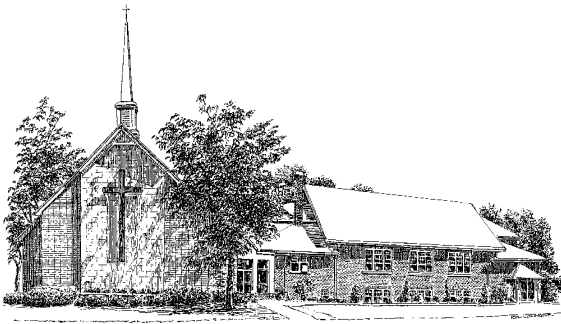


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The CELEBRATE August/September 2009

*"We humbly yet boldly step into the future, following
in the footsteps of Jesus on our journey of faith."*

August Highlights

August 2nd ~ 10am

Worship with Communion

August 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, & 31st ~ 12:15pm

Lunch Bunch Study Group

August 13th ~ 7pm

Odd Jobs Group

August 31st ~ 7pm

All Committee Night

September Highlights

September 10th ~ 7pm

Choir Rehearsal begins

September 13th ~ 10am

Kick Off Sunday – Worship with Communion

September 16th ~ 12pm

Young at Heart Luncheon

September 26th ~ 4-7pm

Spaghetti Dinner

BRONWEN'S BY-LINE

Summer is coming to an end – what summer we have had that is! Kick-off Sunday for the new program year will be September 13, celebrated with communion and the giving of fourth grade Bibles and we are having a congregational lunch that day as well! This year should be one with much in it – we will be celebrating our one hundredth anniversary as a Presbyterian Church. The actual date will be in June of 2010 so we have much planning to do to celebrate this milestone. I hope that many of you will join in the fun that is to come! One of the projects will be a church time-line. For that we need pictures and artifacts if you have them. So as you clean those attics and basements keep your eyes peeled for items we can use. And when you find them bring them to the church office for us to use. We already have a postcard of the original church with the house next door to begin the collection. If any of you are interested in helping with this let me know – all help is welcome.

As the second year of our relationship begins -yes it has already been one year – I hope that we will be able to continue our growth as a community of faith in our mission work and in our spiritual lives. To that end, during the month of August there will be a “Lunch bunch” at 12:15PM on Mondays at the church for study. Bring a brown bag lunch and your Bible and let’s explore together what God is saying to us today. The hope is that we can also have an evening study once the fall season begins.

As the fall approaches I hope that if you have not been involved that you will become so. Choir practice will resume on Thursday evenings beginning September 10 – and anyone who wants to sing is invited. Let us know if you would like to be considered to help with classroom teaching or the nursery. And also remember we will be looking for helpers for the Spaghetti dinner in September and the garage sale the beginning of November. So you see plans are made and more will be going on and there will be opportunities for everyone to become involved. And I hope you will!

Thank you to Richard Jones and Sue Piersa for taking the pulpit while I was on vacation. Thank you to all who have kept attendance in worship at a decent level this summer! Enjoy what is left of summer.

See you in church,
Pastor Bronwen

FOLLOW THE LECTIONARY

August 2009

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|-------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|---|
| <i>August 2nd</i> | 2 Samuel 11:26-12:13a Psalm 51:1-12 Ephesians 4:1-16 John 6:24-35 | <i>August 23rd</i> | 1 Kings 8:(1,6,10-11) 22-30, 41-43 Psalm 84 Ephesians 6:10-20 John 6:56-69 |
| <i>August 9th</i> | 2 Samuel 18:5-9, 15, 31-33 Psalm 130 Ephesians 4:25-5:2 John 6:35, 41-51 | <i>August 30th</i> | Song of Solomon 2:8-13 Psalm 45:1-2 6-9 James 1:17-27 Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 |
| <i>August 16th</i> | 1 Kings 2:10-12; 3:3-14 Psalm 111 Ephesians 5:15-20 John 6:51-58 | | |

September 2009

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| <i>Sept. 6th</i> | Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 Psalm 125 James 2:1-10 (11-13) 14-17 Mark 7:24-37 | <i>Sept. 20th</i> | Proverbs 31:10-31 Psalm 1 James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a Mark 9:30-37 |
| <i>Sept. 13th</i> | Proverbs 1:20-33 Psalm 19 James 3:1-12 Mark 8:27-38 | <i>Sept. 27th</i> | Esther 7:1-6, 9-10, 9:20-22 Psalm 124 James 5:13-20 Mark 9:38-50 |

WORSHIP & MUSIC

We will have communion on August 2nd and September 13th

Usher Schedule:

Richard Jones on August 2nd

Tim Miller on August 13th

We need help with ushering. If no one steps up to the plate we will not have an usher for the rest of August and no one is scheduled to help in September. We need your help!!!! Snow birds this is a chance to help out when you are in the area. Please see Tim Miller for more information.

The greeter Schedule:

Aug 2 George Shaffer

Sept 6 The Vaughans

Aug 9 Mary Cotter

Sept 13 Tim Miller

Aug 16 The Barnharts

Sept 20 Wendy Warren

Aug 23 The Kissels

Sept 27 Diane Molnar

Aug 30 Kathy Saeli

Sue is on vacation for the month of August and the following will be playing for her while she is off.

August 2nd – Paul Hartley
 August 9th –Wendy Warren
 August 16th – Wendy Warren
 August 23rd – Paul Hartley
 August 30th – Paul Hartley

Thanks, Tim Miller



First Choir Rehearsal will be
 Thursday, September 10th at 7pm

| AUGUST 2009 | | | | | | |
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| 2 10am Worship w/ Communion 11am Fellowship Time | 3 Lunch Bunch Study group 12:15pm | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9 10am Worship 11am Fellowship Time | 10 Lunch Bunch Study group 12:15pm | 11 | 12 | 13 Odd Jobs Group 7pm | 14 | 15 |
| 16 10am Worship 11am Fellowship Time | 17 Lunch Bunch Study group 12:15pm | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23 10am Worship 11am Fellowship Time | 24 Lunch Bunch Study group 12:15pm | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30 10am Worship 11am Fellowship Time | 31 Lunch Bunch Study group 12:15pm All Committee Night 7pm | | | | | |

| SEPTEMBER 2009 | | | | | | |
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| 6 10am Worship 11am Fellowship Time | 7 <i>Labor Day Church office closed</i> | 8 | 9 | 10 Choir Rehearsal 7pm | 11 | 12 |
| 13 10am Worship w/ Communion Kick Off Sunday 11am Fellowship Time | 14 | 15 | 16 Young at Heart Luncheon 12pm | 17 Choir Rehearsal 7pm | 18 | 19 |
| 20 10am Worship 11am Fellowship Time | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 Choir Rehearsal 7pm | 25 | 26 Spaghetti Dinner 4-7pm |
| 27 10am Worship 11am Fellowship Time | 28 | 29 | 30 | | | |

YOUNG AT HEART

Here we are again, time to get ready for our young at heart lunches. Where did the summer go? As you know I had my operation after the June picnic and at this time I am feeling good and can't wait for our lunches to resume. Our first lunch will be held on September 16th and then the first (1st) and third (3rd) Wednesday of the month there after. I hope everyone had a great summer and look forward to seeing you all on September 16th.



YOUR HAPPY COOKS: Dick & Edie Fischer

FAITH EDUCATION

Kick off Sunday

On September 13th we Kick-Off our new Sunday School year. After much praying and research we are excited to introduce a new curriculum this year called "Walk With Me". This curriculum is built on a biblical and reformed understanding of God's Word. We felt this curriculum would better meet the needs of our children by showing them how the Bible relates to their daily lives. This year we have a class for children in Pre-school through 1st grade and a class for children in 2nd through 6th grade. The Nursery is also available for children 2 and under.



This year we have 3 children who will receive their 4th grade Bibles during Worship.

To celebrate the end of summer and the beginning of "getting back into the swing of things" we invite you to join us for lunch following Worship.

We have some exciting new things planned for this year. We hope you join us as we grow as a community of faith.

HELP !! - We would like to have a Halloween party on **Sunday, October 25th**. We are looking for a family to run the games/entertainment and a family to do the potluck. If you can help with either of these, please talk to Dawn Corless. The children and adults enjoy this time of fun and fellowship, so please consider helping with this event.



Next meeting -all committee night - August 31st at 7:00pm.

CHURCH & SOCIETY

SPAGHETTI DINNER

Please save the date! Church and Society will be hosting our 2nd Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on **Saturday, September 26th** from **4 - 7 PM**. The proceeds from the fundraiser will be put in General Fund to remain with our church. Pre-sale tickets will be available in late August. More information will be available in the near future so watch the bulletins and listen for the announcements. You can start spreading the word to your friends and family about our fundraiser and if you have any questions, you can ask Debbie Wilson or Sue Piersa.



MEMBERSHIP & FELLOWSHIP



On Pentecost Sunday we welcomed four new members into our church family: Elizabeth D'Amico, Michelle D'Amico, Lenny D'Amico and Debbie Wilson Please extend a warm welcome to them when you see them in church.

A special thanks to all who made the Baccalaureate and church picnic a big success.

The committee is always looking for additional members. Please contact me if you would like to join the fun.

Janice Jones (janicejones@prontomail.com or 655-7924)
Chair Membership & Fellowship

GARAGE ~ BOOK ~ BAKE SALE

Garage, Book and Bake Sale

Saturday, November 7, 2009

8:00-8:30 (\$1 early bird admission) 8:30 - 2:00pm

1-2 pm - \$1 bag sale

We will hold a planning meeting in early fall (date to be announced). Barb Kissel has already started on the publicity but could use some help. Please see Barb now if you can help. We are looking for people to run the kitchen, organize the bake sale and make plans to have unsold items picked up. If you can help with these, please see Diane Molnar. Also, contact Diane if you know of someone who would like our unsold books. This year we will have the bake sale and the book sale upstairs. The other items will be downstairs. We will not be renting tables this year due to lack of space.

Donated items can be brought in at anytime and can be put in the room off Fellowship Hall (downstairs). Books and videos can go behind the wall in Lischer Hal (upstairs). We are in need of brown paper bags and plastic bags. When you bring them in please fold them and place them in other bags.

Please Remember:

NO stuffed animals ~ **NO** shoes ~ **NO** encyclopedias, magazines or readers digest
Clothes and linens should be cleaned and curtains and bedding labeled with the size and if possible, put in a clear plastic bag. This helps to sell the items and keep the linen table clean.

We will be counting on everyone to make this event a great success.



In The Life of The Church

AUGUST AND SPETEMBER BIRTHDAYS

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| August | 1 st | Leona Wojcik |
| | 3 rd | Carl Malyszka |
| | 7 th | Bill Hay |
| | 12 th | Joe Molnar |
| | 12 th | Becky Saeli |
| | 14 th | Janice Jones |
| | | Judi Orefice |
| | 15 th | Jane Lankes |
| | 18 th | Paul Messoro |
| | 19 th | Tim Corless |
| | 20 th | Walt Kissel |
| | 20 th | Paul Saeli |
| | 28 th | Danielle Corless |
| | 29 th | Don Sroczyk |
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| September | 2 nd | Joanne Bengert |
| | 4 th | Linda Barrows |
| | | Tom Kalinowski |
| | 8 th | Rachel Marrero |
| | 10 th | Morgan Messoro |
| | 12 th | Bert Evans |
| | 17 th | Marsha Barnhart |
| | | Julie Vaughan |
| | 19 th | John Chrynowicz |
| | 20 th | John Lindak |
| | | Nick Wurl |
| | 21 st | Ryan Fiegl |
| | 24 th | Joey Molnar |
| | 25 th | Erik Rowe |
| | 30 th | Nancy Lesakowski |
| | | Kathy Saeli |

NOTES OF THANKS

I would like to take the time to thank every one for the cards, phone calls and prayers that I received before and after my surgery. It is so comforting to know that so many of my church family were praying for my recovery. The surgeon told Edie after the operation that every thing was good and the biopsy was negative. So again I thank everyone for everything.

Dick Fischer

CAN YOU HELP?

Journey's End (a local refugee organization) is looking for car seats. If you have a new or gently used car seat that you are willing to donate please contact Kristal Nowatchik at 882-4963 ext 26.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Members of our congregation

Bruce Barrows ♦ Dawn Dulski ♦ Dick & Edie Fischer ♦ BJ Rustic ♦ Bill Seifert

Family & Friends of our congregation

Bill Baco (Sandy Pakenham) ♦ Claudette Bapst (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Caryn Brown (Leona Wojcik) ♦ Erna Burdick (Sue Piersa) ♦ Edward Cieslinski (Donna Cieslinski) ♦ Clara Cieslinski ♦ Kathy Miller Colmerauer (Jane Lankes) ♦ Dan & Judy Cravotta (Janice Jones) ♦ Pauline Deletti (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Linda Dories (Sandy Fiegl) ♦ Cathy Folaron (Cheryl Wilczak) ♦ James Groves (Nancy Lesakowski) ♦ Ed & Dorothy Gutowski (Ed Gutowski) ♦ Carolyn Halley (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Cecelia Henery (Dennis Fiegl) ♦ Garrett Kensy (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Jill Miller-Kisker (Jane Lankes) ♦ Lee Kruszka ((The Fischer's) ♦ Dee Dee Labby (Cheryl Labby) ♦ Sibby Mielcarek (Marge Christmann) ♦ Aaron Miechurski (The Halligan's) ♦ Steve Milley (Leanne Wurl) ♦ Josh, Dave & Pam Miszko (Sue Piersa) ♦ Mary Orofino (Marilyn Mohr) ♦ Maureen Patti (Helen Somer) ♦ Elizabeth Shaffer (George Shaffer) ♦ Paul Sipos (Sue Maciejewski) ♦ Annalynn Surace (Sue Piersa) ♦ Paul Wagner (Diane Molnar) Patrick Weir (Sandy Pakenham)

OUR SERVICE MEN & WOMEN

Chris Kalinowski ⊛ Kimberly Trudeau ⊛ Russell Molnar ⊛ Pat McCullough ⊛ Zachery Goggins ⊛ Alison Lankes ⊛ Erik Brown ⊛ James Schmidt ⊛ Matthew Jones ⊛ David Ferg

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| Elders | | |
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| Class of 2010 | Class of 2011 | Class of 2012 |
| Dawn Corless | Janice Jones | Sue Piersa |
| Debbie Goggins | Ron Partacz | Don Schmid |
| Erik Rowe | Dick Fischer | Tim Miller |

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