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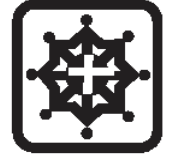
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Chapel Worship: 8:45 AM

Morning Worship: 10:45 AM

Sunday School: 9:30 AM

Bible Adventure: 10:45 AM

Ushers:

8:45 AM 10:45 AM

Gary Etter

Arlene Uldrich

Charlene Brown



Join with the world wide Christian Community
in Communion this Sunday, Oct. 6, 2013

WORSHIP LEADER:

Oct. 6—Ed Alexander

Oct. 13—Frank Taylor

GREETER:

Paula Geswein

Faith is Rewarded

Romans 4:5 " However, to the man who does not work but trust God who justifies the wicked, his faith is credited as righteousness."

The late Lord Congleton had tenants who owed him much back rent. He was a Christian and he wanted to give them a lesson of how faith secures forgiveness, while unbelief shuts us out from the promises of God.

To their surprise, a notice was posted up over the estate, promising a remission of all rent to any tenant who would meet Lord Congleton on a certain day at the estate office between the hours of ten and twelve. The tenants, governed by the corruption of their evil hearts immediately suspected a snare, and spent the intervening days trying to find out what plan was designed for their injury.

On the promised day, Lord Congleton sat in his office, and the tenants crowded the streets of the little county town. Whispering and talking with much excitement, but not one entered the open door of the house. Ten o'clock, half past ten, eleven o'clock, half past eleven came, but no tenant appeared. Still their landlord sat waiting to befriend them. At last, a little before twelve, a tenant entered the office, and asked for the promised receipt. "Do you really expect to be forgiven your debt?" asked Lord Congleton, "Yes, my Lord" "And, why?" "Your lordship has promised it." "AND DO YOU BELIEVE THE PORMISE?" "Yes, my lord." "Why?" "Your lordship would not deceive a poor man." "But are you a good and industrious man?" "The notice said nothing, my lord, about that." "So you believed the notice and have come for the receipt?" "Yes, my lord."

Lord Congleton wrote the receipt and handed it to the man, who sprang to his feet, waving the paper over his head and shouted, "I knew you wouldn't deceive us. Now I'll show it to the boys," and he made toward the door of the room.

"Stop," cried Lord Congleton, "it is not yet twelve o'clock." Directly the hour struck and Lord Congleton said, "You may go." The man ran out of the house into the street, waving the receipt over his head and shouting, "I've got it. Didn't I tell you it was all true? I'm a free man!"

When some people learn that they are saved by God through faith, they start to worry. "Do I have enough faith?" they wonder. "Is my faith strong enough to save me." These people miss the point. It is Jesus Christ who saves us, not our feelings or actions, and he is strong enough to save us no matter how weak our faith is. Jesus offers us salvation as a gift because he loves us, not because we have earned it through our powerful faith. What, then, is the role of faith? Faith is believing and trusting in Jesus Christ, and reaching out to accept his wonderful gift of salvation.

Just as the tenant had faith that Lord Congleton would not deceive him, so the Lord Jesus Christ will not deceive you either – he keeps his word and his word shall set you free. Amen.

Shalom
Dr. B.

Attendance - Sept. 22 & 29 '13

8:45 — 22, 24
10:45 — 58, 70
Sunday school — 22, 29

Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$14,958)

	Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
Dec. '12	\$13,272	-1,686
Jan. '13	\$10,411.91	-4,547
Feb. '13	\$10,323	-4,635
Mar. '13	\$14,314	-644
Apr. '13	\$8,745	-6,212
May '13	\$10,436	-4,522
June '13	\$10,768	-4,190
July '13	\$11,204	-3,754
Aug. '13	\$ 9,635	-5,323

Happy Birthday

- Becky Northern—Oct. 4
- Bob Foster—Oct. 5
- Shari Harshbarger—Oct. 5
- Chris Donovan—Oct. 8
- Stephanie Marcum—Oct. 8
- Verdena Mardis—Oct. 10
- Steve Simmons—Oct. 10
- Nova Kigar—Oct. 14
- Phyllis Lakins—Oct. 14
- Ben Barnett—Oct. 16



In Our Prayers

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|-------------------|------------------|
| Liz Ancil | Kevin Bader |
| Parker Lee Balsan | Cheryl Barnett |
| Russell Berk | Glenda Boddie |
| Ginny Breckler | Nolan Butts |
| Jim Coleman | Michelle Conn |
| Norm Conn | Ceci (Cobb) Cole |
| Dennison family | Larry Earwood |
| Rodney Finley | John George |

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| Jamie Geswein | Ken Hambrick |
| Bill Hine | Don Keltner |
| Dustin Knowlton | Onu Kolossova |
| Barb LeBlanc | Kelly McRonney |
| Bob McCray | Marcella Miller |
| Hilda Mobley | Karolina O'Donnell |
| Josh Parrett | John Parnell |
| Jacob Roalef | Cindy Romano |
| Calire Riccos | Deb Richey |
| Tom Scheit | Beverly Smith |
| Diana Smith | David Stockton |
| Wayne Stolich | Paul Stutz |
| Gloria Van Camp | Gina Van Camp |
| Evelyn Wheeler | 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
- Pat White—Lincoln Park Nursing

Military

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

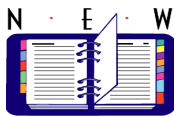
Pantry Families to lift in Prayer:

Eddie—strength in changing eating habits.



Sunday, Oct. 27, 2013, 12 to 3 PM
—Chili Cook Off & Halloween Party

Bring your favorite chili soup to share in a Chili Cook-off contest, followed by a Trunk-or-Treat Halloween party for the young at heart. After eating lunch we will dismiss to the parking lot for people to offer treats to the children as they parade past your parked cars and into the pumpkin patch for games, and a costume contest. The parking lot will be closed off during the treat handing out segment of the party. - Sherri Parrett



New Church Directory Available

Please pick-up a new church directory from the church office. We have updated new address and phone number information. - the church office

Fresh Altar Flowers

Anyone wanting to donate real fresh flowers for the Altar for a celebration, etc., please contact Marilyn Foskuhl, at FOSK@aol.com or 371-4452. Please give a weeks notice.

New Electronic Sign—approved by Official Board.

We are working with the Sign Dynamic company in upgrading our church sign with an electronic messaging screen. Their cost came in around \$9,300. This was much better than competitors.

The tentative time for having the sign in place is around Thanksgiving.

- Trustees

CROSSROAD—Thank You

Your prayers, gifts and time to help Crossroad kids and families is appreciated. Crossroad has been helping children and families for 130 years. We have a saying, "Crossroad creates promising futures for children—whatever it takes!" We know it takes people who are caring and giving. People like you! Thanks for caring about troubled kids. Bless you! - Crossroad Children's Home

AS this thank you reminds us about caring and connecting with others, I will remind us that we save and collect Campbell's soup UPC labels, Pepperidge Farm product UPC labels, cereal and snack box tops for education labels and Swanson UPC labels for the Crossroad programs. We send a large envelope of labels to Crossroad about twice a year, to help with their programs. Remember to cut out the UPC code, we cannot send the whole label.



CROP WALK—Oct. 6 1 to 4 PM

Join Church World Service and Greenmont-Oak Park Church members in walking to help end hunger locally and around the globe. 25% of the funds raised stay in the local area.

We will travel to Dayton Metro Island Park to walk together with many other groups in this National fundraiser and awareness event to help end hunger. Put on some comfortable shoes and walk with us, or sponsor a walker.

We have a wonderful world map displayed on the church bulletin board sharing information about how our walk to stop hunger is helping our neighbors in the world. Please stop by and take a look at this information.

Contact Kate Brown, Connie Sink or Laura Von Holle with any questions.

Calling All Prayer Warriors

While I will only be physically in the pews once a month, I plan to stay in touch via prayer with the church. Rev. Smitley has agreed to send me all the weekly prayer requests. I would like to start a prayer ministry to keep in touch with my church family. Won't you join me?

The Job description: Receive email from Jacque and uplift

prayers once or every day. God does listen. Shouldn't we unite and send up the most at need? If interested in joining me in the prayer chain, please email my home address

(Jacque-fisher@sbcglobal.net)



3/4 SEMI TRUCK LOAD

Delivery is Sat. Oct. 5th at 9:00 AM. WE NEED ALL THE HELP WE CAN GET AND MORE. We are unloading 3/4 of a semi truck. Please bring family, friends, neighbors, anyone and everyone you know. Because it's a lot of pumpkins to unload.

This fundraiser supports all our youth programs, outings, mission trips and more. We couldn't do it without your help, support and prayers.

Let us challenge ourselves to have all the week day sales hours for the first 2 weeks at least filled in by Oct 5th. This is one of our most visible projects to the community. What a wonderful way to meet and greet new families.

Saturday, Oct. 26 will be the Fall Festival Day, many volunteer helpers are needed that day.

We feel God's blessing upon us each year as this project unfolds, come be a part of it.

GOPCC youth, youth parents, family, friends and neighbors are AWESOME!

God Bless you—Sheri Parrett, 475-5724

Fall Sunday School Schedule

The Fall schedule will resume on Sunday, Sept. 15, 2013.
 9:30 AM—Confirmation class
 -lead by Dave Roalef
 9:30 AM—High School/College
 - lead by Bob Colvin
 9:30 AM—Adult Bible class
 - lead by Frank Taylor
 9:30 AM—Adult Contemporary
 - lead by Laura Von Holle
 10:45 AM—Bible Adventure
 (during worship - continues for all 4yr. Olds to 5th graders)
 10:45 AM—Nursery (babies to 3yrs)



Youth Programs

Jr & Sr High Youth - meet every SAT. 8 to 11PM (7th to 12th grade) Fellowship, games, snacks and scripture based discussion are a part of all youth meetings.
Crusaders/ Footprints (K to 6th grade) - meet the 1st & 3rd Sundays following worship. Bring a sack lunch.

The contemporary Sunday School class has begun the study of the book "Twelve Steps to A Compassionate Life" by Karen Armstrong. Armstrong is the author of numerous books on religious affairs. In 2008 she was awarded the TED Prize and began working on the Charter for Compassion, created online by the general public and crafted by leading thinkers in Judaism, Christianity, Islam, Hinduism

and Buddhism. The charter was signed in November 2009 by a thousand religious and secular leaders. It can be found at www.charterforcompassion.org.

This book is intended to set forth a program that can lead us toward a more compassionate life. She identifies that a compassionate life is not a matter of only heart or mind but a deliberate and often life-altering commingling of the two. Please join us following the first worship service across from the kitchen on Sunday mornings.

Chimes Article Deadlines are:

Oct. 14 & Nov. 4

Demolition is complete and rebuilding has begun.

Beginning Sept. 23 the Trustees have dismantled the temporary sanctuary ramp and are rebuilding it according to code. We have our permit, and the work is going along good so far .

There will not be any ramp access to the sanctuary during this work period. The goal is to finish the work by the end of Oct. **The Hallway stairs will be the only access to the sanctuary, during the work period.** The Hilty room extension will be available for worship seating, but no sanctuary access.

We are sorry for the inconvenience, but the work will greatly improve our ramp access and safety. - Trustees

Pantry Wish List

- * Canned fruits & vegetables
- * Spaghetti pasta
- * Paper grocery bags



FAMILY FALL Festival & PUMPKIN Sale



Sat. - Oct. 26 - 12 to 5 PM Carnival games & Petting Zoo
Preschool Open House - Oct. 26 -12 to 2 PM (ages 3 to 5)
Sunday - Oct. 27 - Come Worship With Us - 10:45AM

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Games:

Ring toss

Spin the Wheel

Knock the Can

Tickets: 50 C each

Food:

bake Sale

popcorn

Hot Dogs/Hamburgers

Duck pond

Bring Flyer For one Free ticket

FUN:

great photo Site

petting zoo

Jumping Castle \$

Face painting



AND PUMPKINS For Sale !!



Volunteers needed for sales and the festival
Please sign-up on the bulletin board in the Gathering Place

