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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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June 3 — Trinity Sunday

8:30 a.m. — *in the Chapel*

Scripture: Exodus 19:3-6; Acts 2:38-42

Theme: "Listening to the Lord:
The Call to be Baptized"



10:30 a.m. — *Sacrament of Baptism for Tenley Jo Stitle*

Scripture: Exodus 3:1-6; Romans 8:12-17;
John 3:1-17

Sermon: "In the Name of Love"

Liturgist: Gloria Shafer

Music: Cheryl McDevitt, Flute

June 10 — 2nd Sunday after Pentecost

8:30 a.m. — *in the Chapel*

Scripture: Exodus 32:1-14;
1 John 1:5-10

Theme: "Listening to the Lord:
Called to Confess...Really?"



10:30 a.m. — *in the Sanctuary*

Scripture: Psalm 138; Isaiah 55:6-11; Mark 3:20-35

Sermon: "Unforgivable Sin?"

Liturgist: Judy Sicilia

Music: Mike Newman

Dear Friends,

Memorial Day has come and gone, so it is "summer" for all practical purposes. For the past couple of years, we have been trying to be more of a "12-month church." Needless to say, we are a church all year: we worship each Sunday; we are "open for business." But some programs go on hiatus; worship attendance declines as we enjoy nice weather and recreational opportunities. To say that we want to be a "12-month church" may be like those football coaches who say, "We have to play all 60 minutes." Well, of course. What they *mean* is, "We have to play the *whole time* with heart and enthusiasm."

On Sunday, June 3, we will hold the first of our summer 8:30 a.m. services in the chapel (although there's a lot of interest in having these outdoors part of the time). We follow the ecumenical custom of Morning Prayer: hearing Scripture, reading Psalms, taking time to reflect – both silently and in conversation with one another – on God's Word, *and*, of course, offering our prayers. Not all the elements of our 10:30 a.m. "Service for the Lord's Day" are included. We always conclude by 9:15. Over the past two summers, these 8:30 services have attracted people of all ages. If this time works for you, please join us!

Vacation Bible School has been part of our summers for many years. Elsewhere in this newsletter, you will find information about this year's trip to "National Sonrise Park," happening here June 11-15.

In addition to the 8:30 Sunday services, our other recent summer initiative has been "FPC's Big Back Yard." This well-received program will be starting up later this month. The Big Back Yard is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy fellowship with each other and to get to know our neighbors. *It is for all ages!* Please stay tuned for details. And have a great summer!

Blessings,
Meta

Prayer Concerns

Wavelene Arnold, Roberta Bell, Chris Brown (*Choir Director at Methodist Church who needs a kidney transplant*), Ryan Christian (*Nancy Fawcett's friend, child*), Steven Courtwright (*Dolly Millikin's nephew*), Dan Crawford (*Linda Crawford's brother*), Stella Dominic, Alex Evans (*Lucy Works' friend*), Morgan Fennema (*Paul and Barb Fennema's granddaughter*), Ruth Garvey (*Angela Milligan's mother*), David George (*Mary Frances Breit's son-in-law*), Yvonne Goll (*Missionary with non-profit "Saving Innocence" in LA*), Dustin Gorby (*Mickey Buck's friend*), Ruth Gould, Jack and Rita Hovis, Hayden Johnson, Char McDevitt, Pat Milligan (*Jim Milligan's mother*), Bill Phillips (*Joyce Smith's son-in-law*), Joan Reed (*Sue Skiba's mother*), Charles and Charity Ricciardi, Gene Shafer, Roland and Mary Smith (*Susan Smith's parents*), Scott Theil (*Ann Theil's son*)

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, 138; PO Box 2720, Alliance OH 44601
Copeland Oaks: Chet Roof, 6-202; John and Jean Martsolf, 7-421
Courtyard: Phyllis Lamb, 109; Betty Potter, 202 (*Helen Hayes' mother*); Linda Tonti, 209 (*John Tonti's mother*)
Covington: Rev. Jack Austin; 100 Covington Dr, East Palestine OH 44413
Crandall: Marilyn Clark, 185; Betsy Johnson, 251 (*Tom Johnson's wife*); Polly Kendall
Emeritus: Norman Pim, 12; 4550 Hills and Dales Rd NW, Canton OH 44708
Essex 3: Ibbey Dales, 211
Grace Woods Village: Jo Hawkins, 234
Pleasant View North Retirement Center: 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

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Financial Report

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| Envelope Income received May 6 | \$ 4,095.00 |
| Envelope Income received May 13 | \$ 2,271.00 |
| Envelope Income received May 20 | \$ 3,000.00 |
| General Fund Balance, April 30, 2012 | \$23,498.48 |
| Pentecost Offering | \$ 1,095.67 |
| Per Capita (\$30 / 2012 Goal: \$12,090) | \$ 2,310.00 |

Armed Forces

- † SGT Fennema, John T.
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Paul and Barb Fennema's son
- † 1LT Jon Halverstadt
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 FOB Salerno / APO AE 09314
Dave and Becky Halverstadt's son
- † SPC Zachary Hill
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Gloria Shafer's son
- † SSGT Ryan Stith
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Harvey and Sally Mason's grandson

† In Memoriam †
Richard D. McDevitt

Joined First Church
 May 20, 1993

Died — May 18, 2012

† In Memoriam †
Thomas B. Smith

Joined First Church
 November 19, 1961

Died — May 19, 2012

“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 Char McDevitt and Brad McDevitt and the families on the death of husband and father, Dick McDevitt; to the family of Tom Smith; and to Bill and Theresa Jones and the family on the death of Theresa's mother, Helen Alcorn.



Congratulations to great grandmother Mary Frances Breit on the birth of Liam David Valichnac born May 14th. Parents are Heidi (Misquitta) and Bill Valichnac of Brunswick, Ohio.



I would like to thank my church family for the lovely burst of spring flowers you have honored me with!
Dr. H. Gene Shafer

Thank you again for the lovely vase of flowers you sent me on the Sunday following my 95th birthday. They added to the joy of the special day.
 Thanks.

Louise Murdock



Congratulations and Best Wishes to our High School Graduates — Brice Cushman, Chris Ellis, Katie McDevitt, Maggie McDevitt, Cassidy Polen, Sam Sinclair, and Nichole Santini.

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



I would like to thank Corey Kuhns for helping out with LOGOS this year. He has been able to attend most Sundays and has been a great help. And thank you to Meta who also has attended Sunday evenings and continues to help and support LOGOS. Thank you for the wonderful cooks who supplied dinners during LOGOS, and thanks to the parents who helped out raking leaves, cooking and driving for St. Vincent DePaul, and all the other little things throughout the year. Make sure you check out the newsletter in August for news of LOGOS starting up again in the fall.

Beth Schallick

Director of Youth Ministries

Our Church History ...

From the Messenger, May 11, 1952:

C. of O. Ensemble — The date of the appearance of the ensemble from the College of the Ozarks has been changed from Saturday, May 10, to Wednesday, May 14. The group of young people will sing a concert of sacred music, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Plan to attend this concert and help to support these classmates of Bill Weber and Jerry Rice. The new president of this Presbyterian College is a cousin of the Vincents.

From the Messenger, May 10, 1962:

Church World Service truck will collect our used clothing at our church on Tuesday, May 29, 1962. Men's shoes, especially work shoes, are needed. Children's shoes come in handy for youngsters who have spent their entire lives in refugee camps. Women's shoes, in sizes 5 and larger, are needed, but do **NOT** send shoes **with open toes, high heels, or without backs**. Does CWS relief clothing, sent to the victims of acute human need, merely fill a temporary need? No, one of the basic purposes of the clothing appeal is to help people to stand on their own feet. Your gifts of good, used clothing provide essential self-respect without which refugees and the impoverished cannot assume the support of their own families.

From the Messenger, May 4, 1972:

Looking Ahead — Sunday, May 14: *Sweet Manna*, a worship experience in song, dance, and drama, presented by Grove City College youth. *Pentecost Sunday, May 21*: 1972 Confirmation Class will be confirmed and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper will be administered. *Sunday, May 28*: we move to the summer worship schedule with the service at 9:30 *only*. Church School is offered for children up to and including grade 6, meeting at the 9:30 hour.

Sonrise National Park VBS

June 11-15: 9 a.m. ~ Noon

VBS Wish List — Mini Marshmallows, 5 cans Spray Cheese, 150 piece Yogurt covered Raisins, 75 Vanilla Ice Cream Cups, Toffee Crumbs (Heath Bars), M & M's, 3 cans Chocolate Frosting, Waffle Cookies, 175 glazed Donut Holes, Teddy Grahams, Hot Cocoa mix, 50 aluminum coffee cans with lids, 50 frosting cans with lids, 5 corks

Label the following items with your name and everything will be returned to you after the VBS program on June 17th: Artificial Christmas Trees, 2 Kayak Paddles, Camping Gear, Inflatable Pool

Registration forms at Sanctuary entrances & Church Office.

Volunteers needed for decorating, stations, and snacks.

Call Kim Double, 330-337-0512 or

Church Office, 330-337-9555



Robert (Bob) Perdue, an Assistant Pastor in Salem (1977-1980), will be retiring after 40 years in the ministry. Members of your church who remember him are invited to send cards or attend a reception for Bob and Linda.

Sunday, June 24

Worship at 10 a.m. / Reception following

Yachats Community Presbyterian Church
360 West 7th St
PO Box 285
Yachats OR 97498

Contact person is Ginny Hafner, 541-563-4662


Race for The ROC — June 9

- **Race for The ROC** – Saturday, June 9 at Waterworth Memorial Park; register to be in the race, serve as a volunteer, or be a sponsor at www.racefortheroc.com
- **3 pieces of used carpet, 12' x 30'**, are needed for the "Slip and Slide" at the Race for The ROC on June 9th; call Debbie McCulloch.
- **Used Sneaker Drive** – shoes may be placed on the stage in Fellowship Hall through Friday, June 8.
- **Food Sponsors** are needed on the 4th Saturday of the month at The ROC – gift card, food, money; call Penny Lippiatt.

June

Happy Birthday!

Jim Laughlin (1), Ralph Timmins (3),
Jean Leimbach (4), Bill Butler (25)


- 1 / Fri 10-3 Presbytery Conflict Management Workshop (107/109)
1:00-2:00 McDevitt Visitation (S)
2:00 Memorial Service for Dick McDevitt (S)
4-9 Presbytery Spiritual Strategic Journey Cluster Learning Group (107/109)
- 2 / Sat 9-4 Presbytery SSJ Cluster Group (107/109)
- 3 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) — *Baptism*
- 4 / Mon 6:30 Boy Scout Troop 3 Parent Meeting
- 5 / Tues 6:00 United Quilt Guild Challenge Night (FH, K, 107, 109)
7:00 Board of Deacons (110)
- 6 / Weds 12:00 Daytimers (FH)
Program — *Our Organ* by Nancy McNeal
- 7 / Thurs **7:00 Committee Night:**
Christian Education (106)
Mission I and S (FH)
Property and Maintenance (110)
Worship, Music, and Arts (109)
8:30 LOGOS Lock-In (ends 8 a.m. Friday)
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- 9 / Sat 12:30-1:30 Smith Visitation (S)
1:30 Memorial Service for Tom Smith (S)
- 10 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)
- 11 / Mon 9:00-12:00 Vacation Bible School
7:00 Congregational Care (110)
- 12 / Tues 9:00-12:00 Vacation Bible School

- 13 / Weds 9:00-12:00 Vacation Bible School
- 14 / Thurs 9:00-12:00 Vacation Bible School
7:00 Finance and Administration (110)
- 15 / Fri 9:00-12:00 Vacation Bible School
- 17 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) — *VBS Program*
- 21 / Thurs **7:00 Session (107)**
- 24 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)
- 27 / Weds Big Back Yard Starts
- 29 / Fri 5:30 Kibler/Kennedy Rehearsal (S)
- 30 / Sat 3:00 Ashley Kibler/ Zach Kennedy (S)

July

Happy Birthday!

Marylou Timmins (12), Dorothy Gibson (24)
Ann Theil (25)

- 1 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) — *Rev. Ray Banner*
- 3 / Tue 9:00-9:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)
- 4 / Weds *Independence Day*
Church Office Closed
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- 8 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (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.*