

FPC SCROLL

the monthly newsletter of

First Presbyterian Church
4227 Broadway
Grove City, OH 43123

Rev. Robert R. Tolar, Jr., Pastor

Our Mission Statement:

“to know Christ and make Him known.”



In an effort to be faithfully and prayerfully prepared, the contemporary worship planning team is rescheduling the first worship service for a date in the near future (the planning team will decide the date at their April 27th meeting). The May 1st date is too close to bring God their best efforts.

Watch the worship bulletin for the new date. Mark your calendar and be prepared to worship and give thanks!

While you're waiting for this new service, keep the planning team in your prayers.

Contents:

Vacation Bible School	2
Christian Ed News	3
Presbyterian Women	4
Presbyterian Men's Fellowship	4
MOPS	4
ACTS	5
Boy Scouts	5
Session Highlights	6
Names & Numbers	6
Birthdays	7
Anniversaries	7
Graduates	8
Tribute to Mom	8
Calendar	9

**June SCROLL
DEADLINE:
May 15, 2011**

The 2011 Vacation Bible School program for Pre-School through Sixth Grade is...



July 11-15. 9am to Noon
Closing program for students, parents, family, and friends will be Friday evening, July 15, at 6:30pm.

Inside Out & Upside Down on Main Street is full of fun, music, games, projects, snacks, and other kid-friendly activities.

But Main Street is not just about fun and games - it's about changing lives and helping kids see how Jesus can make a difference every day. Each day kids will be challenged to talk about Jesus' parables, put the Word on the Street into action, and make choices that serve others!

Lord, show me your ways.
 Teach me how to follow you.
 Guide me in your truth. Teach me.
 You are God my Savior.
 I put my hope in you all day long.
 Psalm 25:4-5

If you have any questions, contact Phyllis Gibbs (871-2300) or Sherry Kuehnle (877-9501). Volunteer and Registration forms will be available Mid-May.

TOP 10 REASONS FOR VBS:

10. You can't buy that kind of excitement in other programs.
9. Adults get to build relationships with other adults.
8. It gives adults a chance to serve and see how much fun and how rewarding working with kids can be.
7. It gives the kids in your church a chance to spend some time together.
6. Parents get a chance to hear the gospel.
5. It's still a great outreach event.
4. You get to build relationships with kids.
3. Kids love it.
2. It is an opportunity to share the gospel of Christ.
1. It's just plain fun!



VBS!

MORE CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS



9:50-10:50am
Every Sunday
All ages

May Sunday School Lessons:

B.I.G. Theme: It's time for a change.

B.I.G. Idea: We believe that God's presence in our lives can completely change us.

May's Bible Verse: *"Anyone who belongs to Christ is a new person. The past is forgotten, and everything is new."*
2 Corinthians 5:17, CEV

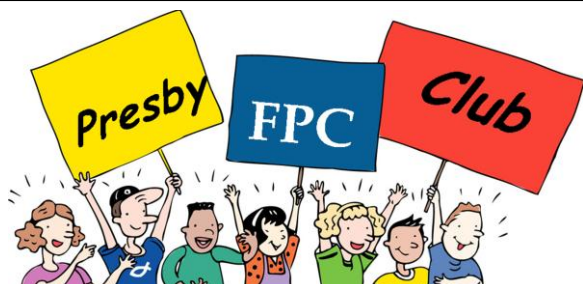
May 1 - Woman at the Well.

May 10 - Zacchaeus

May 15 - Paul

May 22 - Lydia

May 29 - Peter and Cornelius



PRESBY CLUB

All kids, grades 5-8, are invited to join us from 5-6:30pm in the Fellowship Center.

Presby Club will meet twice in May.

On May 1st, we'll meet at 5:00pm in the Fellowship Center

On May 15th we'll meet from 3-5:00pm at Putt & Play, Grove City for our End of Year Party.

Check out the bulletin board in the Fellowship Center hallway for more Presby Club details. If you have any questions, please contact Joel Ellen and Mark Stewart at 871-7463 or 348-5436.



God's

All Kids - K - 4th grade

Join us from 5-6:30pm on Sunday nights in room C3 for a Bible lesson, crafts, snacks, games and more. In May, God's Kids will meet on May 1st, 15th and 22nd.

Questions? Contact Raena at 226-4422, rwalstra@hotmail.com; or Diane at 871-1504, dcordle@wwwilliams.com.

BIBLES FOR 3rd GRADERS

The Christian Education Committee will be presenting 3rd grade students with a Bible on Mother' Day, May 8th. If you have a 3rd grader or know of a 3rd grader in our congregation who should receive a Bible please notify Sherry Kuehnle (877-9501) or the church office (875-4322).



Aww...
Isn't she cute!?!

How long has it been since you've had the

pleasure of caring for a little one? Can't remember? Now's your chance! We are in need of childcare providers in the nursery during the Sunday School Hour. If you can help, please sign up on the sheet across from the church office. If you have questions, please contact Ted Nixon (875-8724).

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

All ladies of the church are invited to attend one of our Circle Meetings which will be on May 24th, here at the church.

Faith Circle meets from 9:30 to 11:30am.

Peace Circle meets from 7:00 to 9:00pm.

Please call the Circle Moderator of the Circle you'd like to attend if you need transportation.

Questions for May 24, 2011:

1. What is one accomplishment that gave you great satisfaction?
2. Have you ever been on jury duty?
3. What is the greatest sin?

May Hostesses: Faith – Wanda McCready and Juanita Peitsmeyer-Scoles
Peace – Debbie Wilson



PRESBYTERIAN MENS' FELLOWSHIP

Men of First Presbyterian, come and join the PMF. The May breakfast and Bible study will be Saturday, May 14th, with the breakfast/meeting at 7:30am and study at 8:00. We hope you'll join us, **and invite a friend (member or non-member of FPC).**

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Howard Turner (877-0863), Jack Smith (875-0526) or Randy Ross (875-0374).

FROM THE DEACONS

NEED A RIDE...

To church or to a doctor's appointment? If so, the Deacons can help. Contact Karl Knight (740-852-0796, kathykarlk@msn.com) or Judy Linder (875-0824) to request a ride. If you are able to provide transportation for those in our congregation, please let Karl or Judy know.

ARE YOU ILL OR HOMEBOUND?

The Deacons request you contact them for any news of illnesses, injuries, or hospitalizations. Please call the church office (875-4322), Phil Holdren (614-875-2109) one of the Deacons.

HAVE A NEED?

If you have a need and the Deacons can help, call the church office (875-4322) or let one of the Deacons know.



What will MOPS mean to you (or someone you know)?
Join our new **Mothers Of Preschoolers** group and find out.
Next meeting is from 9:30-11:30am on September 9th at FPC.
Questions: email Letitia Wiltshire (letitiawiltshire@yahoo.com)
or Keira McGlone (keiramcglone@yahoo.com)

**ACTS:
Active Christians
Transforming
Society**

ACTS IN GROVE CITY

On Saturday, June 11, 2011, we hope to unite the efforts of the 2011 volunteers, all in bright orange tee shirts, representing more than 15 churches in Grove City and the surrounding area; joining together as the Body of Christ, transforming our community with love and service. Projects will include: painting (inside and outside), lawn care, community cleanup, small home repair, free car wash (great for youth groups) and baking and delivering cookies. Please stop in the Fellowship Center to sign up for where you can help be part of the "active transforming" Church. If you have questions, contact Randy Ross (875-0374).



PROJECTS FOR ACTS

Do you know any single moms, widows, elderly on fixed incomes, disabled or unemployed, who could use some help for one day in the areas of painting, lawn care, community cleanup, small home repair or a shut in who would appreciate a visit and home baked cookies? If so please stop by the ACTS sign up table in the Fellowship Center and pick up an application. ACTS in Grove City is actively seeking projects for our work day on June 11th.



BSA 136 NEWS

What a busy month!

An incredible 5 Eagle Scouts received their awards plus countless merit badges have been awarded to members of the troop since the last *Scroll*.

Mulch Day (04/16) meant that the scouts who worked earned money to pay for their summer camp as 3641 bags of mulch were delivered with a high percentage of them spread on the property owners' gardens. At the start of Mulch Day, when you see all the skids of mulch bags lined up, you wonder whether they will ever be used. As the day progresses and boys' fathers with pick-up trucks and some even with trailers, gnaw away at the piles, they eventually disappear. A well-deserved lunch for hungry boys was provided by volunteer mothers consisting of the kind of food a working boy need: hot dogs and hamburgers!

Many thanks and kudos go to all the volunteers who worked so hard to organize a smooth operation and helped work such an energy consuming project. Special thanks to Dave Thomas who provided the skid loader to unload the skids from the three delivering semis and then transport skids of mulch to specific close destinations. With the current price of gas, this was a great donation.

It was good to see tired boys at the end of the day find a Frisbee and still have enough energy and enthusiasm to toss it about.

Scouting helps boys to develop skills and two of these are comradeship and teamwork, both very apparent on Mulch Day.

Session Meeting Highlights for April 2011

- Pastor Tolar opened with prayer.
- Karl Knight reported to Session on the Deacon's activities. Karl outlined the upcoming Easter Breakfast plans for Sunday, April 24.
- Stephen and Rachel Katterhenrich shared with Session their plans to hold a concert at our church on Sunday, June 12, at 3 PM, to raise funds for their Wycliffe Translators Mission to Tanzania.
- Jan Miller reported to Session on the current status of the Memorial – Designated Funds.
- The Membership Committee set the date of September 9 for the Fall MOPS program meeting.
- The Worship Sub-Committee on Alternative Service(s) reported to Session on their progress to date.
- The Nominating Committee will meet on April 12 to begin the nominating process for 2011.
- The Christian Education Committee has set the date for the 2011 Vacation Bible School for July 11 to 15.
- The next meeting of the Presbytery of the Scioto Valley will be held at our own FPC on Tuesday, May 17.
- Set the date for the next Session meeting for Sunday, May 15.
- Session closed with prayer.

Highlights were compiled and prepared by: Howard Turner, Clerk of Session

SESSION

Session members represent the church body that they've been elected to serve. That's why the *Scroll* will list the name, telephone number, and specific committee of Session members in every issue. Church members are encouraged to contact church elders to share questions, concerns, or suggestions.

Clerk of Session	Howard Turner	877-0963	House	Kirk Bohanan	871-4635
Christian Ed	Sherry Kuehnle	877-9501	House	Mark Stewart	871-7463
Christian Ed	Phyllis Gibbs	871-2300	House	Bill Seaton	761-1713
Christian Ed	Diane Cordle	871-1504	Stewardship/Nominating		
Membership	Julia Scholl	539-1492		Rick McKinney	539-9454
Membership	Chris Stein	878-2782	Stewardship/Nominating		
Membership	Denise Stuckert	563-5405		Jeff Ledbetter	871-0502
Worship	Grace Marcum	877-2427	Stewardship/Nominating		
Worship	Todd Miller	871-2789		Pam Schirner	871-2387
Worship	Betty Lawless	875-2238			

DEACON'S OUTREACH

The following persons are serving as Deacons:

Bob Schirner*	871-2387
Karl Knight	740-852-0796
Bill Niles	539-9954
Barbara Holbrook	871-9179
Ruth Rossi	875-7488
Susan Sellars	539-0867
Wendy Shear	875-3549
Phil Holdren	875-2109
Judy Linder	875-0823
Debbie Wilson	875-7325
Keith Larsen	875-6225

* Deacon Moderator

PW BOARD

JUNE 2010-2011

<i>Moderator:</i>	Debra Niles	539-9954
<i>Vice-Moderator:</i>	Helen Huntington	539-9853
<i>Secretary:</i>	To be determined	
<i>Treasurer:</i>	Gwen Miller	875-2477
<i>Missions:</i>	Katharine Knight	740/852- 0796
<i>Moderator - Faith Circle:</i>	Susan Renick	871-1824
<i>Moderator - Peace Circle</i>	Debbie Wilson	875-7325



05/01 Amber Kennett	05/17 Paul Miller
05/04 Dustin Rogers	Pam Schirner
05/05 Diana Forrester	Cynthia Smith
Aiden McGlone	05/18 Scott McIntire
Tony Vinco	05/19 Bill Nelson
Nancy Wilson	05/21 Kevin McIntire
05/06 Beth Hodgden	Bailey Rogers
Molly Patrick	Howard Turner
Ruth Rossi	05/22 Donna Ludwick
Caila Schoen	05/23 Christian Bartunek
05/07 Miriam Todd	Judy Linder
Paige Tolar	05/25 Jared Brode
05/08 Karen Holbrook	Amanda Koenig
Jack Leibrock	Matthew Kuehnle
05/11 Missy Hogan	05/26 Donald Gibbs
05/12 Jonathan Pack	Dick Jameson
Connie Price	Arlen Miller
05/13 Jessica Mulvany	Roger Sidner
05/14 Paul Alexeeff	05/28 Joshua Myers
Mary Lou Berg	Elza Olama
Joyce Line	05/29 Alex Grinch
05/15 Erin Tolar	Todd Miller
05/16 Mark Scholl	Bill Morgan
Alison Sprow	Carolyn Weiczorek
	05/31 Erik Fischer

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

May 1st

Beth & Don Noe

May 3rd

Joyce & Dick Davis

May 4th

Joyce & Bill Purdy

May 17th

Doris & Jack Leibrock

May 21st

Martha & Bob Adams

May 22nd

Lisa & Mark Langford

May 25th

Harriett & Paul Miller

May 27th

Barbara & Tim Bell

May 30th

Katharine & Karl Knight



*“Never yet
was a Springtime
when the flowers
forgot to bloom”*

- Sangster

THANK YOU! THANK YOU!

Paul, Easton and I would like to express our heartfelt thankfulness at the outpouring of love we received through your prayers and cards for us regarding the death of my father, George Serafini. Though he was eighty-three and not in good health for some time, nothing could have prepared my family and me for the loss we have felt at his passing. We will always remember with deepest love and gratitude your kindness to us in this very difficult time. All of you will remain in our prayers; please keep us in yours, also.

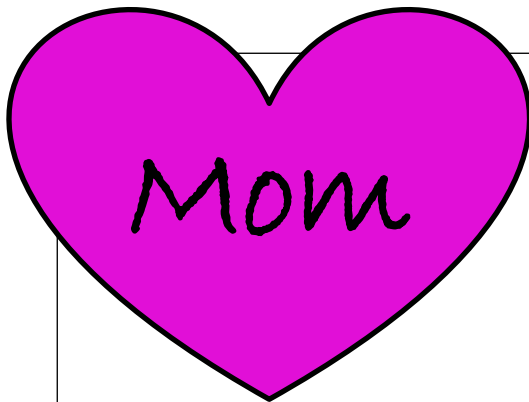
Love in Christ, Debbie Alexeeff

Jim Lawless and family would like to thank the congregation for their prayers, many cards and food items during his recovery from surgery. He especially enjoyed the cards received from the Membership Committee that were so beautifully detailed. Your concern and graciousness are endearing. Our blessings to all.



We're Proud of You!

In June, we would like to honor those in our congregation who will be graduating from high school, college or university this year. Please let the church office know if you have a graduate or know of a graduate in our congregation by calling 875-4322 or by sending an email to fpcgc@midohio.twcbc.com. Please give their name, from where they are graduating, and any future plans.



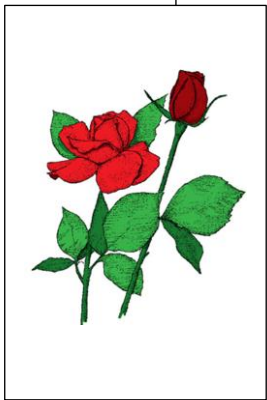
You Let Me Know You Love Me

You let me know you love me in so many different ways. You make me feel important with encouragement and praise. You're always there when I need you to comfort and to care. I know I'm in your thoughts; your love follows me everywhere. Thank you for all you've done and given so generously. I love you, my wonderful mother; you're a heaven-sent blessing to me.

J Fuchs

In the eyes of kids...

- If mom's not happy, nobody's happy. Neely, age 13
- When you make a face behind your mom's back, she knows. Elizabeth, age 12
- You only have one mom, and you should take care of her. Sean, age 12
- When Mom's asleep, don't wake her up. Amber, age 10
- If mom says "no," she means it. If dad says "no," it means maybe. Joseph, age 13
- Despite all the loving and caring relationships in the world, there is nothing more loving than the feel of my mother's hand on my forehead when I am sick. Rosemary, age 17
- When your mom is mad at your dad, don't let her brush your hair. Morgan, age 11
- You should not pick your nose because your mom will SCREAM!!! Tiffany, age 8
- I appreciate my mom more than she knows. David, age 15



HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

Memories and Mother - Mary R. Hurley

When Mother came to our room to tuck us in at night,
Her face would look so gentle in the soft, bedside light.
And though we may not always have behaved our best that day,
She'd let us know she loved us in a very special way:
An extra fold to the coverlet, a little pat, a hug,
And we'd settle down to dreamland feeling safe and snug.
And of all the childhood memories that there have ever been,
We love best to recall the times when Mother tucked us in.

May 2011

First Presbyterian Church
4227 Broadway Street
Grove City, Ohio 43123
(614) 875-4322
(614) 871-7307 (Fax)
fpcgc@midohio.twcbc.com
www.GroveCityFPC.org.

NON- PROFIT ORGANIZATION
U.S. POSTAGE PAID
GROVE CITY, OH 43123
PERMIT NO. 3

CHANGE SERVICE REQUESTED

WORSHIP SCHEDULE:

Sunday - 8:30 & 11 a.m.
Sunday School - 9:50 a.m.

SUMMER SCHEDULE

BEGINS June 5th:

Worship - 9:30am

As I see it... (By Pastor Robert)

In the near future our congregation will have its first official contemporary worship service (in our fellowship center). Am I excited? Yes! Still, I wonder how members and friends of FPC will respond to it. The words "contemporary worship service" stir quite a number of questions, thoughts and assumptions from every corner of the map. This occurs because people fear the unknown. Some people in our church have never encountered a contemporary worship service ("What is it?" "Will I like it?" "Does it meet my standards in preaching and song?") It's interesting...what is contemporary to one person may seem old fashioned to another (and vice versa).

The **purpose** of such a service is to broaden the range of our FPC ministries. This service is specifically **aimed** at...

1. People who have no church home **AND**
2. People in our congregation who prefer a different format for worship.

I strongly encourage you to visit this future worship service. Make no assumptions or judgments (good or bad) until you have seen one or two for yourself. When you come to worship, do so with an open mind and heart. Let's see what God will do with us!

In Christ, *Pastor Robert*

