

GRAPEVINE

"The Pastor's Page"

October 22, 2014

Jesus said, "Wherever two or three are gatheredthere will be a plate of cookies."

The months of September & October were busy months in the Fellowship Team's area of responsibility. By the way if you didn't know, your church family's Elder for Fellowship is Sue Hain. If you know Sue, thank her for her expert coordination of so many fellowship opportunities here within your church family. You also might consider volunteering to assist her team with future Fellowship events.

One recent celebration in which this church family volunteered abundantly was T.J. Remaley's ordination as a Teaching Elder (Minister of Word and Sacrament) in our denomination. We asked you all to bake cookies, brownies or some other tasty delight...and you delivered! This congregation showed their love and support of T.J. by heading into the kitchen and whipping up delightful desserts. Tracey Stone coordinated the reception. Steve Kinsey and Bill Fitzpatrick offered their technological expertise as videographer & sound board operator. Kelly Jones, Marion and Kevin Hollowell and Barry Wareham provided welcome as ushers for the worship service.

The Apostle Paul speaks in the following way about what it means to be a part of the body of Christ in 1 Corinthians 12:26, "...if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it." You helped us rejoice as we witnessed a child of this congregation fulfill his call to ministry by providing the welcome and refreshments which followed worship.

We recently sent thank you notes to those involved though I recognize that I am missing at least four names from the list of cookie bakers which I unfortunately shredded before the names were transferred to the list. Please accept this Pastor's Page as my personal thanks and apology for having made this mistake...it will not happen again.

I am grateful for your part in T.J.'s celebration. I am grateful to be part of this wonderfully caring (and baking) congregation. It is truly an honor and privilege to be one of your pastors.

Grace & Peace,

Lou

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Happy Birthday to...

November 2

Luke May
Steve Rathgeber

November 3

Cherie Black
Hope Sanders

November 4

John Doerr
James Neely
Barry Simon
David Stabler

November 5

Andrea Crowe
Lori May

November 6

Lydia Casteel
Ann Ellefson

Al Moroz

Chase Tritle

November 7

Colin Burke
Chase Whiteman

November 8

Cian Fitzgerald

November 9

Catherine Bahm
Libby Crowe

Abby Fernandes

Ashley Gladfelter

Kendal Sease

David Wright

November 10

George Marguglio

Barry Wareham

November 11

Richard Maue

Heidi Merwede

November 13

Fran Salisbury

November 15

Whitney Nevins

Joseph Swatsworth

November 16

Selena Chritzman

Andrew Keller

Kevin Wilson

November 17

Krista Delacruz

Dave Eskildsen

Kendall Nevins

November 18

Jennifer Beegle

Harvey Eckenrode

Joanna McGuire

November 19

Barbara Dombrowsky

Nathan King

Becki Powell

Tyler Weikert

November 20

Steve Kinsey

Laura Lochary

Deborah Snyder

November 21

Cathy Gardner

Matthew Hartwig

Holly Hess

Graham Stabler

November 22

Kim Hain

Joanna Suarez

November 23

Jim Biggar

Beth Jones

November 24

Max Bernier

Kennedy Brown

Gary Hubble

Bethany Kolmer

Felicity Sarnoff

November 25

Susan Catts

Christina Deitch

Benjamin Dudash

Niles Ellingson

Hugh Ferguson

Emma Freeman

Sara Jones

November 26

Charles Caldwell

Sean Ecker

Lindsey North

November 27

Vernon Reed

William Stansbury

Carrie Trax

Cade Wilhelm

November 28

Caitlyn Landauer

Susan Landauer

Kenneth Mott

Christian Paul

Barbara Snyder

November 30

Taylor Breighner

Jen Kareha

Emma Sanders

Paige Stewart



CONDOLENC-

Our thoughts & prayers are with Jen Wagner on the recent death of her father.

I want to express my sincere gratitude to my church family for all the prayers, calls, emails, cards and visits during my recent chemotherapy and radiation treatments and then surgery for esophageal cancer. It was a difficult road to recovery but I was told I am cancer free! All your prayers lifted me up and I could feel that love and support.

The prayers, calls and visits from Phyllis and Pastors Dave, Lou and Harry were greatly appreciated. It is a blessing to part of this church.

Many Thanks,
Ken Fair

Please detach the section below and put it in your current Church Directory.

New Members

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420-5734

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Littlestown, PA 17340
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Gettysburg, PA 17325
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Sandy Warfield
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339-7533


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Be sure to turn your clocks
BACK ON SATURDAY, Nov. 1



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 Oct. is Bonnie Wright at 398-2411 and Nov. is Barry Wareham at 359-7623.

Upcoming Events:

November Music Schedule

Nov. 2	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
Nov. 9	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
Nov. 16	10:00 a.m.	Combined Worship Adult & Youth Choirs Adult & Youth Handbell Choirs
Nov. 23	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
Nov. 30	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir

HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP

October/November

October 26	5:30 - 7:00	Halloween Party
November 2	5:30 - 7:00	Dinner / Fellowship
November 9	1:30 - 4:00	Car Chase
November 16	5:30 - 7:00	Dinner / Fellowship
November 23	5:30 - 7:00	Dinner / Fellowship
November 30	NO SHIP	THANKSGIVING

MidSHIP Schedule

October/November

October 26	5:30 - 7:00	Halloween Party
November 2	5:30 - 7:00	Dinner / Fellowship
November 5	2:45 - 5:00	Small Group
November 9	1:30 - 4:00	Car Chase
November 12	2:45 - 5:00	Small Group
November 16	5:30 - 7:00	Dinner / Fellowship
November 19	2:45 - 5:00	Small Group
November 23	5:30 - 7:00	Dinner / Fellowship
November 30	NO SHIP	THANKSGIVING

Children's Stewardship Project

Our Sunday School stewardship project is to bring items to help us make "Gift of the Heart" Kits.

Preschool & Kindergarten-First Grade

blunt scissors, 12" ruler, small pencil sharpener, new pencils with erasers, large eraser, box of 24 crayons, notebook of ruled paper, sheets of construction paper.

Second-Third Grade

hand towel, washcloth, comb, metal nail file or clipper, bar of soap (bath size), toothbrush, tube of toothpaste, bandaids.

Fourth-Fifth Grade

cloth diapers, shirts, washcloths, gowns or sleepers, diaper pins, sweater or sweat-shirt, receiving blanket.

Please bring these items to Sunday School by **Sunday, November 9th**.



"Gettysburg Addresses Lincoln"

Our church will host the annual "Gettysburg Addresses Lincoln" program at 4:00 pm on Wednesday, November 19.

D. Scott Hartwig will speak on "Lincoln's Words at Gettysburg." The talk will focus on the context and meaning of the Gettysburg Address. Scott will explore the meaning of the speech at the time and its context for today. In addition to being a faithful member of our congregation, Scott worked for the National Park Service for 34 years and was the Supervisory Historian at Gettysburg National Military Park.

All are invited and the event is free. If you have a Civil War era outfit, please wear it and help to welcome guests.

2014 Christmas Mission Fair on December 7th!

It's Christmas Fair time once again! The 29th Annual Christmas Fair will be held on Sunday, December 7 from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. in Fellowship Hall. There will be games and prizes for children and adults, a light supper, craft tables, baked goods, and coffee for sale. Silent Auction items will be available for bids from Nov. 23 to Dec. 7. Bring your whole family to enjoy this kick-off to the Christmas season. Do your Christmas shopping at the Fair where money raised will benefit seven global and local mission projects. You will also be able to shop at the Fair on Sunday mornings, December 7, 14, & 21.

Silent Auction For Christmas Fair Needed by Nov. 17

Christmas Fair already? Silent Auction Items – what's that about? This year we will once again be holding a Silent Auction to benefit the missions at the Christmas Fair. Bidding will begin on Sunday, November 23 and end as the Fair concludes on December 7th.

If you have an item you would like to offer, or know of a business that may like to donate, please contact Tom Kolmer at 717-634-0258 or at tomkolmer@gmail.com. Some suggestions include Dinner for 6, a round of golf, movie passes and popcorn, Christmas wreath, gift certificate for massage, etc. Be creative in your ideas! Also teens could offer childcare, snow shoveling, etc. We will then choose 15 of the items to use for the Silent Auction.

The Silent Auction was a big hit last year! We hope you will participate once again, either by donating an item or by bidding!

Extra Crafts for the Christmas Fair

Do you have any crafts you would be willing to donate for sale at the Christmas Fair on Sunday, December 7th? If you make crafts to sell this time of year, perhaps you have some extras you would be willing to give. If you like to make crafts in your spare time, perhaps you could make some just for the Fair. All proceeds from items sold at the craft tables will go to the mission projects.

Contact Tom Kolmer at 717-634-0258 or at tomkolmer@gmail.com if you have any questions. Please bring crafts to Fellowship Hall **BY FRIDAY, DECEMBER 5, OR THE MORNING OF SATURDAY, DECEMBER 6 AT THE LATEST. THANKS!**

Storage Space Needed for South Dakota



On our mission trip to the Cheyenne River Lakota Reservation in South Dakota this past summer, we offered furniture at very low prices as part of our Festival. We sent out notices ahead of time for people to save their money, and they did. We thank all of you who donated furniture for our 2014 trip.

We would like to take furniture again next year, but we have very little space to store it. We are looking for someone who has storage space and would be willing to let us store the furniture until July 14.

Please contact Penny in the church office (334-1235) if you have a space or know someone who might. Thanks!

If you are donating items to our South Dakota Mission trip, **PLEASE DO NOT** drop them off in front of the Shack or Paideia House door. Please mark them "South Dakota" and bring them to the church office or to the round corner of Fellowship Hall. Thank you!

Grief Support Series Begins October 26th

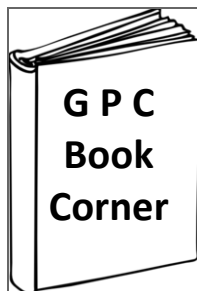
We will once again offer our four-week grief support group entitled: "Dealing with Grief and Loss: Hope in the Midst of Pain." The group will be led by Charlotte Winsheimer and Anne Gallon, two of our Stephen Ministry Leaders. We will meet on Sunday afternoons from October 26th through November 23rd (we will not meet on Nov. 16) in the Crane Library from noon to 1:00 p.m. The group is open to anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one and who would be interested in exploring their experience further with others in the same situation.

If you have any questions or wish to sign up for the group, please contact Lou Nyiri in the church office at 334-1235, ext. 4 or gpcclou@embarqmail.com. In order to make appropriate plans we do ask that you sign up in advance by October 19th.

Join Us For
**Trunk
or
Treat**
October 31st



Gettysburg Seminary will be having its Trunk or Treat on October 31 from 5:00-7:00 p.m. in the Valentine Hall parking lot on campus. Students will have their cars decorated for Halloween and will have candy to give out to trick or treaters. All children are welcome to attend.



Hi Friends,

No book review this week as I am in the middle of The Bible Jesus Read for my small group and my circle reading, Reconciling Paul. Both very interesting reads, but very different topics. I didn't want to get too deep into a book, as I was afraid I wouldn't be able to concentrate on either one. So, I thought I would give you a brief update on the condition of the Crane Library after I completed the review of all the books.

The Building Committee, which is responsible for the day-to-day concerns of the renovations for Foundations of the Future Capital Campaign, graciously gave the library some new chairs. They are very nice and very, very comfortable. Now you are able to sit in the library and peruse the collection in comfort. Cheryl Betts moved the large TV system to the Children's Church for use by the youngsters and it has made the room very spacious.

We have a computer in the library and I hear we may be getting an upgrade also through these renovations. The computer is nice, as you can sit in the library and work with use of the books for reference.

Cheryl, Pastor Dave and I will be meeting next week to discuss what we see as the needs and future use of the Crane Library. One of the areas of discussion will center on labeling the books in separate categories instead of lumping them together. I think this will make it easier to select a book by category.

We also have a nice selection of DVD's and have recently been given about twenty Christian Music CD's. I would like to increase the number of fiction books we offer as well, so if anyone has any suggestions of books to have available, please let me know. There are quite a few inspirational authors that I think would fit just fine in our library.

Ross Brownley is working on our new Book Mobile and I hope to have it in Fellowship Hall in the near future. That will make selecting books a bit easier. Cheryl Betts has offered to help catalog all the books so that we know what books we have.

The books that were discarded were given to a missionary in our area who in turn sends them to missions in India. I was very glad to help in this way.

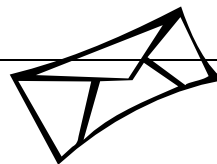
So it seems that we are moving forward and looking forward to a new and improved Library for everyone's use. It is very rewarding to have taken on this responsibility as I have gotten to look through many marvelous books. I also want to thank you all for making such appropriate book donations in the last six months.

As always, please let me know if there are any books you would like reviewed in Book Corner or placed in the Library.

'Til next time...Keep Reading!!

Cathy

THANK OFFERING



Enclosed in this newsletter you will find an envelope for the PW Thank Offering. In 1888, when Eliza Clokey of Springfield, OH urged each woman to give one dollar over and above her usual contribution to the Women's General Missionary Society of the United Presbyterian Church of North America as a "Thank Offering to Her Lord," women responded and the Thank Offering was born. The gifts represented much soul-searching and self-sacrificing on the part of many women.

The Thank Offering has long been a tradition of Presbyterian Women. It has provided and continues to provide much-needed financial assistance to numerous worthwhile programs not included in ongoing General Assembly mission support. Each year, domestic and international projects are carefully and prayerfully selected by the Creative Ministries Offering Committee to help meet a crucial need. Forty percent (40%) of this offering is used to support hospitals and community health programs that place a priority in helping the most needy members of God's community. The remaining sixty percent (60%) is used for new creative ideas for mission, undesignated in advance. The generosity of Presbyterian women and their families and congregations as demonstrated through their Thank Offering gifts, helps chosen recipients find real solutions for projects related to health, education, economic development, and needs of women and children.

Congregational Meeting

Nov. 23

A Congregational meeting has been called for Sunday, Nov. 23 following the 11AM worship service in the sanctuary for the purpose of electing elders, deacons, and nominating committee members. Please plan to attend this brief, but important meeting!

Combined Worship Service and Reception

On Sunday, Nov. 16, we will hold one combined worship service at 10AM at the new Gettysburg Middle School, 37 Lefever St., within sight of our own parking lot! There is plenty of parking and the facility is handicapped accessible.

Please plan to attend this festive event!

Meals & More Fundraiser

Meals & More Fundraiser at Hoss's will take place on **Thursday, November 6th** from noon to 8 pm.

Meals & More is a summer enrichment program for homeless, abused, neglected, and hungry children. It is now an interfaith ministry rather than a program under the auspices of Prince of Peace Episcopal Church. Children ages 5 to 10 receive two meals a day in addition to educational and fun activities including drama, art, music, reading, math, and science. Each summer, the children learn about a foreign country and its customs, food, and geographical location. They are also given opportunities to help others through many outreach projects. Your support of Meals & More is greatly appreciated.

A ticket is needed (one per table) and you may pick one up at the church office. Thanks for your support! If you have any questions please contact Pam Rowland at 642-8802.

Young at Heart

Wednesday, November 12, 2014

For our November meeting we will be joining the youth of the church at **4:30 pm** to share in a Thanksgiving dinner with all the trimmings and a time of fellowship with the young people. Our group will be providing side dishes for the dinner. You may be called by someone from the food committee and asked to bring a dish. If you don't get called and would like to attend just come - no RSVP is necessary. Everyone is welcome. It is not necessary to be a regular attendee at YAH. If there are any questions please contact Pam or Dick Wisor at 717-359-8896 or at pwisor@hotmail.com.



“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.

For the month of:

November

We are collecting items for

“Office for the Aging - Home Delivered Meals”

Emergency Meal Supplies - Peanut butter, pull top cans of soup, crackers, individual fruit servings, individual cookie packs, individual cereal boxes, other non-perishable, single serve items.

GPC Welcomes Dr. J. Herbert Nelson

The Reverend Dr. J. Herbert Nelson, will speak at Gettysburg Presbyterian Church on Saturday evening, October 25, at 7 PM in the sanctuary. Dr. Nelson is Director of the Office for Public Witness (OPW) of the Presbyterian Church U.S.A. (PCUSA). The OPW is the public policy and advocacy office of the General Assembly. The PCUSA has maintained a public policy ministry in our nation's capital for 68 years, providing biblically and theologically based insights for promoting God's work in the world through the church. They are also involved in the Presbyterian Ministry at the United Nations in order to inspire, equip, and connect Presbyterians for ministry in the global community by faithfully responding to God's call in Christ to live with compassion, seek peace, and pursue justice.

Dr. Nelson is a third-generation Presbyterian Pastor. He was instrumental in founding Liberation Community Presbyterian Church in Memphis, Tennessee in 1999, the first African American church developed in the Presbytery of Memphis in forty-six years. Prior to LCC, Dr. Nelson served as Pastor for eleven years at St. James Presbyterian Church in Greensboro, NC. He earned his B.A. in Political Science/Urban Studies in 1981 from Johnson C. Smith University in Charlotte, N. C. He then completed his Master of Divinity degree in 1985 from Johnson C. Smith Seminary at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, Georgia, and his Doctor of Ministry Degree from Louisville Presbyterian Seminary in 2002.

Dr. Nelson helps churches and people of faith to advocate for a more just society through public policies that address issues related to poverty, education, and violence. Come out and listen, ask questions, learn and be inspired!

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED welcomes all local women to a 1 1/2 hour (\$3) lunch meeting at 11:30 a.m. on Wednesday, November 5, at the Gettysburg Church of the Brethren, 1710 Biglerville Rd. Following the luncheon we will be celebrating WORLD COMMUNITY DAY with a special program, "Through God Our Hands Can Heal." We invite newcomers to join in this ecumenical fellowship. No reservations are needed. For more information, contact Cheryl Potter at 337-2938.

Israel and Palestine: History and Narratives Class

9:30 in MacAskill Room with Dr. Stephen Stern, Chair of the Religious Studies Department at Gettysburg College and Director of Judaic Studies. Be sure to come join in the discussion beginning Sunday, October 16th – November 9th.



Save The Date!

November 1, 2014

5:00 – 8:00 PM in Fellowship Hall



Play **Trivia** with the regular hosts of **Rockin' Trivia** at the Pike on Tuesday nights

- The Food:** Bring a dessert or snack to share. Drinks and paper products will be provided.
- The Donation:** Bring \$2.00 per person (to donate to a GPC mission).
- The Teams:** Teams will consist of up to 8 players. You can bring a team or join one when you arrive.
- The Prize:** The winning team will get to choose a GPC mission to whom the collected money will be given.

5:00 – 5:30

5:30 – 6:00

6:00 – 8:00

Arrive with your \$2.00 donation and set out your food offering.

Get set with a team, get directions and grab a snack.

Play Trivia!

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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
- * give generously
- * worship weekly



Next Newsletter Deadline:
Noon, Thursday, October 30, 2014

October/November 2014
GPC WORSHIP SCHEDULE
Traditional Worship @ 8:15 & 11:00 a.m.
Contemporary Worship @ 9:30 a.m.

October 26	"Can These Bones Live Again?"
November 2	The Lord's Supper All Saints Day
November 9	Stewardship Sermon
November 16	All Church Worship! 10:00 a.m. at the Gettysburg Middle School Pledge Sunday

