

April 12th, 2024

# PEACE CONNECTION



Friday April 12th

Saturday April 13th  
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday April 14th  
9:00 & 11:00 am In Person Worship  
10:00 am Pancake Breakfast  
10:00 am Christian Education  
7:00 pm Council Meeting

Monday April 15th  
10:00 am Staff Meeting  
1:00 pm Comfort Quilters  
2:00 pm Organ Practice  
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study  
7:00 pm Women's Discipleship Group

Tuesday April 16th  
6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

Wednesday April 17th  
7:00 pm Engagement Committee

Thursday April 18th  
Sexton's Day Off  
11:00 am FLO  
3:00 pm Organ Practice  
7:30 pm Choir Practice

Friday April 19th  
Pastor Charlie's Day Off  
6:00 pm SIS Meeting

Saturday April 20th  
2:00 pm Organ Practice

Sunday April 21st  
9 & 11 am In Person Worship  
10:00 am Christian Education  
10:30 am Arden Courts

Monday April 22nd  
10:00 am Staff Meeting  
2:00 pm Organ Practice  
7:00 pm SOAP Bible Study

Tuesday April 23rd  
6:15 pm CrossFire Rehearsal

*Grow in Faith \* Serve In Love \*  
Live In Peace*

## Cat Cafe Rescheduled!

Cat Cafe outing this Sunday!  
Meet at church at 11am  
All are welcome !

Need some adults/families to  
drive

Join us for coffee, cocoa, and  
adoptable cats!  
Text Hilary to sign up :  
216-258-1639



## Young at Heart Lunch

Please join us on Friday, April 19th at 12:30pm.  
We will be enjoying good food and fellowship at  
BJ's Restaurant and Brewhouse, located at  
25779 Brookpark Rd. in North Olmsted.

Please add your name to the sign-up sheet in  
the lower lobby. Questions, contact Kathy  
Kettler at (440)734-6511.



Travel Quest Presents:

All aboard the Prince of Peace Chartered bus. Even if you already have tickets, you can ride on the bus for \$15. Group rate for Pavilion & Lawn Seating.

Depart Prince of Peace Parking Lot 5:00pm Return approx.11:30pm Prince of Peace members and Guests welcome.

Checks payable to Prince of Peace, please use the memo: TQ Blossom and are due by June 2nd.  
Please contact [msfiddlesticks@hotmail.com](mailto:msfiddlesticks@hotmail.com) to register!

★ SLAUTE TO FREEDOM ★

# Concert

**July 3rd, 2024**

**8:00 PM**

## **BLOSSOM MUSIC CENTER**

1145 W STEELS CORNERS RD, CUYAHOGA FALLS,  
OH 44223

**FOOD**

**FUN**

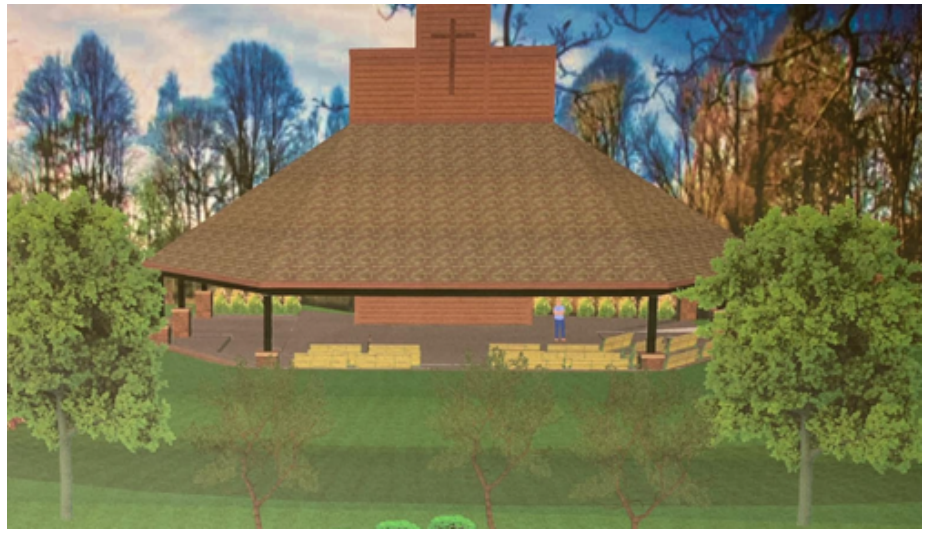
**MUSIC**

LAWN SEATS \$20, BUS \$15, BOXED LUNCH TBD,  
PAVILION SEATING \$23-\$31

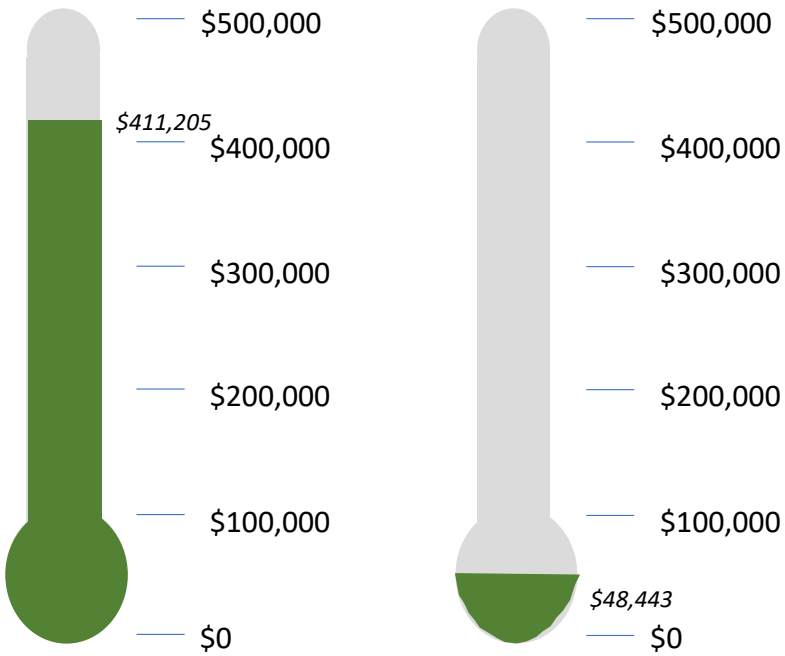
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# Peace Pavilion Capital Campaign Status as of April 10, 2024

Goal = \$500,000

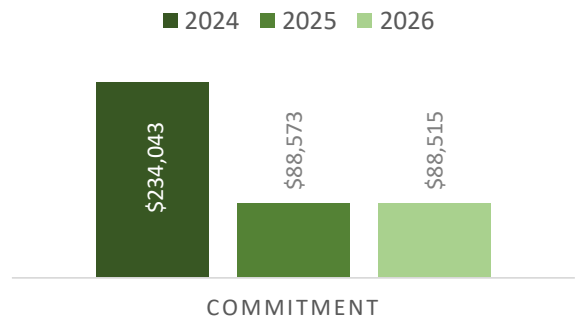


## Commitment Status Received Donation Status



| Donor Level | 3 Year Commitment   | Number of Pledged Donors |
|-------------|---------------------|--------------------------|
| Buckeye     | \$50,000+           | 2                        |
| Oak         | \$25,000 - \$50,000 | 4                        |
| Maple       | \$10,000 - \$25,000 | 7                        |
| Rose        | \$5,000 - \$10,000  | 7                        |
| Tulip       | \$3,000 - \$5,000   | 6                        |
| Daisy       | \$1,000 - \$3,000   | 9                        |

### COMMITMENT BY YEAR



Note: Commitment Status includes "silent" commitments

*So Grateful for Your Support!*

# Peace Pavilion – The Time is Now

Dear Prince of Peace Members,

Our Time is Now. We have made great progress with our initial capital campaign for our Peace Pavilion. We have received commitments from our first wave of pledges of over 80% of our goal and we are now moving forward with our next phase to secure the necessary capital and short-term financing to complete the project. We have a firm bid from a contractor with a schedule to complete the Peace Pavilion in 2024.

As you have seen from Pastor Charlie’s vision of Prince of Peace, the Peace Pavilion is a key component to fuel our continued growth. One of the great advantages of the Peace Pavilion will be to open our doors and expand our reach in the community; creating a flywheel effect to increase the number of disciples of Christ while welcoming the next generation of members of Prince of Peace. What a wonderful gift to our future church and making better use of our beautiful nine-acre campus.

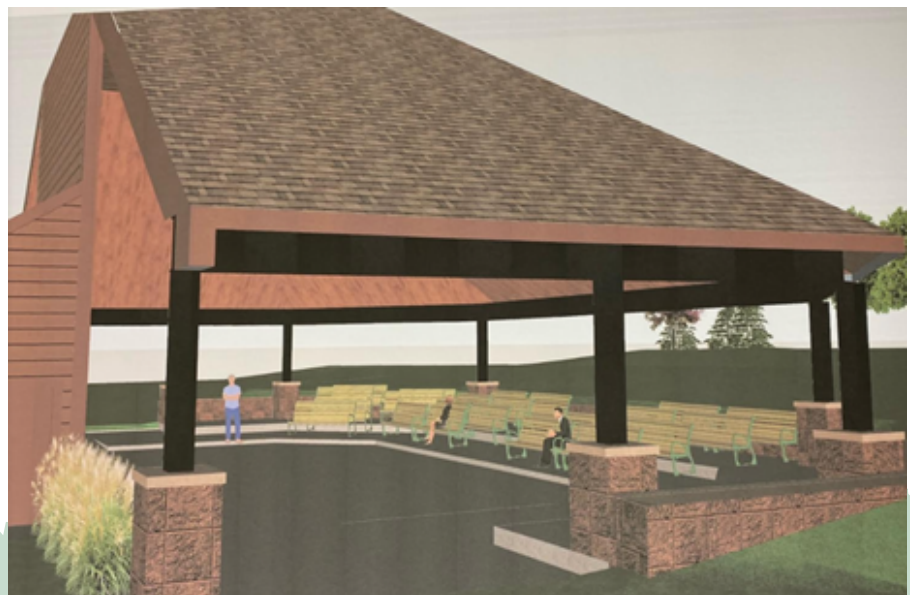
As we approach our congregational meeting on April 28th , we ask that you prayerfully consider making a commitment to this project as you are able. We respectfully ask that you complete a commitment card [Click Here](#) and return to church via the offering (or to Pastor Charlie or Jim Dickey) by April 14th so that we have an up-to-date level of funding prior to our congregational meeting.

We appreciate the questions that are being asked and want to give everyone a chance to have them answered. Attached [Click Here](#) is a “Q&A” document which addresses several questions that we have been asked recently. Please take a look and feel free to ask additional questions.

We hope to see you at one of our information sessions between worship services and also at the special congregational meeting on April 28th. Thank you for your consideration and support.

In His service,  
The Outdoor Worship Committee  
Phil Sprague (Chair)  
Jim Dickey  
Mary Meadows  
Evan Saunders  
Dineen Terstage  
Pastor Charlie Woodward  
Steve Zinram

The children’s video: [Click Here](#)







# ROLLER DERBY DAY

Saturday May 4th  
12pm Doors, Games 1pm & 3pm

**25 FREE Tickets**  
**Sign up in Narthex**  
**First come first serve**

Cleveland Heights Community Center  
1 Monticello Blvd. Cleveland Heights, OH 44118

**MAY THE 4TH  
BE WITH YOU**



... and Chosen for tickets, You will be



1 Peter 1:3-12 NRSV

*3 Blessed be the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! By his great mercy he has given us a new birth into a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, 4 and into an inheritance that is imperishable, undefiled, and unfading, kept in heaven for you, 5 who are being protected by the power of God through faith for a salvation ready to be revealed in the last time. 6 In this you rejoice, even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials, 7 so that the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed. 8 Although you have not seen him, you love him; and even though you do not see him now, you believe in him and rejoice with an indescribable and glorious joy, 9 for you are receiving the outcome of your faith, the salvation of your souls. 10 Concerning this salvation, the prophets who prophesied of the grace that was to be yours made careful search and inquiry, 11 inquiring about the person or time that the Spirit of Christ within them indicated when it testified in advance to the sufferings destined for Christ and the subsequent glory. 12 It was revealed to them that they were serving not themselves but you, in regard to the things that have now been announced to you through those who brought you good news by the Holy Spirit sent from heaven—things into which angels long to look!*

Christ is Risen!  
He is Risen, Indeed! Alleluia!

Peter's words to his fellow followers of Christ in the early church offer hope for us today.  
Verse 6- "...even if now for a little while you have had to suffer various trials ..."

In the midst of the trials we face today, it may be hard to grasp the good that can come from it. Our focus turns inward, and we find ourselves wondering why God would allow bad things to happen.

May I say again that God is the giver of all that is good. God's desire is not to condemn the world. God loves what God created. God's desire is that world might be saved through Jesus Christ.

To "be saved" does not simply mean "I found Jesus!" and all my worries are gone.

To be saved is to be made whole, complete, worthy of God's love and favor in God's eyes. This is God's doing.

In the midst of our suffering, and you can fill in the blanks as to what that looks like for you today, God promises to be with us. And a result of that suffering, Peter states, is the hope that "the genuineness of your faith—being more precious than gold that, though perishable, is tested by fire—may be found to result in praise and glory and honor when Jesus Christ is revealed." (verse 7 above).

We don't hope for suffering. But we hope that from suffering, our faith may be strengthened.

A former church I had served had gone through some difficult days several years before I arrived. They were at the point of possibly shutting their doors and selling the building. But they persevered. Many longtime members of the church remembered those days as foundational. I came to appreciate their insight when difficult situations arose in the years I served there. Their experiences of the past gave them the strength to face the issues in the present.

These days we find ourselves can be a test to our faith and trust in God.

Join me in trusting God to make a way. God will never leave us, never abandon us, will always walk with us. And though we have not seen Jesus Christ, we love Jesus Christ, for we know that Jesus Christ is God's gift of love for us, and for all the world.

For Christ is Risen. Risen Indeed – ALLELUIA and AMEN!

Let us pray:  
*Almighty God, may we never forget the inheritance that is ours, imperishable, undefiled and unfading. We turn our eyes and our ears and our hearts to you, for your love is unconditional, your forgiveness complete, and your hope is eternal. Thank you. May we never forget. We pray this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Risen Savior. Amen.*



# Wendy Hansen

## MEMBER PROFILE

Wendy was born in Berea, Ohio. She was an army brat during her early years. As a result, she lived all over the country and even lived in Germany for a couple of years before her family settled back in Ohio where Wendy has lived most of her life. Most of her education has been in the Cleveland area. She grew up in North Royalton and attended early grades and high school there. Wendy majored in office administration and earned a certification in executive administration.

Wendy has 3 sisters and a brother. She is the middle kid...Hand me down Wendy! She always got her sister's hand me down clothes, they were always big on her because she was so skinny as a kid. LOL! The siblings all live in Ohio.

She met her former spouse in North Royalton High School. They were high school sweethearts. They are still friends to this day and are very proud of their two grown children, Jeffrey and Jennifer. Jeffrey is the oldest and is working as a senior financial analyst. Jennifer has a career as a hospice nurse. Wendy's three grandchildren are Ashton, Scarlett and Hanna. All live in the central Ohio area.

In the workforce over the last 35 to 40 years, she has focused her skills in administrative and executive/management positions. Wendy left corporate life for a time to serve in her church for a little over 4 years as an administrative assistant serving several pastors and a special needs ministry. She is so glad she took this position as it was very rewarding and it has brought her much closer to the Lord!

Wendy came on board as a staff member at POP in September of 2022. She really missed working for a church when she left her other church job to take on an opportunity at Southwest Hospital in Administration. When she learned of the administrative opportunity at POP, she really had a calling to apply and everything just fell into place after meeting Pastor Charlie. He has been such a wonderful friend and mentor to her since coming on board! Her love for James and Lisa is another thing she will cherish as they always brighten her week!

She has hobbies and interests to enjoy in her free time. Her love for gardening, interior design projects, and refurbishing old furniture provide relaxation and challenge. One thing that folks at POP may not know is Wendy is a cancer survivor for over seven years. Her small dog named Charlie is full of energy and wakes her up at 5 am each day. She has a desire to go on an African safari some day!

Wendy has established herself as a key leader at POP. Keeping the office running smoothly is a great skill she has brought here. The functions that require software knowledge have been especially helpful to me as Wendy always has an answer when I'm lost. Working in a church with many missions and groups, she always presents a calm and positive approach. Church Administration, by biblical principles, is essential for the effective functioning of a Christian community. We will continue moving forward with Wendy on the team !

By Tom Robinholt : Profile Reporter

# OMNI Update

OMNI school is currently serving 365 students in grades one through nine. Many of these students need sponsors to help provide school supplies, food and medical care. If you are interested, please contact Judy Kazak at [judykazak@yahoo.com](mailto:judykazak@yahoo.com). If you are currently a sponsor and would like to send a letter directly to your student(s), you can use the following address and one first-class international stamp which is currently \$1.55 at USPS. Please include the student's name. They also love to receive pictures.

OMNI George School  
 P.O. Box 240469  
 Ndola, Zambia



# Second Harvest

For April through June the requested items are pasta, canned fish & packaged fruits



# Giving Data

| <u>Operating Giving Report</u>            | <u>YTD</u> | <u>AVG/Week</u> |
|---|------------|-----------------|
| Total Giving as of Feb. 29th, 2024:       | \$82,114   | \$10,264        |
| % of Annual 2024 Budget Received to Date: | 17%        |                 |
| Remaining Giving to Meet 2024 Budget:     | \$403,886  | \$9,179         |
| Total Expenses incurred through 2/29/24   | \$79,127   | \$9,891         |



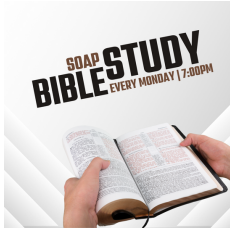
# Lending Closet

Are you in need of some crutches? A shower chair? Walker? Cane?  
 Please click on the logo on the right hand side of the page or check the website for our updated lending closet list!



# SOAP Bible Study

Looking to join? Reach out to Mark Givens at [mpgivens@ameritech.net](mailto:mpgivens@ameritech.net)  
 Here is the schedule for the next few weeks:  
 4/15 Daniel 10



# Coffee with the Pastor

Coffee with the Pastor will be held the second Sunday of every month at 10 am.

We will meet in the Education Wing Second Cup of Coffee Room. Come for conversation, questions and fellowship. Bring your coffee and donut and join us.





# Prayer LIST

**Sunday, April 14, 2024**

## **Prayer Request - Long Term**

**(All prayer requests made after Thursday at Noon will be posted the following week)**

|                 |                                 |
|-----------------|---------------------------------|
| Ren             | Granddaughter of Linda Baumbach |
| Don Chismar     |                                 |
| Patty Doran     | Sister-in-law of Chuck Sieving  |
| Marcia Drysdale | Friend of Jane Dillon           |
| Dawn Higgins    | Neighbor of Fran Molnar         |
| Jayne Kramic    | Friend of Kathy McCollum        |
| Angela Missig   | Daughter of Gloria Starr        |
| Jenn Pitts      | Daughter of Judy Kazak          |
| Lois Reichert   |                                 |
| Pam Rotella     |                                 |
| Bill Sweeny     | Friend of Kathy McCollum        |
| Robert Sieving  | Brother of Chuck Sieving        |
| Al Tielke       |                                 |
| Mike Hosler     |                                 |
| Ron Filkill     |                                 |
| Chris Sikora    |                                 |

## **Recent prayer requests received within the past 3 weeks:**

|          |  |
|----------|--|
| March 31 | Hilary Mason (Ruth William's daughter)<br>Charlotte Plavan (Jann Daniel's friend)<br>Michael Novotny (Dave and Carol Novotny's son)<br>Amanda Straquadine (Liz Grider's co-worker)<br>Jenny Kelemen (Jann Daniel's friend)<br>Sue C. (Liz Grider's friend) |
| April 7  | Grace Dye<br>Ty and his wife Ruth (Brandon Bilek's friend)   |
| April 14 | Kathy and Tim Needham (Deb Gibbon's cousins)<br>Jen Pitts (Judy Kazak's daughter)  |

# Happy Birthday

| Date       | Online | In Person | Total |
|------------|--------|-----------|-------|
| 04/07/2024 | 55     | 155       | 210   |
| 03/31/2024 | 92     | 164       | 356   |
| 03/29/2024 | 42     | 66        | 108   |
| 03/28/2024 | 17     | 57        | 74    |

04/03 Benjamin Beard  
 04/03 Luke Ventimiglia  
 04/03 Tracy Biller  
 04/04 Anita Bauknecht  
 04/04 Samuel Dickey  
 04/05 Becky Rowe  
 04/05 Cindy Zinram  
 04/05 Diane Diekroger  
 04/05 Steve Zinram  
 04/07 Haley Hackett  
 04/07 Sarah Bruening  
 04/07 Mason Reisner  
 04/08 Charles Schmidt  
 04/10 Jacob Arthur  
 04/13 Eli Hallowell  
 04/13 Mark Givens  
 04/14 Tim Gibbons  
 04/16 Mason Rowe  
 04/17 Mark Wiedt  
 04/17 Thomas Morton

04/18 Benjamin Fortuna  
 04/18 Francine Molnar  
 04/19 Mackenzie Juntunen  
 04/19 Susan Stevens  
 04/20 Mark Oster  
 04/20 Matthew Olah  
 04/20 Norm Rehark  
 04/21 Amy Babinski  
 04/23 Abbey Smylie  
 04/23 Carley Frey  
 04/24 Laurie Vorobej  
 04/26 Aili MacKenzie  
 04/26 Ellen Babinski  
 04/27 Avianna Carimi  
 04/28 Becky Kear  
 04/28 Helga Susemihl  
 04/28 Sally Poirier

# HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

04/07 Grant & Beth Comnick  
 04/11 Dave & Laurel Covell  
 04/26 Susan & Paul Franz  
 04/28 Susan & T.J. Worsencroft

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Dave Covell, Church Council President  
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### Office Hours

Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday from 9-3  
 28455 Center Ridge Rd., Westlake, Ohio 44145  
 440/871-5565 • www.princeofpeacewestlake.org

### Sunday Worship Services

9:00 am & 11:00 am in person.

### Livestream

Christian Education - Sundays 10-10:50 am

Adult supervised child care for children 5 and under is offered for both services and during

the Christian Education hour between services.

