The Messenger

August 2012

SUNDAY, AUGUST 5

GUEST PREACHER,

COMMUNION AND COFFEE HOUR

Pastor Archie will lead our worship service and administer the **Sacrament of Holy Communion** on Sunday, August 5, at 10:30 am. We will have worship inside this Sunday. Please bring something yummie to share at Coffee Hour after worship.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

RE-CREATION PRESENTS GOSPEL GOLD!

Invite everyone you know to Emmanuel UCC to enjoy the music and enthusiasm of the group, Re-Creation. An inspirational evening of songs and worship is planned for August 12 at 7 pm. Re-creation was organized in 1976 to present live performances in hospitals, Veterans Affairs facilities, nursing homes and other care facilities. They now perform over 300 shows yearly to fund their mission to bring music and healing to others. Their annual performance before a packed audience at the Bloomsburg Fair demonstrates their wide range of appeal to all generations. For more information on them, go to their website, recreationusa.com. A free will offering will be taken and light refreshments will be served after the show. For more information, call Allen Dennis at 868-5120 or the church office at 868-5675. Bring your friends and neighbors for a refreshing evening of Christian entertainment!

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

CHURCH PICNIC

Time to pack up the "pickinick" basket, BooBoo, for our church picnic. The picnic starts after worship with a covered dish dinner. The church will supply hot dogs, hamburgers and buns and we bring the side dishes and deserts. After enjoying our meal, we can join in playing indoor and outdoor games, such as bingo, bean bag, tag and kickball. So bring your appetites and enthusiasm for a great day of family fun.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 25

HOAGIE SALE

Want to cool off and get out of the kitchen? Then order a couple of hoagies We're having a hoagie sale with pick-up on August 25 from 10 am to noon. We are selling Italian hoagies, with or without onions, for \$4.00 each. The deadline to place your order is Sunday, August 19. You can order some on the sign-up sheets on the bulletin table (which you can take a couple to sell to friends, family, co-workers, etc., etc.) or you can call the church at 868-5675 and leave your order, including your name and phone number, with the secretary, Denise. Thanks to everyone who supports our fundraiser. Enjoy, Enjoy!

Special Music Summer

SUMMER MUSIC VOICES AND INSTRUMENTS WANTED

We still need some lyrical lyrics and moving melodies for the month of August and on September 2. Anyone who will sing, play an instrument or (if you're really talented) do

both, is welcome to pick a Sunday to make a joyful noise to our God. Please see Denise or Pastor Penny so we can fill the air with music on Sunday mornings.

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From The Pastor's Desk

It's almost time to leave on my journey back south for a few days. I'm about ready to go – just a few more things to get together. I'm trying to leave things in order for Archie so he won't have any problems. He's so nice to stay home and preach and take calls for me while I'm away with my "old" buddies. Please take care of him while I'm away. The plans are to come home refreshed and ready to get going for Rally Day.

Everyone seems to enjoy worship on the pavilion. It is so nice to be able to enjoy God's creation as we pray and sing together looking out over the mountain and the trees. As well - this has been a busy summer and y'all (I have to be prepared to go south) have done some good work. And in August let's keep up the good work for the group "Re-creation" coming on the 12th, our picnic on the 19th, and the Hoagie sale on the 25th. The work never ends and it is good to have as many of you involved as possible.

I'm going to follow Jesus advice to the disciples in Mark 6:31.

Then Jesus said, "Let's go off by ourselves to a quiet place and rest awhile."

Doesn't that sound wonderful?! This is going to be a relaxing vacation – not a tiring vacation. I will be with friends but we have always let each person do her own thing. And doing nothing at all is a choice which is all right with everyone. I don't have to sight see because I've been there and seen it before. I don't have to roust myself out of bed in the morning if I don't want to or I can get up before everyone else. We don't plan to solve the problems of the world so the conversation will be light and fun. I can even finish watching the Olympics while I'm away. What fun!

And yes – I'll be in church on Sunday morning with Charlie and Lisa at one of my old churches. Just keep me in your prayers because that's always appreciated and I'll keep y'all in mine.

Blessings,

PASTOR PENNY



Thank You

Doris Yurchak would like to thank everyone for their cards, prayers, and telephone calls while she was in the hospital and afterward while recuperating. She truly appreciates all your concern and well-wishes.

The following thank you letters are on the bulletin board in the bell tower:

Bethany Children's Home thanked us for our continuing support for their youth through our monthly benevolence donation. Chief Relations Officer Jonathan L. Henning writes, "Together, we are making a difference in the life of a child and their families. Thank you for your care and concern of our children and programs."

Church World Service sent a letter thanking us for the hygiene kits we donated in response to the recent flooding around the United States. "Here at home or overseas, when tragedy comes calling, your donations ensure that help is never far behind." Rev. John L. McCullough, Executive Director and CEO

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CONGREGATIONAL CORNER

TWILIGHTERS

The Twilighters will meet on Wednesday, August 8, at 12 noon for a covered dish lunch. Bring your favorite dish and spend some time with us. Call Lois Eigenbrod or Mary Eroh for more information about our group.

CONGRATULATIONS

Jim and Lynne Stewart became grandparents on Sunday, July 29, when Madeline Claire Pugh was born. Madeline is the daughter of Greg and Natalie (Stewart) Pugh. She was 8 lb 4 oz and 18½ inches long at birth. Welcome, Madeline!

Magazines for Nursing Homes

Cindy Heller is still collecting magazines for local nursing homes. You can leave them with her on Sunday mornings or on the table in the Narthex. Thanks for "recycling" your magazines by giving them to others to enjoy.

Pastor On-Call

While Pastor Penny is on vacation from August 3 to 11, Pastor Archie will be taking calls for her. If you need pastoral care, please call him at (717) 471-8133.

YOUTH ACCOMPLISHMENTS

We've got another one on the honor rolls <u>again</u>. Just check this out.

Crestwood Middle School Honors: Hunter Rinehimer

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God. Please see Denise or Pastor Penny so we can fill the air with music on Sunday mornings.

Old River Church Services

The 2012 Worship Schedule continues to the end of August and we hope everyone will find time to worship in this historic setting. Worship begins at 6:00 pm.

Aug. 5 St. John's Aug. 12 St. Mark's Aug 19 Stairville UMC

Aug 26 Cemetery Association



Even though the Youth Group already went on their mission trip to Gatlinburg, they still would like to hire out their services. With the expenses of the trip, they will have to rebuild their funds to pay for future plans. They are willing to do yard work, yard maintenance, house work, etc. All they ask is a donation for their efforts. Please call Marc at 868-8028 to schedule them to make your home and yard neat and tidy.

CARDS FOR A CAUSE

Thanks to everyone who buys Weis or Carone's cards. We appreciate all your support. See Marc or let a Youth Group member know if you want some more!

2012 VBS - Bible Seas

The Wet and Wild World of the Word

Thanks to Al!!!!

What a wonderful adventure we had at this year's Vacation Bible School!! We had a

preat time exploring the Bible with the help of our underwater friends, Polly Pufferfish, Stacy Starfish, Oscar Octopus, Randi Rainbowfish,

Craig Crab and Tina Turtle. Polly (Judy Brown) guided ocean biologist, Muriel (Pastor Penny), who's name means Bright as the Sea, all through Bible Seas. Each day Polly introduced Muriel a new sea creature (puppeted by Denise Betz or Jill Bernetski) who revealed the Scripture Treasure for the day and the Bible Verse. The imaginative Undersea Crafts were created by Sally Lazarowicz and Christine Kellow, assisted by Julie and Theresa Kellow and various parents and grandparents as needed (thank you so much!). The Splish Splash Games were planned and carried out by Judy Brown and Jill Bernetski. Kimmy Bernetski was in charge of Come and Sea Discovery Bay and the ladies of Faith UMC made delicious snacks at the Dive-In Diner. The artistic talents of Dwain Straight provided music on CD for us to sing with and Glynis Dean created the posters of the Scripture Treasures and Bible Verses. The songs at Sing and Play Splash and lessons at Deep Bible Adventures were handled by me. Dive Leaders Dylan Brown, Jacob Betz, Nathan Kamowski, Morgan Rinehimer, Michelle Bernetski and Rachael Betz lead their divers through the different activity centers. Ginny Hildebrand and Donna Walck were kept busy minding the youngest divers, the Small Fry. Once again, our VBS was exciting, fun and inspiring. The young divers were enthusiastic and looked forward to coming each day. It is a real thrill to see such passion from the adults passed on to the kids. Thank you to all who made this year's VBS possible.

Denise Dean

Bible Seas Mission Project

Several years ago we gathered mission donations for a young local girl, Paige Ceaser, who suffers from Cystic Fibrosis. Paige continues to need medical treatment and constant medical attention. We would like to assist her family with the costs of these treatments and have chosen her to receive the mission donations for this year's Vacation Bible School. If you would like to contribute to our mission, you can place your donation in the VBS Offerings envelopes in the pews or on the bulletin tables. Thank you for supporting our mission.

PICTURE PERFECT

Check the front entrance bulletin board for the following pictures:

The Slocum Township Fire Company Bazaar was serving up some delicious food on July 13 and 14. Just ask Camille and John Daniels who were enjoying the French fries and potato pancakes.

Boy Scout Troop 434 camped out along Bowman's Creek in Wyoming County from June 22 to 24. As part of earning their camping badge, they climbed 1,050 feet in 1.5 miles on Dietz Mountain. (A little lofty altitude to go with a lot of steadfast attitude)

Butch Peters and his son, Craig, are pictured with one of the gas fireplaces they are selling from their new showroom at their business, Peters Bottled Gas. There are also other products for sale, such as gas stoves, grills, water heaters, pool and spa heaters, and more.

NEWSLETTER INFO DEADLINE

The deadline for information for the September Messenger is Monday, August 29. Please get all information to me before this date. Thanks, Denise

COMMITTEE MEETINGS

CONSISTORY

The next Consistory meeting will be on Thursday, August 16, at 6:30 pm.

UPCOMING DATES

Sept. 9 Rally Day

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE AUGUST 2012

August 5

Greeters: Dave and Rosemary Myers

Liturgist: Jill Bernetski

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2012 300 CLUB AND SILENT AUCTION					
June 16, 2012					
INCOME					
Ticket Sales (300 x \$35 ea)	2012 300 Club	FUNDRAISER	10,500.00		
Raffle Sale (\$110 & \$139)	2012 300 Club	FUNDRAISER	249.00		
4 Single Guests @ \$15 ea	2012 300 Club	FUNDRAISER	60.00		
Donation from Winner	2012 300 Club	DONATION	<u>25.00</u>		
TOTAL INCOME				10,834.00	
EXPENSES					
Prizes from Drawings	2012 300 Club	FUNDRAISER EXPENSE:Awards	-3,500.00		
Paluck's Catering	Food for 2012 300 Club	FUNDRAISER EXPENSE	-180.00		
Floyd Balliet	2012 300 Club entertainment – Mud Pond Boys	FUNDRAISER EXPENSE	-300.00		
Carl Alber	2012 300 Club Entertainment – Big Carl and Sundance	FUNDRAISER EXPENSE	-300.00		
James Rinehimer	Food and Paper Supplies for 2012 300 Club	FUNDRAISER EXPENSE	-361.90		
The Moonwalk Guy	Moonwalk for 2012 300 Club	FUNDRAISER EXPENSE	-175.00		
Transfer To Building Fund	Reimbursement for License 2012 300 Club	[Building Fund - 880-0]	-100.00		
TOTAL EXPENSES				-4,916.90	
PROFIT FROM 300 CL	UB			5,917.10	
PROFIT FROM SILENT AUCTION				2,048.50	
GRAND TOTAL PROFIT FROM 300 CLUB AND SILENT AUCTION				<u>7,965.60</u>	

2012 MISSION TEAM BENEVOLENCE DISBURSEMENTS				
(10% of all Fundraisers)				
Source of Mission Funds				
March Soup Sale Profit	885.44 x .10% =	\$88.54		
April Turkey Supper Profit	4,526.28 x .10% =	452.63		
June 300 Club Profit	5,917.10 x .10% =	591.71		
June Silent Auction	2,048.50 x .10% =	204.85		
Total Available For Mission			\$1,337.73	
Distribution of above Mission Funds				
50% Youth Fellowship	given on 5/27/12	-\$270.59		
15% PNEC (OGHS for Storms)	given on 5/29/12	-81.18		
15% Relay for Life	given on 5/29/12	-81.18		
15% OCWM (Honor of Rev. Holleman's retirement)	given on 7/29/12	-120.00		
Subtotal of Mission Disbursements			<u>-552.95</u>	
Amount Still Remaining for Mission			<u>\$784.78</u>	

Please see Lynne Stewart, Jill Bernetski or Jim Rinehimer if you have any suggestions/comments for recipients of Mission Funds or would like to become part of the Mission Team.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

2 George Belanchik	16 Robert Heller	27 Debbie Price
4 Camille Daniels	16 Brayden Belanchik	27 Greg Heller
4 Debra Prelewicz	19 Audrey Grosz	27 Samantha Taney
5 Robert Prelewicz	21 Ronald Rinehimer, Jr.	29 Marc M. Davis
7 Ethel Fine	22 Wendy Williams	29 Shirley Eckrote
8 Ronald Rinehimer, Sr.	23 Courtney Kania	31 Cheryl Heller
9 Matthew Price	25 Kelly Sufrinko	31 Lisa Shafer
12 Dylan Atkinson	27 Jennifer Rinehimer	31 David Horensky
12 Gladys Peters		31 Nelson Horwath

AUGUST ANNIVERSARIES

August 1, 1992	Marc and Connie Davis
August 3, 1968	John and Joan Rinehimer
August 10, 1991	Bill and Sherri Hoch
August 14, 1971	Dave and Sharon Horensky
August 14, 1976	Clyde and Brenda Heller
August 17, 1957	Lydon and Orceil Bloss
August 25, 1973	Roy and Betty Baker
August 27, 1983	Rob and Debbie Prelewicz
August 27, 1999	Chris and Deb Dietrich
August 28, 1990	Joe and Lois Huntzinger
	Stan and Darlene Stein

AUGUST 2012

I have made a "2012 Volunteer Schedule" sign-up sheet for those who would like to be Greeters, Liturgists and Acolytes. Please pick a date or two (or three). This way you can choose the dates when you are available, instead of having them assigned by me. Some of the dates are already filled in (Hooray!!). For the liturgists, I will provide a copy of the bulletin either by paper for you to pick up or via e-mail, so that you can review it before Sunday morning. Thanks. Denise

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