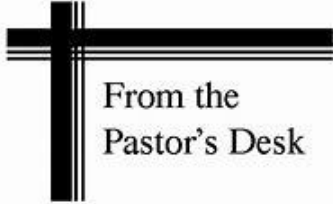


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From the
Pastor's Desk

Back in March I was reviewing some old files I had brought with me, and I discovered a church newsletter from September 2002. I wondered why I had kept it for all these years until I read the pastor's column. I re-read it and smiled because the pastor was an Interim Pastor named Bob Parsons, who was serving a church at a time when they were searching for their next installed pastor. I waited until now to share his column with you because we are at the same point in our search as they were in their search.

Like Pastor Bob, I will be here serving you until the Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) discovers and discerns the right person to lead this wonderful congregation into your new future. Right now, the PNC is diligently and intentionally following all the steps in the search process and will, in God's Kairos time, be presenting you with the candidate they discern is the right person to be the installed pastor and their "search will be made more effective," as Pastor Bob writes, "by your prayers and patience, knowing the right decision will be made in God's own time." While this search unfolds, it might be good to share with you Pastor Bob's illustration of the "Perfect Pastor" some of you may be wishing will be found.

The Perfect Pastor:

Preaches exactly 9 minutes but explains everything.

Condemns sin but never upsets anybody.

Works from 8 am to midnight but is always available by telephone, text, or email.

Makes \$300 a week, wears good clothes, drives a good car, buys good books and gives \$150 a week to the church.

Is 29 years of age but has 40 years of experience.

Has a burning desire to work with teenagers and spends 40 hours a week with older Adults.

Makes 15 calls a day on parish families, shut-ins, and hospitalized.

Is a superb administrator, never late with anything, and always is available for "drop-ins."

Spends 20 hours a week on sermon and worship preparation.

Spends 40 hours a week evangelizing the unchurched.

Spends a major portion of time calling on potential new members.

Is always available for an appointment within one day of your call.

Smiles all the time (genuinely), has a sense of humor, and is known for the seriousness with which life is approached.

As you may have guessed the "Perfect Pastor" does not exist. However, faithful pastors seeking to serve congregations with integrity, intentionality, good humor, and imagination do exist and God is calling one of them to serve you. May God bless the PNC and all of you as we enter this fall season.

Peace,
Pastor Carson

Notes from Session

Attendance as of July 2022 is now up to 1,168. Live streaming subscribers year-to-date is 193.

PASTOR'S REPORT

The Healthy Congregational Workshops are now complete. These workshops were given to assist the congregation in creating communication policies and practices to soon develop a church wide communication policy. Everyone is encouraged to read the book "Healthy Disclosures" to assist in this process.

The Acts of the Apostles Bible Study is continuing with the Monday and Wednesday groups starting the second five-week segment.

The Welcome the New Pastor Task Force has gathered and is making plans to welcome all prospective candidates.

A baptism was held this past Sunday, August 14th for the Banks Family and their two young sons. Such a joy to witness.

BUDGET REPORT

Errors on the Quarterly Statements distributed by the Financial Secretary have been resolved.

BOARD OF DEACONS REPORT

The first post-COVID Community Dinner shall be held on Thursday, September 1, 2022. Any questions please contact Marty Pond or Barb Winegard.

WORSHIP AND MUSIC

In the spirit of stewardship, the Rev. Karen Chamis shall be preaching in early October. She is an enlightening speaker. We hope you will come and listen.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Session approved the funds necessary to repair the church roof and to aid in replacing some windows that are leaking.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

The Nominating Committee has been meeting weekly and has conducted two interviews via

Zoom for a new pastor. All results were positive and a second interview occurred this past week.

NEW NEWS!

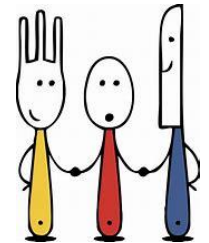
Rev. Mouser is looking for a new chairperson for the Floral Committee. Marylyn Jenkins has stepped down in this role and we will never forget the beauty she was able to give to us each week. Thank you, Marylyn, for all you gave us. Your arrangements were always wonderful to see each Sunday morning.

The First Presbyterian Annual Potluck Picnic shall be held after worship on Sunday, September 18th. We are asking the congregation to please bring salads or a dessert to share. Hot dogs, hamburgers, and beverages shall be provided. We shall eat in the Fellowship Hall, or, if you bring your own chairs, you are welcome to eat outside on the lawn. If you would like to volunteer to assist with some outdoor games it would be very welcome. Some game ideas were; bean-bag tossing, hopscotch, or a Frisbee-toss. Surely you can think of more. We hope you will attend.

-Stephanie Stine, Clerk of Session

Community Dinner!

Our September Community Dinner will be held **Thursday, Sept. 1 from 4:30 until 6:00**. We will welcome the



community to join us for a free meal, the first since Covid-19 put a stop to our dinners and socialization. The menu will be Pulled Pork Sandwiches, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Beverages and Strawberry Pretzel Dessert. This will be a sit-down dinner with Social Distancing in place. People who are not comfortable being around others are welcome to take dinner home with them. If you are unable to come to us, we would be happy to deliver dinner to your home. Please call the Church Office by August 31 at 1pm to put your name on the delivery list.



September Birthdays

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| 06 – Nate Durkin | 18 – Olivia Wachob |
| 08 – Emily Giraudin | 22 – Mason Soeder |
| 10 – Chris Evans | 26 – Kyle Rogers |
| 10 – Jordan Hayes | 27 – Carol Hovey |
| 15 – Mark Anastas | |

Add your or a loved one's birthday or anniversary date to our list by contacting the church office.

September Anniversaries

- 16 – Rick & Jackie Smith
 17 – Michael & Beth Soeder

From the Deacon's Desk



- The Deacons continue to reach out to church members we think would benefit from a "little extra love"- maybe a card in the mail or a phone call. Please reach out to any Deacon if you know of someone who would like a card or call.
- Our 1st Community Dinner of the season will be held Thursday, September 1st- see additional information in this issue of Tidings.
- Our Fall Ham Dinner is back!! Join us Saturday, October 8th for our delicious dinner-this year will be a drive-thru.
- Bee-Full- Starting September 2022 we will be collecting food again along with Aldi gift cards for the Bee-full food pantry. Please drop off donations in the church office or in the red labeled box in the sanctuary. Don't want to go shopping or don't have time? Call Marty Pond (315-440-0779) & she'll shop for you!

The September Calendar

Sundays 10 am

Worship in the sanctuary

Mondays 6:30 p.m.

Bell practice in the Sanctuary

Thurs., Sept. 1

Community Dinner, 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall

Sun., Sept. 4

10:00 – Worship and Communion

2:00 – Ecumenical Worship and Communion at Buckley Landing

Mon., Sept. 5

11:00 – Acts of the Apostles Bible Study in the Media Center (every Monday this month)

1:00 - Music & Worship, in the Media Center

Tues., Sept. 6

10:00 a.m. – Book Club in the Media Center

Weds., Sept. 7

7:00p.m. – Acts of the Apostles Bible Study via Zoom (every Wednesday this month)

Tues., Sept. 13

7:00 p.m. – Session, Media Center

Weds., Sept. 14

1:30 p.m. – Parkinson's Support Group in the Media Center

Tues., Sept. 20

7:00 p.m. – Deacons, Media Center

Sept. 4 – Luke 14:25-33

Sept. 11 – Luke 15:1-10

Sept. 18 – Luke 16:1-13

Sept. 25 – Luke 16:19-31

2022 Board of Deacons

Peg Brussel	Pam Keckison	Martha Stevens
Marge Calkins	Matt McGivney	Peggy Suddaby
Mark Chamberlin	Marty Pond*	Barb Winegard
Heidi Henderson	Joanne Rodriguez	
	*Moderator	

**Remember in Your Prayers
& Correspondence,**

since our last newsletter

♡ GRIEVING

Joan Kingsley-Piorun and her family, upon the loss of her aunt, Dorothy Matteson

♡ HEALTH CHALLENGES

Barry Bullis
Nancy Dobbins
Anthonia Todd

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Generally, names remain on the prayer list for one month. Please let the church office know if you wish otherwise.



Ham Dinner Returns!

Don't make any plans for Saturday, October 8. The annual Harvest Ham Dinner, cancelled in 2020

& 2021, will be back this year! However, it will look very different. Rather than a sit-down meal as we have had in the past, the dinner will be a Drive-Thru. We will need lots of help preparing food, filling the to-go containers, working in the parking lot, and everybody's favorite job - Cleanup! Please let Barb Winegard know if you are available to help.

From the Mailbox

I have a deep appreciation for the calls and greetings I was privileged to receive for my birthday...I feel I am truly blessed to be a member of a church of such thoughtful, caring folks!

-Peggy Suddaby

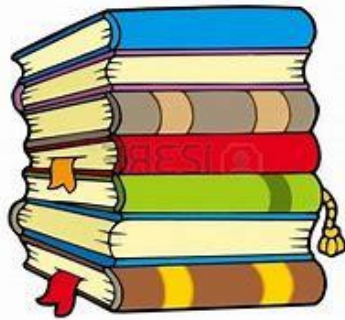
To our Friends at the First Presbyterian Church-

Thank you for your generous donation to Maureen's Hope Foundation as well as the opportunity to speak to your congregation at the First Presbyterian Church. It is always an honor to spread our mission on behalf of the families we serve.

Maureen's Hope Foundation is a 501c3 not for profit serving families facing the challenges of cancer diagnosis or other life altering disease founded in 2004. A common thread through all of our programs is connection and I can tell you that our programs are need now more than ever.

*-Susan Bertrand
President & Founder
Maureen's Hope Foundation, Inc.*

**BOOKS
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BOOKS!**



Do you enjoy reading? Looking for good books? Let's organize a book club!!! If you are interested, we will meet on Tuesday, September 6 at 10:00 a.m. in the Media Center. Questions or conflicts, please email Victor Jenkins at victor.lee.jenkins@gmail.com

PARKINSON'S SUPPORT

Starting this September, we will be offering an in-person Parkinson's support group for both people with Parkinson's Disease and their care partner.

Date: Wednesday, September 14
Time: 2-3 p.m.
Place: Media Center, First Presbyterian Church
Facilitator: Marty Pond
If you have any question, please contact Marty at 315-440-0779

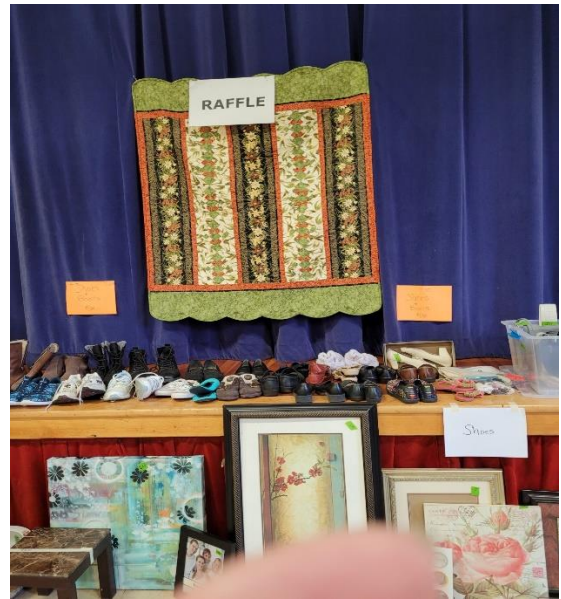
Identity Statement

We are a loving family of God, following Christ by practicing our legacy of worship, education, and mission to neighbors.

Repeat Performance!

Again, this year we had a very successful Rummage Sale! A huge amount of donations came in. Many people worked together to sort, organize and display the articles and be there for the sale. Every year I am amazed at the effort that the volunteers do for the sale. The profit of \$2,237.15 will go to the Deacons. Thank you to everyone.

-Kathy Bowen



Nancy Landon and Rheta Jenks

Raffle winners! The quilt was won by Nancy Craft and the Lenox Bird Garden was won by Nancy Runyans!

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Interim Pastor-----Rev. Dr. Carson O. Mouser
 Administrative Assistant-----Elizabeth Bayer
 Clerk of Session-----Stephanie Stine
 Deacon Moderator-----Marty Pond
 Director of Music & Choir-----Rheta Jenks
 Organist -----Lee Johnston
 Nursery School Director-----Jessica Newcomb



Evan Murphy grilled hotdogs for the shoppers!

Educational Conference

PRESS RELEASE

"Living an Active Life with Parkinson's Disease" 10th Annual Conference



who we are

Empower Parkinson, Inc. exists to offer something immediate and tangible to persons with Parkinson's disease and their care partners: we are a place to turn, a community, and a hub of offerings to improve quality of life for years to come.

what to expect

Empower Parkinson, Inc. looks forward to offering another year of dynamic programming for **free** to approximately 350 in-person participants from across New York State. Our speakers will share the most current information about treatments and support for persons with Parkinson's disease.

speakers:

Dragos Mihaila, MD, Fahed Saada, MD, Abigail Lyon, PhD, and Kelly Ulen, PharmD, Jill Weldum, LMFT

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2022

RAMADA BY WYNDHAM CONVENTION CENTER

441 ELECTRONICS PARKWAY, LIVERPOOL, NY

8:30 AM TO 2:30 PM

Registration required - Visit [Empowerparkinson.org](https://empowerparkinson.org)

Registration opens August 1, 2022

For more information call (315) 729-7178

