

Jeri-Lynne's Jottings: August/September

The most difficult task I face as a transitional pastor is what our training calls; "evaluating and exiting". To be honest the evaluating is the easier part of the two! It is always hard to say goodbye to those whom you have served with in ministry. That being said it is time for us to go through the process of preparing for the new pastor that God is calling to Circleville Presbyterian Church.

The Pastor Nominating Committee is reviewing candidate's Personal Information Forms and scheduling interviews. I am in the process of checking off a large list of "things I should do" before leaving. There are many administrative undertakings to complete that will help your new pastor have a successful beginning! It is also a time to give thanks for all for your courage, your faithfulness, your persistent service, your dedication, and support during these transition years. The journey of transition with you has been incredibly fulfilling and I am so grateful to have served in this season of ministry with you.

Some of you have expressed concerns that I will leave before your new pastor has arrived. I want to assure you that I will stay with you as your transitional pastor until your new pastor is called. You may have a few weeks with pulpit supply but that would be all.

The timeline is uncertain but I can relay the steps in the process. Once the Pastor Nominating Committee has found a candidate that they feel is called by God to be the installed (permanent) pastor of the church, they will recommend the candidate to session who will then schedule a time for the candidate to preach to the congregation. There will be a called congregational meeting following that worship service and the congregation will vote on whether or not they feel the candidate is called to be their next pastor. Once the congregation approves the candidate and

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salary negotiations are complete the session and I will set an appropriate time for my departure.

I pray that my jottings have relieved any anxiety regarding this final segment of transition for CPC. In the meantime, continue to pray for the PNC, God's will for CPC, for the congregation and myself as we prepare for the future God has planned for us all!

Sunday School Kick off!!!! Celebrating God's Masterpiece...YOU!!

August 20, 2017

Children and Youth classes will return during the Education Hour (10:00 -10:45).

We will meet in the Fellowship Hall with Maker breakfast, songs and fun!

Teachers will be introduced. Fun and activities will be available for everyone. Parents are reminded to register their children. Forms are available on the table at the top of the stairs.

Adult Classes will begin September 10. There will be Wired Word discussions available in the Fellowship Hall for the three Education Hours from Aug.27-Sept 10. On September 10 at 10:00. Adult teachers and Students will meet in the Fellowship Hall to hear about the plans for each class. A continental breakfast will be provided.

This is an exciting time to come to church and we hope all of you will take advantage of the spiritual growth offered.

If you have any questions, please contact Carla Mavis -740-418-4750.

NEWS FROM YOUR PASTOR NOMINATING COMMITTEE

We are making progress in the search for a new pastor. We have reviewed 36 Pastor Information Forms. Discernment of the candidate's skills, leadership, and qualifications is being evaluated for each candidate. Interviews are scheduled to explore further the opportunity to serve in ministry together. The committee is drafting questions to help us determine each candidate's specific skills and ability to relate to this church and community. We value your prayers and patience through this time as we move forward in finding a Pastor to serve our congregation.

THANK YOU

Dear Church Family,
Thank you to everyone who sent birthday cards on my 90th birthday. Can't believe I accomplished the age considering the last four years. I'm hoping to continue on for a while yet. Thank you so much. It made my birthday special.

Love
Gwen Painter

ADULT STUDY

Continuing adult study, we believe, is essential to continuing spiritual insight. This fall the Challengers' Class will consider what Parables Jesus told have to say to his 21st century disciples. We would be pleased if you could join us on September 10 at 10:00am in Room 206. (Historic Note: Challengers' Class grew out of the old Trends Class which was begun in the 1950's or 60's. It has met continuously since that time.)



Caleb Michael and Audrey Kathryn Mavis, born June 2, 2017, to Kelson and Marie Mavis. Grandparents are Fred and Carla Mavis.

Elizabeth (Lizzie) Whitney Landefeld, born June 14, 2017, to Mike and Kara Landefeld. Grandmother is Judy Corbett.

ADDRESS CHANGES

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Keller Clouse
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Ronald and Pat Knecht
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Circleville, OH 43113-1386

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389 Clark Drive, Apt. 35
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We offer our condolences to the family and friends.....



...of Phyllis Smith, who died May 29, 2017. This is Rod's mother.

...of Colton Wells, who died June 5, 2017. This is the great nephew of Betty Barnes.

...of Lois Heffelfinger, who died June 13, 2017. This is a former member.

...of Fred Braswell, who died June 15, 2017. This is Troy's father.

...of Ann Elsea, who died June 22, 2017. This is the sister of Steve Thomerson.

...of Joanne Schlegler, who died July 8, 2017.

...of Bill Hartley, who died July 10, 2017. This is Jim's brother.

PIPE ORGAN UPDATE

There is good news to share about our pipe organ. The extensive work is progressing satisfactorily, and the Bunn=Minnick Pipe Organ Company anticipates that the contractual completion date of August 5 will likely be met.

The re-leathering of the pipe chests has been completed and the chests have been re-installed in the organ chambers. The blower bearings have been replaced and the entire blower has been cleaned and reassembled. The organ chambers have been thoroughly cleaned and the damaged plaster in the ceiling has been repaired.

The technicians are currently testing the newly re-leathered components, checking the complex wiring connections, and making adjustments as needed. The chimes have been put back in place and soon the technicians will begin re-installing the 1,774 pipes.

Once the organ is completely re-assembled, there will be a lot of regulating and tuning to be performed before the instrument is ready for use. This process alone will take at least several days to complete.

Fortunately, the entire project has thus far gone as planned, with no major unexpected problems encountered.

Money-wise, we have been able to cover the \$83,000 cost with your generous contributions along with existing church funds, such as the Charles Will Memorial Organ Fund. However, we need to replenish these funds to provide for future needs of the church, so we are still encouraging and accepting contributions. There is one more payment to be made to the organ company, which will take place after the project is completed and we determine that everything is in perfect working order.

In addition, we are planning a re-dedication concert in the fall (date yet to be determined) that will be open to the public and will also serve as a fund raising event.

As the organ project draws near to its completion we are excited about having this majestic instrument once again producing beautiful music to enhance our worship services.

JACK MADER

PEACE and GLOBAL WITNESS OFFERING

October 1st is the date for the Peace and Global Witness Offering which will be received on the same day as World Wide Communion. Local congregations are allowed to keep 25% of the offering for local needs. In previous years some congregations have helped veterans assimilate back into their civilian lives, worked toward the elimination of human trafficking and some have focused on the results of violence and injustice. Last year Mission received \$158 and increased that giving \$250 to our local CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocate) program. Those funds helped children who are victims of, or at risk of, abuse or neglect.

Please help support our local programs and be part of the world wide Presbyterian effort "to share God's grace and love."

NEWS FROM OUR MISSIONARIES

Take a few minutes to read the newsletters from our two missionaries serving in different parts of Africa. Reverend Catherine Day serves in Rwanda and Dr. Daniel and Elizabeth Turk serve on the island of Madagascar. Their newsletters are posted on the bulletin board near Campbell Hall, you will also find envelopes if you choose to make a personal donation.

THANK YOU

We would like to thank our church family and friends for their heartfelt prayers, gifts, cards, calls and emails during Mom/Mamaw's/Mamaw Phyl's illness and death this spring. Your support has sustained us through a difficult time and we are all very grateful.

God's Blessings on Each of You,
Rod and Marcia
Nate, Emily, Addie, Elleigh, and Andy

In Our Thoughts and Prayers

Caring Touch

Linda Stevenson

Clearmont Retirement Village

Doris Gruebel

Franklin Woods

Judy Palm

Glendora

Woody Jones

Logan Elm Health Care

Tom Cooper

Donald Maxson

Nancy Weitendorf (Sue Twining's mother)

Pickaway Manor-Assisted Living

Mildred Dyer (Blaine Keckley's mother)

Doris Luna

Ray Riethmiller

Sharon Ryan

Dorothy Sampson

Convalescing at Home

George Butler

Bill Campbell

Carol Campbell

Lou Ann Clark

Scot Clydesdale

Martha Gearhart

Jim & Phyllis Hartley

Marcella Hostetler

Lois Jones

Carol Mader

Jimmie McKelvey

Gwen Painter

Jenny Ray

Frank Seimer

Kim Williams

Martha Wolfe

Also Convalescing

Eloise Beers (Kathy Studebaker's mother)

Charley Edgar & Corrine Edgar

Tom Farynowski

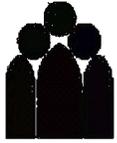
Marty (Ward) Hart (Marcella Hostetler's sister)

Wendy Jordan

Jim Senig

Betty Topliff (LibbyRushley's mother)

We are sorry if we have missed anyone! If you want someone added or removed, PLEASE call the church office.



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Looking ahead to.....



October is Clergy Appreciation Month
Oct. 16-21 Pumpkin Show Week

Nov. 5 Daylight Saving Time Ends
Nov. 20 Deadline for Dec/Jan Pres-Line
Nov. 26 Christ the King Sunday—Communion