# The Messenger

**JUNE 2013** 

# From the Pastor's Desk: **Preaching to Yourself**

In our faith journey, we often find ourselves down or despondent. Sometimes this is the result of things happening to us: a loved one passes away or you lose your job. Sometimes our faith is just plain flat: nothing exciting is happening, going to church just seems to be routine. You are in a spiritual funk.

To remedy the situation you need to learn to preach to yourself!

"Why are you downcast, O my Soul?

What so disturbed within me?"

~Psalm 42:5

In Psalm 42, the writer is doing just that. He is talking to himself: "Why are you downcast, O my soul?" What is disturbing you that you are down? A harsh or judgmental word? A bad day at the office? Just when

you pay off the credit card, the refrigerator dies? For whatever reason, you and the psalmist are having a bad day.

Preach to yourself! The psalmist responds, "Put your hope in God, for I will yet praise Him, my savior and my God. My soul is downcast within me; therefore I will remember You."

"Remember that you are more sinful than you dare to believe - and at the same time, more loved than you ever dared to hope..."

The antidote to the downcast soul is remembering and praising. Martin Luther started every morning remembering that he is baptized, that he belongs to God, and praising Him for it. Remember that you are more sinful than



you dare to believe and at the same time, more loved than you ever dared to hope; praise God for His love for you. God sent His son so that He might have fellowship restored with YOU! Thank Him for that.

By remembering and praising, you are telling your heart who you are in Christ. You are reminding your heart of God's provision, God's blessing, and God's presence in your life. So when you are downcast, remind yourself; speak to your heart about these things!!

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# JUNE SERMONS & WORSHIP:

- June 2
  Luke 7:1-10
- June 9 Luke 7:11-17
- June 16 Guest Preacher: Dr. Kang Na
- June 23
  Luke 8:26-39
- **June 30** Luke 9:51-62

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# **Health Ministry**

- The regular meeting of the Health Ministry Team will take place on Sunday, June 2, in the Library, immediately following worship.
- Blood pressure screening will take place on Sunday, June 16, during the monthly church fellowship breakfast. Blood pressure screening will also be done prior to the Prime Timers meeting on Tuesday, June 18, at Pearson Park.
- Health Tip for June: RECOGNIZE THE



SIGNS OF STROKE (may be sudden):

- 1. Numbness or weakness of face, arm, or leg.
- 2. Confusion or trouble

- speaking or understanding speech.
- 3. Difficulty seeing in one or both eyes.
- 4. Difficulty walking or with balance.
- 5. Severe headache, sometimes with nausea and/or vomiting.

If you or a loved one has these symptoms, GET HELP FAST! Today, quick treatment can stop many strokes as they are occurring.

## **Big Brothers/Big Sisters Summer Events**

Big Brothers/Big Sisters has several fun activities planned for this summer:

**June 3 -** 5th annual picnic at the Tinstman's

**June 17 -** Swimming at Debbie Reynold's

July 1 - Aviation Night

July 15 - Crane Room

**August 5 -** Picnic at McConnell's Mill/Butler Veterans

**August 19 -** Erie Sea Wolves Baseball

**August 26 -** 4th annual picnic at the Mendenhall's

If you would like to participate in any of these events, or if you have an idea for a future BB/BS event, please contact Bill Nesbitt: (724) 652-6203, or Amy Plyler: (724) 654-9167.



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## **Youth News**

#### K.F.C.

Sunday, June 2 - We are having an end-of-schoolyear picnic at McConnell's Mill State Park. We will have a whiffle ball game, picnic lunch, Bible Rush, and take a short scenic hike along Slippery Rock Creek. We will leave from the church at 3:30PM and return to the church at 6:30PM.



**Sunday, June 23 -** Back by popular demand: GO-KART & WINGS! We'll

head up to Hermitage and Sharon for some go-kart action and some delicious world famous wings from Quaker Steak.

# July Coming Attractions - Waldameer Park, Mission Barn Project

### C.2G.S.

The 7th-12th Grade Sunday School Class will be doing a summer study on praying the Psalms and studying Gospel themes.

## **FlipSide**

VBS - We can always use helpers for VBS. If you have not already done so, please contact Karen Weichman to sign-up to help. There are a variety of ways that you can share in this great ministry.

**Dinner & A Movie -**We'll take in the new Su-

perman movie, "Man of Steel." As always, we will schedule this together.

**July Coming Attractions** - "His Hands" local mission week, July 22-26. We will be working with other local youth groups, His Hands, LCYM, and Bible Way Church of God in Christ to do work projects on homes on the East side, in the Bible Way Church's neighborhood. More specific information is coming soon. This is a great week with major local impact and relationshipbuilding among New Castle area residents, all in the name of Jesus Christ!

### **Please Note:**

Aaron is on vacation from June 8 - June 15.

## **Graduation Sunday**

We will celebrate our graduates on **Sunday**, **June 2**, during the worship service. We will recognize the graduation of students in high school, college (all degrees), and the military.

Congratulations to all of Clen-Moore's graduates! May God bless you in your future endeavors.



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## **Mission Memo**

Kevin and Wendy Mason reside in Budapest, Hungary, but owned a home in Estonia which burned on April 12. Estonian firefighters battled the blaze for seven hours, declaring the work done at 5:20 Saturday morning.

The Estonia home was beginning its maiden voyage as Grace House: a live-in discipleship home for unwed mothers. The ministry of Grace House will continue on. They are not changing course, even if the location

may change. Pray for this ministry to get established. John and Beth Viinalass had only freshly arrived to begin this work a few weeks prior.

In the meantime, Kevin and Wendy are dealing with the insurance company and have able and willing friends to represent them. They have a contractor who has agreed to restore the place. Please pray for the Masons to discover the best possible solutions for their next steps.

# **May Mission Disbursements**

**\$1,000 -** Crisis Shelter of Lawrence County

**\$1,500 -** New Castle Christian Academy

**\$1,500 -** Caleb International Ministries

# **Empty Bowls/Summer Food Service Program**

"Thank you for helping us make Empty Bowls a success! We could not have done it without your support. We raised over \$7,000 for the Summer Food Service Program!

"The program runs from **June 10-August 23** and we are actively recruiting volunteers of all ages. Volunteers are need-

ed to serve meals (no cooking required) and assist with recreational activities.

"This is a great opportunity for the retired community, as well as youth volunteers who need community service hours. Certificates of Attendance and letters of recommendation can be provided at the end of the summer.



"Thank you again,

Ashley Kelly-Stuart

Summer Food Service Program Outreach in Beaver, Butler, & Lawrence County"

## Financial Snapshot Year-to-Date April 2013

	Beginning Balance	Receipts	Disbursements	Ending Balance
General Fund	\$25,000	\$104,767	\$121,427	\$8,340
Gen. Missions Fund	\$16,260	\$16,403	\$22,480	\$10,183
TOTAL	\$41,260	\$121,171	\$143,907	\$18,523

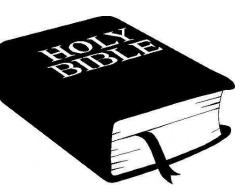
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## **Daily Bible Readings**

- 1. 1 Chron. 26, 27
- 2. 1 Kings 1:1-27, Ps 69, 70, 71
- 3. 1 Kings 1:28-53; 1 Chron. 28:1-29:25; Psalm 72
- 4. Song of Solomon 1-8
- 5. Ps. 45; 1 Kings 2:1-12; 2 Sam 23:1-7; 1 Chron. 29:26-30; 1 Kings 2:13-46
- 6. 2 Chron. 1:1-13; 1 Kings 3; Ps. 1, Proverbs 1
- 7. Prov. 2-4
- 8. Prov. 5, 6; Ps. 37
- 9. Prov. 7-9
- 10. 1 Kings 4; Prov. 10; Ps. 90
- 11. 1 Kings 5; 2 Chron. 2; *Romans 1*
- 12. Prov. 11; Ps. 14, 53; Rom.
- 13. 1 Kings 6; 2 Chron. 3; *Rom. 3*
- 14. Kings 7:1-12; Prov. 12; *Rom. 4*

- 15. 1 Kings 7:13-51; 2 Chron. 4:1-5; *Rom.* 5
- 16. 1 Kings 8:1-21; 2 Chron. 5:2-6:11; *Rom.* 6
- 17. 1 Kings 8:22-61; 2 Chron. 6:12-42; Ps. 132
- 18. 1 Kings 8:62-9:9; 2 Chron. 7; Ps. 92, 93; Rom. 7
- 19. Ps. 94, 95, 96, 29; *Rom.* 8
- 20. Ps. 97, 98, 99, 100; Rom. 9
- 21. 1 Kings 9:10-28; 2 Chron. 8; Rom. 10
- 22. 1 Kings 10:1-25; 2 Chron. 9:1-28; *Rom. 11*
- 23. 1 Kings 10:26-29; 2 Chron. 1:14-17; 1 Kings 11:1-13; Ps 45, 72; Rom. 12
- 24. Ecclesiastes 1, 2; Prov. 13:1-12; Rom. 13
- 25. Ecc. 3, 4; Prov. 13:13-25; Rom. 14

26. Ecc. 5, 6; Rom. 15 27. Ecc. 7, 8; Rom. 16 28. Ecc. 9, 10; Prov. 14



29. Ecc. 11, 12; Prov. 15 30. 1 Kings 11:14-40; 2 Chron. 9:29-31; Prov. 16

## In Memoriam

- We mourn the passing of Carroll Byler, father of Barbara VanHorn.
- A gift in memory of Betty Eisenhuth was given by the Irvine Bible Class.
- Gifts in memory of Charles Byler were given by Anita & Bob Caswell and by Bill & Sally McIlrath.



# **Messenger Memo**

The deadline to submit articles for the July/August *Messenger* is Monday, June 10.

Sign up to receive *The Messenger* via email; go to clenmoore.org/newsletter.

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#### **CHURCH STAFF**

The Rev. Chris Weichman, Pastor Director of Youth & Family Ministry, Aaron Christy Church Organist, Dr. Jane Karski Director of Choirs, Kathryn Bressler-Mansell Church Treasurer, Dennis Richards Substitute Treasurer, Sharon Esposito Church Secretary, Kathy Barkley Nursery Care Provider, Anna Moore Church Custodian, Charles Antonelli

### THE SESSION

Rev. Chris Weichman, Moderator Gail Keffer, Clerk of Session

2014 2015 2013 Sharon Esposito Debbie Book Barb Harper John Meyers Beth DeVivo Lois Henneman Tom Rapp Margie Kerr Clarence Jenkins Jim Reese Jeff Mendenhall Joe Lamb **Bob Sholler** Seth Plyler Tom Mansell

### THE BOARD OF DEACONS

2015 2014 2013 Evelyn Genkinger Amy Ball Jackie Bush Jen Hardisky Beth Held Sandy Kelty Sarah Plyler Cheryl Pilch Sue McKissick Rita Plyler John Purdy Natalie Mendenhall Margie Tinstman **Bob Turner** Delores Temple Joan Warren

## **June Helpers**

### **Hospital Visitation:**

2 John Meyers, Jim Reese

9 Beth DeVivo, Barb Harper

16 Lois Henneman, Clarence Jenkins

23 Margie Kerr, Tom Mansell

30 Joe Lamb, Jeff Mendenhall

### **Deacons of the Month:**

Beth Held, Cheryl Pilch

#### Van Driver:

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# **VBS 2013**

June 17-21 5:45-7:45PM

Vacation Bible School is almost here! We are once again partnering with First Presbyterian Church to put on the "Everywhere Fun Fair." Kids will take a trip around the world to visit Christian children in other countries.

As always, VBS is <u>free</u> and open to every child aged 4 through entering 6th graders. Registration is available online at clenmoore.org.

Our goal is to register 100 kids this year. To do that, we will need lots of volunteers: crew leaders,



activity helpers, set-up & cleanup, and more. Even if you can only help for one night, we have a place for you! Just let Karen Weichman know you're interested.