

From the Pastor's Desk

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Dear Friends,
 Summertime. That brings about thoughts of summer vacations, of being at the beach, of weekend getaways. I like summer. I remember being a camp counselor and loving the opportunity to be outdoors all summer. I remember going down to the swim club on weekends and playing basketball all afternoon, regardless of the temperature.

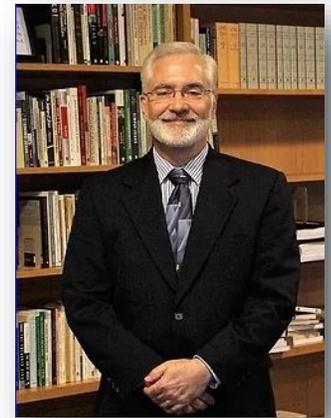
I also know that the month of July holds particular special meanings and events. I grew up in the Philadelphia area, and I love studying American history, especially the events surrounding the Continental Congresses and the War of Independence. So, for me, the Fourth of July is a really special day.

I have memories of family gatherings on the Fourth of July at one location, then going back to my grandfather's house to watch the fireworks. For

many years, the Fourth meant parades and family picnics and fireworks. But it truly is Independence Day (not when the Continental Congress voted to become independent from England: that happened on July 2; July 4 is when the Declaration of Independence was adopted, but it was not signed until some time in August). Thomas Jefferson's words are still so important for us as a nation:

When in the Course of human events it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political bands which have connected them with another and to assume among the powers of the earth, the separate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Nature's God entitle them, a decent respect to the opinions of mankind requires that they should declare the causes which impel them to the separation.

We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are



endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness.

As important as those words are, however, the ultimate freedom we have is not from the Declaration of Independence, and not from any human words. In the fourth chapter of his letter to the Galatians, Paul writes, "But when the fullness of time had come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, in order to redeem those who were under the

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ABOUT

Preschool Corner: Looking for Teachers

Do you like to play, sing, learn, laugh, smile, giggle, dance, create, imagine, discover, construct, inspire, dream, encourage, read, problem-solve, love, grow, and believe?

Would you like to be an

educator of mini-minds? Or a tiny-human tamer? Is your favorite saying “criss-cross applesauce”?

If you answered “yes” to any of these, working at our preschool might be the right fit for you!

CHPC Preschool has several teacher openings for the 2019-2020 school year. If you are interested or have more questions, please call (717) 761-6003 or email dtarnoci@thechpc.com.

Dana Tarnoci

Facilities Continue to Be Updated, Repaired



Recent property management activities include the completion of the Christian Education Building roof (and, we’re happy to report, the school has been dry during the recent rainstorms), the sidewalk repair between the manse and the church, the

annual inspection of fire extinguishers, power-washing the brick and concrete surfaces of the Peace Garden, resurfacing and waterproofing the 23rd Street porch entrance, adding three nozzles for fire suppression in the kitchen, and the repair of

the sidewalk facing the firehouse.

We continue to diagnose the problem with the organ. Bruce Williamson has been indispensable in this effort.

Dale Meadowcroft

Gathering Place Features New Donation Center

The Mission Outreach Ministry, led by the efforts of Monica Zazworsky, recently created a new Donation Center in the Gathering Place. Plastic bins are now up off the floor and organized on shelving located beneath the left staircase.

To make a donation to any of our missions, please place your items in the clearly marked bins.

Andrea Ebeling



Shelving and labeled bins make giving to the causes we support even easier.

'TGIF' Is a Multigenerational Success

CHPC held its second all-ages "TGIF" event of the summer season on June 14. The 30 people attending the event had a blast! The group connected over hot dogs, potluck side dishes, and ice cream, and everybody had a chance to decorate posters

for the youth Sunday School rooms at the collaborative coloring station.

The evening ended in the parking lot where some played "Nine-Square in the Air" and others pulled up camp chairs to chat and watch. We even had a few

passersby join in the fun.

You, too, can join in on the fun at our next TGIF – and bring a friend or neighbor! We'll be here, rain or shine, July 19 and Aug. 9 from 6 to 8:30 p.m.

Lindsay Gottwald



Nine-square can be played outdoors or indoors, guaranteeing a fun event for all ages, no matter the weather.



Members and friends colored posters at TGIF's "Creation Station." The artwork will be used to decorate Sunday School classrooms.

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law, so that we might receive adoption as children. And because you are children, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a child, and if a child then also an heir, through God." He then writes, in Chapter 5, "For freedom Christ has set

us free. Stand up, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery."

We are free in Christ. I celebrate the freedoms we have in this country, and I look for the time when it can truly be lived that all people are created equal. But we are all equal in Christ and, to me, that is what real freedom is all about.

Celebrate the Fourth of July. I surely will. But celebrate more the freedom that is ours in Christ Jesus.

Peace,
Craig Miller

"But we are all equal in Christ and, to me, that is what real freedom is all about."

Empty Nesters Plan Mount Gretna Evening

On Aug. 2, at 6 p.m., the Empty Nesters will be carpooling to Mount Gretna to enjoy a meal and the show “Summer of Song” at Timbers Dinner Theater.

Reservations and payment are due July 28. The cost is

\$33 per person; make checks payable to “CHPC,” place in an envelope marked “Timbers,” and put in the Empty Nesters box or give to Alice Lebo.

The price includes buffet dinner, soft beverage, and

the show. (Other drinks need to be paid with cash or check only at the time of purchase.)

Call (717) 761-4242 or email ajlebo@aol.com for info.

Alice Lebo

GIVE

Food Drive Supports Local Children



The Earl Besch Project was established to help needy families in Camp Hill. Earl Besch was a kind and giving community member, and former CHPC member, always looking for ways to help children in need.

We are continuing our food and money collection throughout July, with the goal of filling 35 food boxes. So far, you are doing a great job, CHPC! Please continue to purchase the food items from the list below. Bring your items in

each Sunday and put them in the boxes marked “Earl Besch Project” in the Gathering Place’s new Donation Center.

If you would rather not shop but want to help out with a monetary donation, that would be great, too! Any amount is helpful. It costs \$108 to fill one box for a family.

We also will need people to help deliver the filled food boxes to the families on Aug. 15. Please put your

name on the signup sheet in the Gathering Place if you are able to help with delivery.

In supporting this initiative, we truly are giving back by showing Christ’s love to our neighbors.

See or email Sandy McBride (duhmacbees2000@yahoo.com) or Monica Zazworsky (zaz@sprintmail.com) with any questions.

Sandy McBride

Earl Besch Project Food Donation List

- Pancake mix (just add water)
- Syrup
- Large canned tuna
- Large canned chicken
- Mayonnaise
- Ketchup
- Mustard
- SpaghettiOs
- Peanut butter
- Jelly
- Box of crackers
- Macaroni and cheese
- Cereal
- Oatmeal (in individual packets)
- Box of granola bars
- Box of fruit snacks
- Individually wrapped pretzels
- Laundry detergent
- Dish soap
- Large package of toilet paper
- Large package of paper towels
- Plastic wrap
- Aluminum foil

Notes From the CHPC Treasurer

■ CHPC receipts through May 31 were \$239,546.61 and expenses through May 31 were \$262,033.58, with expenses exceeding receipts by \$23,386.67.

■ While contributions for the first quarter were on target, we experienced a drop-off in the last two months, and with year-to-

date contributions at \$194,268.02 and our year-to-date contributions target being \$221,042, we are \$26,773.98 behind our contributions target for May 31. Please help by bringing your contributions up to date!

■ The Endowment has loaned CHPC \$100,000 to

help pay for the new Education Wing roof and refurbishment of the 23rd Street porch. Please contact Bill Stout if you are interested in making a contribution to help CHPC repay this loan.

David Watts, Treasurer
dwatts@mwn.com
(717) 237-5344

"Please help by bringing your contributions up to date!"

Celebrate 'Christmas in July' By Donating



Look for the red, white, and blue tree this month in the Gathering Place.

The Christian Education and Nurture Ministry is asking CHPC members to help restock our supply closet before the new school year of Christian Education programming begins.

Look for the red, white, and blue Christmas tree in the Gathering Place. On it, you'll find ornaments listing needed craft items or indicating a monetary donation. Take an ornament, then return the supply to the designated area in the Gathering Place.

Help us to start fresh once Sunday School returns in September!

Lindsay Gottwald

Deacons Kick Off 'BASS' Project

"(BASS) provides necessary school supplies to children who may not otherwise have access to them."

The Deacons' annual Backpacks and School Supplies (BASS) project is officially underway.

BASS is a churchwide effort during which the Deacons collect new backpacks and various school supplies for elementary students in need. At the end of the project, supplies are placed into backpacks and the whole lot is delivered to Steelton-Highspire Elementary School for distribution.

This has been a successful project in the past, and it provides necessary school supplies to children who may not otherwise have access to them.

New backpacks and supplies (see the list below) can be left in the Donation Center in the Gathering Place. Cash donations are being accepted, too.

The BASS project runs through Aug. 9, and a

dedication will take place Aug. 11 during worship.

On behalf of the Deacons and the students who benefit from this project, we thank all of you for your generous donations in the past and for any items you are able to donate this year.

Liz Skolnicki

Backpacks and School Supplies (BASS) Needs

- New backpacks
- Pencil boxes
- Erasers
- Mini hand sanitizers
- Folders (with three holes)
- Pencil boxes
- Water bottles
- Notebooks
- Notebook paper
- Markers
- Colored pencils
- Small tissue packs

SERVE

Stories From the Mission Field: Downtown Daily Bread

While serving the needy at Downtown Daily Bread one Saturday in June, my wife, Hannah's warm smile invited one of our guests to share his story with her. He looked tired, and asked if he could have a second helping of today's meal. As it turns

out, he had missed breakfast because his housemates were up Friday night until close to dawn. He is hoping to find a new place to rest at night, but he didn't know where that might be yet. For now, a second serving from Chef "T" and a friendly ear

to hear his woes made all the difference in the world to him.

Are you feeling a call to serve? Please register to serve any Saturday of the year at ttsu.me/chpcddb.

Joe Harner

CHILDREN & YOUTH

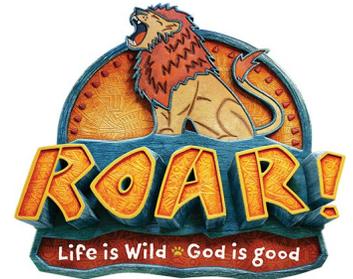
Vacation Bible School: It Takes a Village

It's July, and it feels a bit like Vacation Bible School is taking over the church. We co-opted the Bike Room to create decorations. Supplies for crafts and props for Bible stories fill my office, where a steady stream of volunteers stop by to ask questions, chat about ideas, and drop off clearances. Truly, an extravaganza like VBS takes the coordination of a small village (or a medium-sized church)! Vacation Bible School is a five-day morning program for kids in preschool and elementary school. During the week of July 8-12, I

expect the entire church to buzz with activity as we go on an African-themed faith journey with "Roar!" Church members will transform our spaces into a faraway continent. Every day from 9 to 11:30 a.m., children will travel between stations to sing songs and dance, play games, make crafts, eat special snacks, and act out Bible stories designed to teach them that God is good throughout the wild ride of life. Communicating the word of God to kids as young as 3 through our words and actions is no small task! A

weeklong event like VBS requires the dedication of approximately 35 volunteers, including middle school and high school students and adults. Even though we purchase curriculum, it takes the dedication of volunteers, along with supplies, donations, and a lot of love to turn words on paper into an experience that conveys that everyone belongs both in God's big family and at Camp Hill Presbyterian Church.

Lindsay Gottwald



Bobbie Kitzmiller and Peggy Heiss are among the many volunteers who are assisting with VBS preparations.



Paper "rocks," created by Susan Ault and others, will help to transform CHPC into a Vacation Bible School wonderland.

CARE

‘Thank You’ for Your Birthday Offerings

Thank you to all who generously contributed to the 2019 Birthday Offering of Presbyterian Women. A total of \$623 was donated. Your donations have helped fund mission projects that improve lives. This year’s

Birthday Offering recipients are the Disaster Response Team of the Presbytery of Charlotte, N.C., the Effingham Child Development Center in Effingham, Ill., the Presbyterian Homes and

Services of Kentucky, and Wings of Refuge Restoration Home in Iowa Falls, Iowa.

Thank you,
CHPC Presbyterian Women

And, Another ‘Thank You’ ...

Beloved Children of God at CHPC,
“To God be the glory, great things He hath done. ...”
Thank you for the joy, the privilege, the blessing of serving our Triune God with you these past few years. What a joy! What a privilege! What a blessing! You have filled my heart, soul, and mind with countless

“precious memories.” The beautiful “remembrance book” will bless me for years to come. I am “taking my good old time” relishing every page.

My greatest joy is believing – knowing – that “the best is yet to come” for CHPC! Your life-giving commitment to Christ as you pray for and work in

the kingdom of God will continue to let the Holy Spirit use you in glorious ways as you bless the world with your “faith in action.” The best is yet to come! Hallelujah! Thanks be to God! Amen ... and AMEN!

Myrtle McCall

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CHPC July Highlights:

- Concert at Negley Park — Wednesday, July 3, 6 p.m.
- Independence Day (Church Office Closed) — Thursday, July 4
- Vacation Bible School — Monday, July 8, through Friday, July 12
- Communion Commissioning of MATE Participants — Sunday, July 14, during worship
- “TGIF” All-Ages Event — Friday, July 19, 6 p.m.
- MATE Group Departs — Saturday, July 20
- MATE Group Returns — Saturday, July 27