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Pentecost is Coming – Get Your Red On!

One of the many important dates on the church calendar is coming up in June. On June 9th, we will celebrate Pentecost, the birthday of the Church.

If you go back and read the Old Testament, you will discover that Pentecost was one of the Jewish feast days. Only they didn't call it Pentecost. That's the Greek name. The Jews called it the Feast of Harvest or the Feast of Weeks. It is mentioned five places in the first five books—in Exodus 23, Exodus 24, Leviticus 16, Numbers 28, and Deuteronomy 16. It was the celebration of the beginning of the early weeks of harvest. In Palestine there were two harvests each year. The early harvest came during the months of May and June, and the final harvest came in the Fall. Pentecost was the celebration of the beginning of the early wheat harvest, which meant that Pentecost always fell sometime during the middle of the month of May or sometimes in early June.

There were several festivals, celebrations, or observances that took place before Pentecost. There was Passover, there was Unleavened Bread, and there was the Feast of Firstfruits. The Feast of Firstfruits was the celebration of the beginning of the barley harvest. Here's the way you figured out the date of Pentecost. According to the Old Testament, you would go to the day of the celebration of Firstfruits; and beginning with that day, you would count off 50 days. The 50th day would be the Day of Pentecost. So, Firstfruits is the beginning of the barley harvest, and Pentecost is the celebration of the beginning of the wheat harvest. Since it was always 50 days after Firstfruits, and since 50 days equals seven weeks, it always came a "week of weeks" later. Therefore, they either called it the Feast of Harvest or the Feast of Weeks.

Pentecost is from the Greek word 'Pentekostos', which means 'fifty'. Traditionally, the Church celebrated it as Whitsun – 'White Sunday'. It's believed that this is because it was a day for baptisms, and those being baptized would wear white. Another explanation is that it derives from the Anglo-Saxon word 'wit', which we still use for verbal cleverness but which meant 'understanding'. Pentecost was when God poured out the wisdom of the Spirit. Hence, Pentecost is considered the day of the church's birth.

So why do we wear red for Pentecost? It symbolizes joy and the fire of the Holy Spirit. Priests, ministers, and choirs wear red vestments. In modern times the custom has extended to the lay people of the congregation wearing red clothing in celebration as well.

So put on your red blazer (you do still have your red blazer, don't you), a red tie, a red scarf, or something else red and join us in church on Sunday, June 9th as we celebrate the birth of the church.



Prayer Concerns

Whatever you ask in my name, this I will do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it John 14:13-14

Jan Hirschi Roger Kitzman Joe Borden Dottie Malcomson Harold Wylie Anne Patten Doris Thomas

Wanda Tighe Josie Marsh Peter Safreno Anthony Safreno Althea Haworth Faye Gray John Elwood Barbara Schultzman

Our sister congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia Those Serving Our Country

Welcome New Members

Leslie Lintz John & Kathy Whitton

If you are interested in joining our fellowship, please see Rev. Ralph or Session Clerk LaVerna Metzger

July Newsletter Deadline

June 23, 2019

Worship Schedule

9:00 - 9:15 am Morning Prayer and Communion Sanctuary 9:15 - 10:00 am Adult Education CE Building 10:30 am Children's Sunday School CE Building 10:30 am Worship Sanctuary 11:45 am Fellowship Time Conklin Hall

General Fund as of April 30, 2019				
Month of Apr	il			
Receipts	\$	26,258.20		
Expenditures	\$	17,202.98		
2019 YTD Budget vs	Actua	al		
YTD Budgeted Receipts	\$	73,727.90		
Actual Receipts	\$	89,911.74		
YTD Budgeted Expenditures	\$	73,727.90		
Actual Expenditures	\$	78,826.40		
Building Fund	ł			
Building Fund Cash	\$	43,449.88		
Loan Balance	\$	(4,612.27)		
Net Building Fund	\$	38,837.61		
Fund Balances				
General Fund	\$	44,847.95		
Memorial Fund	\$	2,873.77		
Reserve Fund	\$	111,085.94		
Russia Mission Fund	\$	7,771.88		

Ruling Elders Monthly Scriptures

Each month at our stated Session meetings, our Minister of Word and Sacrament and Ruling Elders are invited to share any scripture that has spoken to their hearts in the previous month as part of their report. Rev. Ralph encourages our congregation, as part of their prayer life for the congregation, our Session and Pastor, to review their selections and continue to uphold them and one another in prayer.

The scriptures for May were:

Rev. Ralph
Elder Ruth Ann Horvath
Elder Scott Florence
Elder Gloria McGilloway
Elder Susan Holecheck
Elder Judy Oar
Elder Mary Contreras
Elder Carolynn Thomas
Elder Bill Somplatsky-Jarman
Elder Eric Westlake
Elder Jan Hirschi

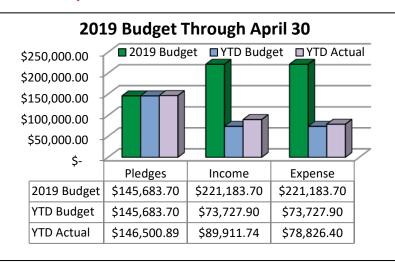
John 20:26-29 John 14:27 Proverbs 21:23 Isaiah 41:10, Prov. 3:5 Do not fear Ephesians 2:10 Ecclesiastes 3:11-13 Isaiah 40:31 Luke 6:37 Matthew 25:31-46 James 1:5 1 Peter 5:6-7

Seeing and believing Peace Mouth and Soul The poor In its time New strength Pardon The righteous Wisdom Humble yourselves

Thanks to our Volunteers

	Flowers	Nursery
	Ju	une
June 2	Dave & Anne Patten	Summer Vacation – See you in September
June 9	Shirley Taylor	Summer Vacation – See you in September
June 16	Jim & Kristin Crowe	Summer Vacation – See you in September
June 23	Available	Summer Vacation – See you in September
June 30	Dave & Anne Patten	Summer Vacation – See you in September
Julv 7	Ji Shirley Taylor	uly Summer Vacation – See you in September
July 14	Chris Schleter	Summer Vacation – See you in September
July 21	Available	Summer Vacation – See you in September
July 28	Available	Summer Vacation – See you in September
Signup for Flowers on the board between the Narthex and Conklin Hall or on our Website <u>gspcsg.org</u>		

Treasurer's Report



Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought

How blessed is the man who does not walk in the counsel of the wicked, Nor stand in the path of sinners, Nor sit in the seat of scoffers! ² But his delight is in the law of the Lord, And in His law he meditates day and night. ³ He will be like a tree firmly planted by streams of water, Which yields its fruit in its season And its leaf does not wither; And in whatever he does, he prospers. ⁴ The wicked are not so, But they are like chaff which the wind drives away. ⁵ Therefore the wicked will not stand in the judgment, Nor sinners in the assembly of the righteous. ⁶ For the Lord knows the way of the righteous, But the way of the wicked will perish.



While the weather may seem to be opposite from the time of year we are living in; we all know that with summer's arrival, summer weather will surely come to us who live in southern Utah with its heat and lazy days of avoiding it.

Some of us will take the opportunity to travel, and some will simply go into hibernation.

What we may miss is the gift afforded us this time of year. God's good gift of time.

I will always remember my former professor of Hebrew discussing this Psalm as having the imagery of someone under a tree with the book of law before them and being completely immersed in it, almost like a summer read, taking in the Word of God.

Summer affords us the opportunity to do the same. Take the time to engage and be engaged by God's presence in His word. Take the time to join with others to engage and be engaged in study and prayer. Take the time to find your tree and join in Bible study and prayer. Our congregation offers Bible study four times each week. The times and locations are listed in this newsletter, on our website, and in our weekly bulletin.

God has given us the gift of time, let us receive it and enjoy it!

In Christ, Rev. Ralph

** Home Communion **

If you have difficulty getting to worship and would like to have the Visitation Pastor or Pastor serve you the Lord's Supper at home, please call the church office (628-9158).

** Pastor's Note Regarding Hospital Visitation **

Please keep in mind that with the federal laws that went into force several years ago, hospitals are no longer allowed to give out any information regarding patients to visitors, including clergy. Unless a visitor requests a specific name, the hospital desk is not allowed to give out any information, including religious affiliation.

So, if you or a family member is hospitalized please alert the Pastor, your Deacon, or the church office. Otherwise, we will not be informed of your presence there and unable to assist or offer pastoral care.

Congregation News

Good Shepherd to participate in Thy Kingdom Come - A Global Prayer Movement

Since 2016, Christians around the world have joined in daily prayer for the 11 days between Ascension Day and Pentecost. Initiated by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York, Thy Kingdom Come hopes participants will 1) deepen their relationship with Jesus Christ, 2) pray for God's spirit to work in the lives of those they know and 3) come to realize that every aspect of their life is the stuff of prayer. This continues a historic tradition of Christians praying for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. More information, including a 2019 Prayer Journal, is available at www.thykingdomcome.global. Please consider joining with fellow Christians around the globe in this prayer movement.

We want to invite you to participate. Gloria McGilloway is working on condensing the 2019 Prayer Journal for reproduction and distribution to Church members who may not have internet access. If you have any questions, please feel free to call me at (502) 689-6030.

Bill Somplatsky-Jarman Elder, Christian Education

Changes to Prayer Service and Adult Education for the summer

Just a reminder that with the passing of Memorial Day, we will be moving the times of our Sunday Prayer Service and Adult Education class ahead by 15 minutes. The Prayer Service, which includes Communion, will begin at 9:00 am in the Sanctuary, followed by Adult Education at 9:15 am in the CE Building. We hope all of you will join us.

What Presbyterians Don't Believe

According to *Presbyterians Today*, "In recent years a large number of people have joined the Presbyterian Church by transfer from other denominations. They may not have considered some of the contrasts between their former tradition and our Presbyterian heritage. Others who have been Presbyterian all their lives have picked up a fair amount of their religious ideas, not from church school, but from notions floating about in the culture at large."

In June our Sunday Adult Education class in the CE building will explore what Presbyterians DON'T believe. Come and join us where Presbyterian theology meets urban legend at 9:15 AM Sunday Mornings following Morning Prayer with Communion at 9:00 am.

Russian Language and Culture Classes Returning in the Fall

Beginning September 11th and running for six weeks, Joseph Prete, Esq., will return to teach us the basics of the Russian language and aspects of Russian culture and traditions. Joseph was the employer of the late Dawn Angarone and served a mission in Moscow. Joseph's wife served a mission in St. Petersburgh and will be assisting. This class will be aimed at new students and those seeking to review. The class will meet at 5:45 pm for a light dinner, bring a dish to share, and conclude at 7:00 PM. Увидимся там! (see you there!).

Men's Choir Sings on Mother's Day

In keeping with our tradition, the men of the church provided the special music for our worship on Mother's Day. Here's a photo to thank them for their efforts.



Buildings

Locking Doors

We find an unlocked door at church several times a month. Sometimes a locked door does not latch properly when closed and other times users fail to lock a door at the end of an activity.

- If you are in charge of an activity, please make sure ALL of the doors in the building are locked and secured at the conclusion. Just don't check the door you unlocked. Others may have exited through other doors and not checked.
- If you are not the activity leader and exit through an otherwise locked door, please make sure the door latches behind you. Give it a tug.

Keeping Your Cool

Our church's biggest utility bill is for air conditioning. It's probably the same for you at home, but we are cooling 10,000 square feet at times. Over the last year the building committee has made many improvements to reduce costs, including some thermostats that are way smarter than my kid's dad, but they need to know who is coming and going.

I can program cooling for any activity from today to our Lord's return, provided I have the dates (the latter is going to be a toughie). I use the church calendar for this and this works just fine. However,

- If your group adds an event, contact me or the church office so I can schedule the building to be comfortable when you walk in the door.
- If your group cancels an activity, please contact me or the church office so I can prevent spending church funds on cooling unoccupied space.

If you notice anything in or around our buildings that needs attention, please contact me or one of the other members of the building committee. Thanks.

Blessings, Eric Westland, Building Elder

Christian Education

Presbyterian Travel Study Seminars

As part of the global family of faith, the Presbyterian Church (USA) works with ecumenical partners across the globe. But few know about the Travel Study Seminars for Presbyterians to learn firsthand and from our partners about efforts for peace, justice and reconciliation in contexts of conflict, injustice and oppression. Participants return informed by their experiences, ready to share stories and bear witness to what they have seen and heard. Upcoming seminars include:

- Puerto Rico: November 11-18, 2019 In the Aftermath of Maria—The Political, Social and Racial Dynamics Revealed by the Hurricane and How the Church Is Responding to Them. Applications are due by August 1, 2019.
- Central American Migrant Trails: February 17-28, 2020 Exploring the Journeys to and from the United States and Why We Must Act. The seminar will cover Guatemala, El Salvador and Honduras with an optional visit to the U.S./Mexico border on February 28-March 3. Applications are due on October 1, 2019.
- Mosaic for Peace Conference in Israel/Palestine: March 15-28, 2020 Witnessing for Peace and Wholeness in a Land Called "Holy." Participants will engage with Christian, Muslim and Jewish leaders, experience contextual theology and study peacemaking practices. They will be inspired by the stories of Christian peacemakers in the Holy Land, walk in the footsteps of Jesus and encounter contemporary Palestinians and Israelis. Two optional extensions are offered. Applications are due on October 15, 2019.
- Philippines and Hong Kong: May 1-15, 2020 Root Causes and Current Challenges of Forced Migration and Labor Trafficking. Applications are due on January 1, 2020.

Over the years, I have had the good fortune to participate in several such seminars, and found them transforming. If you are interested, more information is available on the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program, or feel free to call me at 502-689-6030.

Bill Somplatsky-Jarman Elder, Christian Education

Deacons

For the month of June, Josie Marsh will serve as our Deacon of the Month. She serves as our Deacon for the Hurricane Parish. If you haven't met her yet, we hope you will introduce yourself as a Hurricane Parish member.

The new quarter's edition of *The Daily Bread* for June, July and August has arrived. Please pick up your copy from the table in the narthex or from your Parish Deacon.

Our Deacon Shed is full of items you may need if you have an illness or are recovering from surgery. If you need to borrow anything from the shed, please contact Dick Babb (688-1120), and he will make arrangements to get you what you need.

We thank you for the opportunity to serve you and the Lord; and hope that if there is anything you need, you will let us know.

In Christian love and fellowship, Your Deacons

Fellowship

Many thanks to our Building Committee for the repair and installation of a large cabinet that was in storage and is now in the pantry. I am still rearranging the pantry to take advantage of it. I will put labels on the cabinet as soon as it is ready.

Have you considered stopping in Conklin Hall before worship? The coffee is usually ready by 10:00 and most Sundays there is a group of folks that start with fellowship, attend Worship, and end with fellowship. Sounds like a good way to enjoy each other's company on a Sunday morning.

By the time you receive this edition of our newsletter we will have celebrated our Worship and Picnic in the Park. I forecast good weather, good food and a good sermon! How did I do with my predictions?

School's out, folks are heading toward cooler climes and we are done with special events during Fellowship after Worship. The next all-church event will be the Fall Festival in October. We will continue to enjoy fellowship every Sunday as usual until then. Bring something to share when you are able.

Blessings Gloria McGilloway

Mission/Outreach

Soup Kitchen Food Drive Donations: Our May donations to the Soup Kitchen included 50 pounds of food and paper goods and \$30 cash. They are so appreciative of every can of food and dollar we give to them. So many hungry folks in St George benefit from the hot meals served at the Soup Kitchen. The First Sunday of each month is "Donations to Soup Kitchen Sunday". So during the Summer please bring your donations on June 2nd, July 7th, and August 4th.

Operation Christmas Child: Yes, we are working towards filling our Christmas Child shoeboxes early this year. With the blessing of Session and congregation donations, we have funds to take advantage of school supply and other sales as they happen during the Spring, Summer and Fall.

How can you help?? Do you like to shop and enjoy stretching a dollar?? You can be one of the shoppers who watch for sales – using church donations to make your purchases. Contact Carolynn Thomas 435-817-8288 to receive a shopping list and donation funds to do your shopping for the shoeboxes.

Are you not inclined to shop for shoebox goodies – or cannot get out easily to go shopping?? You can make cash donations to the church for those who will be shopping for shoebox supplies. Just indicate on your check or cash that it is for Operation Christmas Child.

Do you have any rick rack or seam binding materials at home? Bring them along to church. Donna Beasley is busy transforming pillow cases into sundresses to put into the girls shoeboxes, and she can use rick rack to finish off the tops.

Yes, we will still take home shoeboxes to fill at home, but also meet up at church in the Fall to fill additional boxes. Our Knotty Knitters are creating beautiful, colorful purses, hats & scarves to tuck into each of the boxes. Making and purchasing supplies to fill the boxes can be an ongoing and fun time for all.

Mission/Outreach, continued

<u>Change for Change:</u> Is your loose change getting heavy in your pocket or purse? Is that coin dish at home overflowing with coins? Bring all that loose change with you to church on Sunday and place it in the brown donation box in the Narthex. At the end of the year these coins will be counted and donated to the DOVE Center.

Bike & Build: Please mark your calendars for our annual visit from those who are biking across the country and working with Habitat for Humanity on local construction projects – July 10th, 11th, & 12th. We will provide meals and sleeping quarters once again. If you would like to help, please contact Chris Schleter about how you can volunteer. Be sure to put July 11th on your calendar for the potluck at our church where you can hear all about how these bikers are helping those who need housing.

Blessings Carolynn Thomas

Parish Health Ministry

Brown Bag Luncheon: We are looking forward to our next Brown Bag Luncheon to be held in October. Our speaker will be Melissa Henderson, PhD, a Good Shepherd member. Melissa is an Associate Professor of Biomedical Sciences at Rocky Vista University in Ivins, and will be discussing how the medical school educates its students to become Osteopathic Physicians.

Latest Phone Scams: In the past, our Brown Bag Luncheons have featured speakers telling us about various kinds of scams and fraud which are foisted on the unsuspecting public. We never know when we may become the target of some nefarious scheme to steal our identity or invade our everyday lives. The concept and reality can cause extreme stress, and we have to be constantly vigilant so as not to become a victim. More recently, there are scams perpetrated by telephone robocalls, which can seem to be perfectly legitimate as they try to scare us into action. According to AARP, some of the most common scams are:

Social Security Scam – The message claims to be from the Social Security Administration and states that the US Treasury is enforcing some kind of action against your Social Security number. A demand for your private information is made so as to clear your name in order to keep you out of court.

The Social Security Administration never asks for information over the phone. Always call the official number for the SS Administration, directly, and NEVER call a number given in the phone message.

Health Insurance Scam – After the open enrollment period for health insurance has passed, a call may be received proposing a really inexpensive, affordable health insurance and offers to connect you to a local agent, which is in fact bogus, and only leads to those seeking your personal information.

NEVER give personal information over the phone and to request information about low cost health insurance, contact the State Health Insurance Assistance program in the State of Utah at <u>shiptacenter.org</u>. Those under 65, go to healthcare.gov to explore options.

Jury Duty Scam – Crooks pose as police and demand you pay fine to satisfy a warrant for your arrest for failing to show up for jury duty.

Jury duty notices and correspondence is always carried out by mail and NEVER by phone call. Plus, no payments are ever solicited by police or court officials via phone calls. You may contact the Washington County Clerk's office for any questions about jury duty.

Pain Center Scam – The recorded message states it is calling in regard to a request received for a brace or other medical device, which will be covered by Medicare.

You are asked to press 1 to speak to a representative – really a scam artist – who obtains your personal information in order to send you what is an inferior product. The call sounds enticing, but quality devices reimbursed by Medicare are not sold over the phone. The scammers use your information they have obtained to bill the government large sums for the device.

Alicia Kitzman and Mitzi Rak

Prayer Chain

I would ask anyone in the congregation that would like to join in prayers for the ill, people with problems, or those with happy news like a mending body to please contact me on my cell, 632-3160.

All prayers are important.

Deborah Stone

Session News

Session held their regular monthly meeting on May 5th. Here is a synopsis of the actions:

- Met with new members John & Kathryn Whitton, and welcomed them to our church family.
- Approved to grant Community Cub Pack #4208 permission to meet in Conklin Hall on the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 pm beginning in August, 2019, and continuing through May, 2020.
- Approved \$500 of Mission Set-Aside Funds to be used for the purchase of items for Operation Christmas Child boxes.
- Approved \$1,000 each from our Russia Mission Funds for Ralph Clingan and Scott Florence towards their travel to our sister church in Dorogobuzh during the Summer of 2019.
- Approved \$1,500 from the Russia Mission Funds for Chris Schleter to travel to Dorogobuzh and to represent our church at the Russia Mission Network Conference in Smolensk during the Fall of 2019.
- Set a Called Congregational Meeting on Sunday, June 2, 2019, at 10:30 am for the purpose of electing a congregational member, Session member and Deacon member to the Nominating Committee.
- Approved to replace the drinking fountain in the narthex at a cost not to exceed \$1,000 to be paid out of the Building Fund and to waive the \$1,500 requirement for a vote on the issue.

LaVerna Metzger, Clerk of Session

Soup Kitchen

Our church "crew" participates in the Soup Kitchen the first Monday of each month. During the month of May volunteers included Ruth Ann Horvath, Marge Linn, Janis Wick, Rayanne Bartlett, Josie Kellejan, Patti and Brian Lusby, Vicky Westland, and Stella Delgado. Serving over 100 hungry folks is always just as much a blessing to the volunteers as it is to those who enjoy their lunch. A Spring menu of sloppy joe's, chips, coleslaw, fruit and dessert was served. Many positive comments were received – especially for our famous "Presbyterian" coleslaw. Questions about the Soup Kitchen experience? Contact Carolynn Thomas 435-817-8288.

Carolynn Thomas

Stewardship

The Treasurer's report from April 30th appears on page two, and our Building Fund report is on page 11.

On June 2nd, 9th and 16th, we will collect monies for the annual Pentecost Offering. A gift to the Pentecost Offering helps the church encourage, develop, and support its young people, and also address the needs of at-risk children. 40% of the Pentecost offering is retained by Good Shepherd and used to impact in the lives of young people within our community. The remaining 60% is used to support ministries of the Presbyterian Mission Agency. Please prayerfully consider supporting our youth through your donations.

We continue to thank you for your generosity.

Susan Holecheck and your Stewardship Committee

Women's Guild

While the turnout for our May 4th meeting was small, it was a great meeting and very enlightening. The presentation from Donna McBean of Neighborhood Connections brought to light the need to feed children in St. George who otherwise would not have much, if anything, to eat over weekends.

By the time you read this article the June 1st Basket & Pie Event will probably have already taken place. I want to thank everyone who contributed baskets and pies and, of course, everyone who attended this event. I knew in advance that you would not be disappointed. I'm already looking forward to Bonnie Pendleton's presentation!

We won't be meeting again until September 7th when we'll be planning the October 19th Craft & Baked Food Sale. In the meantime, we're already working on some interesting programs for the fall. Happy Summer!!!

Candy Hurlbut

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Sunday, June 2 Seventh Sunday of Easter	Acts 16:16-34 Psalm 97	Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21	John 17:20-26
Sunday, June 9 Day of Pentecost	Acts 2:1-21 or Genesis 11:1-9 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b	Romans 8:14-17 or Acts 2:1-21	John 14:8-17 [25-27]
Sunday, June 16 Trinity Sunday	Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31 Psalm 8	Romans 5:1-5	John 16:12-15
Sunday, June 23 Second Sunday after Pentecost	1 Kings 19:1-4 [5-7] 8-15a Psalm 42 and Psalm 43	Galatians 3:23-29	Luke 8:26-39
Sunday, June 30 Third Sunday after Pentecost	2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14 Psalm 77:1-2, 11-20	Galatians 5:1, 13-25	Luke 9:51-62

Lectionary Readings for June

Lectionary Readings for July

Date	Reading 1	Reading 2	Reading 3
Sunday, July 7 Fourth Sunday after Pentecost	2 Kings 5:1-14 Psalm 30	Galatians 6:[1-6] 7-16	Luke 10:1-11, 16-20
Sunday, July 14 Fifth Sunday after Pentecost	Amos 7:7-17 Psalm 82	Colossians 1:1-14	Luke 10:25-37
Sunday, July 21 Sixth Sunday after Pentecost	Amos 8:1-12 Psalm 52	Colossians 1:15-28	Luke 10:38-42
Sunday, July 28 Seventh Sunday after Pentecost	Hosea 1:2-10 Psalm 85	Colossians 2:6-15 [16-19]	Luke 11:1-13

Rev. Ralph Leads Worship In the Park



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June 2019						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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						1:00 Women's Guild pm Basket & Pie Event – Conklin Hall
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Soup Kitchen Sunday 9:00 Prayer Service am 9:15 Adult Education am 10:30 Communion am Worship 11:45 Fellowship am 12:00 Deacon Meeting Noon – CE Building 12:00 Worship Noon Committee Meeting - Chapel 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev. Ralph's	1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	9:30 Calendar am Coordinating Council Meeting 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	 11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble 1:00 Stephen Ministry pm Supervision Group Meeting 6:30 Grief & Loss pm Support Group 	11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Village Inn 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph		
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Pentecost Father's Day 9:00 Prayer Service am 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Worship am 11:45 Fellowship am 11:45 Blood Pressures am Taken 11:45 Session Meeting am 5:00 Bible Study pm @Rev. Ralph's	1:00 Shawl Ministry pm	11:00 Women's Bible Study am @ Egg & I 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	11:00 Women's Bible am Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Village Inn 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph	Flag Day	
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
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This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website gspcsg.org for the latest information.

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Regularly	Scheduled	Activities

Soup Kitchen Sunday – Contributions of food, supplies and cash – 1st Sunday of each Month

Shawl Ministry	Monday	1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Conklin Hall
Exercise with Rev. Ralph	Tuesday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
	Thursday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
Open Bible Study	Sunday	5:00 pm to 6:00 pm	Rev. Ralph's Home
	Thursday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Village Inn
Women's Bible Studies	Tuesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	The Egg & I
	Wednesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Starbuck's Café @ Barnes & Noble
Choir Rehearsals	Tuesday	2:30 pm Bell Choir	Resumes in August
	Thursday	3:45 pm Chancel Choir	Resumes in August



Building Fund Update

As you all know, we have a mortgage payment of \$1,343.51 due each month. The mortgage has a principal of \$184,117 and a 15-year term which means that if it goes for its full term (although we will pay it off early), we will pay a total of \$241,831.80. We also have several major maintenance items over the next several years, totaling more than \$145,000, that need to be funded meaning we need to raise a total of \$384,000.

Our first two campaigns produced \$195,063. Through May 26th we have received pledges towards our third campaign totaling \$54,100 and additional cash donations of \$18,597 giving us a total for all three campaigns of \$267,760 or about 69.7% of our \$384,000 goal.

Thanks to everyone who has made a pledge to the third campaign. If you haven't pledged, please prayerfully consider making a pledge to help us pay off the mortgage early and have sufficient funds to cover maintenance and make other improvements in the next three years.

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