

Heritage Happenings



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From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Ones,

As the summer draws to a close and fall draws near, there are many unanswered questions that hopefully will be answered soon. Within the next week I and six of the leaders of the church will be meeting with the Bishop. She has many of the answers to the questions we have about how to move forward with the Church. The only thing I know for sure is that it is my responsibility to continue to make disciples of Jesus Christ. Most likely if the Church had focused on making disciples we would not find ourselves in the position we are today. If every Christian would spend daily time in God's Word reading it systematically and studying it, and if we all had made a commitment to spend daily time in prayer and learning how to hear God's voice speak to us, and if we had learned how uniquely God made each of us and we would have employed ourselves to help in ministry weekly, and lastly, if we had been trained how to have spiritual conversations and lead people to Christ, the Church would be strong.

I will once again offer Class 101 "Understanding the Bible" beginning Tuesday, September 13 at 6:30 P.M.. This class will run for ten weeks. I promise you will learn how to understand your Bible. I will give you the tools that will help you. For those who have already taken it, many said it was life-changing. On Monday, September 19 at 6:30 P.M. we will begin a new class called "Contagious Christian." I promise you that by the end of the class you will know how you can uniquely begin using your God-given personality to start spiritual conversations and lead someone to Christ.

When we don't do the four main things God expects of every Christian, the Church gets weaker and weaker. People like to place blame on others about what is happening in the United Methodist Church, but the only persons who bear the blame are those who refused to spend time in God's Word daily, or refused to pray for the Church and the leadership of the Church daily, or refused to do the ministry God called them to do, and refused to be trained in Evangelism. Many of the members broke a covenant they made with God and the Church to "be loyal to the United Methodist Church and uphold it by your prayers, your presence, your gifts, your service and your witness."

Long ago God disciplined Israel for breaking the covenant that they willfully made with him. God is doing the same to his Church today. May we learn from past history and correct our ways. Let us move forward and commit to doing what God called us to do so that the Church can grow stronger.


In His service and Yours,

Pastor Frank

Circle of Ruth Meets Sept. 8th at Louise Wagner's

Circle of Ruth will be meeting on Thursday, September 8 at 7:00 PM at the home of Louise Wagner (1016 Gravel Hill Rd., Ligonier). Please note that September's meeting is the second Thursday of the month. We will be choosing our Bible study for this year and, of course, enjoying fellowship, fun, and dessert! Please join us and feel free to bring a friend.

Fortified Survivors Meets Sept. 8th at Louise Wagner's

The Women's Cancer Support Group will meet on Thursday, September 8 at 7:00 PM. We will be joining Circle of Ruth for the September meeting. The meeting will be held at the home of Louise Wagner (1016 Gravel Hill Rd., Ligonier). Please come and join us for fun, fellowship, and dessert! 



Upcoming Bible Studies

The Book of John Bible Study will be held at the Bethlen Senior Center on Thursdays at 9 am beginning September 8th with Pastor Frank.

Monday Night Bible Study will resume on September 12th, 7 pm in the Lounge. Watch upcoming bulletins for more information. All are welcome.

Class 101 Understanding the Bible with Pastor Frank will begin on Tuesday, September 13th, 6:30 pm in the Lounge. This class is full.

A Contagious Christian Class with Pastor Frank will begin Monday, September 19th, 6:30 pm upstairs in the Multipurpose Room. A sign up sheet is posted on the bulletin board for those interested or contact the office.



Family Prayer Breakfast Sept. 10th

The next Family Prayer Breakfast will be held on Saturday, September 10th, 8 am at Carol & Dave's. The cost is \$10/person (pay there) and the guest speakers will be The Glory Guys, who will bring their testimony and music to the breakfast. Sign up on the bulletin board by September 7th.

RUMMAGE SALE

Rummage Sale Sept. 23-24

The Outreach Committee is planning a Fall Rummage Sale to be held on Friday & Saturday, September 23 – 24. The hours will be 8 AM – 4 PM on Friday and 8 AM – Noon on Saturday. All proceeds support local and global mission projects.

Donations of good, clean, usable clothing and household items are needed. NOTE! We no longer accept televisions! Donations can be brought to the church during office hours. If you need assistance getting your donations to the church, call Chuck Shaffer at 814-341-5550 or 724-593-7343.

Your help is needed! We will move the rummage items into the Fellowship Hall on Tuesday at 5:30 PM. Crews are needed to arrange sale items on Wednesday & Thursday beginning at 9 AM, and for the sale beginning at 8 AM Friday & Saturday. Additional help is needed at 12:15 PM on Saturday to pack up and cleanup.

Lunch will be available on Friday and Saturday. Help and donations of sandwiches and desserts are needed. Signup sheets will be on the bulletin board at the top of the stairwell.

Help Needed for Civil Air Patrol

The Civil Air Patrol cadets perform a number of important services for our community during Fort Ligonier Days. They come to Ligonier from all over Western PA. Many remain in the community throughout the weekend. In previous years, they have eaten their breakfasts at Heritage's Pancake & Sausage Breakfast and their dinners at various locations.

In addition to providing their breakfasts this year, Heritage Church will be providing the place for the cadets to eat their dinner on Friday & Saturday evenings. The menu & supplies will be furnished. The cadets will assist with cleanup. However, we need volunteers to prepare their meals. If you are willing to help feed these wonderful young people, contact Chuck Shaffer.



Bid On A Quilt For Linus



Shirley Nipps pieced a beautiful 80" x 92" quilt and Sharon Shaffer quilted it. They have donated it to a Silent Auction to benefit the Linus project. Throughout the month of September, the quilt will be on display in the sanctuary on weekends and in the office during office hours.

Bids may be given to the church office until 1 pm September 30. The winning bid will be announced on October 1st & 2nd at worship. Proceeds will be given to Linus.

Linus Thank You: I had to take my son to the pediatric dental asleep and the very first blanket he got to pick from was blaze from rescue bots. Which is one of his favorite shows. He is only 4 and after he woke up was very fussy and crying. This blanket was able to distract him and talk to me about it and calm him down. So I just wanted to thank you /the church for donating these for the kids. We had a 2 hr drive to get home and he would not let anyone touch his blanket. So thank everyone so much for this comfort. God bless you all! Lynn

Knitters Needed

Are there any knitters out there? Linus has received several unfinished knitting projects from an estate. If you would be willing to finish one or two items, or even take a look, contact Sharon Shaffer.



Game Night September 6

Game night will be Tuesday, September 6 from 5–7 pm in The Youth Room. This is open to all students in grades 1-12. Join us for a night of pizza, friends, and fun games including game systems and board/card games.

Rally Day is September 11



Sunday, September 11 is Rally Day! At 9:40 am, all children and youth will meet downstairs in the Wesley room. Did you know that the Wesley room is named after John Wesley, the founder of Methodism? Join us to find out more about this great man. Invite a friend to come with you! During the church services 3rd graders will receive their Bibles and all children will receive a small but special gift during the children's moments.

Girls' Night September 14

We are inviting all girls in grades 6-12 to join us on Wed., Sept. 14th from 6-7:30 pm in the youth room at Heritage UMC for a super fun Girls Night! We'll be doing sparkly manis and pedis and getting pampered! We hope you can come and feel free to bring a friend! For questions or to RSVP (by September 9th), Call the office at 724-238-2627 .



TBA Fall Family Day September 18th!



On Sunday, September 18, TBA will be having their 5th Annual Family Day at Ligonier Camp and Conference Center from 5-7pm! All TBA Youth and their family members are welcome to join us for a night of outdoor festivities, a cookout, and laser tag! Families are welcome to bring any side dish they'd like. Please RSVP by September 11.

TBA Meets Every Monday Beginning Sept. 19th

TBA Youth will begin this school year's meetings on Monday, September 19. We will be meeting in the Youth Room every Monday from 5:30-7pm. TBA is open to all youth in grades 6 through 12. Come join us and feel free to bring a friend!



Christian Adventure Begins Oct. 5

Christian Adventure will begin on Wednesday, October 5. This program is free for grades K-5. Sign up on our website or pick up a registration form beginning Sept. 1st at the church and please register by Sept. 30! Transportation from RK Mellon and the Ligonier Y will be available.

Successful VBS!

This year's Food Truck Party Vacation Bible School was amazing! When you mix 52 children, 11 youth helpers, and 25 adult volunteers together you end up with a lot of fun! A huge thank you goes out to all of the adults, youth helpers, kids, and parents. We raised \$308.60 for our mission project, Food2Go4Kids.



Thank You

Thank you for all the prayers and support during my recent heart procedure. All prayers were answered. What a wonderful family all of you are!!
Sharon Shaffer



DD Umbaugh's latest craft class taught our crafters how to make a beautiful wreath using paper flowers made from pages of a book. The ladies had a lot of fun! Please let the office know if you are interested in participating in future craft classes (dates TBD). Pictured are (from left) Bev Nelson, Patricia Garrison, Sharon Shaffer, Gina Ziegenfus, Birdie Roehrig and Ellen Yeskey. Not pictured: DD Umbaugh and Judi Hodges.

We Had A Wonderful Church Picnic!

Thank you to everyone for coming out for our All Church Picnic on August 14th at the Flax Scutching Grounds in Stahlstown. We had over 80 attendees, the donations of food were incredible, the food from Carol & Dave's was delicious and fun was had by all. Leftovers from our church picnic were offered to Meals on Wheels, Union Mission and Celebrate Recovery at Word of Life Church in Greensburg. All groups were very appreciative that we shared our food with them. Photo by Beth A. Caldwell



To Pastor Frank, Ron & Congregation, What a blessing to be able to play, sing, fellowship and picnic at your Sunday, August 14th, 2022 picnic. You and your church family make us feel so welcome and loved. Keep up the great work for Jesus!! Thanks for the love and God Bless you all! Dan Graboski and the Glory Guys United thru Christ.



THE SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM was given to Claire Louise Fritz and Luke Robert Fritz on Sunday, August 21st. Claire (born 7.23.19) and Luke (born 12.6.21) are the children of Kyle and Anita Fritz and the grandchildren of Dan and Dena Fritz and Scott and Deb Boyd.

Our condolences to the family and friends of John "Jesse" James, who passed away at the age of 88 on Friday, August 12th. He will be missed.



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Sun Mon Tue Wed Thu Fri Sat

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4 Holy Communion	5 Labor Day Office Closed	6 5-7 pm Youth Game Night	7 11 am Clergy Mtg. in Lounge	8 9 am Book of John Study at the Senior Center 7 pm Fortified Survivor Mtg. at Wagner's 7 pm Circle of Ruth Mtg. at Wagner's	9 Office Closed	10 8 am Prayer Breakfast at Carol & Dave's
11 Bible Presentation for 3rd Graders 	12 7 pm Bible Study in Lounge	13 6:30 pm Class 101 in Lounge	14 6 pm Strategic Planning Mtg. in Lounge 6 - 7:30 pm Girls Night	15 9 am Book of John Study at the Senior Center 1 pm Linus Blanket Workday in Fellowship Hall	16	17
18 5-7 pm Fall Family Day at Ligonier Camp & Conf. Ctr.	19 5:30 pm TBA 6:30 pm Contagious Christian Class in Multipurpose Rm. 7 pm Bible Study in Lounge	20 5:30 pm Moving Rummage into Fellowship Hall 6:30 pm Class 101 in Lounge	21 9 am Rummage Sale Set Up 5:30 pm Education Committee Mtg. in Lounge	22 9 am Book of John Study at the Senior Center 9 am Rummage Sale Set Up 1 pm Newsletter Deadline 6 pm Council Mtg. in Lounge	23 Office Closed Rummage Sale 8 am-4 pm	24 Rummage Sale 8 am-Noon
25	26 5:30 pm TBA 6:30 pm Contagious Christian Class in Multipurpose Rm. 7 pm Bible Study in Lounge	27 6:30 pm Class 101 in Lounge	28	29 9 am Book of John Study at the Senior Center	30	

Regular and Weekly Meetings

Sunday 8:30 & 10:45 am Worship Services
9:40 am Sunday School/Fellowship Class
Monday 10:00 am Prayer & Praise Mtg. in Choir Room
5:30 pm TBA Mtg.
7:00 pm Monday Night Bible Study in Lounge
Tuesday 6:30 pm Class 101 Study in Lounge
7:00 pm Cub Scouts in Fellowship Hall
Weds 8:00 pm AA Mtg. in Fellowship Hall
Thursday 9:00 am Bible Study at Valley Senior Center
Friday 8:00 am AA Mtg. in Fellowship Hall
Saturday 6:00 pm Contemporary Worship Service

September Anniversaries

Sept. 4th - Dick & Ginny Markle
Sept. 5th - Dennis & Nancy Rising
Sept 7th - Stan & Diana Neiderhiser
Sept. 16th - Bob & Carolyn Hoover
Sept. 22nd - Maureen & Bryan Vincent
Sept. 28th - Bob & Daryle Brown

September Birthdays:

1st Diane Dennis
2nd Jackson Daugherty
3rd Pastor Frank
2nd Nevaeh Cavallo
4th Bill Pritts
5th Bob Hoover
Amy Meade
7th Eric Schell, Jr.
Isabella Petrilla
9th Bill Stablein
9th Molly Weaver
10th Wendy Black
18th Mona McKee
21st Madison Beattie
22nd Shilo Petrilla
24th Stan Neiderhiser
29th Jessica Prieto
30th Ben Meade