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Living out our faith

Being the hands and feet of Jesus, serving with open minds and hearts.

We exist to be a community of welcome and worship where people find peace, purpose, and power through Jesus Christ.

Can you believe it? It's almost summer! All those people who told me that time goes quicker the older I get were absolutely right! Here we are, on the verge of another summer of Intergenerational Sunday School!

I feel like it has not been that long since we were having some outstanding discussions on topics such as "The Afterlife" and "What Brethren Believe" in the past several summers. This summer, the Christian Education Commission has once again agreed to allow me to lead the classes, this year all built around the topic of "Major World Religions."

The main theme of the 12 week sessions will be to take a look at, and discuss, the GENERAL vocabulary and tenants of some of the major religions around the world. Of course, we will start with some of the basics of Christianity and some of its difference forms. I hope then to discuss with attending members a snapshot of Judaism, Islam, Hinduism, Buddhism, Shintoism, Taoism and Sikhism along with any other that anyone might have an interest in. We will also take some time to discuss the agenda and actions of our own Annual Conference at appropriate times.

It is my intent, and my prayer, that our discussions do NOT turn into an attack on any of the different religions, but rather come as an opportunity to learn about, and come to understand better what believers of each religion value as important. Along the way, if we can come to a fuller understanding of our own beliefs, that certainly will be a "win-win."

Looking forward to seeing you there!

Pastor Dave



LEADERSHIP TEAM REPORT

- The Leadership Team met on 5-7-2024. The next meeting will be held on 6-4-2024.

CHRISTIAN ED TEAM Summer Children's Church leaders are needed. It is an important ministry to continue throughout the summer as there is no summer SS for children. Please consider helping with this energetic ministry. On Second Sundays, children in K-5 are now going to the FH for fellowship time with their family, and then combine for the SS hour with Mindy Wagner. VBS will be held 7-29 through 8-1 from 6:00-8:30pm at RS Shawnee Park. A kick-off will be held during worship on 7-28. They are working on the fall 2024 SS teacher roster. Those interested can reach out to Angie Russell. Substitutes are needed as well. The Team is looking for some new Youth advisors and/or some parents interested in helping with the activities and Wednesday night Bible Study. Please speak with Stephen Hershberger if interested. Teacher Appreciation will be held on 6-9 during worship. Rally Day will be held on 9-8; plans are beginning. The Team is beginning to assess some positive changes for the growing ReCharge Program for fall to better accommodate the Nursery level. The Team continues to work at updating the state mandated clearances and background checks. A quantity of used SS material has been cleaned out of a storage cupboard and placed in the Generation Hope Classroom on the balcony level of the church. Please help yourself to anything of interest to you.

HOSPITALITY & COMMUNICATIONS TEAM Baby dedication will be held on 5-12 for two infants. The second annual Church Carnival will be held 5-18 at the Albright Church. A Graduate Breakfast and recognition will be held on 6-2. More events are planned for the summer. They will be posted in bulletins and newsletters.

WORSHIP TEAM An Impact Team had been recently formed to pursue looking at some changes to the seating in the choir loft; they brought a recommendation to the LT to replace the current chairs with ones similar to those in the Overflow Room. The recommendation was passed. Terry Hershberger will be sharing additional information with the congregation. Pentecost Sunday is 5-19; Marlys Hershberger and Pastor Dave will be working on a special service. The last Sunday that the choir will be singing before their summer break will be 5-26.

MISSIONS & SERVICE TEAM The team continues to be sponsoring a "clean up bucket" service project for Church World Service during May and June. Flyers with detailed information are available. A sample bucket can be seen in the Overflow Room.

FINANCE & FACILITY TEAM The FH kitchen stove had some recent repairs and new burners are to be installed soon. The kitchen cupboards have recently been gone through and cleaned out. Some of the supplies have been discarded and/or replaced. Thanks to the Impact Team of Valerie Smith, Cathie Pollard, and Chris Wagner for their ongoing efforts. The storage room will be their next project. An elevator phone has been secured. It should be installed in the near future. New church building mapping and signage has been produced and will be in place soon. Thank you to Travis Russell for his work on this project. The Team has updated the Church Use Forms as of 5-1. If you wish to use the church as a rental, or for a church event, please secure the appropriate form from the church office.

DEACON'S REPORT Their next meeting is set for 5-19; they have a lot of items on their agenda.

PASTOR'S REPORT He has applied for the "Faith in Action" grant provided by the denomination for the third year. This grant, in the past, has provided \$1000/year to be used for the ReCharge Program. Pastor Dave continues to take CE courses. His summer combined adult SS topic will be "Religions of the World."

- The LT discussed the present seating design of the Overflow Room and what other options may allow for more access. More discernment to follow.



HELPING HANDS IN JUNE

Greeter Dan & Carol Emerick
Deacon Greeters Betsy & Mark Garach

Candlelighters No One Assigned
Fellowship Time Living Faith

June	2	9	16	23	30
Organist		Cathy Petre	Cathy Petre	Terry Hershberger	Terry Hershberger
Pianist	Brenda Fluke-Garber	Cathy Neal	Cathy Neal	Marcia Fleck	Marcia Fleck
Worship Leader	Betsy Garach	Kaye Russell		Linda Steele	
Storyteller	Bethann Frederick	Pastor Dave	Pattie Conlon	Marlys Hershberger	Gary Wineland
Children's Church	Jodie & Terry Dellinger		Angie Russell	Melinda Green Terra Gartmann	Amy Nooyen
Nursery	Mindy Wagner	Mindy Wagner	Mindy Wagner	Mindy Wagner	
Welcome Center	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland	Darlene Wyland	
Parking Lot Greeters		Rick Carrier			
Flowers	Memory of Adam Long				
Bulletins		Honor of Dave Brumbaugh			



We are migrating our voice message notification system from One Call to Member 360. This tool allows for FREE text messages to be sent as well. Before we are allowed to send you text messages, you must opt-in. Starting next week, you may receive an email from automail@360members.com with an opt-in link. After clicking the Opt-In link you will be prompted to enter the cell phone number you wish to receive text message notifications. You will then receive a text message prompting you to reply with "Yes". These notifications will vary, but will typically be last minute reminders or changes to church events. If you do NOT wish to receive text messages, please ignore the opt-in email. You will continue to receive voice message notifications if you do not opt-in to text message notifications. To update your notification preferences please contact Jan Simington at churchoffice@rsfirstchurch.org.



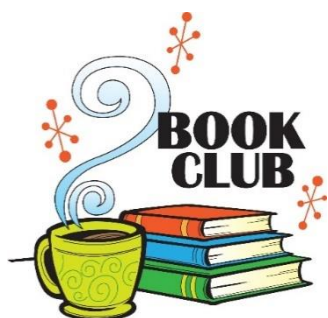
Tuesday, June 18
6 pm
Park Hills Country Club

RSVP to Janet Imes
or Valerie Smith
no later than June 16
ALL LADIES WELCOME



MEN'S FELLOWSHIP

June 15
8 am
Breakfast at
The Dream,
Hollidaysburg
All men invited!



Meetings are the third Monday of each month at 10 am in the Parlor.
Join us as we discuss the monthly selection on March 18, 2024

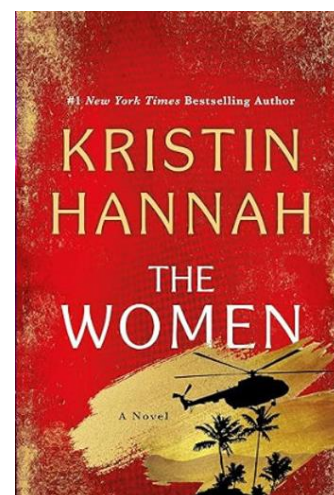
The Women by Kristin Hannah

Women can be heroes. When twenty-year-old nursing student Frances “Frankie” McGrath hears these words, it is a revelation. Raised in the sun-drenched, idyllic world of Southern California and sheltered by her conservative parents, she has always prided herself on doing the right thing. But in 1965, the world is changing, and she suddenly dares to imagine a different future for herself. When her brother ships out to serve in Vietnam, she joins the Army Nurse Corps and follows his path.

As green and inexperienced as the men sent to Vietnam to fight, Frankie is overwhelmed by the chaos and destruction of war. Each day is a gamble of life and death, hope and betrayal; friendships run deep and can be shattered in an instant. In war, she meets—and becomes one of—the lucky, the brave, the broken, and the lost.

But war is just the beginning for Frankie and her veteran friends. The real battle lies in coming home to a changed and divided America, to angry protesters, and to a country that wants to forget Vietnam.

The Women is the story of one woman gone to war, but it shines a light on all women who put themselves in harm's way and whose sacrifice and commitment to their country has too often been forgotten. A novel about deep friendships and bold patriotism, The Women is a richly drawn story with a memorable heroine whose idealism and courage under fire will come to define an era.





2 Ariadne Madden
Miranda Madden
3 Avery Smith
4 Tracie Madden
Ron Eicher
9 Shirley Lingenfelter
10 Tonya Dillon
11 Betty Estep
12 Adalyn Laird

15 Kaye Russell
Herb Burns
17 Vada Thompson
21 Linda Steele
Stephen Hershberger
27 Jameson Conrath
28 Audrey Smith
Jane Thompson
Emalee Walter

29 Rufus Petre
Vale Thompson
30 Craig Wagner
Matt May
Barb Miller
Erika Smith



4 Casey & Shayla Walters
5 Craig & Chris Wagner
6 Paul & Julie Witkovsky
7 Doug & Maureen Detwiler
9 Donnie & Katy Roudabush
11 Kevin & Tina Snowberger

12 Daren & Jill Brumbaugh
Wyatt & Rachel Laird
14 Travis & Mindy Wagner
17 Gary & Pat Dick
Dave & Lynda Albright
18 Joey & Sammi Bowser

19 Stephen & Emily Hershberger
20 Chris & Dana Avvampato
21 Rufus & Cathy Petre
25 Todd & Holly Smith
26 Pat & Elaine Frazier



From our Missions & Service Team: Continuing through June we are encouraging individuals, families, and friends to come together in

small groups and create CWS Emergency Cleanup Kits. There is a sample bucket and detailed information in the Overflow Room. These kits have proven a help to many in the U.S. and around the world after disasters such as floods and tornadoes. They are distributed by Church World Service, mission partner of the Church of the Brethren for over 75 years. You can get more information from any M&S Team member, including Chair Marlys Hershberger.

Don Bookhammer thanks everyone for the cards, prayers, and sympathies following the death of his sister.

Pat & Karen Long thank everyone for the prayers, cards, and calls these past few months as they have dealt with health issues. They hope they are on the road to recovery and look forward to attending worship with their church family soon.

Thank you for the prayers, cards, texts, phone calls and food during my recent surgery and recovery. I am truly blessed to have such a loving church family. - Krista Snyder



CLASS OF 2024



Zakary Frederick, son of Nicholas & Sarah Frederick, great grandson of Margaret Sell, graduated from Altoona Area High School.

Kasey Frye, daughter of Travis & Inger, granddaughter of Diana Walls, graduated from Central high School.

Paige Glunt, daughter of Tom & Missy Glunt graduated from Central High School.



Peyton Griffith, son of Barry & Julia, graduated from Central High School. He plans to work for the family business, Dependable Garage Door.

Caleb Keith, son of Andy & Mandy, graduated from Claysburg-Kimmel High School.



Waylon Hinkle, son of Kevin and Yvonne Hinkle, graduated from Central High School. He attended Greater Altoona Career & Technology Center and was awarded the prestigious Outstanding Senior of the Year award and delivered an inspirational speech to his classmates. He was also awarded the Challenge Program Perfect Attendance Award and the Culinary Arts Senior of the Year Award. He's undecided at the moment & wants to take a little break from school. He plans on continuing to work at Mamie's for the time being.



Jack Myers, son of Dee Myers & Diana Beckman, grandson of Don & Janie Myers, graduated from Central high school. This summer he will vacation in California and visit his sister, attend Youth Camp at Camp Blue Diamond, and work. In the fall He will pursue a future in the technology field.

College & University Graduations



Abigail Garber, daughter of Doug and Brenda Garber, and a life member of First Church, graduated from Juniata College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Psychology. She will be working at Camp Blue Diamond once again this summer but this time serving as the Arts and Crafts Director. In the fall she will be attending Graduate School to obtain her Master's Degree in School Counseling.

Courtney Frye-Tobias, daughter of Travis & Inger Frye, granddaughter of Diana Walls, graduated from University of Massachusetts Dartmouth Law School.



Camp Blue Diamond Hoss's Event will be held at the Duncansville, Huntingdon, Bedford, Lewistown and State College locations on June 9th. When ordering please let them know you are part of Group # 130362.



Wednesday June 19th
5:45 Canoe Creek State Park Kiln
Hike & Snacks
Meet at Terry Wentz Education
Center Parking
160 Marsh Road, Hollidaysburg



What A Mess!! Vacation Bible School will be held July 29 - August 1st at Shawnee Memorial Park from 6pm to 830pm. Come prepared to get messy each night and have lots of fun. Kick-off will be held on Sunday July 28th during children's church. Sign-up for helpers, donations and registration will be available at the Welcome Center in July

Graduation breakfast

June 2nd at 8:30 am

Graduates and immediate family members will gather in the Fellowship Hall before worship to celebrate.



July 20th
9 am to 3 pm
Sponsored by the Hospitality & Communication Team and being held at Albright Church of the Brethren

Lots of crafters and vendors will be set up. There will also be baked goods and food available. If you would like to donated baked goods for this event, contact Beth Burns, Cathie Pollard or Mindy Wagner. This is a fundraiser for our Roof Repair Fund.



June 30th

Join us in the Fellowship Hall for a picnic lunch following Sunday School, about 11:45 am. Please sign up at the Welcome Center what covered dish you can bring and how many people you will be bringing so we can order the chicken.



July 14

Save the date and watch for more details in bulletins.



Indoor & Outdoor Crafters & Vendors
(RAIN or SHINE)

Baked Goods

Sponsored by:

Food

Roaring Spring First Church
of the Brethren.

Saturday, July 20th
10am to 2pm

At the Albright Church
1245 Bloomfield Road
Roaring Spring, PA 16673

Important Church Dates:

Sunday Worship 9:25 am

Summer Sunday School 10:30 am in Overflow Room for Youth and Adults

Deacons Prayer Gatherings 3rd Sunday in September through 1st week in June

Second Monday of each month is Middle PA Disaster Response Meeting 7 pm

Third Monday of each month is Book Group 10 am

First Tuesday of each month is Leadership Team Meeting 6 pm

Every Tuesday of each month is Bible Study 9:30 am

Second Tuesday of each month is Good Grief 6:30 pm

Third Tuesday of each month is Sisters of Faith Dinner 6 pm, location changes

Each Wednesday Ladies Aid Quilting 9 am

Each Wednesday Prayer Shawl Ministry 1 pm

Each Wednesday Virtual Bible Study 6:15 pm

Each Wednesday September - May Chancel Choir practice 6:30 pm

Each Thursday of each month bulletin submission deadline 9 am (unless noted as changed)

Each Thursday of each month is Breakfast Fellowship at Spring House Grille 9 am

Each Thursday of each month is Knitting in the Parlor 6:30 pm

Third Saturday of each month is Men's Fellowship Breakfast at The Dream 8 am

June Dates:

June 2: Graduation Breakfast

June 9: Teacher Recognition

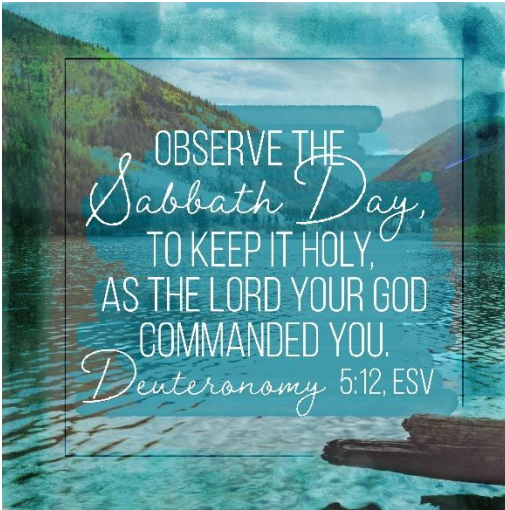
Summer Sunday School Classes Begin

CBD Hoss's Fundraiser

June 13: Annual Conference Briefing

June 19: ReCharge Activity

June 30: 5th Sunday Picnic Meal



"Whenever you are about to find fault with someone, ask yourself the following question: What fault of mine most nearly resembles the one I am about to criticize?" —Marcus Aurelius

"Patience is the companion of wisdom." —St. Augustine

"My father didn't tell me how to live; he lived, and let me watch him do it." —Clarence Kelland

"A Christian is someone to whom God entrusts all his fellow men." —Dwight L. Moody

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