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Our Vision

The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn
June 2014 Newsletter



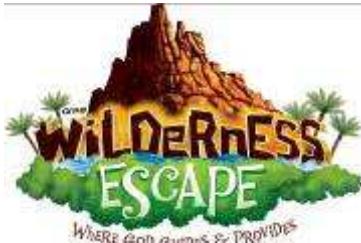
Sunday, June 15th

Special music in Worship

- ~Youth
- ~Children
- ~Dancers
- ~Praise Band
- ~Choir



Mothers Day Service
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VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL
*Join Moses on his incredible
journey through the wilderness.*

July 14-18

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Graduates
and
Teacher Appreciation

Sunday, June 1st



GroupPeru
Grilled Hotdog Luncheon

Sunday, June 8th

After worship

Pray for God to provide for our financial needs.

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CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Adult Sunday School

Our summer adult class begins Sunday, June 8th at 9am in the North Parlor. We will continue the video series from last summer by Ray Vander Laan. This year we will look at biblical sites in the Sinai and the southern deserts of Israel as we explore the Israelites wandering in the desert for 40 yrs. Join us whenever you are in town this summer for the wonderful faith lesson and the terrific fellowship.

Thanks Teachers!

Thank you to all the Sunday School teachers this year. You did a great job teaching the Beatitudes and the Sermon on the Mount. Thank you to: Julia Casey, JoAnn Isaacson, Shereen Lind, Rachel Nikolajevs, Susannah Wesley, Beckie Dicks, Rebecca and Jim Scott, Jonathan Mallard, Sue Young, Mike Hoffman. Your faithfulness week after week was a blessing to all of us.

FISH

FISH is on hiatus until September. We'd like to thank Christie Smith for all of those terrific meals during the year. We'll shed a few pounds, cook our own dinners on Wednesdays, and anticipate next year's FISH during the summer months.

I'd also like to thank Mark Dearth, Mike Hoffman, Rev. Doug Campbell and Chris Mayer for leading FISH classes this year. You have helped us all reflect more on scripture and draw closer to the Lord.

Retirement

As you have probably heard by now, I am retiring July 20th. I am going to provide childcare for my granddaughter in Baltimore when my daughter returns to teaching in August. Dave is beginning the retirement process and when that is complete he will join me in Baltimore. It has been a joy and a blessing to be a part of this church family and to work together in ministry. Thank you all!

~Ann Bleivik, Educational Coordinator



Pancake Breakfast

A Peru Scripture Union (SU) Pancake breakfast fundraiser will be held after the service on Sunday, June 22nd. All you can eat pancakes with bacon, sausage, smoky bacon wraps, orange juice, chocolate milk and coffee. Please come and enjoy some homemade pancakes and fellowship. *Invite your friends and family.*

All proceeds will be used to help six Peruvian young men (from the Girasoles homes) attend college. Please make checks out to "The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn" with "SU Peru abandoned boys" in the note.

If you cannot attend and would like to contribute, please see Ann Phillips. On behalf of the young men, Billy, Kate and me, we all thank you!

Children's Ministry

Do I have your **e-mail address**? Parents, have you received e-mails from me regarding children's events and programs? If you have not received e-mail from me, please let me know, and I will add your address to my list.



VBS: This summer at VBS, we'll take an incredible journey into the wilderness with none other than Moses himself! With Group Publishing's *Wilderness Escape 2014* VBS program, kids will learn straight from the Bible through hero Moses. Kids will also learn firsthand what it was like to live in the Israelite camp during Moses' time. Join one of the Israelite Tribes for crafts, music, games, and more!



Calling all volunteers! Talk to Beckie Dicks if you'd like to be a part of VBS this year. We will be scheduling another planning meeting soon.

VBS Dates: July 14-18. Please mark your calendars!

Summer Jam: Bring an instrument to play along! Summer Sunday School begins on June 8. For those who would like to continue the fun and growth of Sunday School through the summer for their kids, we have something new. Elementary and Mid-high will combine for a music/worship time. Everyone is welcome to bring an instrument that they play or are learning to play. If you don't have an instrument, come and sing. All are welcome. Let's make some music!

~Beckie Dicks- Children's Ministries Coordinator

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL SUPPLY REQUESTS

Graham crackers
Teddy grahams
Icing (white)
Cool whip (large tubs)
Baggies (snack size)
Cheerios
Wheat chex
Corn chex
Rice chex
Raisins
Dried fruit (bananas, cherries, etc.)
Sandwich thins – whole wheat (Krogers)
Precooked diced chicken (GSF)
Voortman cookies (round w/scalloped edges)
Miniature marshmallows (white)
Hershey nuggets (milk chocolate)
1/8" wide royal blue ribbon

The amounts needed will be listed after church in the narthex on Sundays. Please sign up to purchase items and bring them to church by July 13 and labeled for VBS. Thank you.



Jonathan during his examination on the floor of the Shenandoah Presbytery.

Answering Christ's Call

Congratulations to Rev. Jonathan Ytterock, son of Paul and Luz Ytterock, on his call to be pastor at Mt. Horeb Presbyterian Church in Grottoes, Virginia. Jonathan grew up in our church so we are particularly proud of his achievement, and his commitment to follow Christ's call.

Jonathan's church is in the beautiful Shenandoah Valley. He preached his first sermon on Sunday, May 25th.

Jonathan's ordination/installation is set for Sunday, June 15, with his father, Rev. Paul Ytterock offering the sermon for that service.

The Day of Pentecost

Sunday, June 8th

...Jesus had ascended, but He sent the Spirit so believers could have the comfort, guidance, and empowerment of God's presence. At Pentecost, the Holy Spirit came to fill believers. The disciples of Jesus were gathered together when: *"Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit."* Acts 2:2-4

...[Pentecost] points forward to new horizons opened up to all believers everywhere through the Spirit...

Source: www.purbap.org/downloads



Bernini, Alabaster window from *Cathedra Petri* (1647-53), St. Peter's Basilica, Vatican

Youth Ministries June Vision

June is here, and for many students it's time to graduate! Graduation seems like a good theme for the youth ministry as well. God is bringing us to new levels of maturity, relationship and service in every area of the youth ministries at First Presbyterian.



First of all, the youth group has continued to grow. We have almost 20 students regularly involved in 6th-9th grade! We also have a class of new 6th graders that will give us at least 5 more core students, offering us exciting new possibilities for program options in the upcoming year.

Greg Capote and I brought three boys to Lansing for this year's Acquire the Fire event. This year's theme was "Epic Truth", displaying how God's truth is stronger than anything else in the world with bands, speakers and a drama. We made some great memories, and the boys were challenged in how to live out their relationship with Jesus.

Mentoring is also continuing to grow. I meet with four boys on a weekly basis and Laura is mentoring two girls. These small group and one-on-one relationships offer unique spiritual and emotional growth opportunities, which we praise God for! It is so important to really know what is going on in the students' lives so that we can effectively support and encourage them.

This summer we will have at least two special events each month to keep the youth connected. Summer is usually even busier than the school year! We have multiple mission and social events planned. Also, Stephen, Grace and Natalie will be travelling as missionaries with the Peru team.

Please continue to pray for wisdom, provision, and growth as we look toward the fall. We will have about twelve students in confirmation class! Praise God for this opportunity to walk alongside them as we handle the core truths and tough questions of the faith. There are also new options for the youth group as we have more students and different group dynamics.

Finally, be sure to thank Sue Young for all the work she does as a volunteer in Sunday school and confirmation class! She has done so much to drive students, teach, coach me in teaching, and pour her heart into the confirmation program. Thank you also to Pastor Mike, my wife Laura, Krista Calcut, and Don Stanfill for continuing to invest in the youth of First Presbyterian Church. It's been a fantastic 2013-2014 school year! And I believe that by God's grace we're about to graduate to the next level. ~ *In Christ, Jonathan Mallard*



We congratulate our graduates as we celebrate their achievements and look forward to their future endeavors:

David Carlson
Bryce Norwood
Sarah Stormzand



Music Corner

Is summer here yet? Whether it is or not, our Choir year is coming to a close. I would like to take a moment and thank EVERYONE in all of our music programs for all of their hard work in making this last choir year such a great success. From the kickoff last September, through NOËL, Christmas Eve, Lent, the Lenten Concert, Easter to now, the Children's Choir, Youth Choir, Handbell Choir, Praise Band, Special Music Presenters, and Adult Choir have all worked very hard and made the music over this past year very special.

I'd like to call out a few people who are a joy to work with and make my job easier. First is Tim Huth, our organist. Tim brings a great amount of artistry to his organ playing, and we are so lucky to have him. Tim also is part of our music planning group, where his input is invaluable. Second is my wife, Beckie, who is my "assistant" in Children's choir. She works so well with the children in our church; it's wonderful that she volunteers her time to help me in the Children's Choir. Being an outstanding musician herself, she's outstanding teaching music to the children. Third is our new music librarian, Sheila Mistecki. If anyone has gone into the Turco room in the last 6 months and seen all the stacks of music on the large conference table, that's Sheila's work as she brings our music library under control, and files new and old music. She has been a wonderful addition to our "music family" and made my selection of weekly anthems much easier!

Thank you to all who have commented on the Mothers' Day service this year. In turn I'd like to thank all the parents, children and youth who took part. As you can see, we have some great up and coming talent in our youth and children! We are planning on using some of that talent more often in special music offerings over the summer.

As a last note, a very special thank you to all the parents and relatives who support the children and youth, by getting them to choir rehearsals every week. Without the parents involvement we couldn't have the music program that we have, so again, a sincere thank you! ~In Christ, Marshall



You are truly a wonderful church family. I can't believe the love and support you have given me during the illness and death of my sister, Mary, whom none of you knew. I am so grateful for the cards, calls, and offers of help. Thanks to each and every one of you.

In Christian Love, Fran Buckley

Book of the Every Other Month Club

1. Book of the Every Other Month Club reading/discussion schedule for 2014-15
Sept. 13 - The Goldfinch by Donna Tartt
Nov. 8 - To Repair the World by Paul Farmer
Jan. 10 - The Fault in Our Stars by John Green
Mar. 14 - Unapologetic by Francis Spufford
May 9 - Consider the Birds by Debbie Blue
2. Summer Reading with the Book of the Every Other Month Club
The novel, The Goldfinch, Pulitzer Prize winner for fiction, follows 13 year old Theo Decker on a bumpy ride into adulthood as he negotiates life following an explosion in the Metropolitan Museum of Art that changes the trajectory of his life forever. Donna Tartt's skillfully crafted exploration of beauty, loss, loyalty, eccentricity and redemption is nearly 800 pages, so start reading now in order to be ready for our September 13 discussion! Cost on Amazon.com is \$16.95 for hardcover, \$16.20 for paperback or \$7.50 for your Kindle. Also check your favorite local book dealer or your public library.
We will try to get a summary to you before each book to encourage participation. Thanks so much for your assistance! ~Wanda Moon

Musings from Pastor Mike - June 2014

Jesus was a Master Communicator. When he wanted to dig deep into the soil of a person's soul, he didn't give a theological lecture. Instead, Jesus posed a great question. I'd like to focus on just one of his many questions, this one found in John 8. Jesus was in the temple and was preparing to teach when, "The teachers of the law and the Pharisees brought in a woman caught in adultery and made her stand before the group." We don't have any background information about this woman. Was she abused as a child, did she find comfort in the "excitement" of flirting with a married man, or was she simply drawn to this sin more than other sins? We don't know, because the Bible does not say. What we do know, is that the Pharisees did not drag the man involved in this situation, even though Mosaic Law required it.

The Pharisees were not into discernment or justice....they were into condemnation. We all know people who are (or maybe even we are) experts at "grading" sin. They put a sin at the top of their punishment list that they don't struggle with, but at the bottom of their list are the sins that they actually struggle with and lose. Ignoring sins such as pride, envy, gossip, anger, or turning a back on the needy leaves these individuals feeling superior to others and in a position to condemn and dish-out punishment.

The Pharisees wanted to trap Jesus. If Jesus showed mercy toward the woman, he would contradict the Mosaic Law. If Jesus agreed to stone the woman, he would lose favor with the followers who saw him as an alternative to the harshness of the religious leaders. "When they kept on questioning him," the Bible records, Jesus "straightened up and said to them, 'If anyone of you is without sin, let him be the first to throw a stone at her'". At this, those who heard began to go away one at a time, the older ones first." Wisdom and humility settle on the crowd (and on us) and one-by-one we drop our stones and walk away (or at least we should).

God never piles on shame, assaults our personhood, or speaks of only hopelessness or despair. Only the Evil One does this. God does speak the truth, even if it hurts, and corrects and instructs us in His righteous ways. Condemnation is only a half-truth. It tells us that we are sinners and in need of repentance (true!), but it never completes the statement that we have a Savior whose gift of grace is undeserved and unreserved. Jesus did not come to earth to whip us into shape and then forgive us. He came to forgive us and to fill us with his Holy Spirit. "Only Jesus was left, with the woman still standing there. Jesus straightened up and asked her, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir', she said. 'Neither do I condemn you,' Jesus declared. 'Go now and leave your life of sin.'"

Jesus asks great questions. So, who condemns you? Who are the voices that have lied to you? Who has told you that you are worthless and without hope of altering your life? Who is telling you how you should be punished because you'll never change? It's just the Thief talking. "Not I," says Jesus. "For I have come that you might have life and have it to the full." –John 10:10. – Amen! Thanks to my wonderful church family & staff and God's Peace to you all!

Emergency Contact Forms

Emergency Contact Forms are now available in the Narthex. If you would like the church to have contact information on file for you in the event of an emergency, we encourage you to fill out the form and turn it in to Vicki Davidson, Administrative Assistant to the Senior Pastor.
~Thank You.

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY
Communion Graduate/Teacher Recognition Day 9am Education Hour 9:25am Adult Choir 10am Worship Service- Sanctuary 3:30-4:30pm Children's Choir- Sanctuary 4:30-5pm Handbell Choir- Bell Room 5-6pm Youth Choir- Sanctuary	1 8:30am-5:30pm Lifeline Screening- Mitchell Hall 10am-12pm POD Mtg- NP 7-9pm Outreach & Missions- SP 7-9pm Greeting Card- R14 (LAST ONE TILL SEPT). 7:30-9pm Confirmation Planning Group Mtg.- R16 DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN	2 9am Men's Fellowship Work 10am Physical & Spiritual Fitness- MH 7pm Property- Library 7-9pm Worship & Arts- SP 7:30-9pm AA- MH	3 10am Stephens-Currie- R12 10am-4pm Treasure Chest 10:30am-12pm ALL Staff- SP 12pm Staff lunch- BBQ 7pm FISH (class only)- NP 7-9pm Adult Choir- Sanct., Turco
Pentecost 9am Education Hour 9:25am Adult Choir 10am Worship Service- Sanctuary 11am GrouPeru Hotdog Fundraiser- outside 11:30am Blood Pressure Screening- Narthex 1-5pm 4:12 Trip to Wave Pool No Children's Choir No Handbell Choir No Youth Choir	8 12-2pm POD Mtg.- NP 6:30pm NAMI- NP 7:30-9pm Confirmation Planning Group Mtg.- R16 DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN	9 9am Men's Fellowship Work 10am Physical & Spiritual Fitness- MH 7:30-9pm AA- MH	10 10am-4pm Treasure Chest 7pm LAST FISH (class only)- NP 7-9pm Adult Choir- Sanct., Turco
Father's Day Men of the Church Peru Team Commissioning 9am Education Hour 9:25am Adult Choir 10am Worship Service- Sanctuary	15 DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN	16 Peru Team departs 9am Men's Fellowship Work 10am Physical & Spiritual Fitness- MH 5:30-6:30pm Finance- SP 7pm SESSION -NP 7:30-9pm AA- MH	17 10am Stephens-Currie- R12 10am-4pm Treasure Chest 10:30am-12pm PROGRAM Staff- S 7:30-9pm Confirmation Planning Group Mtg.- R16
9am Education Hour 10am Worship Service- Sanctuary 11:15am-1pm Pancake Breakfast to benefit Peru Boys College Fund- MH,K 11:30am Blood Pressure Screening- Narthex	22 6:30pm NAMI- NP DEADLINE FOR BULLETIN	23 9am Men's Fellowship Work 10am Physical & Spiritual Fitness- MH 7:30-9pm AA- MH 4pm Presbytery	24 11am-1pm Keenagers- MH (K) 10am-4pm Treasure Chest 7:30-9pm Confirmation Planning Group Mtg.- R16
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	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	
4	10-11:30am Summer Bible Study- NP	5	6	7 9am-11am Rebekah Circle- MH or R12 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares
11	12-5pm & 7-10pm Legacy Conference- MH, K, Sanctuary, Chapel, SP 11am C.O.M. (Pastor) offsite	12	13 9am-10pm Legacy Conference- MH, K, Sanctuary, Chapel, SP 6:30-9pm Game Night- NP	14 9am-12:30pm Legacy Conference- MH, K, Sanctuary, Chapel, SP 10am-2pm T. Chest Bag Sale 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares
18 P	10-11:30am Summer Bible Study- NP	19	20 7pm Praise Event Rehearsal- Sanctuary	21 Set up for Pancake Breakfast- MH, K 9am PW Board- NP 4:30-5:30pm Saturday Night Alive- Sanctuary 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares
25	10-11:30am Summer Bible Study- NP 7-9pm Knitting Group- NP	26	27	28 6-7:30pm Converge at Panera Cares

This Father's Day look for an opportunity to give encouragement away

Think of a dad in your life today. Maybe it's the father of your children, your husband, or your son who is now a dad himself. Maybe it's your own dad or a brother raising a family just as you are. Think of encouraging him this Father's Day in a specific way.

Here are some suggestions to encourage a dad in your world using the word LIFE as a guide. Dr. Bill Bright, the founder of Campus Crusade for Christ, assigned the following acronym.

L – Labor

Think of all the things this dad does. Perhaps he works in the yard, tends a garden, works diligently at his job, keeps the car running or fixes what is broken. All dads are different but all put labor of one description or another into the lives of their family. **Polish up the value of a specific labor and tell him what it means to the family.** The daily grind can be much easier to take with some affirmation of the effort.

I – Influence

Remind this dad that he is a great influence on his family. Find a positive way in which you see his influence impacting those around him and tell him. My Dad's job took him out of town a lot when we were little. My brother recently told Dad that he has been influenced in his own marriage and fathering by Dad's loyalty to our family. The fact that we never doubted if Dad would come home had a tremendous influence that bore long term effects. **Be specific and genuine in affirming just how significant and important his influence is.** In the daily grind it is easy to forget we are leaving lasting impressions. Gentle affirming reminders help to build positive influence.

F – Finances

No one has a family budget that works all the time. Finances can be a challenge in any home. **Let dad see that his contribution is valued.** Many men work long and hard with little thanks. Remember that genuine encouragement given away often returns in the most unexpected manner. It's not so much about money as it is about pulling together in the same direction. Maybe thank him for the way you can work together making the mortgage payment so the family can have a home, or eating hotdogs when you'd both prefer steak. Be creative and find something to say thank you about in this department.

E- Expertise

Every man has knowledge in some particular area. If you have forgotten what this dad excels in, listen and watch. Maybe he is great at math homework with the kids. When you watch and listen you may be surprised at all you forgot he knew. **Let him know you notice his knowledge in a particular area.**

Begin to consciously affirm the value of his life regularly. The daily grind can take its toll on a soul, but a little sincere encouragement can be like sunshine and water to soften and replenish. You just may be surprised at the reaction you get, not just from him, but in your own heart as well! Give the gift of encouragement this Father's Day!

***taken from <http://powertochange.com/discover/life/fathersday/>



For it is by grace you have been saved through faith – and this not from yourselves, it is a gift of God – not by works, so no one can boast. For we are Christ's workmanship, created in Christ Jesus to do good works, which God prepared in advance for us to do. Ephesians 2 versus 8 through 10

Some believe that good people go to Heaven and bad people go to Hell. Then they work good deeds to earn their way to heaven. That fails because we are all tainted by sin (*Rom. 3:9-12, 23*), but God requires holiness (*Heb. 12:14; 1 Peter 1:15, 16*). If we could earn Heaven, Jesus' suffering would not be required. Jesus paid our sin debt on the Cross by satisfying the righteous judgment against our sin (*1 Cor. 15:3; Rom. 3:19-26*). He did it because He loved us unconditionally (*1 John 4:7, 8-10, 19*), like a parent, despite our sins.

When we trust Him as our Lord and Savior, He removes our sin and regenerates us (*John 3:5-7, 16-18; 2 Cor. 5:17*) making us holy. It is a gift of grace from God we cannot earn but only receive humbly by faith. Our merit is not an issue -- salvation is only of grace. We receive this gift by faith – trusting Christ and seeking to live by faith in Him forever. Sinners can be saved (*Rom. 10:9; 2 Peter 3:9*).

Prayers of repentance rest on grace alone -- like the tax collector who prayed: "God have mercy on me, a sinner" and was justified. Do not pray like the arrogant Pharisee who proudly boasted, trusting in his own good works (*Luke 18:9-14*). Salvation requires humble honesty receiving God's unearned grace by faith. What about those good works God planned for us in verse 10? Accepting Christ as Lord means following Him obediently. We do this not to be saved, but (1) to express gratitude for having been saved, (2) to become more like Christ, and (3) to be His co-worker here. Faith is both active (*James 2:17 – 19*) and loving (*Gal. 5:6*).

"For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord." (*Rom. 6:23*)
~John Holden

221st PCUSA General Assembly~ Detroit Volunteers

Anyone interested in volunteering to help with the June 14-21 General Assembly can contact the following volunteer coordinators:



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If you are KEEN... and over 50 years of age, YOU ARE A ~Keenager

Please join us the fourth Wednesday of each month for Christian Fellowship and Information as we go for lunch, or meet in Mitchell Hall. Check the Keenager bulletin board for details and sign-up sheet.

Sunday Bulletin Announcements: Please submit your announcements for the **Sunday Bulletin** to Vicki no later than noon the Monday prior to the service at vickidfpcd30@gmail.com. Please use Microsoft Word format when sending your articles via email. There is also a bin in the front office of the church for your submissions. ~ Thank you, Vicki Davidson—Administrative Assistant.

Our Vision is the monthly newsletter of The First Presbyterian Church of Dearborn. Articles are to be turned in to the office or emailed to Jim Barber at jimb@firstpresdearborn.org no later than the **10th** of the month. Please date your articles & **keep them brief - one page or less**. **Longer articles will result in smaller font.** We reserve the right to edit as needed.

FAREWELL LUNCHEON

Save this date. We will be having a farewell luncheon for Ann Bleivik on Sunday, July 20th after service. More information to follow.



Summer Bible Study

A summer Bible study entitled "Extraordinary Women of the Bible" will be offered on Thursdays this summer from 10:00 am to 11:30 am in the North Parlor. The class will be led by Jane Lewy and Charlie Aronson and will run for 12 weeks, beginning June 5th and concluding August 21st. All are welcome!

Electronic Giving Coming Soon!!!

I am pleased to announce that I am in the testing phase of an electronic option for making regular offerings. If you choose to participate, contributions can be debited automatically from your checking or savings account. Our new electronic giving program offers convenience for you and much-needed donation consistency for our congregation. If you are currently giving on a weekly basis, you will no longer need to write out 52 checks a year or prepare 52 offering envelopes. And, when travel, illness or other circumstances prevent you from attending services, this program will allow your weekly offerings to continue on an uninterrupted basis.

More information will follow once the testing phase is completed. Stay tuned!

~Nancy Setterlun

Financial Challenge

Over-runs due to high heating and snow removal costs have resulted in notable financial deficit. We anticipate that our faithful will catch up on their giving over the next few weeks and enable us to be in a healthier financial position.

We thank you for your faithfulness and commitment to our church family.

God bless, ~ Pastor Dave

STEPHEN MINISTRY



For those who have suffered a loss or who are going through a difficult time, life can be filled with painful loneliness and emptiness. If you are smiling on the outside, but full of pain on the inside and the joy you long for seems far away, help is available. Our Stephen Ministers are ready to provide confidential, one-to-one, Christian care. They will listen, care, encourage, and pray with and for you. Stephen Ministers have been specially trained to meet your emotional and spiritual needs; male Stephen Ministers are always matched with men, and female Stephen Ministers are matched with women. If you or someone you know is hurting, find out more about Stephen Ministry by talking with one of our Stephen Leaders: Art Hughes (313) 383-2589 or Chris Mayer (313) 562-1943. Our Stephen Ministers are there to care!

Happy Mother's Day!



The children led our Sunday worship in a special tribute to Mothers.

CELEBRATIONS

Births:

Congratulations to Randy & Deb Samuel on the May 7th birth of their twin grandchildren, Elissa and Elias Mesbahi. Proud parents are Omar and Kristen (Samuel) Mesbahi.



Judges and the four contestants at the Detroit American Guild of Organists scholarship competition here on April 22nd.

With Sympathy

We offer our sincere condolences to:

- The family and friends of Ann Southworth Westby who passed away on April 30th.
- The family and friends of Millie Hamilton who passed away on May 16th.

Please keep these families in your prayers.

Wedding Coordinators Needed!

With my retirement, we are looking for a couple of people who would be interested in serving as wedding coordinators at the church. This entails meeting with the bridal couple and working out the logistics of the service and then guiding them through the rehearsal and the wedding service. Please contact me if you are interested in learning more about this ministry. ~ Ann Bleivik



Do you use EMAIL? Have you been receiving the email messages about FPC events? If not, we would love to add your email address to our list. The DNA Committee has been sending out limited messages on upcoming events. These messages are great reminders for you and can be easily forwarded to friends. Forwarding is a way for you to invite someone to experience God's love in action. Please email fpcd.events@gmail.com, or call the church at (313)274-1313 to give us your email address, or permission to use your email that we have on file.

Legacy Conference 2014 ~ June 12-14

A conference about Missions, Muslims,
and the Heart of God

How Christ's love compels us to reach Muslims.

Register: dearbornlegacyconference.org



Sound System Update

The evaluation of the speaker in worship resulted in some very useful feedback from our congregation; in that regard the test and survey fulfilled their purposes. The end result is, we are now in a better position to evaluate future hardware and have a greater understanding of the expectations of our congregation. A detailed report of this speaker evaluation and the audio survey results will be presented to Session and will be available for all congregants upon the approval of Session.

Emergency Response Plan Update

The E.R.P. task force is still at work. Jim Barber is creating evacuation signs for all the rooms in the building. Bob Missler has installed little boxes in many of the rooms that hold a flashlight and glowsticks to be used in case of a power outage at night. Please take a moment when you enter a room to note the location of the box in case you should need to use the contents. Also please make sure that children and youth do not play with these items. If you should need to use them, please return the flashlight to the box or to the office with a note on its proper location. Also let the office know if you needed to use any of the glowsticks, so they can be replaced. Help us keep everyone safe.

NEED A LIFT? WE'D LIKE TO HELP!
 Not just to church. If you or someone you know needs a ride to an appointment, the store, Sunday service or a church event, your FPC family would like to help. Contact Nancy Barber at (313)565-2741, Bob Missler at (313)791-0377, or call the church at (313)274-1313. Also, if you are free to occasionally help with driving, we'd like to hear from you too. ~Bob Missler, Deacon Moderator. *Matthew 25:40 "Whatever you do for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me."*



New Logo Name Tags

Name tags with our new cross logo can be ordered through the deacons. This is a good way for all of us to get to know each other. To order, please see Bob Missler, Deacon Moderator (313)791-0377.

Library needs DVD's

If you have good Christian DVD's that you no longer use, please consider donating them to our Church library for others to enjoy.



- 06/01: Sheila Brooks
- 06/03: Dave Bleivik, Kevin Guinn
- 06/04: Donald Hosmer
- 06/05: Jean Jablonski, Bert Foster
- 06/07: Peter Johnston
- 06/08: Alan Gentinne, Robert Schwyn
- 06/10: Cailee Drzinski
- 06/11: Tracie Szczechura
- 06/12: Marion Cassidy, Jim Bechtel, Rachel Young
- 06/17: Margie Maurer, Matthew Higgins, Rebecca Scott
- 06/19: Donald King
- 06/20: Ann Bleivik
- 06/22: Sharon Truax
- 06/24: John Morley, Cecelia Sadler
- 06/27: Linda Guinn, Bob Carlson
- 06/28: David Whitehouse, Mary Currie
- 06/29: Peter Badore, Amy Bruhn
- 06/30: Mary Ann Bassett, Barbara Hosmer, Susan Sullivan

From Peru Team 2014 : Thank you!

The Peru Team would like to thank you for your overwhelming support of this year's fundraising efforts. However, we still need one more thing from you, and that is prayer. We leave mid-day Tuesday, June 17 and return in the evening on Sunday, June 30. Please pray for safe travels, health while traveling, and most importantly, that we can be the hands and feet of Jesus and do His work in Peru. Also, please pray for Kate and Billy Greenman as they continue their full-time ministry in Peru.

Your 2014 Peru missionaries are: David Carlson, Grace Doverspike, Kim Doverspike, Elissa Hoffman, Jared Hoffman, Lynn Hoffman, Mike Hoffman, Natalie Husby, and Stephen Stormzand. Joining our team in Peru will be Sarah Pinsonault from Charlotte, North Carolina.

Meals for the Homebound

Some of our homebound congregation could use assistance with meals. The next time you are preparing something that is easily frozen, just make a little extra. Freeze enough for two people in a nonreturnable container and drop it off at church, letting the office know. The Deacons will deliver it. This small gesture will mean a lot to the recipients and what a wonderful way to show our Christian love. Bob Missler - Deacon Moderator

Sunday Morning Worship 10:00 am

- June 1 / - Communion, Rev. Dave Bleivik
- June 8 / - Mike Hoffman, CLP
- June 15 / - Rev. Dave Bleivik
- June 22 / - Rev. Dave Bleivik
- June 29 / - Rev. Dave Bleivik

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Are you praying for Vision?
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