

GRAPEVINE

October 22, 2008

Parson to Person, by Harry Winsheimer

Becky Wareham has been our music director for twenty years! We will thank and honor her on October 26 for her two decades of serving us and the Lord.

The following is from my conversation with her:

H: Becky, you and I grew up in the same county in western Pennsylvania, Indiana. What was your home church?

B: Plumville Presbyterian

H: When did you begin playing for churches?

B: In ninth grade. I played the organ for my cousin's wedding. We had an organ at home. My father put it into the van and took it to the church. In 1974 I started playing at the Episcopal Church in Indiana as the regular organist. It was my first exposure to liturgical worship. Since then, I have also played in UCC, Catholic and Lutheran churches.

H: When and where did you and Barry meet?

B: We met at IUP, Indiana University of Pennsylvania. We sat beside each other in class. He invited me to be his accompanist. When we graduated in 1976, Barry came to Littlestown. I went to Amherst, Ohio and taught music for first through twelfth graders. It was only four miles from my brother's church; he was the pastor, and I became the choir director and organist for that year. We were married in 1977, and I moved here.

H: Who is in your immediate family?

B: We have two daughters. Alicia married Billy Jones in September, works at Carnegie Hall and lives in Astoria (Queens), NY. Erica lives in Cleveland, OH and started working for Apollo's Fire when she was graduated from Cincinnati Conservatory of Music in June.

H: How do your Christian faith and your music relate?

B: I can glorify God through music, as others do with words. I prefer not to stand up in front of people and talk. I am not a soloist; I like to accompany.

H: What is your favorite role?

B: Teaching one-on-one. Music is my passion. Through teaching and sharing music, I hope people will also catch the passion.

H: What is your favorite hymn?

B: "When in Our Music God Is Glorified"

H: Becky, thank you. Thank you for the privilege of working with you. Thank you for your service to God and this congregation.

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Happy Birthday to...

November 2

Luke May
Steve Rathgeber

November 3

Hope Sanders

November 4

James Neely
Barry Simon
David Stabler

November 5

Andrea Crowe
Vanessa Landis
Lori May

November 6

Al Moroz

November 7

Colin Burke
Eleanor Monahan
Sarah Pizzuto
Chase Whiteman

November 8

Cian Fitzgerald
William Monahan
Mary Frances Stewart

November 9

Libby Crowe
Abby Fernandes
Ashley Gladfelter
Bradley Stephens

November 10

George Marguglio
Barry Wareham

November 11

Richard Maue

November 13

Fran Salisbury

November 14

Arielle Sargent

November 15

Whitney Nevins
Joseph Swatsworth

November 16

Selena Chritzman
Andrew Keller

Kevin Wilson

November 17

Krista
Delacruz
Dave Eskildsen

Kendall

Nevins

November 18

Jennifer Beegle

Joanna McGuire

November 19

Whit Coombs
Barbara Dombrowsky

Lisa Michajluk

Tyler Weikert

November 20

Betty Frazee
Deborah Snyder
November 21

Matthew Hartwig
Graham Stabler

November 22

Kim Hain

November 23

Jim Biggar
Beth Jones
Vikki Slaybaugh

November 24

Kennedy Brown
Gary Hubble
Bethany Kolmer
Felicity Sarnoff

November 25

Susan Catts
Christina Deitch
Benjamin Dudash
Hugh Ferguson
Emma Freeman
Sara Jones
November 26
Charles

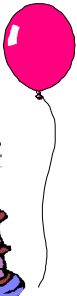
Caldwell
Sean Ecker
Lindsey North

November 27

William Stansbury
Carrie Trax
Cade Wilhelm

November 28

Caitlyn Landauer
Susan Landauer
Graison Michajluk
Kenneth Mott
Barbara Snyder
No-



Children's Stewardship Project

Each year at this time we ask the children of our church to participate in a Stewardship Project. Stewardship means sharing our time, our talents, and our treasures with others.

For our project this year, we are asking each child to share (donate) one of their own treasures. This could be a toy, game, book, puzzle, etc. and must be in VERY GOOD condition. We do not want parents to buy a new item. We want the children to truly share something that is theirs. Our South Dakota mission team will deliver these treasures to the Indian children on the Cheyenne River Lakota reservation next summer.

Please have your child bring their donation to church on Sunday, November 9. They may bring these items up with them during the Children's Message or put them in a designated box in Fellowship Hall. Thanks for helping our children to understand the true meaning of stewardship.

Blessings, Phyllis

Congregational Meeting

will be held
NOVEMBER 23,
after the 11:00 a.m.
worship service.
The election of officers
will be the primary
business.

October is Domestic Violence Awareness Month

Survivors, Inc. is a non-profit organization that supports those who experience domestic violence and sexual assault. They strive to create a world in which violence against women and children is unthinkable. This organization has many opportunities for interaction. Among these are domestic violence education sessions, part-time employment and full-time employment. Volunteer training class is available to those wishing to help directly with victims. These classes are offered in the fall for 8 consecutive weeks.

Our church family recently supported Survivors, Inc. with a contribution of \$800.00 through the Peacemaking Offering. If you desire to support this ministry of Peacemaking in the family further you might consider the following wish list of items they need on a routine basis. These items are: unused twin sheet sets, twin mattress protectors, new underwear (all sizes), new sports bras, cleaning supplies, gift cards for gas to Walmart, Kennies or Giant, office supplies, curtains (neutral colors) 34-54 inches wide and 72-84 inches long, paper products and white mini blinds 30", 31" and 34". Please place any of these items you can donate in the labeled box in Fellowship Hall.

Are you missing a mirror?

This past June someone in our church answered my call for a mirror to be used in Vacation Bible School and brought a lovely, beveled 18" x 26" mirror to my office. It worked well in the Hairstyling Shop in our Roman Marketplace. The only problem is that I have no idea who dropped off the mirror and it is still sitting in my office.

If it is yours, please come and retrieve your mirror, or it may end up in my living room!

Blessings,
Phyllis

Condolences:

Our thoughts and prayers are with Pete and Jane North on the recent death of Pete's brother.

Thank You:

Dear Gettysburg Presbyterian Church Family,
How blessed I am for God to grace Andrew and me with such a healthy, beautiful daughter and to have such a wonderfully supportive church. Getting calls and cards from each of the pastors and deacons, a beautiful rose, and an offer to make meals has been a real blessing as I've been on bed-rest for 2-3 weeks after Eliza's birth due to some problems during delivery. Despite that, we are happily enjoying this wonderful blessing from God and look forward to raising her to grow as a young servant of God.

Thank you,
Amy, Andrew & Eliza Dreves

A sincere thank you goes out from the guests of the Gettysburg Soup Kitchen to: Joan Kinsey, Georgia Kuhn, Helen Maitland, Evelyn Small, Suzanne Steinour and Leah Teague for donating such delicious casseroles to the Kitchen for the months of September and October. Mary Smith has graciously accepted the position of coordinator beginning January 2009. GPC's local mission will be in good hands. The devotion shown by GPC's volunteers to this community outreach has been steadfast and most inspirational. The need is great and new volunteers are most welcomed. If you are interested, please call Rev. Lou Nyiri at 334-1235, ext. 4.



Dear Reverend Harry, Lou, the church staff members, and congregation,
My sincere thanks for all of the thoughts, prayers and cards during my recent illness. The power of prayer has been felt in dramatic, positive ways the last few weeks! I would like to let everyone know how much I appreciate the church family!

Love in Christ, Bob Lindsay

THANKS FROM YOUTH CLUB

Youth Club outings would not be possible without parents and others who are willing to drive us there... and back! Many thanks to the following for being part of our caravan:

Scavenger Hunt @ Spangler Spring: Cinnamon Hosterman, Alva Ecker, Penny Breighner, Mark & Wendy Beauchat, Amy Deitch and Phyllis Dowd

Dinner at Hoss's Restaurant: Deb Soliday, Gina Plamann, Kathleen Kiick, Penny Breighner, Alva Ecker, Amy Deitch, Mark & Wendy Beauchat and Phyllis Dowd

Thank you to Amy Deitch and the P.W. for letting us recycle the luncheon decorations for the Young At Heart dinner dance. They looked great at both events!

Another thank you to Cheryl and Megan Goche-nauer, Andy & Mary Miner for setting up and serving the dinner, and Scott McPherson and Bill Tindall for staying to clean up. You make a good team of willing workers.

Sincerely,
Marlene Tindall



Thanks to all the volunteers who served at the Habitat for Humanity work site on October 11th. We had one of our best attendance numbers on a non-blitz build work day. GPC members who participated were Tony Gipe, Jason Bahm, Cynthia Wood, Brian May, Dick Wisor and Chooch Wells.

2009 Stewardship Campaign

As for my family and me, we will serve the Lord. Joshua 24:15

Gettysburg Presbyterian Church has a long history of helping others in our country and our world. Below are letters our congregation received in the 1800s! (And that's not a typographical error!) Note that we were serving a mission in South Dakota in 1892, just as we serve one today.

Your letter of June 27 with \$10 is duly recorded, and we return you our thankful acknowledgement to the Presbyterian Sunday School for this contribution to our cause. "The Son loveth the cheerful giver" - may this love be realized by all under your charge more and more.

Yours truly,
American Bible College, New York
July 30, 1857

I take great pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of \$15 from the Gettysburg church, as a contribution to the Buck Valley Church, which is just completed. We hope to have the privilege, in a few weeks, of holding our services in this new edifice, and we will always bear in mind the substantial aid we have received from the various churches of the Carlisle Presbytery.

Very respectfully,
Buck Valley Presbyterian Church, Hancock, MD
December 13, 1866

The box containing the forty-three shirts, comforts, two pairs of socks, etc. has been received. Please accept our sincere thanks, not only for their worth to us, but also for the loving thought which prompted the kind act. In this cold climate flannel shirts are very acceptable, and oh how glad we were to see the warm socks! We have more than a hundred Indian boys and girls—aged from five to twenty-five, about equally divided. A large number of these wear cotton hose. Mittens, socks and stockings are most needed.

Yours in loving service for our Master,
Presbyterian Mission, Good Will, S. Dakota
December 10, 1892

2009 Stewardship Team: Chrissy Ely, Sherry Farkas,
Jeff Hieber, Kim Landauer, Jean LeGros and Peter North

Upcoming Events:



October/November

Music Schedule

10/26	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
11/2	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
11/9	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
11/16	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
11/23	8:15 a.m.	Sonja Brown and Dana Witt George Marguglio
	11:00 a.m.	Youth Bell Choir Youth Choir
11/30	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir

HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP

October / November

October 26	5:30—7:00 p.m.	Halloween Party & Game Night
November 2	5:30—7:00 p.m.	Game & Discussion
November 9	5:30—8:00 p.m.	Bonfire Night
	(Note time change)	Details will follow
November 16	5:30—7:00 p.m.	Discussion Night
November 23	5:30—7:00 p.m.	Game & Discussion
November 30		NO SHIP-Thanksgiving

MidSHIP Schedule

October / November

October 26	5:30—7:00 p.m.	Costume Party & Game Night
November 2	5:30—7:00 p.m.	Fellowship / Games
November 9	5:30—8:00 p.m.	Bonfire *
November 16	5:30—7:00 p.m.	Fellowship / Games
November 23	5:30—7:00 p.m.	Fellowship / Games
November 30		NO Mid-SHIP Thanksgiving

* Information to follow

MISSION BRIGHT STAR

On Sunday, November 23 you will have an opportunity to participate in our church's annual Mission Bright Star program. Mission Bright Star is part of our church's mission outreach in which members of our congregation purchase Christmas gifts for children whose father or mother is a resident in the Adams County Correctional Facility. Our church has been involved with this local ministry since 1993.

Details regarding participation in Mission Bright Star will be announced during all 3 worship services on November 23. Sign-up for the program will occur immediately after the services in Fellowship Hall. As in the past, your willingness to share the love and compassion of Christ with others is greatly appreciated.

Thank You.



Mission Bright Star Needs Your Help!

Mission Bright Star is part of our church's mission outreach in which members of our congregation purchase gifts for children whose father or mother is a resident in the Adams County Correctional Facility.

Volunteers are needed to help with the following:

- Contact Caregivers for children's Christmas wishes
- Facilitate sign-up on Sunday, Nov. 23
- Fill out stars with children's wishes
- Deliver gifts

There will be a planning/training meeting in early November. If you are interested in helping with any aspect of this ministry, please contact Pam & Bruce Rowland @ 642-8802.

You're invited:**The Word—word by word!**

WHO: All GPC family and friends
WHAT: Bring your Bible and study God's word led by Rev. Chuck Teague
WHERE: MacAskill Room
WHEN: Sunday evenings 6:00—7:00 p.m.

COWBOY CHRISTMAS!

(At Antietam Recreation in Hagerstown, MD - where the Rowlands' Thank-You Party was held)

Friday Evening December 12, 2008

6:00 p.m. Wagon rides, Old Time Photos, Live Nativity, Square Dancing, Marshmallow Roasting, Pony Rides

7:00 p.m. Dinner & Live Music

7:45 - 9:30 p.m. Cowboy Christmas Show Featuring Cowboy Andy Guinness World Record Holder for Roping

COST: Senior (ages 60+) \$36.63
 Adult (ages 13-59) \$38.85
 Child (ages 4-12) \$28.86

Sign-up will be held in Fellowship Hall on Sundays, Nov. 2, 9, and 16. Checks should be made out to "Antietam Recreation".

DEADLINE for reservations and payment **November 16th.**

QUESTIONS? Call Pam & Bruce Rowland @ 642-8802

Come and experience this heart warming, action packed Christian show about Christmas.
 (We will carpool - time & place of departure to be announced)

ADVENT SUNDAY SCHOOL SERIES

(Nov. 30 - Dec. 21)

Frenzy-mas! It's what most of our country celebrates each December 25th. For many Christians, the emphasis on commercialism, greed and hype makes it almost impossible to find the Christ in Christmas. Come join us for our Advent Sunday School series, based on the book, *Unplug the Christmas Machine*. You may sign up for the series and pre-order the book (\$11.00) beginning Nov. 2 in Fellowship Hall, or by calling Phyllis in the church office at 334-1235, ext. 5 or Susan Kolmer at 229-9884.

During the four weeks of Advent, we will look at the following:

1. Men vs. Women: Their Differing Roles and Stress Points
2. The Four Things Children Really Want for Christmas
3. Tug of War: The Extended Family
4. A Simpler, Holier Christmas

We hope you can join us as we look at ways to put the Reason back into the season!

Rev. Buz Myers Continues Series Through Nov. 16

A special 5-part Bible series continues through Sunday, November 16. Rev. Charles (Buz) Myers, who is a Presbyterian minister and head of the religion department at Gettysburg College, is presenting "The Christian Hope: The Apostle Paul's Gospel for Today". This study of the book of 1 Corinthians will be held Sunday mornings at 9:30 a.m. in the MacAskill (Heritage) Room. Come join us for an enlightening and stimulating Bible study, led by one of our favorite guest speakers here at GPC.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Move clocks back 1 hour
2 All Saints Day 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 4:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir 5:30 p.m. MidSHIP / SHIP	3 9:30 a.m. Burden Bear 6:45 - 8:45 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:30 p.m. Personnel & Admin.	4 9:30 a.m. Sewing Workshop 5 - 7:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 6:45 p.m. Truth Project @ Chooch & Becky Wells Election Day	5 12:00 p.m. Men's Inter. Lunch 1:30 p.m. Weekly Cancer Grp. 1:40 - 3:15p.m. CEF 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:00 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. Divorce Sup. Grp. 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	6 9:30 - 1:45 Kindermusik 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 6:30 p.m. Christian Education 7:30 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	7 8:30-12:30 Kindermusik	8
9 Stewardship Sunday Mission Teams 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 Contemporary Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 12:15 p.m. Collection Counting Team Luncheon 12:15 p.m. Deacons Mtg. 12:15 p.m. Property Committee 4:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir 5:00 p.m. Session 5:30 p.m. MidSHIP & SHIP Bonfire	10 9:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 7:00 p.m. Cancer Support Group 7:00 p.m. Mission & Interpretation	11 7:30 a.m. Habitat Board Mtg. 5 - 7:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 6:45 p.m. Truth Project @ Chooch & Becky Wells 7:00 p.m. Deacon Head Usher Mtg (MacAskill Room) Veteran's Day	12 1:30 p.m. Weekly Cancer Grp. 1:40 - 3:15p.m. CEF 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:00 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 6:00 p.m. Evangelism 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. Divorce Sup. Grp. 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	13 Newsletter Deadline 9:30 - 1:45 Kindermusik 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Men's Fellowship 7:30 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	14 8:30-12:30 Kindermusik	15 9:00 a.m. Homelessness Awareness Camp Out Ends
16 Pledge Sunday 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 12:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Leadership Team (church library) 4:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir 5:30 p.m. MidSHIP / SHIP	17 9:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 1:00 p.m. Elizabeth Circle 6:45 - 8:45 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:30 p.m. Mary Martha Circle	18 9:00 a.m. Presbyery Meeting @ Middle Spring Church 5 - 7:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 6:45 p.m. Truth Project @ Chooch & Becky Wells 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Leader Mtg.	19 1:30 p.m. Weekly Cancer Grp. 1:40 - 3:15p.m. CEF 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 4:45 p.m. Young @ Heart & Youth Club Thanksgiving Dinner 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:00 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. Divorce Sup. Grp. 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	20 9:30 a.m. Esther Circle 9:30 - 1:45 Kindermusik 1:30 p.m. Stephen Leaders 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 6:15 p.m. Gastric bypass Support Group 7:30 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	21 8:30-12:30 Kindermusik 7:00 p.m. Homelessness Awareness Camp Out Begin (High School Youth 6 Pre-register for this event with Rev. Nyiri)	22 9:00 a.m. Homelessness Awareness Camp Out Ends
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30 First Sunday of Advent 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship 9:30 a.m. Sunday School No SHIP or MidSHIP	<h1>November 2008</h1>					

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Join us Sundays at 9:30 am in the sanctuary!
Come and worship God with us!

Jesus' Facebook Friends

- Nov. 2 Jesus and Lazarus
- Nov. 9 Jesus and the Samaritan Woman
- Nov. 16 Jesus and the Lawyer
- Nov. 23 Thanksgivers Sunday
- Nov. 30 1st Sunday of Advent - *Service of Communion*

GIVE THANKS!

Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good, His love endures forever. *Psalm 107:1*

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