

The Messenger

April 2016

SUNDAY, APRIL 10

ALBERDEEN ROAD CLEAN-UP

On Sunday, April 10, members from Emmanuel will again confirm our commitment to being good stewards by giving our time to clean up the junk and debris on Alberdeen Road. We will gather at the church after worship. For more information, see Allen Dennis.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 13

TWILIGHTERS

The Twilighters will meet on April 13 at 12:00 pm for their monthly meeting. "Admission" is one dish to share. Come join us for a delicious lunch.

TURKEY SUPPER DATES

THURSDAY, APRIL 14

At 6:00 p.m., tables are set up, and the vegetables are cleaned and cut up for the pickled cabbage.

FRIDAY, APRIL 15

Beginning at 8:00 a.m. we start making the pickled cabbage and stuffing. (Some foods are just better when their flavors can mingle – just watch the cooking shows, you'll see.)

SATURDAY, APRIL 16

Beginning at 8:00 a.m. we clean the meat off the turkeys. **Final food preparations are made at 2:30 p.m. Serving the supper begins at 3:00 and goes to about 7:00 p.m.** We can always use lots of hands for serving food, working in the kitchen, busing tables, and waiting on tables. **By 7:00 pm it's nice to have a clean-up crew come in.** Everything needs to be washed up, cleared out, wiped down, dried and put away so the Sunday School rooms can be put back into order and the walls put back up. Come out and lend a hand. This is a great way to support our church and its missions and *have fun* while doing it!!

UPCOMING DATES

Put these dates on your calendar for future fun and fellowship.

May 14 – Talent in Bloom Show

June 18 – 300 Club

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VBS Update

As most of you may know, I coordinate the VBS program for our church, Stairville UMC, Faith UMC and, as of last year, Cornerstone Christian Fellowship. I have always tried to put together the best VBS possible and have been so happy with the people that lead and assist in the program. Through all the years, it has always amazed me that all I needed to do was find a program and the rest would be handled by volunteers. I never worried or had to “coax” these terrific assistants to get their part of the program in order. Crafts, games, lessons, snacks, whatever – was all taken care of by the person in charge of that area. I am very grateful to everyone with whom I shared these projects.

For this year, however, I am stepping down from coordinating. I have discussed with most of the volunteers that with the added duties of not having a permanent pastor, I have not even begun choosing a program. By this time most years we have had several planning meetings. At the last Consistory meeting, I had this issue put on the agenda with the suggestion that our churches join with St. James’ Lutheran Church for this year’s VBS. The Consistory has allowed me this option for this year.

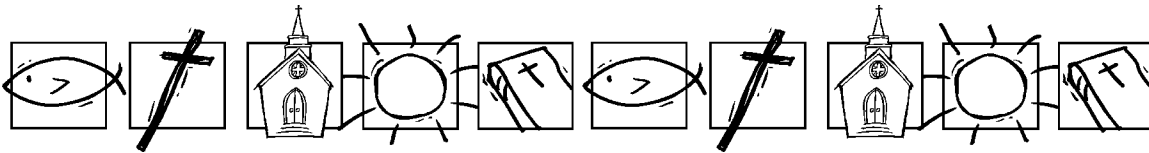
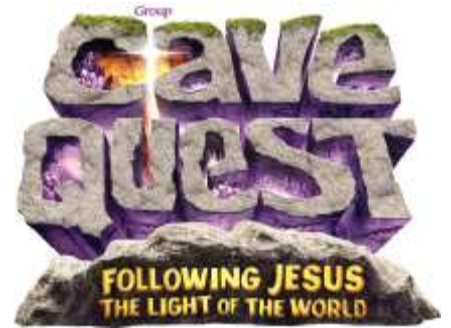
I have contacted the VBS Coordinator for St. James, Diane Bloss, who is very helpful and understanding and provided registration forms and background information on their program. It will be from June 20 to June 24. It is a morning program, 9:00 am to noon Monday through Thursday and 9:00 am to 12:30 pm on Friday (to practice for the evening program). There is a \$5.00 donation per child to cover the cost of the materials and a daily free will offering to cover refreshments for the VBS Evening Program on Friday at 7:00 pm. Registration sheets are on the table in the narthex and May 8 is the deadline for early registration. The registration fee after May 8 will be \$10 to pay for the cost of expedited shipping for those materials.

The VBS program is Cave Quest by Group Publishing. This is an excellent program and we have used Group’s materials in past years. The concept is the same as ours, with the children going between different stations, lessons, crafts, games, snacks, etc., in their groups.

I seriously encourage you to continue to make Vacation Bible School an important part of your children’s summer events. The people of St. James are very welcoming and want us to join them in this fun and educational Christian program.

Until next year, your VBS Coordinator,

Denise Dean



Condolences

It is with deep sorrow that we note the passing of long-time member Gladys Peters. Gladys was a constant presence at Emmanuel and we will miss her. Our sincere sympathy is given to her family who are following their matriarch’s footsteps as committed members of Emmanuel. God bless you all.

Thank You

A thank you card is on the bell tower bulletin board expressing Sharon Horensky’s gratitude for all the cards, well wishes and prayers while she is undergoing chemotherapy in Florida. Your friendship and concern has helped ease her treatments and given her support.

CONGREGATIONAL CORNER

Rosemary and Dave Myers welcomed another great-grandson into their family. On January 28, 2016, Jaxon Daniel Glaser was born to Daniel and Chelsea (Myers) Glaser. He weighed 8 lb. 3 oz. and was 20½” long. Congratulations to the proud great-grandparents!

TWILIGHTERS

The Twilighters will meet on Wednesday, April 13, for a pot-luck lunch at 12:00 pm. Bring a dish and enjoy a good meal and great company. Call Lois Eigenbrod or Mary Eroh for more information.

300 CLUB and SILENT AUCTION June 18

Hurry up and get your tickets
for our annual 300 Club fundraiser!

Mark your calendars and get ready for a great day of fun, food and prizes. On Saturday, June 18, we will hold our annual 300 Club from 12 to 6 pm. For tickets or to help out, please see Jim Rinehimer, Allen Dennis or any Consistory member.

Talent in Bloom May 14

Warm up your voices, tune up your instruments, brush up on your reading resonance and bring your best routine to our Talent in Bloom Show. We'll showcase our talents on Saturday, May 14, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Whatever your gift, we'd like to see you perform or present it. Brad and Jennis Bunnell are coordinating the talent show which is open to all of our area churches. We've sent flyers inviting them to join us in celebrating our local skills. Whatever your forte: photographs, paintings, hand-crafted items, poetry, music, dance, martial arts, jewelry, etc., this will be an evening to display your gift. After the show, we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for some light refreshments. There are sheets on the narthex table for you to sign up your talent. Get practicing, get creating and get your friends and family together for a wonderful evening of community fun and fellowship.

Annual Golf Tournament August 13, 2016

Get ready to tee off again on August 13 for our annual Golf Tournament! So save the date and practice those drives!! More information and details will be available in future issues.

Sunday School News

Bake Sale during the Turkey Supper

We will need baked goods to sell for our fundraiser during the Turkey Supper. Please try to drop them off before 3:00 so we can get them packed and priced. We truly appreciate your support so that we can have a great Sunday School for our kids.

YOUTH ACCOMPLISHMENTS

The Honor Rolls are out and we've got some smart kids on them:

Crestwood Middle School:

High Honors: Sammy Kotarsky and Brooke Rinehimer

Honors: Nate Kamowski

Crestwood High School:

Principal's Honors: Kristen Kania

High Honors: Michelle Bernetski

Honors: Morgan Rinehimer, Aaron Kleger, Brad Kotarsky and Hunter Rinehimer.

PICTURE PERFECT

Check the front entrance bulletin board for the following pictures:

Morgan Rinehimer received the Outstanding Member Award and the Community Service Award at the Tall in the Saddle 4-H Horse and Poly Club Annual Holiday/Awards Party.

The Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science regional meeting was held at Wilkes University. **Aaron Kleger** was one of the participants. Also participating was Richard Supkowski, great-grandson of **Ethel Fine**, who earned a scholarship to Wilkes University.

Our Boy Scout Troop 434 is pictured with Pastor Ken Newhook after our service on February 7, celebrating Boy Scout Sunday. **Aaron Kleger** and **Hunter Rinehimer** are members here and participated in our worship service along with the rest of the Troop.

Brrrrr. It was frigid for the Polar Bear Camp held on February 12 and 13, but members of Boy Scout Troop 434 withstood the freezing temperatures to hone up on winter survival skills. Thirteen stations were set up to challenge their ability at winter safety skills, fire building, first aid and more. **Aaron Kleger** was one of the brave souls who endured the training session.

Youth Group FUNDraiser



*Remember to get your
Weis and Carone's cards!*

This is a great way to support the Youth Group without spending anything extra. You're just going to spend that money at the grocery store anyway so why not give the Youth Group some help with their finances? For every \$1,000 worth of cards they sell, they make \$50. Please see Marc on Sunday mornings or you can call Denise at the church office (868-5675) during the week.

EMMANUEL GIFT CARD FUNDRAISER

In addition to the Youth Group's Weis and Carones Card Fundraisers, we have a Gift Card Fundraiser which is a great way to help our church. The Fundraiser Sheets are on the table in the narthex. Just look over the list (and there's a lot to choose from) and mark how many cards you want. As with the Youth Group's fundraiser, this is essentially a "no cost" fundraiser. You are just purchasing gift cards in the amount that you would normally spend at that store or restaurant. The fundraising part is that Emmanuel purchases them at a discount which helps our bottom line. Please pay Jim Rinehimer for your choices.

CONSISTORY MEETING

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

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

Apr. 3

Greeters: Judy Cybulski and Diana Decker
Liturgist: Brooke Rinehimer

Apr. 10

Greeters: Gloria Schreyer and Barb DeLuca
Liturgist: Jill Bernetski

Apr. 17

Greeters: Carol Duffy and Camille Daniels
Liturgist: Lynne Stewart

Apr. 24

Greeters: Mary Eroh and Lois Eigenbrod
Liturgist: Jim Stewart

OUR CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

Dave Myers
Jim Rinehimer

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

1 Allen Dennis	5 Betty Baker	18 Clyde Heller
1 Jayne Rotski	6 Jim Stewart	19 Keirsten Whitmire
3 Clifford Readler	6 Priscilla Farrell	20 Betty Dickson
3 Cadence Ring	8 Chelsea Glasser	23 Lisa Kemmerer
4 Amber DeLuca	8 Doris Yurchak	24 Kathy Rinehimer
4 Derek Stein	12 Sara Silveti	27 Stacy Prelewicz
4 Wayne Mast	15 Barbara DeLuca	28 Dean Kline
5 Shane Oldershaw	16 Rosanne Kamat	28 Lorie DiMaria
	18 Carissa Hoch	

APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

April 14, 1979.....Randy and Pat Grosz
April 20, 2002.....Kevin and Debbie Price
April 21, 1990.....David and Donna Myers
April 26, 1952.....Donald and Mary Eroh
April 27, 1968.....Jack and Bonnie Shafer
April 30, 1988.....Duane and Denise Stein

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