



June 2025

LIFELINE

May Highlights



Fellowship at our
luau themed
Sunday Fun Day



Volunteering at Matthew 25 Ministries



Serving lunch at the Senior Center





CLERK'S CORNER

Session Meeting Recap

May 18, 2025

Pastor Joe opened with prayer and thanked Kathleen for providing lunch. The Clerk reported a quorum was present.

To comply with the new Book of Order requirement that all Session members attend Boundary Training, we watched the first video of the online course.

Session approved:

- the March 16 meeting minutes.
- (via email prior to the meeting) Pastor Joe's request for leave to attend an out of state funeral of a close family friend.
- moving the next Session meeting to June 22 following worship.

Information reviewed and accepted

- the current membership roll total is 82.
- the financial report for the period 01/01/25 – 04/28/25. YTD income \$81,023.53 Expenses \$73,767.67, for a net gain of \$7,285.86.

Information received:

- a copy of the Property minutes for information.
- the Pastor's report, for January and February which includes pastoral care contacts, information on the weekly Cornerstone class, community activities, and Presbytery meetings attended.
- copies of committee assignments.
- flyers to various Presbytery events.

Committee Reports:

- CLS: The **Sunday Fun Day** with a luau theme was an enormous success. Thank you to the committee and Linda, whose friend from Hawaii provided the recipes that were used.

Operations:

- Property: The property committee has been busy trying to resolve the roof issues which cause leaks when we have heavy rain. This is an ongoing issue which is not yet resolved.
- Various lights are in the process of being repaired or replaced.
- Our insurance was renewed although there was a significant increase.
- The committee decided to postpone the installation of a new AC unit in the lower elementary classroom.
- Exploring the cost and name of a company that will strip and wax the Fellowship Hall.
- The committee plans to ask the Boy Scout Troop if they would be willing to lay mulch and move large rocks.
- Decided to give the City of Fairborn all the Pinewood Derby equipment for use during their 75th Anniversary events scheduled for summer 2025.

Personnel:

- Noted that Jeff Firestone's 25th anniversary is coming soon.

Additional Information:

Presbytery Report: A regular meeting was held March 13. They voted to approve creating an Administrative Commission to help Honeycreek decide going forward as their membership has decreased. A new Presbytery Moderator, Vice Moderator, and chair of the Leadership Council were installed. At the meeting, commissioners were advised that 23 of the GA amendments were approved.

Kathleen Seewer
2025 Clerk of Session

A NOTE FROM ECCLESIAL—OUR RESIDENT CHURCH MOUSE

Happy June! We had a great month of May in the life of our church - and are looking forward to the lazy days of summer. As you enter the building, notice the beautiful geraniums provided and planted by Art and Judy. They do this every year in honor of their parents and for all of you to enjoy. If you missed out on our Hawaiian themed Sunday Fun Day - you missed a lot. The children made rain sticks, the food was delicious - including some authentic Hawaiian dishes provided by Aileen—a friend of some church members. The decorations were fun and Aileen's music CDs made it feel like we were in Hawaii. I hear there was a busy day volunteering at Matthew 25 Ministries - started off by lunch at their delicious cafe. We appreciate Diane's sister, Susan, having everything set up for us to help us make the most of our time there. The Senior Center lunch was another home run - and the wife and I were able to "clean up" the leftover tasty treats that were brought back for Cornerstone Class. You ALL are a blessing to one another and the community - and we are proud to be your resident church mice. ~**Ecclesial Mouse**





Happy Birthday!

June 7 Richard Winters

Communion Preparers

Would you be interested in preparing communion sometime for worship service? It's not a hard job.

The monthly responsibility is divided equally among the individuals who volunteer. Training is available! If you are interested in this, please see Julie or Diane.



Congratulation Graduates!

Addy, our Sunday School Helper, graduated from Greenon High School on Friday May 23rd. She plans to attend the University of Akron in the fall.



Stephanie Fujioka, daughter of Maryann and Paul Schneider, graduated with honors on May 17th from USC Bakersfield, in Bakersfield California. After completing her student teaching, she plans to be a teacher.

William Riley McMillan, son of Tricia and John McMillan and grandson of Carolyn and Bill McMillan, graduated on May 17th from Miami University in Oxford, Ohio with a Bachelor of Science in Biology.



A Celebrity Among Us

Congratulations Heidi on being named her class's "Knight of the Year". This award is given to the student who shows the three "Be's" of the school—"Be respectful, Be Safe, Be Responsible". This is not only in the classroom but all areas of the building, the cafeteria, on field trips, and special assemblies. Proud parents, Leslie and Roland, and grandparents, Mitch and Troy, were there to share in this very special occasion. Great job Heidi!



Caught in the Act!

Art Myers was caught in the act planting the beautiful geraniums that he and Judy donated. Thank you also goes out to Donna and Dan Kulhanek for donating the mulch. Scout Troop 72 laid the mulch and weeded the Mariner's Garden in the lower parking lot. Thank you Art, Judy, Donna, Dan, and Scout Troop 72 for beautifying the church grounds. The congregation and our neighbors will enjoy the beautiful look all summer.



Eyeglass Recycling

Since 1925, Lions International Club has been a champion in helping combat vision impairment and blindness. Our church is a collection site of used eyeglasses for the Fairborn Lions Club. In addition to prescription and non-prescription eyeglasses, the Lions Club also collects all types of sunglasses and eyeglass cases. If you have any glasses or cases that you would like to recycle, you can leave them in the yellow and blue box in the Lower Narthex. Thank you!



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Sun

Mon

Tue

Wed

Thu

Fri

Sat

1 10:15 am Worship with Communion	2 11:30 am Hope Circle Picnic - Fellowship Hall	3	4 2:00 pm Cornerstone Class —Lounge	5	6	7
8 10:15 am Worship	9	10	11 2:00 pm Cornerstone Class —Lounge	12	13	14 
15 10:15 am Worship 	16	17	18 2:00 pm Cornerstone Class —Lounge	19	20	21
22 10:15 am Worship 11:30 Session Meeting	23	24	25 11:30 am Sr. Ctr. Lunch 2:00 pm Cornerstone Class —Lounge	26 Lifeline articles due in office	27	28
29 10:15 am Worship	30					

SCHOOL PANTRY NEEDS

A shopping list is provided for your use. Any items collected will be given to the Fairborn School Pantry. You can leave items in the bins in the narthex. If you need help with shopping or with pick-up and delivery, just let me know. I'll be happy to help.

Linda Hartsock

School Pantry Coordinator



Pasta Noodles	Oatmeal	Crackers
Pasta Sauce	Pancake Mix (add water only)	Snacks
Ravioli (Can or individual)	Pancake Syrup	Canned Vegetables
Soup	Poptarts	Juice
Rice and Noodle Mixes	Nuts	Paper Towels
Mac and Cheese (Box or individual)	Pudding	Toilet Paper
Tuna and Chicken cans	Fruit cups	Shampoo/Cond.
Vegetable Oil/Spray	Peanut Butter	Body Wash
Cereal	Jelly	Feminine Hygiene
Breakfast bars/muffins		

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(closed Monday, Tuesday, and Friday)

“The Friendliest Church in Town”

Sunday Worship: 10:15 am with an on-line option from the church website

Pastor: Reverend Joe Hinds

email: pastorjoe1stpres@gmail.com

Financial Secretary: Carolyn McMillan

Organist: Jeff Firestone

Choir Director: Shelda Cox

Director of Chancel Ringers: Rena Leatherman

SESSION

Moderator: Reverend Joe Hinds

Clerk: Kathleen Seewer

Ruling Elders: Julie Brown, Linda Hartsock, Dixie Jenkins, Art Myers,
Kathleen Seewer, David Sellers, Kim Sellers, Roland Sommer, and Diane Sondergelt

Articles for next month's Lifeline need to be in the office by June 26th.

**There will be a limited number of copies of the *Lifeline*
in the lower narthex if you want to pick one up.**

**Please let the office know of any meetings that you have scheduled in the church building
so that we can maintain an accurate calendar and answer questions as folks call.**