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9:00am and 11:00am

SUNDAY LEARNING GROUPS
10:00am

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Monday – Thursday 8:00am – 4:00pm
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THE PATHWAY

JUNE 9, 2019

Now to him who is able to do immeasurably more than all we ask or imagine…
To him be glory in the church and in Christ Jesus throughout all generations.
Ephesians 3:20-21 (NIV)

WELCOME! WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE HERE!

New to First Presbyterian Church? We're glad you're here and want to Connect with you! Complete your Connect Card in the bulletin, detach and place in the offering plate. Then stop by the Coffee Station in the Heritage Room for a gift!

PENTECOST SUNDAY – today

We are having a Pentecost Birthday Party for the Church in the Heritage Room following Worship.

Some would describe the Christian celebration of Pentecost as the ***Church on Fire***, while others call Pentecost the **birthday of the Church**. According the second chapter of the Acts of the Apostles, this day marks the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and many other followers of Jesus. These early Christians described a mighty wind and tongues of fire as they were filled with the Holy Spirit. Pentecost takes its name from its occurrence fifty days after Easter.

Thank you for your wrapped birthday presents as we restock the children's rooms with toys and art supplies. The children will open these gifts at the Pentecost Birthday Party. Enjoy birthday cake in honor of our privilege to spread the Good News throughout the world and throughout the ages in our time and place.

FATHER'S DAY CHURCH COOKOUT 11am - Noon – Sunday, June 16

Grab a friend and a side-dish as we celebrate fathers and father-figures alike!

All are welcome!

In the First Pres parking lot on the corner of Broad St. and Mulberry St.

Immediately after
10:00am Worship Service

MISSION & MINISTRY

50th WEDDING ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

Brother and Sisters in Christ at First Presbyterian Church,

In recognition of their 50th Wedding Anniversary, Glenn and Virginia Rosberg, invite you to join them today from 2 to 4 pm at the Rising House to share in their celebration. Since Lancaster has been their home for the past 40 years, they also invite you to share in assisting those less fortunate by helping them with non-perishable items and /or cash or checks to our local food pantries or FUMC First Community Kitchen free lunch program. During this time Glenn and Virginia will renew their wedding vows. As Paul wrote, "Rejoice with those who rejoice". We invite you to come and rejoice with us. Rising House is handicap accessible.

2ND ANNUAL HYMN SING-ALONG IS COMING

Last summer we sang old favorite hymns like *In the Sweet By and By* and *Swing Low, Sweet Chariot*. We are going to have another sing-along in late July, led by Karen Hardie. She would like to know which hymns you hold dear. For example, *I Come to the Garden Alone* is one of Karen Hardie's favorites and will probably be included. One criteria is that you please include those that are not in our hymnal. One caveat is that she can't promise that your hymn(s) will be sung but would love to hear which ones your favorite are. *(Contact Karen Hardie at rosieredtysa@gmail.com by June 16)*

DIVERSE MUSIC OVER THE SUMMER MONTHS

Hello brothers and sisters in Christ! We're blessed over the summer months to have a great blend of music in worship while our bells and choir take a few months off. You'll see the praise band often, but also, we'll be welcoming in other local groups and soloists as we have in previous years. If you or anyone in your family would like to provide Summer Special Music, please contact Nathan Ogg at nogg@firstpbc.org.

GROUPS AVAILABLE ON SUNDAY MORNING

SUNDAY LEARNING GROUP OPPORTUNITIES

NURSERY

Infant through 3 years // Sundays 8:45am – Noon // Room 225 (Main Level) // Caregiver: Sophie Culver // Questions, contact Tammy Witham at twitham@firstpbc.org

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL – begins today

Preschool thru Grade 5 // **Focus:** Interactive Bible Stories // Sundays 9:00 – 10:00am // Faith Village (Lower Level) // Teachers: Various // Questions, contact Tammy Witham, at twitham@firstpbc.org

YOUTH SUNDAY SCHOOL

Grades 6 through 12 // Focus: *Everybody Always* // Sundays 9:00 – 10:00am // Dining Room (Lower Level) // Leaders: Jim Gray and Matt Wood // Questions, contact Matt Wood, at mwood@firstpbc.org

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Combined Adult and Youth Summer Learning Group // **Focus:** *Everybody Always* // Sundays 9:00am – 10:00am // Dining Room (Lower level) // Leaders: Jim Gray and Matt Wood // Questions, contact Matt Wood, at mwood@firstpbc.org

LIFE GROUPS DURING THE WEEK

- **Good News Bible Study – *Wednesdays @ 12:00p, Library***
- **Cracked Pots Women's Bible Study–*various dates @ 6p, twice/month***
- **Loyalty Circle – *3rd Wednesday @ 9:30a, Room 326***
- **Small Group Bible Studies – *various times***
- **Women At The Well – *1st & 3rd Thursday @ 1p, Ann Kitzmiller's***
- **Women Of A Great Inheritance – *Tuesday @ 9a, twice/month, Heritage Room***

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PRAYER CHAIN – CONNECT

Send prayer needs or requests to join the prayer chain to Lyndel Taylor at fir.pres.prayer.request@gmail.com.

COLLECTION BINS IN THE NARTHEX – CONNECT

- Non-Perishable Food
  (Lutheran Social Services)
- Empty Pill Bottles
  (Matthew 25 Ministries)
- Diapers and Diaper Wipes
  (Maywood Mission)
- Soft Covered Bibles and Inspirational Publications
  (Cornerstone New Testament Church)
- Worn out American Flags for proper disposal
  (Boy Scout Troop 5)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **JR & SR HIGH YOUTH GROUP Sun. 6 – 8pm**
  ALL students, grades 6-12, are welcome as well as friends! See you all there!

STAR WARS BIBLE STUDY – sign up has begun!

FIRST PRES 4TH OF JULY T-SHIRTS – order by June 16 $10

First Pres will be handing out free bottled water, lemonade, and popcorn during the 4th of July Parade again this year. The youth play a huge part in this every year along with everyone else who wants to help. We will be wearing these t-shirts that day. Get a shirt for the 4th or for anytime!

- Order forms – Heritage Room Info Table
- Pay ahead (thru the Office) or at pickup
- Checks payable to First Presbyterian Church

(Contact Matt Wood at mwood@firstpbc.org)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

SAVE THE DATE June 17 – 21
Family Dinner & Registration @ 5:30p
Programming @ 6-8:00p
Register online now
https://forms.gle/nrE5D3vqBgSCxVnW6

Come join to go beyond with Faith, Boldness, Kindness, Thankfulness, and Hope. From the very start of each night with a free family dinner, through music, games, experiments, videos, and Bible stories, your child will go on a mission to discover how far God's power can take us!
(Contact Karianne Havlicek at khavlicek23@gmail.com, 740-215-6521 or Kendra Brown at kenlynbrown@icloud.com, 740-215-5478)

(Contact Tammy Witham at twitham@firstpbc.org or MaryBeth Young at mbbyoung@gmail.com)

EVENT CALENDAR

June 2019

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TODAY

8:45am	Nursery Care	Nursery 225
9:00am	Learning Groups	
	Preschool thru Grade 5	Faith Village
	Adult & Youth	Dining Room
10:00am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:00am	Coffee & Connect	Heritage Room
6:00pm	Jr. & Sr. High Youth Group	Youth Room
6:30pm	Lancaster Playhouse Prac.	Colonial Room
7:00pm	Women's Book Club	Library

MONDAY – JUNE 10

11:00am	Care First Team	Prayer Chapel
6:30pm	Lancaster Playhouse Prac.	Colonial Room
6:45pm	Church Committee Night	Sanctuary
8:00pm	AA Group Meeting	Room 319

TUESDAY – JUNE 11

9:00am	*Women of a Great Inherit.* Bible Study	Heritage Room
10:00am	Staff Meeting	Conference Rm
11:30am	WD52	Conference Rm

WEDNESDAY – JUNE 12

9:00am	Rose Quilters	Colonial Room
9:00am	Wednesday Quilters	Room 324
12:00pm	Good News Bible Study	Library
6:30pm	Lancaster Playhouse Prac.	Colonial Room

THURSDAY – JUNE 13

7:00pm	Boy Scouts Troop 5	116/Faith Village Dining Room

FRIDAY – JUNE 14

8:00am	Men's Fellowship	Trader's Café
6:30pm	Lancaster Playhouse Prac.	Colonial Room

SATURDAY – JUNE 15

6:30pm	Lancaster Playhouse Prac.	Colonial Room

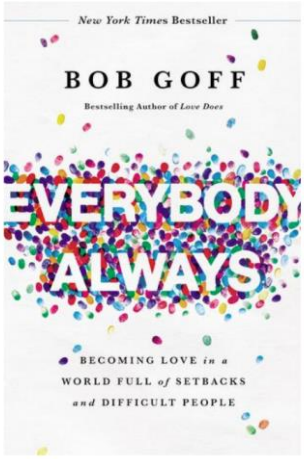
SUNDAY – JUNE 16

8:45am	Nursery Care	Nursery 225
9:00am	Learning Groups	
	Preschool thru Grade 5	Faith Village
	Adult & Youth	Dining Room
10:00am	Worship Service	Sanctuary
11:00am	Churchwide Father's Day Cookout	Broad & Mulberry Parking Lot

NOTE: Check website for up-to-date cancellations and changes http://firstpbc.org/FPC_calendar.html

SUMMER SUNDAY LEARNING GROUP @ 9am

BECOMING LOVE in a WORLD FULL of SETBACKS and DIFFICULT PEOPLE



- Meets in the Dining Room
- For Jr. & Sr. High and Adults
- Led by Jim Gray and Matt Wood
- This book and discussion will take us on a journey into the
  - secret of living without fear, constraint, or worry
  - finding the right friends
  - discovering the upside of failure
  - pointing us the way to embodying love by doing the:
    - unexpected
    - intimidating
    - seemingly impossible

Matt Wood and Jim Gray are excited to lead this study and discussion of the topics raised in this inspirational book. Bring your coffee (tea, juice, or smoothie!) and join them Sunday mornings at 9am in the Dining Room. A limited supply of books are available for $10. *(Contact Matt Wood at mwood@firstpbc.org)*

HEDGES SCHOLARSHIP FORMS – Due by June 15

The scholarship fund was established by Esther Hedges Strickland in memory of her sisters, Helen and Golda. Helen and Golda were lifetime Presbyterians transferring their membership from the Amanda, Ohio Presbyterian Church to the First Presbyterian Church in Lancaster, on December 7, 1969.

Having dedicated their professional lives to teaching, the scholarship team will give special consideration to Education majors. Students must have **completed at least one year of college**. Applications are available through the Office. *(Contact Jenny Leitnaker Miller at jleitnaker@firstpbc.org)*

Care First Team

The Care First team meets every Monday to update a confidential list of FPC members who are burdened by illness, grief, or need support. If you would like the Care First Team to know of a need, call:

Pastor Steve Garstad	610-999-2111	Marsha Russell	740-215-4797
Molly Hampshire	740-653-4355	Judy Snyder	740-654-5344
Ed Pool	740-407-1514	Alice Waits	740-687-1087

Session Members

Muriel Ballou – 2019	Jeff Brymer-Bashore – 2020	Neal Elliott – 2021
Merwyn Bowdish – 2019	Mary Ann Boone – 2020	Jason Foster – 2021
Jamie Culver – 2019	Mark Loy – 2020	Jim Gray – 2021
Matt Johnson – 2019	Jerry Stebelton – 2020	Susan Johnson – 2021

Deacons

Melissa Davis – 2019	Sue Smith – 2020
Sue Redman – 2019	Pam Plescher – 2021
Open – 2019	Sandy Schroer – 2021
Bill Haase – 2020	Sandy Smith – 2021
Molly Hampshire – 2020	