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The Presbyterian Messenger



Rev. Meta S. Cramer, Pastor
8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer (Chapel)
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

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Sunday, August 18 — The 13th Sunday after Pentecost



8:30 — Morning Prayer in the Chapel
Scripture: Exodus 19:3-6; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,
12-13, 27; Isaiah 61:1-3, 10-11
Theme: - "I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic
church, the communion of saints..."

10:30 — Worship in the Sanctuary
Scripture: Psalm 40:1-13; Hebrews 11:29-12:2;
Luke 12:49-53
Sermon: *Credit Where Credit is Due*
Liturgist: Dana Tonkinson
Music: Mike Newman (The "Ascensions")

Sunday, August 25 — The 14th Sunday after Pentecost



8:30 — Morning Prayer in the Chapel
Scripture: Psalm 103:1-12; 2 Corinthians 5:16-21;
Isaiah 55:6-11
Theme: "...and the forgiveness of sins."

10:30 — Worship in the Sanctuary
Scripture: Isaiah 58:9b-14; Psalm 71:1-5;
Luke 13:10-17
Sermon: *Stronger Bones, Straighter Spines*
Music: Jayne Bricker and Girls

—————> Job Opportunities in the area of youth Christian education will be forthcoming. <—————
If you have an interest in this area, please contact the Church Office after August 19th for additional information.

Dear Friends,

An article in the Sunday paper told the story of a man in Cincinnati who decided that people in hospice care "deserve to hear bird songs every morning." One facility had bird feeders outside each patient's window -- feeders that had been hung 30 years earlier for an Eagle Scout project. Since those decades-old feeders were starting to deteriorate, Brett Gilmore started refurbishing used bird feeders to replace them. This article went on at length about the benefits of watching birds, chipmunks and squirrels during times of high stress. No religious references appeared until the last sentences, when Mr. Gilmore is quoted as saying, "It's really special for the patients and their families. It brings God right to them." What an interesting thing to say.

None of us would argue that God is a sparrow. Yet Jesus taught us that God sees every sparrow that falls, clothes the lilies of the field, and counts the hairs of our heads. Few of us are immune to the wonder and beauty of God's creation all around us. And although we each have a favorite time of year, our current season of growing plants and singing birds does speak to us of God's dependable, life-giving care.

"His eye is on the sparrow, and I know he cares for me." With our eyes on the sparrow, we might just see God coming right to us.

Blessings,
Meta



Prayer Concerns

Darla Allen (Kevin Chumney's sister), Sandra Arter, John Beebe (Debbie McCulloch's father), Ken Burrier, Dan and Audrey Crawford (Linda Crawford's brother & sister in law), Stella Dominic, Alex Evans (Lucy Works' friend), Morgan Fennema (Paul and Barbara Fennema's granddaughter), Nicole Fennema (Paul and Barbara Fennema's daughter-in-law), Ruth Gould, Melissa Griffith (Judy Sicilia's friend), Bud Hays (Sue Merry's father), Jack and Rita Hovis, Hayden Johnson, Bill and Theresa Jones, Lynn Kostura (Lauren Arnold's college friend's mother), Guy Edward Lindsay and Kip Lindsay (Phil Tetlow's cousins), Susan McCullough (Susan Merry's co-worker), Helen Newman (Franciscan Manor in Beaver Falls; Jim Newman's mother), Bill Phillips (Joyce Smith's son-in-law), Sam Pridon, Charles and Charity Ricciardi, Connie Bowman Rowe (Helen Hayes' friend), Joan Schomer (Rev. Dan Schomer's wife), Ruth and Gene Shafer, Edison Shaw (Gloria Shafer's stepfather), Henry Shepard (Lorin Shepard's brother), Roland and Mary Smith (Susan Smith's parents), Jane Wilson, friend of Sue and Bob Merry and Cheryl and Bill McDevitt), Lucy Works, A Friend of Jen Sarginger

Special Care Facilities

Auburn: Helen Hum

Blossom: Georgiana Costa, 204B; Roland and Mary Smith (Susan Smith's parents)

Clare Bridge: Bill Butler (Pat Butler's husband); 1420 S Canfield Niles Rd, Austintown OH 44515

Community Care: Rosann Butler, 131; PO Box 2720, Alliance OH 44601

Courtyard: Phyllis Lamb, 109

Crandall: Marilyn Clark, 185; Betsy Johnson, 251 (Tom Johnson's wife)

Essex III: Ibbey Dales, 211

Grace Woods: Jo Hawkins, 234

Lake Huron Woods: Joyce Smith; 5221 Lakeshore Rd, Fort Gratiot MI 48059

Shepherd of the Valley: Jo Hendricks, 218; 4100 N River Rd NE, Warren OH 44484

Sterling House: Dorothy Gibson, 303

Weatherwood Manor: Dolores Kynett, 201; 896 Weatherwood Lane, Greensburg PA 15601

Whispering Pines: Rolin Herron, 317; 937 E Park Ave, Columbiana OH 44408

Envelope Income received August 4	\$ 4,724.00
General Fund Balance, May 31, 2013	\$ 3,088.18
June Revenues	\$22,490.62
June Expenses	\$22,731.99
General Fund Balance, June 30, 2013	\$ 2,846.81
July Revenues	\$26,714.63
July Expenses	\$24,016.85
General Fund Balance, July 31, 2013	\$ 5,544.59
CWU Back to School Project	\$ 217.00
Per Capita (\$31 / 2013 Goal: \$11,966)	\$ 2,204.00

Military

FENNEMA, JOHN T. SGT
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 Paul and Barb Fennema's son

HARP, ALEX LCPL
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 John and Joetta Tonti's grandson



DAYTIMERS

Wednesday, September 4
 12 Noon — Fellowship Hall
 Program: *Postcard Display*
 Rev. Connie Sassanella

Please notify the Church Office if you know a shut in who would be interested in receiving DVD copies of our Sunday services, or if you want a recording of a particular service for a \$2 fee.

Board of Deacons

Next Newsletter — August 27
 Articles due in Church Office
 by Friday, August 23

If anyone would like to receive the newsletter via E-mail, please call the Church Office or send your address to phyllis@fpcsaalem.org.



Thank You

On behalf of the Board and Staff of the Brightway Center, I would like to thank you for your very generous donation of \$1,000 toward our sponsorship for the "Race for The ROC!" Your commitment to helping the children and families that Brightway will serve at this event is a true testament of the Christian spirit that we will rely on to fulfill Kara Bright's vision. Your donation will be used to help these children and families participate in Brightway Center's educational programs, workshops and events. Kara's vision of creating a premiere ministry facility that influences the world for Christ through athletics, academics and biblical studies, is only becoming possible because of friends and donors like you.

With sincere appreciation,
 Elizabeth Lowry
 Director of Advancement

Dear Friends at First Presbyterian,
 Many thanks for your wonderful gift of \$200 for The Banquet in Salem. We continue to serve 200 persons each Monday on average.

God's Blessing,
 Bill Wilkins

Bulletin Donors needed August 18, September 8, 15, 22, October 6, 13, 20, 27, November 3, 10, December 1, 22, 29; \$15 per Sunday
Chancel Flower Donors needed September 22 (1 vase), December 1 (2 vases); \$10 per vase

RACE FOR THE ROC

THIS SATURDAY, AUGUST 17



5K Obstacle Run Benefit Race at Memorial Park
Sign up online at www.racefortheroc.com

Money raised will benefit The ROC of Salem, a community youth center that serves local residents aged 14-20. The ROC is open Tuesday and Saturday nights and provides free activities including basketball, volleyball, pool, ping pong, foosball, air hockey, corn-hole, wii, lock-ins, and special events. The ROC's mission is to build relationships with unchurched youth and lead them on the path to developing a relationship with Jesus Christ. The ROC is a non-profit 501 (c) 3 entity and is supported solely through donations from area individuals, churches, and businesses. The ROC is its own organization and not affiliated with any one church. It is governed by a Board of Directors.

Rally Day — Sunday, September 8 Discovering Sunday School

Prayer Stations — for adults and children to reflect on past Sunday School experiences and share those thoughts as well as hopes for this year.

Worship — Matthew 13. There will be a collection plate passed.

Crafts/Games — Memory Game, I Spy Books; Dirt Cups (Snack), Coloring Pages and More

Kitchen — The Kitchen will be open for help with preparations for serving a meal at St. Vincent DePaul Meal later in the day (See *Donation Request List Below*)

Donation Request for St Vincent DePaul Meal

Ground Beef (20 lbs); Manwich Mix (3-5 lb cans)

Boxed Au Gratin Potatoes (20 boxes)

Green Beans, cut (4-5 lb cans)

Salad Mix (25 bags)

Ranch Dressing (3 large bottles)

Italian Dressing (3 large bottles)

Buns (150)

Desserts:

(40 cupcakes, 2 pans brownies, 6 dozen cookies)

Milk (1 gallon)

Butter (1 lb)

Lemonade (6 gallons)

Plastic Silverware

Napkins



*Please place items in the box
on the stage in Fellowship Hall.*

Our Church History. . .

From August 15, 1943. . .

NO MESSENGER FOR TWO WEEKS

The "Messenger" will not come to you the last two weeks in August as the Church Secretary will have a vacation. The Church Office will be closed from August 16 to 30.

From August 9, 1953. . .

THE PRAYER OF INTERCESSION FOR THE TRUCE IN KOREA

This coming Thursday, August 13th, is set as the time when Christian folk in our community will gather together in a service of prayer in behalf of the truce in Korea. The prayer period will begin at 7:30 p.m. and will take place at the First Baptist Church, 1290 E. State St. Various members of the Salem Ministerial Association will lead the service. You are cordially invited to attend this service and bring from it, into our own church life some Christian convictions about present world affairs, especially the tragedy of Korea.

From August 1, 1963. . .

Heard at the National Committee Meetings of United Church Women

On Race — It's time we put some walk in our talk.

On the Laity — It's time women get out of the barracks peeling ecclesiastical potatoes and become a part of the laity moving out into the world.

From August 22, 1963. . .

"Supreme Court Ruling"

The latest ruling of the Supreme Court that the reading of the Bible and the saying of the Lord's Prayer in public schools are illegal (if used as part of a religious exercise) places the problem of the religious education of our children directly up to the parents. There is now no place where religion may be taught unless in church-sponsored institutions such as Sunday School or in the home. Since most parents feel inadequate to teach religion to their offspring, this means a great opportunity has been given the churches.

From August 2, 1983. . .

LYNN SHETZER TO PREACH SUNDAY AUGUST 7

We welcome to our pulpit this Sunday a daughter of our congregation, Lynn Bozich Shetzer. Lynn graduated from The College of Wooster and Duke Divinity School and has been serving the Presbyterian Church in Alliance as associate pastor for the past four years.

August

Happy Birthday!


Hank Zimmerman (14),
Ona Mae Erath (25), Margaret Gibbs (31)

- 13 / Tues 7:00 Finding God in Film (107)
- 14 / Weds **6:00-8:00 Big Back Yard —**
Back Yard Carnival
- 15 / Thurs 12:00 Preschool Advisory Board (110)
7:00 Session (107)
- 18 / Sun 8:30 Morning Prayer (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)
12:00-6:00 Zamarelli Recital (S/FH)
- 19 / Mon 6:30 United Quilt Guild (FH)
- 23 / Fri 9:00-4:00 Quilt Group (110)
- 25 / Sun 8:30 Morning Prayer (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)

September

Happy Birthday!

Gene Shafer (15), Bruno Stanga (17),
Margaret Stewart (21), Barbara Bozich (27),
Kay Stanga (28)

- 1 / Sun  8:30 Morning Prayer (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) - *Sacrament of Lord's Supper*
- 2 / Mon *Labor Day*
Church Office Closed
- 3 / Tues 1:00-9:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
7:00 Board of Deacons (107)

- 4 / Weds 12:00 Daytimers (FH) —
Postcard Display — Rev. Connie Sassanella
- 5 / Thurs 6:45 Preschool Orientation
7:00 Salem Bird Study Club (110)
7:00 Committee Night:
Christian Education (106)
Mission I and S (FH)
Property and Maintenance (107)
Worship, Music, and the Arts (109)
- 6 / Fri 9:00-4:00 Quilt Group (FH)
- 8 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School Rally Day (FH)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)
4:00 Youth Serving Meal St. Vincent DePaul
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
- 9 / Mon Preschool Visitation
6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
7:00 Congregational Care (107)
- 10 / Tues Preschool Visitation
Eastminster Presbytery meeting at
Mineral Ridge with Rev. Neal Presa,
Moderator of 220th General Assembly
- 11 / Weds Day 1 for Preschool 3 Day Classes
9:15 February Circle (Salem Hills)
9:45 March Circle (110)
7:00 Men's Bible Study (110)
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
- 12 / Thurs Day 1 for Preschool 2 Day Classes
7:00 Finance and Administration (110)
- 15 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
- 16 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
- 18 / Weds 7:00 Men's Bible Study (110)
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
- 20 / Fri 9:00-4:00 Quilt Group (110)

Salem Community Pantry

Mon., Fri., 9-11:30 a.m. / Tues., 5-7:30 p.m.

**Items needed — canned soup, small jars of
peanut butter, and personal hygiene items.
Place items in box on stage. Thank you!**

Worship Schedule on TV

Sunday — 1 & 9 am / Monday — 1am
Tuesday — 3 am, 12 & 4 pm / Wednesday — 1 am, 4 & 9 pm
Friday — 1 am / Saturday — 3 am, 12 & 4 pm
Cable TV Channel 9 / Schedule Subject to Change