



Weekly Revelations

November 4, 2018

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God by the Snyder family in celebration of Paige's 11th birthday; and, by Grandpa & Grandma Bailey in celebration of Gabe Sanchez-Dittman's 17th birthday and Chase Dittman's 9th birthday.

We encourage you and your family to attend Sunday school and have family discussions around the lessons:

Pre-K – 4th: Naomi and Ruth – *Book of Ruth*
5th & 6th: God is Rescuer – *Exodus 1:1-2:15;*
Galatians 1:3-4

7th & 8th: *Bullying*

College Care Packages - Please pick up a form at the *Welcome Center* to fill out if you would like your child to be sent a box from the youth at their college. All forms must be completed by **today** so we can assemble on Sunday, November 11. Please see Pastor Kathy with any questions.

Stewardship - Please help us wrap up our annual stewardship campaign this week by returning your completed pledge card if you have not already done so. If you need a pledge card, they can be found in the pews, in the back of the church, or the church office. Completed pledge cards may be placed in the offering plate, emailed to firstelcastewardship@gmail.com, mailed or dropped off at the church office. Thank you for completing your pledge as soon as possible so that we can finalize our 2019 budgeting. Let's all honor God and the many gifts he has provided by offering our own generous gifts.

Pub Church will be **Tuesday, November 6, 6:30 PM** at *TGI Friday's* in *Strongsville*.

Strongsville Food Bank will be open on **Saturday, November 10** from **9:30-11:30 AM**.

Harvest Month continues Sunday, November 11 as we collect Boxed Potatoes, Gravy, Stuffing, and Rice. We will also continue collecting Canned Fruits & Vegetables and jars of Peanut butter and Jelly. All the food is being gathered for the Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets which will be donated to individuals and families in need within our community. We are also in need of monetary donations to help fill the baskets with perishable items and provide a complete holiday meal for those less fortunate. Envelopes marked "Food Baskets" are available on the *Welcome Center* and can be placed in the basket or offering plate. Special Note: We are in need of frozen turkeys for the Thanksgiving baskets. Please contact Reiner Mueller if able to donate. Thanks!

FUEL 9-12th grade – Sunday, November 11 at **9:30 AM** we will be assembling college care packages to send out to our youth who are attending college away from home.

Over 50's Group will meet **Tuesday, November 13** at **12:15 PM**. Bring your bag lunch and meet in the *Fellowship Hall*.

Men's Basketball - All men of First Church (18 and over) are invited to join us for fun, fellowship and exercise by playing pickup basketball games on **Thursday evenings** from **7:30-9:00 PM** at *Kinsner Elementary School*. Any questions, contact Wayne Mosley at wmosley238@gmail.com.

Altar Guild is seeking additional members; members serve once every five weeks as part of a team. Please contact Beth David at bethdavid34500@hotmail.com to be part of this very special group serving our congregation.

We are looking for additional **nursery attendants** on Sunday mornings, if you are interested, please contact Bonnie Bailey at bailey.bonnie@cleanharbors.com.

Congregational Meeting will be on **Sunday, November 18** at **9:45 AM**. We will need 75 Members to conduct business. We will be voting on the following:
2019 Budget
Constitutional Amendment Regarding Quorum
By Law addition for Stanley Scholarship Fund

On **Sunday, November 18, 3:00 – 5:00 PM** we are pleased to host **Dr. David Pilgrim**, founder and curator of the Jim Crow Museum of Racist Memorabilia located on the campus of Ferris State University in Big Rapids, MI. Dr. Pilgrim is also the Vice President of Diversity and Inclusion at Ferris State, and is one of the country's leading experts on multiculturalism, diversity, and race relations. Dr. Pilgrim will give a one hour presentation on "The Power of Honest Conversation About Race" using artifacts from the museum, followed by a brief break for refreshments, then we will have an hour of "engagement time" in small groups that will be led by Dr. Pilgrim. The event is free and open to the public and is appropriate for ages 12 and older. Child care will be available.

Volunteers will be needed to pack the food baskets on **Tuesday, November 20** at **9:00 AM** in the *Fellowship Hall*. To sign up, please call or e-mail: Reiner Mueller reinermueller@sbcglobal.net or 440-846-0532.

Community Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service will be **Wednesday, November 21, 7:00 PM** at *Strongsville United Church of Christ*. All are welcome!

WOW Events:

Book Club on **Saturday, November 10, 9:00 AM** at Market District in Strongsville. We will discuss the book "*When Breath Becomes Air*" by Paul Kalanithi. Please sign up at the *Welcome Center*, books will be provided.

Do you have a prayer request? Please use the bulletin board over the water fountain to make your prayer concerns known.

The new devotional books are available on the credenza outside the church office.

First Lutheran Busy Bags contain quiet items, crayons and books for children to use during the service. They can be found on the wooden stand in the back of the sanctuary.

Prayer Request Cards may be found inside the fellowship pads at the end of each pew. If you would like to include someone in today's prayers, please fill out the card. The pastor will collect the cards immediately before the Prayers of the Faithful.

Nursery Policy - The nursery is reserved for children through age 3 only. Older children are invited to attend Sunday School or worship with their families. Thank you!

November 4 - 11 at First

Sunday	9:15 AM	Sunday School
Monday	7:00 PM	Bible Bonanza
	7:00 PM	Confirmation
	7:00 PM	AA
Tuesday	6:00 PM	Crossroad Stitchers
	6:30 PM	Pub Church
	7:00 PM	Toastmaster's
	7:30 PM	Al-Anon
Wednesday	7:30 PM	Chancel Choir
Thursday	6:30 PM	Praise Band Rehearsal
	7:30 PM	Men's Basketball
Saturday	9:00 AM	WOW Book Club
	9:30 AM	Strongsville Food Bank

Next Sunday -

- 8:30 AM - Contemporary Service
- 9:45 AM - Sunday School
- 11:00 AM - Traditional Service
- 12:00 PM - Bell Choir

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