Gettysburg Presbyterian Church

<u>"The Pastor's Page"</u>

September 12, 2018

<u>Gratitude</u>

"Some people complain that God put thorns on roses, while others praise God for putting roses on thorns." —Anonymous

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"In ordinary life we hardly realize that we receive a great deal more than
we give, and that it is only with gratitude that life becomes rich."
Dietrich Bonhoeffer

"Gratitude unlocks the fullness of life. It turns what we have into enough and more. It turns denial into acceptance, chaos to order, confusion to clarity. It can turn a meal into a feast, a house into a home, a stranger into a friend. Gratitude makes sense of our past, brings peace for today, and creates a vision for tomorrow." —Melody Beattie

"Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly; teach and admonish one another in all wisdom; and with gratitude in your hearts sing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs to God." -Colossians 3:16

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Life is a gift. God's love comes not when we have earned enough points by making all the right decisions. We do not live in order to secure reward when we die. We do not seek to live holy lives because we want to be sure that we get to the "right place" when we die. Rather, we live holy lives because we have experienced God's grace and desire to celebrate that gift each and every day. We live therefore with a sense of thankfulness and appreciation for all God has done and will do for us. We do not live in fear rather we live in gratitude for God's gift of love.

In The Brief Statement of Faith, we read these words, "In gratitude to God, empowered by the Spirit, we strive to serve Christ in our daily tasks and to live holy and joyful lives..."

May gratitude influence our living and giving.

Faithfully Yours,

Happy Birthday to...

October 2 Barbara DeUgarte Seth Snyder October 3 Richard Miner October 4 Barbara Angstadt Elizabeth Fitzpatrick October 7 Linda Larson October 9 Lucas Daniels October 10 Anne Gallon John Smarsh

October 11 Greg Beegle Chrissy Ely **Olga Krossick** Rachel Pierson October 13 Carolyn Hoffman **Chloe Pennings October 14** Jeff Nelson October 15 Caden LaRochelle October 16 Patrick Hiller Rachel Skoczen October 19 Whit Coombs Brody Wagner

October 20 Archie Graff Gwen Scofield Chadd Weikert October 21 Gary Bill Preston Hull October 22 Adam Bover Dave Conklin Brandon Gladfelter Mike Gladfelter Mark Keller October 23 Doug McAllister October 24 Larry Bullis

October 25 Patricia Campbell Emily Clark Molly Clark Amy Hoch Sydney Hockenberry Laurie Lewis Michelle Suarez Heather Tschop October 26 Frannie King October 27 Charles Huber William Johnson **Ronald Weigle** October 28 Joe Hudock

October 29 Mary Camlin Brandon Dillon Leah Teague October 30 Jean Thomas Peyton Unger October 31 Ron Stahl Andrew Stone





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^D this offering on Sunday, September 30, 2018. Your contribution will support the following min	istries, divided equally:
• Each September GPC holds a specific fund drive dedicated to support our mission spending. Th	
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-Ephesians 2:14-17	
a far off and peace to those who were near"	
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□ 2018 PEACEMAKING OFFERING	
PROCLAIM CHRIST'S PEACE:	

After another stellar Spring Rummage, Plant and Bake Sale, we're hoping to match or exceed those outstanding figures. As always, we can't do it without your help to drop off your treasures and baked goods; to volunteer to set up, sort, price, check-out and clean-up. We are also looking for your business on sale days.

As always, storage space is minimal, so, if possible, bring your treasures to the church beginning Monday, Oct. 15. You can leave them in the corner near the outside door to Fellowship Hall. It also reduces work for the volunteers who set up. Please bring clothing that is clean and in good condition and items that "work". <u>Also, please no Teflon coated pans or skillets, or items that require special handling for disposition, such as TVs.</u>

The Schedule:

Rummage and Plant Sale: Friday, Oct. 19 - 8:30 AM to 5 PM and Saturday, Oct. 20 - 8:30 AM to 12 Noon.

Bake Sale and Lunch: Friday, Oct. 19 - 8:30 AM to 1 PM (or until sold out). Lots of scrumptious baked goods and a lunch menu of hot dogs with a variety of toppings, Sloppy Joes, chips and soft drinks.

Drop-offs: On Monday, Oct. 15 - see instructions above; Tuesday, Oct. 16 - 8:30 to 5:00; Wednesday, Oct. 17 - 8:30-7PM; Thursday, Oct. 18- 8:30 to Noon.

Sorting and Pricing: Tuesday, Oct. 16, Wednesday, Oct. 17, Thursday, Oct. 18- 9 AM to 5 PM We would love for you to give an hour or more on any, or all these days to help. The more hands, the better!

Baked Goods: Drop off by 8 AM on Friday, Oct 19, or the night before, if frozen.

Plants May be dropped off on Monday or Tuesday, please be sure that they are moist, but Wednesday and Thursday are the best days for drop off of plants.

Clean-up: Saturday, Oct. 20, from Noon until finished (usually 1 to 1 1/2 hours.)

Volunteers are needed to set up, sort, price, check-out on sale days (Friday and Saturday) and clean-up (Saturday).

Please contact the following with questions: Amy Deitch - 717-253-5304 <u>ahdeitch@hotmail.com</u> Bev Weber - 717-337-2194 <u>bevandlee90@gmail.com</u> Sheryl Suplee 717-337-3267 <u>svon347@aol.com</u>

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CONDOLENCES:

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Our thoughts and prayers are with:

Bob Remaley on the recent death of his mother.

Carolyn Smith on the recent death of her husband, Ron.

Penny Messinger on the recent death of her mother.

Exploring Membership October 14 @ 12:00 p.m.

If you are interested in learning more about GPC, plan to attend the Exploring Membership Class
on Sunday, Oct. 14 at 12:00 p.m. Following a lunch together, you'll have a chance to learn more about
Presbyterians and opportunities for spiritual nurture and service here at GPC, and to meet our staff.
Following the class, you may meet with the Session and join the church if you so desire. Childcare is
available. Call the church office to register. (334-1235, ext. 5)

GPC 2018 FALL SMALL GROUPS <u>The Son of David</u> by Nancy Guthrie

What kind of king and what kind of kingdom are we asking for when we pray the prayer Jesus taught us to pray? A study of the Old Testament – Joshua through Esther – enables us to see the kingdom of God not only as it once was, but also as it is now, and as it will be one day. Over the ten weeks of guided study (5 in fall and 5 in spring), we will trace the history of the people of God from the time they entered the promised land through a series of failed kings, exile, and finally their return to await the true King. Get inspired!

Groups will meet weekly for six weeks beginning the week of October 7th. Groups will meet in homes, at the church and at local restaurants. You will be contacted by your group leader about the exact starting date and location. Except for the Monday Small Group, each session will run approximately 75 minutes and will include fellowship, informal discussion, and a time of prayer. Please call or contact Lynne Graziano, Elder for Adult Discipleship at 404-226-2742 (lynnegraziano@gmail.com) if you have any questions.

_____ Monday – noon at GPC (brown bag lunch group) 1 hour

Wednesday - 2:00 p.m. at Harmony Ridge cafe (Cross Key Village)

_____ Wednesday – 12:00 p.m. at Wright's home

_____ Thursday – 7:00 p.m. at GPC

_____ Friday – 4:00 p.m. at Spiritrust Lutheran Village (Ralph Lambert)

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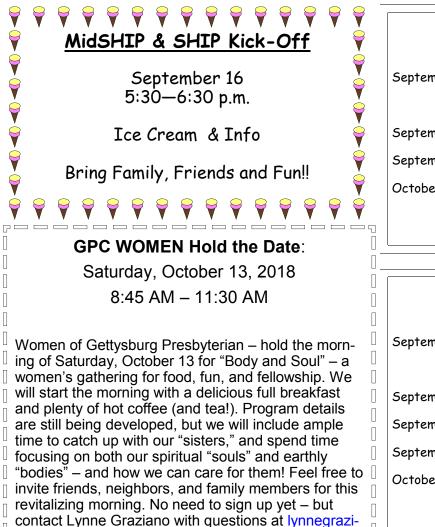
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HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHI	Ρ
<u>September / October</u>	

September 16	5:30 - 6:30	Parent/Youth Info Night & Ice Cream Social
September 23	5:30 - 7:00	Dinner & Fellowship
September 30	5:30 - 7:00	Dinner & Fellowship
October 7	4:30 - 7:00	Pizza Suicide Prevention Program for Parents and Youth

MidSHIP Schedule September / October

September 16	5:30 - 6:30	Parent/Youth Info Night & Ice Cream Social
September 23	5:30 - 7:00	Dinner & Fellowship
September 26	2:45 - 5:00	Small Group Begins
September 30	5:30 - 7:00	Dinner & Fellowship
October 7	4:30 - 7:00	Pizza Suicide Prevention Program for Parents and Youth

Hiking Club

October hike will be Saturday the 20th. We will be leaving the church parking lot at 8am to drive to Breezewood. We are hiking the Pennsylvania abandoned turnpike tunnels. There are 2 tunnels. We plan on being back to the church parking lot around 6 pm. It is possible to be back earlier if you only hike one tunnel. We need volunteers to drive. Please let me know if you are going and if you can drive by Oct 17th. You will need to bring water, lunch and a flashlight. Wear something "Halloweeny". You can check out where we are going by googling . Also check out our Facebook page. Hope to see you there. Jen at mjclark1963@embargmail.com or Megan at meganziegler2014@gmail.com



Mission Calendar

During the coming weeks we will be praying for the following missions during worship.			
	Please pray for them during the week, too!		
9/16	Fruitbelt Farmworkers Ministry - Rev. Rod Runyon coordinates this ministry at Seasonal workcamps throughout the region.		
9/23	Mexico Mission Trip - Works with Accion Ministries to do construction, Vacation Bible School, a glasses ministry, and fellowship with local Mexico Christians in the Yucatan each summer.		
9/30	Marta Bennett - is a long-time missionary teaching theology and leadership in Nairobi, Kenya.		

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Sunday Morning Adult Education Elective Class Offerings

Sept. 9 th – Oct. 14 th	Dr. Stephen Stern "Talmudic Judaism and Contemporary Medical Ethics"
October 21 st - 28 th	TBD
November 4 th – 25 th	Andy Miner – "Acts of the Apostles"
December 2 nd – 16 th	Advent Study
December 23 rd & 30 th	No Sunday School
January 6 th – 27 th	Susan Kolmer – "Angels"
February 3 rd – March 3 rd	Rev. Buz Myers – "Lenten Series"
April 21 st	No Sunday School
Other Opportunities	
1/2 Day Women's Retreat	"Body and Soul" - October 13 th – 8:45 – 11:30 a.m.
Fall Small Groups	Registration month of September Groups meet–October 8 th thru November 15 th "The Son of David" Part I
Spring Small Groups	Registration February 3 rd – 17 th Groups meet – March 11 th through April 18 th "The Son of David" Part II

______ **PW CIRCLES**

Elizabeth Circle Monday, September 17, 1:00 p.m. Paideia House, 1st floor Lesson Leader: Rachel Parmentier

ALL CIRCLES:

Mary Martha Circle Thursday, September 13, 5:00 p.m. **Eisenhower Lounge at GPC**

New Horizons Bible Study God's Promise: I Am With You Lesson 1: Genesis 26: 1-6; 28: 10-22

Esther Circle Thursday, September 20, 9:30 a.m. **Eisenhower Lounge at GPC**

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STEPHEN MINISTRY Deeply sharing the suffering of another, together with the inclination to give aid or support

As we look at Jesus' suffering, death, and resurrection, we observe the ultimate example of compassion. He now calls us to follow his example and to be deeply concerned for one another. Stephen Ministry is a ministry filled with compassion. It provides compassionate Christians with a place where they can use those gifts in ministry as a Stephen Minister. It also provides a haven where those in need of compassion can receive it in a confidential relationship with a Stephen Minister. If you would like to know more about Stephen Ministry, please call Lou Nyiri at 334-1235 ext. 4.

Gettysburg Presbyterian Church 717-334-1235

Arranged by: Bob Neff Tours Lancaster, PA

MUSEUM OF THE BIBLE Washington, DC



Tuesday, November 13, 2018



•See this world-class museum designed to share the history, narrative and impact of the Bible on the arts, science, government and more •Use the latest interactive technologies to explore the narrative of Jesus' life and culture including the History floor with some of the rarest and most significant artifacts including Dead Sea Scroll fragments, earliest New Testament writings, and first-edition Bibles •All meals-*on own*

<u>PHOTO ID</u> – On all tours, due to increased security, we suggest you carry a government-issued photo ID (such as a driver's license).

Pick-up & Times	<u>Trip Cost & Inclusions:</u> \$85 per person
•Depart Gettysburg Presbyterian Church, 208 Baltimore St,	 Deluxe motor coach transportation
Gettysburg, PA at 8:00 am	 Admission to the Museum of the Bible
•Return to Gettysburg, PA at 8:30 pm	•Guided one hour tour of the Museum of the Bible
	•BTN Tour Director
Final Details are mailed two weeks from tour departure date—please check for any changes in times.	**All meals on own

<u>CANCELLATIONS</u> – For cancellations received after October 12, 2018 a fee of \$15 per person will be charged, plus any expenses that cannot be recovered unless a substitute(s) can be found. No refunds will be given to people who cancel off the tour within 24 hours of departure.

MUSEUM OF THE BIBLE

Tuesday, November 13, 2018

\$85 Per Person

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Communion Preparation Class on October 3rd!

Our annual Communion Preparation Class for children in Grades 4 and older will be held on Wednesday, October 3rd at 6:30 p.m. in Eisenhower Lounge. This class, led by Pastor Dave and Cheryl Betts, will prepare these children/youth to receive communion on World Communion Sunday, October 7th in worship. Please contact Cheryl at 334-1235, ext. 5 of <u>gpcdce@gettysburgpresbyterian.com</u> to enroll your child by **Sunday, September 23rd.**

MUSIC NEWS - STARTING SOON !!!!

Plans are underway to bring you opportunities to incorporate your musical talent in worship this church season (2018-2019).

• Adult Choir	Sings 11:00 a.m. service and special concerts. This group practices Wednesdays 7:00 - 8:30 p.m.
• Early Choir (for adults)	Sings 8:15 a.m. service and special concerts. This group practices 7:40 a.m. Sunday mornings.
Recorder Consort	Plays at the 11:00 & 8:15 a.m. services approximately every other month. This group practices Sunday afternoons 12:30 p.m
• Youth Bells and Youth (for middle-school and high-sc	
Primary Choir	Children in grades K-2, which meets Sunday mornings and sings in services twice yearly.
• Adult Handbells	Plays one service monthly at 11:00 a.m. or 8:15 a.m. Practices are held WEDNESDAYS 6:00 - 7:00 p.m.
• Junior Choir Plus	A singing and instrumental group for children in grades 3-5. This group, formerly the Chapel Choir and Chapel Bells, will sing and play instruments, as well as participate in a variety of activities. Please let Emily Koons know if your child has an interest in this group so we can schedule this on the church calendar.

If you have an interest in singing, playing an instrument, and acting in a musical drama, there is a place for you in worship services at GPC. Please see or email Emily Koons at <u>emilykkoons@gmail.com</u> so we can help you find a music group that interests you.

Training is available.

Thank you, and we look forward to hearing from you this fall!

- Emily Koons, Director of Music

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	10:00 a.m. Disciple Bible Study 10:00 a.m. Disciple Bible Fast Track	7:00 p.m. Disciple 1 7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision 7:00 p.m. Civil Air Patrol	 3.30 a.m. Moms of Adams Cty 12:00 p.m. Men's Inter. Lunch 12:45 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Group 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:45 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 6:00 p.m. Adult Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts 6:30 p.m. Communion Preparation Class 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir 	4 6:00 p.m. First Place 6:30 p.m. Adult Discipleship	5:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal	2:00 p.m. Wedding
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- witness boldly
- * live faithfully
- * serve passionately
- give generously
 worship weekly

	Next Newsletter Deadline: , Thursday, September 27, 2018	
	ptember & October 2018 PC WORSHIP SCHEDULE	
	<u>itional Worship @ 8:15 & 11:00 a.m.</u> ntemporary Worship @ 9:30 a.m.	
	ospel of John Preaching Series ad the passage for the upcoming Sunday each week!	
September 16	Jesus Washed the Disciples' Feet - John 13: 1-20	
September 23	Betrayal and Glorification - John 13: 21-38	
September 30	Jesus Plans for His Followers - John 14: 1-14 Peacemaking Offering	
October 7	The Indwelling of the Spirit - John 14: 15-31 World Communion Sunday	