

The First Presbyterian Church – Willoughby

10th Sunday after Pentecost

The Rev. Shane Nanney – Pastor

Bob Gockel – Lector

Beth Falkner-Brown - Lector

The Scripture readings for the 10th Sunday after Pentecost are:

1 Kings 18:16-39, John 6:1-21

Sermon

“PUSH”

Welcome to worship!

Welcome to worship and fellowship as the family of God this day.
Your presence adds joy to our gathering.

IN OUR PRAYERS

Amos, Beulah, Bob, Dena, Ernie, Evelyn, Fred Hall, Linda, Jan, Jessica, John, Joyce, Katie, Kelly S., Lauren, Mark, Michelle, Natalie, Nicholas, Paul, Ralph, Terry, Tom and Linda, Brian and Alice, the Emry family, Tracy, Sean, Stephanie, Elsie, Nancy, the Rahmani family. We continue to pray for peace in the world.



HONOR LOVED ONES AND SPECIAL OCCASIONS

Share the beauty of flowers with the congregation in worship, by sponsoring the flowers and dedicating them to a loved one or to honor a special occasion. The 2024 flower chart is posted in the east entryway.

FLOWER DEDICATION

The flowers today are given by Anne Kimani in loving memory of her dad, her sister, Jane, and her brother Ken.

SIGNS OF OUR FAITHFULNESS – July 28, 2024

Attendance: 86 in person; 77 online

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR CONSISTENT GIVING.

Your dedication is so very much appreciated! To give, you may:

- Place your offerings in the Offerings Box in the Sanctuary.
- Send your gifts by mail.
- Bring your gifts by the church (place in the big black mailbox outside).
- Set up automatic payment through your bank.



Give online using the QR Code here, or through our **PayPal** button

www.fpcwilloughby.org/Giving

PIPE ORGAN RENOVATION UPDATE – July 28, 2024

NEW PICTURES! CHECK IT OUT.

<https://www.flickr.com/gp/leekpipeorganprojects/5vbB72iQYw>

See what the team at the Leek Pipe Organ Company in Berea has been doing lately. The additional pictures that have been added in the past week show just how labor-intensive the work on our pipe organ has been. But they are making progress.

And . . . the Peterson ICS 4000 system has arrived.

Click on this link (or type it into your browser) to see 72 pictures of a work in progress:

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It is too early to know how much longer it will be until the console is returned to us. But please keep in mind, once the console is back, it will take time to re-install everything. Then the entire organ will need to be tuned. And then I will need to be schooled in the new control system.

Please watch the bulletin for more information and updates.

As always, if you have any questions about this project, please don't hesitate to ask me.

Gratefully,
Don Brickman – Organist and Choir Director



NORTH CHURCH MISSION CONTINUES

We will continue our decades long North Church Partnership this August. North Presbyterian Church has uniquely adapted to its inner-city challenges and continues to serve its



many people struggling with homelessness. It was so successful serving and thriving in its inner city setting that when Lutheran Metropolitan Ministries looked for an active church to put into its building, they chose North Presbyterian Church, instead of a Lutheran Church. Again, this year we will work with them to prepare food, worship together and serve the community meal. We also plan to gather requested items to assemble health care kits for Pastor Hurst to distribute as needed.

Please sign up to partner with North Church on one of just two Sundays, August 11th and 18th. On August 11th we are the only partner church, on August 18th we will be partnering with another church. The signup sheet is in the Narthex. All the details and directions you might need in your efforts to plan, prepare and serve the meals will be provided to you before you go to North Church to worship and eat with them. The cost of the food can be covered by Mission funds.

Please also look for the bulletin board in the narthex where you can sign up and take a reminder tag to purchase items needed to assemble these much-appreciated care kits. Please take this meaningful opportunity to be like Matthew 25 and turn the love in your heart into the service of your hands. Thank you and God Bless us all as we strive to be Partners in Christ.

What's new?

Catch up with church events and the photos of you and your loved ones making God's love real.



Prayer wall – The prayer wall is now filling with your requests and a praise report. It is in the entryway next to the nametags. When you arrive at the church, there will be prayer cards for you to write your requests. This week our first card of praise for prayers answered can be found, written by Ann Dumont.

Home Care items - Items such as walkers, wheelchairs, canes, shower chairs, crutches, etc. that are collecting dust, please consider donating them to the church. This equipment would be made available for church members to borrow at no cost to you. All we ask is that you return the item when it is no longer needed. Contact Ann Dumont with questions or for pick up. Ann's contact information is 440-364-7149 or email grannieannied@gmail.com.

The Free-Food closet was cleared of expired food recently – the cupboard is bare. Let's help restock it. Items can be deposited in the grocery cart at the church entrance on Wednesday and Thursday mornings each week, or any Sundays when you come to worship. Requested food donations for August are **canned fruit, canned meat, canned spaghetti or ravioli, spaghetti sauce and pasta, peanut butter and paper towels.**

Fundraising Challenge – note Deadline

The church was gifted 4 box tickets with a parking pass to see the Cleveland Guardians! All who have or will contribute \$50 or more to the Organ Refurbishment Project **by July 29, 2024** will be entered into a drawing for the tickets. Multiple dates to select from. The winner will be announced August 4 at both services. For ease, convenience, and secure giving, please visit our PayPal link and select 'Organ Refurbishment Project' from the dropdown menu. Thank you!



Summer Facebook Challenge



Will you be wearing your blue shirt with the PC (USA) logo this summer? If so, please send your photo to us. We want to show our church family how you represent the church while you are away.

Here is a photo of members of the choir who came together for a night out at Vittorio's on July 11. It's nice to see the choir staying connected throughout the summer. Send your photo to office@fpcwilloughby.org

Presbyterian Women

Lakewood Presbyterian Church will host guest speaker, Rev. Stanley Chimesya from Malawi on July 31, 2024, at 7:00pm. He will share his experience working with three prisons in Malawi who have received wells with the help of Presbyterian churches from Ohio, relieving their desperate need for water. If interested in hearing his story, please RSVP to Aliyah Kennedy at akennedy@lakewoodpresbyterian.org.



Last week we began our journey through VBS. The worship music, children's sermon and "big people" sermon will all focus on VBS Bible story and theme for the day. Adults are also invited to enjoy snacks, crafts, games and missions with the children from 9:55-11:25.

If you are unable to shop for specific items needed and still want to contribute to VBS, you can make a monetary donation as well at the church or on PayPal. Again, you may drop off your donation on Sundays or in the office on weekdays. Please clearly mark that the donation is for VBS.

Most importantly, please pray for the VBS program. It is my goal that we can attract our neighbors and community friends to join us on Sundays for VBS and future events.

If you have any questions, please either email me at ce@fpcwilloughby.org or leave a message with the office.

Respectfully and gratefully, *Deborah*

Save the dates

VBS, Sundays from 9:00am- 11:30am **July 21-August 18**

Next Agape Feast! will be **August 29**.

Men's Breakfast returns on **September 7** at First Watch Willoughby.

Rally Day will be **Sunday, September 8**. Watch for details coming soon.

Dougbe River School Fundraising Gala is on **Sunday, September 15**

Dear ArtsFest Volunteers,

Thank you so very much for making this year's event the best ever. This was the largest event in our history, and we received overwhelming positive feedback from artists, vendors and the businesses in downtown Willoughby. It was a success in every way, and many, many, people had a great time!



We could not have done this without the generous support of every one of you. Yesterday's event was the best organized ArtsFest that I can remember, from start to finish. That was thanks to the talents and dedication of our volunteer effort. Your commitment and excitement resonated throughout the festival, and I am very proud to have spent the day with you yesterday.

I am already looking forward to working with you on this next year! Again, your attitude and skill has provided the winning combination for the greatest event in Willoughby, and I hope to continue this with you in the coming years.

Much thanks,
Eric Linderman
Deputy Director





August Lectionary

August 4	Jonah 1:14-2:2, 2:10-3:5	Psalm 139:1-12
August 11	Ephesians 3:14-21	Luke 24:1-12
August 18	1 Samuel 1:9-20	John 6:51-58
August 25	Joshua 24:1-2, 14-18	John 6:57-69

July Lectionary

July 7	2 Corinthians 12:2-10	Mark 6:1-13
July 14	Ephesians 1:3-14	Mark 6:14-29
July 21	Genesis 1:1-2:4	Mark 6:30-34, 53-56
July 28	1 Kings 18:16-39	John 6:1-21

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN CHURCH THIS WEEK?

- Sun, July 28 **VBS 9-11:30 am (through August 18)**
 9:00 am Contemporary Worship
 10:00 am Coffee and Fellowship
 11:00 am Traditional
- Mon, July 29 12:00 pm One Step at a Time AA Meeting – WPG
 4:00 pm Free-Food Distribution – WPG
 7:30 pm Willoughby Monday AA Meeting – WPG
- Tue, July 30 8:00 pm Willoughby Tuesday AA Meeting – WPG
- Wed, July 31 1:00 pm Lake County Women AA Meeting – WPG
 6:30 pm Families Anonymous – Room 1
 7:30 pm Wickliffe Group AA Meeting – WPG
- Thu, Aug 1 **10:00 am Yarn Connection**
 7:00 pm Stepping Up Al-Anon Mtg – Library
- Sat, Aug 3 1:00 pm Shankland Saturday – WPG
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**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00-5:00,
Friday 9:00-12:00.**