



August 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4 MAX & ERMA'S 7:00 Scout Rndtable Mtg. Stenner Hall	5	6 8am-6pm Scout Edge Training Stenner Hall
7 S.S. & Worship 11-1:30 Open House Meet & Greet for Cory and Jamie Smith Stenner Hall	8	9	10	11 7:00 Scout District Mtg. Stenner Hall 7:00 Cub Scout Com. Mtg. Fellowship Hall	12	13
14 9:00 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship 11:15 Trustees Mtg.	15 6:30 PC Lions Club Zone Meeting Stenner Hall	16	17	18 7:00 Scout Dist. Mtg. Fellowship Hall	19	20
21 9:00 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship 11:15 Deacons Mtg.	22	23	24	25	26	27 10am - 3pm Stenner Hall in use
28 9:00 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship 11:15 Session Mtg.	29	30 7:00 PW Planning Meeting	31			

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"And the one who received the seed in rich soil is the man who hears the word and understands it; he is the one who yields a harvest and produces now a hundredfold..." Matthew 13:23

We live in a world where people are becoming increasingly cynical and bitter and, thus, strangling the very spirit out of living. A seminary professor has painted a composite picture of "rules" followed by those who have joined their ranks. The "Miserable People," he calls them:

First--Feel sorry for yourself! What a terrific place to start! Nothing is more certain to make you miserable than self-pity!

Second--Worry about things that might happen but probably won't. This is nearly as effective as self-pity!

Third--Complain. Find fault with everything. Many people cultivate this into a fine art form.

Fourth--Insist on always having your own way. After all, you know it all, don't you?

Fifth--Ridicule. What good is life if you can't embarrass and hurt other people?

Six--Overreact! Make a mountain out of a mole hill.

Seven--Be self-centered! Don't give a thought to others. Don't help the needy; be sure not to support your Church.

Eight--ignore the moral teachings of your Religious Tradition, as well as the lessons of history. Disregard ethical principles.

Nine--Do nothing to develop your spirituality. In other words, convince yourself that you are entirely self-sufficient. After all, who needs anyone else, who needs prayer, who needs God?

Says the professor, "If you really want to be miserable, it isn't difficult. These nine rules have been tried for centuries and they almost always work. By conforming to these rules we can make our life miserable and, perhaps, even the lives of those around us -- our spouses and our children, for instance."

In Matthew chapter 13:23, Jesus shows us the way out of our misery. We can choose not to be miserable. We can be non-conformists. We can choose to disregard the nine tried-and-true rules of the miserable people and embrace the one rule Jesus lays down for experiencing a life that is full and productive: ...the faithful who "hear the Word and understand it." They indeed bear fruit -- as much as "a hundredfold." There are times when a real discrepancy exists between what we want and what we should want, between what we think we need and what we actually do need. Again, Jesus says, "he/she, who hears the word and understands it, yields a harvest."

The Word of God! Generations follow generations -- yet it lives:

- As rest for the weary.
- As light to the lost.
- As salvation for the sinner.

Resource: Sermon Warehouse, Harmony House Publishing, LLC

Grace and peace,
Don



PLAY BALL! The Deacons are planning a Columbus Clippers Game Event on Sunday August 7th. Tickets are \$7.



HEAD DEACONS for August are:

Brenda DeLeon
Jane Denhardt

THE USHERING TEAM for August is:

Drew Lear & Banwo Longe
Ray Russell & Chad Craney

ELDER GREETER for August is:

Stewart Walker

TRUSTEES MEETING:

August 14th – 11:15 a.m.

DEACONS MEETING:

August 21st – 11:15 a.m.

SESSION MEETING:

August 28th – 11:15 a.m.

FRANK & JERRY SMITH invite the congregation to an open house to “meet and greet” newlyweds, Cory and Jamie Smith on Sunday, August 7th, 11-1:30 in Stenner Hall following worship. There will not be a coffee hour in the parlor that morning.



MAX & ERMA’S FUNDRAISER CONTINUES

Enjoy a meal at Max & Erma’s on Thursday, Aug. 4th and 20% of your bill will be returned to the Church for our Mission Trip Fund. Please call the church office at 873-5011 if you need vouchers. ***Gather up your friends and family, and go hungry for lunch or supper! See you there!!***



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN’S NEWS

We are inviting every woman in the church to attend a gathering on **Tuesday evening, August 30th at 7:00 p.m.** here at the church. Over the years we have been blessed with a very active "Women's Association" or “Presbyterian Women” as it is now called. We have had Fall Gatherings, Fellowship Dinners, Family Nights, Fall Feasts, Mother-Daughter Banquets, Senior Teas, Blanket Sundays and more. The time has come for us to consider what works and what does not in the lives of today's women....How we can be of service and at the same time address the needs of women in our congregation and in our community.

The Presbyterian Women’s Purpose is:

Forgiven and freed by God in Jesus Christ, and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we commit ourselves:
TO NURTURE our faith through prayer and Bible study;
TO SUPPORT mission of the church worldwide;
TO WORK for justice and peace, and,
TO BUILD an inclusive, caring community of women that strengthens the Presbyterian Church and WITNESSES to the promise of God's Kingdom.

Wow! That 's a pretty lofty purpose.....Can we really do all that? How can we do all of these things, support the church and community, work, take care of ourselves and our families and praise God with a cheerful heart at the same time? How can we not? We have been abundantly blessed, forgiven, freed and empowered! Let's pray for God's grace and energy to bless us as we make new plans for Presbyterian Women.

See you in August!
Barbara George



CAN SUNDAY is August 28th

Regular can drop-offs for recycling are *the last Sunday of each month*. If you need to have a large amount of cans picked up, call Bill Bowen at (614) 371-3266. **Thank you!**



PAPER RECYCLING NEWS

The proceeds from this program help support our Mission Projects. During the month of June, we collected 3.68 tons of paper for which we received a check in the amount of \$18.36. Don't forget to thank your friends and neighbors for helping with this important mission project and, at the same time, helping to keep Plain City *green!*



THANK YOU . . . to all of the incredible "chefs" who helped us "whip up" a successful week of learning and fun at the **Shake It Up Café** Vacation Bible School! Words cannot express our gratitude for your dedication to our children and the success of this program!

If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation . . .
2 Corinthians 5:17a



ANNIVERSARIES:

- 3 - Chad & Brynn Craney
- 5 - Brad & Cindy Stoker
- 10 - Dick & Joy Harper
- 17 - Michael & Christina Hargis
- 27 - Bob & Helen Watson
- 31 - Junior & Kim Moody



BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Kim Moody
- 6 - Tristen Hilkerbaumer
Angie Lester
Danny Sperling
- 11 - Fred DeLeon
Robert (Beau) Stapp
- 12 - Roy Woods
- 13 - Paula Ferguson
Keitha Lear
- 14 - Bob Watson
- 17 - Rich Stahl
- 19 - Nathan Ferguson
Stewart Walker
- 23 - Sally Petznick
- 24 - Frank Smith
- 29 - Suzanne Merkle
- 30 - Taylor Brown
Bob Lind
Andy Thomas
- 31 - Connor Johnston
Betty Mayer
Paula Reed Thomas
Bill A. Wilcox

Back to School Clothing Drive

As we plan the projects for the 2011 Be The Church Event on September 4th, we would like to let you know about one of the projects early so that we can add to the services already in effect for making a huge impact in our community. The last couple of years “Be The Church” has provided multiple drives, collections, and donations. These have all been wonderful opportunities to serve and to help those in need. This year we are looking at maximizing our efforts by providing a donation collection project that will provide clothes for children as they start back to school. We will be collecting items of clothing for kids from Pre-School through 12th grade. Labor Day weekend families will be scheduled to come in and work with a coordinator to get the needed clothes for their children. We are hoping that by working together, the churches of Plain City can help families clothe their kids for the upcoming school year.



“I needed clothes and you clothed me...I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.” (Jesus, Matthew 25:36a, 40)

Items to collect:

- New or Gently Used kids shirts (short and long sleeves)
- New or Gently Used kids sweaters and sweat shirts
- New or Gently Used kids shorts
- New or Gently Used kids pants (jeans, kakis and dress)
- New or Gently Used worn girls dresses/skirts
- New or Gently Used worn jackets and coats
- New or Gently Used shoes
- New (packaged) under garments
- New (packaged) socks

All donated gently used items must be washed before being donated

Donated items will be collected at participating churches on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of August.

If you have any questions, contact Shawn Heimlich.

“BE the CHURCH” T-SHIRTS

Again this year we will take orders for t-shirts for “Be the Church” Sunday. The order must be in the office of the PC United Methodist Church by Monday, August 8th at 9:30 a.m.

- Money is due at time of ordering
 - T-shirts are dark blue with white logo on back and in “pocket” area on front, upper left chest (no pocket on t-shirt)
 - Standard size t-shirts are \$5.00 (children’s sizes through adult XL)
 - Adult 2XL, 3XL and 4XL shirts are \$2.00 extra
- See Shawn Heimlich if you would like to order shirts for your family.

“BE the CHURCH” Blood Drive

Sunday, September 4th from 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. you are encouraged to participate in the American Red Cross Blood Drive as part of our “Be the Church” activities. The Bloodmobile will be at Pastime Park. Come to donate and receive a buy-one-get-one free entry coupon to the Columbus Zoo and Aquarium and enter to win:

- Gas for a year from Marathon
- A weekly drawing for a \$50 Marathon gas gift card
- A weekly drawing for four passes to Zoombezi Bay

To schedule an appointment to give, call:
1-800-RED-CROSS (1-800-733-2767)



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