GRAPEVINE

October 4, 2022

My opening remarks at a Service of Witness to the Resurrection or graveside service are often, "Jesus said, 'I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me.' Our Lord feeds his flock like a shepherd; and like a shepherd he gathers the lambs in his arms and carries them close to his heart. When we hear the news of a loved one's death, we understand more fully that while we do not know what tomorrow holds - as people of faith – we know the one who holds our tomorrows in his hands AND that is why we are here."

When we gather to proclaim resurrection, we do so as people of faith who believe in eternal life. When we leave such a service, we do so as people of faith who walk together in the days following as grief unfolds in our lives. As people of faith, it is good to know we have hope in life everlasting; and it is good to know we are not alone. Thus, I invite you, or someone you know, to journey grief's road, together, alongside fellow travelers in the upcoming grief group.

In Christ,

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Grief Support Series Begins October 23rd

This four-week grief support group entitled: "Dealing with Grief and Loss: Hope in the Midst of Pain" will be led by Anne Gallon and Diane Weikert. Anne is both a Stephen Minister and Stephen Leader. Diane is one of our many gifted Stephen Ministers.

The group will meet on Sunday mornings October 23 through November 13 from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. in the Eisenhower Lounge.

The group is open to anyone who has experienced the death of a spouse, friend or loved one and who is open to exploring their experience further with others in the same situation. If you have any questions or would like to sign up for the group, please contact Rev. Lou Nyiri at 334-1235, ext. 4 or gpclou@gettysburgpresbyterian.org.

"Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you.

I do not give to you as the world gives.

Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid."

~ John 14:27

While I was in the Gettysburg Hospital I met beautiful people who reminded me of my GPC Family.

Thank you for all your thoughts, prayers and cards that were sent to me.

Allen Duncan

Dear GPC Family,

We wish to thank all who called, sent cards and made meals for us as we recover. My knee replacement has done well. My husband, Jerry is making good but slow recovery from his heart attack and bout with pneumonia. He is doing okay.

Thanks you for keeping us in your prayers.
Sharon & Jerry Martin.

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.

September 12 - October 9 please contact Don Stabler at 717-451-4310.

October 10 - November 13 please Contact the church office at 717-334-1235.





New Church Directory

A pictorial directory is a powerful tool in our church to help each of us know each other better and stay in touch. Our last directory is now outdated and it is time for a new one. The Outreach and Welcome Committees are sponsoring a new directory campaign. Photos will be taken Nov. 1st thru Nov. 5th.

GPC sent out emails with a link that you can click on for an appointment. The link is also on the GPC website and Facebook page. A sign-up table in the church will be available in Fellowship Hall on Sundays in October beginning October 9th.

Every family photographed for the directory will receive a copy of the directory and an 8x10 portrait at no cost. If interested, an opportunity to purchase additional copies will be available, but not required.

Photo appointments are available on this link.

https://instant-scheduling.com/sch.php?kn=3534502&typld=64516&step=2



"Growing Back Together"

"I am the vine; you are the branches. If you remain in me and I in you, you will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing."

John 15:5

This year we grow back together as a church community, and our vine is growing!

Join us on Stewardship Sunday, November 20th,

to see the vines in our Sanctuary burst forth with fruit representing our commitments to ministry and mission.

Pears to symbolize time.
Apples to symbolize talent.
Grapes to symbolize treasure.

Everyone from the youngest to the eldest is invited to sign your name to a piece of fruit (or all three) to represent your 2023 pledge and see our vines flourish with the fruit of our church's commitment to God and one another.

GPC Hiking Club

Mark your calendars! The GPC Hiking Club has several fun hikes planned for the fall.

October 29th - Paw Paw Tunnel in Oldtown, MD - For those of you who have been requesting the

Abandoned Turnpike, this one's for you! We will be hiking a different abandoned tunnel and a trail that leads through it. We will leave the church parking lot at 8am.

November 19th - Washington Monument State Park in Middletown, MD. We will leave the church parking lot at 8:30am.

December 17th - Our Annual Christmas Hike around Culp's Hill and Spangler Spring. We will end our hike at the church with cookies and hot chocolate. We will leave at 9am.

As always, be sure to dress in layers, wear comfortable hiking shoes, bring a snack and water. We will take a break for devotions

If you are interested in joining us or would like to be added to our list, please email JenniferMaueClark@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you! Happy Hiking!

Our next YOUNG AT HEART potluck lunch and meeting will be held at 12:00 noon on Thursday, October 15th.

Guest speaker, Antigoni Ladd, currently serving on the Board of the Adams County Historical Society will share the up-to-date news about the historical society's new facility currently being built.

Deadline to reserve your spot is Friday, October 9th, by calling Penny in the office 717-334-3415 or by email at qpcadmin@qettysburgpresbyterian.org



One year ago, a program called "Reflections on Ike's Faith" was given in the sanctuary on Ike's birthday October 14th, 2021.

Just a reminder if you were not able to attend that day, you can still watch it on YOU TUBE. By putting in ADAMS COUNTY HISTORICAL SOCIETY YOU TUBE and searching Reflections on Ike's Faith, you can watch it at any time.

"Calendar of Giving"

The Calendar of Giving is an opportunity for our congregation to support numerous local organizations. Through this program, we identify local organizations that are in need of smaller donations. Each month, we will be collecting specific items for the identified organization. Please put your donations in the bin by the elevator.

For the month of:

A Special October Offering "Bag the Bounty"

Participating Food Programs: Adams Rescue Mission, Campus Kitchens, Gettysburg Soup Kitchen, God's Meal Barrel, HACC Career boxes, John's Meals, Ruth's Harvest, Safe Home in Hanover, SCCAP Homeless Shelter & Food Pantry.

Most Needed Items: Single serving items, canned fish & meat, canned & boxed meals, Chunky soups & stews, canned fruits & vegetables, rice & pasta, boxed cereals, 100% fruit juice, peanut butter & jelly, shampoo, conditioner, bath soap, deodorant, baby food, diapers dish soap, laundry detergent, cleaning products, toilet paper, paper towels toothpaste & toothbrushes.

PRAYER LIST

On Sunday mornings we will be praying for the following people/groups that we support:

10/9 Gettysburg Ministerium

All the mission work our local churches do here in Gettysburg.

10/16 Presbyterian Homes

Provide a variety of living places for Seniors.

10/23 Camp Krislund

Supported by three presbyteries, including ours. Summer camp programs for children and youth, year-round retreat facilities.

10/30 Dori Hjalmarson

Dori is serving in Honduras, partnering with Presbyterian churches there.

Please consider including them in your own prayers!



Reminder:

The Prayer Shawl Ministry group will meet on Thursday, October 13 at 10:00 a.m. in the Eisenhower Lounge.

Bring whatever you are working on and come for a time of sharing and conversation.

For more information contact Beth Fitzpatrick, 717-334-4960, bethieandbill@comcast.net



SAVE THE DATE: Rummage sale will be October 21 & 22

The Presbyterian Women's Fall Rummage, Bake and Food Sale will be held Friday, October 21 from 8:30-5 and Saturday, October 22 from 8:30-2. Please bring all of your wonderful treasures, clean and usable Fall and Winter clothing and shoes, (3 LARGE BAGS OR BOXES ONLY OF CLOTHING), collectibles, household items, bed and bath towels and linens, toys, tools, small furniture. For larger furniture, please contact Margo Har. We will NOT be able to pick up any furniture. PLEASE ONLY BRING ITEMS IN WORKING ORDER.

DONATIONS WILL ONLY BE ACCEPTED DURING THE FOLLOWING HOURS: Days to drop off sale items are October 17-20:

Monday - 11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Tuesday & Wednesday 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Thursday- 10:00 a.m. - noon. (No donations after noon, please.)

We ask you NOT to bring knives, books, CD's, DVR's, stuffed animals, individual glasses, plastic water bottles or deli containers, TVs, mattresses, computers, printers, microwaves, speakers or anything that needs special handling.

Volunteers, both women and men, are needed all week long to set up, sort, and price (Mon.-Thurs.), and particularly to man the check-outs and help bag on the main sale day (Fri.), and clean up (2-3 on Sat.). We will be having sorting volunteers to come after 10 a.m. on Tuesday-Thursday. +

We will have a sign-up table in Fellowship Hall before the sale or call Margo Har at 978-807-3750, stepmargo@comcast.net.



Stephen Ministry Love One Another As I Have Loved You...

In John 15:12, Jesus says, "This is my commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you."

Loving and caring for one another is not just the pastor's job--it's something Jesus calls us all to do!

Stephen Ministry is a ministry in which people with special gifts for caring ministry can put those gifts to use in an organized way, bringing Jesus' love and care to those who most need it.

If you--or someone you know--are going through a difficult time contact Rev. Lou Nyiri at 717-334-1235, ext. 4 or gpclou@gettysburgpresbyterian.org.

Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide you with focused, confidential, one-to-one Christian care and to help you experience the healing power of Christ's love in your life.



HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP October

Oct. 9	5:00 - 6:00 PM	Fellowship / Games
Oct. 16	5:00 - 6:00 PM	Fellowship / Games
Oct. 23	5:00 - 6:00 PM	Fellowship / Games
Oct. 30	5:00 - 6:00 PM	Costume Party

MidSHIP	Schedule	
October		

Oct. 9	5:00 - 6:30 PM	Food & Games at Libby's house
Oct. 16	5:00 - 6:00 PM	Fellowship / Games
Oct. 23	5:00 - 6:00 PM	Fellowship / Games
Oct. 30	5:00 - 6:00 PM	Costume Party

Between your

mammograms, look for these changes.

October is Breast Cancer awareness month. It is an annual campaign to educate people about breast cancer. Breast cancer is the most prevalent form of cancer. Breast cancer is characterized by uncontrolled growth of cells, which results in the formation of lumps within the breast. It is one of the treatable forms of cancers. Awareness surrounding breast cancer is incredibly important as early detection, often through screening, can catch the disease when it is most treatable. A Mammogram can find a cancerous lump before you can feel it. Breast cancer can affect men too! Approx 1/100 breast cancer diagnosis is found in men.

Breast cancer has affected my immediate family. This year, I encourage you to take a few minutes to stop by the FCN Bulletin Board in Fellowship Hall to see the new campaign "Know Your Lemons".

The Fellowship & Family Ministry Teams are delighted to once again sponsor a trip to The Christian Life Assembly in Camp Hill for their annual Christmas presentation, Saturday, December 10 @ 3:00 PM



Christmas Wonderland "A REASON TO SING"

Saturday, December 10th @ 3:00 PM

Enter the world of the Beckett family of Cranberry Ridge, New Hampshire. The year is 1895. Snow is falling. You can smell homemade pies and roasted chest-nuts. And you can hear the sounds of Christmas down the cobblestone streets of this quaint little town. Music is a large part of Stephen Beckett's life. He is a sing-er of great renown in his community. Watch when circumstances try to take his passion for music away and how an unexpected loved one helps him hang onto his reason to sing. As always, you will enjoy beautiful music, dance, laughter and a living nativity. And although this story takes place more than 100 years ago, you will find that some things never change: the love of family, the importance of friends, and a God who loves us enough to send His Son to be born in a manger.

In addition to the performance, you are also able to enjoy The Christmas Wonderland Lobby Ex-perience with special music, live nativity, tasty treats and more. Doors open one hour prior to performances.

Tickets cost \$15.00 for adults and \$10.00 for students (age 5-18) We will plan to leave the church parking lot at 1:00 pm.

Sign up in Fellowship Hall or you can contact Peter North at (717)339-9594 or by email at pnorth@gettysburg.edu with questions.

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RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED

<u>Gettysburg Presbyterian Church Mission Statement</u> 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 faithfullý
- serve passionately
- give generously
- worship weekly



Next Newsletter Deadline: Noon, Thursday, October 20, 2022

October 2022 GPC WORSHIP SCHEDULE

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Traditional Worship @ 8:15 & 11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship @ 9:30 a.m.

October 9 Rev. Caleb McClure Preaching

October 16 Rev. Caleb McClure Preaching

October 23 Rev. Caleb McClure Preaching

October 30 Rev. Caleb McClure Preaching

To view live stream, go to: www.gettysburgpresbyterian.org Click "View Services" on the top right hand corner