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The Presbyterian Messenger



Rev. Meta S. Cramer, Pastor
8:30 a.m. Worship (Chapel)
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

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August 28 — The 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



As for me and
my house, we
will serve the
Lord. -Joshua 24:15

8:30 a.m. Morning Prayer in the Chapel / *This will be the final 8:30 service of the summer.*

Scripture: Exodus 3:1-15, Colossians 1:1-14

Theme: "Stop, Look, and Listen"

10:30 a.m. Worship in the Sanctuary

Scripture: Exodus 3:1-15; Psalm 105:1, 5, 23-27; Matthew 16:21-28

Sermon: "No Small Task"

Liturgist: John Stoffer

Music: Nancy McNeal, Harpsichord Solo

September 4 — The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Rev. Bruce Ballantine, Guest Preacher



Scripture: Exodus 12:1-14; Psalm 149; Romans 13:8-14

Sermon: "Remember"

Liturgist: Carol Dougherty

Dear Friends,

Technically, summer doesn't end until September 23. However, most of us consider it over after the first day of school or Labor Day, depending on which comes first in our school district. Last summer, we began a new thing with the addition of our 8:30 a.m. service during the summer months. *Sunday, August 28 will be the final day for our 8:30 services in 2011.* These services have obviously met a need for some of you, in terms of both the hour and the style of worship.

This year, our eight Wednesday evenings in our "Big Back Yard" have been hugely successful. I will not try to list all the people who made these events so welcoming and so much fun, but there is no doubt that they would not have been possible without the dedication of Denise Weingart. On our last Wednesday, over 70 people were present! As Denise reported to the Session: "We developed relationships with regular community attendees and strengthened relationships between church members. . .Some of our neighbors have attended worship with us. . .With some simple publicity, we have been able to increase the community's awareness of our church and the work we do in the community." *Thanks be to God!*

I will be taking my final vacation Sunday of the year on September 4. Labor Day weekend is always a time of picnics, recovering from or getting ready for the first day of school, and THE FAIR. I hope you will still find time to worship God and to welcome our guest preacher, the Rev. Bruce Ballantine. Bruce is one of the pastors with whom my husband Steve and I traveled to Malawi and Scotland three years ago. He is a member of Eastminster Presbytery, serving most recently as the interim pastor of the Pleasant Grove Presbyterian Church in Youngstown. Please extend a warm welcome to Bruce.

Blessings,
Meta

Prayer Concerns

Salem Community Hospital — Polly Kendall, 335-1
Community Care Center — Celia Ryser, 165 (200 E State St., Alliance OH 44601)
Others — Dennis Amelung (*Gloria Shafer's uncle*), Dr. Heidi Auman (*Sammye Auman's daughter*), Terry Carman (*Wavelene Arnold's brother-in-law*), Barbara Double (*Ken Double's mother*), Jane Elze (*Jim Elze's mother*), Ruth Gould, Alberta Herron (627 Kimberly Ln NE, Atlanta GA 30306), Doris Johnson (*Jay Johnson's grandmother*), Hayden Johnson: www.caringbridge.org/visit/haydenjohnson, Amanda Karmazin, Jean Martsof, Char McDevitt, Fred McNeal (*Jim McNeal's brother*), Pat Milligan (*Jim Milligan's mother*), Janie Mowery (*Marilyn Ward's friend*), Bill Phillips (*Joyce Smith's son-in-law*), Joan Reed (*Sue Skiba's mother*), Paul Robinson (*Kim Double's uncle*), Gene Shafer, Roland Smith (*Susan Smith's father*), Karlie Stith (*Harvey and Sally Mason's great grand-daughter*), Teresa Turney (*Dolly Millikin's daughter*), Derek Votaw (*Curt and Beverly Mosher's grandson*)

Special Care Facilities

Blossom: Georgiana Costa, 204B
Briarwood: Norman Pim, 601;
 3700 Englewood Dr., Stow OH 44224
Canterbury Place: Tom Smith, 508;
 310 Fisk St., Pittsburgh PA 15201-1708
Clare Bridge of Austintown: Bill Butler (*Pat Butler's husband*); 1420 S Canfield Niles Rd, Austintown OH 44515
Copeland Oaks: Chet Roof, 6202
Courtyard: Phyllis Lamb, 109; Betty Potter, 202 (*Helen Hayes' mother*); Linda Tonti, 209 (*John Tonti's mother*)
Crandall: Marilyn Clark, 185; Betsy Johnson, 251 (*Tom Johnson's wife*)
Essex 3: Ibbey Dales, 211
Grace Woods Village: Jo Hawkins, 234
Sterling House: Dorothy Gibson
Weatherwood Manor: Dolores Kynett, 201;
 896 Weatherwood Lane, Greensburg PA 15601

Armed Forces

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\$ Financial Report ¢

Envelope Income received August 7	\$ 6,921.00
Envelope Income received August 14	\$ 2,742.00
Envelope Income received August 21	\$ 6,255.00
General Fund Balance, May 31, 2011	\$ 232.98
Loan to General Fund	(\$10,000.00)
June Revenues	\$24,546.82
June Expenses	\$23,236.86
General Fund Balance, June 30, 2011	(\$8,457.06)
Loan to General Fund	(\$4,000.00)
July Revenues	\$21,529.09
July Expenses	\$21,650.57)
General Fund Balance, July 31, 2011	(\$12,578.54)
Per Capita (\$29 / 2011 Goal: \$12,963)	\$ 2,420.00

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The Sympathy and Surrounding Love of Our Congregation are extended to Carrie Schreffler and the family on the death of her grandmother, Clementine M. "Toots" Lanza.

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Happy Birthday!

Please help Betty Potter celebrate her 100th Birthday on Saturday, September 10th by either sending her a card (Betty Potter, Room 202, Courtyard at Lexington, 2345 Lexington Ave, Salem OH 44460) or joining Betty and her family the afternoon of September 10th, around 2 p.m. for birthday cake!



Congratulations to Dick and Eileen Shanker on the celebration of their 60th Wedding Anniversary on August 31.



We acknowledge with gratitude your kind monetary donation of \$306 for the Back to School Project. It is through the assistance of concerned people like you that we are able to continue assisting the needy families of our community. May God bless you for your generosity!

Church Women United

Thank you for all the love and kind expressions of sympathy extended to us during our sadness at the passing of Brock Ferrier.

*Dan and Joan Ferrier,
 Masten, Jarrett, and
 Linda, Jacob, and Vincent*

Thanks to the church and Pat Lepping and Susan Smith for the lovely flowers delivered to me by these two ladies. It was so nice to be remembered. The church has a wonderful way of helping to lift one's spirits. Blessings to all.

Sincerely,
Margaret Stewart

We are experiencing technical difficulties with the broadcast of our Worship Service. Please be patient while it is being repaired. Thank you.

Mission Project Donation Request

for Serving Meal at St. Vincent DePaul, Sept. 11

Ground Beef (20 lbs)
Manwich Mix (3 - 5 lb cans)
Au Gratin Potatoes (20 boxes)
Cut Green Beans (4 - 5 lb cans)
Buns (150)
Cupcakes (40)
Brownies (2 pans)
Cookies (6 dozen)
Milk (1 gallon)
Butter (1 lb)
Lemonade (6 gallons)
Plastic Silverware / Napkins



Pasta Supper

Thursday, September 15

7 p.m. in Fellowship Hall



Be our guest and meet guest builders
from the Koinonia Mission Company,
a Presbyterian mission group from New York.

YOUR SESSION AT WORK

The Session, meeting on August 18, 2011...

- approved the receipt of the Peacemaking Offering on October 2 (World Communion Sunday) with the local portion to be used for the Peace Garden project
- approved September 2-9 as vacation time for Meta Cramer, and approved Bruce Ballantine as the guest preacher for September 4
- approved participation in a "Reverse Trick or Treat" project involving Fair Trade chocolate
- heard that the Big Back Yard program was a resounding success
- heard that the Deacons would welcome help serving a Pasta Dinner on September 15 which will offer hospitality to Presbyterians from New York who will be volunteering with Habitat for Humanity
- authorized a Minute for Mission by Habitat for Humanity volunteer Tim Baillie
- set "Consecration Sunday" for November 13
- approved electrical repairs to the bell tower
- heard that the Self Study Committee would like to have conversations with more members

Our Church History ...

From the Messenger, August 19, 1951:

Kindergarten and Nursery School

The Presbyterian Kindergarten and Nursery School will begin its seventh year on Monday, September 10th. Classes are held five mornings of each week from 9:00 to 11:30 under the direction and able leadership of Mrs. Robert S. Dunn, who is an experienced teacher of children, holding a life certificate. The children attending in former years have progressed amazingly in their knowledge and also learned much in associating with other children. The school continues for a period of eight months, closing the last of May, with Christmas and spring holidays the same as the public schools. Call Mrs. Dunn, 5387, if interested in having your child enrolled, or the church office, 3220. Last year 50 children were enrolled.

Singspiration

Let us have a large number of our adults and young people come this Sunday night, Aug. 19, at 7:30 and sing their favorite hymns together, Mrs. Walter Hofmeister leading. There is something about group singing that is inspiring and uplifting. It is hoped to fill the Ladies' Parlor, and if necessary to have more room, to move into the Chapel. Light refreshments will be served following the sing.

From the Messenger, August 27, 1981:

During this time when we do not have a pastor, on a day to day basis, it would be very helpful to everyone in this congregation if we would each become a shepherd. Please call the office and tell us when you know of anyone who needs to be remembered. Hospital care and illnesses are especially difficult since Rev. Longworth has retired.

August

Happy Birthday!

Ona Mae Erath (25), Margaret Gibbs (31)

- 25 / Thurs 12:00 Preschool Advisory Board (110)
- 26 / Fri 5:00 Megan McCorkhill /
Daniel Halverstadt Wedding Rehearsal (S)
- 27 / Sat 12:30 Megan McCorkhill /
Daniel Halverstadt Wedding (S)
- 28 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH) — Deacons
10:30 Worship (Sanctuary)
- 29 / Mon First Day of School in Salem for
Grades 1-12



September

Happy Birthday!

Helen Hildenbiddle (7), Betty Potter (10),
Gene Shafer (15), Bruno Stanga (17),
Margaret Stewart (21),
Barbara Bozich (27), Kay Stanga (28)

- 1 / Thurs **7:00 Committee Night:**
Christian Education (106)
Mission I and S (FH)
Property and Maintenance (107)
Worship, Music, and Arts (109)
7:00 Salem Bird Study Club (110)



- 4 / Sun 9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)
- 5 / Mon Labor Day — Church Office Closed
- 6 / Tues 9:30-9:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)



- 7 / Weds 12:00 Daytimers (FH)
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
- 8 / Thurs 6:30 Preschool Orientation (S)
7:00 Finance Committee (110)
- 11 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School Rally Day
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)
5:00 — Serve Meal at St. Vincent DePaul
(see Donation List on page 3)
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
- 12 / Mon Preschool Visitation — M/Tu
6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
6:30 Board of Deacons (107)
7:30 Congregational Care (107)
- 13 / Tues 5:00 Eastminster Presbytery Meeting at
Christ PC, Youngstown
6:30 Quilt Guild Wrap-Up (107)
- 14 / Weds 9:00 February Circle (Salem Hills)
9:00 March Circle (110)
6:00 Nominating (107)
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
- 15 / Thurs 6:00 Pasta Supper (FH) —
Habitat Workers from New York
7:00 Session (107)
- 16 / Fri 9:30-2:30 Preschool (FH)
- 18 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) —
Rev. Ross Jackson in Pulpit
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
- 19 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
- 21 / Weds 7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
- 22 / Thurs 9:30-2:30 Preschool (FH) - Th/F
- 23 / Fri 5:00-10:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
- 24 / Sat 9:00-5:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)



Salem Community Pantry

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

Monetary donations should be made out to:
Salem Community Pantry / PO Box 222, Salem OH 44460

Worship Service Schedule

Cable TV Channel 9 / *Schedule subject to change
Sunday — 2 a.m.* / Tuesday — 12:00 and 4:00 p.m.
Wednesday — 4:00 a.m.*, 4:00 and 9:00 p.m.
Friday — 4:00 a.m.*, 4:00 p.m.* / Saturday — 2:00 a.m.*