

First Presbyterian Church - Willoughby

WEEKLY NEWS

16th Sunday after Pentecost

September 12, 2021

Worship Leaders

The Rev. S. Shane Nanney – Pastor
Lectors: 9:00 – Harriet Speece; 11:00 – Dale Ralph

WELCOME

“The law of the Lord is perfect, refreshing the soul . . . The precepts of the Lord are right, giving joy to the heart.” (Psalm 19:7-8, NIV)

Welcome to worship, where the Word of God refreshes us.

SUNDAY – September 12 – 9 and 11 am

The Scripture readings for the 16th Sunday after Pentecost are:

James 3:1-12 and Mark 8:27-38

Sermon: “The Church We Want to Be: Worship”

Sanctuary Flowers are shared today by Joe and Mary Sanders, in celebration of their 55th Wedding Anniversary! Congratulations!

To all Members and Friends of First Presbyterian Church:

Please remember that everyone is asked to wear a mask inside the church building.

If you do not have one, masks will be available at the door.

Thank you for your cooperation, and your consideration of all.

The Session of First Presbyterian Church - Willoughby

Prayers & Praises

Concerns

We pray for all of our members and friends in need of prayer for concerns of any kind. Names are not included here for privacy on the internet.

Please send an email to the church office if you have concerns you would like to have included in our prayers.

Please update your prayer requests with the church office this week so that we can update this list. Thank you!

Celebrations

Please send us information about the joys and celebrations in your family. We can ALL celebrate with you!!!

PLEASE TELL US of any illnesses, hospitalizations, surgeries, or prayer requests for concern or joy. Hospitals and nursing homes cannot tell us anything about patients.

PRAYER CHAIN – If you have **prayer requests** – of concern or joy – and would like to share them with your church family, **please send them to the church office at office@fpcwilloughby.org** and indicate whether the request is for sending out on the prayer chain, listing in the bulletin, or both.

Remember, sending cards to our homebound would perhaps brighten their days. Please consider dropping a note in the mail or giving them a call. New printed directories are available in the entry hall of the church. If you need addresses or phone numbers, please contact Gail in the church office.



MISSION COMMITTEE FREE-FOOD DISTRIBUTION

Requested food donations for September are:

*Healthy cereals, canned chicken or tuna, canned vegetables, soup,
jams or jellies (no grape), and facial tissues*

Items can be placed in the grocery cart at the church entrance
on Wednesday and Thursday each week.

Your kind donations enable us to feed the hungry in our community through our
Free-Food Distribution at 4:00 pm each Monday.

Amazing Grace
how sweet the sound



WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CHURCH THIS WEEK?

Sunday, Sep 12 – 9 and 11 am - Worship Services

Sunday, Sep 12 – 10:15 am – AED Training in WPG Room

Monday, Sep 13 – 12 pm – One Step at a Time AA Meeting - WPG

Monday, Sep 13 – 4 pm - Free-Food Distribution

Monday, Sep 13 – 6 pm – Pavilion Subcommittee Meeting

Monday, Sep 13 – 7:30 pm – Willoughby Monday AA Meeting – WPG

Wednesday, Sep 15 – 1 pm – Lake County Women AA Meeting – WPG

Wednesday, Sep 15 – 7:30 pm - Wickliffe Group AA Meeting – WPG

Thursday, Sep 16 – 7 pm – Movie Review via Zoom – “12 Angry Men”

Thursday, Sep 16– 7:30 pm – Stepping Up Al-Anon Meeting – WPG

Saturday, Sep 18 – 12:00 pm – Shankland Saturday AA Meeting - WPG

Sunday, Sep 19 – 9 and 11 am - Worship Services

Sunday, Sep 19 – 7 pm – Adult Sunday School via Zoom

AED TRAINING – TODAY!

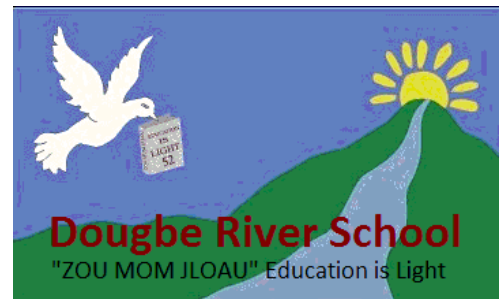
An AED (automated external defibrillator) training/review session with the Willoughby Fire Department will be held on

Sunday, September 12th – 10:15–10:45 am - WPG Community Room

All church members and friends interested in learning or reviewing the procedures for using this lifesaving device are encouraged to attend!

If interested, contact Bill Henrich at whenrich@sbcglobal.net or 440-668-3720.

Dougbe River School
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August 2021

Dear Friends,

The Dougbe River School is making a significant difference in the lives of families in rural Liberia by bringing education and light to the children of Grand Gedeh County. We currently have over 230 students enrolled in Pre-K through 9th grade, with a local staff of over 20 teachers, administrators and helpers, and significant support from the Liberian community we serve.

On Sunday, October 24, 2021 we will hold our annual Gala at the Banquet Center at St. Noel's, 35200 Chardon Road, Willoughby Hills, OH. All proceeds from this event will go to support the School staff and operations. A key element of the Gala is our Silent Auction. Typically, over 200 people attend this event and they are so grateful for the auction items provided by sponsoring individuals and businesses like you. Won't you help us make this year's Gala a success by donating an auction item?

Thanks in advance for your generosity. Please feel free to give me a call or send me an email if you have any questions regarding our School or the Gala.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads 'Laurie Moormann'.

Laurie Moormann
Auction Co-chair
Dougbe River School
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The Dougbe River School is a 501(c)3 organization and donations are deductible to the fullest extent allowed by law. All auction donors will receive an acknowledgement letter for tax purposes following the Gala.

Growing Together in Faith

First Presbyterian Church - Willoughby Fall 2021 Christian Education

The following plans are in place, with adjustments to follow when necessary:

Beginning September 19th, childcare for infants to age 4 will be available from 8:45 am to Noon Sunday mornings in the toddler room. Our long-time childcare provider Cailey will return.

Beginning September 19th, Pre-K (age 4) to Grade 5 will meet in Room #4 from 10-10:45am. Leader is Deborah Nanney. *"Grace and Gratitude"* Bible stories.

Beginning September 19th, Grades 6 to 12 will meet in the upstairs classroom 10-10:45am. Leader is Lisa Hillegass. *"Think, Learn and Grow"* discussions.

Beginning September 19th, Sunday Adult Ed will meet at 7pm by Zoom. Topic: *The Environment*

Beginning September 21st, Tuesday night Bible Study will meet at 7pm on Zoom. Topic: *Parables*

Youth Group for Grades 6 to 12 will have an initial planning meeting soon. Watch for updates.

Session Covid-19 Policy updated and approved on 8-11-21

- Masks are required for everyone inside the building. This includes singing (regardless of vaccination status)
- People who are speaking (during worship services) will not be required to wear a mask while speaking.
- Vaccinations and masks are required for childcare personnel.
- Vaccinations and masks are required for classes (persons teaching the classes will be vaccinated and wear a mask when in the church building).
- Unvaccinated persons shall maintain a 6-foot distance from other people, especially around children.
- No group meals will be allowed inside the building until further notice.
- The coffee hour will continue, but Bill Henrich and Rev. Nanney will decide on a week-to-week basis as to whether to continue further.
- Spray disinfectant in the Sanctuary between services will continue. This will also help with the flu and cold season and give members a sense of confidence that we are trying to eliminate surface transmissions of viruses.
- If and when we receive any mandate from governmental agencies or the Presbytery, we will comply.

September 19th

**Noon to 1pm outside on the church lawn
at First Presbyterian Church - Willoughby**



Join us for a light lunch. All food and beverages will be provided by the Fellowship Committee.

Plan to take this opportunity to connect with church members and friends who attend our church.

We will gather outside, so please bring a lawn chair if you have one. Several canopies will be available to sit under as well, should we experience unpredictable Ohio weather!

Hope to see you there!

Signs of our Faithfulness

**Thank you so much for your regular giving.
Your dedication is so very much appreciated!**

To give, you can:

**Place your offerings in the Offerings Box in the sanctuary;
send your gifts through the mail; bring your gifts by the church
(place in big black mailbox outside);
set up automatic payment through your bank;
or give online through our PayPal button at www.fpcwilloughby.org**

Please change your online giving from PushPay to PayPal today.

Have you ever thought of serving as a lector at a Worship service?

Please consider this form of stewardship by sharing your time and talent. It would be great to meet some new friends in this capacity. This includes our Youth also!

We also are enlisting folks as greeters at the door on Sunday morning. If you would like to help out by smiling and welcoming people as they come in the door, please join in!

**Please sign up on the clipboards in the WPG Hallway
if you can help out in these ways.**

Thank you!

SEPTEMBER LECTIONARY

	<u>Scripture</u>	<u>Sermon</u>
Sep 5	James 2:1-17 Mark 7:24-37	“God’s Favorites Have No Favorites”
Sep 12	James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38	“The Church We Want to Be: Worship”
Sep 19	James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37	“The Church We Want to Be: Fellowship”
Sep 26	James 5:13-20 Mark 9:38-50	“The Church We Want to Be: Service”



Movie Review Talk Time

led by Jeff Oviatt

Thursday, September 16th

from 7 to 8 pm on Zoom

Plan to watch the movie on your own before we meet for discussion.

12 Angry Men

1957 film tells the story of a jury of 12 men as they deliberate the conviction or acquittal of an 18-year-old defendant.

The movie is rated PG and is available to watch online or on DVD from your local library.

Please send an email to CE@FPCWilloughby.org to be added to the Zoom invitation.