

# The Disciple

Faith Presbyterian Church's Monthly Newsletter  
5555 Chambersburg Rd. Huber Heights, Ohio 45424



*So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth (1 Corinthians 3:7.)*

What wants to grow in you this Lent? How about one of the fruits of the spirit, like love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, or self-control? Which one would you like to see sprout a bit deeper in you? I'm looking forward to our Lenten garden theme which begins on Ash Wednesday, March 2. What do seeds need to grow? How about soil, water, light and time? We need those things too, in different ways. God is always trying to plant seeds in us. Sometimes they take root and sprout easily, and other times not so much.

The word "Lent" comes from an old English word meaning "to get longer." During Lent, the days are indeed getting longer, but only if you live in the Northern Hemisphere. The idea for Lent grew out of the time people spent preparing to be baptized as adults on Easter. For the 40 days before Easter, they lived apart from their families, being taught about the faith and practicing spiritual disciplines like prayer, fasting and solitude. Easter had an even more personal meaning when you were preparing for baptism.

The spiritual disciplines will never go out of style. They help grow those seeds God plants in us. Conversation and sharing ideas help too. That's what we aim to do Sunday mornings at 9:30 during Lent as we read [A Time to Grow: Lenten Lessons from the Garden to the Table](#). There's still time to get your copy and join us. Each week has a theme: Order, Life, Water, Light, Restoration, Time, Fast and Feast!

We may not have much control over the disturbing events going on in the world today, but we can vow to walk closer with God in our own lives. If we start there, you'd be amazed how we can effect change in our circle of family and friends and on out from there, like ripples on a pond.

*Hope to see you in worship soon!*

*Pastor Julia*



# ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Greg Hughes

Financial Secretary: Don Niece

Treasurer: Diane Grycz

Support: Paul Brown and Keith Williams

|             |                 |                 |
|-------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Finances:   | Jan             | YTD             |
| Income:     | \$ 7,927        | \$ 7,927        |
| Expenses:   | <u>\$26,596</u> | <u>\$26,596</u> |
| Difference: | \$18,669        | \$18,669        |

Next Meeting: Mar 3rd at 7 PM

- \* Expenses were greater than income by \$18,669.
- \* A big expense paid in January was for our 2 new front entrance doors. The total cost was \$15,950. There was \$10,275 in the capital campaign given last year that helped pay for the doors. The rest of the cost will come out of the Memorial fund.
- \* Our 1<sup>st</sup> quarter payment for the building insurance was also paid - \$2,145.
- \* A-1 Able Pest has been hired to eliminate a pest problem in the Pre-school.
- \* The Annual Congregational Meeting will be held March 13.

## Session Notes

February 17, 2022

Session met on February 17 by Zoom. Pastor Julia attended UCC and Presbytery meetings. She continues visitations, phone calls, and texts to watch over our flock and leads preschool chapel. Session approved the 2021 Statistical Report which provides Presbytery and General Assembly details of the congregation makeup and finances. A report was received from Keith Williams regarding the Presbytery Meeting, noting that the Presbytery office moved from Smithville Road to Sugar Creek Presbyterian Church on Bigger Road as the Memorial Church building is being sold. Nominating Committee is actively recruiting for Session, Deacon, and committee members. Please prayerfully consider volunteering for one of these positions to serve your church.

It's great to do good things for God  
It can fill our hearts with pride...  
We feel as if we're standing tall  
With the Lord right by our side

If pride is why we do things,  
Then our motivation's wrong...  
There'll be no joy in heaven...  
No triumphant angel's song



If we want to stand beside the Lord,  
If it's God we aim to please...  
He'll never see us stand so tall...

As when  
we're on  
our knees!

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Lent officially begins March 2 with Ash Wednesday. We will be worshipping together at 5PM and settling our hearts and mind on this time of preparation. Please consider joining us in person or Zoom.

Sunday mornings at 9:30AM beginning March 6th until April 10th we will be going through the book A Time to Grow: Lenten Lessons from the Garden to the Table. We have chosen this study as we move forward with our mission objective to become an Hunger Action Congregation. Please join us to learn more about this mission. The cost of the book is \$9.

Presbyterian Women are still meeting the second Thursday of the month at 1PM. This study is still on going and it's not to late too join them.

Book Club is an active time of fellowship. Each month a different person chooses a book that is diverse and interesting. Speak with Pastor Julia or Linda Niece on how to get involved.

Would you like to be a worship leader or usher? Please let Cyndi Adams know. To be a greeter, speak with Beverly Brown.

*Every individual who volunteers makes possible the many ministries of Faith. We ask that you pray over and consider how you can serve. If you have any questions please contact Pastor Julia or Cyndi Adams. Thank you so much!*

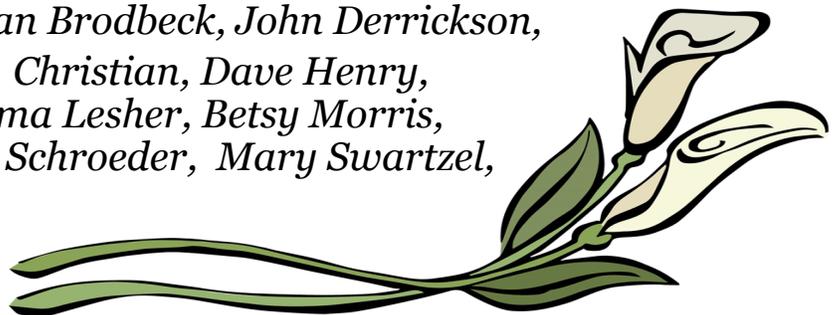
*Please stay safe and in contact with us, we care about every member.  
Cyndi Adams, Chris TenBroeke, Jo Hall, and Pat Harris*

### *Sunday's Leaders for March*

|    | Worship Leader | Usher           |
|----|----------------|-----------------|
| 6  | Keith Williams | Chris TenBroeke |
| 13 | Ellen Mayhew   | Chris Adams     |
| 20 | Mary Skare     | Bev Brown       |
| 27 | Pat Harris     | Mary Skare      |

*Prayers  
of the  
Church*

*Julian Brodbeck, John Derrickson,  
Bob Christian, Dave Henry,  
Norma Leshar, Betsy Morris,  
Roy Schroeder, Mary Swartzel,*





# Faith Presbyterian Church

Huber Heights, Ohio



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Christians growing in Faith by caring, connecting, & serving community



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**Cindy Corell**  
and the people of Haiti

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[ccorell70@gmail.com](mailto:ccorell70@gmail.com)



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World Mission

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**\$16**  
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20 concrete blocks



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Maps & posters for a classroom



**\$100**  
A bench for a classroom

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*Thank you for your support.*



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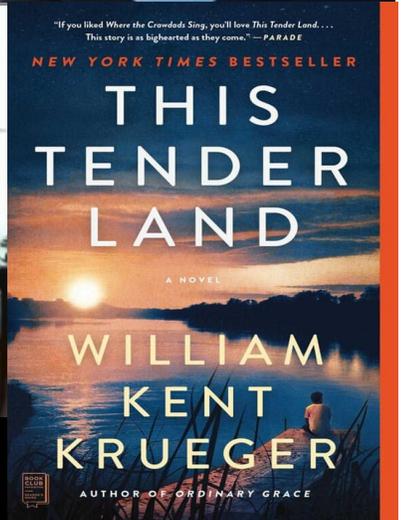
Thank you to all who donated food for the FISH food pantry in February. The delivery of 20 boxes of cereal and 5 other bags of groceries was much appreciated.



**The next volunteer day at the Food Bank will be March 23, 8:30-12:00, 56 Armor Place, Dayton. Please let Mary Skare know if you will be able to join us. Thank you.**



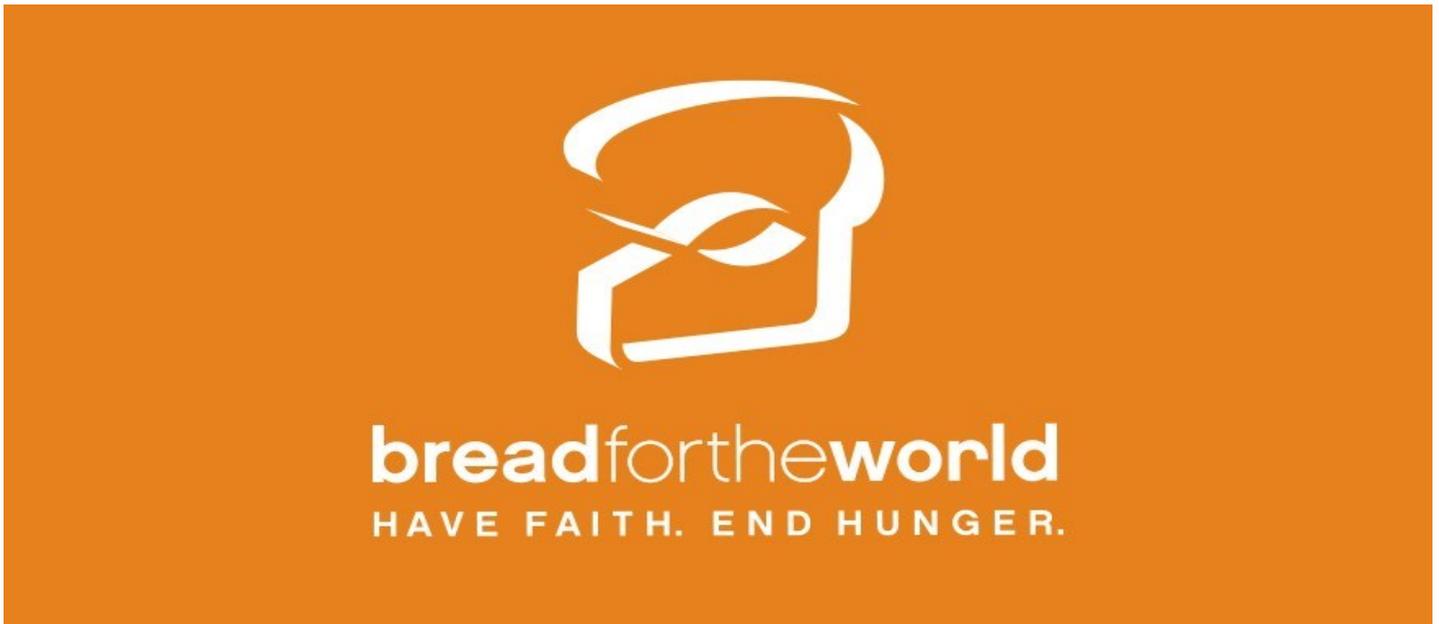
*February's Zoom Book Group was I'M POSSIBLE by Richard A. White. According to reliable sources even Lilly likes book club. Each month a different book is chosen by a different person that makes for interesting conversation. If you are interested in joining the conversation speak to Linda or Pastor Julia.*



## Sweet Communion Book Group

In March we will be reading "*This Tender Land* " by *William Kent Krueger*". Over the course of one unforgettable summer, this book follows four orphan vagabonds' journey into the unknown, crossing paths with others who are adrift, from struggling farmers and traveling faith healers to displaced families and lost souls of all kinds. With the feel of a modern classic, *This Tender Land* is an enthralling, bighearted epic that shows how the magnificent American landscape connects us all, haunts our dreams, and makes us whole.

Speak to Pastor Julia about how to join in on this wonderful time fellowship on March 16th 5PM on Zoom.



Offering of Letters – Sunday, March 20

As part of this season of Lent, we are holding an Offering of Letters to live out our faith in the world around us. Our advocacy, together with that of congregations around the country, makes a real difference – in 2021 Congress passed the American Rescue Plan Act of 2021. The legislation contains numerous provisions that will help people struggling with hunger and poverty.

Even so, the levels of U.S hunger are now higher than during the Great Depression, and the social and economic impact of the pandemic continues to devastate families and communities in the U.S. and around the world, with more than 270 million people facing extreme hunger—up from 135 million before the pandemic.

On Sunday, March 20, we will hold a letter-writing event in the parlor after Worship (all materials provided, including optional pre-printed letters), and on Sunday, March 27 our letters will be blessed as an offering and mailed to Congress.

You can also submit your letters to Congress by [EMAIL NOW](#) in this link to Bread for the World!





# THE GOOD



Our preschoolers were going through the month of February learning about God's love for them and how God wants them to love one another.

They learned about the My Food Plate, President's Day, Dental Health, Hibernation and learned about their Bible Hero of the month, Joseph.

One of the most favorite things they love to do in February is have a Valentine Party where they give cards to their friends!

We are having a fundraiser selling Butter Braid pastry. There are lots of different flavors and the cost is \$14.00. If you are interested see Mary Skare. Funds will go to professional development training for our preschool staff.

Keep an eye out in the bulletin about our Book Fair March 10– 18 or ask Mary Skare for more information. Thank you for supporting this important ministry!



- 1 *Dave Henry*
- 2 *Jenny Davis*
- 5 *Lorrie Brown*
- 6 *Cyndi Adams*
- Samantha Adams*
- 8 *John TenBroeke*
- 14 *Erica Jenks*
- 20 *Chris TenBroeke*
- 28 *Daniel Brown*



On the first Sunday of the month the Worship and Nurture committee places flower arrangements on the chancel in memory / honor of loved ones of the family of Faith.

If you would like to provide a flower arrangement in memory/ honor of a loved one return the following form with your donation to Samantha. The arrangements cost \$18 for one and \$36 for two, make the checks payable to Faith Presbyterian Church. Your Gift will be recognized in the bulletin, unless you ask otherwise. Please check the form if you would like to pick up the arrangements after worship, otherwise it will be delivered to someone who needs a little cheer. For more information please contact Samantha Adams.

### Memorial Flower Gift

Please accept my donation of \$18\_\_\_\_ \$36\_\_\_\_  
 For the Memorial flowers fund in Memory of /  
 Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

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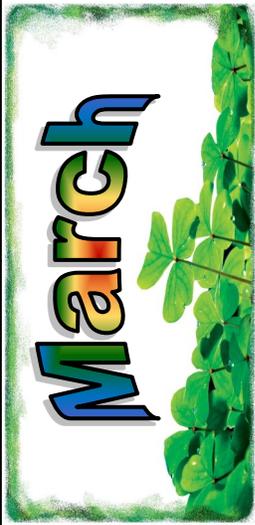
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Given By: \_\_\_\_\_  
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I would like to pick up the arrangement \_\_\_\_\_



*3 Roy & Jan Schroeder*

| Sun | Mon   | Tue | Wed  | Thu  | Fri               | Sat                  |
|-----|---|-----|--|--|-------------------|----------------------|
|     |  |     |  |  |                   |                      |
| 6   | 9:30A Lenten Study<br>10:30A Worship & Nurture 11:30 A.                             | 8   | 9  | 10   | 11                | 12                   |
|     | 7   |     |  |  |                   |                      |
|     | 8:15A Exercise  |     | 8:15A Exercise<br>10:30A Blankets                        | <i>Preschool Book-</i><br>Women 1 PM<br>Session 7 PM   | 11 8:15A Exercise |                      |
| 13  | Annual Meeting Sunday<br>9:30A Lenten Study<br>10:30A Worship                       | 15  | 16   | 17   | 18                | 19                   |
|     | 14  |     |  | <br>Saint Patrick's Day | 18 8:15A Exercise |                      |
|     | 8:15A Exercise  |     | 8:15A Exercise<br>10:30A Blankets<br>5 PM Book Club Zoom |  | 25                | 26                   |
| 20  | Offering of Letters Sunday<br>9:30A Lenten Study<br>10:30A Worship                  | 22  | 23   | 24   |                   |                      |
|     | 21  |     |  |  | 8:15A Exercise    |                      |
|     | 8:15A Exercise  |     | 8:15A Exercise<br>10:30A Blankets                        |  |                   |                      |
| 27  | 9:30A Lenten Study<br>10:30A Worship  | 29  | 30   | 31   |                   |                      |
|     | 28  |     |  |  |                   |                      |
|     | 8:15A Exercise  |     | 8:15A Exercise<br>10:30A Blankets                        |  |                   |                      |
|     | 10:30A Worship  |     |  |  |                   |                      |
|     |   |     |  |  |                   | 5<br>Session 8:30 AM |