

# The Presbyterian

September 2010

# PASTORS' PONDERINGS

Recently David had to perform a funeral service for a 60 year old woman who had risen to the top of the advertising world. The tragedy of her death was compounded by the fact that she had postponed many of her hopes and dreams until her retirement—which she never reached. Ironically one of the slogans she created for a watch company was: *"Time is beautiful"*.

Time is beautiful! Each of us is given the same amount of time each day—no more and no less. But what matters most is what we do with that time. Think about it. What do you do with the time you've been given? Take a moment and run through your typical schedule. How much time have you dedicated to helping others? Where have you put time with God? Is worshipping God in your schedule?

By looking at how you fill up your time, you soon gain a sense of your priorities. Is one hour of worship each week asking too much? After all you have 167 other hours to use! What if you were to devote 10% of your time to your relationship with God—serving others, praying, worshipping, participating in the life of the church? That is 17 hours per week. That may sound like a lot, but you still would have 151 hours to do everything else. What if you were to even devote 2 hours on Sunday and an hour every day to developing your relationship with God? That is only 8 hours per week. Or think about it this way: What if God were to devote only one hour per day and 2 hours on Sunday to you?

Time is beautiful. Don't take it for granted! Use your time wisely. Make a commitment for one week to increase the amount of time you spend with God. Try it. What do you really have to lose? That time may be the best use of time you've ever had. They say it takes 21 days to start a habit—why not try spending an hour a day for three weeks on God or matters related to your relationship with God?

We'll be waiting to hear how you're doing!

See you Sunday!  
Pastors Cindy and David



### SUMMER RECAP

Summer has been a time of great blessings here at First Presbyterian Church of Freehold:

- We had 3 Saturday evening Vesper Services averaging 27 people in attendance
- 17 children, youth and adults went to the New Wilmington Mission Conference in July where they heard inspiring speakers from around the world, fellowshiped with Christians from all over the US, and were challenged to continue to share the love of Christ wherever we find ourselves. **Next year's Conference is July 23-30, 2011. This conference is for children, youth and adults!**
- 35 youth and adults went on a mission trip to Wilkesburg, PA.
- We successfully hosted the guests of Family Promise for one week.
- We had a very successful week of Vacation Bible School. Nearly 70 participants learned about the Parables of Jesus, enjoyed playing the handbells and chimes and singing, played some great games and made some cool crafts, and were thrilled by the "Reptile Guy" and his reptiles. **But, due to the lack of support, there will not be a VBS next summer.**
- Our grounds have been beautifully maintained.
- We were blessed to have Tom Dresser, Donna Spendley, Susan Daesener and Katie McCoy preach when the Pastors were on vacation.
- The Session met for an afternoon retreat to refresh their spirits, think about their calling as Elders and to plan for the year ahead, focusing on "Growing in Christ's Love".

**WOW!** And this isn't the whole list. **GOD IS AT WORK IN AND THROUGH OUR CHURCH!** Please continue to pray for the Holy Spirit to lead and empower us in the year ahead!

## FPC MINISTRY FAIR

On Sunday, September 12 at 9:30am, we will be celebrating the mission and ministries of First Presbyterian with a SPECTACULAR, BACK TO CHURCH MINISTRY FAIR in the auditorium!

Each Commission and church organization/group will have a table displaying information about their particular mission and/or ministry. Opportunities will be provided to volunteer, to learn more information, to make new friends and become reacquainted with old friends. Coffee and juice will be available—AND MANY TABLES WILL HAVE FREE GIVE AWAYS!

During the fair you will be able to ENROLL YOUR CHILDREN FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL!

No matter how long you've been a member, you are guaranteed to learn something new by attending this special event!



## **WELCOME PATRICK AFFLITTO**

In July our custodian, Tom Dillon resigned; we are grateful for his years of service. So after interviewing a number of qualified candidates, Patrick Afflito was hired as our custodian, effective August 23. Patrick will be working 10 hours a week—2 hours per day Monday-Thursday, and 2 hours on Saturday morning. Any requests for set-up should be made through the church office. Patrick and his wife are the parents of two children and reside in Aberdeen. Welcome **Patrick! Thank you to the Property Commission for doing the custodial work in the interim time and to Personnel for taking care of the hiring process.**

## **COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED**

On Sunday, August 29 two of our members who are in college were awarded scholarships for their continued participation in Christian activities while away at college. This scholarship will be awarded annually; applications will be available each spring for those college students who are interested. This year's recipients are: Kristin Mann, a student at Kutztown University who found a local church to attend last semester. During that time, she participated in the Church's Adopt-A-Block Program where they cleaned up the streets of Kutztown. Christy McCoy, a student at Eastern University who participates actively in a church near her campus, has been part of an inner city tutoring mission project, helped start a small group Bible study, and has been part of Habitat for Humanity's projects during Spring Break. These two young adults are great role models of how to continue to nurture your faith.



**JUDY COLLINS TO PERFORM**  
**A SOLO CHRISTMAS CONCERT DECEMBER 4th**

Legendary folk singer, Grammy Award winner and 1960's musical giant, Judy Collins will be performing a solo Christmas concert in our sanctuary on **Saturday December 4th at 7:30pm**. Ms Collins is famous for her renditions of "Amazing Grace" "Send in the Clowns" "Both Sides Now" and many more hits. We are making arrangements for our choir to back her up on "Amazing Grace." It should be a very beautiful evening to usher in the Christmas season!

Tickets go on sale after Labor Day and are \$45 each and all seats are reserved. Autographed CDs will be for sale with the church receiving a percentage of the income. If you would like to help the Committee - especially in securing ads for the program booklet - please contact Bob DiSogra at (732) 625-8238 or e-mail him at [bobd1030@aol.com](mailto:bobd1030@aol.com).

Proceeds go towards the Mortgage Fund.

For more information, please call the Church Office at (732) 462-0234.

# CHRISTIAN EDUCATION NEWS

The Christian Education Commission is excited about the year ahead. WE INVITE ALL OF YOU TO JOIN US AS WE GROW IN CHRIST'S LOVE!



## *Sunday School Start-up*

### Sunday School Opening

On Sunday, September 19 we will kick-off our new Sunday School Year! EVERYONE is invited to join us at 9:30am in the Sanctuary where we will introduce the Christian Education Staff and hear about the year ahead. Parents SHOULD accompany their children to this opening program. After the time of introductions, each group will go to their classrooms, where the classes will be learning about the missionary family they will be adopting for the year. As well, each class will make a Wall Hanging for their missionaries. So, Come one, Come all!

**In addition, all Third Graders will receive a Bible during the 8:30am service of worship.**

On Sunday, September 26 all classes will meet in their assigned classrooms. Pre-school will be in Rooms 1 & 2 on the First Floor of the Christian Education Building; Grades K -5 will be on the Second Floor of the Christian Education Building; Junior Highs (grades 6-8) will be in Rooms A & B of the Sanctuary building; Senior Highs will be in the Loft on the Third Floor of the Sanctuary Building and Adults will be in the Auditorium.

## Confirmation Class



### CONFIRMATION CLASS

Our 2010-2011 Confirmation Class will begin on September 19th with a dinner for the confirmands and their sponsors. An introductory meeting was held in June for all ninth grade youth and their parents to provide information about this year's program. If you were unable to attend that meeting and would still like to participate in the Confirmation Class, contact Pastor Cindy at 732-462-0234.

### ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

One of the opportunities that our church provides adults to grow in their faith is our Sunday morning Adult Sunday School Class. Through a variety of topics, from studying Books of the Bible to exploring relevant issues of the day, adults of all ages share together in exploring what it means to be a faithful follower of Jesus Christ. The Adult Class meets every Sunday morning at 9:30am. **NO PRIOR KNOWLEDGE IS REQUIRED!**

So, grab a cup of coffee from the youth coffee corner in the Christian Ed. Building lobby, (it's a lot cheaper than Starbucks or Dunkin' Donuts) and join us in the Auditorium . Whether your 80 or 60 or 40 or 20—this is a great opportunity. The first class will be held on Sunday, September 19 at 9:30am.; we will watch and discuss one of the Nooma Videos. Stay tuned for our next series!



### CHAOS (Grades 9-12)



CHAOS, Christians Hanging Around On Sunday, our Senior High Youth Group will hold its first meeting on **Sunday, September 19 from 6pm-7:30pm.** CHAOS will meet every Sunday evening at the same time.

All Senior High youth are *INVITED* to join us for fun, fellowship, even FOOD! Look for an update in your mailbox!

### BIG (Grades 9-12)

BIG, Believers In God, our middle school Youth Group will have their first meeting on **Sunday, October 3, 6pm-7:30pm** at the church. All Middle School Youth are encouraged to participate. This group is led by Peter Ciok, Pastor Cindy and Judie Stillwagon. **We meet on the First Sunday of every month** to play some games, enjoy fellowship and spend some time in learning more about our faith.



### KIDS' CLUB

**Kids' Club,** our youth group for children in Kindergarten through 5th grade will start on Sunday, **October 3, 6-7:30pm.** We will divide into two groups: K-2 and 3-5 to enjoy fun activities and always a SNACK. Kids' Club meets the **First Sunday** of every month. **Note the time change!!** The Christian Ed. Commission felt it would be helpful to have Kids' Club at the same time as BIG and CHAOS so parents only need to make one trip.



**OPPORTUNITIES FOR SERVICE**  
**(Christian Ed., Worship, Mission, Outreach,**  
**Finance, Property**

There are currently 6 commissions, chaired by an Active Elder, which provide for the leadership of our congregation. WE WOULD LOVE TO SEE MORE PEOPLE INVOLVED! Look on the cover of the newsletter to see the Commission contact persons. Commissions meet on the First Tuesday of the month at 7pm at the Church. No Prior Experience Required! Sign up today before you are "drafted".

**NURSERY ASSISTANTS NEEDED**

Nursery Assistants for the Fall Season wanted!! We are in the process of scheduling volunteers to assist our childcare attendant during the 8:30 and/or 11:00 services. Volunteers are needed. If you have a child who participates in the life of First Presbyterian Church, we ask that you donate some of your time to give back to the youngest of FPC. Volunteers are scheduled for an hour on Sunday to help Anna Lisa care for the MANY children who need childcare during service. If you are able to help out, please call the church office or Julie Heinsohn 732-303-0544 Thank you!!!



## Koinonia Groups



If you are looking for an informal Bible study group, with a focus on fellowship, then the Koinonia groups are for you!

At present, we have three groups which will begin meeting in October. The Wednesday morning group will meet weekly from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m. at the church. The Monday and Wednesday evening groups meet weekly at 7:00 p.m. at the Bowman's home. (The Monday group is co-ed) If you are interested in making a commitment to participate or would like more information, please contact Pastor Cindy at (732) 462-0234 to see if there is room for you!

## **TWELFTH ANNUAL CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S RETREAT**

*October 15-17*

*St. Raphaela Retreat Center, Haverford PA*

*Retreat Leader: Gayle Kerr*

*Theme: Finding God In All Things*

*This is a great chance for women, young and old, to get away from their daily routine. It is an opportunity for fellowship with other Christian Women, grow in your faith and have a lot of fun!*

*Registration forms are available in the church office or the Narthex. Registration deadline is September 19.*

*Join us. It is a lot of fun!*



## **MISSION TRIP NEWS**

Twenty eight Youth and seven adults from our congregation traveled to Wilkesburg, PA during the end of June to participate in a Week of Hope mission project. The youth worked with older adults, worked outside doing cleanup, assisted with a seniors day program and even had time to catch a few sights around the area. Thank you for your support and prayers for the group as they traveled and worked to share Christ's love.

On **Sunday, September 19** at both worship services the Mission Trip Participants will share about their work during the worship services.

Plans are already in the works for **next year's mission trip**: (June 24 -July 2, 2011 to Bay City, MI). All Middle School and Senior High Youth are invited to participate. We have openings for 30 youth and 7 adults. If you're interested, please contact Pastor Cindy; a \$50 deposit is **required by September 19th** to hold your spot. The Mission Trip provides a great way to share the love of Christ, to see God at work and to get to know other Christians.

## **NEW MEMBER CLASS**

Our next New Member Class will be held on Sunday, October 10, Noon-4pm with lunch provided. If you are interested in becoming a Member of First Presbyterian Church or would like to learn more about our Church family, we invite you to attend this class. During our time together, you will learn about what Presbyterian Christians believe, how our Church is governed, our Church's history, and how you can be involved in our church's ministry. Please contact Pastor David at 732-462-0234 if you would like to attend; childcare will be available upon request.



## *Return to Regular Worship Hours*

### **FALL WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Beginning Sunday, September 12, we will return to our two Sunday morning worship services at 8:30 and 11:00 am. Please mark your calendars. Join us weekly for worship! *Sunday School for all ages will begin on Sunday, September 19th at 9:30 a.m.*

### **STEWARDSHIP UPDATE**

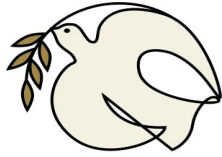
Thank you for your continued generosity! Your giving has kept the electric bill paid, the staff salaries accounted for, and covered the costs of items like paper for the bulletins, toilet paper for the bathrooms, light bulbs, etc. Thank you!

If you were not able to worship with us this summer, we encourage you to take the opportunity to catch-up on your pledge and offerings to the church. As you know, while you were away, the funding for our programs and facilities continued!

If you haven't done so, please return your per capita—we are asked to pay this amount for each member of our congregation to the Presbytery. Also, if you have pledged to the Mortgage Reduction, your contributions are always appreciated. Our monthly mortgage payment is over \$8300 as we continue to pay down our mortgage. (We still have over \$890,000 remaining on our mortgage).



## **The Manner of Giving: Generously**



***“Command them to do good, to be rich  
in good deeds, and to be generous and  
willing to share.”***

***--I Timothy 6:18***

Generosity never stands alone. It is always associated with other traits. It is a symptom, not an independent entity.


Find a generous person and you will find contentment, gratitude, humility, love, and compassion. The person cannot help but be generous because everything he or she is and has is tied up in relation to God. The generous person, for example, might be so thankful for the family van that a natural expression of their stewardship would be loaning it to the youth group for a weekend outing.

Contentment is a key factor to generosity. It walks hand-in-hand with gratitude because only when a person no longer desires for self is generosity perfected. Maybe that's why Paul is speaking to the rich in this passage. In the preceding verse, Paul instructs Timothy, "Command those who are rich in this present world not to be arrogant nor to put their hope in wealth, which is so uncertain, but to put their hope in God, who richly provides us with everything for our enjoyment." The product of arrogance and trusting in riches is to hoard wealth and continue to be greedy. It's so easy to want more and more, isn't it? That's why Paul commands the rich to adjust their behavior and elevate their motives because greed, to any degree, closes the door to generosity.

Many years ago, I wrote "A Page of Priorities" at the top of the page in my Bible where I Timothy 6 appears. I encourage all of us to be content and grateful. May generosity overflow from our cup of humility, gratitude, contentment, and love. Let's take hold of life that is truly life!

# Mortgage Reduction

## Fundraisers



- 1 **WWW.Goodsearch.com** The next time you search the internet, use [www.goodsearch.com](http://www.goodsearch.com). Type First Presbyterian Church of Freehold as your charity. The mortgage reduction fund receives a penny for each search. Or if you shop online, use **www.goodshop.com** which donates a percentage of your purchases to First Presbyterian.
- 2 **EAT AT TGIFriday's** on the Second Thursday of the month between 5pm and 9pm. TELL YOUR SERVER THAT YOU ARE FROM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF FREEHOLD and make sure the server writes this down. The Mortgage reduction fund then receives 20% of your bill. The Next Date will be Thursday, September 9.
- 3 **SCRIP GIFT CARDS:** to purchase gift cards fill out an order form and return it to Tammy Ciok or church office by the first Sunday of the month. Orders will be delivered by the 2nd Sunday. Don't forget to use them for groceries, gas, and special occasions.

## WEEKLY EMAIL UPDATES AND THOUGHTS OF THE DAY

Did you know that you can receive an update mid-week about church activities/prayer concerns/news and notes, via your email? If you would like to be added to the weekly update list, send a note to [update@fpcfreeshold.org](mailto:update@fpcfreeshold.org) Your email address is NEVER SHARED with others.

You can also sign up to receive a weekday, daily Thought for the Day which contains a Scripture reading and a brief reflection. This is available by sending your email address to Pastor David at [update@fpcfreeshold.org](mailto:update@fpcfreeshold.org).

## CHURCH WEBSITE



Have you visited the new church website lately? There you will find the monthly calendar and newsletter, announcements about events and recent pictures of church activities. Thanks to our webmaster: Doug McCoy. The website can be found at [www.fpcfreeshold.org](http://www.fpcfreeshold.org). Check out the New Website!



*Community  
Lunch*

*Join us for our  
First Presbyterian Church*

### Community Luncheon

Friday, September 24th

11:30pm - 1:30pm

Christian Ed Building Auditorium

### You have a choice of two:

Sandwich, Salad or Homemade Soup

Dessert & Beverage included with your

\$7.00 donation.

**Proceeds benefit the Property Commission**

# **Opportunities to help with First Presbyterian's Music Ministry**

## **Chancel Choir**

Do you love to sing? We sing at the 11:00 am worship service from September to June, as well as other special services. Rehearsals are on Thursday evenings from 7:30 pm to 9:00 pm. All are welcome. Individual training and accompanying CDS are available to help practice at home. Nursery is available, upon request.

## **Kirk Ringers – (Handbells)**

Come share in the joy of ringing bells. Soothing to the listener, therapeutic to the ringers, if you can count from 1 to 4, we will teach you the rest. First Presbyterian has a five octave set of Malmark Handbells and a four octave set of Malmark Chimes. Rehearsals are immediately after the 11 am service. A nursery is provided. We are looking for new members.

## **Praise Team**

Do you enjoy contemporary Christian music? Do you like to listen to modern Christian artists worshipping and praising God? The Praise Team is always looking for new members, both vocalists and instrumentalists. This is a fantastic opportunity to share your talents. We rehearse Sunday mornings at 7:30 am and sing at the 8:30 am contemporary service.

### **Youth Ring and Sing**

This active music program is open to a wide variety of youth from 4<sup>th</sup> grade thru high school and even including the young at heart. Youth have a choice of handbells, chimes, choral singing and participating in a small musical production. The opportunities are unlimited! A few ways to serve include: Bell and Chime ringing, singing, and acting. Helpers are needed with choreography, scenery, acting parts, and, of course, refreshments. What better way to have the entire family involved! Rehearsals are on Monday evenings from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, starting on September 27, 2010.

### **Cherub Choir**

The Cherub Choir, grades K thru 3<sup>rd</sup> rehearse on Sunday mornings from 10:30 am to 10:50 am. The first rehearsal will be on Sunday, September 26. We are looking for a couple volunteers to help lead this group of talented young singers.

**Soloists and special Instrumentalists** are always welcome and I encourage you to share your talents. There are special opportunities at the 8:30 am and 11:00 am worship service, as well as special events.

Please contact John Cavicchio at 732-462-0374 if interested in any of these opportunities.



**Join the Choir...**  
**You'll Be Glad**  
**You Did!**

## **Volunteers are needed to help out with Youth Ring and Sing.**

Rehearsal will be on Monday evenings from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm, starting September 27.

The program is designed to accommodate a wide variety of ages from 4<sup>th</sup> grade thru high school. It involves handbells, chimes, choral singing and a small musical production.

If any of the following areas interest you, please help out:

- Bell Ringing
- Young singers
- Acting
- Choreography
- Scenery
- Refreshments

Please contact John Cavicchio at 732-462-0374 for additional information.

## **Cherub Choir Volunteers Needed**

1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian's Cherub Choir rehearsal will be on Sundays from 10:30 am to 10:50 am.

The first rehearsal will be on Sunday, September 26<sup>th</sup>.

We are looking for volunteers to help lead this group of young singers, grades K thru 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Please see John Cavicchio for more information or call the church music office at 732-462-0374.

## **NEW WILMINGTON MISSION CONFERENCE**

My 7 year old son, Jared, and I have attended for the past 4 years. Every year when we get home he asks if we are going back next year. He enjoys the fellowship with other Christian children, learning what people are doing around the world in Christ's Name, and of course the free time in the afternoon. This year about a week before we left he would ask me everyday if his best friend from Conference was going to be there. He has developed friendships that last throughout the year and they started playing the minute they saw each other, not missing a beat. My experience has been wonderful. Each year I have taught with the Primary group in the morning and enjoy watching the children grow in their faith. The afternoon free time is a wonderful way for my son and I to spend time together. I enjoy attending Vesper Services and the evening meetings. Hearing how other people are sharing the love of Christ throughout the world is very inspirational. The messages and music really challenge me in my faith and inspire me to share it with those around me when I get home. New Wilmington Mission Conference has been and I hope will always be an integral part of my faith journey. *Judie Stillwagon*

My daughter, Leah and I attended the NWMC for the first time this summer. We both had a wonderful time hearing and learning about other countries where missionaries travel to share God's word. In this one week Leah made wonderful friends whom she hopes to keep in contact with, especially one little girl, who will be moving with her family this year to serve in Christ's name. I was able to enjoy the primary VBS with other members of this church. I really appreciated the smiles and hugs throughout the week. I also enjoyed the music and several of the speakers. This was a fantastic opportunity to hear and see other Christians growing in Christ's love. *Donna Spendley*



## is for M I S S I O N

Aug 29	<b>Pakistan Flood Victims:</b> Special Collection
Sept 5	<b>Open Door:</b> Non-perishable food donations
Sept 7	<b>Commission meet:</b> 7:30 Auditorium
Sept 12	<b>Ministry Fair:</b> See what Mission's doing in your church 9:30 – 10:30 am
Sept 26	<b>Mission Pots:</b> Cash donations for Open Door
Oct 17	<b>Crop Walk</b>

**Thank You for all you did this summer ~**

*"Let us love, not in word or in speech, but in truth and action" 1 John 3.18*



**You visited with Rita Johns** in July & heard what God is doing in **Central Asia.....** In thanks for our prayers & support, she gave us a beautiful hand-woven bookmark for our pulpit Bible. Come see it at the Ministry Fair.



**You donated 251 pairs of kids' scissors** that we took to New Wilmington Mission Conference in July. They were used to make part of the **1200 school kits** that were assembled there for Church World Service to use in disaster situations, whenever & wherever help is needed. Remember - our goal was 250 pairs! We got 251... God provides: bless Him!



**You gave \$75 in the Mission Pots for Open Door** at the end of July, and some faithful souls gave donations of food every Sunday.



## **You hosted Family Promise August 22 – 28**

You served 4 families, with 4 adults, 1 teen, 2 kids & 2 toddlers. You made classrooms into bedrooms; you picked up clean linens; you shopped, cooked, hung out, slept, made phone calls & sent emails. "As you did it to one of these the least of my brethren, you did it to Me". Matthew 25.v40

### **LOCAL MISSION**

"For I was hungry and you gave me food..."

#### **OPEN DOOR Food Pantry**

provides food to the poor and needy in Freehold. If you have enough to eat, can you buy an extra few cans of food each week for those who don't? Leave the food in the Open Door bin just inside the sanctuary when you come to worship each Sunday, or in the shopping cart outside the kitchen in the Christian Education building.

Can you remember to save your loose change & throw it in the Mission Pot on the last Sunday of each month? Open Door can use our cash donations to help desperate people to pay their rent & avoid eviction. Please help however you can.

### *Help Wanted*

**ENGLISH CONVERSATION** for non-native speakers.

Person needed to assist with general light conversation topics, in English, in a group setting, for 2 Thursday evenings each month, here in the church. Please talk to Sandra for details or email [sandraswh@verizon.net](mailto:sandraswh@verizon.net) No other language required – but must be friendly...

#### **LEFT-OVER FOOD PICK-UP & DROP-OFF -**

donated by Starbucks

Person(s) needed to pick up left-over pastries from Starbucks store in Freehold Raceway Mall at the close of a business day and deliver within Freehold Boro next morning. If you can do a pick-up & drop-off one day a week, talk to Sandra. Pick-ups are at 9:30pm Mon-Sat; 7:30pm Sun.

Deliveries by 10am to St.Peter's Parish House lunch program, Open Door or The Manor, Broad St.

*Pay's not great but benefits are out of this world...*

## WORLD MISSION

“Look among the nations and see; wonder and be astounded. For I am doing a work in your days that you would not believe if told.” Habakkuk 1:5

### **CENTRAL ASIA**

Rita Johns has asked us to remember in prayer:

the 700 children affected by polio: that physical therapists will come, to begin exercising the kids' muscles

Central Asian Muslims: for a real understanding of God's grace

For better healthcare and health supplies

For a good harvest, so there's enough to eat and to share

### **PAKISTAN**

Remember to pray for:

the families who mourn those who have died in the floods

and the 1.5 million who are now homeless, with no livelihood

those who are responding with humanitarian aid & spiritual support

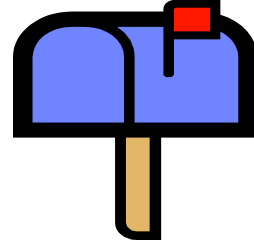
compassion in the hearts of those who can afford to give financially: that they would be generous in their giving

Mission Co-workers, Paul & Pat Stock and their family serving in southern Pakistan.

### **IRAN**

The Holy Spirit is at work in Iran! From **Sept 2 -9**, please pray for the 34 leaders of the Presbyterian Church in Iran who will be attending seminars outside the country: that they will learn more about their faith and be encouraged, despite the obvious difficulties of being a Christian in Iran.

## College Student Addresses:



If your child has gone off to college this fall, please contact the church office with their college address ASAP so that we may keep in touch with them.

## CHURCH WORLD SERVICE CLOTHING DONATIONS

Church World Service is open for business starting in September. Please bring your gently used clothing and linens to the closet next to the kitchen; We do not accept donations of toys or household goods. **Our first meeting is September 28th. Why not join us at 10:00 am?** Bring a sandwich - dessert and beverage provided.

## UNITY CLUB

Unity Club will meet on Thursday, **September 16, 2010**. This is a covered dish supper, and a time for adults to socialize. We meet at 6 pm on the third Thursday of each month. Contact Cheryl Quandt at 732-780-0171 for more information.

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN



## **PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN**

The ladies of Presbyterian Women will be kicking off their new year with a joint circle meeting on Tuesday, September 14th at 7:00 pm in the auditorium and they would love to see some new faces. Whether you are young or old, newly married or a grandmother we will be glad to have you join us for the evening. Patty Williams will be our guest speaker and she will be introducing our Bible study for the year, "Journeys Through Revelation: Apocalyptic Hope for Today". Refreshments will be served and as always a time for fellowship. For more information, please contact Nancee Hanley @732-409-1124.

## **Project Peanut Butter and PW**

20 million children suffer from Severe Acute Malnutrition. Across the world it is the largest killer of children under five years of age. The ladies of PW are pleased to sponsor Project Peanut Butter, an organization founded by Dr. Mark Manary. This organization has developed ready to use therapeutic foods that are high-calorie, fortified peanut-butter like pastes. These super foods provide the specific, high-quality nutrition children need to recover, survive, and even thrive. At our September circle meeting, we will be helping children both locally and globally. Please bring jars of peanut butter to be donated to Open Door and we will be collecting money to be sent to the children of South Asia and Africa. Thank you!

## **Tea in a Basket**

The ladies of PW cordially invite you to join them for their annual Tea in a Basket auction on Wednesday, October 27th at 7:00 pm in the auditorium. This is always an enjoyable evening with delicious desserts, great doorprizes, and lots of happy winners! The baskets will be available for preview on Sunday, October 24th at 10:30, 12:00, and briefly at 9:30. Ticket bids will be available for purchase on both dates and are \$1 each or 15 for \$10. For more information, please do not hesitate to contact Nancee Hanley @732-409-1124.

## **Presbyterian Women of Monmouth Fall Gathering**

The ladies of Freehold are invited to attend the Fall Gathering on Saturday, October 16th at Hope Presbyterian Church, 1189 Hope Road, Tinton Falls. The theme is "World Food Day" and all attendees are kindly asked to bring a non-perishable food item with them. The cost to attend is \$5 and you may pay at the door. If you wish to attend, please contact Lori Evans at [LMEGOLFER@VERIZON.NET](mailto:LMEGOLFER@VERIZON.NET).

## What Do The Deacons Do?

The office of Deacon as set forth in Scripture (1 Timothy 3: 8-15) is one of sympathy, witness and service after the example of Jesus Christ.

It is the duty of Deacons, first of all, to minister to those who are in need, to the sick, the friendless, the bereaved and to any who are in distress.

There is an envelope provided in your offering box is for the Deacon's work. There are also green envelopes in the pews. This is our **only** source of income. Funding for the Deacons' work is **not** included in the church budget.

### **The Deacons:**

1. Make hospital visits
2. Make home visits to the nursing homes and other home-bound members of the church
3. Provide financial aid where there is a need
4. Send money to Open Door and other food pantries and, when needed, to church members
5. Provide and distribute Thanksgiving and Valentine's baskets
6. Oversee the church prayer chain
7. Provide care notes found in the Narthex and CE building lobby
8. Provide transportation for doctor visits, food shopping, etc.
9. Provide large print bulletins for services & mailing to home members
10. Provide first aid kits in the church buildings
11. Provide convalescent equipment
12. Provide birth roses for babies born to members on the active rolls
13. Mail appropriate cards to shut-ins, the sick, and the bereaved

14. Provide care packages for college students who are members
15. Provide a representative on the Nominating Committee
16. Provide current information on the "Deacon Doings" bulletin board.

The Deacons are always looking for additional drivers to assist our members when transportation is needed. If you would like to be added to our list, please contact Dawn Schellenger at 732-598-5210

Our Deacons are: Elwood Bodden, Rebecca Bowman, Lenora Chu, Robin Fox, Jenn Kelly, Kristin Lozano, Dorothy Munnery, Anna Rasmussen, Kelley Santangelo, Dawn Schellenger, Linda Schmidt and Sharon Stout.

"Love one another as  
I have loved you."





REQUESTS  
— FOR —  
PRAYER

Ken Van Norman; Mary Summonte; Pat Applegate; Mission Trip participants; Helen Matthews; Olga Littlefield; Ricardo Baptista; Helene Heinsohn; Howard Heinsohn; Kim White's sister, Lisa Hoeschele; Lillian Cairns; to end the BP oil spill and for all those involved in cleaning it up; Phil Helsel and Family; Abby Watermulder; The Tobey Family; Charlie Sullivan's son-in-law; Beth Sulzberg's mother; Harry Henderson; Harold Guttormsen; Dot MacMillan's family; Walter Geddie's family; Eleanor Hargis' sister-in-law and niece; Virginia on death of friend, Steve; Presbyterian Church General Assembly Meeting; Peter Platt's mother; Berwin Guttormsen; Peggy Lettieri; Althea Dobbins; Thomas Alne; Karen Giurici's mom, Shirley; Hansen family; Carolyn Gritiski; Humphrey Family; Adriane Barilka; Melissa Marchese's mother; Eric Rice; Clugston Family; John Hoogland; Erik Foster; Katie McCoy at Summer Youth Institute; Jessica Bailey's co-worker, Colleen and family; Mildred and Bud Rasmussen; Ricardo Baptista; those attending New Wilmington Mission Conference; Laurie Klesitz; Susan Campbell's parents; Rohman family; Maria Baptista's niece, Izabel; David Bowman; Dianna Mascolo; family of Raymond Vanderhoef; Sue Hearn; Elders at Session meeting; Tom and Leslie Dresser's nephew; young man from Howell who was killed in a car accident; Bob VanSant and family; Beth Sulzberg's Mom; Sally Musson; Veronica Green's, Aunt Linda; Annette St. Cyr; Unemployed; Danny Collazo; Ed Bailey's cousin; Steven Dillameuth; John Hoogland; Families of the medical team killed in Afganistan; Pakistan monsoons; Tara's father, Ralph; Carolyn Schue; Anita John; Eric Rohman's Family; Betsy's sister; Chris Giurici's mother, Gloria; Dottie Burge and Marion Vinyard's sister, Margaret; Doris Sleeper

Hospitalized: Olga Littlefield (Wedgewood Gardens); Mildred and Bud Rasmussen (Wedgewood Gardens and Bartley Manor); Peggy Lettieri (Bartley Manor and CentraState); Matthew Pilla



OUR PRAYERS AND SYMPATHY ARE  
EXTENDED TO:

- *The MacMillan Family on the death of Dorothy MacMillan on Sunday, June 27, 2010.*
- *Berwin and Peggy Guttormsen on the death of Berwin's brother, Harold.*
- *Anna Geddie on the death of her husband, Walter.*
- *The Sleeper Family on the death of Doris Sleeper on Monday, August 23, 2010.*

### JOYS

Eleanor Scott's Birthday; Dottie Burdge's recuperation; Wedding of Meaghan Reid and Tim Dafick; Mission Trip returned safely; Baby Madeline doing well; Pat Moran engaged; Vacation Bible School attendees and staff; Peggy Lettieri home from Bartley; Vespers



### Adopt A Bill and Donation Acknowledgements

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|----------------------|---|---|
| Peggy Lettieri       | — | Two books of Stamps   |
| Bob DiSogra          | — | Roll of Stamps and the donation of office cabinets, chairs and a small refrigerator |
| Marie Schlechtweg    | — | Paint for Church bathroom and hallway   |
| Cindy & David Bowman | — | Paint for Church Hallway and Rooms A&B  |
| Wendy Jaghab         | — | Paint for Office  |

# September

## Birthdays

09/01	THERESA COMO WILLAM KLEMANOWICZ AIMEE PRENDERGAST	09/18	RUTH BUFFETT KAREN SKOK VICTORIA VAN SANT MEAGHAN DAFICK
09/04	ELLEN CHAN	09/19	LAURA BEITH CHRISTY McCOY
09/07	EMILY KLESITZ	09/20	AUDREY JASPER ALYSON CRAIG
09/08	DORIS SLEEPER CHELSEY TOLERICO NICHOLAS COMO	09/21	SHARON STOUT
09/10	JOHN KENNY JAMES GREEN DENNIS ALNE	09/22	GAVIN GLICK
09/13	EVAN CIOK	09/23	BARBARA LLOYD KYLIE MURPHY
09/14	JEANNE FORTI JARED STILLWAGON	09/24	KIMBERLY D'ARMETTA
09/15	ALICE BARR KAREN HIGH	09/25	MELISSA SCHARTEL SANDRA FOSTER
09/16	BILL ALVAREZ TAMMY CIOK	09/26	LORI ANN WALKER EMILY PIZZA OWEN POPE-McDONOUGH
09/16	RUSSELL LLOYD	09/27	MARIE KSENIAK LAUREN MOORE



## **CELL PHONE ETTIQUETTE IN WORSHIP**

Modern technology is wonderful—we can be in communication with others 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. However, since God created all things, and then rested, we too need to take a brief break from our technology. We would ask that during worship you place your cell phones on vibrate. (We are aware that some of you are on call and will need to step out to answer calls). We would also ask that you refrain from texting during worship—this is a distraction to others who are worshipping; if you must text, please step outside of the sanctuary. Thank you!

## **FOOD IN THE SANCTUARY**

We would like to remind you that no food or drink should be brought into the sanctuary, unless medically necessary. Recently candy has been found stuck on the backs of the pews and bits of food have attracted ants to the floors beneath the pews. If your child brings a snack, please make sure you have cleaned up the crumbs before you leave. THANK YOU!

## **Church Fundraiser**

### **All-Day Scrapbook Event**

**Saturday, October 2, 2010** from 10 am—5 pm

at First Presbyterian Church, 118 West Main Street, Freehold

**Bring your scrapbooks or photo projects to work on at this event!  
New scrapbookers are welcome! Bring photos and we'll get you started. Or come learn how to organize and store your photos.**

#### **The \$30 registration fee includes:**

a donation to the church, goody bag, prizes and raffled items, lots of ideas, tool demonstrations, snacks, lunch, beverages, supplies available for purchase, table space & 7 uninterrupted hours to work. Breakout classes too.

Come equipped with photos. Albums and supplies will also be available for purchase or bring them if you have them.

Call Alice Funk if you have any questions 603-352-4611 or email [alicefunk@rocketmail.com](mailto:alicefunk@rocketmail.com)

Send in your registration form to save your seat today.

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#### **Registration for the All-Day Scrapbook Event**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone & Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch preference: Pizza or Turkey Sub (*Please circle one*)

Enclosed Fee: \$30/person payable to "Alice Funk"

Attend Beginner Lesson at 10:30 am: Yes No  
Send to: Alice Funk, 427 Hurricane Rd., Keene, NH  
03431. Confirmation of your registration and other  
follow-up materials will be sent to you prior to the event..