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# The Presbyterian Messenger



Rev. Meta S. Cramer, Pastor  
9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour  
10:30 a.m. Worship

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The Rev. R. Joseph Hrach is Eastminster Presbytery's Presbytery Associate. In that role, he supports congregations in their ministries and assists General Presbyter Dan Schomer in caring for pastors. Joe served as a long-time elder at the Westminster Presbyterian Church in Akron. After his retirement as an electric utility executive, Joe earned a Master of Divinity degree from Ashland Theological Seminary and was ordained as a Minister of Word and Sacrament in March 2011. We welcome him to our pulpit!

## August 12 — The 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. *In the Garden*, led by Elder Mark Smith

10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Scripture: Psalm 136:1-9, 22-26; I John 4:7-8,  
I Corinthians 13:4-10, 12-13; John 15:9-17

Sermon: "Jesus' FACEBOOK Page" —  
The Rev. Joe Hrach, Guest Preacher

Liturgist: Gloria Shafer

Music: Cheryl and Gary Kekel

## August 19 — The 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 a.m. in the Chapel

Scripture: Isaiah 40:28-31, James 5:13-16,  
Psalm 139

Theme: "Listening for the Lord Who Made Us"

10:30 a.m. in the Sanctuary

Scripture: Isaiah 35:1-6, Psalm 139:1-14,  
James 5:13-16

Sermon: "Hemmed in by Love"

Liturgist: Denise Weingart

Dear Friends,

During my Sunday morning prayers, I read this passage from Psalm 36: "How priceless is your love, O God! Your people... feast upon the abundance of your house; you give them drink from the river of your delights. For with you is the well of life. ..." The image of a "feast" struck home, probably because I had just breakfasted on a delicious peach and blueberry tart delivered to us the night before!

I have indeed feasted on an abundance of loving and caring these past weeks. By the time you read this, three weeks will have passed since my knee replacement surgery. Steve and I have been overwhelmed by the abundance of cards, visits, food and other help that has come our way. *Thank you!* In sharing your good wishes, you have definitely delivered the priceless love of God to us.

Here's how I'm doing: The therapy is going well. I have progressed quickly from a walker to a cane to walking -- at least indoors -- unassisted. However, this walking is hard and tiring work, as are the exercises I'm doing 2-3 times a day at home and the outpatient therapy which will continue through August 22. This work has been my highest priority, because I want to have a complete recovery and regain full strength to do my work with you.

I am hoping and planning to return to the pulpit on August 19. I will try to spend some time in the office after August 12. I haven't been released to drive yet, nor do I know when that will happen. However, I am available to communicate by phone or e-mail.

Thank so much for your concern and support! I hope to return it gratefully.

*Blessings, Meta*

## Prayer Concerns

Alliance Hospital — Rich Eichler (had hip surgery August 6)

Others — Wavelene Arnold, Mary Frances Breit, Chris Brown (*UMC Choir Director, needs kidney transplant*), Ryan Christian (*Nancy Fawcett's friend, child*), Steven Courtwright (*Dolly Millikin's nephew*), Rev. Meta Cramer, Dan and Audrey Crawford (*Linda Crawford's brother & sister in law*), Stella Dominic, Alex Evans (*Lucy Works' friend*), Ruth Garvey (*Angela Milligan's mother*), Yvonne Goll (*Missionary in LA, "Saving Innocence"*), Dustin Gorby (*Mickey Buck's friend*), Ruth Gould, Jim Hollinger, Jack and Rita Hovis, Lynne Berryman Jackson (*Sandra Arter's friend*), Hayden Johnson, Bill and Theresa Jones, Char McDevitt, Louise Murdock, Bill Phillips (*Joyce Smith's son-in-law*), Colleen Schneider (*friend of Janet Chumney and Jody Grubb*), Gene Shafer, Roland and Mary Smith (*Susan Smith's parents*), Ann Theil, Scott Theil (*Ann Theil's son*), Lucy Works (*surgery August 8 at Wade Park VA Hospital in Cleveland*), Alexis Wright (*Jesse and Rochelle Wright's daughter*), Hank Zimmerman (now at Crandall)

## Special Care Facilities

Blossom: Georgiana Costa, 204B

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

Community Care Center: Rosann Butler, 101; PO Box 2720, Alliance OH 44601

Copeland Oaks: Chet Roof, 6-202; John and Jean Martsof, 7-421

Courtyard: Phyllis Lamb, 109; Linda Tonti, 209 (*John Tonti's mother*)

Crandall: Marilyn Clark, 185; Betsy Johnson, 251 (*Tom Johnson's wife*); Polly Kendall, 280; Hank Zimmerman, 270

Essex 3: Ibbey Dales, 211

Grace Woods Village: Jo Hawkins, 234

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

Pleasant View North: Helen Hum

Sterling House: Dorothy Gibson, 303

Vista Center, Lisbon: Virginia Calabrese (*Dawn Billham's grandmother*)

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

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

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## Financial Report

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Envelope Income received July 1	\$ 4,211.18
Envelope Income received July 8	\$ 2,396.00
Envelope Income received July 15	\$ 3,952.00
Envelope Income received July 22	\$ 3,079.00
Envelope Income received July 29	\$ 1,980.00
General Fund Balance, May 31, 2012	\$25,091.94
CWU Back to School Project	\$ 210.00
Per Capita (\$30 / 2012 Goal: \$12,090)	\$ 2,460.00
2¢ a Meal for Hunger	\$ 23.94

## Military

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C. Co. 403rd CA BN  
FOB Salerno / APO AE 09314  
Dave and Becky Halverstadt's son

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A Co 1-17 Inf Regt 2-2 SBCT  
FOB Spinboldak APO AE 09355  
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Gloria Shafer's son

† SSGT Ryan Stith  
Kilo Company / MCT SOI  
Camp Pendleton CA 92055  
Harvey and Sally Mason's grandson

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The Sympathy and Surrounding Love of Our Congregation are extended to Steve and Marilyn Ward and David and Vickie Honeywell and the families on the death of Steve's and Vickie's mother, Janet Mueller.

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**Congratulations** to grandparents Dannie and Sandi Hendricks and great grandmother Jo Hendricks on the birth of Knox Locklin Cartwright on July 26. Parents are Regan and Adam Cartwright of Florida.



Dear Presbyterian Deacons,  
Thank you so very much for the wonderful lunch you provided following our father's funeral service. Not only was the food delicious, but you went the extra mile in serving it beautifully. The table centerpieces, colorful napkins, and "real" dinnerware were a very nice touch and did not go unnoticed! We appreciate each individual who prepared food, served, and set/cleaned up. It was good to be with family and friends at that particular time and we thank you for seeing this as a ministry to members and their families. May God bless you for serving Him.

*The Family of Norman Pim*

I appreciated Meta's visit and follow up phone call during my hospitalization last month. Also, it was great to visit with Ellen when she delivered the beautiful flowers to me at the hospital. Our church family is such a blessing.

*Jim Hollinger*

I want to thank Meta for her visits and prayers, and Ellen Maticcik for her visit and lovely flowers.

*Mary Frances Breit*

**Bulletin Donors** needed for August 19, 26, September 2, 9, 16, 23, October 28, November 25, December 2, 16, 30. Cost is \$15 a Sunday.



FPC'S



**BIG BACK YARD**

**Wednesdays, 6:00-8:00 p.m.**

~ Rain or Shine ~

**Fun, Food, Free!!**

**August 8 — "Art in the Park"**

Anyone interested should bring a piece of art or a craft item to share. People's Choice Awards — top 3 adult entrants, top 3 youth entrants

**August 15 — Back Yard Carnival**



**OPEN HOUSE** for  
*Dick and Carol Dougherty*

**Saturday, August 25**  
4:00-7:00 p.m.

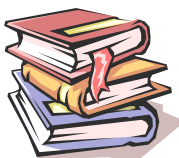
Marilyn Herron's home  
777 Stewart Rd — Salem

*RSVP Marilyn by August 18*  
330-337-7923, 330-506-0136

**Cards welcomed.**  
**Your presence is the gift.**

Did you know that the members of this church can come in to browse, read, preview videos or DVDs, study, or just get away from interruptions at the Eastminster Presbytery Resource Center?

Located inside the offices of Eastminster Presbytery, the Center is open Monday — Thursday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. You will find Bible studies, resources on spirituality, prayer, mission, evangelism, hunger, poverty, parenting, marriage, and a variety of other topics. Call Lorraine at 330-505-2167 x101 for more information about the Resource Center. You will also find resources for children and Sunday School!  
*Come on in and check it out!*



## Our Church History ...

**From the Messenger, August 2, 1942:**

**For the Summer** — There will be Sunday School and preaching service regularly throughout the summer. If you have some vacation, it would greatly help if you would place your offering in the envelopes and bring them before you go on vacation. The expenses of our Church go on just the same, vacation or no vacation. Besides, your Church dues will be more easily paid before vacation than after. Remember the Sabbath wherever you go. As you worship elsewhere, bring home any suggestions for improvement of our own Church that you may come across.

**From the Messenger, August 9, 1942:**

**A Letter to Our Soldiers** — You are precious in God's sight. That's why all of us pray for you and ask for your safe return. Keep yourselves clean and strong for Christ's safe. Hold fast to God. Also, in your prayers, don't forget to remember your home folks, your Church, and your many friends. We need your earnest prayers just as much as you need ours. Faithfully Your Pastor, *Rev. Raymond David Walter*

**From the Messenger, August 19, 1982:**

THE SESSION ANNOUNCES the appointment of John W. Krauss as Director of the Haviland and Chancel Choirs and coordinator of our church music program. Mr. Krauss is a graduate of Salem High School and Dana School of Music, Youngstown State University, where he earned a Bachelor of Music Education degree and a Master of Music Performance degree. He has performed as solo tuba with several symphony orchestras in our area as well as with many community bands. He is currently teaching in the Minerva Local schools. John has directed church choirs in Salem, Youngstown, Warren, and Bath, Ohio. Let's all welcome him as he joins our church staff.

**From the Messenger, August 26, 1982:**

**Sunday, August 29**

8:00 a.m. Bible Study / 9:30 a.m. Family Worship

This is the Sunday we have been waiting for with great anticipation for the past year. It is candidating Sunday. Because of its special nature and the fact that those people involved in the life of this church do not wish to miss it, we are cancelling Church School to allow everyone the opportunity to attend worship. Rev. Mager's topic for the morning will be "PILGRIMAGE WITHOUT MAGIC STICKS".

**From the Messenger, August 5, 1992:**

PLEASE NOTE: Anyone who needs transportation to Church for Sunday morning worship services should call the Church Office by each Thursday.

# August

## Happy Birthday!

Chet Roof (12), Hank Zimmerman (14),  
Ona Mae Erath (25), Margaret Gibbs (31)

- 7 / Tues 9:00-9:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)  
**7:00 Board of Deacons (107)**
- 8 Weds **6:00-8:00 Big Back Yard**
- 9 / Thurs **7:00 Finance (110)**
- 12 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)  
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)  
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)  
10:30 Worship (S) — Rev. Joe Hrach  
1:00 Music Recital (S/FH)  
*Students of Zamarelli Music Studio*
- 15 / Weds **6:00-8:00 Big Back Yard** (last gathering)
- 16 / Thurs 12:00 Preschool Advisory Board (110)
- 19 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)  
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)  
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)  
10:30 Worship (S)
- 23 / Thurs 7:00 Session (107) — *tentative*
- 26 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel) - *last*  
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)

- 2 / Sun 9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)  
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)  
10:30 Worship (S) — Rev. Ray Banner

- 3 / Mon *Labor Day*  
Church Office Closed
- 4 / Tues 9:00-9:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)  
**7:00 Board of Deacons (107)**
- 5 / Weds 12:00 Daytimers (FH)  
Program — *Banquet of Salem* with  
Rev. Connie Sassanella, Bev Henderson  
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
- 6 / 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)**
- 9 / Sun 9:00 Sunday School; Adult Bible Study (110)  
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)  
10:30 Worship (S) — Rev. Ray Banner  
6:00 Cub Scout Pack 3 (B)
- 10 / Mon Preschool Visitation  
6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)  
**7:00 Congregational Care (107)**
- 11 / Tues Preschool Visitation and 5 Day starts
- 12 / Weds Preschool 3 Day starts  
9:00 February Circle  
9:15 March Circle (110)  
7:00 Haviland Choir (S)
- 13 / Thurs Preschool 2 Day starts  
**7:00 Finance Committee (110)**
- 16 / 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)
- 17 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 (B)
- 18 / Tues 9:00-5:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
- 19 / Weds 7:00 Haviland Choir (S)

## Salem Community Pantry

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

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

## 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.\*