

ELDERTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH MAY – NEWSLETTER – 2022

PASTORS PAGE

"Psalm 23"

There are people who have no philosophy of life. The day grabs them and leads them to whatever it may. Some believe that this kind of lifestyle keeps one living on the edge which promotes excitement and life's best. I would posit that living a life where there is nothing that guides you, where there is no direction and where there is no leadership, leads to difficulties that are unimaginable. Imagine a life with no direction, no guidance, and no outlook. To want to live a life with no purpose for the day, no design for the moment has to be a horrible life. I cannot imagine what it is to live without aim, meaning, or goals.

God is the Christians guide for life. There is no better life to live than to be led by the Shepherd himself. I know for many of us we associate this psalm with a time of grieving a loved one and, that is most appropriate. But I want to turn our attention to using the psalm as a course of life, a philosophy of life if you will. To look at the psalm in a way that points our living and our dying to be a way of life.

How Does God Lead my Life? What Does God Do for My Life?

We Proclaim God's Leadership-We know that people come to church with all kinds of wants, walking through every manner of valley. Throughout the entire psalm, the speaker is the most faithful Christian, who has been reborn through the water and the Holy Spirit. The Christian does not mind the good the Shepherd leading through the dry times of life. Since the Lord Jesus Christ is the Christians Shepherd, the Christian lacks nothing.

Much of the Christians Life Is a Good Life- He makes me lie down in green pastures. He leads me beside still waters. He restores my soul. He leads me in paths of righteousness for his name's sake. The Shepherd leads us to things in life that are good for us. He leads us to green pastures. In other words, the places he leads us are full of life and verve. The good Shepherd leads us to a loving family and a living church. The good Shepherd leads us in places that are right for us and help us to lead right lives.

Goodness and Mercy, All the Days of Our Life - Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD forever. This is more than a mere after thought. Mercy is the covenant-word rendered 'steadfast love' and goodness suggests the steady kindness and support that one can count on while being led by the Shepherd

God is the Christians guide for life. What a better way to lead a life than to follow the Lord. The Lord is our shepherd. Don't live a life where the Lord is not in the lead. Don't presume to have a life where God is not the shepherd, for God's steadfast love and his kindness will be yours for the rest of your life.

Because of Him,

Angel

GREETERS & ACOLYTE'S

(Mark Your Calendars)

This is the only list you will receive – so PLEASE look this over

If the date assigned to you conflicts with your schedule, PLEASE TRADE with someone else on the list and let the church office know of this change.

GREETERS should be at the door at 10:10 AM and the bell should be rung 10 times at 10:15 and again at 10:30 AM. Please hand out the morning bulletin. Before worship – open doors into the sanctuary and close when the service begins. You should also get the collection plates before the service begins; the collection plates are on the first pew in the back section of the church (in the black cloth bag).

Please lock the front doors into the church. Pull to make sure the door is latched, use the small "key" found on the window ledge, insert it into the bar of the door and turn until the bar pops out. The handicap door will remain unlocked until 10 minutes into service (Cassie will take care of this.)

DATE	GREETERS	ACOLYTES
May 1	Rod and Kathy Burns	Aaron Quinn
May 8	Travis Johns and Travis Anderson	Jonah Scrips
May 15	John and Dee Craig	Emily Johns
May 22	Terry and Blythe Johns	Mia Scrips
May 29	Larry and Linda Prugh	Liam Scrips
June 5	Blair and Lois Brown	MaKayla Scrips

FLOWERS FOR MAY

May 1 and 8 – Jean Quinn May 15 and 22 – Butterfly Hill Preschool May 29 – Linda Prugh June 5 and 12 - Nathan and Jennifer Johns

Joanie Riggle is the contact person for the flower calendar. If anyone wishes to request a date for chancel flowers or for an organ or table arrangement, please schedule with Joanie 724-954-1671.

GRADUATING FROM HIGH SCHOOL OR COLLEGE?



If you are graduating from high school, college; business school, etc. please contact the church office 724-354-3117

An information packet will be mailed to each graduate.

Please return the completed information to the church office by June 8, 2022

We will recognize our graduates in an upcoming newsletter.

Presbyterian Women sponsored Blanket Sunday Month March 6 through March 27

\$1930.00 was collected and will be sent to Church World Services

Thanks to all who donated so generously.

BLANKET THE WORLD WITH

— love—

We also updated and organized the Sunday School room.

We would like to thank
Hannah Schrecengost, Tyler Keith,
Eric Schrecengost, Tom Spencer, John Craig and
Susan Schrecengost
for all of their time and hard work.



We have updated and reorganized the nursery room.

There is a changing table, a pack & play, and new toys available for your use when you need to take your child to the nursery.

We would like to thank
Hannah Schrecengost, Tyler Keith,
Tom Spencer, Jeanne Speer
and Susan Schrecengost
for all of their donations and hard work.





Blessed are the Mother's who love the word of God, for their children shall know the way, the truth, and the life.

Blessed are the Mother's who love to pray, for their children shall feel the power of prayer and many shall find salvation.

Blessed are the Mother's who love to fight life's battles bravely with a strong and steadfast faith in God, for their children shall know where to find strength in time of need.

Blessed are the Mother's who, when old and gray, can look back upon memory's wall with no regret and can say, "I brought my children up in the fear of the Lord." Theirs are the mansions of glory.

BUTTERFLY HILL PRESCHOOL



"April Highlights"



In April we told the Easter Story. Many questions were asked in trying to understand Jesus's death and heaven.

Asher went home and questioned his family about his Grammy, asking if she was alive in heaven. He told his family that we talked about Jesus on the cross and that He was broken, Asher said "Maybe we can glue him back together"

We also talked about the Easter Bunny. In Toddler Time they made bunny's, glued a picture of their face on the bunny and hung them on the bulletin board. The bulletin board also had jellybeans on it.

Bennett said to Miss Val "this is really cool, but why do you have all of those potatoes on the board?" (they were jellybeans not potatoes)

Our Butterfly class is working hard to learn their letters. Miss Katelyn did an art project where the children painted the alphabet in letter order. Some of the children were confused with letters O and Q.

Brently told everyone "That's easy,
O is a circle and Q has a leg so he won't roll away."

The preschool teachers attended a workshop hosted by the kindergarten and first grade teachers at Armstrong School District. We learned many tips and ideas to use next year and received several manipulatives and library books for our school.

May is near and we are winding down another great year. We are looking forward to promotions and graduation.

Young Explorers Camp is a 1/2 day (9am-12:30pm) camp for 4-7 year old children

June 6 -- June 10, 2022

\$90/student



Outdoor Discovery Center

SUMMER CAMPS 2022

Camp will include a variety of nature & environmental related games, crafts, experiments, & outdoor exploration!

Learn more and register your children for these exciting camps at: www.armstrongcenter.org/odc-events/



Discovery Camp is a full day (9am-4pm) camp for 8-12 year old children

June 27 -- July 1, 2022

\$180/student

PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH TRI-PENNIUM



Join us at Krislund for Presbyterian Youth Tri-PENNium July 23-28, 2022

The Huntington, Carlisle, Kiskiminetas, Lehigh, Lackawanna and Northumberland Presbyteries are excited to invite you to the Presbyterian Youth Tri–PENNium at Krislund! We will be following the PC (USA)'s <u>Matthew 25 framework</u>, which calls us to activiely participate int eh world around us by boldly ad compassionately serving people who are hungry, oppressedd, imprisoned, or poor. Teens today belong to what is very possibly the most politically and socially aware generation the world has ever seen. This event will help foster that passion and equip them to pursue the justice that God seeks for His People.

Presbyterian Youth Tri-PENNium is not a typical Krislund Summer program- it is a powerful conference for teens who are truly passionate about changing the world around them. There are only five spots available for each presbytery, so be sure to register your high school students today.

The cost is \$300.00 per participant and includes all food, lodging, programming, and transportation to and from a central point within your Presbytery. If you need finacial assistance, please reach out to your Presbyerty's registrar.

We are excited to announce that <u>The Many</u> will be our msic team for PYT! They are "Uncommon, intenionally diverse collective making music for people to sing together about peace and justice and a world where all belong" and have led worship for the Progressive Youth Conference and other PC(USA) conferences rooted in Matthew 25.

If anyone is interested in attending, please call the church office for more information.

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Brooks Fleming – 2nd

Bobby Anderson – 2nd

Paul Meyers - 4th

Jamey Brumbaugh - 6th

Rodney Howard – 9th

Kaely Klonowski - 10th

Amanda Schrecengost – 10th

Emily Johns - 10th

Katherine Amanlou - 10th

Steven Hankey – 13th

Russell Schall – 14th

Tandi Spencer – 14th

Kris Hilty – 15th

Austin Cessna - 15th

Peg Rowan – 16th

Mark Schrecengost, Jr. - 16th

Dewey Hixenbaugh - 17th

David Popp - 17th

Jennifer Johns - 18th

Olivia Daguilante – 19th

Jodi Rearick - 20th

Kurt Flickinger – 20th

Braden Tutak - 21st

Adam Quinn - 23rd

Rylee Riggle - 23rd

Blythe Johns - 24th

Luke Schrecengost – 24th

Melissa Rupert – 26th

Evan Hilty – 28th

Carmen Riggle - 31st

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Will and Val Orr – 1st, 2007 – **15 years**

Vaughn and Margie Wood – 16th, 1967 – 55 years

Nick and Jenny Shultz – 20th, 2000

Tim and Brandi Bertolino – 23rd, 1998

Dan and Lisa Brumbaugh - 23rd, 1981

Denny and Heather Bell – 21st, 2004

Larry and Linda Prugh – 26th, 1979

Adam and Ashley Quinn - 28th, 2011

Roy and Colleen Cessna - 30th



We extend our congratulations to Courtney Orr and Brandon Ingram on the birth of their daughter,

Adeline Rae,

born at 12:09 am, April 27, 2022.

Adleline weighed 7lb. 6oz. and 20 inches was long.

We also congratulate grandparents, Will and Val Orr.

Every good and perfect gift is from above. James 1:17

May 2022									
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat			
1 9:15 – Sunday School 10:30 –Worship Service	2	3	4	5	6	7			
Happy Mother's Day 9:15 – Sunday School 10:30 –Worship Service	9	10 10:00 – 3:00 Helping Hand	11	12 6:00 – Deacons Meeting 6:30 – Session Meeting	13	14			
15 9:15 – Sunday School 10:30 –Worship Service	16	17	18	19	20	21			
9:15 – Sunday School 10:30 –Worship Service	23 Butterfly Hill Preschool- Toddler Time Promotion	24 Butterfly Hill Preschool- Caterpillar Promotion	25 Butterfly Hill Preschool- Butterfly Graduation	26 10:00 – 3:00 Helping Hand 6:00 – Christian Ed meeting	27	28			
29 9:15 – Sunday School 10:30 –Worship Service	MEMORIAL DAY REMEMBER & HONOR	31							