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CONGRUITY CONNECTION



Cliff's Notes

What comes to your mind when you think of the month of June? Do we think about Father's Day, High School graduation, a wedding anniversary, perhaps we are counting the days until school is over for the summer or some other significant milestone along the road of life? Throughout this month there are several things taking place within the life of our congregation that I would like to highlight:

We will be hosting the New Alexandria Community Vacation Bible School, June 25-29 from 9- Noon each day. Our theme this year is **Shipwrecked VBS: Rescued by Jesus** and kids from Preschool-5th grade will discover that Jesus rescues them. This is always an exciting and fun-filled week.

On Father's Day, June 17th we will be receiving gifts for Church World Services Tools of Hope program which are used to help people around the world gain the resources and develop the skills to sustain themselves, their families and to build viable communities. This is the companion project of the Blanket Sunday that was received on Mother's Day.

On June 3rd we will begin our Summer Worship at 10AM. We will resume our regular Sunday Morning Schedule on September 9th with Rally Day.

As we enter the summer months, it is my hope and prayer that you will have opportunities of fun and relaxation, vacation time and family cookouts, swimming and reading a book in the shade of a tree and may you have an enjoyable summer.

Yours in Christ,
Cliff

Worship Leaders For June

Liturgists



If you would like to serve as a liturgist please see Cliff.

6/3	Doug Stine
6/10	Rhea Summit
6/17	John Blank
6/24	Debbie Perino

If you are interested in becoming an acolyte please see Dave or Pam Foresman.



Separated By Space United In Prayer

The congregations and pastors from Neighborhood 1 for our prayer support during the month of June are as follows:

6/3 Murrysville, First ~ Ed Gray, Pastor
 6/10 Murrysville, Newlonsburg ~ Curtis Paul, Pastor
 Marnie Silbert, Associate Pastor
 6/17 Murrysville, Union ~ Derek Campbell, Pastor
 6/24 New Alexandria, Community ~ Grafton Eliason, Interim Pastor



*Worship
Attendance*

Worship		Sunday School		
		Youth	Adult	Total
4/22	47			
4/29	63			
5/6	54			
5/13	87			
5/20	49			



GRADUATES

We will be recognizing our 2017 graduates in the July/August newsletter. I would like to have a photo and small write up for each student. Please email me at congruitynewsletter@yahoo.com or put it in the newsletter folder at the church



Welcome

We welcome into our church family through the water of baptism, Wyatt Joseph Harmon, son of Tom and Alicia (D'Aurora) Harmon who was baptized on April 29th and Luke Mahlon Schweppe, son of Matthew and Megan(McKinney) Schweppe who was baptized on May 13th.

June Celebrations

Birthdays

6/4 Kaitlin Johnston
 6/13 Charles Frye
 Ryan Gallagher
 6/14 Sydney Hoffman
 6/15 Scott Hamilton
 6/16 Tom Munsell
 6/17 Ashley Passante
 6/18 Sophia Watt
 6/21 Rosemary Orr
 Jonathon Schrecengost
 6/22 Beverly Kemerer
 6/28 Kathy Kepple Fink
 6/30 Trevor Martz
 Tyler Roemer



Anniversaries

6/1/2014	Jim & Allison Sullivan
6/11/2016	Tom & Dana Ramaley
6/14/1995	Larry & Carol Zabkar
6/19/2009	Bob & Tristan Brant
6/20/1981	Bob & Nancy Schweppe
6/21/1975	Ced & Sarabeth Stopansky

Christian Ed

Pam Foresman



It's here- - - at the end of this month Congruity will be hosting this Summer's Community Vacation Bible School! It's called "SHIPWRECKED" and children will discover that Jesus rescues them!! VBS is for children from Preschool to 5th grade and will be held June 25-29, 2018 from 9:00 am to 12 noon.

We have some volunteers helping with VBS but will still need helpers for the games. Please see Reverend Foster or any Christian Ed. Committee member for more information about registering children or about helping out. Let's have a big turnout this year!! The more kids we have the better VBS experience it will be!

Remember if you need a ride to or from any activity at Congruity, we will be glad to arrange for someone to pick you up. Please call the office to make arrangements.

Items From Session

Sarabeth Stopansky



The Session met on May 21, 2018 and reports the following:

Rev. Foster made 23 visits and took part in various church, community and Presbytery events.

The MIS Committee joyfully reported that both the OGHS and Pentecost offerings have met the goals set by the committee.

The Worship Committee reported that the choir will not sing during the summer months.

The session also approved the following items.

The Suspension of Sunday School classes for the summer months with Sunday School resuming on September 9th.

The date of the Church Picnic, July 15, 2018 at Boggs Hollow Farm.

The time change for Summer Worship to 10:00 AM for the summer starting on June 3rd.

The Baptism of Karlie Watt for June 17th.

Rev. Foster will be on vacation from June 4th through June 9th. He will preach on June 10th.



Women's Association

Phyllis Frye

All women of the church are invited too the Women' s picnic on June 21 at the church at 6pm. Bring a covered dish, a friend or two and a gift for stinky bingo.

Mission

Phyllis Frye



Don't forget to reserve your ticket for the Redstone Mission Tea on July 21 at 1pm to raise money for the Rise Against Hunger food packaging program on October 20. Tickets are \$20 and may be purchased from Phyllis Frye or Linda Youngbauer.

Redstone Mission team travelled to Fayetteville N.C. to help rebuild after Hurricane Matthew. Our job was to finish drywall on a five room house, plus the garage was being made into a living area and that also needed finished. We were able to finish the job, plus put on one coat of primer. We were able to meet the homeowner, who not only lost her father, husband and home in a short time, but is also battling breast cancer. Please pray for her. While we were there, even though we worked under the United Methodist Committee on Relief, we stayed at Highland Presbyterian Church, a very, very active church, We took part in worship, both church and Sunday School, choir practice, Wednesday Night Supper, and a few other things. We were very blessed to be there. Thank you for both your support and prayers.



Treasurer's Report

Online Giving
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John Blank



General Fund

	NET Receipts	NET Expenses	Actual Balance	To Date Balance
<i>Adjusted Balance as of January 1</i>			\$ 7,569.77	
January	\$ 8,972.33	\$ 9,145.74	\$ 7,396.36	\$ (173.41)
February	\$ 5,912.32	\$ 9,030.81	\$ 4,277.87	\$ (3,291.90)
March	\$ 8,043.97	\$ 9,013.81	\$ 3,308.03	\$ (4,261.74)
April	\$ 9,674.34	\$ 8,704.09	\$ 4,278.28	\$ (3,291.49)
Year to Date	\$ 32,602.96	\$ 35,894.45	\$ 4,278.28	\$ (3,291.49)

Memorial Fund

	Receipts	Expenses	Balance
<i>Adjusted Balance as of January 1</i>			\$ 28,445.07
January	\$ 200.00		\$ 28,645.07
February	\$ -		\$ 28,645.07
March	\$ 75.00		\$ 28,720.07
April	\$ -		\$ 28,720.07
Year to Date	\$ 275.00	\$ -	\$ 28,720.07

First Fruits

	Received	Pledged	Balance
January*	\$ 522.00	\$ 583.37	\$ (61.37)
February*	\$ 1,143.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 498.30
March*	\$ 843.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 757.97
April*	\$ 524.00	\$ 583.33	\$ 698.64

*Includes Per Capita

	Previous	This Mnth	To Date		
<u>*Per Capita to Date</u>	\$ 1,230.00	\$ 533.00	\$ 1,763.00	4/22	\$1,156
				4/29	\$2,241
				5/6	\$1,597
				5/13	\$1,366
				5/20	\$1,597

Offering Totals

Building Maintenance

	NET Receipts	NET Expenses	Actual Balance
<i>Adjusted Balance as of January 1</i>			\$ 1,866.86
January	\$ 180.00		\$ 2,046.86
February	\$ 210.00		\$ 2,256.86
March	\$ 215.00		\$ 2,471.86
April	\$ 305.00		\$ 2,776.86
Year to Date	\$ 910.00	\$ -	\$ 2,776.86

Local Mission

	Receipts	Expenses	Balance
<i>Adjusted Balance as of January 1</i>			\$ 556.47
January	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 356.47
February	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 356.47
March	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 356.47
April	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 356.47
Year to Date	\$ -	\$ 200.00	\$ 356.47

Special Offerings

	Previous	This Month	To Date
Souper Bowl of Caring	\$ -	\$ 225.00	\$ 225.00
Cents-Ability	\$ 24.00	\$ 8.00	\$ 32.00
One Great Hour of Sharing			
	Received	GOAL	Balance
	\$ 1,018.31	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 18.31

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Please Join Us!

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Church Staff

Pastor	Cliff Foster
Clerk of Session	Sarabeth Stopansky
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Elders

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Carol Miller
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Sarabeth Stopansky
Linda Youngbauer

Deacons

Tom Davis
Dave Foresman
Kathy Kepple Fink
Phyllis Frye
Nancy Lauffer
Lana Munsell
Debbie Perino
Janet Rugh
Shirley Stoltz

Dorothy is in Monday & Thursday mornings. Cliff is in the office most mornings. Please put newsletter items in the folder at the church or email to congruitynewsletter@yahoo.com

