SECOND READING 1 Timothy 2:1-7

SERMON "The Good Fight: Grace"

* SONG OF RESPONSE

Insert: "Marvelous Grace"

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

Please sign the friendship pad (the red folder) and pass along to others in your row, greeting others by name after worship.

LADIES 80'S RECOGNITION

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: Our Father who art in heaven; hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in Heaven. Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, forever. Amen.

INVITATION TO THE OFFERING

PRESENTING OUR TITHES AND OFFERINGS TO THE LORD

OFFERTORY

"Be Strong in the Lord"

Tom Fettke

* DOXOLOGY

* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: We rejoice and give you thanks, O God, for the lost have been found, sinners have received mercy and the dead have been restored to life. Send us out in your service to tend your sheep and show the riches of your grace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

* CLOSING SONG

Hymn #307: "Fight the Good Fight"

- * CHARGE AND BLESSING
- * CHORAL RESPONSE
- * POSTLUDE

"All Things Bright and Beautiful"





WORSHIP NOTES

LARGE PRINT BULLETINS AND HYMNALS, as well as audio listening devices, are available from the Worship Welcome Team.

MONTHLY CONGREGATIONAL LETTERS: On communion Sundays, five letters will be placed in the Narthex and then taken to Fellowship in Galbraith Hall. *Please add a quick note to each letter ... these letters provide an important link to those members unable to join us during worship each week.*

SACRAMENT OF COMMUNION: Will be observed on Sunday, October 6th – Team 3, Stacey Lucidore.

MEMBERS IN SERVICE

LITURGISTS: Alexis Kiesling; Sept. 22nd Mary Helen Burroughs

FELLOWSHIP HOSTS: Families C & D; Sept. 22nd Families E - H

CHILD CARE: The Lucidore Family; Sept. 22nd The Stefancin Family

WORSHIP WELCOME TEAM: Team 6: Diane & Jack Miller, Barbara* & Larry* Jay; Sept. 22^{nd} - Team 7: Sueann & Don DeFurio, Angus MacDonald, Lisa Wilfong*, Pam Rawlings* (*Chairlift)

SANCTUARY COORDINATORS: Greg Smith; Sept. 22nd Pam Decker

GRAPHICS TEAM: Larry Jay; Sept. 22nd Courtney Kiesling

SOUND BOARD: Steve Kloc; Sept. 22nd Gail Anderson

CHANCEL FLOWERS:

In Loving Memory of Janet Hultz, given by Tom Hultz.

PRAYER CONCERNS: Rob Backstrom, Hartley Baird, Hank Barr, Betty Bauer, Gary Bittner, Carl Bonanni, Marilou Booth, Marina Bowser, Art Brandenburg, Michele Cobb, Phyllis Criss, Bob Dare, Sueann DeFurio, Marilyn DeHuff, Bob Ericson, Melanie Ericson, Cliff Fair, Jean Fishel, Ginny Flynn, Bill Franciscus, Bettyjean Gamble, Linda Hackett, Steve Kloc, Dick Kraft, Pat Kraft, Russ Lautenschlager, Whitten Little, Carol MacDonald, Carol McDonald, Diane Miller, Jack Miller, Emily Parise, Donna Puglisi, Betty Ramsey, Dave Rawlings, Ann Reid, Joan Sherbak, Sally Sinatra, Jean Smith, Anne Unger, Sheila and Rich Vandevander, Ansley Virgin (Basso), Kristi Wade, Edith Wallace, Russell York, Sam Zimmerman



Congregation Life Weekly Newsletter September 15, 2019

TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE PW LADIES 80'S (those ladies who have reached the age of 80 and have been active in their participation at Bethel Church, but especially with Presbyterian Women. Many are still active in many ways. We applaud your dedication and support of Presbyterian Women!

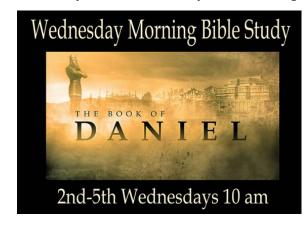
SOUTH HILLS INTERFAITH MOVEMENT FOOD PANTRIES: In order to fully stock the shelves at the Food Pantry, SHIM is requesting donations of jars of spaghetti sauce, canned pineapple and baking items. They also need plastic grocery bags so clients can take their produce home. All donations are appreciated and can be left at the Marshall Road entrance.



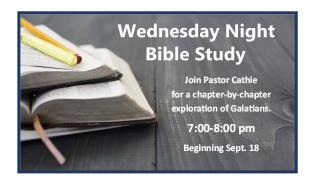
FOOD DRIVE: PW is sponsoring a Food Drive for South Hills Interfaith Movement. Please consider helping our local residents who are in need. Check the poster at the Marshall Road entrance for suggestions. Thank you for your help!

Debbie May General PW Mission Coordinator

WEDNESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY will start September 18th, 10:00 a.m., in the McMillan Room. We will be reading Daniel with a Lion, a Fiery Furnace and Writings on the Wall. Everyone is welcome - all you need to bring is your Bible.



ELDER AND DEACON NOMINATION CONSIDERATIONS: The Bethel Presbyterian Church Nominating Committee is meeting to discern the 2022 slate of Elder and Deacon nominations. Your input is welcome! Please consider the qualifications listed on the Bulletin insert and submit names you prayerfully feel are qualified individuals (you may also include yourself for consideration). Your submissions can be sent to Kath Young in the church office or any member of the Nominating Committee: Marilyn Beckstrom, Larry Jay, Linda Jones, Leanne Parise, Joanne Wells, Lisa Wilfong or Pastor Cathie.





THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HELPED WITH OUR BBQ! We raised over \$1,000. Look for more fundraisers in the future!

AUGUST 2019 PLEDGES

Pledges YTD \$132,369 Budgeted Pledges YTD \$140,664 Difference -\$8,295

As you can see, pledges received so far in 2019 have not kept pace with what is expected or needed to meet our ongoing ministry expenses. Thank you for your ongoing love and support of the church and all God is calling us to be and do. If you missed your pledges/offerings for a few weeks, please consider a catch-up donation to help the church continue its faithful ministry in the coming weeks and months.

PW WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL THOSE WHO TOOK SUPPLIES TO MAKE GIFT BASKETS FOR HOLIDAY-A-FAIR THIS YEAR! We had a great response to this effort, but there is still more that can be done. We would like to have donation gift cards in denominations from \$10 up, to either add to baskets or in our ALL gift card basket. If you have gift cards to donate, please see Lana Kling, Cathy Misko or they can be turned in at the church office. Thank you in advance for your generous contributions!





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CONGREGATIONAL CALENDAR

Sunday, September 15 (Daily Readings: Psalm 19; 150; 1 Kings 19:8-21; Acts 5:34-42; John 11:45-57)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups
10:30 a.m. Worship, Ladies 80's Celebration
Pastor: Rev. Dr. Cathie Smith

(child care provided for infants up to 5 years of age)

11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: Families C & D 11:30 a.m. PW's Ladies 80's Luncheon

12:00 p.m. Youth Group

2:00 p.m. 3rd – 5th Grade Fellowship

Monday, September 16 (Daily Readings: Psalm 135; 145; 1 Kings 21:1-16; 1 Cor. 1:1-19; Matt. 4:1-11)

9:30 a.m. Preschool, Miss Verna Visit
11:15 a.m. Child Care – Stretch and Grow
1:00 p.m. Church Staff Meeting
1:30 p.m. Preschool, Miss Verna Visit
5:45 p.m. Girl Scout Meeting
7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Troop 215 Meeting

Tuesday, September 17 (Daily Readings: Psalm 123; 146; 1 Kings 21:17-29;

1 Cor. 1:20-31; Matt. 4:12-17)

10:00 a.m.Quilters Meeting5:00 p.m.Soccer Shots7:00 p.m.Session Meeting

Wednesday, September 18 (Daily Readings: Psalm 15; 147:1-11; 1 Kings 22:1-28;

1 Cor. 2:1-13; Matt. 4:18-25)

10:00 a.m. Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Galatians Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Macdonald Pipers Band Rehearsal7:15 p.m. Nominating Committee Meeting

7:30 p.m. AA Meeting

Thursday, September 19 (Daily Readings: Psalm 36; 147:12-20; 1 Kings 22:29-45;

1 Cor. 2:14-3:15; Matt. 5:1-10)

10:00 a.m. Pittsburgh Presbytery Meeting 5:00 p.m. Kinder Karate

6:30 p.m. Bell Choir Rehearsal 7:45 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal

Friday, September 20 (Daily Readings: Psalm 130; 148; 2 Kings 1:2-17;

1 Cor. 3:16-23; Matt. 5:11-16)

1:00 p.m. PWPP Fall Gathering Preparation

Saturday, September 21 (Daily Readings: Psalm 56; 149; 2 Kings 2:1-18;

1 Cor. 4:1-7; Matt. 5:17-20)

9:00 a.m. PWPP Fall Gathering

Sunday, September 22 (Daily Readings: Psalm 67; 150; 2 Kings 4:8-37;

Acts 9:10-31; Luke 3:7-18)

9:30 a.m. Sunday School/Small Groups

10:30 a.m. Worship

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Cathie Smith

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11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hour: Families E - H

3:30 p.m. Church Picnic

7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Leaders Meeting

UPCOMING EVENTS!

Sept. 15th Ladies 80's

Sept. 15th 3rd - 5th Grade Fellowship

Sept. 22nd Church Picnic

Sept. 29th Communion Class for Children and Parents

Oct. 12th Fall Cleanup Day
Oct. 27th Trunk or Treat



Bethel Presbyterian Church Worship for the Lord's Day September 15, 2019 10:30 A.M.

"Changed by Christ So We Can Change the World"

* Please stand in body or spirit as you are able.

PRELUDE

Variations on "Majesty"

THE RINGING OF THE BELL

CALL TO WORSHIP

* SONG OF ADORATION

Hymn #464: "Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee"

* CALL TO CONFESSION

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Liturgist: O Lord, forgive your foolish people. We are skilled in doing evil, but we

do not know how to do good.

All: Create in us a clean heart, O God; and put a new and right spirit

within us.

Liturgist: In the folly of our hearts, we live as though there is no God.

All: Create in us a clean heart, O God; and put a new and right spirit

within us.

Liturgist: We forget all you have done for us and make false idols to be our gods.

All: Create in us a clean heart, O God; and put a new and right spirit

within us.

Liturgist: We act faithlessly, violently and scorn your name.

All: Create in us a clean heart, O God; and put a new and right spirit

within us. Amen.

* ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

* SONG OF GRACE

Hymn #304: "Jesus Loves Me!"

(Children are invited forward for their special time.)

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

SONG OF PREPARATION

Hymn #333: "Seek Ye First"

(As we sing, children may return to their seats.)

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

FIRST READING Luke 15:1-10

ANTHEM "God of Grace"

Arr. Lloyd Larson