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Me Worry?

"Do not let your hearts be troubled! Trust in God still, and trust in Me!"

John 14:1

There is a story about a wise old woman who had listened carefully to a gathering of malcontents tell her their problems. "I have some advice for you," the woman said to them. "But first, I want you to write down the trouble that worries you most." When they had done this, the woman placed all of the papers in a large jar. Then she said, "Now I want each of you to draw out one of the papers and by all the laws of probability, each will have a brand new trouble to worry about." The malcontents proceeded to do as the wise old woman directed. The result: All of them, without exception, demanded to have their own trouble back!

We've heard the old cliché a million times: "there are no dumb questions"; but I've decided to pose one anyway. Here goes: "Aren't we all worried about something?"

Since all the laws of probability tell us most will answer with an emphatic "YES," I suppose the more intelligent question would be, "Is there anyone here today without worry?" Which brings to mind an old "Peanuts" comic strip. Linus says to Charlie Brown, "I guess it's wrong to always to be worrying about tomorrow. Maybe we should think only about today." Charlie Brown, true to his reputation as a certified worrier replies, "No! That's giving up! I'm still hoping that yesterday will get better."

Worry has the power paralyze us. Even one tiny trouble, if allowed to multiply, can put a dark cloud on our entire life. Worry can be like any type of addiction. It may start out as a small concern, but then it becomes a giant habit that hooks us. It becomes bigger than life. It surrounds us and swallows us. Said one chronic worrier: "I have so many troubles that if anything bad happened today I wouldn't be able to worry about it for two weeks."

Worry can be addictive. And if we're still fretting about yesterday, or if we've got a backlog of worries big enough to last for the next two weeks, we're hooked. Our vision of today is obscured. We're closed down to life's present moment. We're groping in the dark and we need guidance. We need direction. We need a whole new vision of where we're going with our life.

I am suggesting that we think of the one anxious worry that is causing us to lose our vitality and robbing us of the joy in life. See if we can't let ourselves go down deep into the Being of God, feel God's Presence, and relinquish that anxiety that has us so uptight. Can we let go of it? Of course that is easier said than done. If we can trust God in this way, we will discover that not only will we experience wholeness but we will be able to communicate our joy to others who are burdened with anxious worry as well.

To the intelligent question, "Lord, what can I do with all my anxious worry?", Jesus' answer is clear: Stop trying so hard! Trust in God still, and trust in Me!

Resource: Voicing's Publication

Grace and peace,
Don



HEAD DEACONS for May are:

Janie Collins
Mindy Foust

THE USHERING TEAM for May is:

Bill and Cindy Bowen
Randy Collins and Bob Watson

ELDER GREETER for May is:

Jim Kaufman

TRUSTEES MEETING:

May 8th – 11:15 a.m.

DEACONS MEETING:

May 15th – 11:15 a.m.

SESSION MEETING:

May 1st (April Mtg.) – 11:15 a.m.
May 22nd (reg. May mtg.)
Following Senior Tea



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN’S NEWS

May Meetings and Events

- 6 - Mother/Daughter Banquet
- 15 - Honorary Membership Presented
During Worship Service
11:15 PW Board Meeting
- 16 - 6:30 LR Circle at Carolyn Gibeaut’s
- 22 - 11:15 Senior Tea

THE SYMPATHY OF THE CONGREGATION

is extended to the family of Bob Smith who passed away Tuesday morning, April 26th. Calling hours at Ferguson Funeral Home will be from 6-8:00 Friday evening, 2-4:00 p.m. and 6-8:00 p.m. Saturday afternoon and evening. The service for Bob will be at Ferguson’s Sunday afternoon, May 1st, at 2:00 p.m.



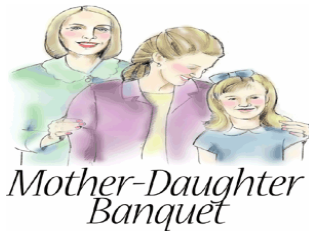
ANNIVERSARIES:

- 15 - Don & Janice Hilkerbaumer
- 21 - Lloyd & Janie Warner
- 22 - Alan & Arlene Perkins
- 26 - Drew & Sherline Lear



BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Jerry Hurley
- 2 - Julie Snively
- 4 - Josh McCray
- 7 - Judy Bodenbender
Austin Hurley
Sherline Lear
- 11 - James Berry
Justin Erdman
Madelyn Johnston
- 14 - Joshua Myers
- 15 - Austin Lester
Mary Mitchell
- 16 - Mike George
Kim Bodenbender
- 17 - John Jordan
Ralph Smucker
- 19 - Maxine Spires
Meghan Andrews
Leonard Rihl
- 21 - Ray Russell
- 22 - Tara Lester Becker
- 26 - Danny Snively
Drew Wilson
- 29 - Ryan Myers



SAVE THE DATE

All ladies and girls of the Church family are cordially invited to spend the evening at a “Garden Party” celebrating Mothers & Daughters this year at our annual **Mother/Daughter Banquet on May 6, 2011 at 6:30p.m.** in Stenner Hall. We encourage all who attend to wear their favorite or most ornate (decorated) garden party hat and be a part of the “garden party hat parade”. The cost of dinner is \$8 for ages 5 through adult (age 4 and under are free, but we will need to know how many will attend in order to have enough seating). Please call Barbara George at 873-0437 (work phone) to make your reservations. Sunday, May 1st is the deadline for making reservations. Betty Ferguson will collect the money at the door upon your arrival that evening. Pastor Don and Mike George will prepare the dinner and dessert. *We look forward to seeing you there!*

Covered Dish Supper



KUMJOINUS will meet **Saturday, May 7th at 6:00 p.m.** at Judy and Harley Bodenbender’s for our regular potluck and evening of festivities. Anyone who is interested in becoming a part of this jovial group is welcome and encouraged to “kumjoinus”! Just bring your own table service and a dish or two to share.



CAN SUNDAY is May 29th.

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!*

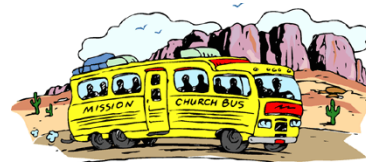
PW TO SPONSOR SENIOR TEA

The congregation is invited to stay following the worship service on Sunday, May 22nd when the Presbyterian Women will honor our graduating seniors with a tea during the coffee hour. Those graduating are: DJ Allman, JC Artrip, Taylor Brown, Graham Johnston, Taylor Lucas, DJ McCray, Katelyn Moody, Aaron Wilson and Drew Wilson.



PAPER RECYCLING NEWS

The proceeds from this program help support our Mission Projects. During the month of March, we collected 4.04 tons of paper for which we received a check in the amount of \$60.66. 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!*



Mission Trip

2011 MISSION TRIP

Plans are finalized for our 2011 mission trip. On Saturday, June 18, 2011, the group will fly to Marion, Iowa, near Cedar Rapids, to provide assistance in rebuilding homes damaged in a major flood about two years ago. That area did not receive the kind of publicity or assistance that many disaster stricken areas have received, and many folks are still struggling to recover from the effect of the flood. They will return on Saturday, June 25th.

COMMUNITY KITCHEN FUNDRAISER

We will be having a Community Kitchen Fundraiser to raise funds for the **UCOT Community Kitchen**.

The details are:

Location: **St. John's Lutheran Church**
12809 St Rte 736, Marysville

Date/Time: **May 14, 2011 - 6:30 pm**
Talent show starts at 7:30 pm

How you can help

- We need acts for the talent show. Acts should be 3-5 minutes long. They must have their own accompaniment and can be individuals or groups. We can only take 12 acts due to time constraints so we will accept acts on a first come basis
- People to help set up take down chairs tables etc.
- Kitchen help, making sandwiches, helping with soup, serving, etc
- Greeters
- Someone to check in the talent as they arrive
- People to come and eat! We are having a meal from the Community Kitchen menu.

The cost is a \$5.00 suggested donation.

The audience will vote for their favorite act by putting money in their jar and the money will be donated to the Community Kitchen.

See flyer on our bulletin board in the parlor.



MAX & ERMA'S FUNDRAISER

Enjoy a meal (lunch or supper) at Max & Erma's on Thursday, May 5th and 20% of your bill will be returned to the Church for our Mission Trip Fund. Vouchers are included with your newsletter. ***Gather up your family and friends, and go hungry for lunch or supper! See you there!***



May 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 9:00 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship 11:15 Session Mtg.	2 7:00 Cub Scouts	3 7:00 Boy Scouts	4 7:00 Choir	5 MAX & ERMA'S 7:00 Scout Dist. Mtg. Stenner Hall	6 6:30 M/D Banquet Stenner Hall	7 6:30 Kumjoinus at Bodenbenders'
8 9:00 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship 11:15 Trustees Mtg. MOTHER'S DAY	9	10 7:00 Boy Scouts	11 7:00 Choir	12 7:00 Summer Activity Program—Fellowship 7:00 PC Lions Club Stenner Hall	13	14
15 9:00 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship 11:15 Deacons Mtg. PW Board Mtg.	16 6:30 L.R. Circle at Carolyn Gibeaut's	17 7:00 Boy Scouts	18 7:00 Choir	19 7:00 Scout Leaders Mtg. Stenner Hall	20	21
22 9:00 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship 11:15 SENIOR TEA 11:45 Session Mtg.	23	24	25 7:00 Choir	26 7:00 PC Lions Club Stenner Hall	27	28
29 9:00 Adult S.S. 10:00 Worship	MEMORIAL DAY	31				



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"Mission Trip Fund"
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