



## Prayers this week

Karen Cooper is asking for prayers for my friend Merle Reeseman. She's been dealing with PH (Pulmonary Hypertension) for 20 years and it's taken a toll. Her body is tired. She's in Trinity in Grove City.

Prayers for Becky Arblaster, Julie Powell's neighbor, for her continued cancer treatments.

Ed Ford is now back home and please continue to pray for him.

Mack Porter is asking for prayers for his sister, Leslie. Her health has deteriorated and the family will have to make some difficult decisions going forward for her. Please keep Leslie and her family in your prayers.

Benjamin Irwin who was a student and was coming to church a few years ago is fighting cancer now and could use a lot of prayers as he goes through radiation every day.

Lara Mumaw is asking prayers for my friend's brother Earnie Zilka. Here is the update on Earnie, he had several jaw surgeries to fix his broken jaw from his track accident and is doing well.

Ramona Marks is asking for continued prayers for her sister, Darla Lyda she is back home but is still having health issues.

Ben Sperry (John and Jody's nephew) He is expected to receive new bone marrow in October. Please continue to keep him in your prayers.

Please keep Denise Brydon in your prayers she is at home with several home services and will be starting cardiac therapy in about a week and a half.

Please keep Mike and Sandy Montgomery's neighbor, Bev in your prayers.

Laura Mumaw is also asking prayers for a dear friend of our family, Donna Spinnazola's family. She went home to be with her Lord on Wednesday, August 31<sup>st</sup>.

Please keep Mary Decker's great grand baby in your prayers he is at children's hospital in Philly having tests done.

Robyn Gregg's daughter, Lindsay is having some health issues and is asking for prayers.

Holly Tissue is asking prayers for Liz Tissue's, friend's step-son, Monty Grace. He suffered a cardiac arrest Thursday. He is only 44 years old.

Please remember to update your prayers as needed. We would like to keep everyone up to date on the status.

**If you are unable to join us in person for either service, please take advantage of YouTube viewing.**



## August Stats 2022

Families	93	Total Family Members	170	81 Families received fresh produce			
Adults	80	Children	29	Seniors	61	New Families	5
Slippery Rock Boro	31	Slippery Rock Area	50	Harrisville Area	12		
Out/Area Emergency/New Family	0						

Wish List:      **Chunky soups**

*Thank you to one and all for your generous support. We could not help our friends and neighbors without you.*

If you know someone who is in need of our help, please give them our contact number.

*Contact number: 724-421-5274*

## JUST A LITTLE *Reminder*

If you are in need of a something please reach out to the church and we may be able to accommodate you with your needs.



It's back. See you after church for some great coffee and fellowship.

### Cookbooks are still available

We still have a few cookbooks left. The cost is still \$10.00 each. Remember they make great gifts. Linda will have them available after church or you may contact Linda by calling 724-421-6863 to purchase one. Or stop in the office to pick one up.



## Jigsaw Puzzle Exchange



We know there are some jigsaw puzzlers among our congregation! There are also some shut-ins that enjoy a new puzzle challenge. Here is an opportunity to expand your puzzle opportunities and also provide puzzles for others.

The bottom shelf of the “Book Nook is going to be a jigsaw puzzle exchange. Contribute some puzzles that you have already completed and/or borrow one from the shelf that you have not yet completed. Should the contributions to the jigsaw puzzle shelf become full, a separate area will be provided to accommodate the puzzle supply.

Let’s get this going and see how it works!



**As you enter and leave the sanctuary, be sure to check on the table near the door for important information. The table has offering envelopes, the offering plate, prayer request cards, and the bulletin for the weekly service.**

**September 18, 2022**

### **Pastor Bill’s Weekly Message**

This week our text is Psalm 113. We will be talking about “Praising God”.

Is this something you do often? What limits how frequently you participate in this activity?

“Our Daily Bread” shares:

*A body is not crippled 'til its heart has ceased to praise. Louis Albert Banks tells of an elderly Christian man, a fine singer, who learned that he had cancer of the tongue and that surgery was required. In the hospital after everything was ready for the operation, the man said to the doctor, "Are you sure I will never sing again?" The surgeon found it difficult to answer his question. He simply shook his head no. The patient then asked if he could sit up for a moment. "I've had many good times singing the praises of God," he said. "And now you tell me I can never sing again. I have one song that will be my last. It will be of gratitude and praise to God." There in the doctor's presence the man sang softly the words of Isaac Watts' hymn, "I'll praise my Maker while I've breath,/ And when my voice is lost in death,/ Praise shall*

*employ my nobler power;/ My days of praise shall ne'er be past,/ While life, and thought, and being last,/ Or immortality endures."*

Psalm 113 shares that our praises to the Lord should be continuous.

So once again I ask, how often do you praise God?

**Below is our ENTIRE bulletin for Sept. 18th!**

*God bless you, and see you in church or online.*

*Rev. William C. Munaw II*

### **Prelude:**

### **Welcome and Announcements**

### **Introit**

### **Praise Sentences**

L: Lord, bless us, as we meet together.

**P: Open our ears and our eyes, to see Your vision for this place, and our part within it.**

L: In the singing of the hymns, the prayers that we shall make, the reading of your Word,

**P: Speak to us, encourage and forgive us.**

L: In the meeting of our lives, Lord, be the focus of all that we are.

Opening Hymn – #238 Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun –“Hymns for the Family of God”

### **Opening Prayer – Unison**

Loving and Creator God, You have made us; we are Your people, the sheep of Your pasture. For the times we wander from Your leadership, forgive us. For the times we lead others astray, pursue us with Your grace. No matter where we wander, seek us out. Bring us back to the security of Your loving care and the comfort of Your presence. Draw us into the assurance that goodness and mercy will follow us, and that we will dwell in Your house forever.

## **Pastor's Amen**

## **Church Song of Response**

## **Time with Children**

## **Scripture 1 Timothy 2:1-7**

I urge, then, first of all, that petitions, prayers, intercession and thanksgiving be made for all people—<sup>2</sup> for kings and all those in authority, that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness. <sup>3</sup> This is good, and pleases God our Savior, <sup>4</sup> who wants all people to be saved and to come to a knowledge of the truth. <sup>5</sup> For there is one God and one mediator between God and mankind, the man Christ Jesus, <sup>6</sup> who gave himself as a ransom for all people. This has now been witnessed to at the proper time. <sup>7</sup> And for this purpose I was appointed a herald and an apostle—I am telling the truth, I am not lying—and a true and faithful teacher of the Gentiles.

## **Choir Anthem**

## **Scripture Psalm 113**

<sup>1</sup> Praise the Lord. Praise the Lord, you his servants; praise the name of the Lord.  
<sup>2</sup> Let the name of the Lord be praised, both now and forevermore. <sup>3</sup> From the rising of the sun to the place where it sets, the name of the Lord is to be praised. <sup>4</sup> The Lord is exalted over all the nations, his glory above the heavens. <sup>5</sup> Who is like the Lord our God, the One who sits enthroned on high, <sup>6</sup> who stoops down to look on the heavens and the earth? <sup>7</sup> He raises the poor from the dust and lifts the needy from the ash heap; <sup>8</sup> he seats them with princes, with the princes of his people. <sup>9</sup> He settles the childless woman in her home as a happy mother of children. Praise the Lord.

## **Message**

**Reflection Hymn #495 It is Well with My Soul –“Hymns for the Family of God”**

## **Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer**

**Closing Hymn – #622 O How He Loves You and Me – “Hymns for the Family of God”**

## **Blessing**

**Benediction Response      Make Me a Servant**

## Postlude:



### *Calvin*



The story is told of two men riding a tandem bicycle up a steep hill. After much effort, they finally made it to the top of the hill. The front rider said, "That was a tough ride." To which the second rider replied, "Sure was, and if I hadn't kept the brake on we might have slipped backwards."

Sometimes, the work of the church can be just like these two riders.

At times, it can even appear that folks are working against each other.

Friends, God calls us to work together.

This is especially carried out at our Committees and Church Boards such as Session, Deacons and Trustees.

This means coming to meetings, reading the minutes, and sharing information with others.

Everyone in the group should know what is going on with the work they are all involved in.

If you can't come to a meeting, let the chairperson know.

If you miss the meeting, read the minutes and catch up with the latest news.

Most importantly, we need to support and follow what the majority has voted to do.

We need each and every person in the group.

We also need everyone to work together!

## **BYE!**



## Do you happen to know where these DVDs are?

**Veggie Tales – Values to Grow By**

**Veggie Tales – Are You My Neighbor?**

**Veggie Tales – Abe and the Amazing Promise**

**Lively Bible lessons for Grades K-3**

**We are missing them and need to return them to the library at Presbytery.**



**Quarts of Soup  
and Rummage Sale**

**SALE**

*Saturday, November 5, 2022*

*7:30 AM—1:00 PM*

*Center Presbyterian Church*

*211 Center Street*

*Slippery Rock, PA 16057*



Join us in helping VOICe. We are distributing Bosco's Shopping Passes for in store use only. You receive 25% discount off your purchases on October 19, 2022 (*good for this day only*). The passes are only a \$5.00 donation. All the money will go to VOICe. SO help us help out VOICe buy making a donation for a BOSCOV's discount shopping pass. See a Mission Committee member or stop in the office for shopping passes.

## Worship Leaders Wanted

We invite you to take a turn as Worship Leader. This position has an important place in the worship service. It was initiated in October 1992 after John Peterson had to sadly announce to the congregation that Nancy had been diagnosed with an inoperable brain tumor. Session and Deacons determined that the best response was for members to take over part of the service to assist John, and the Worship Leader was born. For the past 30 years this has been an integral part of the service and has proved invaluable when we have had guest preachers.

The only requirements are a clear speaking voice and the willingness to stand up in front of the congregation. You will be provided with a copy of the responses, Scripture and an opening statement for your chosen week.

Please consider volunteering for one Sunday this upcoming year. The view from the Lectern is great, the choir provides back up and the chairs are cushioned.

Sign-up sheets are on the Bulletin Board by the elevator.



## Center Presbyterian Church Music Ministry Program

This is a special invitation to anyone interested in music. Our choirs, orchestra, and handbells are preparing to return to the Sunday morning worship services this month and we would love to have you join us. Below is some important information and who to see about getting all the details for each group. **Come be part of the music!**

All of our music groups run from September through May.

**Adult Choir** sings weekly for the Sunday morning worship service. Rehearsals are held each **Wednesday at 7:00pm** in the Sanctuary, **beginning on Sept 7<sup>th</sup>**. The choir will begin singing for the **10:30am** services on **Sunday, Sept 11<sup>th</sup>**.

**Children's Choir** practices each Sunday at **9:45am** upstairs beginning **Sept 11<sup>th</sup>**. They will sing for the morning worship service on the **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of each month**.

**Handbells** play for the Sunday morning worship service on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday each month**. They rehearse weekly on Sunday morning, typically **right after the worship service**. However, on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, they rehearse before service**.

**Contact David Mruk** for details about the Adult & Children's Choirs and Handbells.

[stripe@zoominternet.net](mailto:stripe@zoominternet.net)

Phone: 412-445-3909

**Orchestra** meets **once each month on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday**. That morning they **rehearse at 9:00am**, then play that same morning for the **10:30am worship service**.

**Contact LaDonna Linamen** for details about the Orchestra

[llinamen@zoominternet.net](mailto:llinamen@zoominternet.net)

Home Phone: 724-406-0345

Cell/Text Phone: 724-679-3988

When calling or emailing either David or LaDonna, please be sure to leave your name, phone#, & message about what music group(s) you are interested in. They will contact you.

## You are Invited



**October 2, World Communion Day we are having an International Pot Luck Dinner after church. You pick a favorite dish from your heritage or make one of your favorite dishes and then we will have a flag for you to fill out with the country name and dish name to place in your dish so everyone will know where it is from and the name of the dish. Join us for this International meal.**