



First News First

Opening Doors with Christ, One Another and Our Neighbors

From Pastor Denny's Desk...

The week after Vacation Bible School, our Head Custodian, George Canonizado, shared devotions at our weekly staff meeting about his experience of VBS. As you read George's enthusiastic testimony, may you be inspired to build relationships with children and their families all year long...

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I don't think VBS is just about fun and games (and crafts and snacks). Its primary purpose is to lead us (the volunteers and kids) to experience the life-transforming power of the Gospel. When viewed through the lens of the Word of God, VBS takes on a renewed purpose. As I served as a volunteer for VBS this year it was 100% fulfilling and 10,000% to the glory of the King!

This year I remembered how much I love VBS! It's unlike anything else our church does all year. There's something special about coming together for several hours every single day for a week. It's a highlight of summer and something kids will look back on and remember fondly even when they're grown.

After two summers without VBS, this year was extra special! The kids were ready for it! The parents were ready for it! The volunteers were ready for it! Katie and Sarah were ready for it! But when it started, Mr. George was still sketchy about it. Granted, I crave community. My mouth says how much I don't like people, but my heart says how much I do!!! For me, after the scourge of the plague, VBS was the perfect opportunity to remind me how much my little self can help little people feel the love of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

My favorite part of the week was being able to share with the kids how their food collection for the Little Free Pantry is a miracle for our neighbors. Their donations made someone's day go from being a worry to putting food on their table.

Almost every Sunday I stand at the welcome desk with whomever our greeter is and joyfully welcome people to worship. At VBS we welcome people in every day. Some we know. Many we don't. Parents and kids. Parents trusting us to take care of their kids, and kids being unsure of what's coming to them. What a great opportunity to reach out to our community for Christ!

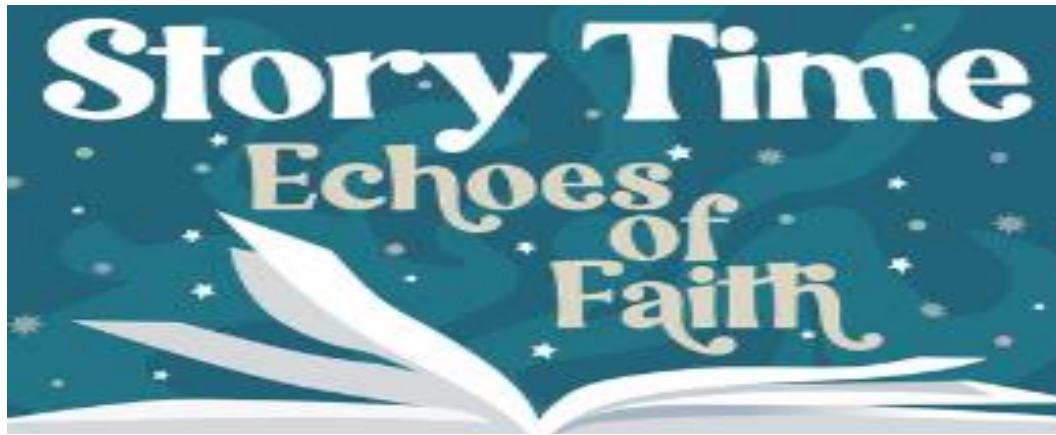
When my family started attending First Church 20 years ago, it was common for families to attend Sunday School and worship weekly, and also to participate in midweek programs. Now it's rare for families just to attend worship three Sundays a month! The pandemic has only given folks another reason not to come. That kind of shift makes it very difficult to build relationships with children and their families. During VBS, adult and youth volunteers got to spend three hours per day with the same kids for five days straight in our building! That kind of face-to-face, relationship-building time might ordinarily take months to accrue during traditional church programming settings. So serving in VBS has never been more important!

Kids need to build healthy relationships with Christian adults outside their immediate family. They need to feel loved, valued, listened to, and safe as part of their healthy physical, mental, emotional, and spiritual development. The relationships formed at VBS can be a part of that. And that's a huge thing! Not only for the kids but for Mr. George and his peers too.

I'm already looking forward to VBS 2023, and encourage everyone to get involved. I'm also thinking, why wait for next summer? What if we could have a VBS-like atmosphere for kids and families all year long, Sunday mornings and during the week? Our Director of Children and Family Ministries, Katie Knorr, and her team are already making plans for a super fall season! Now is the time for all of us to commit to building community with children and their families!

God is good...All the time...All the time...God is good!

Mr. George



Perhaps you have noticed, if you've ever read a book to a child, that often the stories contain valuable lessons for us all. In this four-week series, a follow-up to this year's Vacation Bible School, we're going to read four popular children's books that echo biblical truths for our lives as disciples of Jesus. Join us August 7th as we conclude this fun summer series!

⇒ August 7 "Bear Came Along" by Richard T. Morris Romans 12:9-17

Congratulations Grads!

A round of applause to all the Graduates of 2022!

Your first church family is celebrating with you in your academic accomplishments and praying for you as your venture forward into your next adventure. Remember that in our hearts we make our plans but the Lord guides our steps (Proverbs 16:9). Continue to lean on God for each step you take and allow His truth's to lighten your path as you continue onward.



Cumberland Valley High School

Aubree Canonizado
Liam Smith (Kutztown University)
Maya Bowen (Liberty University)

Mechanicsburg Area Senior High

Luke Wertz (Wheaton College)
Elijah Ometz (Liberty University)
Kevin Hammaker (HAAC)

Northern High School

Dane Kurten (West Virginia University)

West Shore Christian Academy

Elizabeth Wertz (Houghton College)

Millersville University

Jimmy Losh (B.S. in Psychology; Magna Cum Laude)

Bloomsburg University

Kendyl Swank (B.A. in Political Science, minors in Legal Studies & Public Relations; Magna Cum Laude)





Adult Discipleship

How is your journey with Jesus going? Is your faith deepening? Are you growing into a more mature disciple? Are you becoming a fully devoted follower? No matter where you are in this journey, there is always something new to learn, and First Church is here to help by providing a variety of offerings for your next faithful step:

⇒ Daily Bible Reading Plan

God speaks to us through His Word, and our daily Bible reading plan is customized to go along with our weekly sermons! You can find the plan in our weekly worship bulletin, which is posted on our church website, fumchurch.com.

⇒ Next Step - New Member Class

If you are ready to take your next faithful step by exploring church membership, contact Tina Eaton at adultministry@fumchurch.com to be added to the contact list for a class to be scheduled later this year.

⇒ Steps Beyond - Summer Sunday School Enrichment for Adults

Join us this summer for “Transform”, a series focused on the work of the Holy Spirit, the church and God's mission. This combined adult summer class will offer a mix of lessons, along with scheduled presentations from our various mission teams. All lessons will be held in room 123 and all special presentations will be held in the multipurpose room. The start time is 9:45 a.m. on Sundays.

- August 7 - Lesson - God's First Choice
- August 14 - Celebration - Pastor Denny & Betsy's 40th Year in Ministry!
- August 21 - Presentation - Border Mission Trip, Tiffany Holland/Sarah Jones
- August 28 - Lesson - Loving Beyond Barriers
- September 4 - Lesson - Follow

Children and Family Ministries

This summer in the Children's Dept., we will continue to offer childcare up to 2nd grade for both the 8:30 and 11:00 services. Children 2nd grade-5th grade will remain with their families during worship. If your child is interested in activity pages for during the service, please see Miss Katie before worship begins at the child check-in station.

From the Library

I can't believe I am writing about August. Well, I think I say that every month, but it seems like summer just started. I am just going to write this newsletter without ever saying August again. Let's talk about books instead of the time of year or the season, and it will go much better.

Of course, I have only the best books to present to you. Tracie Peterson has long been a favorite in the library and usually she writes about pioneer life in the Midwest. In her latest series, *Love on the Santa Fe*, she is taking us to New Mexico. *Along the Rio Grande* is the first book in the series. Susanna Jenkins is recently widowed and has decided to follow her parents to Santa Fe where they are supposed to manage her uncle's new Grand Hotel. Susanna's father has spent his life making bad choices and his brother has saved him many times. But when her father loses their house and all their savings, his brother says the only thing he has to offer is a job. Neither of her parents knows anything about running a hotel and they are not eager to learn, so Susanna plans to help them. Like all good romances there is a chance meeting with Owen Turner, a boiler-maker in the train shop. He is an upright man, but a man afraid to love. I will let find out how things turn out.

The second book in the series is *Beyond the Desert Sands*. Main character Isabella Garcia is estranged from her parents and now lives an opulent life in California with her aunt. When her parents send businessman, Aaron Bailey to escort their daughter to their home in Silver Veil in the New Mexico territory, she is not happy to go with him. The only reason she agrees to go with him is her mother has said her father's health is failing. The trip is made unpleasant because Aaron finds Isabella spoiled, and she finds him judgmental. Once she sees how frail her father is, she is glad she came, but she still plans to go back to her aunt. Then her California suitor, Diego, shows up with the sad news her aunt has died. Does Isabella run away with Diego or stay in Sil-

ver Veil and find love anew? (If you like these, the third installment *Under the Starry Skies* will arrive in October)

The library has a new series by Christy Barritt, an author the library hasn't had for a while. The *Lantern Beach Blackout: Danger Rising* series is romantic suspense. The library has the first three books: *Brandon*, *Dylan*, and *Maddox*. Each book features a retired Navy Seal who has joined a private investigation and bodyguard service, *Lantern Beach Blackout* firm. Having read the first two already, I will tell you they have good plots that keep you guessing right up to the last chapter. They have lots of action and twists and turns to keep you reading long past your bedtime. If neither of these books interests you, stop in and check out the many diverse genres the library has to offer.

The annual book sale in conjunction with the Women of Faith Yard Sale is August 20th. We will be accepting gently used books, CDs, DVDs, and puzzles until August 16th. After you have weeded out your library, come to the sale to restock your shelves.

See you in the library,

Pam and Donna

Praying Follower



August Prayer Focus: 31 Days of Prayer

Where do you need God's help right now? Are you struggling with a challenging relationship? A job that feels too big to accomplish? Anxiety over the future or the current moment? Whatever the situation is, it has not taken God by surprise. He reveals problems not to prompt you to panic, but to invite you to pray!

Let's pray together in August. FaithGateway has prepared a 31-day prayer calendar that is based on the book, *Praying the Scriptures for Your Life*, by Jodie Berndt. There's a different topic every day – things like trusting God, finding freedom from worry, managing money and time, living with greater gratitude, and experiencing joy. Each day includes a short scripture you can pray regarding that particular need or concern. Sometimes, the tiniest verse or phrase in the Bible can do more to transform our thinking and shape our desires than if we were to try and tackle an entire chapter at once (and the bite-sized prayers are much easier to remember!) Download the prayer calendar by clicking on this link: [31daysofprayercalendar](https://www.faithgateway.com/31-days-of-prayer-calendar), or pick up a copy at the prayer station under the balcony in the sanctuary at church.

Weekly Prayer Letter

If you have not already done so, we invite you to sign up for First Church's FirstLink Prayer Letter to receive updated prayer requests and praises from our church family once a week. Contact Janice Bowen at wecare@fumchurch.com to share joys, requests and to sign up for the Prayer Letter email.

Passionate Worshipper



Spotify Playlist

On the first Wednesday of each month, we release a new monthly playlist on Spotify. Search for First UMC of Mechanicsburg, and click on the playlist titled "*Where Words Fail, Music Speaks*". For non-Spotify users, click this link to listen to the playlist: <https://open.spotify.com/playlist/5rbHEYEfHei97cUI8rjwNJ?si=qzOB7cTVRg6iAU1L4BY2hA>

Sounds of Worship

Attending First Church and enjoy singing? Consider joining the Sounds of Worship choir! We meet weekly from 7:00pm-8:00pm in the music room (Basement, near Fellowship Hall). Absolutely NO auditions! Just come and make a joyful sound with us! The first rehearsal of the fall will be Thursday September 8th at 7:00pm.. Looking forward to seeing you all there, new faces and returning faces, we missed you!

Dedicated Missionary



Isaiah 61 Continues in Harrisburg!

First Church is pleased to support Isaiah 61 Ministries, a local organization that serves the needs of the homeless in Dauphin County. They provide a variety of services including a soup kitchen, clothing bank and Life Groups. Specifically, First Church members help serve meals to the homeless in downtown Harrisburg on the third Wednesday of each month. The next volunteer opportunity is **Wednesday, August 17** at 6:30 p.m. If you would like to carpool or have any questions, please contact Tiffany Holland at tholland1967@gmail.com.

Save the Date

Please add **October 8th** to your calendar as a date to gather at the church for the annual Feminine Hygiene Sewing Day. I hope you can help in this important mission to help our sisters in third world countries live their lives with dignity.

Gleaning 2022!

This growing season, we are excited to have the opportunity to once again glean locally in partnership with Oak Grove Farms! We plan to provide fresh produce for families receiving monthly groceries at Fishing Creek Salem UMC's Food Pantry. Please contact Janice Bowen at wecare@fumchurch.com or 717-766-4611 x112 to have your name/contact information added to the FUMC 2022 'Glean Team'!

⇒ Next Gleaning: Wednesday, August 3rd – 6:00 pm (Oak Grove Farms parking lot)

"When you reap the harvest of your land, do not reap to the very edges of your field or gather the gleanings of your harvest. Do not go over your vineyard a second time or pick up the grapes that have fallen. Leave them for the poor and the foreigner. I am the LORD your God" ~[Leviticus 19:9-10](#).

Relationship Builder



Definition of Hospitality

At First Church, we know that hospitality doesn't take a vacation in the summertime! It is so important for us to remember the needs within our church, as well as the needs outside in our community, even in the summer months. We can send a note, make a phone call or visit a church member that we see listed as "recovering at home" in the weekly bulletin. We can make a meal for a new mom and her family. We can assist with set up or clean up at Third Friday Food Trucks. We can pick up a few extra items while at the grocery store for the Little Free Pantry. We can enjoy our summer, while still providing radical hospitality!

Joy in the Morning

A small group invitation! Next meeting – Monday, August 8th @ 1:00pm. If you live with chronic pain or ongoing health challenges, we invite you to join in sharing discussion and supportive friendship with this spiritually-focused small group. We meet Monday afternoons once a month from 1-2 pm. Terry Ketrow and Janice Bowen co-facilitate, drawing upon readings and devotionals, including from the book, [With the Dawn Rejoicing](#). For more information, contact Janice Bowen at 717-766-4611 x112 or wecare@fumchurch.com

Men's Breakfast Gatherings

These gatherings happen on the first Saturday of each month and newcomers are always welcome! Start time is 7:30 a.m. and the next one is coming up on August 6. This is a great way to make connections and enjoy some wonderful fellowship with other men! Contact Barry Eaton at theaton5@verizon.net for more details.

Pastor Denny and Betsy Celebrating 40 Years in Ministry!

Please Join Us in celebrating Pastor Denny and Betsy on Sunday, August 14th - 9:30 - 11 am in the multipurpose room. Surround Pastor Denny and Betsy with congratulations and love as you enjoy a special morning of worship, refreshments and fellowship!

FUMC Summer Pickleball

Every Tuesday @ 5:30 pm Mechanicsburg's Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Park. Whether you're a single player or double, whether you play Pickleball every week or have never played, we invite you to please join us on the Pickleball Court! Bring a friend and assume we will be there unless it's wet and rainy! Questions? Contact Janice Bowen at 717-766-4611 x112 or wecare@fumchurch.com

Covered in Love Knitting Group

The Covered in Love Knitting Group has returned to in-person meetings every Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. and will gather downstairs in the Fellowship Hall. Feel free to join if you love to knit or crochet or do some other kind of crafty work. Questions? Contact Judi Buddenbaum at 717-697-2524 or ljbuddenbaum@verizon.net.

Mechanicsburg Community Day

Saturday, August 6, 2022 The Mechanicsburg Borough and Downtown Mechanicsburg Partnership are pleased to announce Community Day in the Park on Saturday, August 7! The event features live music, old-fashioned baseball exhibition, inflatables and games, food trucks, craft vendors, chicken BBQ (to benefit the fire company), and much more! Community Day will be held at Soldiers and Sailors Memorial Park, Mechanicsburg, from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. All are welcome to attend this free family-friendly outdoor event!

Widows and Widowers Fellowship

The widows/widowers fellowship is taking a pause for the month of August. Stay tuned for an upcoming gathering date in September.

Third Friday Food Trucks, August 19!

The Food Trucks return to our parking lot on Friday, August 19! This is a great opportunity to meet our neighbors in a fun and casual atmosphere! This month, we welcome the following gourmet food trucks: 717 Tacos, Audrey's Cup of Sunshine, Lucky Penny, Shredderz and Scoop O'Dough. We are always looking for help with set up and clean up. If you are interested in lending a hand with setting up tables and chairs or putting them away, we'd love to have you! Contact Lori Hoffnagle at l_hoffnagle@yahoo.com for more details. The food trucks serve from 4:30 to 8:00 p.m. Mark your calendar for the remaining dates: September 16 and October 21.



It's Official!
Summer Church Camp is a GO!
The Camp and Retreat Ministry is excited to share details and registration information about summer camps!

Visit the camping website <http://www.susumcamps.org> to see the 2022 Camp and Retreat Brochure. Access the on-line link to complete your registration. Send camping registration confirmations to your Camp Coordinators (Deb Noss or Amy Ortiz) so that they can pair you with a prayer partner. The Camp Coordinators can help with financial assistance (First Church will pay for one half of the camping fees!). There are Sibling Discounts as well as an Invite-a-Friend Gift when you invite a friend who has never been to a Conference camp. You will receive the gift after your friend registers as per the instructions. Pray and ask God how He would like you to use your gifts for Him this year! Will you:

- Attend or volunteer at a camp, retreat or event; or Be a prayer partner or;
- Provide financial aid to support campers; or Help with a work camp at a camp site or;
- Fill or recommend someone to a vacant paid camp staff openings!

If you have any questions about Camp or a Retreat and can't access the website or need a brochure, contact Deb Noss (sdppp@msn.com) or Amy Ortiz (amy.ogden7@gmail.com).

NOTE: Special thanks to those who have been Prayer Partners and/or provided financial assistance this year.

It wasn't long ago that the church participated in the "Draw the Circle" study that spoke of how prayer – especially repeated and heartfelt prayer was powerful and purposeful. Are you looking for something to pray for that will

impact hundreds of children, youth and adults for the Lord? If so, then I would ask that you would prayerfully support and uplift through notes of encouragement your Camp and Retreat ministry team noted below.



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Squares and Prayers

The quilters continue to sew and complete quilts at home. These quilts go to local hospices, fire and police departments and members of our church who are at need. Fidget mats are also being made and are available. Anyone who desires to sew kits together can find kits located near the alley entrance.

Generous Giver



FINANCIAL REPORT

Through June 30, 2022 50 % of year

General Fund

2022 budget	\$925,985
Expected income-YTD	\$462,992 (50% of budget)
Actual income-YTD	\$457,870 (49% of budget)
Actual expenses-YTD	\$446,244 (48% of budget)

Receipts in the current month were down from our expectation, but our Year-to-Date contributions are nearly on target. Expenses for the month of June were almost right on target to our average month expectation. Please be sure to review your 2nd quarter giving statements that were mailed mid-July and contact the office if you have any questions.

We are grateful to all our congregation and guests who continue to support the work of First Church, as we serve the Lord by opening doors for all to know salvation through Jesus. We continue to ask for your prayers, your presence and your support through service and gifts to the mission of our First Church family. As we move into the summer season, we look forward to having you join us on-line or in-person, serving the King together.

August Library Sale

The library will be holding their book sale at the UMW Sale on August 20th from 8:00 a.m. to noon. To have a good sale we need gently used books, DVDs, CDs, and puzzles for adults or children. We are accepting adult or children's books on any subject, but we cannot accept VCR tapes, encyclopedias, or textbooks. This annual sale supports us for an entire year and provides up-to-date titles for your reading pleasure. Books can be left outside the library or if you have a large donation, contact Pam Van Kirk at pamvk1@gmail.com or Donna Nichols at djnichols43@hotmail.com to facilitate that. After you have donated your books and made room for more, plan to come to our sale for more great reads. Thank you in advance for your support.

Change (or Paper) for Water!

Water is the foundation of our very lives; yet, according to CDC estimates, only 2% of the population in Sierra Leone has access to clean, readily available drinking water! Help us to support the **Well Drilling Fund for Sierra Leone** by dropping your loose change, or even paper bills, into the blue "Change for Water" bucket located back on the Sierra Leone mission table in the Main Entrance hallway. Donations from June totaled **\$107.65**. 100% of your donations will be used to provide training and dig wells for schools and communities in need.

Little Free Pantry Mini Collection

Thanks for your support of the **Little Free Pantry** on our property. This small, but effective way to bless our community, has been very popular over the past 2 years. We have been able to keep up with the demand for food, but starting to run low. If you would like to donate items, there is a **collection basket** inside the Alley Door entrance at the church. Most needed items include: canned tuna/chicken, any type of boxed mac and cheese, small boxes of cereal, granola bars, individual snack items and small ready to eat meals. Please make sure they are non-perishable and not too far past the expiration dates. You can also drop off the items at the church office during regular business hours. If you have any questions, please contact Lori Hoffnagle at l_hoffnagle@yahoo.com. Thanks for blessing our neighbors!

Yard, Book and Bake Sale, Saturday, August 20

We are looking forward to the annual United Women in Faith (formerly UMW) Yard, Book and Bake Sale in our church parking lot on **Saturday, August 20 from 8:00 a.m. to noon**. See all the details below:

- We are excited to announce that once again, the yard sale spots in the parking lot have been sold out!
- Support our wonderful Youth by donating your treasures! The Youth will sell the items to raise funds for future mission trips. The collection will start **August 8** in the multipurpose room. You may drop off your items during office hours, starting the week of August 8. A few evening hours will be announced soon! Questions, contact Lisa Aronson at uthrock@fumchurch.com.
- The Children's Department will once again hand out free school supplies in handmade pouches to children who visit the sale.
- The church Library will have a variety of books, puzzles, CD's, DVD's available for purchase. The library is asking for gently used children and adult books, puzzles, cds and dvds (but please no videos, cassettes or encyclopedias) for our annual sale. Proceeds from the sale keep the most current Christian fiction on our shelves for your reading pleasure. Donations can be left outside the church library (near alley entrance) on Sunday mornings. If you have a large donation call Pam Van Kirk at [717-903-9196](tel:717-903-9196) or Donna Nichols [717-574-9894](tel:717-574-9894) to make arrangements for a drop off. Thanks in advance.
- The church Handbell Choirs will have food available for purchase to support their ministry of music.
- Enjoy tasty treats from the United Women in Faith Bake Sale! (We will be asking for donations of baked goods, so start thinking of something yummy to make!) To donate baked goods, contact Denise Swank at dmom64@gmail.com or [717-795-8747](tel:717-795-8747). Or, feel free to bring the morning of the sale. Please have all baked goods individually packaged to ensure less handling of the treats. Thanks!

There is something for everyone at the sale! If you have any questions, please contact Donna Nichols at djnichols43@hotmail.com or Lori Hoffnagle at l_hoffnagle@yahoo.com. Thanks for your support!

First Church Mission Moments...

Clearfield County Workcamp 2022 – Bringing Hope in the Name of Jesus Christ

I had the distinct privilege of sharing my God-given gifts and talents, limited as they may be, with persons in need in the Allport-Bigler-Woodland area of Clearfield County, PA during the period of June 19th through 24th. This was the 11th year of this Workcamp, and I have been blessed to be able to participate for 9 of those 11 years. Our efforts are based on 1 Peter 4:10, which states “Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God’s grace in its various forms”.

There were 33 individuals, families, and/or institutions on the requests list for this year’s Workcamp. The projects ranged from fairly straightforward items like yard work, interior cleaning, power washing, exterior painting and hauling/stacking firewood to more complex items like replacing a porch, installing fencing, and building decks/wheelchair ramps. I haven’t seen the final report on all that was accomplished, but I know we made a difference in the lives of every person we interacted with during that week.

I spent the first three days of the Workcamp as part of a team building a deck and wheelchair ramp off the front of a house for a family where the husband had recently been in the hospital and was now confined to a wheelchair. The problem was, he had no way of getting out of his house in case of an emergency or even to go to a doctor’s appointment. Four individuals had carried him up a steep set of stairs at the rear of the house when he was released from the hospital and placed him in a wheelchair inside the home, but that’s what his world consisted of when we arrived. In those three days, we built a 10x20 foot deck and the structure for the first phase of the much needed wheelchair ramp. Unfortunately we had to stop progress on this project after those three days because my team leader had to return to his Harrisburg area home to assist his wife with some pressing medical issues. I am thrilled to report that this project was completed after the end of the official Workcamp by a group of people (most of whom had been part of the Workcamp itself) who came together to finish the work and give great hope to this family. Here is a picture of the completed project:



On Thursday of Workcamp week, I replaced two storm door latches and sanded/primed/painted an exterior door of a large house for an elderly widow where we were also power washing the entire home and cleaning ceiling fans and lamp shades on the inside. On Friday, I helped dig six 36” deep holes in shale so that posts could be set for the building of a deck (and cover) to be attached to a FEMA trailer purchased by an individual currently serving overseas in the U.S. military but due to soon return to life in Clearfield County. Every time we dug rocks out of each hole as we got closer to the 36” depth, some more rocks fell in and the process became agonizingly slow.

I can honestly say that I was physically drained by the time I drove home to Mechanicsburg on Friday afternoon, but I can also say that I was greatly blessed by the experience and look forward to “sharing my gifts” with the people of these Clearfield County communities in the future. Please be open to these types of mission opportunities, whether it be here at home, across the region and state, or wherever God calls you to serve. Let us all be doers of the Word, and not hearers only.

Roger Walton

Daily Bible Readings August 2022

Monday, August 1
Tuesday, August 2
Wednesday, August 3
Thursday, August 4
Friday, August 5
Saturday, August 6
Sunday, August 7

Isaiah 1:1, 10-20
Psalm 50:1-8
Hebrews 11:1-16
Hebrews 11:17-28
Luke 12:32-40
Rest and Reflect
Worship “Story Time: Echoes of Faith”

Monday, August 8
Tuesday, August 9
Wednesday, August 10
Thursday, August 11
Friday, August 12
Saturday, August 13
Sunday, August 14

Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80:1-2, 8-19
Hebrews 11:29-12:2
Luke 12:41-48
Luke 12:49-56
Rest and Reflect
Worship

Monday, August 15
Tuesday, August 16
Wednesday, August 17
Thursday, August 18
Friday, August 19
Saturday, August 20
Sunday, August 21

Jeremiah 1:4-10
Psalm 71:1-6
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:1-9
Luke 13:10-17
Rest and Reflect
Worship

Monday, August 22
Tuesday, August 23
Wednesday, August 24
Thursday, August 25
Friday, August 26
Saturday, August 27
Sunday, August 28

Jeremiah 2:4-13
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Hebrews 13:1-8, 15-16
Luke 14:1-6
Luke 14:7-14
Rest and Reflect
Worship

Monday, August 29
Tuesday, August 30
Wednesday, August 31

Jeremiah 18:1-11
Psalm 139:1-7
Psalm 139:13-18

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Church News and Notes

Our love & sympathy...

To Eileen and Hilary Flick on the passing of our dear Caleb Flick.



Special Birthdays

Martin Coover	August 1	Sally Kauffman.....	September 8
Grace Koser.....	August 2	Pat Sheely.....	September 11
Jane Heller.....	August 3	George Rehfus.....	September 16
Barry Adams	August 5	George Carpenter.....	September 18
Joan Maybee	August 10	Joan Stokes.....	September 19
Pauline Trace.....	August 12	Marty Otto.....	September 20
Al Maybee.....	August 14	Marley Ann Schmick.....	September 21
Becky Yost.....	August 16	Gary Klinger.....	September 22
Jerry Sheely.....	August 18	Ralph Harkins.....	September 25
Kay Coldren.....	August 25	Curt Bonser.....	September 26
Jo Barth.....	August 27	Peggy Shenberger.....	September 28
Jeanne Mullikin.....	August 29	Kaye Reynolds.....	September 29
Dean Otto.....	August 31		

Special Anniversaries

- ♥ Mr. & Mrs. Robert Wertz married 59 years on September 1, 1963
- ♥ Mr. & Mrs. Ed Johnson married 58 years on September 3, 1964
- ♥ Mr. & Mrs. Darrell Sill married 55 years on September 16, 1967
- ♥ Mr. & Mrs. George Snoke married 56 years on September 24, 1966
- ♥ Mr. & Mrs. Richard Schmick married 58 years on September 26, 1964
- ♥ Mr. & Mrs. J. Paul Stock married 69 years on September 27, 1953



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