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SUMMER

What reminds you of summer? What does summer look like for you? Does it slow down? I wish, right? We have an artist at the physical therapy place where I go to work out. She periodically draws a picture on the board at the center of the room. This time, she drew two dogs catching a frisbee. With the message – “get in shape for the dog days of summer” (or something like that).

I love the warmer weather. I love when I can get my sandals out and forgo the shoes and socks. My favorite summer location is the beach. I love to sit on the beach and watch the waves roll onto the shore. It is where I feel closest to God. (Even as I write, I am getting a little teary eyed – I need a beach day!) When I think of the ocean, the vastness of it, and think of myself, so small in comparison, I’m reminded of a Psalm. Psalm 8 was our Psalter reading on June 4th:

LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory in the heavens.

² Through the praise of children and infants you have established a stronghold against your enemies, to silence the foe and the avenger.

³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place,

⁴ what is mankind that you are mindful of them, human beings that you care for them?

⁵ You have made them^[d] a little lower than the angels and crowned them^[f] with glory and honor.

⁶ You made them rulers over the works of your hands; you put everything under their^[g] feet:

⁷ all flocks and herds, and the animals of the wild,

⁸ the birds in the sky, and the fish in the sea, all that swim the paths of the seas.

⁹ LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Read that a couple of times and let that sink in! Oh Lord, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!

Pastor Sue

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Reminder: We are observing our summer worship schedule for June, July, and August. 9:00 and 10:00am with 10:00 being live-streamed on Facebook live.

Worship Notes for July & August 2023 *(subject to change)*

Summer Schedule – 9:00 & 10:00 worship

The second service will be livestreamed as well.

July 2 – 5th Sunday after Pentecost, **Holy Communion–ONE SERVICE ONLY at 10:00**
Matthew 10:40-42– *How to Welcome*

July 9 – 6th Sunday after Pentecost, Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30 – *Come to Jesus*

July 16 – 7th Sunday after Pentecost, Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23 – *Planting Seeds*

July 23 – 8th Sunday after Pentecost, Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43 – *Planting Seeds, Part 2*

July 30 – 9th Sunday after Pentecost – **Contemporary Worship!**
Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52 – *4 Parables*

August 6 – 10th Sunday after Pentecost, **Holy Communion,**
Matthew 14:13-21– *Multiplication Tables*

August 13 – 11th Sunday after Pentecost, Matthew 14:22-33 – *Lake Walking*

August 20 – 12th Sunday after Pentecost, Matthew 15:21-28 – *Great Faith*

August 27 – 13th Sunday after Pentecost, Matthew 16:13-20 – *Peter's New Job*

Manna on Main Street

Upcoming collections are:

July & August - Potluck Canned Food

Please leave in the basket in the narthex.
Thank you to Ken & Joy Black for continuing to deliver the collections.



The communion offerings collected on the first Sunday of each month provide all members a chance to direct contributions to a group or mission that they may feel called to help. These offerings are intended to be donations above any amount pledged.

Thank you for your support. Upcoming communion offerings are as follows:

July – Glad Tidings Christmas Shop

August – Trustees

A reminder from
the Generosity Team [formerly
the Stewardship Committee]:
***Please consider including
Bethel Hill in your will.***

Please – if you hear of any of our members being in the hospital or ill at home for an extended period of time, please let Pastor Sue or the church office know. We care about you & want to know you are well! Thank you!

Without Sunday School Volunteers, No Sunday School

Those are tough words to write and might be tough to read as well. The fact is the pandemic really did a number on our Bethel Hill kids Sunday School—both with attendees and teachers. The four people who have kept Sunday School going since the fall of 2020 just can't do it anymore. If there is going to be children's Sunday School this year, there has to be people stepping up to help.

And there is a wonderful nugget of faithful Sunday School students—six children who attend weekly ranging in ages from 5 to 10! They are knowledgeable, energetic, and interested in learning more about God. Together we have been exploring Bible stories and truths through Bible reading and interactive story retelling, activities, and crafts. Each hour-long session has been capped off with some playtime where our friends have continued to build important interpersonal relationships.

The Sunday School program is looking for ONE-WEEK volunteers to sign up for and teach a lesson. We will provide lessons for you to choose from which will include the Bible verse, background information for understanding, explanation of lesson order, and activities/crafts. You are not limited in activity/craft to what is provided, but you can also just stick to the lesson plan.

Some people might read this and be interested, but think they are not equipped because they

didn't go to school to be a Sunday School teacher. First, there is no such thing as Sunday School, and secondly God equips those with a willing heart. So we are asking you to be willing.

To volunteer for one of the dates below (only the first 1/2 of the year) you can email Kelli Durling OR look for the summer sign-up at worship services. All volunteers must have security clearances on file with the church or easily complete them with the help of Office Bob; they are good for 5 years! You also need to be with another adult so you can encourage someone to sign-up with you or we will find someone to assist you as your "other set of hands".

We are also making a BIG CHANGE to Sunday School. At the request of the parents who have attending children, we are moving kids Sunday School to 10:30 am during the second service. And we are only having Sunday School on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month. Adult Sunday School will remain at 9:00. Below are the dates we need a volunteer to teach: September 17, October 15, November 19, December 17, January 21.

Please prayerfully consider whether you can step forward and help out Sunday School this year. If God is nudging you to do it, please contact Kelli at 610-222-2207 or kellidurling@comcast.net today.

Volunteer Teachers Needed—One Week Commitment Only

✂ *Sign up for 1-week*

✂ *A lesson is provided to you with all you need!*

✂ *No volunteers means No Sunday School!*

✂ *Our kids need you!*

✂ *No training needed*

✂ *You do need to have/get clearances*

✂ *10:30-11:30 am on one date: September 17, October 15, November 19, December 17, January 21*





A big thank you to all who helped with the Chicken Bar-B-Q and Flea Market at the beginning of June. There are too many volunteers to mentioned by name and we don't want to forget anyone, but you all know who you are!. From those who helped unpack and arrange flea market treasures, eveyone who made brownies, or cooked potatoes and chopped onions, to those who helped cook chickens and deliver meals to cars, and the myriad other tasks required to make the day a big success, we couldn't have raised over 6,500 without you! Many hands made light work. We ordered 215 chickens and 100 pounds of cole slaw, and made 180 pounds of potato salad, which all went in to the 422 meals we sold. Hopefully we'll get the same great volunteer support next year and will order more chicken and make more potato salad so everyone who wants leftovers can finally get them!

Thanks again, Brenda & Paul Doll

Many thanks to everyone who contributed to the Help Build Hope mission project - it took contributions of time, talents, and tithes for our biggest build yet to be a huge success. Keep an eye out for an invitation to attend the dedication of the house when it is completed in Reading later this year.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped make our one-night VBS extravaganza really special! You are treasured!

CHURCH NEWS
AROUND the CONGREGATION



Remember these lost loved ones

Janice Jacobs,
4/20/2023

Charlotte Schulz,
5/10/2023

BAPTISM

Katherine Emily Kreitz

was presented for baptism on April 23rd by her parents Keith & Sandy Kreitz. Her siblings are Alex, Kenneth, Kurt, and Clint.

DIRECTORY UPDATE:

Ed Schulz
901 E. Main St.
Collegetown, PA 19426

For more information on purchasing cemetery plots for urns in the new burial garden, as well as regular

Plots Available

burial plots, contact Bob in the church office to discuss your options.





Keep an eye out for the announcement of a date for an evening of Hannah’s musical stylings and ice cream sundaes.

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September 3rd
One service only at 10:00am
for Labor Day weekend.



**American Red
Cross Blood Drives**
Thursdays, 2-7pm
July 13th & August 24th
Schedule your appointment at
www.redcrossblood.org,
call 800-REDCROSS, or
contact Brenda Doll.



Meeting in person on the 2nd Saturday of the month for breakfast at 9:00am. Bring a breakfast item to share.

Our missions include,

- Crocheted or knitted hats, scarves and/or mittens for Tree of Life Ministry/ Rosebud Reservation
- Prayer shawls, lap robes and tray favors for Methodist Hospital
- Pillowcases for “Cases for Smiles”; which delivers pillowcases to children in the hospitals
- Little Girl Dresses for Operation Mobilization to help protect young girls from human trafficking.
- Collection of Campbell’s soup labels



Update

Assembly of the twin homes we delivered to Reading in April is coming along: the walls are up, OSB is on, windows and roofs have been installed. The site foreman said “they went up as smooth as butter”. Currently waiting on the plumber and the electrician before there is an opportunity to do some finishing work. As of this printing an opportunity for some work to be done by our team will take place on two Wednesdays in July, but those spots will likely have been filled by the time you are reading this. If you are interested check with Les Brown in case there are still openings or cancellations.

FELLOWSHIP

‘QUAINTANCE GROUP

The Quaintance group is open to ALL adults, members, friends, couples and singles.

Summer Picnic at the Brown’s home in Hatfield, stay tuned for more details.

Looking Ahead - A Day in Cape May, September 9, 2023, hosted by the Silfies.



WOMEN’S BREAKFAST

Monthly on the second Saturday, 9am in Hayes Hall.
July 8th & August 10th
 Bring a dish to share.
 All women are invited.

UM MEN’S BREAKFAST

Monthly on the last Saturday, 8am in Hayes Hall. All men are invited.
July 29th & August 26th



LUNCH BUNCH

July 19th
August 16th
12:30 in Hayes Hall
 Bring a bag lunch for fun and fellowship; beverages and dessert provided.



COUPON UPDATE:

Thank you for your unused coupons! You can leave them on the parsonage porch or in the white mailbox on the inside of the railing at the old Sunday School room entrance.



COMMUNICATIONS UPDATE:

Please check with the church office and the church calendar BEFORE scheduling any events. This is very important so that all will be able to participate in the ministries Bethel Hill is providing.
Thank you!

The BUGLE LITE is published on the even months! Committee & team chairpeople – don’t forget: You should get a *short* report on what your committee/team is working on from your last meeting. Please email this to Brenda Doll at brendoll@verizon.net.



If anyone would like to put a fresh flower arrangement on the altar, please email the church office at bethelhill@verizon.net or sign up on the sheet in the narthex.
 The arrangements are now \$35.

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Elaine Hegh	Ray Vasey
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Upcoming Bugle Schedule

Publication Date	Submission Deadline
Sept 1	August 10
Nov 1	October 10
Jan 1	December 10

EVERY SUNDAY


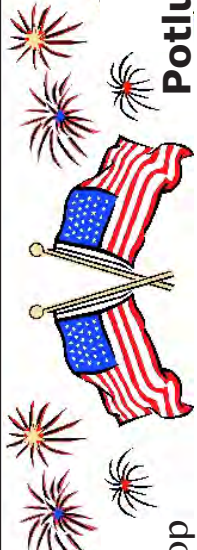
Worship Services: 9:00 | 10:00*

*10:00 service also available on Facebook Live

10:00 service only on July 2nd



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SATURDAY		FRIDAY						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	
2 10:00 Service Only	3	4 	5	6	7	8 9:00am Women's Breakfast	1 SATURDAY	
9 7:00pm Trustees Mtg	10 7:00pm Trustees Mtg	11	12 7:00pm Missions Mtg	13 2-7pm Blood Drive	14	15	22 22	
16	17	18	19 12:30pm Lunch Bunch	20	21	28 28	29 8:00am UM Men's Breakfast	
23	24	25	26	27	28	29	29 8:00am UM Men's Breakfast	
30	31	 <p>Communion Offering: July 2nd Glad Tidings Christmas Shop</p> <p>Don't Forget! Food for Interfaith Potluck Canned Food</p>						



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Comunion Offering: August 6th Trustees	1	2	3	4	5	
6	7 6:45pm Evangelism Comm Mtg	8	9 6:30pm Stewardship 7:15pm Finance Committee	10 BUGLE DEADLINE	11	12 9:00am Women's Breakfast
13	14	15	16 12:30pm Lunch Bunch 7:00pm Church Council	17	18	19
20	21 7:00pm SPRC Mtg	22	23 1:30pm Bugle Mailing	24 2-7pm Blood Drive	25	26 8:00am UM Men's Breakfast
27	28	29	30	31	Don't Forget! Food for Interfaith Potluck Canned Food	



JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Ken Black, Jim Wrigley
- 2 John Matus
- 5 Matthew Straubel
- 10 David Beagle
- 11 Lily Brown
- 12 Anthony Hall
- 13 Cindy Spittle
- 14 Addy Kleckner, Ruth Lehman
- 15 Doug Stadler
- 16 Ellie Rose Chittick
- 18 Emily Tooley
- 19 Andrea Barbiers, Dan Culp
- 20 Aileen Thomas
- 22 Cheri Brown
- 23 Marion Roberts
- 25 Todd Brown
- 26 Brenda Doll
- 28 Madison Bealer
- 29 George Bair
- 31 Jacob Groller



JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 Joe & Donna Dickson ('96)
- 8 Michael & Judy Cunningham ('78)
- Christine & Zach Trimble ('06)
- 9 Mike & Janet Kopistansky ('83)
- 14 Diane & Clark Van Hekken ('84)
- 16 Bob & Evelyn Whiteside ('83)
- 18 Todd & Patti Brown ('03)
- 21 Harry & Linda Dennison ('61)
- 26 Ed & Amanda Gale ('08)

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Michael Henderson, Chrissy Wrigley
- 3 John Delaney
- 4 Barbara Burrill
- 5 Linda Batchelder
- 9 Bill Hawkins, Kelly Miller
- 11 Isabella Domm, Ian Domm, Jeffrey Reimel
- 12 Elaine Koch
- 14 Chuck Delaney, Elise Durling
- 16 Jane White
- 17 Bruce Lehman
- 22 Mike Kopistansky, Linda Mullins
- 23 Allison Coyne, Dick Unger
- 24 Ralph Batchelder
- 26 Peg Carter, Elaine Hegh, Scott Keaton
- 28 Rick Spittle
- 29 Jillian Frederick, Chuck Smith
- 31 Jake Harris

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

- 2 Matt & Elaine Strohl ('03)
- 5 Don & Julie Chittick ('95)
- 8 Janet & Ralph Salvina ('86)
- 9 Chuck & Mary Ellen Mossbarger ('59)
- 13 Pastor Sue & Gerry Ketterer ('77)
- 16 Mike & Eva Beagle ('69)
- Les & Cheri Brown ('69)
- Don & Sandy Marshall ('69)
- John & Linda Mickna ('69)
- 18 John & Heather Smink ('01)
- 20 Chuck & Audrey Delaney ('88)
- 21 George & Cheryl Tigh ('65)
- Steve & Lisa Hoyer ('95)
- 28 Wayne & Sherrill Acker ('77)

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