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## THE PRESBYTERIAN MESSENGER

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### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – April 28 *The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper*

Scriptures: Psalm 118:19-25; Acts 8:26-40;  
John 15:1-8

Sermon: "A Place for Those Who  
Don't Belong There"

Liturgist: Rev. Trina Lewis

Music: Haviland Choir, Brass



### 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – May 5 *Earth Sunday*

Scriptures: Genesis 1:24-27, 31  
Matthew 6:25-33

Sermon: "Dominion, Not Domination"  
Rev. Dan Schomer preaching

Liturgist: Mickey Buck

Music: Haviland Choir, Carillon Ringers



### Environmental Team and Recyclable Metals

I'm sure many of you recycle your aluminum cans, soup cans and other metals. Did you know that you can take your metal recyclables just outside of Salem to Solomon's Scrap and Salvage? Solomon's is located at 7299 Salem Unity Road which is State Route 14 just out of Salem on the way to Washingtonville. If you are someone who collects a decent amount of scrap metal, you might want to check it out. I save up my metals and take them there. If you decide to take your metals there, you will want to divide them into ferrous and non-ferrous metals. Ferrous metals are made of iron and are magnetic. Non-ferrous metals are not magnetic and can include nickel, brass, copper, and other aluminum products. When I take my metals there, I go in separate trips. I take my magnetic metals and at the scrapyards they weigh your vehicle, then direct you to the place where you will unload your metals. After you have given the scrapyards your metals, your vehicle will be weighed again. Then you go inside to the office and they will pay you whatever the going rate is for the magnetic metals at that time. I then take my non-ferrous or non-magnetic metals separately. These will include aluminum cans, aluminum siding, or any other metals that are non-magnetic including old faucets. The scrapyards pay a higher price for non-ferrous metals. Keeping metals out of landfills is important and you can make some pocket change at the same time. You can check out Solomon's Scrap and Salvage online.

*Mickey Buck, Environmental Team*

**PLEASE NOTE:** The Environmental Team is sponsoring a raffle for 4 Environmentally Friendly Shopping bags made by Sue Lewis. The money raised will be used to help pay expenses for the team's proposed Pollinator Garden. Tickets will be sold on April 28 and May 5 for \$1 a ticket or \$5 for 6 tickets. The winning tickets will be announced at 10:15 on May 5 during coffee hour.

**"We are centered in Christ and powered by love."**

## CHURCH INFORMATION:

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You Tube: [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) / FPCSALEM (Service streamed 10:30 am on Sunday)



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### Thank You Notes:

Thank you to everyone who visited my mother, Genevieve Benson, at Copeland Oaks/Crandall Medical Center, delivered flowers, and sent cards. ~ Louise Steele

Did you enjoy the Vegetable Beef Soup last week? I sure hope so! Special thanks go to Barb Fennema, Sandy Quinn, Kathie Baker, Mike Quinn, and Sam Ricciardi for making it for you. And, thanks to all of you and your donations, the Congregational Care Committee combined donations from this Soup to Go, a previous one, and donations from our March Soup Luncheon to sponsor a Banquet of Salem meal. ~ Carol Ricciardi



**Pentecost Offering:** The birthday of the church, Pentecost, is so much more than a day of celebration and an opportunity to dust off the red paraments to adorn the pulpit and communion table in our worship spaces. It is also a chance to recommit to Christ's continuing ministry, his hands and feet, in a world that is so desperate for more justice, love and peace. We do this in so many ways, and we do our level best to instill a heart for Christian action in youth and young adults. Envelope in this newsletter.

Order **Geraniums** for \$5 (4" pot) on Sunday mornings or during week through Church Office.

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## NEW TIMES FOR GARAGE SALE

Because of your many generous donations, we have added a day to our Garage Sale Benefitting LOGOS and Sunday School Mission. Please also note the new time for church members to purchase items prior to the public sale.

<u>Thursday, April 25</u>	1:00 – 3:00 p.m. Church members' Preview Sale
<u>Friday, April 26</u>	8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Sale open to the public
<u>Saturday, April 27</u>	7:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Sale open to the public
<u>Sunday, April 28</u>	Before and after church until 12:30 – Church members' Sale

*We are no longer taking donations for this year's sale. We have run out of room!*

We are looking for volunteers to help at the sale on Friday and Saturday. We need help monitoring the sale, checking out customers, packing up purchases etc. (Pricing, sorting, setting up and hauling will hopefully be completed.) If you can help in any way on Friday and Saturday, April 26-27, please contact Grace Smith (330-429-3190), Judy Herron (330-692-7929), Melissa Tonkinson (330-853-1955), or Barb Loudon (330-277-1571) immediately!

Thank you for your donations and your help!

## Your Session at Work

*The Session of First Presbyterian Church of Salem, Ohio meeting April 18, 2024, in person and via Zoom:*

- Welcomed Phyllis Denton as a new member to Session. She will serve on the Finance and Administration Committee.
- Continued discussing the book “Canoeing the Mountains” by Tod Bolsinger and “Quietly Courageous” by Gil Rendle to better understand the changing world of Christendom.
- Approved the Environmental Team’s raising funds for a Pollinator Garden through a raffle of environmentally friendly shopping bags made and donated by Sue Lewis.
- Approved September 8, 2024 as the Fall start-up date for Youth Sunday School.
- Approved Soup to Go funds to sponsor the Banquet of Salem.
- Approved a one-time cell phone recycling event in the future.
- Celebrated exceeding the \$3500 One Great Hour of Sharing goal!
- Approved sending additional funds to Zimbabwe to continue supporting the well which we helped establish there.
- Established a \$3000 goal for the Pentecost Offering, with a 40% local share going to the Salvation Army youth summer programs.
- Approved a proposal for coverage for Church Secretary Phyllis Garlock while she is off work for knee surgery and recovery.
- Heard an update on the Pastor Search.
- Learned that Preschool enrollment for the Fall is already at 13 students.
- Learned that the Cub and Boy Scouts will help at the Salem City Cleanup Day.
- Shared in prayers for the support of congregation members facing health challenges in their lives.

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## Vision Statement

*To glorify God and share the Spirit and love of Christ with our community and the world.*

## April

*Happy Birthday!* – Steve Navoyosky (25)

- 24 / Weds      6:15 Carillon Ringers (200)  
                    7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
- 25 / Thurs      **1:00-3:00 Church members' Preview Sale (FH)**
- 26 / Fri          **8:00-4:00 Sale open to the public (FH)**
- 27 / Sat          **7:00-3:00 Sale open to the public (FH)**
- 28 / Sun          9:00 Church School for Adults (L) / Grades 6-12 (209)  
                    10:00 Coffee Hour  
                    10:30 Service of Worship – *Communion; Brass*  
                    Before & after church till 12:30 –  
                                Church members' Sale (FH)  
                    6:00 Pack 3 Blue and Gold Banquet (FH)
- 29 / Mon          10:00 Tai Chi Class (FH)  
                    6:30 Scouts Troop 3 (SR) and 2003G (209)

## May

*Happy Birthday!* –

Archie Crum (8), Richard Lobdell (13), Carol Dougherty (17)

- 1 / Weds          10:00 Tai Chi Class (FH)  
                    12:00 Daytimers (FH)  
                    **6:00 Moderators Meeting via Zoom**  
                    6:15 Carillon Ringers (last till fall)  
                    7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
- 2 / Thurs          **6:00 Christian Education (L) / Mission I and S (P)**  
                    **7:00 Devotions in the Sanctuary**  
                    **7:15 Property (L) / Worship (P)**
- 4 / Sat            **9:00 Outside Workday at the Church**
- 5 / Sun            9:00 Church School for Adults (L) / Grades 6-12 (209)  
                    10:00 Coffee Hour  
                    10:30 Service of Worship – *Earth Day*  
                    6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (Scout Room)
- 6 / Mon            10:00 Tai Chi Class (FH)  
                    **11:00-4:00 Church Office Hours**  
                    6:30 Scouts Troop 3 (SR) and 2003G (209)  
                    **7:00 Board of Deacons (L)**
- 8 / Weds          10:00 Tai Chi Class (FH)  
                    7:00 Haviland Choir (S)  
                    **7:00 Finance and Administration via Zoom**
- 9 / Thurs          **9:00–12:00 Church Office Hours**  
                    **5:30 Preschool Board of Trustees**
- 10 / Fri            **Church Office Closed**

### Big Item Recycling Opportunity

My friend Carl Hunt AKA “Carl the Scrap Guy” has volunteered to help FPC with our recycling efforts during the month of May. He can come to your house to collect any unwanted items that contain metal. Appliances, lawn mowers, lawn furniture (with metal), metal fencing, and more. Simply call Carl and say you are from the First Presbyterian Church and tell him what you would like him to pick up. His number is 234-320-2363. His offer is good for the month of May only.

*Barb Yonker, Environmental Team*

### Used Eclipse Glasses

I have just read that our recently used eclipse glasses can be sent to Eclipse Glasses USA to be used again. They will redistribute the glasses to children in various countries around the world so they can experience eclipses without risking their eyesight. Please save your undamaged and in good condition eclipse glasses and bring them to church. I will have a box on the stage in the Fellowship Hall where they can be placed. And please, spread the word to others. Let's see how many we can share.

*Carol Ricciardi*