

September 2017

NEWSLETTER



23 Church St
Shelby, Ohio 44875

Sunday Worship 10:00 AM

Reflections from the Rev.

Dear Friends,

Summer has come to a close and the kids are making their way back to school. The reality that time and childhood both go so fast has come to fruition for Katie and I, as our dear little Aiden begins preschool this week. Your prayers for our family would be appreciated as we all adjust to this change in schedule (More prayers for the grown up as Aiden is truly thrilled to be going to school).

Summer worship attendance was higher than last year, despite family vacations and other summer events. For that I am grateful. However, as usually is the case, giving was down in the summer months. So I am writing you today about something that I really don't like to talk about: offerings. Over the last few years we have been fortunate to have not run into any major financial needs as a congregation. But this summer, we basically depleted the few thousand "extra" that we had in our General Fund. If there is any way that you could help us out please do so. I am not asking you to do anything that my family and I are have not already done. Thank you in advance for your faithful gifts to this church and its ministry. May God bless you and your family, as you get back into your post-summer routine, whatever it may be.

With My Love and Prayers,

+Pastor James

Rev. James R. Robinson

September Happenings

Choir Practice Begins!

Wednesdays 9/6 and 9/20 7:00pm

Do you enjoy singing? If yes, we would love to have you join the choir! Choir practice will begin Wednesday September 6th at First Presbyterian Church, (across the alley) at 7:00pm.

Women's Guild Meeting

Thursday 9/7 11:00am

The Women's Guild will be meeting at the home of Martha Grimwood on Thursday September 6th at 11:00am. Please see Martha Grimwood with any questions.

Potluck and Putt-Putt

Sunday 9/10 (Following Worship)

The Board of Christian Education is sponsoring our second annual Potluck and Putt-Putt on Sunday September 10th. Bring a covered dish to share for lunch following the morning worship service, then we'll head across the street to Roselawn Miniature Golf for a fun round of Putt Putt! We look forward to seeing you for this fun day of fellowship

Olive Garden Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Tuesday 9/12 5:00pm-7:00pm

Menu: **Olive Garden** Spaghetti, Salad, and Breadsticks. A variety of **O'Charley's** pies for dessert. Tuesday September 12th 5:00-7:00pm in the church fellowship hall. We will also be having a 50/50 drawing.

Donations for the meal:

Adults 13 and over: \$10.00

Children ages 12-8: \$5.00

Children ages 7-3: \$1.00

Church Council Meeting

Monday 9/18 6:30pm

In the church Parlor on Monday September 18th at 6:30pm.

Love Group Meeting

Monday 9/26 5:30pm

The LOVE group will meet here at the church on Monday September 26th at 5:30pm. Please see Faye Steele with any questions.

Coming in October

Choir Practice - Wednesdays 10/4 and 10/18 7:00pm

World Communion Sunday - Sunday 10/1 (Morning Worship)

Bread for the World Offering - Sunday 10/1 (Morning Worship)

Olive Garden Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser - Tuesday 10/10 5:00pm-7:00pm

Neighbors in Need UCC Offering - Sunday 10/15 (Morning Worship)

Church Council Meeting - Monday 10/16 6:30pm

General Fund

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| Bills Paid | \$7,798.38 |
| Deposits | \$6,440.88 |
| Difference | -\$1,357.50 |
| Available Balance | -\$976.41 |

Earmarked in General Fund

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| Mission (Election Supper/Picnic) | \$1,178.76 |
| Youth Mission Project | \$1,052.76 |
| Sanctuary Carpet | \$310.00 |
| Certificate Account | \$25,004.11 |
| Trustees (Building and Repair) | \$14,000?? |
| Kitchen Fund | \$5,003.76 |
| Memorial Fund | \$12,663.76 |
| Funeral Dinner Account | \$884.48 |
| Improvement Fund (Fundraising) | |
| Beginning Balance | \$1,325.44 |
| Bicycle Days Raffle | \$2,530.56 |
| Ending Balance | \$3,856.00 |

**Financial Report
July 2017**

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LOUVERS IN THE BELL TOWER!**



