the Messenger

Monthly newsletter of Colonial Park United Church of Christ
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Worship—Sunday 9:30m | No Sunday School over Summer | Charging Station—5pm

Half Day Play Preschool



Don't forget preschool registrations are open for 3– and 4-year-olds.

Learn more at:

https://cpucc.org/half-day-play-preschool.html

Contact Linda Bender at 717-805-6391 for additional information.





Upcoming Events

- August 3-8—Mission Trip to Tennessee
- August 17—Pastries w/ Pastor
- August 24—Blessing of the Backpacks & Rescheduled All-Church Potluck Picnic and Pool Party
- September 1—Labor Day
- September 7—RALLY DAY!
- September 27—Music Festival

Growing

Remember:
NO Sunday School from Memorial Day to Labor Day

Enjoy the Summer!



Rally Day is September 7, 2025. We are planning a *Potluck lunch with Bingo and prizes following morning worship.*
ALL ARE WELCOME.
If your last name begins with a letter A to K, please bring a main dish; L to P please bring a side dish, and Q to Z, please bring a dessert. We will need people to set up before and clean-up afterward. Please let me know if you can help.

Since we have new members with young children, we are making the Nursery available during church. If this is something you would be interested in, please let me know.



Sunday School for all ages will begin on September 14, 2025 at 11am. We have three adult classes, a J.A.M. Pre-School Class, Crosswalkers for grade 1-5, Pathfinders grades 6-12. Please join us!

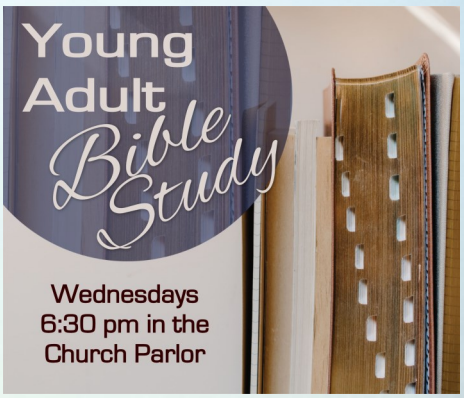
~Liz August, Deacon for Spiritual Growth



Bible Study

Pastor Cindy enjoys Bible Study, but would like to know your feedback. Please take this short survey to share your thoughts and opinions:

https://tinyurl.com/CPUCCBibleStudy25



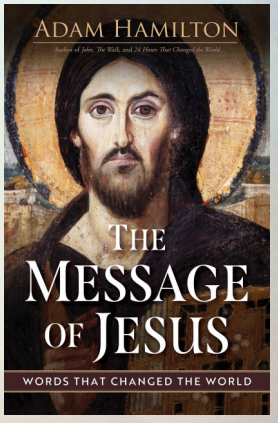
Spiritual Springboards

*Open to all, Spiritual Springboards dives deeper into faith in the company of others. We meet online on **Tuesday evenings at 6:30pm on Zoom.***

Find zoom info at https://tinyurl.com/CPUCClinks
Find any handouts uploaded at https://tinyurl.com/CPUCChandouts

We will begin this fall using Adam Hamilton's *The Message of Jesus*
A fresh encounter with the words of Jesus.

More than 3 billion people claim to follow Jesus. But aside from a few verses, how many actually know what he taught? In fact, much of what people think Jesus taught, he never said?



In this six-week study, pastor and best-selling author Adam Hamilton explores six of the most important themes in Jesus's teachings, why they matter, and how they speak to us today. The book will explore Jesus's preaching on the Kingdom of God, the Sermon on the Mount, the parables, the "I am" sayings in John, and more. Jesus's message is not only life-changing, but world-changing. Join Adam Hamilton in studying *The Message of Jesus: Words That Changed the World.*

Dates and Themes

Sept 9—The Kingdom of God Has Come Near
Sept 16—The World's Most Important Sermon
Sept 23—Jesus Spoke to Them in Parables
Sept 30—Who Do YOU Say that I Am?
Oct 7—Final Words
Oct 14—The Resurrection and the Life

Rate Us!

We are trying to get more visibility for CPUCC.
These days, it's all about Google searches, right?

After a quick review, it looks like we have not had much activity on our Google reviews in some time. Now's the time to start telling others what we all know so well. That CPUCC is awesome!

Please either click on the QR code to rate us and give a review OR visit https://bit.ly/3G4f4dV.

Tell your friends too.



Summer of Celebration at CPUCC

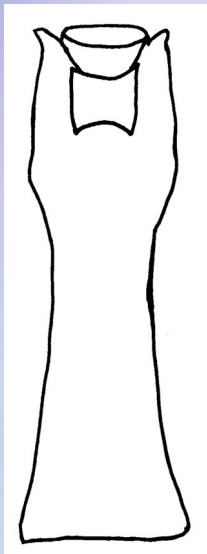
While she does not want you to get tired of certificates, Pastor Cindy has designated a "Summer of Celebration" where each week in morning worship over the summer we celebrate groups of volunteers. We share certificates and post a weekly celebration post on our Facebook page. While we are afraid that we will miss people, she feels it is important to thank and celebrate all of our active volunteers. She certainly recognizes that she is not in ministry alone. Thank you all!

Conference Celebrations Coming to CPUCC

Worship celebration of **300th anniversary of the German Reformed Church** in America: **October 15th @ 6:30PM**

Final worship as Penn Central Conference, November 15th; the service is at 2:00PM with cake and fellowship following

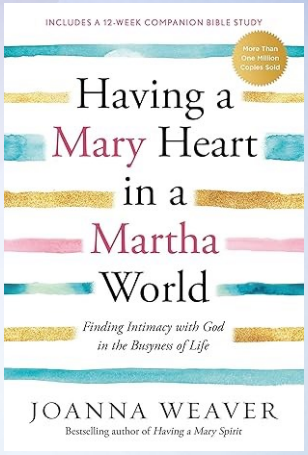




Women's Spirituality Group (WSG)

WSG meets on the **2nd Monday of the month** (with a few exceptions), **in person** in the church Parlor, 6:30pm—8:30pm.

Find any handouts uploaded at https://tinyurl.com/CPUCChandouts
Open to all women, who identify as a woman, and who are non-binary and comfortable with feminine language and discussing issues from a female perspective. *Please let Pastor Cindy know if you would like to participate but need a ride.*



Typical Evening Schedule:
6:30-7:00pm Check in/Connect with one another
7:00-7:30pm Personal retreat time/Prayer Exercise
7:30-7:45pm Share (optional) what surfaced during personal time
7:45-8:30pm Discuss topic/book

For our prayer time, participants are encouraged to sign up and share about or have exercises **pertaining to a woman in Scripture or a female ancient mystic or saint.**

Sign up here: https://tinyurl.com/CPUCC-WSG2025

In our discussion time we will use the book *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World by Joanna Weaver (there is a study guide in the back of the book to help our conversation times).*

Dates and Chapters/Themes

September 8 - Intro & "Tale of Two Sisters" (ch.1)

October 13 - "Lord, don't you care?" (Ch. 2)

November 10 - "The Diagnosis" (ch. 3) and "The Cure" (ch. 4)

December 8 - "Living Room Intimacy" (ch. 5)

January - **no WSG**

February 9 - "Kitchen Service" (ch. 6)

March 9 - "The Better Part" (ch. 7) and "Lessons from Lazarus" (ch. 8)

April 13 - "Martha's Teachable Heart" (ch. 9) and "Mary's Extravagant Love" (ch. 10)

May 11 - "Balancing Work and Worship" (ch. 11) and conclusion "Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World"

Communion for the Homebound

Did you know we have teams of people that take people communion in their homes, when they can't get out to join us?

Here are some pics from just a few of those visits from last month. If you are interested in receiving or in taking communion to others, please contact Sue Reinke.








Creation Justice—A Word About SHARKS!

Reports of shark attacks, particularly on the Atlantic coast, have been in the news recently. Sharks have long been portrayed as terrifying predators of the deep (as in the movie, "Jaws"), but actually, they are essential guardians of the ocean. Despite their fearsome reputation, these apex predators play a crucial role in maintaining the delicate balance of marine ecosystems. Apex predators are usually defined in terms of trophic or feeding levels, meaning that they typically occupy the top of the food web and have no natural enemies. However, of the 500 or so species of sharks, most are not considered apex predators. While large sharks such as Great White, Tiger, Bull, Mako and Hammerhead sharks are considered apex predators, smaller sharks such as Reef, Cookiecutter, Spiny Dogfish and Smooth Dogfish sharks are not but may play different ecological roles.

Sharks contribute in a number of ways in keeping our oceans healthy. They maintain balance by keeping prey populations in check, ensuring that no single species dominates the food web, thereby indirectly supporting biodiversity and helping to protect critical habitats such as coral reefs, seagrass beds and kelp forests. When comparing areas with and without apex predators, it has been shown that apex predators provide more biodiversity with a higher density of individuals. By culling weak, sick and aging fish, sharks prevent the spread of disease and genetic defects within schools of fish. Also, healthy shark populations support thriving coastal economies, especially through ecotourism which, in

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SERVICE

Serving

Harrisburg Food Pantry

For the month of August, we are requesting canned tuna or chicken, canned fruit, toothpaste, and soap (liquid or bar) for the **Harrisburg Area Food Pantry.** You may place items in the grocery cart.





MISSION TRIP

The mission team is **collecting new or used glasses** to deliver to the food bank in Tennessee. Glasses can be placed in the basket at the rear of the sanctuary or the church office.

Their trip is scheduled for **August 3rd - 8th.** We wish them safe travels, and pray that their time spent will be a blessing to the residents, and to themselves.

PRAY MORE worry less

Creation Justice (continued)

turn, builds awareness and public support for marine protection and conservation. Despite their critical ecological roles, sharks are facing unprecedented threats that jeopardize their survival and, by extension, the health of marine ecosystems. Some of these threats include: overfishing and bycatch, shark finning, habitat destruction through coastal development and pollution, and climate change altering water temperatures and ocean chemistry. Conservation efforts to preserve these apex predators include: establishing Marine Protected Areas (MPAs), promotion of sustainable fishing through national and international regulations, raising public awareness about the ecological importance of sharks, ongoing scientific research to expand understanding of the complex roles of sharks, and ecotourism. In conclusion, the conservation of sharks as apex predators and a keystone species is not just about preserving one group of animals—it is about protecting the entire ocean ecosystem. Sharks have existed/survived over 400 years, long before the first dinosaurs roamed the earth. They deserve our respect and recognition of the critical role they play within the interconnectedness of marine life as guardians of the ocean.







The Blessing Box

Please continue to donate items for our Blessing Box. These donations directly benefit our local neighbors. You may place items directly in the Blessing Box anytime or in the Alcove, we have also placed a basket in the Narthex to receive donations. **We currently are in need of cereal and oatmeal.**





We Care, We Share, Books for Foose

August is the month we look for "readers" to read to the students at Foose Elementary School (Address: 1301 Sycamore St, Harrisburg, PA 17104) This program was started **more than 30 years ago** to provide books for the students at Foose School.

Volunteers go to Foose with a bag of books. They read to the kids and then allow them to choose a book to keep. *We go to Foose 5 times during the school year - October, December, January, March and May.*

Volunteers arrange a mutual agreeable time with the teacher. Each visit lasts about a half hour. The bags of books are packed each time for the volunteers.

We are always in need of more volunteers. If you have an interest or just want to discuss the program, please talk to Helen Ferguson (717-421 -3026) who runs the program. She will be happy to answer any questions.

Long time volunteers , Sue Bay, Cindy Gnech, Nancy Miller or Sylvia Morra will also be able to answer any questions. ***The more volunteers we have, the more children we can serve.***



The Giving Tree

The GIVING TREE will now be collecting BOOKS for the FOOSE READING PROGRAM. Our church started this program 30+ years ago to provide books for the students at Foose Elementary School in the Harrisburg School District. Volunteers, assigned to a classroom, visit that classroom 5 times a year to read out loud to the students and to give each student a book. For each visit, bags are packed with age- appropriate books for the students to choose. Each classroom has an average of 25 students and each bag holds about 40 books. As you can see, many books are needed! There are bookmarks hanging on the GIVING TREE.

TAKE a bookmark, GIVE a new or gently used paperback book, put the bookmark in the book, placing the book on the tree or in the containers under the tree.

BOOK SUGGESTIONS:

Primary picture books are good for the lower grades, Foose is Kindergarten thru 5th grade. The most requested are: Diary of a Wimpy Kid, Junie B. Jones, Rainbow Fish, Little Critters, Amelia Bedelia, Dinosaur books, Princess books, The Very Hungry Caterpillar, Arthur, Dr. Seuss, Disney, If You Give a Mouse A…, Graphic Novels, Harry Potter, Marvel Characters

PAPERBACK BOOKS ARE PREFERRED

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

Giving

In Recognition

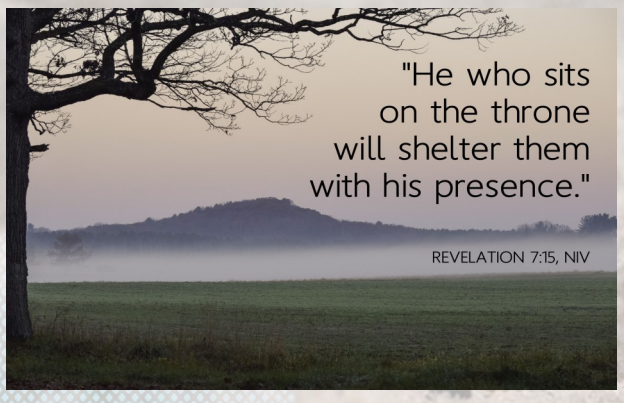
Do you want to recognize an important person in your life, living or deceased, and say "thank you" to God for them while at the same time furthering CPUCC's ministry and mission? For each $15 sponsorship, a notice will be placed in that week's bulletin. You can sign up and pay for dates on-line or dates can be reserved and paid for by contacting the church office.

Grocery Cards

Through the second quarter of 2025, the grocery card program raised $1,599. While this is good, it is down significantly from the same period last year, when we raised $1,920. Thank you to the twenty-two individuals and families who supported this program this quarter by buying gift cards for Giant, Weis or Karns. We welcome new buyers and are happy to answer questions about how the program works – it is TOTALLY easy to do! Five percent really adds up when we all work together!

Rejoice, Renew, Revive Capital Campaign

Our Capital Campaign *Rejoice, Renew, Revive* has now raised $475,288.46 through June 2025. Virtually everything that has been donated has already been spent on various project to repair, maintain and/or improve our amazing church home. The current available unexpended balance is $10,555.73. Thank you for all of your support!





Imagine Together

From Sharon Clark

I was recently reading Maria Shriver's book entitled, I've Been Thinking… Reflections, Prayers, and Meditations for a Meaningful Life. In it she writes, "Electricity can operate only in a circuit. There has to be a giver and a receiver." That got me to thinking. I suspect that many of you, including myself, would often rather be the giver than the receiver. Being the receiver can make us uncomfortable because we don't want to be in the position of being vulnerable or needing help or receiving something for free. On the other hand, being the giver might also be uncomfortable because we are worried about it creating scarcity in our own lives, or we might believe the receiver is not deserving of our gift.

On a recent camping trip, I had a first-hand experience with an electrical circuit being broken. A little gizmo in my camper called a transfer switch decided that the campsite electricity coming into the camper was not quite up to par with its expectations, so it stopped me from having any electric at all in the camper. (Never mind that it was just fine with the electricity being supplied for the first 36 hours of camping!) For me this basically meant no toaster, no microwave, no coffee maker, no AC, no TV, no laptop or phone charging, limited use of lights, etc. – in other words, no more glamping, just roughing it. A broken circuit did not make me a happy camper!

Imagine together a world where there are no broken circuits, where givers and receivers live in harmony, where at times we may be the thankful giver and at other times we may need to accept being the receiver, where connections are not severed needlessly, and where grace is both freely given and received. That world would make me a happy camper for sure!

Connecting



Dixie College and Yvonne Grages—Dixie and Yvonne have been in the Central PA area for decades and live in Elizabethtown . Before retiring, Yvonne worked for Capital Blue Cross and Dixie at Three Mile Island. They have been together for over 40 years. When not in worship, you can find them camping or at a Baltimore Orioles game. They are grateful for the welcome they have found at CPUCC and the friendships they have here from other circles in Harrisburg.



We welcomed new members to our CPUCC family on June 29! Welcome Dixie College, Yvonne Grages, Kelsey O'Brien, Jessica Reitenbach, Tom Shamrock!



Rev. Kelsey O'Brien is a chaplain, writer, and deeply curious person of faith. She recently served as the Community Chaplain at Luther Acres, a nonprofit senior living community affiliated with the Evangelical Lutheran Church of America (ELCA), where she offers spiritual care across all levels of living. The end of July, Kelsey was beginning with Sarah Todd and Thornwald Homes (UCC-affiliated) in Carlisle. Originally from New Mexico and Texas, Kelsey holds a Master of Divinity from Princeton Theological Seminary and is a board-certified chaplain through the Association of Professional Chaplains. She was ordained in the United Church of Christ in 2021 and has a background in end-of-life planning and education. Kelsey recently returned from Germany, where she participated in the *Next Generation Exchange Project*—a grant-funded international partnership through the Penn Central Conference of the UCC focused on equipping young spiritual leaders to counter Christian Nationalism through dialogue, learning, and faithful witness. Kelsey lives in Harrisburg with her life partner, her 10-year-old stepdaughter, and three cats. She loves baking, banned books, messy pottery, and nature. As an extroverted introvert, she writes to process life and finds joy in communities that are rooted, welcoming, and justice minded.

Introducing…



Jessica Reitenbach has been worshipping with us online for the past few years. She, and her husband, Joshua Skinner, and their daughter, Liliana, live nearby and Jessica is excited to have found a faith family where she can explore her questions and continue to grow. She participates in our CPUCC Young Adult Bible Study on Wednesday evenings. She works as an accountant and enjoys singing (serving as a cantor in her previous church). Jessica is grateful to join a community where Liliana can learn and grow in a faith that is loving, welcoming and safe. Pastor Cindy had the opportunity to baptize Liliana in early July at the Homeland Center so that Jessica's grandmother could attend. It was a wonderful day of celebration!





Thomas Shamrock—Tom has been worshipping with us for over a year and has participated in Bible Study and Sunday School. He enjoys all kinds of conversations and is grateful to find diverse and kindred spirits at CPUCC. Tom worked for General Motors for years, living in Ohio and Oklahoma. His studies (Masters degree and doctoral work) were in the field of economics. In retirement, he moved to PA to live close to some of his family. He is grateful for CPUCC and the connections he is making.



Can You Spare A Drop?

American Red Cross

Noel Saez Memorial Community Blood Drive

Colonial Park United Church of Christ

Fellowship Hall, 5000 Devonshire Road, Harrisburg, PA 17109

Wednesday, August 20, 2025
1:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Please call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Noel Saez to schedule an appointment.

Streamline your donation experience and save up to 15 minutes by visiting **RedCrossBlood.org/RapidPass** to complete your pre-donation reading and health history questions on the day of your appointment.

Maximize your blood donation. Help more patients.

If you are an eligible type O, B - or A - donor, consider making a Power Red donation.

Red blood cells are the most commonly transfused blood component.

Give Aug 1 to 28 for $15 e gift card & successful donations get A1C testing. Terms: rcblood.org/Test



Pastor Scott and Michael are opening their pool and home to us for an All-Church Picnic on August 24, 1:00pm-5:00pm.

The church will provide hot-dogs and hamburgers. Please bring a dish to share.

A Word from PA UCC Conference Ministers after General Synod

INTO THE DEEP
LUKE 5:4

Dear Keystone Friends,

With full hearts and joy filled spirits, we are thrilled to announce the historic passage of the motion to create the Keystone Conference of the United Church of Christ! By a vote of **98%** (640 in favor, 8 opposed, 6 abstentions), delegates of the 35th General Synod approved the realignment of our Conference boundaries. This moment marks the culmination of several years of faithful discernment, courageous conversation, and a shared vision for the future of our ministry in Pennsylvania. Together, we have dared to believe that God is still speaking — and calling us into something new.

The creation of the Keystone Conference is more than a structural shift; it is a bold witness to our commitment to covenant, collaboration, and the continuing call of the Holy Spirit. We honor the legacy of those who have gone before us in each of our four Conferences and rejoice in the new pathways and possibilities now open to us. We give thanks for the Keystone Working Group, Conference staffs, and all who labored, prayed, and dreamed this into being. And we move forward with gratitude, humility, and a renewed passion for the Gospel.

We trust that the One who began a good work among us will be faithful to complete it.

In faith and hope,
Bill, Bonnie, Carrie, David



Meet the Member: Linda Bender



Memories, tradition, and growth.
Those three attributes are what has fueled the passions of Linda Bender since she first joined Colonial Park United Church of Christ in third grade and was confirmed in the church.
"We just lived right behind where Costco is now," she explained.

That close-by location made it very easy for Linda's father to bring his family to CPUCC – and Linda never left.

Linda recalled all the fond memories of growing up and taking part in the youth fellowship programs. She used those traditions and memories that she enjoyed so much and later passed them on to a new generation when she became the youth fellowship leader.

"I loved making our annual trips to Bethlehem at Christmas time," she said. "Reverend Miko used to take us to the Moravian Church and share the Christmas Putz with us."
For those of you who may not know what a Christmas Putz is, it is a cherished tradition that retells the wonderful story of Christ's birth with miniature carved figures, narration, and music, while tiny lights illuminate each scene. The figures, many of them antiques of German origin, are nestled amidst live moss, driftwood and rocks.

"Back then people would do this in their homes," Linda recalled. "We used to do it during the CPUCC Creche Festival as well. I would take members of the youth group out and we would collect moss to help decorate the scenes."

Linda also reminisced about the beeswax candles they would see at the Kris Kringle market. She later brought that tradition back to the youth group as a leader.

Besides serving as the youth fellowship leader for 25 years – and serving as a representative on the National Youth Council – Linda has contributed as a Sunday School teacher, a member of the CPUCC Council, and a volunteer in the Thrift Shoppe. She continues to make a huge impact as the Director of the CPUCC Half Day Play Preschool where she does just a little bit of everything.

Linda is the mother of five children as well as seven grandchildren. "My greatest joy in life is being a mother," she said with a big smile. "It's the best thing I ever did."

Linda and her husband Dennis "Ben" work together to clean commercial buildings at night. Between that and her work with the Half Day Play Preschool, they still find time to relax at their beach home in the Rehoboth/Lewes area in Delaware.

But you might also find Linda happily sitting in a theater seat on Broadway! The theater is part of her family's DNA. "I was a choreographer for a number of high school musicals at Central Dauphin," she said. "It was a family affair. I would do the choreography while our kids were in the show, and Ben would build the sets."

She was also a frequent chaperone for the Central Dauphin choir trips, so she made a lot of those trips to the Great White Way.
Memories are built on tradition. Linda Bender has done an incredible job of sharing her memories with others so that they can experience the same joys that she has had and then grow to share with future generations.

Shane Claiborne, Christian activist and author, Visiting the Area

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, August 10 at 6:30 p.m. to hear **Shane Claiborne, Christian activist and author**. Shane will be speaking at Market Square Presbyterian Church (20 S. Second St.) at 6:30 p.m. His presentation is "Another World is Possible." In previous years, Pax Christi Harrisburg has planned CANDLES ON THE WATER to remember the victims of Hiroshima and Nagasaki. This year, we will feature SHANE CLAIBORNE as the focus of our program. We will not be walking to the river to float candlelit boats, but will end with a ceremony in the church with lit candles. We are looking for groups to co-sponsor this event for $50. If you know of any groups who may be willing to co-sponsor, please contact me ASAP (Ann Marie Judson 717-439-6896)
Learn more:
https://www.facebook.com/



Create Raffle Baskets for Festival

We are looking for some gift baskets to raffle off at our Music Festival (Sept 27). If you are not able to donate a basket, how about offering some gift cards or other items to go in baskets?
Contact Pam Barndt by phone or email:
Phone number 717 991 4735,
Email, pamelabarndt137@gmail.com,

Grab some friends and get creative!



Learn more:

https://tinyurl.com/CPUCC-Festival2025

AUGUST birthdays

1 Bobbee Karchner, Lincoln Schwalm
2 Helen Gallagher
3 Linda Bender, Deb Glorius
4 Guy Weaver
5 Donna Reichard
6 **Beth Rudy**
8 Rachel Washic
10 Mary Ann Maguire
11 Jack Martini
14 David Reinke
16 Tom Washic
17 Jennifer Hartman
21 Westley Stauffer, Hudson Neely
22 Lisa Miller
23 Kolton Weaver
25 **Mary Fraunfelter**, Lisa Nybeck
27 Brenda Eckert
28 Jim Richardson
29 Sarah Hackenberg
30 Debbie Nauss, Dave Riedel
31 Rhonda Harris, Kinslee Orth, Paxton Orth



AUGUST anniversaries

1	Mark & Cathy Karchner	27 years
4	Kevin & Cindy Shannon	46 years
9	Rick & Linda Mauck	45 years
10	Barrett & Meghan Rhoades	18 years
14	Lindsay Mauck-Allen & Matthew Allen	11 years
16	Dennis & Linda Bender	40 years
17	Randy & Debbie Nauss	26 years
21	Roy & Kathi Blose	60 years
	Shawn & Kristy Stauffer	15 years
22	Charles & Helen Gallagher	55 years
23	Tom & Sue Bay	50 years
24	Sam & Linda Gilbert	57 years



We will once again have our annual **Blessing of the Animals on September 28 at 5:00pm.** Please feel free to bring your four-legged, furry, finned, or feathered family members to meet and greet one another and to receive a blessing.

Worshipping



August 3, 2025—*Communion Sunday* (Revelation 4:1-11)
August 10, 2025—The Seven Seals (Revelation 5:1-13)
August 17, 2025—The Multitude from Every Nation (Revelation 7:9-17)
August 24, 2025—Back *to School Sunday/Blessing of the Backpacks* (Revelation 13:1-18)
August 31, 2025—*Labor Day weekend* (Revelation 21:1-6; 22:1-5)
September 7, 2025– RALLY DAY—Communion Sunday (Genesis 1:1-2:4)

Bible Quiz

The book of Revelation is written to seven churches. Which list includes a city that is not among those seven?

A. Ephesus, Thyatira, Philadelphia
B. Smyrna, Laodicea, Galatia
C. Pergamum, Thyatira, Smyrna
D. Sardis, Ephesus, Laodicea



Answer: B (See Revelation 2–3.)

Bible Quiz

In the book of Revelation, who or what is "prepared as a bride, adorned for her husband"?

A. The church
B. The Spirit
C. Mary Magdalene
D. The new Jerusalem



Answer: D (See Revelation 21:2.)



Pastor Scott is planning for choir practices to begin the last week of August. If you are interested in singing in the Sanctuary Choir or playing bells with the Jubilate Ringers, please be in touch with Pastor Scott ASAP!



THE Charging Station

Held Sundays at 5pm in the Chapel, the Charging Station is different than our more "formal" Sunday morning worship service and is a perfect setting for those who are looking for a more casual, intimate worship experience. Keep up with activities at

https://www.facebook.com/chargingstationhbg

Serving Your Church

Thank you to all who serve the church faithfully.

To fill in any of the open slots go to ttsu.me/serving or call the church office

8/3/2025--Communion	8/10/2025	8/17/2025	8/24/2025 Blessing of the Backpacks Total: 0	8/31/2025
Greeter by F.Hall Cindy Gnech	Greeter by F.Hall Natalie Lubold	Greeter by F.Hall sign up	Greeter by F.Hall sign up	Greeter by F.Hall sign up
Usher Thaddeus Sampson	Usher Jessica and Steve Burkholder	Usher sign up	Usher Cindy Gnech	Usher sign up
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Sound Tech John Butari	Sound Tech Carrie Criley	Sound Tech John Butari	Sound Tech Carrie Criley	Sound Tech John Butari
Video Streaming Live sign up	Children's Message sign up	Children's Message sign up	Children's Message sign up	Children's Message sign up
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Join Pastor Cindy for times of summer conversation and community building.

We have enjoyed our times together in June and July.

Join our final gathering on August 17 – Our topic: "Where is God calling us?" (Ron Johnson and Brenda Eckert will lead our conversations, sharing from their experiences with the *Interfaith Community Read* and how we can respond to Christian nationalism.)

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