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The Presbyterian Messenger



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

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July 5 — The 6th Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer in the Chapel

Scripture: Deuteronomy 26:1-11; Galatians
3:27-29; Exodus 15, selected verses

Theme: *Free to Give Thanks*

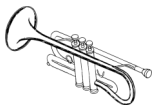
10:30 a.m. — Lord's Day Worship in the Sanctuary

Scripture: Isaiah 54:11-17; Exodus 15, selected
verses; Romans 12:9-21

Sermon: *Declarations of Interdependence*

Music: The Western Reserve Brass,
sponsored by
Geoff and Kim Goll

Liturgist: Teri Lou Pike



July 12 — The 7th Sunday after Pentecost *The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper*

8:30 a.m. — Morning Prayer in the Chapel

Scripture: 1 Samuel 17:32-49; 2 Corinthians
4:1, 7-12; Psalm 9:9-12, 18-20

Theme: *The Power Is God's*

10:30 a.m. — Lord's Day Worship in the Sanctuary

Scripture: 1 Samuel 17:32-49; Psalm 9:9-12, 18-20;
2 Corinthians 4:1, 7-12

Sermon: *Giants and Jars*

Music: Cole Chumney, piano

Liturgist: Alice Jackson



Dear Friends,

I usually write these messages on alternating Monday mornings, just as this edition of *The Messenger* goes to print. However, on the day when I would normally be composing this note to you, I will be traveling home from Dearborn, Michigan. Again, I thank the Rev. Ross Jackson for donating his services so that I could be away for a Sunday to participate in the work of the wider Church of Jesus Christ by preaching at a friend's installation service. I also thank the Session for its generosity in letting this happen.

As I write *prior* to Sunday, June 28, I can tell you that our 8:30 Morning Prayer services have averaged 14 worshippers in attendance. Therefore, those services will be continued at least through the month of July and, most likely, through August as well. Again, let me assure you that, while conversation is a part of this service, *no one* will ever be "called upon" to speak — except for Luke Mackall. (*I knew he wouldn't mind!*)

Our first session of Denise's Big Backyard was a great success with 52 people present. Many, many thanks to Jody Karmazin, Wavelene Arnold, Michael Karmazin and Lauren Arnold! Please be sure to see Jody or Wave if you're interested in helping out.

Please note that Gary and Cheryl Kekel will be entertaining the DayTimers on July 1. *All are welcome!* If you are free at noon, bring something to share -- *it can be very simple!* — and enjoy food and fellowship together.

Blessings,
Meta

Prayer Concerns

Salem Regional Medical Center —
Jack Hovis, 3028

Others —

Tim Breit (*Mary Frances Breit's son*), Eddie Broome (*Sally Collins' brother-in-law*), Darby Jeffries Colian, Matthew Drake (*Jim and Nancy McNeal's grandson*), Doug Everett (*Alice Jackson's nephew*), Morgan Fennema and Nicole Fennema (*Paul and Barbara Fennema's granddaughter, daughter-in-law*), Rev. Dick Ferris, Debbie Goulis (*Meta Cramer's friend*), Tom Henry (*Susan Merry's brother in law*), Rolin Herron, Jack and Rita Hovis, Ilona (*Kathie Baker's friend*), Hayden Johnson, Jean Johnson, Jan Joan Jones (*Sally Collins' mother*), Ron Krauss (*John Krauss' cousin*), Sue Kyser, Jean Leimbach (*15100 Birchaven Ln Apt 129, Findlay OH 45840-7766*), Casey Martinez (*Colleen Chappell's niece*), Jim Munholland (*Carol Ricciardi's friend*), Joyce Pakosta, Presbytery Mission Design Team, Tracy Rees (*Penny Judge's daughter*), Charles and Charity Ricciardi, Scot and Rory Robertson, Lee Schrum (*Carol Ricciardi's brother-in-law*), Gene Shafer, Gloria Shafer's mother, Julie Smith (*Joyce Smith's daughter-in-law*), Kay Stanga, Bob Stroble (*Member of Eastminster Presbytery Committee on Ministry*), Lana Tonkinson (*Ed and Melissa's daughter*), Robert Wheatley (*Gloria Shafer's co-worker*), Nelson Works (*Lucy Works' brother*)

Special Care Facilities

Auburn: Roberta Bell, 7; Helen Hum; MaryLou Timmins

Blossom: Georgiana Costa, 204B; Mary Smith (*Susan Smith's mother*)

Brookdale: Pat Butler, 502; Dorothy Gibson, 303 (*formerly Sterling House*)

Crandall: Betsy Johnson, 251

Essex III: Ibbey Dales, 215

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

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

Whispering Pines: Rolin Herron, 146; 937 E Park Ave, Columbiana OH 44408

Envelope Income received June 7	\$ 4,230.00
Envelope Income received June 14	\$ 4,961.00
Envelope Income received June 21	\$ 3,478.00
General Fund Balance, May 31, 2015	\$13,424.44
Per Capita (\$32 per Active Member)	\$ 2,478.00

Military

FENNEMA, JOHN T. SGT
fennema33@gmail.com
Paul and Barb Fennema's son

HARP, ALEX LCPL
alex.j.harp@gmail.com
John and Joetta Tonti's grandson

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In Memoriam Phyllis Lamb

United with First Church
June 27, 1948

Died — June 29, 2015

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord hence forth...that they may rest from their labors for their deeds follow them." Revelation 14:13

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The Sympathy and Surrounding Love of Our Congregation are extended to the family of Phyllis Lamb, and to Greg and Lynn Gardner and the family on the death of Greg's father, James C. Gardner.

Congratulations to Jason and Adrien LaRue on the birth of Kate Evelyn LaRue on June 11, and to great grandmother Mary Frances Breit on the birth of Elijah David Hammonds on June 20.



Congratulations to Owen Ellis on graduating with honors from Salem Senior High School. He will be attending the University of Akron in the fall.



Thank You

We want to thank Ellen Maticik for her visit and for the chancel flowers from worship. Both were greatly appreciated.
George and Roberta Bell

Special thanks to the volunteers and helpers for Vacation Bible School, *Everest: Conquering Challenges with God's Mighty Power*. A total of \$283.50 was collected for Habitat for Humanity.
Jayne Bricker, Director

Church Women United of Salem **Back-to-School Sign-Ups**

Come to Emmanuel Lutheran Church's Education Building and bring proof of residency in Salem (drivers' license, utility bills) and bring your children's birth certificate or other proof of their existence and their age(s) at the following times:

- Wednesday, July 22 from 9 to Noon and 1-3 p.m.
- Thursday, July 23 from 9 to Noon and 1-3 p.m.
- Friday, July 24 from 9 to Noon and 3-6 p.m.
- Thursday, July 30 from 3-6 p.m.

Vouchers may be redeemed at Salem Walmart only, and must be redeemed no later than August 31, 2015. You must bring the children you are purchasing for to the store with you, and vouchers may only be used for the purchase of clothing, coats, and shoes for school.

Denise's Big Backyard

Wednesdays, 6:00-8:00 p.m.
Fun ~ Food ~ Fellowship ~ Free!!

July 1 — Boy Scout Flag Retirement Ceremony

Other dates are July 8, July 15, July 22 (International Night), July 29, August 5, and August 12 (Safety Night).

Programs will be held rain or shine except in the case of a thunderstorm or tornado warning issued by the National Weather Service.

Jody Karmazin is the General Coordinator of the program, and Wavelene Arnold is the Coordinator of Food.

Summer Outing Saturday, July 18 Guilford Lake Grille



12:00-2:00
Bocce Ball



2:00-3:00
Lunch

Sponsored by the
Congregational Care Committee



"Soup to Go" Project

An organizational meeting for our "Soup to Go" Project will be held on **Sunday, July 19** in the Church Library immediately following 10:30 Worship. If you are unable to attend the meeting and want to help, call Wavelene Arnold.

Your Session at Work

The Session of the First Presbyterian Church of Salem, Ohio, meeting on June 18, 2015...

- Received a friendly and affirming "triennial" visit from the Rev. Bonnie Dutton, our Commission on Ministry liaison, and the Rev. Dr. Nancy Kahaian, our Interim General Presbyter
- Elected Alice Jackson as the Ruling Elder Commissioner for a Special Meeting of Eastminster Presbytery called for June 24
- Heard that a contract is being signed for a LOGOS Encounter training event to be held on October 10. Participants will be recruited from a wide geographic area for this ecumenical event.
- Was reminded of the Bocce Tournament and lunch planned for July 18 at the Guilford Lake Grille
- Approved the "Women's Association" and "Environmental Awareness and Stewardship" policies as presented by the Finance and Administration Committee
- Approved the concept of providing Christmas gifts for Middle Eastern Christian children through the Rev. Elmarie Parker, PCUSA Middle East Liaison
- Authorized the Property and Maintenance Committee to proceed with a plan to minimize ice build-up (and therefore leaking) on the southwest corner of the building
- Heard that the 8:30 Sunday services of Morning Prayer have been well-received, and authorized Meta Cramer to continue them at her discretion, dependent upon continued good attendance
- Discussed the hosting of Coffee Hour in July
- Was asked to ponder the question, "What gives you deep gladness?"
- Engaged in intercessory prayer for members and friends of the congregation, for writer Phyllis Tickle, and for the people of the Emanuel AME Church of Charleston, South Carolina

RECYCLING NEWS

WHAT TO DO WITH ALL THAT PLASTIC?



We have told you that the Food Pantry and Habitat ReStore gladly accept your plastic grocery bags. But what do we do with all the other plastic that we accumulate? The bin at the Salem Giant Eagle store offers some help. According to the signage on their bin, they accept the following plastic items to be recycled into earth-friendly composite decking and railing that's made in the USA: • Plastic Shopping Bags, • Plastic Newspaper Sleeves, • Stretch Film (i.e. plastic that covers a base of bottled water), • Clear Bags (bread bags etc.), • Bubble Wrap, • Plastic Produce Bags, • Dry-Cleaner Bags. It would seem that disposable plastic table cloths might fall into this category as well.

Isn't it amazing that we are able to continue to find ways to cut down the amount of waste that goes into our landfills! Happy recycling!

The next meeting of the Recycling Interest Group will be held on Sunday, July 12 following 10:30 Worship.

July

Happy Birthday!

Ken Burrier (3), Marylou Timmins (12), Dorothy Gibson (24)

- 1 / Weds **12:00 Daytimers (FH)** -
Program by Gary and Cheryl Kekel
**6:00-8:00 Denise's Big Backyard -
Boy Scout Flag Retirement Ceremony**
- 3 / Fri Church Office Closed for July 4 Holiday
- 4 / Sat Independence Day 
- 5 / Sun 8:30 Morning Prayer in the Chapel
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH) - Session Hosts
10:30 Lord's Day Worship in the Sanctuary -
The Western Reserve Brass
- 8 / Weds **6:00-8:00 Denise's Big Backyard**
- 9 / Thurs 6:00-8:00 American Red Cross (107)
- 10 / Fri 9:00-4:00 Quilt Group (FH)
- 12 / Sun 8:30 Morning Prayer in the Chapel
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH) - Session Hosts
10:30 Lord's Day Worship in the Sanctuary -
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper
 **11:30 Recycling Interest Group (107)**
- 13 / Mon 10:00-5:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
- 14 / Tues **8:30 Investment Committee (107)**
8:00-5:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
- 15 / Weds 8:00-5:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
6:00-8:00 Denise's Big Backyard
- 16 / Thurs 8:00-12:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
- 18 / Sat 12:00-4:00 Bridal Shower (FH)
Summer Outing: Guilford Lake Grille
12:00-2:00 Bocce Ball
2:00-3:00 Lunch 




- 19 / Sun 8:30 Morning Prayer in the Chapel
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH) - Session Hosts
10:30 Lord's Day Worship in the Sanctuary
11:30 Soup to Go Organizational Mtg (107)
- 22 / Weds **6:00-8:00 Denise's Big Backyard -
International Night**
- 24 / Fri 9:00-4:00 Quilt Group (FH)
- 26 / Sun 8:30 Morning Prayer in the Chapel
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH) - Session Hosts
10:30 Lord's Day Worship in the Sanctuary
- 29 / Weds **6:00-8:00 Denise's Big Backyard**
- 30 / Thurs 7:00 Piano Recital (S)
Students of Nancy McNeal

August

Happy Birthday!

Doreen Dunn (11), Hank Zimmerman (14),
Ona Mae Erath (25), Margaret Gibbs (31)

- 2 / Sun 8:30 Morning Prayer in the Chapel
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH) - CE Hosts
10:30 Lord's Day Worship in the Sanctuary -
The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper

- 4 / Tues **7:00 Board of Deacons (107)**
- 5 / Weds 12:00 Daytimers (FH) -
Historical Society Gift Shop by Dixie Gordon
6:00-8:00 Denise's Big Backyard
- 6 / Thurs **7:00 CE (106), Mission I & S (FH),
Property (107), Worship (109)**
- 9 / Sun 8:30 Morning Prayer in the Chapel
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Lord's Day Worship in the Sanctuary

Worship Schedule on Cable TV Channel 9

Sunday - 1 & 9 am / Monday - 1 am
Tuesday - 3 am, 12 & 4 pm / Wednesday - 1 am, 4 & 9 pm
Friday - 1 am / Saturday - 3 am, 12 & 4 pm

Schedule Subject to Change



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, personal hygiene items, and plastic bags. Place items at north entrance.