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Sanctuary & Narthex to Get New Carpet

Did you know that the carpet in the Narthex, Chapel, hallway and the back part of the Sanctuary is the original carpet that was installed in the church in 1991? After nearly 28 years it is time for an upgrade.

At their August meeting, Session approved an expenditure of nearly \$20,000 from the Building Fund for new carpet and vinyl tile for all of the main building except Conklin Hall.

We'll be installing a slightly darker carpet and luxury vinyl tile throughout the building. Over the years, the carpet between the front row of seats and the choir platforms in the Sanctuary has had numerous spills during communion and has had issues with candle wax drips during the Advent and Christmas seasons. To address these issues, tile will be installed in that areas. The new flooring will enhance the look and acoustics of the Sanctuary and make for a more inviting Narthex.

Work is scheduled to begin on September 4th and will take about two weeks. Of course, all of the furniture will have to be moved in order to clear the floor for the installation of the new flooring. We will move the chairs in the front part of the Sanctuary, as well as the piano and organ, on Labor Day Monday, September 3rd. Once the front of the Sanctuary is done, sometime during the middle of the week, we'll move everything to the front of the Sanctuary, so the back of the Sanctuary can be done. Then, on Saturday, we'll put everything back where it belongs for worship on Sunday. The Chapel, Narthex and hallway will be done during the week of September 10th.

We hope to keep disruptions to a minimum. During the project, we ask everyone who is not involved in the project to please avoid the work zone. The Bell Choir will practice in the CE Building on Tuesday, September 4th and the Chancel Choir will not practice on September 6th.

With all of the moving of furniture, we can use anyone who is able to help. If you would like to help, please get in touch with Scott Florence.

Russia Mission Network and Presbytery of Utah Coming to GSPC in September

As most of you know, members of the Russia Mission Network from all over the United States will be coming to St. George for their annual conference from September 26th through the 28th. You can read more about the conference on page 4.

Once the Russia Mission Network Conference wraps up, the Presbytery of Utah will hold its meeting at Good Shepherd on September 29th. The Stated Clerk of the General Assembly will be at the meeting and speakers from the Russia Mission Conference will participate, as well.

Anyone from the congregation who would like to join Presbytery for worship and the program is welcome.

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

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| Roger Kitzman | Jim Sullivan |
| Linda Alexander | Peter Safreno |
| Dottie Malcomson | Joe Borden |
| Brett Schroeder | Althea Haworth |
| Doris & Gene Thomas | Clinton Shonkweiler |
| Virginia Hunt | Alice Blair |
| Jim Crowe | Shirley Craig |
| Gloria Reynolds and Family | |

Our sister congregation in Dorogobuzh, Russia
Those Serving Our Country

Welcome New Members

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

October Newsletter Deadline

September 20, 2018

Worship Schedule

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

9:00 – 9:45 am
Adult Education
CE Building

10:30 am
Children's Sunday School

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.

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| Rev. Ralph | 1 Corinthians 12:4-13 | Spiritual Gifts |
| Elder Ruth Ann Horvath | 2 Corinthians 1:3-5 | Thanks to God |
| Elder Scott Florence | Daniel 7:4 | Pray to the Lord |
| Elder Gloria McGilloway | Leviticus 19:34 | Love the Foreigner |
| Elder Susan Holecheck | 2 Samuel | The Lord is my Rock |
| Elder Chris Schleiter | Matthew 11:28-30 | Rest for the Weary |

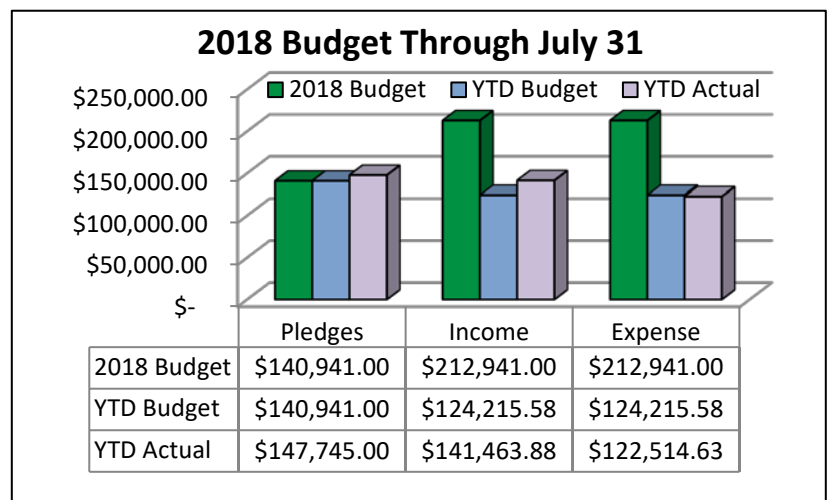
Thanks to our Volunteers

| Flowers | | Nursery |
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| September | | |
| September 2 | Anne & Dave Patten | Jennifer P |
| September 9 | Shirley Fromknecht | Donna Beasley |
| September 16 | Donna Baker | Cindy Clingan |
| September 23 | Carolynn Thomas | Judy Oar or Mary Contreras |
| September 30 | Available | No Nursery – 5 th Sunday |
| October | | |
| October 7 | Available | Jennifer P |
| October 14 | Jim & Kristin Crowe | Donna Beasley |
| October 21 | Available | Cindy Clingan |
| October 28 | Available | Judy Oar or Mary Contreras |

Signup for Flowers on the board between the Narthex and Conklin Hall or on our Website gpscsq.org

Treasurer's Report

| General Fund as of July 31, 2018 | | |
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| Month of July | | |
| Receipts | \$ | 14,297.30 |
| Expenditures | \$ | 14,971.78 |
| 2018 YTD Budget vs Actual | | |
| YTD Budgeted Receipts | \$ | 124,215.58 |
| Actual Receipts | \$ | 141,463.88 |
| YTD Budgeted Expenditures | \$ | 124,215.58 |
| Actual Expenditures | \$ | 122,514.63 |
| Building Fund | | |
| Building Fund Cash | \$ | 76,951.61 |
| Loan Balance | \$ | (113,244.44) |
| Net Building Fund | \$ | (36,292.83) |
| Fund Balances | | |
| General Fund | \$ | 13,521.14 |
| Memorial Fund | \$ | 1,863.56 |
| Reserve Fund | \$ | 152,559.93 |
| Russia Mission Fund | \$ | 3,410.58 |



Rev. Ralph's Food for Thought

But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness, self-control; against such things there is no law. Now those who belong to Christ Jesus have crucified the flesh with its passions and desires.

If we live by the Spirit, let us also walk by the Spirit.

Galatians 5:22-25 New American Standard Bible (NASB)



"Now Thank We All Our God with heart and hands and voices, who wondrous things hath done, in whom this world rejoices; who, from our mothers arms, hath blessed us on our way with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today."

Now Thank We All Our God (Presbyterian Hymnal #643)

As you are reading this we have entered or are about to enter the month of September. Shortly Labor Day will arrive indicating the end of summer and the beginning of fall. The days will continue to shorten and the temperatures drop into double digits on a daily basis.

We will shortly be thinking of what was when we were an agricultural based society the time for harvest.

You may remember I asked you all at the beginning of summer to consider ways to grow in faith in the time that the summer months give. I now ask what bounty will your garden of faith produce coming fall season?

Paul in his letter to the Galatians indicates what fruit the garden of faith should produce, that there are certain fruits that are common to the life lived in the Spirit and name of Christ.

But notice all these fruits are aimed not toward the self but to each other. We forget too often that the Christian faith is a faith lived out in community, we are not the gardener but instead we are the garden. It is the gardener who must be allowed to sow his seed in our hearts as He fertilizes our lives in the study of His word together, in His worship with song and praise, and the serving of others in His name and in gratitude for all we continue to receive in His grace and love for us all.

*In Christ,
Rev. Ralph*

Классы русского языка! (Russian Language Classes!)

Joseph Prete, Esq., the employer of the late Dawn Angarone, and his wife have both lived and taught in Russia. They have offered to teach, at no cost, all in our congregation who would like to have a basic understanding of the Russian language beginning in September and going for six weeks. The sixth class will be a Russian culture night and feature favorite Russian dishes prepared by the Pretes. The classes will begin on September 6th in Conklin Hall and run till October 10th. (No class September 26th due to the Russian Mission Conference) The class will meet from 5:30 until 7:00 pm.

As with our usual weekly classes all participants are asked to bring a food to share. Beverages will be provided. No text book is required, however all are expected to have a copy of the Russian alphabet which we will provide. If you plan to attend please contact the church office or sign up on the signup sheet posted in Conklin Hall.

**** 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.

News from the Russia Mission

2018 Mission Trip

The 2018 mission trip was a great success. Gloria and Chris had a great time visiting with our brothers and sisters in Dorogobuzh and having the opportunity to meet and work with the staff and children of the Bible Camp was a truly rewarding experience. In fact, it was such a great trip that Gloria and Chris have accepted Pastor Sergei's invitation to come back in 2020.

Our missionaries will be sharing their experiences and thoughts with you at Soup and Fellowship on October 10th. Plan to join us in Conklin Hall at Noon for a Russian lunch and good fellowship.



Russia Mission Network Conference

We are in the home stretch of preparing for the Russia Mission Network Conference which will be held at Good Shepherd from September 26th to the 28th.

The theme of this year's conference is "Twinning from the Russian Perspective." Rev. Michael Zdorow, Chaplain of the Moscow Protestant Chaplaincy, will be our keynote speaker and we will be joined by Stanislav and Irina Oleynik from Smolensk, about 50 miles from Dorogobuzh. Irina is the daughter of Victor Ignatenkov, Executive Presbyter for the Smolensk Region and is active in youth ministries. Stan and Ira will be talking about Victor's camp, the role of the PC(USA) in its construction and Victor's outreach programs in the region. In addition, the Interfaith Choir will be performing for the group on Thursday night and Bill and Carol Somplatsky-Jarman are putting together an optional afternoon at Zion with dinner in Springdale for Friday. It should be a fun and interesting weekend.

If you would like to attend the conference sessions and can help us with the conference, we will waive the \$150 registration fee; however, if you wish to eat with the group, the cost will be \$50. Please talk with Chris Schleiter if you can help out or if you are interested in attending.

Fall Festival Coming October 14th

It's time to mark your calendars with our annual "Fall Festival" on Sunday, October 14th after worship. Visit our Session Members' displays showing what they do within the church in the Christian Education Building. Other church groups will be showing their own fun activities as well. You may even win a \$50 gift card for visiting each table. The drawing will be during our healthy lunch in Conklin Hall. Homemade chili is our menu for lunch, as well as your covered dishes of salads, vegetables, and desserts.

Please sign up in Conklin Hall. Everyone is welcome. Invite and bring your neighbors and friends.

Christian Education

Adult Education Class – Beginning with Labor Day weekend, Rev. Ralph will be sharing the video series “Transitions: The Mormon Migration from Religion to Relationships.” This series, put together by the Western Institute for Intercultural Studies, is designed to assist those who are making the transition from the LDS church to traditional Christianity.

Child Care and Sunday School Classes – We are in serious need of volunteers for the child care and Sunday school program. It is suggested that those interested in helping, sign up to help at least one Sunday a month. We will post a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board, or you can contact Charlotte Phipps directly.

Deacons

Your Board of Deacons wants to remind you that we have introductory devotional booklets, The Daily Bread, available for your use. Ask your Parish Deacon for a copy. They are also available in the literature rack inside the church's front door.

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.

*In Christian love and fellowship,
Your Deacons*

Fellowship

My concept of fellowship and the church was changed while experiencing the after-worship fellowship in Dorogobuzh.

The joy of participating and the thankfulness for what they have was palpable. My perspective has changed significantly. Now, when I enter Conklin Hall and go into the kitchen, I am struck by how blessed we are here. I can't help but think about what the “kitchen ladies” would do with all these things that we take for granted. Thank you to all who kept our after-worship fellowship going strong during my absence.

Gloria McGilloway

Mission/Outreach

After a great trip to Russia, it is going to be a busy fall. We are excited to host the Russia Mission Network Conference at the end of the month. Operation Christmas Child will kick off in early October and finish up on the Sunday before Thanksgiving. The CROP Hunger walk is coming up on November 10th and, as we have done for several years, we'll be collecting food for the needy during Advent. More details on all of these activities are coming up next month.

*Blessings
Chris Schleiter*

Parish Nursing

Brown Bag Luncheon:

Summer is over and time to get on to our Fall schedules. The first event planned by Parish Nursing is a Brown Bag Luncheon on Wednesday, September 19th, at Noon in Conklin Hall. Bring a tasty sandwich and come with your friends to learn about “Demystifying the Part D/Medicare Supplement Conundrum.” The enrollment/re-enrollment period this year is from October 15th to December 7th. It is your annual chance to consider whether you will keep your current plan/provider or make a change. Gerene Mason and John Kelley from Southern Utah Insurance will be sharing their expertise on the subjects.

Parish Nursing, continued

Self-Management of Chronic Diseases:

The Five County Association of Governments, (AOG), in existence since 1972, is a voluntary association of governments from Beaver, Garfield, Iron, Kane and Washington counties in southwestern Utah and serves 37 municipalities. Its purpose is to strengthen the role of Utah officials in the execution of state and federal programs at the local level. One of the services offered under the AOG umbrella is the Agency on Aging (AAA), whose mission is to provide information about local programs and services, which offer a range of assistance for older adults and those who care for them. In February, Good Shepherd Church hosted a six-week workshop on Self-Management of Chronic Diseases conducted by the AAA RSVP (Retired and Senior Volunteer) Program. The Agency is committed to helping older adults age in place and learn more about managing their health at home. Offering workshops about various health and lifestyle issues assist them in this work. As part of our ongoing relationship with Five Counties AAA, Parish Nursing is excited to announce that our second scheduled event this Fall will be another workshop they will hold at our church beginning on October 3rd at 1:00 pm in the Christian Education building

More than a third of adults over the age of 65 or older fall each year. Falling can have an impact on one's confidence and may keep you from doing the things you want to do. By participating in this workshop—Stepping On, you will learn exercises and strategies, which help increase your strength, and mobility and boost your self-confidence. Space is limited for this seven-week course but all workshops are FREE. For more information or to register, please call Dakota Terry, RSVP Director, at (435) 673-3548 or Pebble Mowery (435) 673-9185.

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

Senior Ministries

Soup and Fellowship:

Our first Soup and Fellowship of the new church year will be Wednesday, October 10th at Noon in Conklin Hall. Every year at this time we look forward to the Russian Mission report as the missionaries return to inform us of their activities and events. Gloria McGilloway and Chris Schleter will be presenting a half hour program. Afterwards, we have special entertainment planned. It will be an interactive event and something that will be fun for all. Come prepared to laugh a lot. We promise to have a traditional Russian soup, but knowing how some don't like Borscht, we will also have more traditional American soup too for those with a less adventurous palate.

Soup and Fellowship - Looking ahead:

Wednesday, November 14th at Noon in Conklin Hall. We will have a movie about WWI as it will be 100 years since its conclusion. Russell Estlack will be hosting this event. We celebrate veterans as November 11th is Veterans Day. We will be serving soup and other accompaniments as usual and consistent with military like Navy Bean.

Card Party:

Wednesday, September 19th at 1:00 pm in Conklin Hall. My apology to all those who came to the party last month to find no host and a locked door. My bad. (My vacation was longer than I expected and I went without a cell phone.) Note that this card playing activity can be counted as a brain charger!

Senior Ministries, continued

The Brain – That's where it's at:

Of all the many suggestions concerning preventing memory loss, I will capitalize on two here. That would be "Maintain strong social connections" to family and friends and "engage in cognitively stimulating or challenging activities" such as reading, playing strategy games such as bridge, chess and Scrabble; memorizing poetry or bible verses, geographical facts (like state capitals), solving cryptograms, (crossword puzzles don't count) or jigsaw puzzles, learning a foreign language; practicing a musical instrument; trying a new recipe, taking classes at our local university. Lots of options. Maintain your brain.

Session News

Session held their regular monthly meeting on June 10th. Here is a synopsis of the actions:

- Approved to accept Sue Lundgreen into membership. She will be received into membership during worship service on September 2, 2018.
- Accepted the resignation of Arlene Prinselaar as elder and church secretary with regrets.
- Approved a Study Leave as per the Terms of Call to Rev. Ralph Clingan on Sept. 24-Oct. 6, 2018.
- Approved Rev. Ralph Clingan's request to carry over one week of vacation from 2018 to 2019, to be used the last week of January, 2019.
- Approved to disperse the anonymous gifts received last month, totaling \$104,600, as follows: \$90,000 toward the current building loan and the remaining \$14,600 to be paid to the General Fund for missionary purposes.
- Approved the recommendation of the Building and Grounds Committee regarding carpet replacement for the narthex and sanctuary at a cost of up to \$20,000 to be paid from the Building Fund.

Ruth Ann Horvath, Clerk of Session

Soup Kitchen

Our church "crew" participates in the Soup Kitchen the first Monday of each month. During the months of July and August volunteers included Nick Miller, Marge Linn, Rayanne Bartlett, Vicky Westland, Janis Wick, Josie Kellejan, Carol Somplatsky-Jarman, Ruth Ann Horvath, LaVerna Metzger, Brian Lusby and Patti Lusby. 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 Summer menu of cheese burgers, macaroni salad, chips, coleslaw, fruit and dessert was served. Many positive comments were received – especially for our famous "Presbyterian" coleslaw. Questions about the Soup Kitchen experience? ContactCarolynn Thomas 435-817-8288.

Carolynn Thomas

Stewardship

The Treasurer's report from July 31st appears on page 2 and our Building Fund report is on page 11. We are doing quite well so far this year, but a lot of our income comes from contributors who make their entire year's donation in December or January.

We received two anonymous donations during the summer, totaling \$104,600. As has been the church's custom, Session allocated \$14,600 to Mission and voted to use the remaining \$90,000 to pay down the balance on the building loan. With this balloon payment, the loan will be completely paid off with the July, 2019, payment. By paying off the loan early, we will save almost \$9,250 in interest. While the loan will be paid off early, we still need to keep our Building Fund campaign alive as, over the next several years, we have more than \$50,000 in needed maintenance and upgrades to be completed. If you've already made a pledge to the Building Fund, thank you. If you haven't pledged, please prayerfully consider making a pledge.

We continue to thank you for your generosity.

Susan Holecheck

Women's Guild

We've all had a great summer, and now it's time to start thinking about our Women's Guild Craft & Baked Foods event on Saturday, October 13th. We'll be setting up on Friday afternoon and that would be the time to bring whatever you might be contributing to this sale. Keep in mind all of the proceeds from our events go to our local charities.

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, September 8th at 11:00 am with a pot luck lunch to follow. You won't want to miss this meeting as we will be laying out our plans for the upcoming year while we enjoy Christian fellowship. All women are welcome, so please join us at this meeting and get to know some new members of our Church family.

Candy Hurlbut

Worship & Music

As we look forward to the cooler days of Autumn, we look forward to the return of some of our activities at Good Shepherd.

We welcome back our choirs after their summer break. The Bell Choir will rehearse on Tuesdays at Noon and the Chancel Choir will have their practice on Thursdays at 3:45 pm. If you are interested in ringing bells or singing in the choir, please let me know. We wish to thank the many wonderful musicians who have provided special music this summer. What a Blessing they have been!

It takes many hands and hearts to prepare for our worship services. We are grateful to have Rev. Ralph for his spiritual guidance, to Steve Talley, our organist, and to the Sanctuary Cleanup-up committee. We also wish to thank those who have ushered and served communion. If you are interested in ushering, please contact Mary Contreras.

Blessings

Barbara McConnell, Music Director

Congregation News

Church Office Gets a New Coat of Paint

Thanks to Alan Paige, Guy Schultzman, and Jim Robinette for all the work involved in moving furniture, copier, computer, etc., and a special thank you to Alan for painting the office in the CE building. The office looks great!!!

A couple of more photos from Russia



Lectionary Readings for September

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| Sunday, September 2 15th Sunday after Pentecost | Song of Solomon 2:8-13 Psalm 45:1-2, 6-9 | James 1:17-27 | Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23 |
| Sunday, September 9 16th Sunday after Pentecost | Proverbs 22:1-2, 8-9, 22-23 Psalm 125 | James 2:1-10 (11-13) 14-17 | Mark 7:24-37 |
| Sunday, September 16 17th Sunday after Pentecost | Proverbs 1:20-33 Psalm 119 | James 3:1-12 | Mark 8:27-38 |
| Sunday, September 23 18th Sunday after Pentecost | Proverbs 31:10-31 Psalm 1 | James 3:13-4:3, 7-8a | Mark 9:30-37 |
| Sunday, September 30 19th Sunday after Pentecost | Esther 7:1-6, 9-10; 9:20-22 Psalm 124 | James 5:13-20 | Mark 9:38-50 |

Lectionary Readings for October

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| Sunday, October 7 20th Sunday after Pentecost | Job 1:1; 2:1-10 Psalm 26 | Hebrews 1:1-4; 2:5-12 | Mark 10:2-16 |
| Sunday, October 14 21st Sunday after Pentecost | Job 23:1-9; 16-17 Psalm 22:1-15 | Hebrews 4:12-16 | Mark 10:17-31 |
| Sunday, October 21 22nd Sunday after Pentecost | Job 38:1-7 (34-41) Psalm 104:1-9, 24, 35c | Hebrews 5:1-10 | Mark 10:35-45 |
| Sunday, October 28 23rd Sunday after Pentecost | Job 42:1-6, 10-17 Psalm 34:1-8 (19-22) | Hebrews 7:23-28 | Mark 10:46-52 |

September, 2018

| Sunday | Monday | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| 2 Soup Kitchen Sunday | 3 Labor Day | 4 Sanctuary Carpet Replacement | 5 Sanctuary Carpet Replacement | 6 Sanctuary Carpet Replacement | 7 Sanctuary Carpet Replacement | 8 Sanctuary Carpet Replacement |
| 8:45 am Prayer Service 9:00 am Adult Education 9:45 am Called Session Meeting 10:30 am Communion 11:45 am Fellowship 12:00 Noon Worship Committee Meeting 5:00 pm Bible Study @Rev. Ralph's 6:30 pm Interfaith Choir Rehearsal | 1:00 pm Shawl Ministry | 9:30 am Calendar Coordinating Council Meeting 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Egg & I 12:00 Noon Bell Choir Rehearsal - CE Building 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph | 11:00 am Women's Bible Study @ Starbucks Cafe - Barnes & Noble 1:00 pm Stephen Ministry Supervision Group Meeting | 11:00 am Men's Bible Study @ Village Inn 3:00 pm Exercise with Rev. Ralph 3:45 pm Chancel Choir Rehearsal | | |
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PLEASE NOTE:

There will be no Sunday morning child care or Children's Sunday School on September 30.
 Rev. Ralph will be on Study Leave from September 24th through October 6th. He will be preaching on September 30th.
 Please contact Dick Higgins (435-879-0253) or Anne Patten (773-4307) with any concerns.
 This calendar is subject to change. Always check the church website gpscsg.org for the latest information.

More Congregation News

A couple of more photos from Russia



Regularly Scheduled Activities

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

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| 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 |
| 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 |
| Men's Bible Studies | Thursday | 11:00 am to 12:00 Noon | Village Inn |
| Choir Rehearsals | Tuesday | 12:00 Noon Bell Choir | Sanctuary |
| | Thursday | 3:45 pm Chancel Choir | Sanctuary |



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 expect to 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 in addition to paying off the mortgage, meaning we need to raise a total of \$384,000.

Our first two campaigns produced \$195,063. Through August 26th we have received pledges towards our third campaign totaling **\$54,100** and additional cash donations of **\$4,778** for a total of **\$253,941** or about **66.1%** of our new **\$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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Church Leadership 2018

Session Elders

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|---------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|
| Class of 2018 | Ruth Ann Horvath 773-6790 | Clerk of Session |
| | Gloria McGilloway 610-349-6045 | Fellowship |
| | Judy Oar 702-241-6227 | Senior Ministries |
| | Chris Schleiter 627-9048 | Mission/Outreach |
| Class of 2019 | Mary Contreras 673-9745 | Worship |
| | Scott Florence 574-2383 | Grounds |
| | Susan Holecheck 702-265-8666 | Stewardship |
| Class of 2020 | OPEN | Christian Ed |
| | OPEN | Building |
| | OPEN | Growth |

Deacons

| Parish | Deacon | Phone |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|--------------|
| Deacons | Virginia Hunt – Moderator | 714-955-1167 |
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| Dixie Downs/Santa Clara | Shirley Fromknecht | 628-2381 |
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| Hurricane | Josie Marsh | 435-772-1030 |
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| Old St. George | Jeff Clingan | 705-8692 |
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