same way? The storm rages around us in whatever hardship or trial or pain we face. We seek refuge from the storm, and so we are swallowed up to stay at home. In the midst of the storm or trial you face, which I hope and pray for you is better than fish guts, can you find an opportunity to offer a prayer of thanksgiving?

Read again Jonah's words.

Death has been swallowed up, and new life is ours today. Take a moment and look outside – SPRING is SPRUNG. NEW LIFE.

Today is the day the Lord has made, no matter where you find yourself, let us rejoice and be glad in it.

For Christ is Risen. Risen Indeed – ALLELUIA and AMEN!

Let us pray:

*Almighty God, I call out to you in my distress, and you answer me; out of the belly of wherever I am today, I cry, and you hear my voice. As I feel sometimes my life is ebbing away, my prayer comes to you. With a voice of thanksgiving I pray to you. For I know that deliverance belongs to You, O Lord!*





# Kelly & Hailey Desmond

## THIS WEEK'S PROFILE

Hailey was born in Columbus, Ohio. She grew up in Westerville, Ohio with one brother, who is 4 years younger in her family. After graduating from the local high school, she enrolled in Otterbein University in Westerville and majored in Business Administration. The university was founded by the Church of the United Brethren in Christ. Her husband Kelly and her grew up in the area together and reconnected after college.

After receiving her degree, Hailey started working in the insurance industry right after school. She moved to Denver, Colorado where she worked for Nationwide Insurance . After a period of time, they moved back to Cleveland for her husband's job. She continued her career with Liberty Insurance until having children. Once they started a family, Hailey stayed home a few years with them.

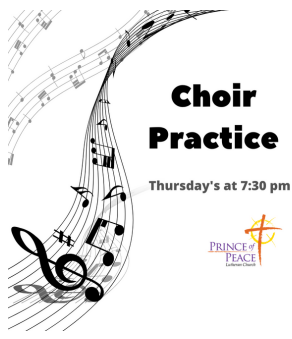
Currently, they have 2 children, daughter Finnley is 6 years old and enjoying kindergarten! Their son Brecken is almost 4 in May, and loves preschool at Bay Presbyterian Church! Hailey began working at Prince of Peace about a year and a half ago as the Communications Director. She has found the entire staff and congregation to be very supportive and caring.

Taking time for relaxation is important to Hailey. She is an avid reader. She loves to read and listen to audiobooks and is always open to a good suggestion! She enjoys running and all things outdoors! As a family, they do a lot of hiking and paddleboarding. Volunteering as a soccer coach and serving in early childhood PTA and elementary PTA are also interests of hers. She is obsessed with travel and they try to get away as much as they possibly can, even on small trips when they can.

Hailey has brought our communications efforts into a new level that serves us well! She has designed a robust outreach on several social media platforms that include regular newsfeeds and posts to keep members and the community "in the loop ." The weekly "Peace Connections" newsletter now has a very professional look. Hailey's talent is putting our church in a great position for the future!

By Tom Robinholt : Profile Reporter





## Choir Practice

Thursday's at 7:30 pm



Interested in joining the choir? Please join us for practices on Thursday's at 7:30 pm!



Comfort quilters meet on the first and third Monday's of the month at 1:00 pm! No experience necessary! Please consider joining us!

## Second Harvest

For April through June the requested items are pasta, canned fish & packaged fruits



## Giving Data

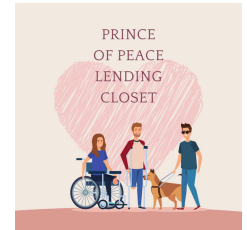
### Operating Giving Report

	YTD	AVG/Week
Total Giving as of March 31st, 2024:	\$130,212	\$10,016
% of Annual 2024 Budget Received to Date:	27%	
Remaining Giving to Meet 2024 Budget:	\$355,788	\$9,123
Total Expenses incurred through 2/29/24	\$123,329	\$9,480



## 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!



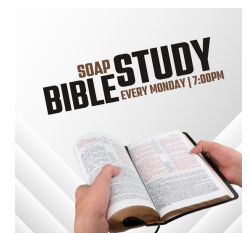
## SOAP Bible Study

Looking to join? Reach out to Mark Givens at [mpgivens@ameritech.net](mailto:mpgivens@ameritech.net)

Here is the schedule for the next few weeks:

4/22 Daniel 11

5/1 Daniel 12



## 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, April 21, 2024**

## **Prayer Request - Long Term**

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

Ren	Granddaughter of Linda Baumbach
Don Chismar	
Patty Doran	Sister-in-law of Chuck Sieving
Marcia Drysdale	Friend of Jane Dillon
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	
Ron Filkill	
Chris Sikora	
Claudette Plavan	
Hilary Mason	

## **Recent prayer requests received within the past 3 weeks:**

April 7	Grace Dye Ty and his wife Sally (Brandon Bilek's friend)
April 14	Kathy and Tim Needham (Deb Gibbon's cousins) Jen Pitts (Judy Kazak's daughter)
April 21	Joanne Burns Shawn Merhaut and his cousin Jessica Jon Steinbrecher and his family

Happy Birthday

Date	Online	In Person	Total
04/14/2024	31	156	187
04/07/2024	55	155	210
03/31/2024	92	164	356
03/29/2024	42	66	108

04/03 Benjamin Beard  
 04/03 Luke Ventimiglia  
 04/03 Tracy Biller  
 04/04 Anita Bauknecht  
 04/04 Samuel Dickey  
 04/05 Becky Rowe  
 04/05 Cindy Zinram  
 04/05 Diane Diekroger  
 04/05 Steve Zinram  
 04/07 Haley Hackett  
 04/07 Sarah Bruening  
 04/07 Mason Reisner  
 04/08 Charles Schmidt  
 04/10 Jacob Arthur  
 04/13 Eli Hallowell  
 04/13 Mark Givens  
 04/14 Tim Gibbons  
 04/16 Mason Rowe  
 04/17 Mark Wiedt  
 04/17 Thomas Morton

04/18 Benjamin Fortuna  
 04/18 Francine Molnar  
 04/19 Mackenzie Juntunen  
 04/19 Susan Stevens  
 04/20 Mark Oster  
 04/20 Matthew Olah  
 04/20 Norm Rehark  
 04/21 Amy Babinski  
 04/23 Abbey Smylie  
 04/23 Carley Frey  
 04/24 Laurie Vorobej  
 04/26 Aili MacKenzie  
 04/26 Ellen Babinski  
 04/27 Avianna Carimi  
 04/28 Becky Kear  
 04/28 Helga Susemihl  
 04/28 Sally Poirier

**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

04/07 Grant & Beth Comnick  
 04/11 Dave & Laurel Covell  
 04/26 Susan & Paul Franz  
 04/28 Susan & T.J. Worsencroft

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### Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9-3  
 28455 Center Ridge Rd., Westlake, Ohio 44145  
 440/871-5565 • www.princeofpeacewestlake.org

### 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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