# The Messenger

## June 2012

#### **SATURDAY, JUNE 3** COMMUNION AND COFFEE HOUR

We will celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Communion** on Sunday, June 3, during our regular Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am. During our coffee hour afterward we will have a cake to honor our graduates and hope you will join us and bring a goodie for everyone to share.

#### **GRADUATE SUNDAY**

Our graduates will be recognized during our worship service on June 3. This is a great milestone in the lives of our graduates and we want to show them we appreciate their accomplishment. Whether from high school, trade school, college or graduate school, it is an event to be cherished as they are challenged to move on to the next phase of their lives.

#### LIA SOPHIA PARTY

Caroline Cronce is one of the adults going on the Youth Group Mission Trip. The adults have to pay their own way so Caroline is having a Lia Sophia Jewelry Party during coffee hour. Come see all the great jewelry and support Caroline so she can help our youth learn more about being in mission.

#### MONDAY, JUNE 4

#### **VBS PLANNING MEETING**

Our next Vacation Bible School planning meeting will be Monday, June 4, at 7 pm at Faith UMC. We will continue to discuss decorating ideas and finalize our mission project.

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 10** WORSHIP SERVICE AND

## FAREWELL DINNER FOR REV. TOBY HOLLEMAN

Sunday, June 10, we will have a special guest preacher for our morning worship. We have invited Rev. Toby Holleman to lead us before he leaves the Penn Northeast Conference. Toby will also join us for a pot-luck dinner after the service. Please see inside for more information.

#### SATURDAY, JUNE 16 300 CLUB AND SILENT AUCTION

We will hold our second annual 300 Club on Saturday, June 16, beginning at 12 noon. There will be two bands, food and fun for everyone. Those who purchase a ticket are also entered in the hourly drawings. You can even bid in the Silent Auction. See inside for more information.

#### SUNDAY, JUNE 24, TO FRIDAY, JUNE 30 YOUTH GROUP MISSION TRIP

Our Youth Group will join with other youth in Gatlinburg, TN, to help paint and perform repairs to homes. This is our second year of helping TEAMeffort in their work to reach out to people in need. Each registration and lodging fee is \$279. The youth are working hard to pay their way through hiring out their cleaning and yard work services. So, please keep them in mind if you need any sprucing up around the house.

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# From The Pastor's Desk

This past month has been quite a whirlwind. With Kirk in the hospital in Philly for four days and more tests still to be done, and now a daughter-in-law with questionable symptoms that have to be checked out and hopefully diagnosed, and also a very close cousin who has to go on dialysis within 6 months - it just gets a bit overwhelming. It makes it even more difficult when they aren't close by so I can see them and be with them. But I had a wonderful birthday and Memorial Day weekend. Thanks for all the cards, prayers, gifts and good words during the month. I needed the support. I don't know how folks who don't have God in their lives make it through the tough times.

June is looking to be another whirlwind but hopefully it is whirling in a positive direction. The first Sunday we will honor our graduates and celebrate their successes. The next Sunday we will honor our retiring Associate Conference Minister from PNEC, Toby Holleman, and wish him well on his way to North Carolina to write. The following weekend is our big 300 Club on Saturday followed on Sunday by Father's Day complete with a baptism and a commissioning of our youth who will be leaving on their mission trip to Gatlinburg on the 23<sup>rd</sup>. Sounds like we will be eating well at church for the month of June as we celebrate.

Summer is definitely here - as far as the weather is concerned. Hopefully as folks go on vacations you won't forget that the church needs your support 12 months out of the year - both financially, prayerfully, and personally. But when you do go out of town remember that there are churches in every community that love to have visitors. It is also fun and interesting to see how others worship. Just to share one important Bible verse to remember while you are away having fun, "Remember the Sabbath Day and keep it holy."

Enjoy your vacations! I plan to enjoy mine in August.

Blessings to all!

**Pastor Penny** 

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# Thank You

Thank you to everyone who donated items for the hygiene kits. The kids put together 17 kits on Sunday, May 27. The kits are very much in demand as the disasters in our own country and around the world cause so much destruction and chaos. At least people can clean up and feel less grubby, even if their homes are still a mess. Denise

## Our Condolences

We offer our sincere sympathy to Dave and Sharon Horensky on the passing of Vera Horensky, Dave's Mom. Vera was know to many of us and we would see her sitting with her family in our church. We ask our Father's love and comfort to Dave, Sharon and their sons, David and Andrew, and their families.

## **Special Invitation**

On June 2, Ron and Jane Rinehimer's children and their families are having an open house in our Fellowship Hall beginning at 2 pm in celebration of their parent's 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary. They are inviting all their church family to come and join them in celebrating this wonderful milestone in their lives. Food and refreshments will be available. Please, no *presents*. Your *presence* will be our gift.

Our church family is also invited to celebrate Don and Mary Eroh's 80<sup>th</sup> birthdays on June 16 at 6:00 pm at Donna and John Walck's house. Dad was 80 on February 14, 2011, and Mom will celebrate her  $41^{st}$ anniversary of her 39<sup>th</sup> birthday on July 7, 2012. We hope you will come for some light refreshments and more visiting after you spend the day at the 300 Club. Come, relax and unwind, but please, no *presents.* Your *presence* will be our gift.

## **CONGREGATIONAL CORNER**

#### TWILIGHTERS

The Twilighters will meet on Wednesday, June 13, 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.

# 300 CLUB and SILENT AUCTION

Only 300 tickets are sold for this "exclusive" Club!! Hurry up and get your ticket for our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual 300 Club fundraiser!

for our 3<sup>rd</sup> annual 300 Club fundraiser! Where else can you get food, entertainment and prizes for two people for \$35!! That's a bargain! And if you're not into the prizes, you can eat and enjoy the music for only \$15 a person. There will be two bands: The Mud Pond Boys and Big Carl and Sundance. On top of that, every hour there will be a drawing for **CA\$H** prizes with the grand prize of \$1,000 drawn at 6:00pm. Plus, all during the event, you will be able to bid on items for our Silent Auction which will also be called at 6:00 pm. Allen Dennis (868-5120) is organizing this extravaganza and can let you know where you can help out. It's going to be a great day with lots of excitement – so don't miss out!

#### Farewell and Godspeed to Rev. Toby Holleman

On Sunday, June 10, we will be led in worship by our Associate Conference Minister, Rev. Toby Holleman. Toby has been instrumental in helping many churches find their new pastor, including ours. After worship, we will gather to share a pot luck dinner in the Fellowship Hall. The church will provide meat for the meal and we can bring the rest of the fixin's and goodies for dessert. In lieu of gifts, Toby has asked that donations be made in his name to OCWM. You can make the donation directly or include it in the offering plate. If you include it with your offering, be sure to mark it for Toby's OCWM gift. If you want to get credit on your taxes for this donation, please include your name or envelope number with the offering.

# YOUTH GROUP

#### **CARDS FOR A CAUSE**

Thanks to everyone who buys Weis or Carone's cards. You are really helping to build up our account so we can go on the mission trip. See Marc or let a Youth Group member know if you want some more!



**Gatlinburg is just weeks away!!** This year's Youth Group Mission Trip will be to Gatlinburg, TN. The Youth will be helping with repairs and painting of homes in the area from June 24 to 30. In order to pay the fee of \$279 per person (for six youth), they are hiring out their services. 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.

## YOUTH ACCOMPLISHMENTS

We've got some smart cookies on the honor rolls again. Just check this out.

#### **Crestwood High School**

Principal's Honors: Kimmy Bernetski, Kelly Madigan High Honors: Rachelle Heller

Honors: Autumn Atkinson, Devin Stein, Justin Rinehimer, Allison Bernetski, Courtney Kania, Alecia Myers

The National Honor Society Induction Ceremony at Crestwood High School on May 31 included many of our youth. Rachelle Heller, Kimmy Bernetski, Justin Rinehimer, Allison Bernetski, Courtney Kania, Kelly Madigan and Alecia Myers became members. Membership is based on not only their scholastic achievement but also based on outstanding performance in the areas of service, leadership and Congratulations to these exceptional character. students and their proud parents!

## 2012 VBS Program Bible Seas

#### The Wet and Wild World of the Word

Registration Forms are on the Narthex Table

Plans for Vacation Bible School are underway. This year's host is Faith UMC. From July 22 to 26, we will transform Faith into an underwater wonderland with this year's theme, Bible Seas – The Wet and Wild World of the Word. We'll dive deep into the Bible, exploring God's Word through stories about creation, Noah, the Parable of the Wise Man and the Foolish Man and the story about Zacchaeus. The main point is the Bible itself and how it gives us direction for our lives. **The next planning meeting will be on June 4 at 7 pm** at Faith UMC. We are looking for some people with great decorating ideas and who have enthusiasm to work with kids. *Come on in, the water's fine!* Denise Dean



# Check the front entrance bulletin board for the following pictures:

Check out our **Youth Group** working hard – or is that hardly working? They are pictured spreading mulch at a Mountain Top home. Looks like everyone had a great time getting dirty.

The Tall in the Saddle 4-H Horse and Pony Club participated in the Bowl for Kids Sake on March 31. **Morgan and Brooke Rinehimer** were two of the members who collected sponsorships for this event which benefits Big Brothers/Big Sisters.

Watch out or the Piranhas will get you!! The Piranhas field hockey team, that is. **Michelle Bernetski** is part of this team which took the under 7<sup>th</sup> grade division championship! Score!!

**Robert Duffy, III,** took his Mom, **Carol**, out for breakfast (I think Carol drove, though). They enjoyed the Annual Mother's Day Breakfast served by the Mountain Top Area Knights of Columbus on May 13. Yum, yum.

Pictured at our Spring Turkey Supper are Sally and Dave Corl. This supper was enjoyed by over 600 adults and children. Whether you sit down to dinner in the Fellowship Hall or take it out to eat at home, we always hear that we have the best Turkey Supper around and this one really proved it. Thanks to everyone who made it the best Spring supper ever!!

Our Boy Scout Troop 434 was building bridges, literally. On April 14, they built a bridge at the Tri County Rod and Gun Club in Dorrance. It's a really sturdy-looking bridge and that's a good thing since all they boys and their leaders are sitting and standing on it. Great workmanship, guys!!

#### **NEWSLETTER INFO DEADLINE**

The deadline for information for the July Messenger is Monday, June 25. Please get all information to me before this date. Thanks, Denise

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS CONSISTORY

The **Consistory** will meet on Thursday, June 12, at 6:30 pm.

The **Pastoral Relations Team** will meet on Monday, June 11, at 6:30 pm.

## **UPCOMING DATES**

July 15 – Emmanuel hosts Old River Church Service July 22 to 26 Vacation Bible School at Faith UMC Aug 12 – Recreation Program at 7 pm

#### VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE JUNE 2012

| June 3                    |                                  |  |  |  |
|---------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Greeters:                 | Graduates                        |  |  |  |
| Liturgist:                | Graduates                        |  |  |  |
| June 10                   |                                  |  |  |  |
| Greeters:                 | Diana Decker and Camille Daniels |  |  |  |
| Liturgist:                | Pastor Penny                     |  |  |  |
| June 17                   |                                  |  |  |  |
| Greeters:                 | Dave and Rosemary Myers          |  |  |  |
| Liturgist:                | Jill Bernetski                   |  |  |  |
| June 24                   |                                  |  |  |  |
| Greeters:                 | Frank and Joan Partington        |  |  |  |
| Liturgist:                | Wayne Mast                       |  |  |  |
| OUR CLEANING VOLUNTEERS   |                                  |  |  |  |
| Dave & Rosemary Myers     |                                  |  |  |  |
| Clifford & Gladys Readler |                                  |  |  |  |
| Nora Cybulski             |                                  |  |  |  |

#### JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Rebecca Taney
- 2 Craig Peters
- 2 Kanaan Hoch
- 3 Rico Silvetti
- 4 William Heller
- 5 Jeff Dauber
- 6 Deb Dietrich
- 7 Michael Daniels
- 8 Dawn Kania

- 8 Gary Eigenbrod, Jr.
- 12 Hilda Lewis
- 12 Robert Madigan, III
- 12 Archie Passmore
- 14 Eileen Buffone
- 14 Gloria Taney
- 17 Daniel Kozak
- 20 Thomas Grosz
- 22 Kassandra Dauber

- 23 Doreen Oldershaw
- 25 Phyllis Myers
- 26 Eric Rinehimer
- 26 Justin Rinehimer
- 26 Kimberly Hoffman
- 27 Connie Myers
- 29 Colleen Williams
- 29 George Taney
- 29 Forrest Atkinson

#### JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

| June 3, 1978  | Jim and Denise Dean     |
|---------------|-------------------------|
| June 12, 1993 | Tony and Lorie DiMaria  |
| June 14, 2003 | Eric and Kristina Walck |
| June 18, 1988 | Brian and Connie Myers  |

#### **JUNE 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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