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By Faith we LIVE



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8:45 AM 10:45 AM Gary Etter Arlene Uldrich Charlene Brown

WORSHIP LEADER: Meg Roalef—Aug. 11 Pasko Evanoff—Aug. 18

GREETER: Marilyn Foskuhl—Aug.

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN...

I am hereby officially tendering my resignation as an adult. I have decided I would like to accept the responsibility of a 6 year old again.

I want to go to McDonald's and think it's a four star restaurant. I want to sail sticks across a fresh mud puddle and make ripples with rocks. I want to play kickball during recess and paint with watercolors in art. I want to lie under a big Oak tree and run a lemonade stand with my friends on a hot summers' day.

I want to return to a time when life was simple. When all you knew were colors, addition tables and simple nursery rhymes, but that didn't bother you, because you didn't know what you didn't know and you didn't care. When all you knew was to be happy because you didn't know all the things that should make you worried and upset. I want to think that the world is fair. That everyone in it is honest and good. I want to believe that anything is possible.

Somewhere in my youth...I matured and I learned too much. I learned of nuclear weapons, war, prejudice, starvation, and abused children. I learned lies, unhappy marriages, suffering, illness, pan and death. I learned of a world where men left their families to go and fight for our country and returned only to end up living on the streets... begging for their next meal. I learned of a world where children knew how to kill....and did!

What happened to the time when we thought that everyone would live forever, because we didn't grasp the concept of death? When we thought the worst thing in the world was if someone took the jump rope from you or picked you last for kickball? I want to be oblivious to the complexity of life and be overly excited by little things once again. I want to return to the days when reading was fun and music was clean: when television was used to report the news or for family entertainment and not to promote sex, violence and deceit. I remember being naive and thinking that everyone was happy because I was. I would walk on the beach and only think of the sand between my toes and the prettiest seashell I could find. I would spend afternoons climbing trees and riding my bike. I didn't worry about time, bills or where I was going to find the money to fix my car. I used to wonder what I was going to do to or be when I grew up, not worry about what I'll do if this doesn't work out.

I want to live simple again. I I don't want my day to consist of computer crashes, mountains of paperwork, depressing news, how to survive more days in the month than there is money in the bank, doctor bills, gossip, illness, and loss of loved ones. I want to believe in the power of smiles, hugs, a kind word, truth, justice, peace, dreams, the imagination, mankind and making angels in the snow. I want to be 6 again.

Author Unknown

The changes that occur to us over our lifetime can make us pine for the days of innocents again when life was easy and good through the eyes of our youth. We are reminded in life as things are changing around us and not always for the good there is

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Attendance - July 21, 28 & Aug.4 '13

8:45— 19, 27, 10 10:45— 57, 62, 73 Sunday school— 23, 22, ?

Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$14,958)	
Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
\$13,272	-1,686
\$10,411.91	-4,547
\$10,323	-4,635
\$14,314	-644
\$8,745	- 6,212
\$10,436	- 4,522
\$10,768	-4,190
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<u>Happy Birthday</u>

Donna Prendergast—Aug. 9 Mark Rayney—Aug. 11 Tom Wheeler—Aug. 12 Loretta Liesch—Aug. 14 Andy Hager—Aug. 15 Doris Robinette—Aug. 15 Steve Foskuhl—Aug. 20 Brittany King—Aug. 20 Mike Robinson—Aug. 22



<u>In Our Prayers</u>

Doris Alexander Russell Berk Ginny Breckler Jim Coleman Norm Conn Larry Earwood John George Sharon Gilmore Kevin Bader Glenda Boddie Nolan Butts Michelle Conn Ceci (Cobb) Cole Margaret Foster Jamie Geswein Ken Hambrick Bill Hine Don Keltner Dustin Knowlton Onu Kolossova Barb LeBlanc Kelly McRonney Lauren McClure Bob McCrav Marcella Miller Hilda Moblev Karolina O'Donnell John Parnell Cindy Romano Calire Riccos Deb Richey Tom Scheit **Beverly Smith Diana Smith** David Stockton Wayne Stolich Paul Stutz Gloria Van Camp **Evelyn Wheeler** Gina Van Camp Mary Willett Cathy Winn

As prayers are answered—please let the church office know, so we may give God thanks with you.



Those in Nursing Care

Mary Lou Chaney – Bethany Vlg. Margaret Cobb – Walnut Creek Margaret Dill – Masonic Home Doris Greenwood—Grand Court Ginny Hambrick—Walnut Creek Vern Hine—St. Leonards Center Lottie Jaeger – The Oaks, West Kett Lena Patterson – Liberty Woods Vera Westfall—Elm Croft, Washington Tnsp

<u>Military</u>

Ian Bader - USA, (Brown's grandson) Kirby Brooks— USA (A Brooks son) Scott Certain – Afganistan (Jay's son-in-law) Michael Mantia— USA Nathanial Nicholas—USA Brian Nicholas—USA (Nicholas family sons) Adam Reeves—USA (Edna's grandson) Sam Rogers— USA (Jen Roger's son) Casey Ryan - USA (Weyrauch son-in-law)

Frontier Nursing University Dear Members of GOPCUCC,

Thank You for your recent donation to Frontier Nursing University. Your commitment supports our mission to prepare nurse-midwives and nurse practitioners whoa re leaders in the primary care of women and families residing in all areas with an emphasis on underserved and rural populations.

Your support is helping these nurses and future leaders to provide increased access to quality healthcare.

No matter where you go, or where you live, a Frontier nurse-midwife or nurse practitioner is never far away. More that 1, 500 currently enrolled students will join over 3,000 graduates in all fifty states and many foreign countries. Your investment in us is truly an investment in better healthcare for women and families everywhere. Thank you for your support! - Susan Stone, President and Dean

CROSSROAD (UCC Children's Home) Dear GOPCC,

Your ongoing support for the youth at Crossroad is very important. Your gift of \$200 is evidence of your continued commitment. We are so grateful to you! For 130 years Crossroad has been making a difference in young lives, with your help.

People who work with children in the Midwest often turn to Crossroad for help. Judges, therapists, educators, caseworkers, doctors, and individuals family members refer children for treatment.

We offer you our sincerest appreciation. Warm regards, Kyle Zanker, Chief Development Officer

(the full letters are posted on the **6** bulletin board.)

Bible Brain Twister

This puzzle was written by a lady in California in response to an offer from a gentleman in Philadelphia; that he would pay anyone \$1,000 if they could write a riddle he could not solve. He failed to do so and paid the \$1,000. The answer is one word and it <u>ap-</u> <u>pears only four times in the Bible.</u>

Adam God made out of dust, but thought it best to make me first. So I was made before man, to answer God's most holy plan. A living being I became and Adam gave to me my name. I from his presence then withdrew and more of Adam I never knew. I did my Maker's law obey, nor ever went from it astray. Thousands of miles I go in fear but seldom on earth appear. For purpose wise which God did see, He put a living soul in me. A soul from me God did claim and took from me, the soul again. So when from me the soul had fled, it was the same as when first made. And without hands, or feet, or soul, I travel on from pole to pole. I labor hard by day, by night; to fallen men I give great light. Thousands of people, young and old, will by my death great light behold. No right or wrong can I conceive, the scripture I cannot believe. Although my name therein is found, they are to me an empty sound. No fear of earth doth trouble me, real happiness I'll never see. To Heaven I shall never go or, to Hell below. Now, when these lines you slowly read, so search your Bible with all speed. For that my name is written there: I do honestly to you declare. Who am I?

(talk to Dr Bob when you think you have the answer)

To whom It May Concern—Cont.

one person that never changes and that is God. Psalm 33:11 reminds us "But the plans of the Lord stand firm forever, the purposes of his heart through all generations. "

Are you frustrated by inconsistencies you see in others and yourself and wish at times you were six again and living in a much less complex world? God is that constant that never changes he is completely trustworthy – his intentions never change. There is a promise that good and perfect gifts come to us from the Creator who never changes. When you wonder if there is anyone in whom you can trust, remember that God is completely consistent. Let him be your counsel, and trust in his plans for your life. Dr. B.

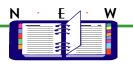
Kroger's Reward Update

Our Rewards supporters can now view their individual amounts at the Kroger's on-line site with their account number. Go to <u>Www.kroger.com</u>

If you need reward account support please call the 1-866-221-4141 number for assistance.

For anyone who wishes to enroll with the Kroger's Rewards fundraiser program go to krogercommunityrewards.com Follow the on-line enrollment process, <u>the NPO for Greenmont</u> <u>-Oak Park Community church is 80028</u>. When you enroll correctly you will see your organization's name on the bottom of your receipt when grocery shopping.

Using your Kroger Plus card to fundraise for the church is an easy way to offer more support to the church. We are currently earning between \$120 and \$180/ quarter.



Updating Member Address Info. + Updating the One-Call System

Please let the church office know if there are any address, phone, email address changes, so we can update for the new church directory. I will be working on updating information through the month of August. We will have a new church directory to hand out later in September.

If anyone who is not participating on our church One-Call Information System and would like to get calls of important church related information or coming events, please let the church office know, so we can add you to the call list. The automated calls can go to either your home phone number or cell phone number or both if you wish.

The Repaving Work is in progress & will be completed by next week



YOU HAVE RESPONDED WITH FAITHFUL COMMITMENT—We are meeting our goal. THANK YOU LORD !

Getting to Know the Disciples Summer Sunday School

We are taking a look at the disciples from the time they met Jesus to what they did after the Crucifixion. We're sure some information will surprise you. Aug. 11—Thomas—Robbie Von Holle Aug. 18—Mathias—Frank Taylor Aug. 25 - James the son of Zebadee - Frank Lakins

Sept. 1—James the son of Alphaeus - Sheri Parrett

Chimes Article Deadlines are: Aug. 19 & Sept. 3

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Church T-Shirt Sale

The Membership/Fellowship Com-0 mittee has green-Greenmont-Oak Ν Park Church T-shirts for sale, at a cost of \$8.00. They will also be giving a free T-shirt to our new mem-Α bers. If you would like to purchase a new T-shirt contact Marilyn Foskuhl 426-9280 or Cheryl Bar-G nett. 429-2884

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U 'My soul glorifies С The Lord and my С SPIRIT REJOICES IN GOD MY SAVIOR." LUKE 1:46-47

Search Committee Update

We are currently meeting 4-6 times a month reviewing ministerial profiles, and we have begun the process of interviewing some Pastor's. We continue to move forward with the process.

Please keep our Search Committee in your prayers and thank you for your support! We believe God has wonderful & exciting plans for us in growing His church!



Food Pantry Wish List:

We served 191 families in July. The following items are in VERY LOW supply.

-your donations make it possible to purchase & restock the shelves so we can continue to serve our neighbors in need.

- drink mixes (tea bags, kool-aids, Punch, etc.)
- Canned peas, green beans, corn
- Spaghetti pasta and sauce
- Soups
 - TP and bath bar soap
- Paper grocery bags also needed (no plastic please- these are plentiful)

Any item donations can be dropped off at the red cart or wooden chest in the Gathering Place.

The J-U-S-T RIGHT Day!

The Church Picnic was a success! Our first thank you goes to the Lord for providing us with such a beautiful day-not too hot and not too cold, j-u-s-t right!

A big thank you goes to my committee Toni Bailey and Joyce Kelley for all the input and help they gave me. I want to thank Gary Etter, Phil Brown, and Ray Urbanas for bringing and taking back to Church all the tables, chairs, and grill. Thank you to Sandy Conn for the use of her grill. Thank you Ryan Brodowski for setting up the PA system and bringing over the youth's corn hole set. Thank you to Paula Geswein for the use of her corn hole bags. Thanks to Ben Barnett, Steve Simmons, Fred Foskuhl and others who carried boxes and coolers for me. A thank you to Jon Dull for grilling the hot dogs and other things he did. A thank you to Laura VonHolle, Ben Barnett, Landon and Mason Dull for calling the BINGO. The clean up had many wonderful helping hands including Karen Brown, Sue and Rev. Smitley, Bob Berk, Sherri Parrett, and others. A special big thanks goes to Anna and D Slaidins, Landon and Mason Dull for the extra help washing coolers and putting things away at the Church.

A BIG THANK YOU to all who helped. - Cheryl Barnett

(Thank You Cheryl—good leadership)



Help Needed

I finally have an effective date for my move to Georgia (8/25/13). Therefore, I am humbly requesting someone to step up and complete my term as Official Board secretary. Time commitments is minimal-one hour board meeting and 15 minutes to type up the notes (see sample on bulletin board outside the office).

Please prayerfully consider this small but important role in our church.

-Thanks ! Jacque Fisher



3-T's

The next 3-T's event will take place at noon on August 20th, at MCL Cafeteria. The hosts for this month are Mary Marcum and Marilyn Foskuhl. If you are 50 years or older, please come join us for some good food, fellowship, and fun.

"Store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where moth & rust do not destroy, & where thieves do not break in and steal."

Matthew 6:20

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