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You show me the path of life. In your presence there is fullness of joy. Psalm 16:11

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<u>Sabbatical Send Off Picnic</u> May 22nd, 12:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.

We have a lot to celebrate! Our Summer of Renewal has finally come to First Christian Church of Stow. Read on to find the details you'll need, hear more about the Lily grant, and what we're going to do during Jonathan's Sabbatical!

<u>Trustee Workday</u> <u>May 14th, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.</u>

Spring Cleaning is here! We have a lot of tasks and goals for the day. Additionally, John McCreight has some extra notes for everyone from the Board of Trustees. If you have any questions, contact John!

Loaves and Fishes + Pantry May 15th, 4-6p.m.

Free monthly dinner! Drive-Thru/Carry Out, 4-6 p.m. This will also time will also include the +pantry food distribution.

<u>Save the Date for Vacation Bible School!</u> <u>Sunday, July 10th – Thursday, July 14th, 6-8 p.m.</u>

It's already May, which means June is coming in just three weeks... Which means July is almost here! Prep your grill and get ready for the fairground—It's a FOOD TRUCK PARTY!

Summer Worship Time: 10 a.m. beginning May 22nd

Please note beginning on Sunday May 22nd, there will be just one worship service at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary. This service will still be livestreamed on Facebook, and then available later on YouTube.

Baptism Sunday!

Make plans to be part of worship on Sunday, May 22nd at 10 a.m. as we will celebrate the baptisms of this year's pastor's class students!

<u>Pastor's Pen,</u> <u>May 2022</u>



The Indianapolis based Lily Foundation awarded our church a Clergy/Congregational grant for

spiritual renewal. The intent if this grant is for "...strengthening relationships, renewing a sense of call, meeting and serving the neighbor in a new way, finding joy and purpose in a simplified life, traveling to new lands and unfamiliar territories. It is also a time for creating opportunities where members of the congregation can exercise their gifts for ministry. Within it all, there become opportunities for profound discoveries that pastors and their congregations describe as 'life-changing events." The grant to help make all of this happen was awarded all the way back in August of 2019. And finally, after years of postponement, it's finally going to happen beginning May 23.

Ever since getting this grant I have been asked "What will you be doing on your sabbatical?" One answer is: "A lot. And, a lot of nothing!" There are days and weeks that are going to be full of typical sabbatical happenings. There is a large stack of books I aim to comb through. There are several retreats-some silent and alone and others with clergy colleagues. I'll be counseling at Ribbit Camp at Camp Christian, attending it with my son, where I will be tasked with "all things spiritual." I am going to pop in on a church's mission trip to Bethany, West Virginia and see how and what they are doing and collect some thoughts and ideas for how we might do something similar in the future. My family and I have sixteen days carved out to travel out west to see the Grand Canyon, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and the sites and attractions of southern California. There are several online classes I will take-to add to a few I have already taken. There is in the works a brand-new piece I have been putting together with a clergy colleague to take a driving tour of several Civil Rights memorials from Alabama to Atlanta. I aim to reconnect with a number of people who have played an integral part of my spiritual direction, faith formation, and growth as a pastor which will include past professors, former pastors, clergy colleagues, and long lost old friends and have intentional conversations with them about church, ministry, call, and vocation. I plan to "check-out" and visit other churches—both Disciples and other denominations. I plan to seek the guidance of a

spiritual director. Believe it or not, I plan to do several triathlons—one of which is happening before I officially begin my sabbatical later this month on May 14th in Kentucky. (Not Ironman triathlons, just short little "sprint triathlons" which are a fourth the distance of an Iron. And there are some home projects I hope to do during this time.

Yet within all of this, the main intent I have for this sabbatical is to simply slow-down, be present to my family, and most of all, be present and open to listening to God's Holy Spirit. This is a critical piece of the sabbatical time because admittedly far too often I fail to do this vitally important piece of nurturing and sustaining one's spirit and ministry. Too often I have let the ministry be engulfed by the work. Yes, the work has to be done, but the ministry has to be tended to as well. But sometimes I miss this truth and this imperative. And I regret that.

In my sermon earlier this month I said, "Maybe you are as tired of hearing about this 'sabbatical' as much as I am. I doubt it though. This whole effort has been languishing since early 2019. And while I don't intend to speak despairingly, or sound ungrateful, it has been a long and difficult road to *traverse.*" Now that it is nearly upon us, it feels rather surreal. But I am excited, as well as a little nervous. There's a lot at stake in the months to come, a lot that can happen, could happen, needs to happen...but might not happen. Which is why I invite you to be intentional along with me to do everything you can to ensure this time of spiritual renewal is just that for all of us. May we all see this as our sabbatical, our time to be present and open to listening to God's Holy Spirit. May we all see it as a faithful chance for "...strengthening relationships, renewing a sense of call, meeting and serving the neighbor in a new way, finding joy and purpose in a simplified life, traveling to new lands and unfamiliar territories.... a time for creating opportunities where members of the congregation can exercise their gifts for ministry. Within it all, there become opportunities for profound discoveries that pastors and their congregations describe as 'life-changing events."

While I am away, I will miss you, I will pray for you, and I will be listening to God with you. And I will be looking forward to when God brings us back together again. Blessed sabbatical to you all.

Your Pastor and Friend, Jonathan

<u>Sabbatical Send Off Picnic</u> <u>May 22nd, 12:00 p.m. – 2:30 p.m.</u>

Jonathan's long-awaited Renewal is just two weeks away, and it's time for baptisms! Finally, the break we all deserve... Jonathan included! Thanks to the Lily Grant, and help from a number of interim pastors, this summer will be full of opportunities to hear new voices, grow ourselves spiritually, and have our own time of Sabbatical. From May 22nd until whenever Jonathan is allowed back into the church (ha ha), we're going to hear from our interims (you can read about them below) and taking our own time to ask what Sabbatical means for us as a congregation (Sign up for the Church Chats below!). To kick this off, we're going offcampus! We're going to celebrate and start this new chapter all together with a picnic at Water Works Park. Lunch and dessert will be served. Make sure you bring outside toys or games, and lawn chairs!

<u>Please RSVP BY MAY</u> 18TH at the link below and let us know who all from your family will be attending. <u>https://forms.gle/viALoanwektyC7fn7</u>.

We will be meeting at Water Works Park, 2025 Munroe Falls Avenue, Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio 44221, in the Little Stone Pavilion. Lunch and dessert will be served. Feel free to bring along frisbees, lawn games, your favorite football, or whatever you'd like to do during our time outside!

<u>4th of July Pancake Breakfast</u> <u>Returns!</u>

This year, we will finally resume our Fourth of July Pancake Breakfast! After two years away, we are finally ready to start this community event again. Volunteers will be

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Loaves & Fishes + Pantry

Loaves & Fishes + Pantry was delayed this month because Easter fell on the third Sunday of April. Nevertheless, we served just about the same number of people. 23 separate families came to our church for dinner and groceries. We served 24 seniors, 24 adults and 11 children's dinners of macaroni and cheese with chicken nuggets on the side. We handed out enough groceries to provide 354 separate meals. Every family received a loaf of bread, a bag of bagels, and a box of Entenmann's sweets. Everyone also received canned veggies, fruit, soup, and pasta along with chips and oatmeal. We also want to give a big thank you to our Youth Group for helping with the distribution. Their work made life a lot easier for all our volunteers.

Katie Taylor asked at the drive through meal "What do you do if you run out of food?" I said it's never happened but at 5:15 we realized we had five helpings of chicken nuggets left. Quickly we pulled a can of pulled pork off the shelf. We doctored it up and the last guests got that. There was a lastminute request for ten meals so we fixed pulled chicken. That family got all the leftovers as well as a package of slider buns from the freezer. God provides -we serve! We need you to be part of this very rewarding ministry. Thank you, Katie, Nolan and Alex for your assistance this month.

The May drive thru meal will be May 15th 4-6p.m. The menu will be barbecued chicken and scalloped potatoes.

needed for various duties as we prepare the meal, set up the dining area, serve, and clean up afterward.

We're looking for new faces who can learn what it takes to plan this event as well! More information for the breakfast will be distributed in the June pathways and through the bulletin. If you're interested in helping out, contact Al Naylor, Steve Gross, or Tim Neitz and join the Breakfast Planning Committee!

<u>Church Chats: Sabbatical Summer</u> <u>Sundays, June 5th, July 3rd & August 7^{th,}</u> <u>7 Minutes After Service Ends – 12:00</u>

As we passed through Lent, into Easter, and reflected recently on the prophesying of Ezekiel, Jonathan has asked us a number of questions that we ought to pursue: "What are we *cultivating*?" "What are we *letting go of*?" And most recently, "Can these bones *live*?" Now that we're finally into the summer and Jonathan is leaving, we're left to ask, "What does *Sabbatical* mean? With these questions in our hearts and minds, we will be meeting just 7 minutes after service ends on June 5th. July 3rd, and August 7th. During this time, we, as a church, will ask these questions and share in the fellowship with a light lunch (to be determined). Keep watching your bulletin and slides for more information and announcements!

<u>**RSVP by May 29th**</u> so we know how we need to prepare!

Follow the link below to sign up or leave a note about your attendance via the back of your connection card.

https://forms.gle/VCoz2Dci1AywwMpbA

P.S.: Make sure you sign up for both the picnic and the Church Chat separately! These forms have different links for each event!

CHRISTIAN ED

Save the Date for Vacation Bible School! Sunday, July 10th – Thursday, July <u>14th, 6-8 p.m.</u>

Mark your calendars, get ready for the VBS! This year's theme is <u>Food</u> <u>Truck Party!</u> More information will follow later— Just be ready to hop in and serve!

Graduation Sunday Sunday, June 5th

This Sunday, we will be recognizing all of our High School and College Graduates during church! Contact Anna and Richelle and let them know if you have a graduate who would like to be recognized and celebrated!

Camp Christian Summer Camp Early Bird Deadline Extended!

Camp Christian registration continues! If you or a camper you have at home is interested in going to Chi Rho or CYF camp, your chance to catch the early registration deadline has been pushed back to <u>May 9th</u>. If you need registration forms, you can email the Church office or go online to <u>https://www.ccinoh.com/camp-</u> <u>christian/summer-programs/form-</u> <u>downloads-and-links.aspx</u>.

<u>Yoga Class</u> Wednesdays, 5:45 p.m. – 7:00 p.m.

Correction: The starting time for Yoga is 5:45 p.m. on Wednesdays! Your donations for admission participate in and provide for various outreach programs throughout the church, including Bulldog bags, Week of Compassion's Ukrainian Refugee Relief, and our Loaves & Fishes + Pantry Outreach program.

Yoga is for Every Body and Everybody!

Summer Camp Dates and Information! Camp Christian, Summer 2022

Registration is open for Camp Christian! Below are ALL of the camp weeks available from Camp Christian.

Forms can be found online at the following link or by asking Christian via email (<u>FCCStow@FirstChristianStow.org</u>) or in the office.

https://www.ccinoh.com/campchristian/summer-programs/formdownloads-and-links.aspx. Make sure you jump on registration early to get the Early Bird discount!

> Grandparents Camp: June $9^{th} - 11^{th}$ Chi Rho Camp #1: June $12^{th} - 18^{th}$ CYF Conference #1: June $19^{th} - 25^{th}$ Otter Camp: June $26^{th} - July 2^{nd}$ Adult Conference: June $27^{th} - July 1^{st}$ Ribbit Camp: July $6^{th} - 9^{th}$ Chi Rho Camp #2: July $10^{th} - 16^{th}$ CYF Conference #2: July $17^{th} - 23^{rd}$ Advanced Conference: July $24^{th} - 31^{st}$

YOUTH GROUP

Sunday, May 8th! 9:45am-11:30am Youth Sunday Service We will meet early to go over last-minute preparations for our Youth Sunday Service before the 10:30am service.

Thanks to our Youth and Katie for leading service this Sunday!

<u>Festival of Homiletics at Camp</u> <u>Christian</u> <u>Monday, May 16th – Friday, May</u> <u>20th</u>

Would you love to attend this year's Festival of Homiletics (FoH) being held in Denver but are unable to make that trip? We are excited to provide a local alternative at Camp Christian to participate virtually, but as a group in person.

\$200 will cover meals and lodging at Camp Christian Monday - Friday. There are also partial Camp attendance options. In addition to registering for the time at camp, all participants will be responsible for registering for virtual attendance with the FoH at www.festivalofhomiletics.com

<u>3rd Annual Scramble for Kids</u> <u>Shaker Heights Country Club</u> <u>Monday, June 27th, 10:00 a.m. Start</u>

If the sunshine and warmer weather has you dreaming of golfing, you are in luck! You can join golfers on the greens in June on a championship Donald Ross course while supporting the Cleveland Christian Home! **Scramble for Kids** provides intensive mental health services to children whose lives have been struck by trauma, violence, or poverty. Last year, **Scramble for Kids** raised \$116,000 to provide food, clothing, shelter, and therapy to children in Cleveland Christian Home. They plan to raise even more this year! If you're able to support this event, check out www.cchome.org/scramble.

Thank you to everyone who helped make this year's Week of Compassion Bake sale a smashing success once again! Thank you to all who donated to the bake sale and thank you to all who so lovingly and graciously sacrificed their diet and made purchases for the bake sale! Your willingness to do such is greatly appreciated. We all hope you were somehow able to manage not letting your sweet treats go to waste. (Except maybe they did go to...waist!)

And a very special and immense thank you to Mary Ellen Neitz who once again went above and beyond to coordinate and organize and lead yet another successful Week of Compassion Bake Sale! Your work and service and ministry are a gift and we are all so grateful to you and all you do!

Baptism Sunday, May 22nd

Baptism Sunday is a special in the life of our church as it is the day when we as a church family celebrate those who decided to give their lives to Christ Jesus by laying their old selves down and then be raised to newness of life. And on Sunday, May 22nd we will celebrate four young men from our church family who have completed this year's Pastor's Class and have decided to make their confessions of faith, be baptized, and then receive their first communion.

Baptism Sunday is our chance to not only celebrate and honor these students and their families, but it's a chance for us to remember our baptisms and how we all are one in the body of Christ, made possible through his birth, baptism, life, death, and resurrection. Please make plans to be part of this special day of worship.

Summer Worship Hours Start May 22nd! One Service at 10:00 a.m.

On Sunday June 2nd we will begin our summer worship hours. For this special and unique summer of sabbatical for our pastor and a sabbatical focus for us as a congregation, our Sabbatical Interim Team and Elders will be leading us in worship each Sunday for just one service at 10 a.m. in the sanctuary. Sunday worship will still be livestreamed via Facebook Live and then will be posted to our YouTube Channel after worship. This summer will give us a rare chance to be in worship with our church family members who we perhaps might not see as often due to attending our different services.

Welcome to the Family!

We are excited to share that recently Janice and Curt Carlton and Holly and Sean Lazor set their church membership here at First Christian Church of Stow! Janice and Curt, Holly and Sean and their fourth grade daughter Ava have been coming to the church for a while now and felt God was leading them to make FCC Stow officially their home church. We are thrilled God has led them to be part of the church family! Please express your joy to them when next you see them!

<u>Pentecost Sunday, June 5th</u> The Birthday of the Church!

On Pentecost we celebrate the birthday of the Church, remembering the awesome power that descended on the people of God through the Holy Spirit, resting on them as if it was tongues of fire. This day is among our most holy days in the life of the church, so let us ignite our spirits and show our excitement for this grand day through our worship. Wear red as a symbol of the Holy Spirit!

<u>They're Back! Ice Cream X-treme</u> AND 4th of July Pancake Breakfast!

Finally, these two signature events of our church are returning this summer! Mark your calendars for Tuesday, June 18th for Ice Cream X-treme and Monday, July 4th for the Pancake Breakfast! Both events are open to the community and will require many hands to help make light work of all that need to be done to make these events happen! More information will be forth coming, but mark these dates down because they are once again happening... Finally! <u>The Sabbatical Interim Team</u> Because it takes an entire team of pastors to fill in for our pastor! (Not really. We just wanted Jonathan to think this as a little going away present.)

During this summer's time of *spiritual* renewal, (aka Jonathan's sabbatical from the church and our sabbatical away from him!) First Christian Church of Stow will continue to offer and do its ministry and work. This will, of course, require the continued faithful commitment of us all. And we are thrilled that we will be supported in all we do by the capable pastoral presence of several clergy who have graciously pledged their support and presence during this time of renewal. While the day-to-day operations and communications will be managed and facilitated by our Director of Church Relations and the Elders, this team of clergy will be available for any and all pastoral needs as the come up.

This Sabbatical Interim Team includes...

Rev. Dawn Remster, who will be running point for this team of pastors and will be preaching the majority of Sundays this summer. Dawn recently retired from First Christian Church in Zanesville, Ohio. During her 36 years in ministry, she has served three Ohio congregations. She and her husband Tim still make their home in Zanesville and have two grown daughters and four grandchildren ages 4-8. Dawn is very much looking forward to sharing worship with our congregation this summer. Please, however, don't remind Dawn she was a camp counselor of Jonathan's at Lakeside Conference when he was in high school.

Rev. Jim Bane recently retired from New Horizons Christian Church in Akron. Prior to his ministry there Jim served as Associate Regional Minister with the Christian Church in Ohio. Jim and his wife Holly live in Hudson, have two adult sons, blessed grandchildren, and enjoy long walks on the beach and nights out at the Cuyahoga Falls Market District Giant Eagle. Jim also saw Jonathan come through the ministries of Camp Christian and will neither confirm nor deny he had to firmly remind Jonathan that swimming in Camp's Lake Snoopy is strictly prohibited...more than once. Additionally, Jim and Jonathan share the dubious honor of having partnered together in the last Advance Conference Keynote each of them ever did—a keynote address that still lives in Advance Conference infamy.

Rev. Roger McKinney recently retired from Disciples Christian Church in Cleveland Heights. Prior to that ministry Roger also served at Associate Regional Minister with the Christian Church in Ohio. Roger and his wife Gail have three adult children, a grandchild, and reside in Kent. Roger has also been privy to the spiritual growth of Jonathan at Camp Christian, both admiring his heart for ministering to youth and young adults while also shaking his head in disbelief of how our beloved pastor convinced so many CYF Conference Consecration Committees that it's better to use 100 words even though ten words would have sufficed.

Rev. Jim Singleton will make a one week only appearance during the summer, making the long drive to Stow from Seville, Ohio where he and his wife Jan reside, a central location for ease of getting to their grandchildren. Oh, and their sons too. Jim of course was instrumental in helping raise up and shape Jonathan into the pastor he is today, having mentored Jonathan at First Christian Church of Wadsworth where Jim served for 35 years. So, as always has been the case with Rev. Singleton, if you appreciate the ministry Jonathan brings to us, please *thank* Jim. If however you are not so grateful for the way Jonathan's ministry manifests itself, please *blame* Jim!

Additionally, our church and its ministries will also be in the capable hands of our Elders, chaired by Tom Safford; our Governing Board, chaired by John Fauvie; our Deacons, chaired by Steve Gross; our Trustees, chaired by John McCreight; and our incredible First Christian Church staff. And of course, our church will be guided by the Holy Spirit as it comes through each and every one of us— "*a priesthood of all believers*" as Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) founding father Alexander Campbell calls all people of God.

A church's ministry is not done by only its pastor. We are all called to be God's hands and feet in the world as we seek to share the Good News of Jesus Christ as we are led. So may we all aim to find our role in the ongoing ministries of First Christian Church in the months ahead, confident that with God, all things are possible. Do that, and by the time Jonathan is back, we'll barely have noticed he was gone.

May Is Mental Health Awareness Month By Julie Rumburg

Every month of May, since it was first recognized in 1949, has been designated as *Mental Health Awareness Month*. This national month of awareness and action is intended as a time for intentional focus on the very real issue of mental health struggles while spreading the word that mental health is an issue, concern, and need all of us should care about at a deep level. Yet for many the topic of *"mental health"* is a hot topic, a triggering word that invokes apathy at best and vitriolic disregard at worst. The good news, however, is the stigma of mental health issues has been slowly decreasing thanks to the determination and bravery of many who have willing used their voice and platforms to spread and share the truth that mental health is just as real, and just as important, as our physical health. Still though, there is much more work to be done, and each of us can help.

All of us can be part of this important work and cultural shift, and we can begin by asking ourselves one simple question: *How can I be a mental health advocate?* One way is to consider your story and how the mental health—whether good or not so good—has impacted your life. Did you have a loved one who struggled with depression or eating disorders? Know anyone who was bullied? Have you had to battle any mental health struggles and found a path through? If so, can you share your story? Talking about your own journey and experiences can be empowering for both you and others who are suffering. Your story could become an inspiring source to someone that can help them know they are not alone, while showing others that harmful stereotypes are not true and only further the pain and struggle. When we bravely speak up we are encouraging and advocating for others to speak up, seek help, and find the healing and wholeness everyone needs and deserves.

Another way to help is to get specified training. For instance, Jack.org and the *Born This Way Foundation* (founded by Lady Gaga and her mother!) offer a *free* online course that teaches participants how to recognize when someone might be struggling with a mental health issue and how to safely and effectively offer support. Additionally, the course offers insightful steps for how a person can maintain their own mental health. This *free* online course can be accessed at: betherecertificate.org. (Did I mention it was *free*!?)

There are even opportunities to learn and grow in mental health awareness and advocacy right here in Summit County. Among them, our very own City of Stow has begun offering a free training program for suicide prevention by the QPR Institute. (QPR stands for: *Question, Persuade, Refer.*) Similar to CPR and First Aid training this skilled based training teaches how to effectively respond when some is in distress, carefully and compassionately ask if they are thinking about suicide, and then how to successfully persuade them to stay alive all while making a quality referral for help.

We all know the effects the pandemic has had. The past two plus years has only exasperated the mental health crisis we find ourselves within, which is why all of us, now more than ever, need to acknowledge this crisis and ask ourselves how we can help. The more we as a community talk about mental health, the more it will be recognized as the crisis it has become. The more willing we are to actively engage in helping tend to this need, the better and healthier our communities will grow. So let us all ask ourselves: *How can I be a mental health advocate?* Let's consider our stories, and share them with others. Let us research what in our community we can get involved in. Let us make mental health awareness and advocacy more than just a month on the calendar. Let us make it a reality. For when we do, lives will be saved and our community will be stronger.

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<u>Update from the Finance/Stewardship Team</u> <u>Financial Giving from the Congregation through April 2022</u>

We won't close the financial books for April for a couple more days, but I wanted to provide a status of where we are currently with our congregational giving. The numbers below are not final but I believe they are a close estimate of the final numbers.

The Total Income **budget** amount is \$23,203 per month. This includes congregational giving and other income sources like building rental.

It also includes expected contribution amounts for our Outreach (Ingathering, Week of Compassion). These items have been moved to the budget to more accurately track & show our outreach (local & global) support from a financial standpoint. We are showing this by having both Income and Expense line items. But that also means as we accumulate the contributions, and before we have sent those funds to the national Week of Compassion office, our Income to Expense ratio can look higher than it really is.

For the month of April, so far, our **actual** income is \$21,984. For the month this is below the budget amount by \$1,218. We've seen a drop in April compared to the previous months, but this is partially due to some folks making their full year contribution early in the year.

I've modified the table below to split the YTD Income into Operating and Outreach. You can see that our Operating Income is positive, 3.4% above the Budget (even with the lower giving amount in April).

The Outreach Income is very positive, with \$4,353 having come in for our Week of Compassion contributions.

2022	Jan- Mar	Apr	YTD Operating Income	YTD Outreach
Actual Income	\$75,896	\$21,984	\$93,528	\$4,353
Budget Income	\$69,609	\$23,203	\$90,478	\$2,333
Actual Income- Budget Income	\$6,287	(\$1,218)	\$3,050	\$2,019
% Actual Over Budget				
Income	9.0%	-5.3%	3.4%	86.5%

Here is the information in table format:

As we shared in December, the budget approved by the Governing Board and the congregation for 2022 has the total expenses higher than the total income. We refer to that gap as our Leap of Faith, with the hopeful expectation that throughout the year we will be able to both increase our income and control our expenses appropriately.

The 2022 Leap of Faith amount is \$19,481 for the full year, which is 7% above our budget income.

if you personally are feeling financially stable and would like to make an additional gift to the church above your normal giving, those are always appreciated. Any increases will help position us to be able to increase the outreach assistance we can provide to our community, both local and globally. Please let any member of the Finance/Stewardship team know if you would like to see our full reports, we are happy to share them.

Stuff the Truck!!



Donate Supplies for Glendora House

Family Promise is an emergency shelter program helping homeless families with children stay together and achieve sustainable independence.

The Glendora House facility enables us to serve up to 10 families at a time in individual apartment style settings so each family unit stays together. Below is a list of the supplies we are most in need of to serve the families in our program.



Cleaning Supplies:

- Paper towels*
- Laundry detergent*
- Dish soap*
- Cleaning products*
 Coffee maker/mugs
- Trash bags (all sizes)*
 Kitchen utensil set
- Broom/dust pan
- Mop/bucket
- Air fresheners
- Sponges/rags

*Priority Items

Kitchen

- Trash can (13 gallon)
- Dish drainer
- Toaster
- (all-purpose, floor, bath) Plastic plates/bowls/cups Air Mattresses*

 - Oven mitts
 - Dish towels
 - Pots & pans/cookie sheets
 Bathroom accessory set
 - Cutting board
 - Silverware w/organizer
 - Mixing bowls

Linens (New items only)

- Bath towel sets*
- Twin sheet sets*
- Twin fleece blankets*
- Pillows*

Bathroom

- Shower curtains/hooks
- Floor mats
- Hand soap*
- Toilet paper*
 - Facial tissue

Friday, May 13th, 2022 2:00 to 6:00PM Glendora House 1100 Copley Rd. Akron Monetary donations are also welcome!

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Contact Pauline at 330.253.8081 or pauline@familypromisesc.org with questions

