

The Cornerstone News

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OUT OF THE SALTSHAKER: Father of All fathers

Written by Becky Fishbaugh

One of my favorite Psalms is 103. Last year when Larry experienced a life-threatening illness I read it over and over, sometimes praying the words aloud. "Praise the LORD, O my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. Praise the LORD, O my soul and forget none of his benefits."

This month, as we prepare to celebrate Father's Day together on June 18, I am more mindful than ever of the abundant and amazing benefits our Faithful Father, God, bestows on his children. In the Good Book we see who God is and what he does. In the Gospel of John, Jesus and His Father are supreme examples of an intimate, tender relationship. In the Garden of Gethsemane Jesus cried out, "Abba, Daddy." Pointing to Jesus, John wrote, "No one has seen God at any time. The only begotten Son who is in the bosom of the Father, He has made Him known." It is noteworthy that a good father reflects the love of the heavenly Father.

But, what does fatherhood have to do with the worship experience of Psalm 103?

Let's not forget His benefits, blessing and favor mentioned in the passage:

- He forgives your sins - every one
- He heals your diseases - every one
- He redeems you from hell - saves your life
- He crowns you with love and mercy - a paradise crown
- He wraps you in goodness - beauty eternal
- He renews your youth - you're always young in his presence. MSG

Billy Graham wrote in regard to our earthly dads: "A good father is one of the most unsung, un-praised, unnoticed and yet one of the most valuable assets to our society."

For many of us, our biological father is not alive to celebrate his special day with us. For others the reminder of recovery from illness and the restoration of health is foremost in our minds. In view of

that, let's celebrate our Heavenly Father's provision by lifting up our earthly fathers in their roles as leader, lover, provider, and protector of their families, affirming their place in God's order.

Following worship on Sunday June 18, please plan to stay and share a time of food and fellowship with our church family before departing for more celebrations elsewhere.

Dads, may the blessing of the LORD be upon you and your household.

And, of course, "Let every living, breathing creature praise God!"

The Psalms of Praise

**"Praise the Lord,
O My Soul; all my inmost
being, praise
his holy name" (Ps. 103.1)**

June 2017



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Prayer for the upcoming July event and all of Paulding County at the Senior Center 7:00 pm	2	3 Lauren Hill Graduation party 4-7
4 Dan Young, retired Pastor from Findlay Communion	5	6	7 Prayer for our church at 9:00 am in Annex	8	9	10
11 Pastor Dan Young Potluck at the Paulus home following worship	12	13	14 Prayer for our church at 9:00 am in Annex	15 Ladies Do Lunch at 11:00 Red Cross Blood Drive from noon to 5:30	16	17
18 Pastor Dan Young Father's day celebration following worship	19	20	21 Prayer for our church at 9:00 am in Annex	22	23	24
25 Pastor Dan Young	26	27	28 Prayer for our church at 9:00 am in Annex	29	30	

June Birthdays:

3rd Carol Razo

5th Chuck Lutz

10th Joy Nice Coughlin

11th Rhonda Smalley

12th Dave Meriwether

18th Conner Fidler

22nd Lauren Hill

25th Frieda Good

June Anniversaries:

3rd Paul & Martha Panches

5th Matt and Allie Brown

7th Chuck & Phyllis Lutz

8th Todd & Lisa Searing

12th Bud & Cindy Koenig

12th Garrett and Maely Alexander

16th Bill & Becky Hurtig

17th Chuck & Cara Lou Strahley

22nd Matt & Linda Reineck

26th Terry & Marlene Buehler

If your birthday or anniversary is not listed, or is listed incorrectly, please get the correct information to the office ASAP. Thanks!

Session Highlights

At the May meeting, elders:

*met with Jeff Summers to address staffing of the computer/sound system on Sundays. Joe Reineck and Jeff do the lion's share of this job, and wonderfully! It is hoped that 2-3 more folks can be trained, hands on, by Joe and Jeff. These folks would then rotate on a set schedule, often enough to remember what was learned! Sound like your 'thing'? Speak to Rhonda.

*toured the back bathroom in the cottage with Dan and Alex Straley to see the progress on this much-needed project. Paint and flooring were approved. Straleys also walked us around the site flags for the new garage to show the proposed placement. Elders approved the placement as staked out. Dan and Alex are meeting with AEP about possible moving of a pole along the alley. Construction may begin as soon as 10 days. Funds are still needed to minimize the draw from the Nicelley fund.

*heard that the tree project (several removed, several trimmed, stumps ground down) is complete. The proposed security system is still in the scheduling stage.

*approved Pastor Dan Young's sermon series, to be preached throughout June, based on the letter he shared with us all. We are so grateful to Pastor Dan and Marilyn for their warm care for our congregation.

*heard that Isaac and Harry will lead praise singing most Sundays; and that elders (and others) will be sharing a favorite scripture and why it is meaningful to them during worship this summer. The Worship committee was asked to consider how we might organize our worship service a bit better to leave more time for our speakers this summer.

*approved donating \$500 to the Beautiful Feet celebration this summer, pending discussion by the full Mission committee.

*expressed appreciation for deacons Brent Fishbaugh and Jane Nice for serving as the 'visitor' deacons during April and May.

*supported a prayer vigil for Mara Vielma's safe return, Thurs., May 25th from 3 - 7:00 pm in our church.

*heard that early registration for General Assembly in June in California ends May 31st. No one from our church will be attending this year.

*asked the Worship committee to proceed with filling the pulpit for July and August from our strong rotation of pastors..... our 'regulars' Dan Young, Pastor Dwayne, Dave McMaster, as well as Vinnie Kroterfeld, Dwight Stoller, Doug Roop, Mike Zeedyk, and Steve Heilshorn.

Submitted by Barb Searing, Clerk of Session

Senior Master Sergeant Dee Gullickson Retires



(l > r) Colonel Halfhill, son Jackson, Dee, husband Bill

"The Searings represented Paulding at the retirement ceremony for Air Force Senior Master Sergeant Dee (Edens) Gullickson at Langley Air Force Base, Newport News, Virginia. Dee was individually honored for her 23 years of service by Colonel DeDe Halfhill, who served with Dee during her tour of duty with the Thunderbirds performance team. Dee's parents, Don and Dorothy, would have been so proud



1. No change since last report
2. The PNC has contracted with Ministry Source, at \$45.00 for next three months. They will send our Church Information Form to theological seminaries to get the word out.
3. Sue Crossland had a very good conversation with the assistant Stated Clerk of EPC, Jerry Iamurri. He was great and encouraging. He said that our CIF looked good, adding "attractive package and website." We are where we should be.
4. Keep praying!

Financial Tidbits:

Information for April: Two expense line items in the General Fund have exceeded their budget for the year already:

- Van Operations Expense - due to some unexpected repairs
- Worship Expense - due to the fees paid to all of our guest speakers

Also, it is interesting to note that the General Fund balance at the end of April is higher than it has been in recent years (at least since before 2014) since we have not been paying a pastor salary and benefits.

Carol Razo, Treasurer

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Mourning the Death of our friend

Ed Cline



Claire Eleanor Coughlin

Claire Eleanor Coughlin was born March 27 to Joy and Joel Coughlin. Her grandparents are Dave and Jane Nice.



Muscles Needed! Kim Mileto is getting ready to move from an second floor apartment to a ground floor apartment in the same complex. This will happen the end of June. We will need some muscle and possibly a moving cart to get the heavy things down the steps. **We need someone to step forward to organize this work.**

Found:

A set of two keys to the church were found over a week ago on the steps by the Cherry Street door.

Also, a little girls' jacket, size XS 4-5, black with white polka dots was left in the fellowship hall a week or two ago.

Preparing for the Harvest Seminar:

Chet Swearingen teaching at one of the Saturday classes in our fellowship hall. Over 100 Christians had their lives and faith enriched as Chet shared an overview of the mission that Christ gave to His church, and how we as individuals fit into that mission.



Uniting in Prayer: with Anticipation for the Spiritual Future of Paulding County

You are invited to pray with friends and neighbors for the planning of the upcoming evangelistic revival: Thursday June 1 at 7:00 at Paulding County Senior Center.

Planning is in place now for the event taking place July 16-19, 2017: Paulding County Ohio churches are uniting to conduct our first

Beautiful Feet Celebration

To be held at the
Wayne Trace High School
in Paulding County Ohio;
4915 US 127; Haviland, OH.
7:00 PM

Nightly worship provided by the Beautiful Feet Worship team, led by Miranda Harris.

This evangelistic outreach takes place July 16-19 with guest speakers, music, a community choir and more. On Sunday the event is preceded by a pizza and ice cream party for youth 6th grade through high school.

As a church, we have talked about knowing how to evangelize for years. This is an opportunity to step outside the box and share our faith.

In preparation, we can use the "Come and See" brochure, pray for the 10 people that we listed there and watch the Lord work. Thousands of people will be prayed for throughout the county at the same time.

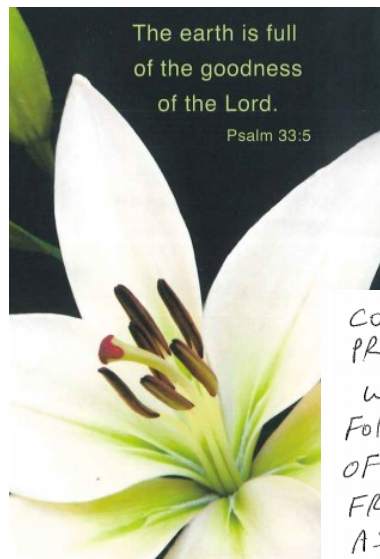
With that much prayer, expect to see miracles.

Is This The Time?

July 16-19, 2017 @ 7pm

Wayne Trace
High School Gym

Paulding County Ohio's
Beautiful Feet Celebration



The classes had 70 - 80 on Thursday evening and 20 - 30 on Saturday morning. People of all ages from all denominations throughout Paulding County attended. Our house of God was used in a mighty way.

Thank You from
Beautiful Feet,
Inc or as we know
them:
Chet and Phyllis

CONGREGATION OF FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH,
WE WANTED TO THANK YOU
FOR YOUR GENEROUS USE
OF YOUR FINE BUILDING,
FROM APRIL 20 - MAY 4,
AS WE TAUGHT REPRESENTATIVES
FROM WELL OVER 30 CHURCHES
OUR SEMINAR "PREPARING FOR
THE HARVEST."
MANY HAVE HAD THEIR FAITH
RENEWED, AND ARE EXPECTING
A HARVEST OF SOULS THIS
SUMMER AT OUR BEAUTIFUL
FEET CELEBRATION ON
JULY 16-19. THANK YOU
CHET + PHYLLIS



Delta Kappa Gamma Dinner

Decorations done by Cindy Koenig, dessert being served by Rhonda Smalley and Becky Craft.





Ladies Do Lunch Program for this summer:

Thursday June 15th at 11:00 am:

We will be going to Linda's Glass Gallery to do an alcohol ink painting on a 12x12 tile. Cost is \$15 and she will provide the tile and all supplies necessary for us to create a unique masterpiece. She is located at 511 W 2nd Street in Defiance. Her shop does stained glass glasses, has homemade pottery from a local artist along with some unique and beautiful things. Once we have finished our project we will go to Cabin Fever for lunch and delicious coffee and desserts.

Thursday July 20th at 11:00 am:

We will be going to the Wassenberg in Van Wert. We will need to bring an empty wine bottle and Matt (Rhonda's son in law) will have corks with batteries for the string of lights to put in the bottles. We could eat lunch at the new Bistro and maybe even browse the antique store. What fun! Minimal cost involved for the lighting fixtures.

Thursday August 10 at noon:

We will be doing a potluck luncheon at church. Let's all bring the recipes so we can share. Following lunch (1:00) I have invited Geniece Shuff Schaber from Funky Junk in the Country to teach us how to milk paint. She will be supplying all supplies and the vintage inspired tool box for us to paint on for the minimal fee of \$15. She will teach us the difference between glazing and waxing. She has seven spaces at Maumee Antique Mall and one space at LouisiAvenue in Perrysburg where she sells her refurbished pieces of furniture and objects that she lends her talents to. She also teaches milk painting classes at Monclova Community Center.

(Thanks to Darla Cline for putting these programs together)



Sprucing up the Neighborhood!

Actually, there is work being completed on the bathroom on the south end of the cottage and in the demolition and rebuilding, the toilet got left in the back yard by the door. Too funny to ignore, so here is the photo.

Property Committee Seeking Funds

It was decided at the congregational meeting in May to continue to seek funds for the new garage. This will keep the church from having to use a lot of money from the Nicelly Fund.

Donations may be put in the offering plate or mailed to the church (PO Box 366, Paulding OH 45879) with garage fund written in the memo line.



Blood Drive:

Fellowship Hall of

First Presbyterian Church

Thursday June 15

Noon to 5:30

(We will need some help with donation and preparation of sandwiches, plates of cookies and veggies. Watch for the ever famous sign-up sheet at the top of the stairs.)



Lauren Hill

Come to an open house
celebrating her high school
graduation

Saturday June 3

4:00 to 7:00 pm

In our Fellowship Hall



Logan Tyler Crossland

Logan, son of Jace and Natalie Crossland and great grandson of Phyllis, was born early with some complications which are under control. He is pictured here wrapped in his prayer shawl.

Do You Have a Favorite verse of Scripture?

The Worship Committee has decided that for this summer, people from the congregation are invited to share their favorite scripture with just a short explanation of why that verse or those verses are your favorite. Are you willing to do that? If so speak to a Worship Committee member: Sue Crossland, Rhonda Smalley or Sue Paulus



Sunday June 11th

Following the worship service,
eat about 12:30

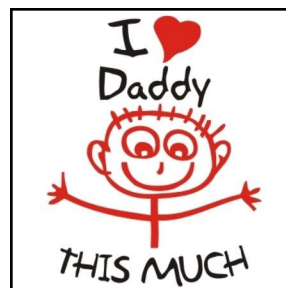
Home of Dick and Sue Paulus,
corner of Kay and Dennis Streets

Paulus's will furnish the meat, buns,
condiments and plates, cups and silverware.

Bring a dish to share, possibly a lawn chair
if the weather is nice enough to be outside.

If you live out of town, feel free to come af-
ter the service. But do so knowing that you
may be put to work!

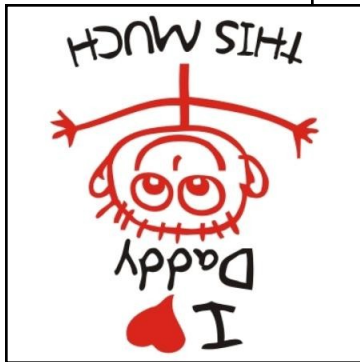
Comfortable dress required...



Father's Day

Sunday June 18th

Plan to stay after the service
on Father's Day for refresh-
ments (Dad's Favorites) and
fellowship.



Praise Music 9:15
Worship Service 9:30
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In Non-Essentials, Liberty.
In All Things, Charity.

