

GRAPEVINE

"The Pastor's Page"

August 1, 2013

Morning by Morning...New Mercies I See

The summer is drawing to a close. Last chance vacations and back-to-school clothes shopping dates are being transcribed to personal calendars. Gardens bring forth their harvest for dinner tables and cookouts. Soon summer nights of catching fireflies or catching up with good friends will be a thing of the past.

With the end of summer coming ever closer, I am reminded how the end of the growing season is also nearing. As faithful people, we are also reminded of the God who hopes we never stop growing. Every day we are shown new insights into God's gracious, redeeming love. May we never stop looking for these indicators along the way.

As summer draws to a close, I close this note with a prayer written by Jan Ammon, Minister of the Chapel at Princeton Theological Seminary.

May these words be a comfort and blessing to us all.

*"Gracious God,
morning by morning
we are reassured of your faithfulness.
Your hand of grace gathers the stones
that weigh down our souls.*

*You use these stones to build garden walls
within which seeds of love and hope may be sown.
May the gardens of our lives and our churches thrive
and bear fruit for a hungry and hurting world.*

*May we be like trees where birds can nest,
youth can climb, and those who are weary or worn
can find restful shade.*

*Remind us, O God,
that gardens go through seasons,
but no season lasts a lifetime.*

*There is always the promise of a new day
As we see morning by morning.
In Jesus' precious name we pray, Amen."*

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Peace,

Lou

Happy Birthday to...

August 1

Marjorie Benson
Brody Fake
Judith Morris
August 2
Tyler Grim
John Warcup
August 3
Soo Reber
Rebecca Sayres
Jim Whitney
August 4
Ken Ball
August 5

Pam Fake
Erica Hoover
Rebekah Small
Kyle Smarsh
August 6
Emily Delacruz
Elinor Hueston
Phil Hunt
Liam Mosser
Nicholas Shpak
Carolyn Warcup

August 7

Aaron Brownley
John Kuhn
Carolyn Westfall
August 8
Jordan Garrett
Liam Palmer
August 9
Wayne Conover
Ron Knutson
Stephanie Rathgeber
August 11
Emma Bahm
Ronald Clark
August 12
Alan Moyer
August 13
Ayden Dillon
Elizabeth Fake
August 14
Joan Chandon
Grant Doebring
Margaret Doebring
Sam Doebring
Chuckie Marks

August 15

Elsie Dillman
Dan Ecker
Megan Gochenauer
August 17
Jennifer Tindall
August 18
Patty Ann Welles
August 19
Ron Jones
Lois Kime
August 21
Gabriel Contreras
Dolores France
August 22
Beverley Bigham
Charles Fatzinger
Mark Grim
John Peterson
Samantha Sites
Yancy Unger

August 22

Patricia Smith
August 23
Ann Cowden
Niles Grimm
Betsy Illick
Scott Keller
Marilyn McQuaide
August 24
Kathleen Faloon
Ralph Nucelli
Beth Smith
Cheryl Wagner
Travis Whitney
August 25
Marie Duncan
Jane Gwyn
John Horner
August 26
Harry Small
Samuel Tomassini
August 27
Lionel Wells

August 28

Eliza Dreves
Les Heggan
Evan Snyder
Sean Snyder
Connor Weikert
August 29
Emma Adams
Dylan McQuaide
Randy Parmentier
Ken VanHoutte
August 30
Naomi Peirce
Deborah Wolf
August 31
Betty Brownley
Alisa Carbaugh
Cody Kiefer
Scott Snyder



SOUP KITCHEN NEWS



Thanks to all the Soup Kitchen volunteer cooks for May, June, and July: Betty Fissel, Shauna Hockenberry, Gerry Dettloff, Susan Hain, Karen Breighner, Jennifer Fernandes, Nancy Cook, Beth & Ron Jones, Tracy Boyer, Peggy Gustafson, Bethie Fitzpatrick, Judy English and Georgia Kuhn. GPC is responsible for providing the main course for lunch at the Gettysburg Community Soup Kitchen on the second Monday of each month. New volunteers are always welcome. If you would like more information about how you can participate in this ministry, please contact Sharon Kuntzman at brushstroke123@embarqmail.com or Lou Nyiri at gpclo@embarqmail.com. 334-1235)

Dear GPC,

Thank you for recognizing my 50th anniversary of ordination during worship and with the reception on June 30. You have received us so graciously over the past six years. You truly are a warm and thoughtful church.

Yours,
Harry Winsheimer

CONDOLENC-

Our thoughts and prayers are with Jane Gwyn on the recent death of her sister.

NEED A RIDE?



If you are having trouble attending church services and/or church functions due to not having transportation, let the Deacons help you. We are only a phone call away. The transportation Deacon for August is Ron Jones 359-4221.

PUPPET SHOW

Here on August 25

This year during our mission trip to South Dakota we once again presented a puppet show of Bible songs during the Festival, to the delight of young and old. We will be doing an encore performance for GPC on Sunday, August 25 in Fellowship Hall. The puppet show will coincide with our South Dakota mission report during worship that day.

So come enjoy some lively puppets and songs from 10:00 - 10:30 (between the two services) on August

If you missed the Honduras Mission Team's Report in worship on July 7, here are the statistics from that mission:

JUNE 2013 HONDURAS MISSION STATISTICS

San Luis, HN Six clinic days: June 17-22, 2013

Oral Surgery patients	576
(Teeth Extracted—2,283)	
General Dentistry patients	145
Dental Hygiene patients	102
TOTAL Dental Patients	823
(School children given fluoride treatment & oral hygiene education—824)	
Adult Medical patients	1093
(Relational & Spiritual counseling - 98)	
(Lab tests done—179)	
Children Medical patients	705
Eye patients	385
TOTAL Medical Patients	2183
TOTAL Patients served	3006
People receiving health, diet, & relationship education (charlas)	3200
TOTAL medical prescriptions filled	4156
People treated for intestinal parasites	1417
People referred for follow up surgery	15
TOTAL team members	78
3 Oral Surgeons, 3 General Dentists, 5 Dental School Students, 2 Dental Hygienists from the US and 1 Oral Surgeon and 4 Dentists from HN	

**2014 Honduras Trip
(Complete and return to the church office or place in the offering plate)**

I am / We are interested in participating in 2014 trip.

Please call me/us with more information.

Lucy, We Couldn't Have Done It Without YOU!!

Now that we have returned from a wonderful and very successful trip to the Cheyenne River Lakota Reservation in South Dakota, we are mindful of all the work done by each member of our team before and during our week there. However, one member of our group spent hours, and hours, & HOURS sorting clothes and many other items prior to our departure, and that was Lucy Breighner. First, Lucy sorted everything in the shack until that was full and then set up shop in Paideia House and sorted and bagged until Paideia House was FULL! She continued her work until everything else was sorted and put on the Wal-Mart truck.

Thank you, Lucy, from all of us and from the Indians who benefited from your hard work.

We would like to thank the following people for helping to clean up the vans after the South Dakota Mission trip: Barry Breighner, Drew May, Bruce & Pam Rowland, Christian Swartzbaugh, Steve & Tammi Swartzbaugh.

THANK YOU!!

I want to thank Carolyn Hankey, Georgia Kuhn, Sheryl Suplee, & Bonnie Wright for helping in the church office during the South Dakota mission trip. It's a blessing to be able to go away and know that things are well taken care of.

— Penny

NAME _____

PHONE # _____

Upcoming Events:

August Music Schedule

August 4	Linda MacAskill John Tschop
August 11	Rachel Parmentier Classic Four (Trombone Quartet)
August 18	Scott & Beth Christopher
August 25	Amy Hieber Christian Swartzbaugh

"Calendar of Giving"

For the month of:

August

"Operation Move Out"

Household Supplies – non-scratch scrub pads, disinfecting wipes, mops (traditional or "Swifter" type), scrub brushes, toilet bowl cleaner, first aid kits, mouthwash, body wash, air mattress (single or double), bakeware / cookware sets, crockpots, hand-mixers, toasters, dinnerware sets, basic tool kits and roadside emergency kits.



Mid-Ship and SHIP: The countdown to the 2nd Annual MiniGolf Bible Trivia Tournament has begun! Break out your putters and Bibles and start practicing! There will be a golf tournament, challenges, a trivia game and prizes.

So clear your calendars for **August 14th at 6pm at Mulligan McDuffers.**



If you needed help with meals and rides to doctor appointments after a hospital stay, who would you call?

Hopefully, your GPC Deacon Board comes to mind. The responsibility for caring for members' needs in the early church became so overwhelming that the Elders set apart a group of people called Deacons. These Deacons were tasked with the responsibility of reaching out to widows, orphans and anyone else in need. The modern church still employs the work of Deacons to reach out to those in need. Along with Pastors, Stephen Ministers and others in this church, your 12 Deacons work to provide a strong network of support for all our members.

These twelve people can't do this ministry all by themselves—they need your help too. In order to promptly meet the needs of our congregation and community, the Deacons have been using a Team Ministry Model. Each Deacon has a team of support upon which he/she can call to serve those in need. The aim is for each Deacon team to have 12-15 persons and each person will commit to being part of this team for a one year term of service. Each team under the guidance of their Deacon Leader will work to meet needs as they arise.

- Teams will be assigned in the following manner: As needs become known a deacon team will be mobilized into action and the next team will be alerted that they are "on-call" for the next need when it arises. While the "on-call" team will not know when they will get a call to serve they at least can get ready by coordinating calendars with their Deacon Leader.
- Deacon Leaders will be in touch with care recipients to learn of their needs and assign tasks to their Ministry Team members.

For this to work, it requires participation from our whole church family. In order to not burn anyone out we need 180 **different** names from our church family to volunteer to be part of one of these ministry teams. If you are already a member of a Deacon Team, we thank you. If you are not on a Deacon Team, then we ask that you prayerfully consider being part of one of our Deacon Ministry Teams. If you would like to volunteer or would like more information, please contact the Deacon Team Coordinator, Sherry Farkas at 642-1552; or stop by the Deacon table in Fellowship Hall on Kick-Off Sunday, September 8th.

Adopt-A-Camp Program **Fruitbelt Farmworker Christian Ministry**

"The stranger who sojourns shall be to you as a native among you, and you shall love him as yourself."
Leviticus 19:34

Once again, GPC will be adopting a migrant labor camp for the coming harvest season through Fruitbelt Farmworker Christian Ministry. The farmworkers who will live in the camp are expected to arrive by the end of August and will be part of our community until mid-October. Please help us demonstrate God's love and Christian hospitality during their stay in Adams County. Watch future Grapevines for information on ways you can participate in this ministry.

During the month of August, we will be collecting and assembling Welcome/Health kits for the workers. Each kit contains the following items which should be placed in a paper grocery bag:

1 adult toothbrush	1 medium toothpaste
2 bars bath soap	1 wash cloth
1 bath towel	2 rolls toilet paper
2 disposable razors	1 can shaving cream

Welcome/Health kits or supplies to make the kits should be brought to the table in Fellowship Hall during the month of August. Look for the sign!

KICK OFF SUNDAY **September 8, 2013**

The Fellowship Team invites you to be part of an exciting opportunity to build excitement and enthusiasm for our 2013-2014 programmatic, education and service opportunities – all to God's glory.

Ministry Team & Church Groups will have displays and representatives on hand to answer questions.

Kick Off Sunday is a great opportunity to "invite a friend to worship" as our new programmatic year kicks off that Sunday with the start of Sunday morning Christian Education classes.

Kick Off Sunday has proven itself to be an excellent opportunity for fellowship and a great way to generate enthusiasm within the congregation about what we are doing here at GPC in response to God's grace. So plan to be a part from the start!

If one of the ministry teams or groups you work with in our church would like to reserve a table, then complete the form below and return it to Rev. Lou Nyiri by September 1st.

GPC September 8, 2013
"Ministry Team Fair"

(Return this form to Rev. Lou Nyiri in the church office via mail; offering plate or email gpclou@embarqmail.com NO LATER than September 1, 2013)

____ We need ½ of an 8-foot table (4'X4')
____ We need 1 whole 8-foot table (4'X8')

Group Name: _____

Group Contact: _____

Group Contact Phone: _____ (Best time to call: 3-5pm / 5-7pm / 7-9pm)

Group Contact Email: _____

Will you need an electrical outlet for your display? YES / NO

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED welcomes all local church women to a 1 1/2 hour (\$2) lunch meeting at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, August 7, at the Gettysburg Church of the Brethren, 1710 Biglerville Rd. Following lunch, the Rev. Will Olsen, Chaplain at the Adams County Adult Correctional Complex, will present a program on Prison Ministry. Newcomers are always welcome to join in this ecumenical fellowship. No reservations are needed. For more information, contact Harriet Glass at 677-4303. As a reminder, starting in September we will be collecting new and/or nearly new sweatshirts for the Fruitbelt Farmworker Christian Ministry which ministers to migrant farm workers.



150th Re-enactment Open House Update

★ We saw approximately 150+ visitors stop by our church July 1-5. We offered cold water, cookies, air-conditioning and tours of the sanctuary. We also offered visitors a chance to deposit prayer concerns in a box which were used during the prayer service every day at 12:30 p.m. and hang notes of thanksgiving on the Thanksgiving Tree in the sanctuary. This would not have been possible without the volunteers from this congregation who assisted.

★ The Welcome and Outreach Committee thanks the following members who served as hosts during the 150th Re-enactment Open House: Marie Duncan, Kathy & Mike Wark, Sheryl Suplee, Barbara & Jerry Heeschen, Ellen & Jim Raggets, Jim Gardner, Josie Brownley, Nancy Cook and Cathy Gardner who recruited the volunteers and made sure things ran smoothly.

★ The Historic Church Walking Tours thanks the following who served as tour guides during the week: Mary Lou Seamens, Lionel "Chooch" Wells, Judy English, Dan Ebaugh, Tom Piper, Margaret Curtis, Art Pore and Joan Pore who recruited the tour guides and made sure things ran smoothly with the tours.

★ We also thank the following for their behind the scenes service: Penny Messinger (signs, copies and other administrative tasks), Scott McPherson and Stephen Reinheimer (custodial services), Candace Veon-Nyiri (set up of the welcome center) and Ralph Lambert (made sure the first 50-star flag – gifted to our congregation by President Eisenhower – was hung in narthex every morning and safely secured every evening).

★ It was exciting to be able to talk about GPC to the many visitors who stopped by to learn about our church history.



ALL CHURCH PICNIC AND PIG ROAST!

Our annual ALL CHURCH PICNIC & PIG ROAST will be held once again on the beautiful grounds of Great Conewago Presbyterian Church, 174 Red Bridge Road in Hunterstown: greatconewagopresbyterianchurch.org. Let's kick off the start of another church year together with fellowship, food, games and an opportunity to get acquainted with some of our sister and brother Presbyterians and their historic church.

"...so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually we are members one of another." Romans 12:5.

Our picnic is scheduled for Sunday afternoon, September 8, from 3-5 PM. Come see the church, chapel, and tour the historic cemetery dating to Revolutionary times. There will be a prayer labyrinth activity, inter-generational games, and a chance to socialize. A pot-luck picnic, served at 4, will feature roast pork loin sandwiches. The afternoon will conclude with a brief evening vesper service led by Pastor Dave together with Rev. Candace Veon-Nyiri.

What to bring:

Your own place settings (plates, knives, forks, spoons) and a serving utensil for your pot luck dish:

Last name A – G, please bring a **dessert** that serves 12 people.

Last name H – Z, please bring a **salad or side dish** that serves 12 people.

Sign up soon, (no later than August 29) so we know how many to plan for. You may leave a message for Rev. Lou Nyiri by phone at 334-1235, ext. 4, by email at gpcclou@embarqmail.com, or tear off the form below and place it in the offering plate. Directions will be provided closer to the date of the picnic.

ALL CHURCH PICNIC & PIG ROAST
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2013, 3-5 PM

Name _____

I will be at the picnic on Sunday, Sept. 8 at Great Conewago Presbyterian Church.
There will be _____ in my party. **Call the church by Sept. 1 if you need a ride.**

Contemporary Worship News:

The Youth Band is currently singing each Sunday through September 1st at the 9:00 CWS. Thanks to Bonnie Wright for putting together a wonderful service of praise music each week with a somewhat revolving group of talented young singers and musicians. Thanks also to Alex Heschchen, who has been playing lead guitar each week and providing cohesion to the group. The regular Praise Band will return on Kick Off Sunday, September 8th after their summer hiatus.

On August 11th there will be a Q & A session with Pastor Dave, rather than the regular sermon. Many questions were collected earlier in the year, but there is still time to ask yours! Please contact Libby Crowe at (717) 476-0821 or fourcrowes@embarqmail.com if you have a question related to faith, the Bible, or anything of a spiritual nature.

John Tschop and the KlingerMcFry Band will be providing the music during the Aug. 4th Contemporary service. Come and enjoy the wonderful gospel music that is this band's specialty.

**Congratulations to John (Tad) & Judy Egloff
 who celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary
 on August 5, 2013.**

MISSING ?????

Josie Brownley lost her white sweater during the Ice Cream Social at the Round Barn. If you know its where-abouts, please contact her at 334-4406.

Also, we are missing a Pole Saw from the shed. If you know where this might be, contact Steve Reinheimer through the church office 334-1235.

T.J. Remaley Reports on Asia Trip!

T.J. Remaley, a candidate for ordination in the Presbyterian Church and a son of this church, went on a seminary-sponsored trip to Asia this past Spring. He will be sharing some of what he learned in China and other places on Sunday, Aug. 11 during the 9AM hour. Come and learn!

A CONGREGATION MEETING

has been called for
Sunday, Aug. 11 at 11:30AM

for the purpose of
 electing an elder.
 Peter North has agreed
 to serve and finish an unexpired
 term for the class of 2014.

Thanks to the Furniture Movers for South Dakota

This year for the first time, we took used furniture to South Dakota to sell for very low prices at the Festival. (The furniture ranged from \$1- \$25.) It was a big hit! The furniture was bought in no time and people were asking for more. Two Wal-mart trucks next year? I don't think so!!

Many thanks to Bill Faloon for driving his truck to pick up the furniture at various homes in Gettysburg and Hanover, and thanks to the following for lending their muscles to accomplish the task (since some items were on the second floor or in the basement): Dennis Dillman, Drew May, Randy Faloon, and Connor Faloon.

We were pleased that the Indian people were so enthusiastic about buying the furniture. Even at those very low prices, we were able to profit over \$300. This accomplished 2 things: (1) we have funds to put toward our trip next year, and (2) the opportunity to purchase the furniture gave the Indian people a little bit of self-respect and dignity.

Thanks for Loading the Wal-mart Truck for S. Dakota

Many hands make light work, as the saying goes. Well, it certainly wasn't light work, but many hands accomplished the task of loading the huge Wal-mart truck for our mission trip to the Cheyenne River Lakota Sioux Reservation. Thanks to the following for all their efforts on the hottest day of the summer:

Fairfield High School Football Team with Coaches Dennis Dowd & Daryl Seiler	
Ryan Kime	Scott Christopher
Bob Remaley	Gary and Graison Hubble
Steve, Tammi, and Christian Swartzbaugh	Drew May
Alex Nyiri	Scott McPherson
Robin Whiteman	Barry Breighner
Lucy Breighner	Kevin Hollowell
Pam and Bruce Rowland	Phyllis Dowd
Sandee and Jesse Crawford	Heidi Graybill
Lisa, Jonah, and Savannah Graybill	Pat Bentzel
Jeanette Kessler	Steve Reinheimer
Dave and Pat Conklin	Bill and Kathy Faloon
Marion Lambert	Penny Messinger
Mandy, Kilah, and Hailey Unger	

LOCAL PRESCHOOL IS HOLDING OPEN HOUSES

Christ Lutheran Preschool (44 Chambersburg Street, Gettysburg) currently has a number of openings in their program for the 2013-14 school year. Open Houses will be held for families to visit, ask questions, and register if desired – **Friday, August 9th from Noon-8pm and Monday, August 26th from 9:00 am – Noon**. No RSVP is needed. Classes begin in September; The Preschool class (3-4 year-olds) is held on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-Noon at a cost of \$90 per month, and the Pre-K class (4-5 year-olds) is held on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9am-Noon at a cost of \$115 per month. For more information contact (717) 334-6532 or preschool@christgettysburg.org.

Christ Lutheran Preschool has been a ministry of Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church for more than 50 years. Our program focuses on nurturing the whole child through creative, academic, spiritual and social growth. It supplements the home by providing an enriched environment in which children may develop to their full potential while enjoying the companionship of children their own age.

Our program includes a weekly chapel time that is designated to instill in each child an awareness of God and God's love. Through Bible reading, songs, and prayers, the life of Jesus and concepts of Christian discipleship are introduced.

Our daily schedule includes center time, with changing themes and activities, circle time, crafts, music, outdoor activities, snacks and reading. We encourage parent participation as classroom helpers. We supplement the curriculum with field trips, special holiday events for the whole family, and guest speakers.

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Gettysburg Presbyterian Church Mission Statement

Gettysburg Presbyterian Church believes that God calls us to invite people to faith in Jesus Christ, and equip them to grow as His fully devoted followers. As disciples we:

- * study regularly
- * pray daily
- * witness boldly
- * live faithfully
- * serve passionately
- * worship weekly

**Next Newsletter Deadline:
Noon, Thursday, August 8, 2013**

SUMMER WORSHIP HOURS		August 2013 GPC WORSHIP SCHEDULE	
through <u>August 25</u>		August 4	Minor Prophets: Habakkuk
Regular fall schedule of <u>3 services</u> <u>begins</u> <u>Sept. 1.</u>		August 11	Minor Prophets: Malachi 9:00 a.m. Questions for the Pastor Also, TJ Remaley in the MacAskill Room
		August 18	Minor Prophets: Joel Gideons Minute for Mission
		August 25	God is Watching You - (Psalm 139: 1-12) South Dakota Mission Report

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 10:00 a.m. Mom's Board	2	3
<h1>August 2013</h1>						
4	5 4:15 p.m. Youth Band Pract. 6:30 p.m. Christian Ed. 7:00 p.m. Mission & Interpretation	6	7 12:00 p.m. Men's Interfaith	8 12:00 NOON Newsletter Deadline 6:30 p.m. Adult Discipleship	9 Wedding Rehearsal	10 Deitch Wedding
11 11:45 a.m. Property Com. 11:45 a.m. Deacons 4:00 p.m. Session	12 4:15 p.m. Youth Band Pract. 7:00 p.m. Personnel & Administration 7:00 p.m. Cub Scout Leaders Mtg.	13 7:30 a.m. Habitat Board 6:00 p.m. Administrative & Involvement Leaders 7:00 p.m. Leadership Team 8:00 p.m. Visual & Web Leaders	14 2:00 p.m. Prayer Leaders 3:00 p.m. Children's, Student & All Church Event Teams 4:00 p.m. Adv. Commitment 5:00 p.m. Bridge Team 6:00 p.m. Inform. Mtg. 6:00 p.m. MidShip Mini Golf 7:00 p.m. Stewardship Team 7:15 p.m. Cont. Ministry Team 8:00 p.m. Small Group Leaders	15 9:00 a.m. Dollar for Scholars 5:30 p.m. Arc Parents 6:15 p.m. Gastoric bypass Support grp. (MR)	16	17
18	19 4:15 p.m. Youth Band Pract.	20 6:30 p.m. Heart Healthy Grp 7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision	21	22 12:00 NOON Newsletter Deadline	23	24 5:00 p.m. S. Dakota Picnic @ Rowlands
25 S. Dakota Mission Report 10:00 a.m. Puppet Show	26 4:15 p.m. Youth Band Pract.	27	28 7:00 a.m. Kawanis 7:00 p.m. Healthcare 4 All	29 5:30 p.m. Arc Parents	30	31