

# The Messenger

**July - August 2014**

**SUNDAYS, JULY 6 and AUGUST 3**

## **COMMUNION AND COFFEE HOUR**

We will celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Communion** on Sunday, July 6 and August 3, during our regular Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am. We'll have our coffee hour afterward and hope you will join us and bring a goodie for everyone to share.

**SATURDAY, JULY 12**

## **HOAGIE SALE PICK-UP**

We are selling hoagies to help offset the cost of the Fellowship Hall repairs. Anyone able to sell is asked to take an order sheet from the Narthex table. Pick-up will be Saturday, July 12, by 12 noon.

**SUNDAY TO THURSDAY, JULY 13 TO 17**

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

Emmanuel is hosting our Vacation Bible School with Faith and Stairville UMC from July 13 to 17, 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm. All children and youth are welcome to join us at "SonRise National Park". For more details, please see inside this issue.

**SUNDAY, AUGUST 10**

## **RE-CREATION CONCERT**

*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 10 at 4 pm**. A free will offering will be taken and light refreshments will be served after the show. For more information, check inside this issue. Bring your friends and neighbors for a refreshing evening of Christian entertainment!

**WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 20**

## **CHOIR PRACTICES RESUME**

Come join our choirs! Our practices begin on August 20 at 6:30 pm for the Kid's Choir and 7 pm for the Chancel Choir. Our first Sunday presentations will be on Rally Day, September 7. We really want to raise our praise to God, and Rally Day is a great way to start off a new choir season. So come join us and let your voice be heard!!

**SUNDAY EVENINGS IN JULY AND AUGUST**

## **OLD RIVER CHURCH WORSHIP**

Our churches of the Wapwallopen Ministerium and the Old River Church Cemetery Association will begin Sunday Evening Worship at the Old River Church on Sunday, July 13, at 6:00 pm. For the complete schedule, please see inside this issue.

**For information about upcoming events which may be scheduled after this issue is printed, please check your Sunday Bulletin and our local papers.**

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## From The Pastor's Desk

We leave for our long-awaited Mission Trip to New Jersey today right after church on June 29. Everyone is excited to be going to help out the less fortunate. There are nine of us going this year. Please pray for us to be successful in our efforts to rebuild homes and lives.

There are several events that need your prayers during the next couple of months. First, of course, is the mission trip. Bible School begins on July 13<sup>th</sup> as we once again work with Stairville and Faith to serve our children. I know that the team has been working very hard to pull things together and the kids will be blessed. Old River Church will be our responsibility on July 20. Let us come out and support this historic landmark – the offerings that are collected there are divided 50/50 between the Old River Cemetery Association and our Wapwallopen Ministerium. If not for these funds we would not be able to assist those families in need with food, fuel, electricity, gas, and other basic necessities needed.

In August on the 10<sup>th</sup> we can once again enjoy ReCreation perform for us. Please bring your friends and neighbors out to celebrate with you all these young people do for our veterans. They are a delight! This year they are coming at 4pm so that no one has to venture forth after dark. Hopefully this will enable more folks to come out. I know there are lots of family reunions scheduled during July and August so I will be praying that you all have a wonderful time getting together with family. The Dollar reunion is on August 2-3 in Alabama but I won't be going this year – too much to do around Mountain Top. Also toward the end of the month, we will be getting back to choir practice and rehearsals for Rally Day on the 7<sup>th</sup> of Sept. Please bring your kids out to enjoy helping in all the preparations. It could even be more fun than a soccer or baseball game.

From *Moments that Matter* by Catherine Marshall come this devotional: Getting to Know God  
Romans 10:17 *Faith comes by hearing, and hearing by the word of God.*

We can scarcely claim God's promises for ourselves until we know what he has promised

1. The Bible is a series of true stories of God's dealing with men and women quite like us.

There are pioneers, adventurers, and businessmen. There are the ever-present problems of greed, lust, and adultery. There is romance and drama. The Bible is never less than frank; it never whitewashes sin. When we read this book intelligently, we learn how God deals with humankind, what He is like and what we can expect from Him.

I would dare to suggest that when you go lay out by the pool or in your hammock or just reading a book in your easy chair – pull out the Bible. There are some fascinating stories there and as Catherine Marshall said – all those other things.

God bless all this summer!

PASTOR PENNY



### *Our Condolences*

We offer our sincere condolences to John and JP Jankowski on the passing of John's brother, Ed Jankowski, on June 29, 2014. We pray that God's grace and strength will sustain you in your time of need and sorrow.

### **CONGREGATIONAL CORNER**

#### **TWILIGHTERS – July and August Dates**

The Twilighters will meet on Wednesday, July 9 and August 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

Another resounding success

for our 5<sup>th</sup> annual 300 Club fundraiser!

THANKS to everyone who helped in any way to make this year's 300 Club and Silent Auction a fantastic success. All 300 tickets were sold, ensuring us the best chance at having a good profit. We also had additional guests who each donated \$15 to enjoy the great food and bands. After deducting the expenses, we cleared approximately \$5,400 on the 300 Club and \$2,100 on the Silent Auction. This will certainly help pay for our day-to-day expenses for the summer.

*Anyone with ideas for additional fundraisers, please see any member of the Consistory so we can find out if they are possible for us to do.*

## HOAGIE SALE FUNDRAISER

Order a delicious hoagie for your lunch on Saturday, July 12. We're selling Italian or Turkey hoagies for \$5.00 each. (Onions and veggies will be bagged separately so you can use whatever you like on yours.) Please sign up on the sheet in the Narthex. If you can help sell, there are order sheets on the Narthex table. Profits will help offset the cost of repairing the Fellowship Hall flooring.

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament September 13, 2014

It's time to grab your clubs and head out to the links for our Annual Golf Tournament at Sand Springs Country Club in Drums. This is a 4-player scramble, Captain and Crew, with a shotgun start at 8:00 am. There will be hot dogs at the turn for lunch and an Italian Buffet with raffle, awards and prizes after the tournament. The cost to play is \$75 per person, \$300 per team. Non-players can enjoy a day on the course for \$30 and accompany the golfers to the dinner and awards banquet. Registration Forms are on the table in the Narthex with September 1 as the deadline to register, or until the field is full. If you would like more information, please see Donnie Myers or Nelson Horwath.

## Quilt Raffle- Sept 13

Get your raffle ticket for the beautiful quilt, handmade by Diana Decker. This quilt will be raffled off at the end of the Golf Tournament on September 13. You can see this gorgeous piece of handiwork on display in our Narthex.

## PICK-A-PROJECT!!

**THE LISTS ARE OUT!!** Lists of projects which need to be done around our church are on the table in the narthex. There's stuff to be done from top (as in roof) to bottom (as in basement) and everywhere in between. Please take a look and see what area you may be able to help with. Your place of worship needs your knowledge and skills to keep it safe, sound and ready for our services and activities. Thanks for giving your time and talents!!

## VOICES AND INSTRUMENTS WANTED



It's summer and time for our choirs to be on vacation. But that doesn't mean that we want a vacation from music. 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 Dwain Straight or Pastor Penny so we can fill the air with music on Sunday mornings.

## SonRise National Park Pointing Our Kids to Christ

This year we will host SonRise National Park VBS. From July 13 to 17, we will transform our Fellowship Hall and Sanctuary into a the great outdoors with this year's theme. At the "Park", we'll discover amazing Bible adventures at Climb Higher Lodge, sing awesome songs at Gathering Grove, have a snack at the Picnic Patch, create crafts with the Busy Beavers, and play at Wild Wilderness Games. As we explore our "Park", we'll learn the most important survival skill of all: we can always depend on Jesus and His promises of True Peace, True Riches, True Power, True Love, and True Hope! At SonRise National Park, we will learn to trust Jesus as our all-powerful guide and Savior. Each day we'll begin at Gathering Grove (our sanctuary) for our opening. We then split up into "camper groups", led by our park guides (older youth), to the stations for crafts, lessons, snacks and games. Each station is run by adult "park rangers". We all end up back together again for our closing time in Gathering Grove.

Registration Forms are on the table in the narthex. *Please take some to fill out for your own children and also for some children of your friends and family.* The "park" is open to all the kids in our communities. *Come on out and play in our "park"!*  
Denise Dean

## Old River Church Services

Worship begins at 6:00 pm Sunday evenings beginning July 13 and continues to the end of August. If you can help with refreshments for July 20 when we are host, please see Cindy.

July 13	Mt. Zion UCC
<b>July 20</b>	<b>Emmanuel UCC</b>
July 27	St. Mark's Lutheran
Aug. 3	St. John's UCC
Aug. 11	St. Peter's UCC
Aug. 18	St. James Lutheran
Aug 18	New Hope UMC
Aug 26	Cemetery Association

We hope everyone will find time to worship in this historic setting.

## 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!

We're off on our Mission Trip to New Jersey to help victims of Superstorm Sandy. Our days will be filled with hard work and our evenings with awesome worship. Please keep us in your thoughts and prayers as we represent our church and God by helping others.

Thanks for all your support.

YOUR Youth Group

## YOUTH ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Class of 2014 of Crestwood High School graduated on June 13 at Mohegan Sun Arena. Among the 257 students who received their diplomas were Kimmy Bernetski, Autumn Atkinson, Glynis Dean and Devin Stein. We wish the best to our graduates and a future full of promise and fulfillment.

## NEWSLETTER INFO DEADLINE

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

## SAVE THE DATES!!

Sept. 7 – Rally Day!!

Sept. 13 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Golf Tournament

## EVANGELISM TEAM

Beginning in the fall, we are starting an Evangelism team. This team will concentrate on mission-oriented projects to reach out to organizations in our communities such as Ruth's Place, medical clinics and such places. One of the projects will be a knit/crochet group. Anyone who is interested in knitting or crocheting items for mission use, or learning how to crochet is welcome to come join us. Please see Dwain Straight or Camille Daniels for more information.

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### CONSISTORY

The Consistory will meet on Thursday, July 17, at 6:30 pm.

Current Consistory Members are:

President: Ron Rinehimer

Vice President: Camille Daniels

Secretary: Jill Bernetski

Trustees: Deb Dietrich, Don Myers, Nelson Horwath

Treasurer: Jim Rinehimer (not on Consistory)

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE JULY

### July 6

Greeters: Barb DeLuca and Carol Duffy

Liturgist: Wayne Mast

### July 13

Greeters: Connie Davis and Camille Daniels

Liturgist: Brooke Rinehimer

### July 20

Greeters: Judy Cybulski and Diana Decker

Liturgist: Sandy Kleger

### July 27

Greeters: Dave and Rosemary Myers

Liturgist: Jim Rinehimer

## OUR CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

Dave Myers

Clifford & Gladys Readler

Nora Cybulski

Josh and Caroline Cronic

Jim Rinehimer

## **JULY BIRTHDAYS**

1 Donald Myers	12 Nathan Kamowski	21 Jennifer Rinehimer
3 Gladys Readler	13 Irene Hoch	21 Judy Cybulski
5 Randy Grosz	13 Kyle Prelewicz	23 Rachelle Heller
8 Sam Dauber	13 Bonnie Silveti	25 Sharon Moyer
8 Mary Eroh	14 Carol Duffy	25 Patricia Grosz
10 Janice Broyan	14 Ruth Polashenski	27 Denise Stein
11 William Severson	15 Jo Ann Kotarsky	29 Connie Davis

## **JULY ANNIVERSARIES**

July 1, 1998 .....	Mary and Nelson Horwath
July 20, 2003 .....	Brad and Jennis Bunnell
July 23, 1976 .....	Stan and Judy Cybulski
July 30, 1983 .....	Jim and Lynne Stewart

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## **AUGUST BIRTHDAYS**

2 George Belanchik	12 Gladys Peters	27 Debbie Price
4 Camille Daniels	16 Robert Heller	27 Greg Heller
4 Debra Prelewicz	16 Brayden Belanchik	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
10 Wyatt Chalker	27 Jennifer Rinehimer	31 David Horensky
12 Dylan Atkinson		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 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  
August 31, 1963 .....Stan and Darlene Stein

## **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE AUGUST**

### **August 3**

Greeters: Carol Duffy and Connie Davis  
Liturgist: Jill Bernetski

### **August 10**

Greeters: Barb DeLuca and Camille Daniels  
Liturgist: Wayne Mast

### **August 17**

Greeters: Gene and Janice Broyan  
Liturgist: Sharon Moyer

### **August 24**

Greeters: Judy Cybulski and Diana Decker  
Liturgist: Brooke Rinehimer

### **August 31**

Greeters: Donnie Myers and  
Liturgist: Sandy Kleger

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