



# Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church

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## Summer is OVER! A New Church Year Begins

With more 100° days behind us than ahead of us and the monsoons providing at least some afternoon relief (and much needed moisture), we can turn our thoughts to cooler days and nights, opening our windows and letting in some fresh air (at least for a few weeks before heating season arrives), the leaves turning and, best of all, the start of a new church year.

Fall always brings renewal to the church as we return to traditional activities in the life of Good Shepherd Presbyterian Church. Hang on, it's about to get busy.

Children's Sunday School and our nursery program resumed on August 28<sup>th</sup> with Charlotte Phipps and Cathy Overkamp once again leading the program.

On September 4<sup>th</sup>, Adult Sunday School begins a new quarter of The Present Word with a theme of God's Exceptional Choice which traces the arc of salvation history from Abraham to Jesus and on to the early church.

Rev. Ralph began his fall Kerygma Bible Study and potluck on Monday, August 29<sup>th</sup>. The study this year is on the Book of Romans and will continue until October 24<sup>th</sup>.

Our choirs will be back rehearsing and performing starting in September with the Chancel Choir resuming on September 1<sup>st</sup> and the Bell Choir on September 24<sup>th</sup>.

The Women's Guild will hold their biggest fundraiser of the year, the annual Bake/Craft/Lightly Used Goods sale on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Proceeds will go to organizations that support youth in our area.

Once we hit October, things really begin to get busy.

On October 2<sup>nd</sup>, the Deacons will be hosting Parish Sunday during Fellowship after worship. This will be an old-fashioned ice cream social and each parish will have a table where parish members and their Deacon can join together to enjoy a sundae and get to know each other better.

October 16<sup>th</sup> will be Heritage Sunday when we will celebrate the history of our congregation. We'll get out the scrapbooks from the early days of the church and look back on where we started and how we came to be where we are.

Reformation Sunday is October 30<sup>th</sup> this year. As always we'll have bagpipes for worship and recognize and commemorate Martin Luther's nailing his 95 Theses to the door of the Castle Church in Wittenberg, Germany in 1517.

Presbytery will be meeting in our Sanctuary on November 5<sup>th</sup> and we'll welcome the other churches in Utah to our little corner of creation. Everyone is welcome to attend the worship service and we will need everyone's help to ensure that the meeting comes together.

November brings the annual CROP Hunger Walk, our annual healing service and the culmination of Operation Christmas Child. We'll decorate the church for Christmas on Saturday, November 26<sup>th</sup>. Then it's on to Advent and Christmas.

There won't be a dull moment in our church life and we hope that everyone will participate in as many of these events as possible. There is no church without you!

## Church Staff

**The Rev. Dr. Ralph Clingan**  
Pastor

**Ruth Ann Horvath**  
Clerk of Session

**Candy Hurlbut**  
Church Secretary

**Barbara McConnell**  
Music Director

**Stephen Talley**  
Organist

**Rev. Dolores Wiens**  
Strand of Pearls Prayer Chain

**Chris Schleter**  
Website / Newsletter Editor

### 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

- Nichole McConnell
- Tom & Mary Contreras and Colton
- Gloria McGilloway
- Russell Estlack
- Jan Hirschi
- Donna Beasley's Niece
- Virginia Hunt's Niece
- Ray & Adele Snipes' Nephew
- The People of Ukraine and Russia
- Caregivers in our area, state and nation
- Our partner congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia
- Those Serving Our Country

### Welcome New Members

#### Bob & Marsha Besch

If you are interested in joining our fellowship, please see Rev. Ralph or Session Clerk Ruth Ann Horvath

### October Newsletter Deadline

September 23, 2022

### Worship Schedule

- 8:45 – 9:00 am**  
Morning Prayer and Communion  
Sanctuary
- 9:00 – 9:45 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

### 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 August were:

Rev. Ralph	Revelation 21:1-7	A New Heaven
Elder Ruth Ann Horvath	Romans 10:17	Faith and hearing
Elder Leslie Lintz	1 Peter 5:6-7	He cares for you
Elder Alan Paige	Psalms 46:1	Present help
Elder Chris Schleiter	John 1:14	Word became flesh
Elder Bill Somplatsky-Jarman	2 Corinthians 5:17-20	New Creation
Elder Eric Westland	Hebrews 10:24-25	Love and Good Deeds
Elder Barbara McConnell	James 1:5-6	Faith in God alone
Elder Alicia Kitzman	Deuteronomy 31:8	Do not fear
Elder Mary Contreras	Colossians 3:14,17	Put on love

### Thanks to our Volunteers

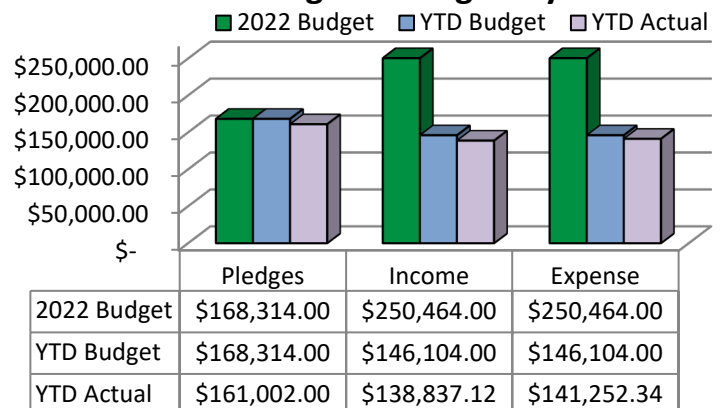
Flowers		Sunday School
September		
September 4	Dave & Anne Patten	Available
September 11	Available	Available
September 18	Available	Available
September 25	Available	Available
October		
October 2	Available	Available
October 9	Russ & Candy Hurlbut	Available
October 16	Available	Available
October 23	Available	Available
October 30	Available	Available

Sign up for Flowers on the board between the Narthex and Conklin Hall or on our website [gspscq.org](http://gspscq.org)

### Treasurer's Report

General Fund as of July 31	
Month of July	
Receipts	\$ 9,261.72
Expenditures	\$ 15,901.19
2022 YTD Budget vs Actual	
YTD Budgeted Receipts	\$ 146,104.00
Actual Receipts	<b>\$138,837.12</b>
YTD Budgeted Expenditures	\$ 146,104.00
Actual Expenditures	<b>\$141,252.34</b>
Fund Balances	
General Fund	\$ 49,370.91
Building Fund	\$ 67,394.85
Memorial Fund	\$ 2,987.81
Reserve Fund	\$ 45,717.37
Russia Mission Fund	\$ 6,223.05
Bequests	\$ 68,410.66

### 2022 Budget Through July 31



## Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought

*Therefore if there is any encouragement in Christ, if any consolation of love, if any fellowship of the Spirit, if any affection and compassion, make my joy complete by being of the same mind, maintaining the same love, united in spirit, intent on one purpose. Do nothing from selfishness or empty conceit, but with humility consider one another as more important than yourselves; do not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others. Have this attitude in yourselves which was also in Christ Jesus.*

*Philippians 2:1-5 NASB*



With our summer travels and adventures concluding we are quickly approaching the fall season. Church calendars that were almost empty during the summer months have begun to fill up quickly. The church that rested quietly during the heat of the desert has, with the monsoon rains, begun to spring back to life. I love it!

Classes and choir rehearsals have begun or will begin shortly. Our worship services will reflect the life and joy that calls us back together to serve and praise the Lord who has called us to life anew in His name.

With the beginning of the church year, it is perhaps the most appropriate time to dedicate and rededicate ourselves as the body of Christ within the context of our congregation. Ask yourself: Are there places I can become more involved? Are there places in my life I need to grow in my discipleship and faith? Are there ways I can serve to love as I have been loved?

These are, in essence, faith questions that we are called to seek to answer in the living out our common faith, together. As a colleague of mind used to quip "there are no lone rangers in the Christian faith."

Paul's words are a farewell letter to one of his favorite congregations. Note his words are not for individuals or individual faith, but only work in the context of community. In other words, the church.

Paul uses church words; fellowship, Spirit, compassion, united, love, purpose, to name just a few. Words that describe us or should be our dedicated aim to be so.

Personally, I believe we are well on our way to being just such a church.

Let's be so together. Welcome home.

*In Christ  
Rev. Ralph*

### **Join the Club!**

Club membership is open! There are no requirements or dues. The Good Shepherd Fellowship Mug Club invites you to join us and make our church a little more environmentally friendly by providing your own favorite coffee/tea mug from home and hanging it on the rack provided in Conklin Hall. Using that mug at our fellowship gatherings or dinners reduces our use of Styrofoam cups and helps to keep them out of the landfill. Every little bit helps! Join the club!

### **\*\* Home Communion \*\***

If you have difficulty getting to worship and would like to have the Pastor serve you the Lord's Supper at home, please call the church office (435-628-9158).

### **\*\* Pastor's Note Regarding Hospital Visitation \*\***

With the federal laws that govern the privacy of medical records, hospitals no longer can 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.

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 in the hospital and will be unable to assist or offer pastoral care.

## Prayer Corner

*"And all things you ask in prayer, believing, you will receive."* **Matthew 21:22**



This is the first of seven Thoughts on Prayer compiled by Tony Cook. Watch for more of them in subsequent newsletters. Spend time meditating on these thoughts in the month ahead and apply them to your own prayer life.

### **1. Prayer is not a religious ritual.**

"Real prayer comes not from gritting our teeth, but from falling in love." (Richard Foster)

"I live in the spirit of prayer. I pray as I walk about, when I lie down and when I rise up. And the answers are always coming." (George Mueller)

"Unless I had the spirit of prayer, I could do nothing." (Charles G. Finney)

"Beloved, it is not our long prayers but our believing God that gets the answer." (John G. Lake)

"There is no need to get to a place of prayer; pray wherever you are." (Oswald Chambers)

### **Strand of Pearls Prayer Chain**

Pearls on our Strand continue to pray actively for those for whom requests have been made as they come in. Updates and thanksgivings are appreciated and will be passed on.

Please call, email or text your requests to Rev. Dolores at 630-890-8343 or [revdfw@icloud.com](mailto:revdfw@icloud.com), and indicate whether you wish the request to remain confidential. Otherwise, it will be included in the GSPC prayer list in the newsletter.

### **Healing Prayer Offered Weekly**

Healing prayer and anointing is offered every Sunday morning at the conclusion of the Worship Service in the Chapel. Rev. Dolores Wiens and Kathryn Whitton will be available in the Chapel to offer healing prayer for all who desire it. A Healing Service will take place in the spring on a date yet to be determined.



## Buildings

Another good month where not too many items broke or needed attention, so I thought I would write about a few items you may want to know about regarding our buildings.

First and foremost are our HVAC systems. I schedule heating and cooling each week based on events shown on our church calendar. Not running the AC all day saves wear & tear on the units and of course saves energy. If it is too hot or cold, you can swipe up and down on the room thermostat to adjust the temperature. After two hours, the normal schedule will resume.

Doors also seem to occupy a portion of my duties, particularly unlocked doors. The glass Narthex doors are particularly troublesome as they don't always latch after someone exits when locked. Long story short, I made a buzzer that will alert you if you exit and this occurs. Just re-push on the panic bar and it will reset. So far, so good.

Doors to the Sanctuary, kitchen and Conklin Hall are all fire doors and must be closed when the main building is unoccupied, but sometimes they get propped open. If you are in the building during a time of low use and notice that any of these doors are open, please close them.

I am mostly pleased with our cleaning company. They are very responsive to any requests I make. However, like the rest of the city, employees come and go and sometimes something gets missed. If you notice something that needs cleaning attention, please let me know.

With building costs rising all over the country, Chris and I are going to get our buildings professionally appraised to make sure we have adequate insurance. In the meantime, no indoor fireworks, please.

*Eric Westland*

## Christian Education

Children's Sunday School resumed on August 28<sup>th</sup> and Adult Sunday School has started a new quarter of The Present Word study on Sundays at 9:00 am. The theme this quarter is "God's Exceptional Choice," tracing the arc of salvation history from Abraham to Jesus and on to the early church.

Rev. Ralph says that probably he would identify Romans 8 as his favorite chapter in the whole Bible. Paul's letter to the Romans probably has had the most significant effect on the life and history of the church since its inception during the first century. The reformer Dr. Martin Luther identified Romans as the source of his conversion to Christian faith. Thus, we are excited to offer a nine-week study of Paul's letter to the Romans which began on August 29<sup>th</sup> and continues through October 24<sup>th</sup>. The study will take place in the CE building on Monday evenings with a potluck supper at 6:00 pm. If you want to participate but didn't receive a workbook, please let us know and we'll get one for you. Come join in!

*Bill Somplatsky-Jarman*

## Congregational Growth & Care

We are pleased to announce that, in the past month, we have added to our church family and are blessed by those who have chosen to join us in worship and mission. As is customary, we will be sharing their photos and personal bios on our committee's bulletin board space in the hallway to Conklin Hall. Take a moment to learn about these new members then make a point to introduce yourselves and offer a warm Good Shepherd greeting of friendship and welcome.

And speaking about information to be found on the Growth and Care bulletin board . . .

As a continuation of her Lunch and Learn talk earlier in the year about Blue Zones and how personal happiness and longevity may be enhanced by making good lifestyle choices, Deanna Flores has been providing us with healthy tips and a recipe of the month. You are invited to help yourselves to a copy of the monthly recipe. In addition, because there are those who missed her presentation in March about the Blue Zone Project, Deanna has offered to repeat the program in a casual, lunchtime gathering. The time and date are to be determined and specific information will be forthcoming. If you might be interested in attending or if you have questions, please contact Alicia Kitzman at the number found below.

## Congregational Growth & Care, continued

**LOOKING AHEAD** — Our next Lunch and Learn program will be on Wednesday, October 12<sup>th</sup> at Noon when our speaker will be Vafa Tabatabaie, MD, Endocrinologist, at Montefiore Medical Center, Bronx, NY. Although we will be able to attend in Conklin Hall in-person, only, Dr. Tabatabaie will come to us via Zoom from New York to discuss - "Is Osteoporosis a Problem?-make no bones about it!" Osteoporosis can be safely treated and progression of bone density loss can be halted and reduced with medication and dietary changes. We'll be able to interact with our speaker, so come with your questions about this potentially life-altering and often undiagnosed bone disease which affects both men and women and even juveniles. We look forward to sharing this informative and educational hour with anyone who might care to join us, so, why not invite a friend? We'll provide some tasty treats and our usual beverages and you bring your salad or sandwich.

Your Growth and Care Committee is planning a special Sunday on October 16<sup>th</sup> when we will "Celebrate Our Heritage." We'll be remembering our past and honoring where we are today. If you have any memorabilia pertaining to our church's history that you'd like to share for the event, please contact me. Additionally, - you may already own a Good Shepherd shirt or hat or have ordered one recently through Chris Schleter. As a symbol of unity and spirit, we'll be wearing them on that particular Sunday in celebration of our proud heritage.

*Alicia Kitzman*

## Deacons

Welcome back! We hope you've had a wonderful summer and feel refreshed as we begin fall activities. Please contact your Deacon if you have needs or concerns you would like them to know about. You are always in our prayers.

Please mark your calendar for Parish Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup> during Fellowship after church. This is an opportunity for you to enjoy getting to know your Deacon and others in your parish. After getting a bowl of ice cream and toppings, have a seat at a table labeled with your parish's name and linger awhile for a time of informal fellowship! Here is the current Parish list so you'll know which table to look for:

Sun River	Bloomington	Bloomington Hills	Dixie Downs	Red Cliffs	Santa Clara / Ivins	Washington	Quail Creek	Hurricane	Deacons +
Mona Johnson	Peggy Graber	Sandy Paige	Ruthanne Skinner	Ann McLuckie	Jesse Henderson Melissa Henderson	Ka-Wai Yu	Candy Hurlbut	Sue Lundgreen	Vicky Westland
Clark	Bartlett	Clingan, J	Arganbright	Babb	Baker	Besch	Elwood	Abbott	Graber
Horvath	Bayle	Cunningham	Bass	Baxter	Beckman	Cannon	Kitzman	Borden	Henderson
Larson	Beasley, C/D	Delgado	Frausto	Conklin	Contreras	Carlson	Lucky	Hogan	Hurlbut
Mansfield	Dunham	Gibbons	Jakubczak	Dull	Everitt	Holmes	Schleter	Hunt	Ingold, T
McGaha	Laubscher	Jentzer	McGilloway	Estlack	Florence	Jimenez	Seefeld	Leonard	Johnson
Morgan, C/T	Lintz	Mowery	Perkins	Fine	Flores	Jordy	Somplatsky-Jarman	Marsh	Lundgreen
Patten	Noble	Otness	Schroeder	Kellejan	Gearhart	Klein	Starks	Overkamp	Malcomson
Prinselaar	Reid (Hawk)	Phipps	West	Linn	McConnell	Lane		Safreno	McLuckie
Whatley	Smith	Snipes		Metzger	Milford	Morrison		Stone	Paige
		Thomson		Morgan, B/E	Wiens	Schultzman		Whitton	Penzari
		Westland		Starrett					Skinner
				Wick					Yu

John and Peggy Graber are our contacts for the Deacon Shed which is full of items you may need. We have everything from walkers to crutches to wheelchairs to raised toilet seats. If you need anything from the shed, please give John a call at 801-541-7444, and he'll work with you to get you what you need.

*Vicky Westland*

## Fellowship

As we move from quiet summer into busy autumn, take note of the special days that are coming up. October 2<sup>nd</sup> will be Parish Sunday, a chance for everyone to sit down with their Deacon and members of their parish to get to know each other better. On October 16<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate Heritage Sunday and look back at our church's history. Be sure to wear your (new or old) Good Shepherd shirts that day!

First, thanks to Jeff Clingan for making our coffee each Sunday and to those who have helped with setup and cleanup for our Sunday fellowship each week. Putting together our weekly fellowship time is a lot of work and cleaning up is even more work. With everyone busy during the summer we have not had as many people to help as we have had in the past. I hope that several of you will step up to help on Sundays. If you're interested, please let me know.

It is great to see so many people joining us each Sunday for our weekly Fellowship time in Conklin Hall. We hope to see you there soon, too.

*Mary Contreras*

## Mission/Outreach

With summer turning to autumn, two of our major Mission projects will be coming up before we know it.

Operation Christmas Child, coordinated by Donna Beasley will continue through the fall and culminate on November 20<sup>th</sup> when we dedicate out shoeboxes for this year. We will have a packing party in mid-November, as well. Please continue to remember items for shoeboxes as you do your shopping. Here is a list of the items we still need by November 1<sup>st</sup> for the boxes we will pack as a church: wash cloths, children's card games, girls' barrettes and jewelry and small puzzles. Please place your donations in the box in Conklin Hall.

The 13<sup>th</sup> Annual St. George CROP Walk will be held on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Sign ups for walkers will begin on October 2<sup>nd</sup> so start training for the six mile walk and plan to walk with us. I'll have more details in the October newsletter.

Thanks, Peace and Blessings

*Chris Schleiter*

## Session News

Session held their monthly meeting on August 14<sup>th</sup>. Here is a synopsis of the actions that were taken:

- Approved to receive Marsha and Robert Besch into membership.
- Approved an e-vote on 7-1-2022 to approve an expenditure of \$1,000 for pruning of one tree and deep root fertilization of 10-12 trees.
- Approved study leave on September 18-20, 2022, to allow Rev. Clingan to attend the Presbytery of Utah Pastor's Retreat in Midway, UT.
- Approved study leave on October 5-8, 2022, to allow Rev. Clingan to attend BURM Conference in Green Bay, WI.
- Approved the purchase of a Conductor's Chair from Wenger Corporation at a cost of \$670 to be paid from the Memorial Fund. The remaining \$280 has been pooled by the choirs and the chair is in honor of Barbara McConnell for her 15 years of service as director of our choirs.
- Approved a request by Melissa and Jesse Henderson for the Baptism of their daughter, Amelia.
- Approved a request of Linda Whatley for reaffirmation of Baptismal vows.
- Approved payment of \$500 allowance for BURM conference to Rev. Ralph Clingan to be paid from Russia Mission funds.

The next meeting of the Session will be Sunday, September 11, 2022, at 12:00 Noon in the CE Building.

*Ruth Ann Horvath, Clerk of Session*



## Stewardship

Year-to-date pledges as of July 31 totaled \$94,966.73 with \$5,336.50 received in July. We are now at 56% of our year-to-date budget of \$168,314.00. Thank you for your continued faithfulness in meeting your pledges.

Loose Offerings now total \$39,268.98 or 52% of the budgeted amount of \$75,000.00. We received \$3,460.61 in Loose Offerings in July. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

We received no Per Capita receipts in July. We remain at 46% of our budgeted amount of \$2,500.00 with a current Per Capita total of \$1,146.49.

*Leslie Lintz*

## Women's Guild

The Women's Guild will be having a Bake/Craft/Lightly Used Goods sale on September 24<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 am until 2:00 pm. If you would like to sign up to provide baked goods, crafts or household items (no clothes or shoes), please let me know. You can bring your items to church and I can store them or we will be setting up on September 23<sup>rd</sup> from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm and you can bring them to Conklin Hall during that time. If you wish to take back anything that doesn't sell you can pick it up Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup> from 2:00 pm until 3:00 pm.

This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we need many volunteers to make it a success.

*LaVerna Metzger*

## Worship & Music

*To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under the sun. Ecclesiastics 3:1.*

With the end of the summer season, we look forward to autumn at Good Shepherd.

Music is an important part of our worship service. We appreciate the many musicians who provided our special music during the summer. We especially appreciate the organ music provided by Steve Talley. After the summer break, the Bell and Chancel choirs will resume their rehearsals.

The Chancel Choir will rehearse on Thursdays at 3:45 pm starting on September 1<sup>st</sup>. We welcome new singers. Come and join us as we sing praises to our Lord!

The Bell Choir will resume their rehearsals on Saturdays at 11:30 am starting on September 24<sup>th</sup>. We are looking for new ringers. If you are interested in ringing Bells, please see me. Both choirs are dedicated as we prepare for the coming seasons of Autumn, Advent, and Christmas.

One of the jobs needed during the worship service is that of ushering. Thanks and appreciation go to Anne Patten for her dedication in arranging for ushers each service. If you enjoy ushering and would be willing to commit to usher once a month (for example, you would commit to usher the second Sunday of each month), it will help in ensuring that we have ushers for each Sunday. If you are interested in helping with this, please see Anne or me.

I look forward to seeing you at worship.

*Barbara McConnell*





## Lectionary Readings for September

Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Gospel
Sunday, September 4 13th Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 18:1-11 Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18	Philemon 1-21	Luke 14:25-33
Sunday, September 11 14th Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28 Psalm 14	1 Timothy 1:12-17	Luke 15:1-10
Sunday, September 18 15th Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 8:18 - 9:1 Psalm 79:1-9	1 Timothy 2:1-7	Luke 16:1-13
Sunday, September 25 16th Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15 Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16	1 Timothy 6:6-19	Luke 16:19-31

## Lectionary Readings for October

Date	Old Testament	New Testament	Gospel
Sunday, October 2 17th Sunday after Pentecost	Lamentations 1:1-6 Lamentations 3:19-26 <i>or</i> Psalm 137	2 Timothy 1:1-14	Luke 17:5-10
Sunday, October 9 18th Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 29:1, 4-7 Psalm 66:1-12	2 Timothy 2:8-15	Luke 17:11-19
Sunday, October 16 19th Sunday after Pentecost	Jeremiah 31:27-34 Psalm 119:97-104	2 Timothy 3:14 - 4:5	Luke 18:1-8
Sunday, October 23 20th Sunday after Pentecost	Joel 2:23-32 Psalm 65	2 Timothy 4:6-8, 16-18	Luke 18:9-14
Sunday, October 30 21st Sunday after Pentecost	Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4 Psalm 119:137-144	2 Thessalonians 1:1-4, 11-12	Luke 19:1-10



## September 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
				11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am IHOP in Washington <b>1:15 Growth &amp; Care pm Committee Meeting</b> 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph <b>3:45 Chancel Choir pm Rehearsal</b>	12:00 Al-Anon Meeting Noon	
<b>4</b> <b>Soup Kitchen Sunday</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Labor Day</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
8:45 Prayer Service with am Communion 9:00 Adult Education am 10:30 Communion am Worship 10:30 Children's Sunday am School & Nursery 11:45 Fellowship am <b>12:00 Worship Noon Committee Meeting</b>	1:00 Shawl Ministry pm <b>6:00 Kerygma Bible pm Study on the Book of Romans</b>	11:00 Women's Bible am Study @ First Watch 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph <b>6:30 Grief &amp; Loss pm Support Group</b>	11:00 Women's Bible am Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble	11:00 Men's Bible Study @ am IHOP in Washington 3:00 Exercise with Rev. pm Ralph 3:45 Chancel Choir pm Rehearsal	7:00 Men's Bible Study @ am Bishop's on Sunset 12:00 Al-Anon Meeting Noon	
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**A Special Request**

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## Regularly Scheduled Activities

**Soup Kitchen Sunday** – Contributions of food, supplies and cash – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of each Month

**Women's Bible Study and Fellowship** – last Monday of each month at 11:30 am in Conklin Hall

**Al-Anon Meeting** – Friday at 12:00 Noon in the CE Building

<b>Shawl Ministry</b>	Monday	1:00 pm to 3:00 pm	Conklin Hall
<b>Exercise with Rev. Ralph</b>	Tuesday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
	Thursday	3:00 pm to 3:30 pm	Conklin Hall
<b>Men's Bible Study</b>	Thursday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Bishop's Grill in Washington
	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Friday	7:30 am to 8:30 am	Bishop's Grill in Sunset Plaza
<b>Women's Bible Studies</b>	Tuesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	First Watch
	Wednesday	11:00 am to 12:00 Noon	Barnes & Noble Cafe
<b>Choir Rehearsals</b>	Thursday	3:45 pm Chancel Choir	Sanctuary
	Saturday	11:30 am Bell Choir	Sanctuary - Resumes September 24 <sup>th</sup>



## Building Fund Update

When we took out our mortgage, we estimated that we needed \$384,000 to pay off the mortgage and have the resources to meet our needs for maintaining and improving our facilities. Now that our mortgage has been retired, we have turned our attention to several major maintenance items and improvements that need to be addressed over the next several years. These projects, totaling more than \$145,000, need to be funded. We still need your help.

Through **August 28<sup>th</sup>** we have received pledges towards our third campaign totaling **\$56,100** and additional cash donations of **\$66,042** giving us a total for all three campaigns of **\$317,205** or about **82.6%** of our **\$384,000** goal.

While we are not currently conducting a Building Fund campaign, we do need donations to the Building Fund to ensure that our buildings and grounds are kept in good condition. Please consider a donation to the Building Fund to help us reach our goal.

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Class of 2024	Ruth Ann Horvath	435-922-5271	Clerk of Session
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