

First & East Side Presbyterian Church Newsletter

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February, “when our hearts turn to love” is what we hear. It can be hard to remember the different kinds of love expressed in the Scripture. Regretfully, we do not have not the richness of multiple forms of expression of love that were used in the Scripture. We love pizza and we love one another with the same word!

Agape is the highest of the four types of love in the Bible. This term defines God’s immeasurable, incomparable love for humankind. It is the divine love that comes from God. Agape love is perfect, unconditional, and pure.

1 John 4:7 Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

His love is also:

- **Everlasting**—Jeremiah 31:3 The LORD has appeared of old to me, saying: “Yes, I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore, with lovingkindness I have drawn you.”
- **Free**— Hosea 14:4 “I will heal their backsliding, I will love them freely.”
- **Sacrificial**— John 3:16 For God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have everlasting life.
- **Enduring to the end**— John 13:1 Now before the Feast of the Passover, when Jesus knew that His hour had come that He should depart from this world to the Father, having loved His own who were in the world, He loved them to the end.

The other terms for love are:

Eros is the Greek word for romantic love.

Storge describes family love, the affectionate bond that develops naturally between parents and children, and brothers and sisters.

Philia is the type of love in the Bible that most Christians practice toward each other. It is the powerful, emotional bond seen in deep friendships.

We cannot understand the depth of GOD’s love. It is just one of His incomprehensible characteristics. **Reach out and show someone some agape love this month. Send a card, make a phone call, or use your own way of showing God’s love to others.**

NEIGHBORS NEWS

In Matthew 25:35 & 40, Jesus says "For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat." "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."

Thanks to all who choose to put extra items on your grocery list.

(optional) - Dish Soap and/or
Liquid Laundry Soap

February

1- potato flakes
8- green beans
15- chili
22- peaches



Thanks for your help, Neighbor!
Rod and Linda Combs

CONTRIBUTION CHECKS

Until further notice, please make all checks payable to *First Presbyterian Church*. We will inform you of the name change when it is official. Thank you!

ADDRESS UPDATE

Audine Leeper is now at:
Valley View Health Campus
1247 North River Road Room 224
Fremont, OH 43420

SATELLITES

We are going to Bob Evans on February 11th at 11:30 am. You can call or text Diane Bascone @ 419.680.0190 to RSVP or for directions. Bring a friend!



BLOODMOBILE

The American Red Cross will be bringing the bloodmobile to 1020 Kentucky Ave on:

- Tuesday, March 31, 2026
- 11:30 a.m. until 5:30 p.m.

Please call the Red Cross at 1-800-733-2767 to make an appointment.



WOULD YOU LIKE TO SERVE AS LAY LEADER?

We are looking for individuals who would like to serve as lay leader and assist in Sunday morning services. If you are interested in serving in this way, please see the sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex.



COFFEE HOUR



Join us for Coffee Hour the first Sunday of every month after worship! If you would like to sign up to help with Coffee Hour, there is a sign-up sheet on the table in the Narthex. If you have any questions, please see Ann Weiler or Blanche McCormick. Thank you!

SNOW CANCELLATION POLICY

Worship services are automatically canceled whenever a Level 2 or 3 Snow Emergency is in effect for Sandusky County as of 8 am on Sunday morning.

Information about snow emergencies is available on the Sheriff department's recorded information line: (419-332-2613).

If services are canceled due to extreme cold, you will receive a recorded call. If you are not on the call list and would like to be added, please call Amy at 419-334-7171 or email at fremontohiopresbyterian@gmail.com.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 10:30a - Worship • Coffee Hour	2	3 10a-3p - Church Office Hours	4	5	6	7
8 10:30a - Worship	9	10 10a-3p - Church Office Hours	11 11:30a - Satellites	12	13	14
15 10:30a - Worship • Session mtg	16	17 10a-3p - Church Office Hours	18	19	20	21
22 10:30a - Worship	23	24 10a-3p - Church Office Hours	25	26	27	28

Birthdays

2/1 - Alyce Ann Schmidt

2/6 - Ken Myers

2/7 - Barb Stout

2/15 - Pam Clark

2/18 - Pat Damschroder

2/19 - Jenna Herman

2/19 - Katy Hull

2/19 - Steven Reinbolt

2/23 Stacey McConnell



FIRST AND EAST SIDE JOINT SESSION

FIRST ELDERS:

Linda Combs

Dannita Cowdrey

Bill Taylor, Clerk

EAST SIDE ELDERS:

Cheryl Magargle, Clerk

Ross McCormick

Ann Weiler

FIRST AND EAST SIDE BOARD OF DEACONS

FIRST DEACONS:

Rod Combs

Melissa Detwiler

Susan Myers

EAST SIDE DEACONS:

Pat Damschroder

Blanche McCormick

Alyce Ann Schmidt

THE CHURCH MINISTRY TEAM

Pulpit Supply	Jim Boroff
Administrative Assistant	Amy Monk
Children's Ministry Coordinator	Nicole Whetstone
Treasurer	Linda Combs
Assistant Treasurer	Barb Haynes
Custodian	Scott Slatter
Session Moderator	Edward Bettendorf

NEW CONTACT INFO

Contact information for the Fremont Presbyterian Church will be as follows:

Address: PO Box 525

1020 Kentucky Ave

Fremont, OH

Phone: 419-334-7171

Email:

fremontohiopresbyterian@gmail.com

You may begin using this contact information for church communication now, even though the merge is not yet official. Thank you!

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION

If you are moving, have changed phone numbers, or have a new email address, please email those changes to the office at:

fremontohiopresbyterian@gmail.com.

Thank you!

Amy Monk, Administrative Assistant

To change how you receive your newsletter or to unsubscribe from our mailing list, please email the church office at:
fremontohiopresbyterian@gmail.com.