TOWER NOTES - SEPTEMBER 2023

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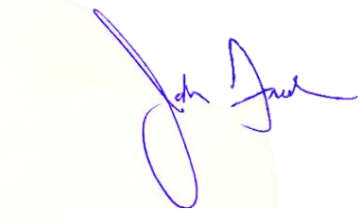
My message to you last month for the August newsletter spoke to the idea that effective churches have effective leadership and effective leadership is leadership that is unafraid to take the church, the congregation, the flock to new places. Leadership isn't called simply to maintain the gifts given but to grow them. And this is scriptural. Jesus taught us parables on taking what he has given to us and turning it into more. Seeds don't remain seeds, they become trees. But growth doesn't just happen naturally. Growth happens when we create space for change and movement. Growth happens when we take risks and courageously allow for our faith to guide us. Growth happens out of teaching and leading and guiding and discipling one another. So, as I said in my last newsletter, one hallmark if you will of a growing, vital church is in how many leaders the church has. Few leaders not only means that new leaders are being developed and nurtured but it also can mean that leaders haven't been taught how to work together as a team. How to share in the joy of ministry; and, truth be told, the burden of ministry as well with others. To have the courage and humility to say this isn't solely my ministry but it is ours. So it is one thing to raise up new leaders and then it is another thing to trust them. Both are necessary if a church is to continue to grow in healthy ways.

But my real message today is on the importance of the rest of the body. While not everybody is called to leadership within the church, at least in the capacity that we typically understand leadership to be, everyone is called to service. While it is important that we get fed, it is equally important that we in turn feed. Generally when we hear a statement like this we think of being fed in the church and then going out into the world to feed others and that generally translates to being kind, nice, and polite. We say we want people to see Jesus in us and some will say that is as simple as offering a smile. That's all well and good. I would hate to know you leave church and offer nothing the rest of the week but a bad attitude. However, even if you are going out into the mission field if you will and find yourself praying with people left and right, and listen, there is absolutely nothing wrong with that. In fact keep feeding people that way. Don't stop.

But, my outside of the box thought for you today is: Maybe start feeding your church as well. It is a strange concept I know. What I mean by feeding your church is to see the mission field not only outside the walls of your church meaning evangelism and social justice, but to also see the mission as the building up of the body of believers within. How much more effective can we be with the world around us when we have done the work of developing the congregation and it's ministries within. The truth is, while it is nice to take food from the pantry and share it with others, we need to be in the discipline of making trips to the grocery store so as to replenish the food. Even better, we need to be visioning how we might make that pantry bigger and better. The truth is, the service of the congregation to the church itself is most vital for the long term sustainability of the church into the future.



Rev. Josh Freshour

Happy Birthday

September 2	Joshua Rose
September 5	Larry Hileman
September 7	Courtney Carpenter, Sam Freshour
September 10	Eli Burris
September 11	Gabe Williams
September 12	Jillian Casey
September 13	Judy Stambazze, Mallory Haas
September 14	John Paul Holsinger
September 15	Megan Miller, Bill O'Neil, Katherine Griffith
September 16	Beverly Isaly, Jan Seamon
September 17	Aron Fausnaugh
September 18	Trevinal McGlothlin, Tammy Criswell
September 19	Pastor Josh Freshour
September 20	Lucille Copus
September 21	Darlynn Blessing, Dave Allen, Kara Kubbs, Vincent Casey
September 22	Matthew Nelson, Brandon Haas
September 23	Ralph Flinchbaugh
September 24	Dave Maugans
September 27	Kenneth Linstedt
September 29	Kathy Castle
September 30	Renee Allen, Victoria Standley, Corbin McKenney

Attendance

Date	Sunday School	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.
July 30	28	31	74
August 6	37	35	75
August 13	21	41	89
August 20	28	42	90

Please pray for our Shut-In Members: Spark Alspach, Darlene Beveridge, Jeff Beveridge, Bob Bish, Virginia Chaney, Nettie Criswell, Ernest & Norma Denney, Lois Fulton, Betty Hampton, Dorothy Houser, Louis & Betty Hughes, Bob Lucas, Doris Mosher, Brenda Rider, and Trent Standley.

Sympathy Notes

We express our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Muriel Pletcher. Muriel was called to her heavenly home on Saturday, August 5th, 2023.

8:30 a.m. Greeters, Nursery Attendants, & Sound Board Slides Schedule

Greeters – 8:30 Worship
September 3 – Gary & Sandy Redd
September 10 – Lynn & Velma Clabaugh
September 17 – Ralph & Ruth Ann Craig
September 24 – Gary & Sandy Redd

Nursery Attendants – 8:30 Worship
1st Sunday – Sandy Redd
2nd Sunday – Pam Larkin
3rd Sunday – Penny Rose
4th Sunday – Tammy Criswell
5th Sunday – Tracey Rector

10:30 a.m. Liturgist, Greeters & Acolytes, and Nursery Attendants

Liturgist – 10:30 Worship
September 3 – Norma Stump
September 10 – Johanna Davidson
September 17 – Bob Seamon
September 24 – Dee O'Neil

Greeters & Acolytes – 10:30 Worship
September 3 – Doyle McGlothlin
September 10 – Darlynn Blessing
September 17 – Pastor Joe & Joyce Miller
September 24 – Stan & Jill Casey

Nursery Attendants – 10:30 Worship
September 3 – The Criswell Family
September 10 – Sara McKenney
September 17 – The Criswell Family
September 24 – Sara McKenney

Hospitality Center
1st Sunday – Guiding Light Circle
2nd Sunday – Survivor's Sunday School Class
3rd Sunday – Serendipity Sunday School Class
4th Sunday – Martha Horne Circle
5th Sunday – Linda Mills and Helpers

Address Changes
Gloria McMahan, 100 Townline Road, Apt. 7, Ligonier, IN 46767 (260) 215-5233
Kara Kubbs, 704 NW 34th Street, Oklahoma City, OK 73118
Ronita Case has withdrawn her membership.

Team Meetings
The Board of Trustees will meet on Monday, September 11th, at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
The Staff-Pastor-Parish Relations Team will meet on Monday, September 11th, at 6 p.m. in the Upper Room.
The Finance Team will meet on Thursday, September 14th, at 7 p.m. in the Upper Room.

The ***Sacrament of Holy Communion*** will be served at both services on Sunday, September 3rd.

Youth Fellowship for middle school and high school is offered every Sunday from 2 to 3:30 p.m.

Ham Loaf Sale – The Guiding Light Circle will be making ham loaves again! Please place your order between September 3rd and September 24th. Order forms will be posted at different locations around the Church. You can sign up on the forms or call the church office. The cost of each loaf is $3.00 for a plain loaf and $3.50 per loaf with mustard sauce. Ham loaves will be freshly baked and available for pickup on Friday, October 6th, from 5 – 7 p.m., Saturday, October 7th, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., or Sunday morning after the early and late service. Payment can be made when picking up your loaves. These loaves can easily be reheated in the oven or microwave. They can also be frozen for use at a later date. Loaves to be frozen should be double wrapped in plastic wrap and then in foil.

To all of you who are church choir members or you who are interested in joining the ***Church Choir***, practice will start Wednesday, September 6th, in the choir room at 7 p.m. I am looking forward to working with you as we seek to continue bringing praise to the Lord with our beautiful voices. Rick Highfill

Just a little reminder that the ***Popcorn Festival***, September 7th – 9th, is almost upon us. There are still slots to be filled to work in the booth and also the parking lot. Please see if any of the times would be suitable for you to work. The only other thing to say is BAKE, BAKE, BAKE!! The workers who have already signed up are depending on everyone to bring in baked goods and candies so they will have something to sell. SEE YOU AT THE FESTIVAL!!

Ladies' Lunch will be held on Sunday, September 10th, after the second service.

We will be starting a new ***Book Study*** on Wednesday, September 13th, at 5:30 p.m. and on Friday, the 15th at 10:30 a.m. The book is titled "*Jesus on Every Page*". The book costs 13 dollars. If you are planning on attending, please let either the church office know or Pastor Josh.

Starting on Wednesday, September 13th, at 6 p.m., we will be offering a ***Children's Choir*** led by Michelle Lewis and Sarah Lambert. Come and be a part of the fun!!

Newsletter Deadline will be Friday, September 15th, for our October 2023 Tower Notes!

Neighborhood Supper will be Friday, September 15th, from 5 – 6 p.m. as a Carry-Out Meal.

Men's Prayer Breakfast will be held on Saturday, September 16th, at 8 a.m. There will be good food, devotions and fellowship! Please join this amazing group of men!

The ***Monday Morning Bible Study*** will kick off on Monday, September 18th, at 9:30 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We will study a book by Andy Stanley. Please let Cindy Schrote or Sandy Redd know if you are interested in attending this study, so they can have books for everyone.

Free Community Breakfast will be held again on Saturday, September 23rd, from 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. This community outreach is sponsored by the Men's Prayer Breakfast group and the S.K.I. Group. This breakfast is free and open to all (donations will be accepted). This will be a wonderful opportunity to get involved and support this effort to reach out into our community and build relationships with our neighbors and be fulfilled in sharing the love and grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Come one, come all to help, support or just have breakfast and fellowship. If you have questions, please contact Bill Bess at 740-360-3965. Hope to see you there.

Noisy Collection will be on Sunday, September 24th, for our Laundry Love Ministry.

We will collect for the ***Salvation Army Food Pantry*** on Sunday, September 24th. Suggested donations: **Prepared Dinners.** They are also in need of paper products and feminine products. Put your donations in the shopping cart in the back of the sanctuary. Thank you!

Laundry Love Ministry will be Monday, September 25th, at 4:30 p.m. at the Southtown Cleaning Village, 355 S. Main Street in Marion. If you would like to help, please contact the church office.

Church *Basement Sale* - September 29th and September 30th! We are preparing for our annual Basement Sale. You can start bringing in items for the sale beginning September 1 to the old basement. If you need help with items, just call the church and we can make some arrangements with you. We are asking for items to be clean and in good working conditions. We can take bedding, towels, etc. We will not be taking clothes or shoes. We will need volunteers to help the week before and the 2-days of the sale. If you have questions or feel led to help, please call the church office and let us know. Let's make this project a fun time! Thanks, John Row

The ***Flower Calendar for 2023*** is hanging up in the hallway. The price for fresh flowers is $46.95. Silk flowers are still $5.00. Select your date to remember a loved one or to honor a family member or friend. Make checks payable to Prospect Street United Methodist Church.

Peanut Butter and Jelly Food Drive - If you would like to continue supporting this mission, please drop off your donations in the Church kitchen. Then, they will be taken to their drop off location.

If you see anything that needs our custodian's attention, please fill out a ***Work Order/ Maintenance Request Form***. They are located on the gray cabinet as you enter the choir room. There is a mailbox for the Custodian, Derrick Mulvey, in the choir room – 3rd box down on the left side of the mailboxes. Thank you!

We don't know unless you tell us! If you are hospitalized or having surgery, unless you call and inform our church office we will assume you want to keep your health condition private. HIPPA laws prevent us from sharing your information without consent.

Upcoming Event

Life Line Screening, the nation's leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Prospect Street United Methodist Church on Wednesday, October 18th, 2023.

A package of four screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

Carotid Artery Screening (Plaque)

An ultrasound is performed to screen the carotid arteries (a pair of blood vessels in the neck that deliver blood to your brain) for buildup of fatty plaque. This buildup, called atherosclerosis, is one of the leading causes of stroke.

Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening

An Ankle-Brachial Index (ABI) test is performed using blood pressure cuffs on the arms and legs. It is important to screen for PAD because it increases the risk of coronary artery disease, heart attack, or stroke.[1]

Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA)

An ultrasound is performed to screen the abdominal aorta for the presence of an enlargement or aneurysm. AAA can lead to a ruptured aortic artery, which is a serious medical emergency.

Atrial Fibrillation

A 6-lead electrocardiogram (EKG) is performed by placing sensors on the arms and legs to screen for Atrial Fibrillation. AFib can lead to blood clots, stroke, and heart failure, and other heart-related complications.[2]

These 4 vital screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Register by calling toll free 1-844-591-7160, text the word "circle" to 216-279-1607 or online at https://llsa.social/HC

United Women in Faith

The ***Hilda Weiss Circle*** will meet on Monday, September 11th, at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The ***Guiding Light Circle*** will meet on Tuesday, September 12th, at 1 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

The ***Martha Horne Circle*** would like to invite any woman of the church that might be interested in joining a circle to join us on Tuesday, September 12th, at 7 pm in the lounge at the church. We meet monthly and our meetings usually run around 2 hours. We are a fun easy going group of women that enjoy each other's company and would love to grow our group. Meetings consist of devotions, a program and a business meeting. Of course we have refreshments and fellowship with one another. If you are interested please feel free to attend our September meeting. Hope to see you then! Blessings, Karla Gregory, President Martha Horne Circle

The ***S.K.I. Group*** will meet on Tuesday, September 19th, at 6:30 p.m.

The ***United Women In Faith Executive Board*** will meet Monday, September 25th, at 2 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.

"Calling All Women of Our Church" to join us on Saturday, September 30th, at 9:30 a.m. for the District Meeting of the United Women in Faith (on Zoom) from Bellefontaine UMC. We are also inviting the ladies of Crosswood UMC to join us. We will be meeting in our sanctuary and a light luncheon will be served. Please give the church a call 740-382-6069 and let us know how many will be coming. This will be a time to "Celebrate" our United Women in Faith (United Methodist Women.)

The ***Martha Horne Circle*** is hosting a wreath making day on Saturday, November 4th, at 10 am at the church. More details will be in the October newsletter.

Thank You Notes

A big shout out to Karla Gregory for the stamps she gave to the Serendipity Sunday School Class. They are pretty, as Nancy Dudley preferred and given with joy, as Art always did. Thanks for the memories, Karla, and keeping our card ministry alive.

Oh, what a delightful day we had on August 4th! Thanks to every single person that contributed to a successful Ice Cream Social. We had 14 prep workers on Wednesday and Thursday, and 60 servants between 4:30 and 7:00 p.m. on Friday. Two men baked 2 layer cakes – Keith Haas (his first one EVER), and Dick Schwaderer tried a new recipe; in addition we had 11 more cake bakers, and 22 pie makers. Some seasoned workers seemed to have fun while helping their Gigi and Auntie – Jesse, Aron and Faith Fausnaugh – have grown up in our church kitchen. Thanks Kiddoes. Diane Row had a capable assistant in Zeta Deeter. And Doyle McGlothlin joined the ranks of female Ice Cream Scooper. Julie Kubbs is the other "member" in recent history. We ran out of food earlier than normal, we were busy early and steadily. It was so joyful to see the food servers be a mix of old and new members. Thanks for stepping up to help! A great thanks to the "chairs" – Pete Stambazze, grill master, John Row ice cream, ice, decorations and electrical, Darlynn Blessing – pies and cakes, Judy Stambazze – shopper queen, prep cook and beverage maker Diane Row – held us all together. Shawn Hastings – taking flyers around to help us advertise. Precious church family, thank you for being servants.

Starting September 17th Dave Maugans will lead a ***Sunday School Class*** on the Book of Revelation.

The ***Upper Room Sunday School Class*** will be exploring the Gospel of Mark with study titled "Christ, the Faithful Servant".

The ***Serendipity Sunday School Class*** will finish the book of Esther the second Sunday in September. We are going to study Deborah, from Judges next. Please consider joining the fellowship. Come join the fun, while we learn about the impact these women had by being servants for the God of all.

The ***new Sunday School Class*** being taught by Dave McCartney will be finishing its study on the Gospel of Mark by mid-September. Around September 17th, which will be confirmed in the Church Bulletin, we will begin a new study on the Book of Genesis. This should prove to be a fun study with lots of information for those who are not really familiar with Genesis or anyone else that would like a refresher. The class is located in the basement, just off the elevator, and has named itself the *New Beginnings Class*. If you're not currently in a Sunday School class I hope you'll consider giving it a try.--Dave

From Your Lay Leader

Adapted from Proverbs 22:6 — A Promise to Parents? by James Mohler

"Parenting is not an easy task. But **Proverbs 22:6** is an easy verse from which to find hope that our children will turn out "OK" if we train them well. It's often misquoted as a command with a promise: "If we train our kids correctly in the Lord, then, when they are older, we can be confident that they will walk with the Lord, no matter what happens in the volatile teenage or young adult years."

The verse has been used by some to *heap guilt upon parents whose adult children are not walking with Christ*, suggesting that the parents did not work hard enough to "train up" their children. It also has been used by well-meaning folk to provide hope that ungodly children will return to a godly lifestyle at some point in their lives. However, both of these usages are incorrect and can cause great discouragement. The passage does, in fact, express hope, but not promise.

Proverbs 22:6 is a ***"proverb"*** — no more, and no less. OK, maybe a bit more, as it is an inspired proverb contained within the Holy Scriptures. But, in understanding Scripture, one must take into account many things, such as the context, author, historical setting and literary genre.

The Bible features many literary genres, including narrative (like Genesis), poetry (like Psalms and Song of Solomon), wisdom literature (like Job, Proverbs and Ecclesiastes) prophecy (the major and minor prophets), apocalyptic (like Revelation), parables (Jesus' parables within the gospels) and epistles (the New Testament letters). Each genre serves different purposes, which the reader must keep in mind to correctly understand it.

In the case of Proverbs, one needs to understand the genre of "wisdom literature" and, more specifically, the "proverb." The wisdom literature of the Bible contains wise sayings, poetry and teachings that give guidelines for people to follow. The book of Proverbs is a collection of pithy, wise sayings that harbor general truths, but not necessarily ***promises***. A proverb is brief and poetic to be memorable, enabling it to be handed down from generation to generation, providing a form of wise and moral grounding.

An example of a popular proverb that is not from Bible and that we use today is, "An apple a day keeps the doctor away." Of course, when we repeat this proverb we don't actually believe that eating an apple every day guarantees excellent health. But we do believe that, in general, healthy eating contributes to physical health.

In the same way, biblical proverbs contain general truths, but not promises. The general truth contained in Proverbs 22:6 says that if a parent works hard to train his or her children to live a godly lifestyle, then it is likely that the children will continue to walk in those ways throughout their lives. The phrase to "train up a child in the way he should go," contextually, in the proverbial genre, means that parents need to be dedicated to teaching their children to live ***moral and godly*** lives.

Training involves more than instruction — **it also includes living out our lives in front of our children, modeling godly morals**. It includes giving children practice and correction to help them learn the godly lifestyle. It requires dedication on the part of parents. In fact, the whole focus of this proverb is on the parent, not the child.

It's *generally* true that a child raised by godly parents to live a godly lifestyle will continue to live out this lifestyle. But it is not a guarantee. There are many children who have been raised well by godly parents who have bought into the ways of the world and no longer follow Christ. Proverbs speaks to this as well. But this specific proverb challenges parents to raise their children well and offers hope that the probable outcome will be glorious."

In this season of teaching - starting back school and Sunday school classes - may we encourage our young folks to follow Christ's footsteps of love, kindness and service to others. Blessings, Lynette

6 Health Benefits of Corn

Corn can improve gut health, lower cholesterol and protect your vision. The average American eats about 5.5 pounds of fresh sweet corn every year, making it one of the most popular crops grown in the United States. Corn is quite versatile. You can eat it fresh on or off the cob (it's a vegetable!). Or in products like cereal, grits and tortillas (it's a grain!). It even has its very own popular song (It's Corn!).

But can something so multifunctional and delicious be good for you? For the most part, yes, says registered dietitian Elyse Homan, RD, LD. Corn has lots of health benefits. It has plenty of insoluble fiber, making it a low-glycemic index food. That means you digest it slowly, so it doesn't cause a sudden, unhealthy spike in your blood sugar.

Nutritionally, a half cup of corn (about one medium-sized ear) has approximately:

98 calories, 23.5 grams of carbohydrates, 0 grams of cholesterol,0.78 grams of fat
2 grams of fiber,3 grams of protein,5 milligrams of sodium, 3.78 grams of sugar

Homan discusses more about how this food — popular with people of all ages — is good for you.

Why corn is healthy

"You can eat corn fresh, frozen or canned. Any way you eat it, corn can be part of a healthy diet — just don't add a lot of extras like butter and salt," says Homan. Instead, try healthier corn toppings like olive oil, lime juice, reduced-fat feta cheese or salsa. Whole-grain corn in cornmeal, corn flour, polenta, grits and even popcorn also has health benefits. But high-fructose corn syrup or corn sugar, a sweetener found in many processed foods like cereals, breads, cookies and crackers, increases your risk of obesity, diabetes and other health issues. "It's best to avoid products made with corn syrup," states Homan.

Here's a look at six health benefits of corn:

1. Aids digestion and gut health

Corn is high in insoluble fiber, which bulks up stool (poop) and prevents constipation. If you've ever noticed what looks like whole kernels of corn in your poop (or your kid's diaper) it's not because there's a problem with your digestive system. "Your digestive system breaks down the fleshy inside part of the corn kernel, which has the important nutrients, vitamins and fiber," explains Homan. "Those kernels in your poop are the waxy, tough outer shell made of cellulose." Your body can't digest these fibrous shells. They ferment in your intestines, which is why you may feel gassy after eating a lot of corn. Corn fiber also acts as a prebiotic. "Prebiotics feed the healthy bacteria in your gut," she continues. "They help your digestive system break down and absorb nutrients from corn." During this process, bacteria in your gut microbiome change corn into a product called short-chain fatty acids. These fatty acids may lower your risk of colorectal cancer.

2. Helps improve eye health

A medium ear of yellow corn has almost 900 micrograms of antioxidants called lutein and zeaxanthin. A 2018 study suggests that these antioxidants promote healthy vision and eyes. Antioxidants also protect your body from free radicals, molecules that cause chronic inflammation, heart disease and other conditions. Antioxidants also keep your immune system healthy, so it can fight viruses, bacteria and infections.

3. Protects your heart

Another 2018 study found that people with high cholesterol who consumed 4 tablespoons of corn oil a day in baked goods had lower cholesterol levels than those who consumed the same amount of coconut oil (also in baked goods). Corn oil contains phytosterols, a natural plant substance that minimizes how much

cholesterol your body absorbs. It also has ubiquinone (CoQ10), a heart-healthy vitamin that may lower your risk of heart damage. "Corn oil can be a healthy cooking oil option as long as you use it in moderation," says Homan. "It has healthier essential fatty acids, or polyunsaturated fats, that give you energy." While you may be most familiar with yellow or white corn, the vegetable comes in many colors. Blue and purple corn get their color from anthocyanins, an antioxidant linked to lowered blood pressure and a decreased risk of heart disease and cancer.

4. Provides nutrients and vitamins your body needs to work well
In addition to fiber and antioxidants, those golden kernels have a lot of nutrients and vitamins. A medium-sized ear (about a half cup) of corn has:

4 milligrams of calcium, 40 micrograms of folate, 32 milligrams of magnesium,
294 milligrams of potassium, 244 international units of vitamin A, 7 milligrams of vitamin C

5. Moderately affects blood sugar
Natural sugars in corn give the kernels their sweetness. But corn is still relatively low in sugar. A medium ear has 4 grams of natural sugar — less than a third of the sugar in a Red Delicious apple. Corn's low-sugar, high-fiber, complex-carb profile places it low on the glycemic index. "Your body gradually breaks down low-glycemic foods, providing a slower release of energy," says Homan.

6. Offers a healthy gluten-free option
Corn is naturally gluten free, making corn and corn products a great option for those with celiac disease or gluten sensitivity. But read food labels carefully when buying corn-based products. Some items may have added gluten.

The Library Corner

Our library is so full of treasures! Please consider exploring the many reading opportunities.

The World of Thrush Green, by Miss Read is set in the English village of Thrush Green and the small coves surrounding it. The townspeople are vibrate characters that enhance the "goings on". This is a pleasant leisurely read.

The Walk West – A Walk Across America 2, by Peter and Barbara Jenkins. This is an enjoyable chronicle of a married couple's actual walk across America. The couple draws the reader into their adventures with vibrant character descriptions of the Americans they meet along the way. The print is small; I had to wear my "cheaters" during the entire read.

A great treasure of four volumes of ***Mark Twain's*** works is just waiting to be borrowed. I know that his works are considered "offensive" by some literary experts. I still believe they are worth a look, see, read. You can find The Prince and the Pauper, Huckleberry Finn, A Connecticut Yankee, and Puddin'head Wilson, published 50 years ago in our library.

Church Finances

Stained Glass Window Maintenance Fund – The estimate for the removal, maintenance of the wood frames, and reinstalling of the existing storm windows totals $70,000. The work has been broken into three sides the East, South, and North side. The East side cost is $10,000, the South side cost is $20,000, and the North side cost is $40,000. If you would like to donate to this project, please mark your envelope "Stained Glass Window Fund". Thank you for your support!

E-Tithing is an automatic withdrawal from your checking account and is remitted automatically to the church. We can set it up so it will deduct from your checking account on the 1st and/or the 15th of each month. Contact the church office for more information!

Kroger Community Rewards – Please enroll by going to www.krogercommunityrewards.com and all the details on creating an online account are there. Under Community Rewards make sure you search and select "Prospect St. United Meth. Chur" our Organization number is VF478. Thank you! If you have any questions, please call Erika.

If you have any question or concerns, please call Erika or see our Treasurer, Pete Stambazze.

Military Prayer List

Each Sunday a candle is lit for those in the military. Perhaps some of you are still using our military prayer list. I try to keep that updated. Here is the list I have now. If you know of others that should be deleted, or you would like to add someone, please let Norma Stump know. Her phone number is 1-267-387-1251.

ARMY

Brandon & Page Chaney
Jeremy Conn
John Bradley Fausnaugh
Kelly McDowell
Jonas Meligan (Ft. Campbell, KY)
Drew Row
Josh Stambaugh
Waitman Kapaldo (Europe)
Luke Bushatz
(National Guard, Alaska)

NAVY

Michael Harbolt
Brandon Littell
Andrew Craig (Reserve in Nevada)
Darren Mills (New Zealand)

MARINES

Willie Morris
John Stertzer Jr.
Michael Sullivan

AIR FORCE

David McGinnis (National Guard)
Wesley Sheppard (Oklahoma)
Lydia Highfill (San Antonio, TX)

September Prayer List

I take such great joy in praying! Being in His presence, celebrating His love, guidance and mercy with every prayer sustains me daily. Please consider joining me in praying for the listed people and events. Pray…..

1. For your neighbors
2. For Robert and Susan Bender and Amanda and Reuben Blackburn
3. For the Well Sunday School Class
4. For all those laboring on this day
5. For Ashlee, Debbie, and Gary Deeter
6. For Kevin and Lori Compton and Mark and Janet Creech
7. For Aaron & Courtney Deeter, Gabe and Tristan, and Zeta and Wyatt
8. For our Festival Kitchen workers
9. For all the Booth workers at the Popcorn festival
10. For the Serendipity Sunday School Class
11. For the school teachers at Elgin and River Valley
12. For Rick and Terri Highfill and Bob and Jan Seamon
13. For Judy Stambazze and Mallory Haas
14. For the school teachers at Ridgedale and Pleasant
15. For the Neighborhood Supper servants as they offer food to 200 people
16. For the Godly men gathered for breakfast at our church this morning
17. For the Survivor's Sunday School Class
18. For the school bus drivers in Marion County
19. For the Women gathered at 4:00 today for the "Voices From the Field" program, in our sanctuary
20. For the Cooks at our schools
21. For Merle Reed, Bob Lucas, Kenny Rider, Bob Bish, and Bill Miller
22. For Ralph Flinchbaugh, Dave Maugans, and Kenneth Linstedt
23. For the diners at our Community Breakfast
24. For the New Beginnings Sunday School Class
25. For our President
26. For Judy Tong, Judy Williams, Barbara VanSickle, and Norma Stump
27. For Charlene Spillman, Allen Brooks, and Carolyn Trimner
28. For those working to prep and set up the Basement Sale
29. For those entering our church for the Basement Sale
30. For the women attending the Zoom UWIF/UMW District meeting in our sanctuary

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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3 Holy Communion 8:30 a.m. Praise Celebration 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30am Traditional Worship 2 p.m. Youth Meeting	4 Office Closed	5 5 p.m. TOPS Weigh-In 6:30 p.m. TOPS Meeting	6 7 p.m. Senior Choir	7 --------Popcorn-----	8 ----------	9 --------Festival-----
10 8:30 a.m. Praise Celebration 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30am Traditional Worship Ladies' Lunch 2 p.m. Youth Meeting	11 1 p.m. Hilda Weiss Circle 6 p.m. SPPRT 6 p.m. Board of Trustee 6:30 p.m. BSA Scouts	12 1 p.m. Guiding Light Circle 5 p.m. TOPS Weigh-In 6:30 p.m. TOPS Meeting 7 p.m. Martha Horne Circle	13 5:30 p.m. Book Study 6 p.m. Children's Choir 7 p.m. Senior Choir	14 3:45 p.m. Mobile Meals Meeting 7 p.m. Finance Team	15 10:30 a.m. Book Study 5 – 6 p.m. Neighborhood Supper Carry-Out Newsletter Deadline	16 8 a.m. Men's Prayer Breakfast
17 8:30 a.m. Praise Celebration 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30am Traditional Worship 2 p.m. Youth Meeting	18 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. BSA Scouts	19 5 p.m. TOPS Weigh-In 6:30 p.m. TOPS Meeting 6:30 p.m. S.K.I. Group	20 5:30 p.m. Book Study 6 p.m. Children's Choir 7 p.m. Senior Choir	21	22 10:30 a.m. Book Study	23 8:30 – 10:30 a.m. Community Breakfast
24 8:30 a.m. Praise Celebration 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 10:30am Traditional Worship Salvation Army Food Pantry Collection Noisy Collection 2 p.m. Youth Meeting	25 9:30 a.m. Bible Study 2 p.m. UWIF Exec. Bd. 4:30 p.m. Laundry Love Ministry 6:30 p.m. BSA Scouts	26 5 p.m. TOPS Weigh-In 6:30 p.m. TOPS Meeting	27 5:30 p.m. Book Study 6 p.m. Children's Choir 7 p.m. Senior Choir	28	29 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Basement Sale 10:30 a.m. Book Study	30 9 a.m. – 1 p.m. Basement Sale 9:30 a.m. District Meeting UWIF

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10:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

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