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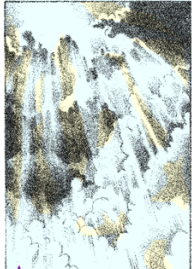
Rev. Meta S. Cramer, Pastor
8:30 a.m. Worship (Chapel)
9:00 a.m. Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
10:30 a.m. Worship (Sanctuary)

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Ascension
Day

June 5 — Ascension Sunday

8:30 a.m. — *in the Chapel*
Theme: “Here We Are, Again!”
Scripture: Psalm 47, Luke 24:49-53, Acts 1:6-11

10:30 a.m. — *in the Sanctuary / Reception of a New Member*
Sermon: “We’re Still Here!”
Scripture: Psalm 47, Luke 24:36-53, Acts 1:1-11
Liturgist: Julie Mackall

Sign Ups for the
Self Study
Holy
Conversation
Groups
will be in
Fellowship Hall
this Sunday.



June 12 — The Day of Pentecost *The Sacrament of the Lord’s Supper at Both Services*

8:30 a.m. — *in the Chapel*
Theme: “Take a Deep Breath”
Scripture: Psalm 104:24-35, Acts 2:1-21

10:30 a.m. — *in the Sanctuary*
Sermon: “Fired-Up!”
Scripture: Deuteronomy 4:5-14, Acts 2:1-21
Liturgist: Brad Stephens



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Fellowship Hall
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Ready for a Wild Adventure?

Come to Vacation Bible School

New Friends * Amazing Crafts * Wild Games
Lip-smacking Snacks * Wild Bible Adventures * Incredible Music

June 13—17
9:00 a.m. — 12 Noon

Registration Forms at Sanctuary entrances & in Church Office.
Help Feed Our VBS Bamboo Crews — See List on Insert



Prayer Concerns

Dennis Amelung (*Gloria Shafer's uncle*), Warren Bettis, Marge Broomall, Ken and Goldie Burrier, Rosann Butler Sharon Butler (*Joyce Smith's friend*), Terry Carman (*Wavelene Arnold's brother-in-law*), Barbara Double (*Ken Double's mother*), Jane Elze (*Jim Elze's mother*), Patrick Haney (*George Smith's friend*), Bekah Hanlon (*Jo Hendrick's granddaughter*), Hayden Johnson: www.caringbridge.org/visit/haydenjohnson, Tink Layden, Char McDevitt, Fred McNeal (*Jim McNeal's brother*), Pat Milligan (*Jim Milligan's mother*), Janie Mowery (*Marilyn Ward's friend*), Bill Phillips (*Joyce Smith's son-in-law*), Joan Reed (*Sue Skiba's mother*), Steve Reiter, Paul Robinson (*Kim Double's uncle*), Brenda Romack (*Friend of John Krauss and Choir*), Bill Schuller (*John Krauss' friend*), Gene Shafer, Karlie Stith (*Harvey and Sally Mason's great granddaughter*), Teresa Turney (*Dolly Millikin's daughter*), Derek Votaw (*Curt and Beverly Mosher's grandson*)

Special Care Facilities

Blossom: Georgiana Costa, 204B
Briarwood: Norman Pim, 601;
 3700 Englewood Dr., Stow OH 44224
Canterbury Place: Tom Smith, 508;
 310 Fisk St., Pittsburgh PA 15201-1708
Clare Bridge of Austintown: Bill Butler (*Pat Butler's husband*); 1420 S Canfield Niles Rd, Austintown OH 44515
Copeland Oaks: Chet Roof, 6202
Courtyard: Phyllis Lamb, 109; Betty Potter, 202 (*Helen Hayes' mother*); Linda Tonti, 209 (*John Tonti's mother*)
Crandall: Marilyn Clark, 185; Betsy Johnson, 251 (*Tom Johnson's wife*); Polly Kendall, 272
Essex 3: Ibbby Dales, 211
Grace Woods Village: Jo Hawkins, 234
Weatherwood Manor: Dolores Kynett, 201;
 896 Weatherwood Lane, Greensburg PA 15601

Armed Forces

† **SGT Double, Casey** (*Barbara Dou- ble's grandson*) 446 Canyon Dr #9 Oceanside CA 92054
 † **SGT Fennema, John T** (*Paul and Barb Fennema's son*); 2209 Timberbrook Ln; Midway Park NC 28544 fennema33@yahoo.com
 † **LCPL Gibbs, Jeremy B.** (*Charles and Margaret Gibbs' grandson*) 5988 Tulagi Place Tarawa Terrace NC 28543

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Financial Report

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Envelope Income received May 1	\$ 5,684.00
Envelope Income received May 8	\$ 5,954.00
Envelope Income received May 15	\$ 3,644.00
Envelope Income received May 22	\$ 4,570.00
Envelope Income received May 29	\$ 1,503.00
General Fund Balance, April 30, 2011	\$ 3,484.23
Pentecost Offering	\$ 490.00
Per Capita (\$29 / 2011 Goal: \$12,963)	\$ 2,304.00
2¢ a Meal for Hunger	\$ 1.50

† **PFC Hill, Zachary** (*Gloria Shafer's son*); Zachary.J.Hill@us.army.mil
 1-17 IN PO Box 339554
 Joint Base Lewis & McChord
 Washington 98433
 † **SSGT Stith, Ryan** (*Harvey and Sally Mason's grandson*)
 Kilo Company / MCT SOI
 Camp Pendleton CA 92055

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The Sympathy and Surrounding Love of our Congregation are extended to Jess and Berneda Fitch and the family on the death of Jess' brother in Kentucky.

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Congratulations to David Cramer on his graduation from Seton Hall University School of Law on May 27, and to Casey Billham on her graduation from Westminster College on May 21 with a BA in Elementary Education.



The children of Melvin and Virginia Wilms invite you to join them in celebrating their parent's 50th Wedding Anniversary on Sunday, June 12 from 2:00-4:00 p.m. at the Salem Community Center.



Thanks to Mary Bryan for delivering flowers for my birthday.
 Ray Starbuck

Thanks to Gloria Shafer for delivering flowers to me.
 Rosann Butler



Thank you for putting my name on the Messenger Prayer List. I am better now and have been released to my own apartment in Presbyterian Shenango-Care. I still use a walker since I broke my hip last November. I do enjoy keeping up with all of you in the Messenger. As ever in Christ's name.

Pat Milligan

Thanks for the lovely bouquet of flowers Mary Lepping delivered to me on Sunday. The flowers are lovely and we had such a nice visit with Mary. Thanks again.

Louise Murdock

Please accept our thanks for your donation to the Christina House. Your gift of \$195 helps us help women and children in need of safety and other services.

Beth Schmitt, Program Manager

Thank you so much for the care package I received during finals week. It was a very nice surprise, and as a college student, I can always use snacks. My semester is now over and I haven't gotten my grades back, but the treats were very helpful! Thanks so much!

Alli Ward

Thank you to the Stephens' for delivering bags of books to read, Rose Marie for flowers, Marge for being my grocery shopper, and for the thoughts and prayers from all of you.

Goldie Burrier

Your Session at Work

The Session, meeting on May 19, 2011...

- Expressed joy and thanksgiving for all who contributed to the successful hosting of the May 10 Eastminster Presbytery meeting.
- Heard that Eastminster Presbytery is accepting applications from Elders and Young Adults who are interested in being commissioners to the General Assembly being held in Pittsburgh in the summer of 2012
- Approved a hot dog sale by our JBM campers during the Super Nationals/Quaker City Weekend Cruise
- Approved needed repairs to the bell tower
- Approved the Christian Education committee's concept of "FPC's Big Back Yard...We have a Lot to Offer" - a series of summer events designed to help us reach out to and get acquainted with our neighborhood
- Allocated 40% of the funds received through the Pentecost Offering to "FPC's Big Back Yard..."
- Approved the Rev. Richard Ferris as the preacher on July 31
- Approved the wedding of Megan McCorkhill and Daniel Halverstadt for August 27, 2011
- Discussed the implication on recently-ratified changes to the *Book of Order*

FPC'S BIG BACK YARD



Looking for something fun to do this summer? Want to spend time with your church friends and make some new friends at the same time? FPC's Big Back Yard is the place for you then. FPC stands for our own First Presbyterian Church and of course the Big Back Yard is, ugh, well, our big back yard!! **We will be kicking off this new ministry on Friday June 24, 2011 with a "Cars" theme to fit in with the Quaker City Cruise.** After that we will be gathering on Wednesday evenings. The idea is to use our generously sized "park" and parking lot to provide fellowship between members of our congregation and our neighbors in the community. Many in the neighborhood already use this as a park. We will have a theme for each gathering with some fun activities and a simple meal as well. More details will be coming soon. If you are interested in helping out, please contact the Church Office. Hope to see you there!!

U.S. Storms

April 2011



**PRESBYTERIAN
DISASTER ASSISTANCE**

Regions throughout the United States continue to be buffeted by a series of storms, tornadoes, floods and wildfires that have caused loss of life and severe damage to homes and property. During April 2011, more than 300 tornadoes were confirmed.

Especially hard hit were states in the South. April 27 tornadoes caused 130 deaths in Alabama alone. Lives were also lost in Mississippi, Tennessee, Georgia and Virginia; the total of about 200 is expected to rise, officials said. North Carolina experienced its worst tornado outbreak in 25 years over the Palm Sunday weekend. Flooding is taking a toll in several states, with record flooding of major rivers and levee breaches reported.

One Great Hour of Sharing and designated funds from PDA are already at work in at least ten presbyteries as they address disasters within their areas. At the request of 11 presbyteries in 10 states, members of the PDA National Response Team (NRT) are working with affected presbyteries as they organize their response for local communities. PDA is monitoring a number of presbyteries in case a need for assistance arises. Additional team members are on stand-by.

How Can We Respond?

Give — to support the relief and recovery ministry.
Designate gifts for DR000015, U.S. Disasters.

Act • Register your team's interest in future rebuilding possibilities. Call 1-866-732-6121.
• Assemble *Gift of the Heart* clean up buckets to help families as they begin the overwhelming task of storm and flood clean up. Visit pcusa.org/pda/help/goh.htm.

Pray — that the hope that is found in Christ will be evident to those displaced, those who lost loved ones, and those who offer spiritual and emotional care or help with restoration efforts.

Our Church History ...

From the Messenger, May 25, 1961:

HOME PREPAREDNESS in Civil Defense

On Wednesday, May 31, at 7:30 p.m., in the Memorial Building, Mrs. Edna Sweeney, Civil Defense Secretary of East Liverpool, will speak on "Home Preparedness". This meeting is open to all women and it is hoped that some of our women will attend.

If you would like a copy of the Celtic Sunday Service on May 22 with the Haviland Choir, please call the Church Office.

June

Happy Birthday!

Jim Laughlin (1), Ralph Timmins (3),
Jean Leimbach (4), Bill Butler (25)

2 / Thurs **7:00 Christian Education (106)**
7:00 Property and Maintenance (107)
7:00 Worship, Music, Arts (110)

5 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
9:30 Presbyterian Women (107)
Sign Ups for Self Study
Holy Conversation Groups (FH)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)

6 / Mon **7:00 Board of Deacons (107)**

7 / Tues 9 a.m. — 10 p.m. United Quilt Guild
Challenge (FH, K, 107, 109, 110)

9 / Thurs 12:00 Preschool Advisory Board (110)
7:00 Finance Committee (107)

12 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
9:00 Self Study Committee (107)
Sign Ups for Self Study
Holy Conversation Groups (FH)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S) — Communion
VBS Set Up following Worship
2:00-4:00 Harrison Baby Shower (FH)



13 / Mon 9:00-Noon VBS
7:00 Congregational Care (107)

14 / Tues 9:00-Noon VBS

15 / Weds 9:00-Noon VBS

16 / Thurs 9:00-Noon VBS

17 / Fri 9:00-Noon VBS



19 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)
**6:00 Salem Quaker City Legion Band
Concert at Waterworth Park
Patriotic Selections with Local Choirs**

21 / Tues 12:00 November Circle (Annabell's)
Call Beverly Mosher for reservations

24 / Fri FPC's Big Back Yard Kickoff — "Cars"
Hot Dog Sale by JBM Campers

26 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
9:00 Self Study (107)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship —
Rev. Dan Schomer in Pulpit

28 / Tues 10:30 Youth making Sack Lunches for
Habitat for Humanity site workers

29 / Weds 6:30 Quilt Guild (107)

July

Happy Birthday!

Dick McDevitt (3), Alice Fitch (7),
Dorothy Gibson (24), Ann Theil (25)

3 / Sun 8:30 Morning Worship (Chapel)
9:00 Adult Bible Study (110)
10:00 Coffee Hour (FH)
10:30 Worship (S)

4 / Mon Independence Day
Church Office Closed



5 / Tues 9:00-9:00 United Quilt Guild (FH)

6 / Weds 12:00 Daytimers (FH)
Program: Amish by Jan Bethel

7 / Thurs **7:00 Property & Maintenance (107)**

Salem Community Pantry

Mon., Fri., 9-11:30 a.m. / Tues., 5-7:30 p.m.

Closed Wednesday and Thursday

Monetary donations should be made out to:

Salem Community Pantry / PO Box 222, Salem OH 44460

Worship Service Schedule

Cable TV Channel 9 / *Schedule subject to change

Sunday — 2 a.m.* / Tuesday — 12:00 and 4:00 p.m.

Wednesday — 4:00 a.m.*, 4:00 and 9:00 p.m.

Friday — 4:00 a.m.*, 4:00 p.m.* / Saturday — 2:00 a.m.*