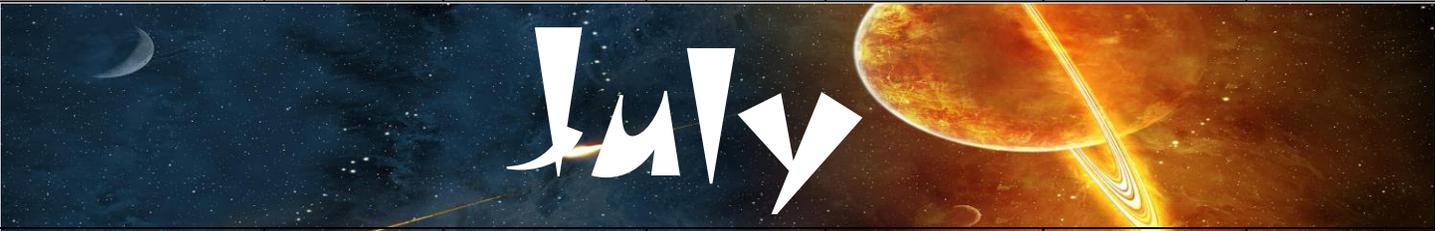


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1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Presbyterian VBS  
July 10-14 From 6-  
8:30pm

This VBS includes free dinner each night for the whole family! Dinner is from 5:30-6pm. Programming is from 6-8:30pm and is for children from 3 years to entering 6<sup>th</sup> grade. Every day the kids will sing songs, play games, make crafts learn Bible stories and have fun! Register on our website today.

## Behind the Stained Glass

**What is Conviction?** A few Sunday's ago I spoke briefly on conviction. I thought that I would expound on that today. What is conviction? A conviction is a formal declaration of guilt given by one with authority. In a court of law, a jury might convict a suspect of a crime; declaring them guilty. In Christianity, the Holy Spirit is the authority. A conviction of the Holy Spirit is when the Holy Spirit works in us, to reveal to us, that we are guilty of breaking God's Law. The Holy Spirit tells us that we are guilty of breaking a specific part of God's Law. The Holy Spirit reveals to us our sins.

**How Does the Holy Spirit Convict Us?** The Holy Spirit uses many tools to reveal our sin to convict us. He might use the Scriptures to show us God's plan and how it differs from the life we are living. You might be reading the Scriptures and find yourself drawn to or even purposefully avoiding certain books or verses of the Bible that identify with you or your actions. He might use the examples of others. You might hear of an individual who has suffered greatly because they are living the same way you are. You might find yourself meeting someone new who has experience repenting of the same sins you are committing. The Holy Spirit might use a sermon or worship experience. I never write a sermon with one person in mind, so if you feel like I am speaking directly to you; this might be the Holy Spirit convicting or encouraging you. The Holy Spirit can use many other tools. He can cultivate a desire or need in your heart. He can remind you of the truth of the Gospel. He can guide you back to the path of righteousness. He can help you understand Jesus in a whole new way.

**What Characterizes Holy Spirit Conviction?** Holy Spirit conviction is pleading for us to return to God. In Matthew 11 Jesus says: 'Come to me all who are weary and heavy laden.' The conviction of the Holy Spirit is one that is welcoming and forgiving. God wants us to return to Him, God wants us to follow Him; God wants us to know the fullness of His grace. The Spirit says: Set down this burden of sin and follow Jesus.

The Holy Spirit is not about rejection or shame. The enemy or our flesh says to us: God will reject you. You do not deserve grace. You are not wanted.

Holy Spirit conviction is encouraging. It speaks of the Grace given to us in Christ Jesus. It talks about the future self you will be when all of your sin is will be forgotten. Hebrews 10 says: 'I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.'

The Holy Spirit is not about discouraging us. The enemy or our flesh says to us: Look at all the times you have failed before.

Holy Spirit conviction is specific, truthful, and draws you into fellowship. The Holy Spirit is working on specific actions or emotions that are keeping us from God's will. The Holy Spirit lets us know that God loves us, God wants a relationship with us, God has unlimited grace, God will never leave us or forsake us. The Holy Spirit leads us into the world. It draws us into fellowship with other Christians and tells us to go out into the world making new disciples.

The Holy Spirit is not about vague accusations, feelings or isolation. One of the most important parts of constructive criticism is that it offers concrete examples that can be improved upon. A constructive criticism is something we can change that has direction. The enemy or our flesh is vague and offers no action steps. This leaves us overwhelmed and stuck. The enemy tells us that our emotions are true. It says: You are great the way you are. It says: You are terrible and unloved. It says: Feeling good is all that matters. The enemy tells us to hide, to stay away from others. It tells us to keep the world from finding out your flaws so you aren't rejected. It might also tell us to stay away from others so that we don't take on their flaws.

Holy Spirit conviction is reassuring, just and positive. John 3 says: 'For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.' Proverbs 3 says: 'My son, do not despise the Lord's discipline or be weary of his reproof, for the Lord reproves him whom he loves, as a father the son in whom he delights.' 1 John 1 says: 'If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.' The Holy Spirit says: God will always love you, this discipline is for your goodness, and your hope is secure.

The Holy Spirit is not accusing, demoralizing and negative. The enemy or the flesh says: Look at all the wrong

you have done, you have broken the Law in so many ways. You might as well look out for yourself.

**How Do I know I am Being Convicted of the Holy Spirit?** In short, the Holy Spirit points us to God. The enemy or the flesh points us back to ourselves.

**What Do I Do?** In many ways it doesn't matter if we are being tricked by the enemy, by our flesh or convicted by the Holy Spirit. In both cases our response is to turn to God and His truth. This life is not about what you do or do not do.

This life is about being. Be content in the Lord. Be empowered by the will of God. Be united to our community around us. Be firm in the Truth of God's Word. Be calmed by God's presence. Be sure you are God's treasured possession.

In Christ,



Rev. Steven Brand

## Y HEALTHY KIDS NETWORK



**Annex Work Day** – June 16<sup>th</sup> from 5:30-7:30pm. There is still quite a bit of work that needs to be done before the food starts arriving in July. We need to do some painting, build some shelves and do some minor electrical and carpentry work. Come to the Annex Work Day if you can help. We will be joined by our friends at 1<sup>st</sup> Granville and Pizza.

## WORSHIP

### June Sermons

- 4- Receive the Gift – John 20
- 11- Peace Be with You – Psalm 8
- 18- What Do You Want to Know? – Matthew 22
- 25- The Wedding – Matthew 22a

### July Sermons

- 2-Chrystal Blume – Newark Naz Children's Pastor
- 9- Warning to Us – Matthew 23
- 16- The Abomination - Matthew 24 a
- 23- Notice What is All Around – Matthew 24 b
- 30- The Kingdom of Heaven Is... - Matthew 25



**Music Celebration Banquet**  
June 7<sup>th</sup> @ 6pm in Fellowship Hall. Everyone is invited to celebrate the wonderful music we have had over the past

musical season. The banquet is a potluck. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of the sanctuary that has the items we need listed. The choir will sing for their supper. So let's make sure we provide all of the food. We wouldn't want them to make their own supper and then have to sing for it too. We will honor the work of our Choir, Bell Choir, Ann Robinson, Zac Marquart, Kim Frick and everyone else who added so much to our worship.

**Choir & Bell Choir** – The choir and bell choir take the summer off. They will be back in September.



**Summer Music** – Over the summer, we like to have special music that takes the place of the choir. This can be any kind of music. Solo singers, groups of singers, instrumental music or anything else you can come up with is awesome. There is a sign-up sheet outside the music room or see Zac for more details.

**Summer Worship** – There are all sorts of neat things planned for worship over the summer months.

-We have quite the line-up of speakers coming in when Pastor Steve is traveling. May 28<sup>th</sup> Ruth Cooper from 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian has already spoken and did a wonderful job. July 2<sup>nd</sup> Rev. Crystal Blume, the children's pastor from Newark

## CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Nazarene, will be preaching. August 6<sup>th</sup> we will hear from our own Ken Keck.

-Ann Robinson will be doing some traveling of her own. While she is away our worship will be led by Angie Klinker, our church secretary. Angie has led service here before and does so regularly at her home church. She sings from a southern gospel perspective and plays the piano.

-We look forward to some special services this summer. Lewis Pride will be back with their Bluegrass band in July but no date is set. This summer we will have a special service that dedicates our new sanctuary projection system. September 17<sup>th</sup> we will have another multi-church picnic at Rotary Park.

## CHURCH LIFE



**Fellowship Hour** - Make sure to join us each Sunday at 10:15 am for some refreshments and fellowship prior to worship. There is a sign-up sheet in the kitchen, if you would like to bring the snacks.

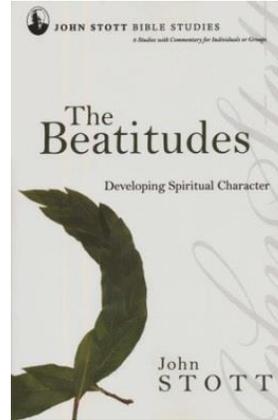
**Lunch Bunch @ Yesterday's Pub** ~ June 21<sup>st</sup> @ Noon. The lunch bunch will be headed to Yesterday's Pub for food and fellowship. Our own Dave & Kay Kittle own this restaurant and they are going to open special just for us. Look for a menu soon as we are going to need to order our meals in advance. See Rose Gibson or Louis Whitis for details.



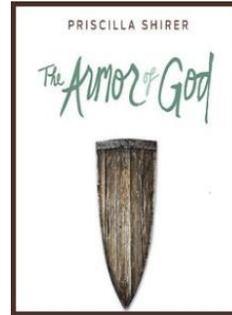
**Graduation Sunday** ~ On June 4<sup>th</sup> we will celebrate with and recognize all of the graduates from our congregation. Stay after church for a special reception in honor of the graduates. Please alert the office if you have graduated in the past year.



**Gluten Free Communion Available Now:** We now have gluten free communion wafers available for anyone who wants them. They will be in the communion cup trays.



**Sunday Morning Adult Elective** - The Adult Sunday School class is continuing a study on the Beatitudes. Each week we study a different Beatitude. They reveal to us eight qualities that bring God's blessings. Jesus highlighted these to offer both encouragement and instruction on living distinctly as his followers in a world with values much different from God's. As we study these qualities and integrate them into our lives, we will receive the blessing Jesus promised to his followers then and now.



**Women's Bible Study** - *The Armor of God* by Priscilla Shirer meets on Mondays at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall and begins with refreshments. See Priscilla Hare for more details. About the study: All day, every day, an invisible war rages around you — unseen, unheard, yet felt throughout every aspect

of your life. A devoted, devilish enemy seeks to wreak havoc on everything that matters to you: your heart, your mind, your marriage, your children, your relationships, your resilience, your dreams, your destiny.

But his battle plan depends on catching you unaware and unarmed. If you're tired of being pushed around and caught with your guard down, this study is for you.

The enemy always fails miserably when he meets a woman dressed for the occasion. *The Armor of God*, more than merely a biblical description of the believer's inventory, is an action plan for putting it on and developing a personalized strategy to secure victory.

**Good Morning Bible Study** - The Good Morning Bible Study meets every Thursday morning from 10:00 a.m. to Noon in the Golden Circle Room. The class is open to all people and is going to be doing a self-study of the Scriptures. See Linda Smith for details.

## SAVE THE DATE!!!

The next offering of Alpha will begin Thursday, August 31st! Please prayerfully consider being a part of our 12 week journey, discussing the Christian faith – no pressure, no follow-up, any and all questions are allowed and encouraged. We will need hosts, helpers and kitchen staff. To register or for more information email 1stpreshnewarkALPHA@gmail.com, call Peggy (740-323-2353) or Kim (740-877-0346) or go to [www.alphausa.org](http://www.alphausa.org).



**Be a Part of the VBS Fun!** We need volunteers to do all sorts of different jobs. Please see Ed Jobs or Rev Steve if you would like to volunteer. There will be a volunteer orientation June 25<sup>th</sup> at Noon.

The meeting will be at 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian and lunch will be provided. Please come to this. We have a very fun VBS planned and we will be working with folks from 2<sup>nd</sup> Presbyterian. At the orientation you will learn all about the week and get to know the rest of the volunteers. There is another planning meeting on June 11<sup>th</sup> at Noon.

**Share VBS with Others!** – Did you know that last year VBS was advertised online, in the newspaper, at downtown events, in business around town, on huge signs on front of the church and still every kid that came had some connection to the church? That means they were invited by one of you. Invite your neighbors, your grandchildren, your friends, your co-workers that have kids. All the information they would need is on our church website and there are flyers on the back sign-up table for you to use as invitations. These are the people we will reach at VBS. Maybe this year a kid you invite to VBS finds the Lord! Last year at least two kids made their decision for Christ.

### Amesville New England Parish Camp

Camp Dates: June 25-30

Ages: 5-15

Please contact Sarah Bowles with any questions.  
614-344-8521  
[Bluegrnpurple12@gmail.com](mailto:Bluegrnpurple12@gmail.com)

**CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP NARFE** – Did you receive a church scholarship in the past or have you applied for one this year? If so, we are hosting two NAFE dinners as a fundraiser to aid in these scholarships. The first is June 13<sup>th</sup>. Please see Ed Jobs if you can help.

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



**1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church VBS!**  
July 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup> 5:30-8:30pm : 65 N 3<sup>rd</sup> Street Newark, Ohio  
Register Online Starting in June @ [1stpreshnewark.com](http://1stpreshnewark.com)  
740-345-1480



## MISSIONS

### SO MANY WAYS TO GIVE!

**Dr. Leroy Peters** has been very busy with teachings in various areas inside & outside of the country. He & his wife have been with new Tribes Missions (now called Ethnos 360) for nearly 30 years. Please pray for Mary Lou as she deals with health issues.

\*\*\*Prayer is always needed for those around us who are doing the Lord's work, as well as those who are struggling, & receiving the benefits\*\*\*

***Please consider these prayer requests from women we are serving through jail ministry:***

***"Pray for me. I'm here in an unfamiliar county with no friends or family."***

***"I need peace with leaving things in the Lord's hands and letting His will be done."***

***"Please pray for my sobriety and my children."***

\*\*\*Next month we will be doing a special piece on Licking County's Jail Ministries! ☺



There is still an opportunity to lend support to families who are lovingly providing foster care for local drug-exposed babies. A special thanks to Daniel and Teresa Ambrus with First Community Church who recently brought in 5 completed care packages to contribute! Also, we thank those of you who have dropped items off to help fill a package! Here's what is still needed! We invite you to drop off items at either of our centers by June 8th!

- Centers are closed this weekend, will reopen on Tuesday, May 30. (These items are always needed & appreciated!)
- 19 swaddle sacks medium and large size only
- 19 (3 pack) 2-4 oz baby bottles with nipples and caps
- 19 Butt Paste® maximum strength
- 20 4 oz grape seed oil
- 20 boxes vinyl gloves
- 20 Gerber 10 pack pre-fold cloth diapers - Walmart
- 20 single pound bags of rice & 20 tube socks



Remember your bottles will be due back on Father's Day! It matters not whether there is 50 cents or 50 fifties!! They will be appreciative of every & all donations!!!



On June 6, 13, 20 and 27 you can come in and take part in our boutique ministry! Our boutique managers at both centers will give you a behind-the-scenes look at what it takes to keep our boutiques stocked, organized and ready for clients to shop and use their Earn While You Learn bucks! Our boutiques offer tangible and valuable resources like diapers, wipes and baby clothes that help parents as they prepare for their baby's arrival and beyond! This opportunity is for high school juniors and seniors and up!



### **SAVE THE DATE! WALK FOR EDUCATION**

Walk 4 Education is right around the corner! This year's walk will take place on August 26th at 3:30 p.m. at Central College Presbyterian Church, 975 S. Sunbury Rd. Westerville, Ohio 43081  
Be sure to speak with your congregation, school, or community group to form a walk team. Also consider raising money through sponsorships  
Email [info@montanadeluz.org](mailto:info@montanadeluz.org) for registration.  
If you have any questions, call our office at 614-848-8077.

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### **PLEASE ALSO CONSIDER MAKING A "FAITH PROMISE" FOR THESE MISSIONARIES:**

- David and Joy Miller (Boston International Student Ministries)
- Rick and Laura Leatherwood (Kairos International /Oral Bibles)
- Laura and Bevan Stein (Father's Heart Ministry)
- Phil and Ruth Saksa (The Navigators)
- Leroy and Marylou Peters (New Tribes Mission- now called "Ethnos 360" )

I realize that everyone seems to have their hand out, but it is our responsibility to give to those in need & to help further the teaching of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. It does not always have to be a lot. God can take a wee little and turn it into something great! Remember the feedings with the fishes & breads, the woman with only 2 pennies, even David & Goliath! Make a promise with purpose, & have faith that God will meet these needs. We give all the glory to Him, for He is a Holy, just & loving God!! Praise Him & give Him thanks.

Love in His Kingdom,  
Tracee Barr.

## EVANGELISM & OUTREACH

### CANDLEWICK COMMONS:



Our next meal with our neighbors at Candlewick Commons will be on Thursday, June 8, 2017 at 4:00 p.m.

Our picnic meal will consist of hamburgers, potato salad, baked beans, potato chips and brownies and ice cream. We hope you can join us for this outreach to our friends. If you could provide a 9x13 pan of brownies, please sign-up on the sheet provided in the sanctuary or call Gaye Gibson at 740-344-3933 or email her at [lgayegibson@gmail.com](mailto:lgayegibson@gmail.com). Thank you for sharing in this ministry of the church.



**Looking ahead** to July Final Friday, The Art & History Walk and Quilt Show. We must plan to have an extra special Quilt Show in memory of Georgia Porter. Thus, we are looking for someone to help organize the event. Prayerfully consider helping to organize the First Presbyterian Quilt Show, especially if the Quilt Show popped in your mind at the time of Georgia's passing.



### Final Friday Tent - Team Members Needed

Our tent will be set up again for the Downtown Newark Association (DNA) Final Friday Food Truck Festival on May 26, from 5-8 pm. The tent will be set up right next to the Popcorn Cart. This year we thought perhaps we'd invite folks to come into the tent, sit down, chat or ask a question. If you are a good listener, love to talk to folks and/or pray for folks, please consider joining in this outreach to Newark.

As an extension of Alpha, where folks gather to discuss, we could use people to just sit and talk. Don't feel pressured to pray. We'll have someone there who is comfortable doing that. We've found that people just like to sit down and share their cares and burdens. We have a few comfortable chairs provided. Please pray and consider if you would be able to participate in this way of sharing the love of God with others.

The Final Fridays run from 5-8pm. Please contact Karen Birtcher at [kb8114@windstream.net](mailto:kb8114@windstream.net) or Kim Dershem at [kdershem@windstream.net](mailto:kdershem@windstream.net) or 740-345-6624, if you would like to give this a try.



### Freedom School 2017

Freedom School is returning to Newark, bigger than last year! The new location is Par Excellence School (the former Miller Elementary building) and will host 50 scholars who are rising first to rising sixth grade ages. The dates for the school are June 19 through July 28. First United Methodist Church contributed monetary donations to the school through the Easter Offering, but now we are being asked to be the "hands and feet of Jesus" through the donation of TIME.

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## CONGREGATIONAL CARE

Hello Friends and Family of First Pres! We strive to do our best in reaching out to those in our congregation. If you have any changes in your address, email, or phones, be sure to let us know. There are forms in the back of the church for anyone to make updates; or you may call the office @ 740-345-1480. Please know that prayer requests and updates can be given to the church with ANY needs as well.

### FYI

The Salvation Army will be providing lunches for the scholars this year, but there is a request for a "hot" breakfast on Mondays-Thursdays, with cereal on Fridays Esther Circle will be serving the week of **July 10<sup>th</sup>** and **Mary Circle** will be serving the week of **July 3<sup>rd</sup>**. First Church has been asked for a third week of serving and providing, as well. Please prayerfully consider whether your small group could step up to this challenge in any way: food donations or prepping and serving the scholars from 8 AM to 8:30 AM, for a week.

Please respond by June 5<sup>th</sup>, so the coordinator of the Freedom School can be advised. If you have any questions or concerns, contact me, Debby Green, at [greenacres73@windstream.net](mailto:greenacres73@windstream.net) or 740-522-4778.



## Operation Christmas Child

A PROJECT of SAMARITAN'S PURSE

### ROAD TO 300 BOXES



Each year, First Presbyterian works hard to send hundreds of boxes to needy children all over the world. This year we want to try to get to 300 boxes.

This would be an amazing feat! To do that, we need 300 boxes, 300 boxes of crayons, 300 sets of school supplies, 300 of everything. Each month we are going to focus on a few items we need to collect. There are boxes in the sanctuary set up for collection of each item. Let's try to collect as much of each item as we can so that this can be a happy Christmas for more needy kids around the globe!

**This month we need:**

**-300 Boxes of Crayons, Coloring Books, Notebooks, Sets of Markers.**

### SPARK Free Lunches

Tuesdays, noon-1p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. SPARK Academy works with adults with developmental disabilities. Every Tuesday, students and staff from SPARK will be serving a free lunch and everyone is invited. The food is provided by Denison University. SPARK students serve the food, and do all the set-up and take-down. For them, this is a job that they get paid to do. It is also a time for community involvement and job training. They would like us to advertise the meal, to provide the space and the dishware. Most importantly, they would like us to come to the meals and to work alongside SPARK developing relationships. If you would like to volunteer, they arrive at 11:00 a.m. and stay till about 2:00 p.m.

**Kroger Rewards:** Did you know you can link your Kroger Rewards card to 1st Presbyterian Church? Kroger Community Rewards donates money to your favorite charity every time you use your Kroger card. All you must do is go online to Kroger.com. Go to the community section of the drop-down menu, and click on Kroger Community Rewards. Then you sign in with your Kroger Card ID and click on enroll. Search for First Presbyterian Church 84451 and enroll. Doing this does not affect your regular Kroger Rewards or Gas Points. The more folks we have registered the more money Kroger donates to our church.

**NARFE Dinners** are the second Tuesday of every month. These dinners serve as fundraisers for the committee that hosts. These dinners help to give needed support to our mission and witness as a church. Please consider helping with them. June (Scholarship), July (E&O), August (Christian Ed), September (Scholarship), October (Worship), November (E&O) and December (Church Life).

**SCRIPT Cards** – Come to the library before or after each Worship the first Sunday of each month to buy gift cards for all sorts of different stores and restaurants. Pick up your order the next Sunday. It is easy and there are volunteers in the library to help you with your purchase. Your purchase of SCRIP cards supports the programs and needs of First Pres. Thanks to all who have supported our Church through the SCRIP program!

(740) 345-3742. The menu includes baked steak, homemade mashed potatoes and gravy, green beans, coleslaw, bread, dessert, and a beverage. Carryout is available. Cost: \$9 minimum donation.

## SESSION



### APRIL SESSION SUMMARY

#### Clerk's Report:

Death - Robert Porter on April 8, 2017 and Elder Georgia Porter on April 13, 2017 with burial at Cedar Hill

#### Pastor's Report:

A membership class will begin in May with five in attendance.

Keegan Hare and Alina Burton will be married on August 6, 2017 at Pataskala Grace Church.



**Christian Education, Family and Youth Committee:** reported that scholarship applications are available online and in the hall.

Graduation Sunday will be June 4, 2017.

**Church Life Committee** reported that they have planned for lunch and a Licking County Players production following worship on May 21, 2017. In June, the Lunch Bunch will meet at Yesterday's Pub.

 **Congregational Care Team** reported that a funeral lunch was provided following the service for Robert and Georgia Porter.

**Evangelism and Outreach Committee** reported that the Alpha Celebration Dinner on April 10 was served to 50 including 19 guests.

The church distributed First Presbyterian Famous Fudge at the April Downtown Newark Association Final Friday.

 Heartbeats Bottles for Life campaign will receive collections between Mothers' Day and Fathers' Day.



## SCRIP CARDS

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## FUEL POINTS



**The Deal** = Spend \$50 at Giant Eagle  
Get 10¢ off 1 Gallon of Gas

**The Reward** = \$1 per 10 Gallons of Gas

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**Savings** = **2%**



**The Deal** = Spend \$100 at Kroger  
Get 10¢ off 1 Gallon of Gas

**The Reward** = \$1 per 10 Gallons of Gas

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**Savings** = **1%**

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**ShopWithScrip**  
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**The Deal** = Buy a gift cards for stores or restaurants that you go to anyway.

**The Reward** = The church gets a percentage of the sale anywhere from 1-12% with specials that go up to 25%.

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**Savings** = **Average of 4.3%!|**

 **Woodside Presbyterian Baked Steak Dinner** - The public is invited to a baked steak dinner on Friday, June 9<sup>th</sup>, 2017, 4:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m., at Woodside Presbyterian Church, 295 Woods Avenue, Newark,

**Nominating Committee** reported that due to the passing of Georgia Porter, a new co-chair will be sought.

**Personnel Committee** reported that staff evaluation will be done in May.

Secretary Angie Klinker is currently working one day at home and two days in the office.

**Property Committee** reported that the turbine on the top of the building makes a squealing noise at times. The top floor of the annex has been walled off and a door has been installed to separate the two floors. The front door of the annex has been adjusted so that it can open fully for moving food pallets into the annex. Work days will be held in the annex on May 13 and May 21.

**Worship and Music Committee** reported that the CCLI music license has been renewed for \$397.00. A motion was made, seconded and carried to cancel communion on July 2 and August 6 and have communion on July 30.

Rev. Brand has made arrangements for the following people to fill the pulpit when he is away: Elder Ruth Cooper of Second Presbyterian Church on May 28; Crystal Bloom, Youth Pastor at Newark Nazarene on July 2; and member Kenneth Keck on August 6.

## JUNE BIRTHDAYS



Adams, Jacquie	June 5
Montgomery, David	June 3
Walker, Phyllis	June 4
Adams, Stephanie	June 6
Angeletti, Kelsie	June 7
Smythe, Forrest	June 9
Cain, Taylor	June 10
Keck, Ken	June 11
Drake, Shannon	June 13
Adams, Justin	June 17
Carson, Chloe	June 18
Peiffer, James	June 20
Smith, Linda	June 22
Galbraith, Mary Ellen	June 29

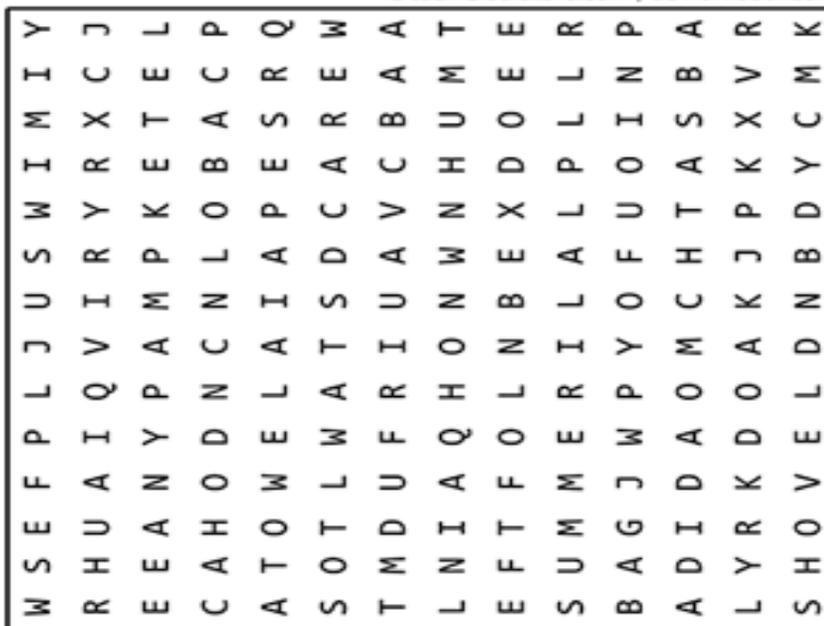
## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES



Montgomery, David & Shannon	June 5
Spangler, Dan & Lois	June 11
Smith, Steve & Linda	June 15
Hare, Keith & Priscilla	June 18
Birtcher, Dick & Karen	June 20
Frick, John & Kim	June 20
Snider, Kathie & Tom	June 24
Cain, Tim & Cathy	June 25
Lieb, Chris & Sarah	June 25

# Summer Word Search

FIND THE SUMMER WORDS ~ THEY GO ACROSS, DOWN, & DIAGONAL



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POOL  
BEACH  
TOWEL  
SUNBLOCK

