



Beulah and Monterey eNewsletter

5.22.22

BIRTHDAYS

May 11 – Richard Simmons
May 12 – Mary Gutshall
May 13 - Norma Reynolds
May 13 – Holmes Stephenson
May 17 – Miles Johnston
May 21 – Dot Terry

May 25 – Dale Simmons
May 30 - Vernon Simmons

ANNIVERSARIES

May 19 - Beth and Mike Armstrong

PRAYER LIST – Keep Linda Frye, Miles Johnston, Mike Armstrong, Sandie Stinnett, Lola Sestrap, Mike Humphries, Garland and Lillian Dever, Janice Warner, and Carol Roberts and Mike Gonzales in your prayers.

Last week we offered condolences to Hannah and Sammy Meyerhoeffer, at the passing of their grandmother K-K. Karen (K-K) Meyerhoeffer lived in Mt Sidney and was married to Hannah and Sammy's grandfather, Eddie Meyerhoeffer, not their father, which is what I mistakenly wrote last week.

Starting soon - LIVE & IN PERSON Adult Sunday School at MPC

Brought to you by MPC's Educating & Equipping God's People Team

Starting: **Sunday, June 12, 2022 at 10:00 am** (In the Pavilion, weather permitting)

Leader: Norma Reynolds

Curriculum: The Wired Word

Summer session of Adult Sunday School class will include all ages of adults. The curriculum is designed with individual weekly lessons, permitting participants to attend when they are able without losing any continuity. We will spend the summer "getting back in the swing of things".

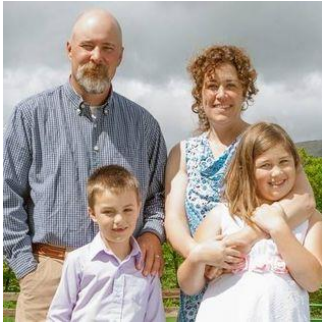
In the Fall, we will make decisions about ongoing structure/curriculum.

Looking forward to seeing you at Sunday School. Please direct questions to Norma Reynolds, Brit Chambers or Sandie Stinnett.

Beulah Sunday School will meet in-person and via WebEx this Sunday at 10:30ish using the link below. They will be studying Lesson #12, "The Nature of Christian Freedom". All are invited to attend. <https://pianotuning.my.webex.com/meet/rasimms2000>

The Wired WORD "Astronomers have already taken a photo of a black hole, but now, they've been able to take one of the black hole at the center of our own galaxy, the Milky Way. This news leads us to consider to what degree we can know God and what that means for our lives. That will be the focus of our study this week. *This lesson has been gently edited to 4 pages.*

Looking for a place to hold a family reunion, baby shower, workshop, picnic or other gathering this summer? Don't forget that the pavilion at MPC is available at no cost. Forms to reserve the date are at the church and all are welcome to use the space. Let one of elders or Pastor Rick know if you need a form.



Steve Rogers is turning 50 and everyone is welcome to join the Rogers family in celebrating his milestone birthday. The festivities will be at the Mill Gap Ruritan Grounds on Saturday, May 21 at 5 p.m.

Please let Jessie know if you can attend -
499-2239 or jwrogers2022@gmail.com

Synod of the Mid-Atlantic News

Grace to you and peace in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ,

We who are leaders of the Synod of the Mid-Atlantic join our voices in lament with all those who have been shocked and grieved by the attacks and mass murders last weekend, first, at the supermarket in Buffalo, New York, where the assailant made a particular point of singling out Black women and men as his targets, and, second, at Geneva Presbyterian Church in Orange County, California, where members of a Taiwanese congregation were attacked, too many dying at the hands of a fellow Taiwanese. We continue to grieve the sins of racism and white supremacy that bedevil American society and plague too many, both those who bear the brunt of these evils and those who act in such a way as to perpetuate abuse.

Lord, have mercy.

President Joe Biden emphatically espoused from the loudest pulpit in America yesterday that "White supremacy is a poison.... We need to say as clearly and forcefully as we can that the ideology of white supremacy has no place in America." With the co-moderators of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), Elona Street-Stewart and Gregory Bentley, we call on members of our presbyteries and congregations to reject racism and white supremacy, to oppose any practices that reflect the values of these systems, such as embrace of the Great Replacement conspiracy theory, and, in the spirit of Matthew 25, to bear witness to the better way offered us in the life and teachings, the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. May God lead us in the way of healing, and may God strengthen us and fill us with boldness that we might be faithful and effective witnesses.

The Reverend Stephen W. Scott, Moderator
The Reverend Addie Peterson, Vice Moderator
The Reverend Warren J. Lesane, Executive and Stated Clerk
18 May 2022

The last week was a busy one for our active youth and we have the pictures to prove it!

Congratulations to the Highland Rams Baseball team. They closed the season with 12 wins and 3 losses. We are so proud of their accomplishment!



Last weekend the Highland Drama Club put on a play, “Never Trust a City Slicker....or Two Skunks and a Trunk” by Tim Kelly, that featured a number of our youth, both on stage and behind the scenes. Check out the familiar faces here:



Allegheny Mountain String Project had a concert at Garth Newell



Worship Service May 22, 2022

Main idea: God's Grace cannot be controlled or manipulated by humans.

PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CANDLE LIGHTING and TIME OF CENTERING

OPENING SCRIPTURE - Psalm 103:8-13

L: ⁸ The Lord is merciful and gracious,
slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love.

C: ⁹ **He will not always accuse,
nor will he keep his anger for ever.**

L: ¹⁰ He does not deal with us according to our sins,
nor repay us according to our iniquities.

C: ¹¹ **For as the heavens are high above the earth,
so great is his steadfast love towards those who fear him;**

L: ¹² as far as the east is from the west,
so far he removes our transgressions from us.

C: ¹³ **As a father has compassion for his children,
so the Lord has compassion for those who fear him.**

HYMN: "God, You Spin the Whirling Planets" #24, W&R; #51, WC (tune is Austrian Hymn, #694)

SCRIPTURE READING: 2 Kings 13:1-9, 22-23

THOUGHTS – God is faithful to God's covenant

SONG – "Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken" #598, W&R; #694, WC

TIME WITH CHILDREN AND YOUTH

SCRIPTURE READING: John 5:1-18

THOUGHTS – God's grace is given with no strings attached.

SONG: "Love Lifted Me" #240, W&SH

SCRIPTURE READING: 1 Cor. 1:26 - 31

THOUGHTS – We have not and cannot earn God's grace.

HYMN: "Amazing Grace" #422, W&R; #502, WC

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERING -Offering

SONG OF THANKSGIVING – "All Creatures..." (Lasst Uns Erfreuen), #23, W&R; #356, WC

Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Praise God all creatures here below

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Praise God above you heavenly hosts

Creator, Christ and Holy Ghost

Sing with praises, Sing with praises

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

PRAYER

CLOSING SONG: "Revive Us Again" #463, W&R; #723, WC

BENEDICTION

POSTLUDE