



# Jubilee Journal

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## First Presbyterian Church of Harrison



## Deep Roots, Tall Steeple: Serving Christ, Transforming People

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FOR HAM AND  
BEAN and  
CORNBREAD  
COOK-OFF

MARCH 6 (Please  
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## Let us Begin to Celebrate!

Welcome to the first edition of **Jubilee Journal**. This will be your newsletter to keep you informed as we celebrate our 200 years as the First Presbyterian Church of Harrison, Ohio. We hope you will plan to attend as many events as possible throughout the coming months. This is an exciting milestone in the life of our church. Please invite your family, friends, and former members that may live out of the Harrison area to attend any event or church service. The original 17 members must be very proud to see that we are still serving the Lord on the corner of Vine and Broadway 200 years later.

## Ham and Bean Cook-off



On March 6th we will be kicking off the seven month celebration "Keeping the Faith and Serving the Lord" here in the Harrison area. We will be having a special 10:45 worship service, leading to the opening of the 1961 cornerstone on the Education wing. We will conclude this celebration Sunday with a hardy ham and bean cook-off, accompanied by a cornbread cook-off as well. So we are asking our congregation to dust off those cookbooks and look thru those recipe cards and submit your best tasting entry in our Ham & Bean Cook-Off! Any type of bean will be welcomed in the contest; any dry type of bean and ham, or green beans and ham. Try to think and cook like our pioneers may have cooked 200 years ago You cannot have ham & beans without corn bread—so we are asking for your best cornbread recipes for us to try out as well. We need your help to make this a grand kick off with an 1811 style and flair. Frogs and YC will offer their help in serving you 2 bowls of ham & beans of choice, along with cornbread and dessert at a reasonable \$5.00 cost. All proceeds received will go the Youth groups and Jubilee Fund. Mark your calendars for March 6 following the 10:45 worship service to join us for some good eating 1811 style and great fun competition of who is the best *BEAN* cooker!! Hope to see everyone there enjoying ham, beans and the beginning of our JUBILEE Celebration.



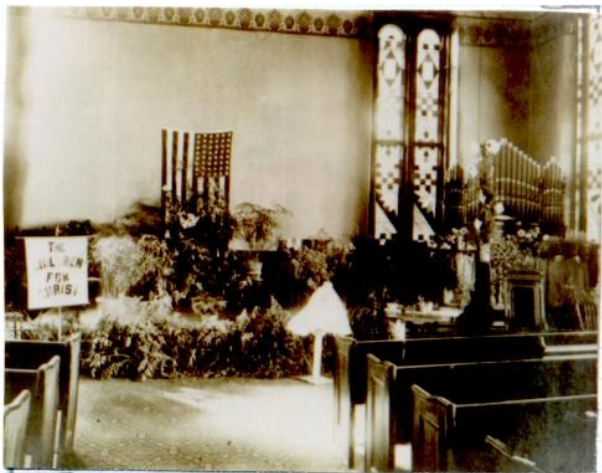
# Our Founders



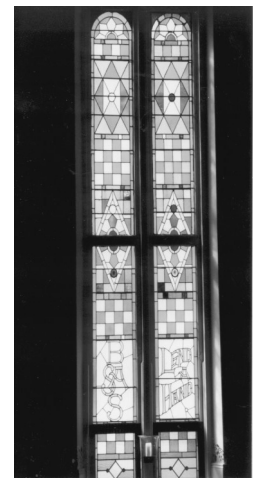
*Our church began in 1811 when several families in the area met with Reverend Samuel Baldrige. Perhaps our beginnings really began as a seed when our founding members made the decision to leave the comfort of their homes and the embrace of family and friends and move westward. Without their bravery and desires, the west would have remained a wilderness.*

*Robert and Phoebe Marvin were two of our earliest members. Phoebe Marvin's diary has*

*given us an insight into their trip as they left Morristown, New Jersey. The final entry of Phoebe's diary of her trip from Dover, NJ to Ohio ended in Linnsome on June 17, 1805, just upstream of Gallipolis. Robert and Phoebe's arrival in the Ohio Valley was not the end of their journey, because they continued on and settled in Harrison in the fall of 1805. Six years later they and other founders of our church met for the first time at John Allen's log cabin with a traveling minister named Rev. Samuel Baldrige.*



If you have any old photographs, great stories or would like to share what First Presbyterian Church of Harrison has meant to you; please submit to the church office for future Jubilee Journal volumes!



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## HISTORIC RE-ENACTMENTS OF OUR CHURCH HISTORY

Ramona Lemmel and Marilyn Bourquein have been working hard gathering historical information and writing scripts for 4 small plays that will be preformed each Sunday during the 10:45 worship service thru the month of February.

Each week some of our most dramatic and talented congregation members will be showing off their talents in these skits, and being directed by Janet Coakley. The skits will be in 50 year increments, and cover our 200 years of history. These skits are sure to be entertaining and informative, so we invite everyone to come and witness what it may have been like here in the First Presbyterian church all those years ago. We hope to see everyone in attendance!