

GRAPEVINE

April 22, 2009

Parson to Person

What's Up With Camp Krislund?

This has been a question asked by many people among the three presbyteries (Carlisle, Northumberland and Huntingdon) which own and operate Camp Krislund. The members of the Joint Camp and Conference Committee (JCCC) have some exciting news to share! Art DeVos has been hired as the Program Director for Krislund Camp and Conference Center. Art along with his wife, Pam and their two sons, Ashton (4) and Hudson (1) come to us from Iowa. Art brings an impressive resume in youth ministries and Christian camping, which includes four years as the Executive Site Director for Golden Valley, a camp and retreat center in Lockridge, IA.

Art will provide the leadership and expertise necessary to run a camping program for 600+ young people who will come to Krislund this summer. Art began working from Iowa on March 15th and arrived on site Krislund April 10th. In his letter of interest to the JCCC, Art wrote, "With all that is going on in the world we live in, camp is a safe place for people to be who they are, have fun and grow in their relationship with Christ." We welcome Art to Krislund Camp and look forward to realizing the possibilities God has in store for Krislund's ministry.

Many will definitely meet Art this summer when they drop their children off at Krislund for a week at camp. Some other opportunities to meet him are the May 2nd Krislund work day mission project (If you wish to sign up for this work day, contact me in the church office immediately). You also can meet Art and check out the camp at the May 16th Krislund Open House from 1-5PM. Things are looking up at Krislund and summer camp is beginning to shape up nicely. Keep praying for this ministry!

Speaking of summer camp, the JCCC wants you to know that the first ministry goal we have is to provide a first class summer Christian camping experience which is relevant for the young people who will attend Krislund this summer. Our second ministry goal is to provide a conference center where clergy and laity can find ongoing Christian education, spiritual development and nurture. Our third ministry goal is to provide a ministry of comprehensive hospitality to outside groups.

You may have heard that Krislund has undergone some financial issues. The JCCC recognizes and realizes that they have an obligation to provide oversight and accountability for the overwhelming financial support members of the three presbyteries give to Krislund. As a result, they have authorized Ritter and Boyer to do a financial review of all camp finances. The JCCC has taken full responsibility of the financial management of the camp including a competent and reenergized financial committee that is committed to a realistic 2009 budget that is attainable and balanced.

What can we do as a congregation and as individuals to help Krislund? Continue praying for Krislund's ministry, her staff, volunteers and the campers who will experience this summer's program. Send your children to camp and have them invite a friend to go along too. Volunteer for a week this summer to help the camp staff (plus you'll get to see how it operates). Lastly, you could go to the Harrisburg Senators game on June 28th @ 2:00PM as part of Carlisle Presbytery Day where half of the \$8.00 ticket price will go to Krislund (you must order through the church & deadline to order tickets is June 20th). If you would like more information about how to get involved with Camp Krislund contact me in the church office.

In Christ,

Lou

**Our Candidate
for Pastor
preaches
during all
services on
Sunday,
April 26th.
Congregational
meeting at
12:00 noon.**

Deployed Service Men and Women Ministry

Under the leadership of GPCs Peacemaking Team, we are seeking to better care for the men and women currently serving in active duty in military service. We have four needs to make this ministry successful, which are as follows:

We need to create a list of contact information for members of our church family and immediate family members of members who are currently deployed or will be deployed in active duty in one of our armed services. We need permanent mailing addresses (i.e. APOs) in order to get letters safely to these individuals.

We need photos of these persons along with their name, where they are currently or will be serving and the duration of their deployment in order to create a prayer board for display in our church.

We need an insignia or patch from their unit which we will affix to a peace candle that we will light each Sunday in worship as a visible reminder to be praying for peace.

We need names of those who will serve on a team which will undertake the ministry of writing to, praying for and updating the congregation as to the current status of our deployed men and women.

Please respond to Rev. Lou Nyiri in the church office via postal mail or email (gpclou@embarqmail.com) with information regarding active duty members in our congregation or to sign up for this newly forming ministry team. Please provide your contact information as well in the event we have any follow up questions.

Thank You's:

Thanks for the Nursery Care on Easter

Thanks to the following church members who served in the church nursery on Easter morning: Leah Voss, Kay Hoch, Libby Crowe, Andrea Crowe, Emma Dillman, Amy Stewart, and Marion Lambert. Thanks also to Beth Freeman for leading the 9:30 a.m. Children's Church.

Many thanks to Deacons Ann Cook, Sherry Farkas, Beth & Bill Fitzpatrick, Cheryl Goche-nauer, Pat Lowe, Andy Miner, Sue Pizzuto, Sheryl Suplee, Karen Swartz, and Lee Weber for baking, preparing, serving and clean-up of the annual Easter Continental Breakfast. Wonderful food and fellowship was enjoyed by all.

A very special thank you to Paulette Brabender and her crew, including Judy Beamer, Pam Rowland, Don Clark, Ron Clark, Scott McPherson, and Bev Weber for all the beautiful decorations in the church for Easter.

Our Very Own GPC Caterpillar

A very special thanks goes to Mary Miner who portrayed Caty the Caterpillar in the Children's Message on Easter. Mary willingly played a caterpillar for all three services that morning. Our "drama queen" will definitely appear on the GPC stage in the future. By the way, we hope Caty eventually got her wings!

- "How Great Thou Art" is a defining statement for our Congregation.
- THANK YOU is an inadequate expression of appreciation for the outpouring of cards, calls, visits and prayers during my time in the hospital and in recovery from aortic heart valve replacement surgery. Thank you, again. All is going well.
- Sarah & Ralph Lambert

CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP NEWS

The Contemporary Worship Ministry Team thanks the dedicated Music Team for sharing their gifts at the Easter Morning Sunrise Service on April 12th. Over 150 worshippers gathered to welcome the Easter dawn.

We also want to thank Paulette Brabender for the beautiful Palm Sunday and Easter worship banners used in both Contemporary and Traditional Services.

Extra Special Thanks to our hard-working Contemporary Worship Tech Team! We are thankful for the audio-visual expertise of Steve Kinsey and Bill Fitzpatrick, Vann Hinton, Megan Pilarcik Cindy Wood, and Brian May who donate countless hours to fine tuning our technical systems so that all our worship services can include media as well as be recorded.

CONGRATULATIONS, MR. ROWLAND!

We want to congratulate GPC member Bruce Rowland who has received a WGAL Channel 8 Teacher Impact award for the 2008-2009 school year. Bruce is a Science Teacher at Carlisle High School. Way to go, Bruce!

Happy Birthday to...

May 1

Margaret Curtis
Victoria Harvey
Jane Howe
Joann Karchner

Isaac Myers

May 2

Erin Heeschen
Diane Hoy
Breelyn Snyder

May 4

Katherine Manning
Katherine Rice
Marlene Tindall

May 5

Luke Flinner
Tom Kuhn
Trevor Meckley

Michael Reyka

Kasey Smarsh

Michael Soliday

May 6

Benjamin Angstadt
Paul Miller

May 7

Judy Beamer
Kenneth Fair

Andy Farkas

Lance Lewis

Jed Smith

Shaye Whiteman

Lawrence Wolf

May 8

Tracy Angstadt

Lillian Hoffman

Nicole Weikert

Alex Witt

May 9

Joshua Paul

Kelly Smarsh

May 10

Dawn Bohner

Marjorie McCartney

Thomas Smarsh

May 11

Brian May

Clay Whitlock

May 12

Rick Arnold

Emma Dillman

Lauren Freeman

Jacob Kump

Al-ison

Moyer

May 13

Todd Durboraw

Jean Huskin

Nonie Kennell

May 14

Molly Banks

Bryn Beauchat

Matthew Knouse

May 15

Sheila Howes

Heather Miller

Jacob Thompson

May 18

Beth Weisenborn

Sean Zorn

May 19

Harrison Stewart

May 20

Tim Baker

Ralph Eriksen

Ellen Piacentine

Sydney Tomassini

Geof Weisenborn

May 21

Amy Dreves

Paul Ketterman

Diane Weikert

May 22

John Golanoski

Jackie Hiller

Jack Soliday

Natalie Tschop

Jake Wilhelm

May 23

Mary Louise Felix

Leo Ward

May 24

Lori Bridel

Kevin Ecker

Corena Harman

Joseph Jones

Carrie Kauffmann

May 25

Tim Flagg

Faith Gard

Louise Garverick

Larry Musselman

Sarah Skoczen

May 26

Devin Miller

May 27

Karen Eskildsen

Emily Stone

May 28

Brian Stabler

May 29

Judy Inskip

Edward McCartney

May 30

Jim Heeschen

Charles Morris

Linnette Murray

May 31

Jerry Althoff

Daniel Crowe

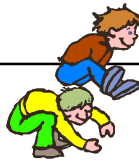
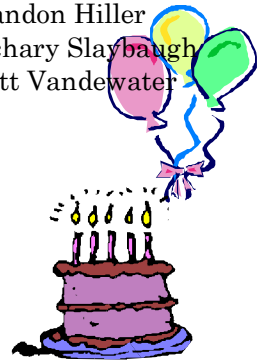
Dennis Dowd

Beatrice Harness

Brandon Hiller

Zachary Slaybaugh

Matt Vandewater



Kids Club

17 children in K . Grade 2 met after school on Tuesdays for five weeks to learn about Old Testament Friends.+ We had fun listening to Bible stories, playing games, making crafts and snacks and reading our Bibles. We learned lessons from the lives of Jonathan and David, Samson and Delilah, Elijah and Elisha, and Queen Esther and Mordecai. We also memorized Bible verses and Bible Points for each lesson. Our Scripture Challenge was to memorize Psalm 23. 6 children took the challenge and accomplished it: Jake Bridel, Sydney Kiick, Luke May, Alex McNair, Cade Wilhelm, and Braden Unger. During our final time together we attended Queen Esther's banquet+. We also painted cardboard cutouts of each Old Testament Friend. Please check them out in Fellowship Hall.

Thank you to our volunteers who helped in so many ways: Barry Breighner, Paulette Brabender, Andrea Crowe, Tamara Doehring, Phyllis Dowd, Alva Ecker, Chrissy and Paul Ely, Beth Freeman, Shawn Graff, Kathleen and Zachary Kiick, Susan Kint, Lori May, Lori McNair, Stacy Miller, Penny Messenger, Candace Nyiri, David Priel, Deb and Bonita Soliday, and Jennifer Unger.

Kids Club will start again in the Fall. We are looking forward to it.

In His Love,
Pam Rowland

Read Aloud Bible Story Time .. CONGRATULATIONS!

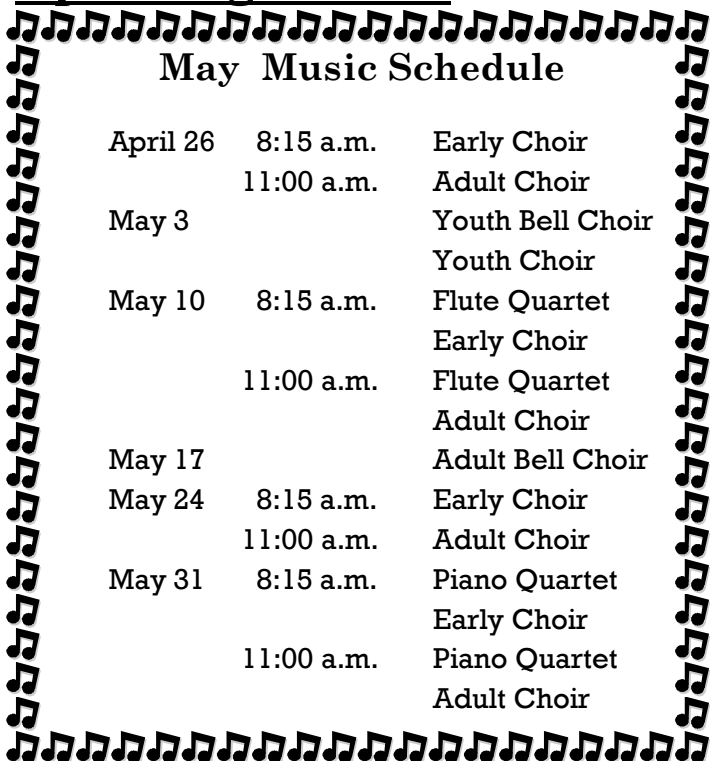
Nine children attended the five-week after school Bible Story Time. We listened to and read aloud from the Beginner's Bible. Our goal was to read the Bible from cover to cover and WE DID IT! Congratulations to the following participants: Jackie Ecker, Joseph Egloff, John Egloff, Tyler Kint, Devin Miller, Sydney Miller, Alex Nyiri, Nathaniel Priel and Savannah Soliday.

Thank you to the parents and volunteers: Alva Ecker, Rita Egloff, Phyllis Dowd, Susan Kint, Stacy Miller, Candace Nyiri, Deb and Dave Priel, Carole Simon, Marilyn Rishell, and Deb Soliday.

In His Love,

Pam Rowland

Upcoming Events:



May Music Schedule

April 26	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
May 3		Youth Bell Choir
		Youth Choir
May 10	8:15 a.m.	Flute Quartet
		Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Flute Quartet
		Adult Choir
May 17		Adult Bell Choir
May 24	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
May 31	8:15 a.m.	Piano Quartet
		Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Piano Quartet
		Adult Choir

HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP - May

May 3	8:15, 9:30 & 11:00—	YOUTH SUNDAY
May 10		NO SHIP—Mother's Day
May 17	5:30 p.m.	Year-end Picnic

MidSHIP Schedule - May

May 3	8:15, 9:30 & 11:00—	YOUTH SUNDAY
May 10		NO SHIP—Mother's Day
May 17	5:30 p.m.	Year-end Picnic

"Water, Water Everywhere!" Water Stories from the Bible

Vacation Bible School will be held on
June 22—25
for ages **3—Grade 5** (completed)

Registration for VBS will be held
from **May 17 - June 14**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW!

Carlisle Presbytery Mission Opportunities

If you can't participate in one of GPC's mission trips, LEND-A-HAND will be doing construction and repairs in the following areas:

- June 6 - 15 Oakville, Iowa
- Oct. 24 - Nov. 1 Ocean Springs, MS

If you would like more information please contact the church office 334-1235.

ITEMS NEEDED FOR SOUTH DAKOTA

Preparations are underway for our South Dakota Mission Trip from July 16—26 and the excitement is building. Thank you to all for the contributions made so far.

We are still in need of some very important items which we give out as prizes at the Festival. If you can donate any of the following "new or nearly new" items, please bring them to the church office:

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| Sheets or Sheet Sets (primarily twin) | Children's Backpacks |
| Crock Pots - 5 qt. or larger | Towels |
| Box Fans | Coffee Makers |
| Electric Skilletts | Dish Sets |
| Tool Sets | |

Thanks for all your prayers and support as we return to the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation this summer.

— Penny Messinger & Phyllis Dowd
(334-1235)

“Small Group News”

Wow! Did You Know?

Lenten Small Groups met weekly during February and March to read and discuss the book Christian Prayer for Today by Martha Moore Keish. Over 80 people participated in this opportunity for fellowship, study and prayer.

We want to give special thanks and recognition to our Lenten Small Group leaders for 2009: **Charlotte and Harry Winsheimer, Dennis Meckley, Lou Nyiri, Mary and Andy Miner.** We are thankful to God for their leadership!!

On April 6th, Small Group participants gathered for a Soup and Bread Supper in Fellowship Hall before attending the Maundy Thursday Worship Service. We want to thank all who helped with the meal. Thank you to Susie Snyder and the Fellowship team for coordinating and planning the event. Thanks to Bruce Rowland for his musical accompaniment. Thank you to Don Clark for set up. Thank you to Penny Messinger for last minute details. Thank you to all who brought food and helped clean up.

Keep on praying!
Candace

FAITH & FITNESS Spring Walking Small Group

Our Spring Walking Small Group will begin Friday, May 8th and run for 4 weeks through May 29th. We will meet at 8:30 a.m. in Fellowship Hall for a brief devotion and then a 2-mile walk on the battlefield. All are welcome and you can walk at your own pace! Why not invite a friend? Contact Candace Nyiri at 337-2939 if you would like to join us!

**WE WILL WALK IN THE LIGHT
OF YOUR PRESENCE,
O LORD! *Psalm 89:15b***



Faithful Journey **Book Group!**

The Memory Keeper's Daughter
by Kim Edwards

Discussion date is May 2nd
(Sat. Morning @ 8:45 a.m.)

Coffee, tea, fruit and pastries provided. We will meet in the MacAskill Room. All GPC members and friends are invited. Buy the book on your own or order one through the church office. Contact Candace Nyiri if you have any questions at 337-2939.

MIDWEEK PRAYER GROUP

Begins on April 29th

Each Wednesday from 12:00 - 12:45 p.m. in the MacAskill Room

In response to our Lenten Small Group study on prayer, we will begin a prayer group that will meet weekly to pray for the needs of our world, our nation, our community, and our church family. Please bring a bag lunch if you wish. All are invited! This is an open group. Please come when you are able. If you have any prayer concerns or questions please contact Candace Veon-Nyiri, 337-2939.

“What a privilege to carry everything to God in prayer.”

ALL WOMEN OF THE CHURCH

MAY BANQUET

TUESDAY, MAY 5th, 6:00 PM

Fellowship Hall

Friendship, Food, and Music !

Tickets \$8, available April 26 & May 3
in Fellowship Hall
between Sunday worship services.

Sponsored by: Presbyterian Women

Catered by: Skip & Pennyc\$ Country Catering

Desserts made by: Kay Knox

Music by: 7 Mile Road

Ticket info: phone 337-9571

Community Prayer Breakfast

May 7th, 2009

8:00 a.m.

Lower Marsh Creek
Presbyterian Church

Rev. Dr. Harry
Winsheimer, Speaker

**WOMEN & MEN needed
to work Rummage Sale on
May 1 & 2 mornings and/or
afternoons. If you have any
questions please contact
Sheryl Suplee 337-3267.**

PW RUMMAGE, PLANT & BAKE

SCHEDULE FOR MAY 1 & MAY 2, 2009

Rummage & Plant Sale: Friday, May 1, 8:30 am - 5 pm and Saturday May 2, 8:30 am - 12 noon

Bake Sale & Lunch: Friday, May 1, 8:30 am - 12 noon (or until sold out). Lots of scrumptious baked goodies. Lunch menu is hot dogs with a variety of toppings, Sloppy Joes, chips & soda.

Drop-Offs: On Monday, April 27, put everything in the corner next to the main outside entrance of Fellowship Hall. **Deadline to drop off is Noon on Thursday, April 30. (Please do not drop anything off prior to April 27)**

Marking & Sorting: Tuesday, April 28, 1 pm - 5 pm; Wednesday & Thursday, April 29 & April 30, 9 am - 5 pm.

Baked Goods: Drop off by 8:00 am on Friday, May 1 or the night before if frozen.

Plants: Can be dropped off on Monday or Tuesday, but please be sure they are moist: **Wednesday or Thursday, April 29 or 30 is best.**

Clean-Up: Saturday, May 2 from 12 noon until done (1 to 1 1/2 hours).

Volunteers are needed to set up, take sales and clean up. Call Melanie Keller (334-7392) if you can help; even one hour is greatly appreciated. Also, Melanie, Susie Snyder (642-9199), or Kathy Kircher (357-1175) can answer any questions you may have about the sale.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					1 RUMMAGE SALE 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	2 8:45 a.m. Book Group RUMMAGE SALE 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
3 YOUTH SUNDAY 7:30 a.m. Youth Choirs 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 12:00 - 3:00 p.m. Youth Club Fifth Grade Event 1:00 - 4:00 Crop Walk (FH) 4:00 p.m. Inquirers' Class #3 5:30 p.m. NO SHIP or MidSHIP	4 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts	5 9:30 a.m. Sewing Workshop 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 6:00 p.m. "May Banquet"	6 12 Noon Men's Interfaith Lunch 12 Noon Mid-Week Prayer group 1:00 p.m. Weekly Cancer Group 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 6:00 p.m. Cont. Music Practice 6:00 p.m. Evangelism team 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	7 National Day of Prayer 8:00 a.m. Community Prayer Breakfast @ Lower Marsh Creek 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 6:00 p.m. Christian Ed. 6:30 p.m. Worship & Music 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	8 8:30 a.m. Walking Sm. Group	9
10 MOTHER'S DAY 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 5:30 p.m. NO SHIP or MidSHIP	11 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. Cancer Support Group 7:00 p.m. Mission & Interpretation	12 7:30 a.m. Habitat Board Mtg. 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 7:00 p.m. Ruth Circle	13 12 Noon Mid-Week Prayer group 1:00 p.m. Weekly Cancer Group 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 6:00 p.m. Cont. Music Practice 6:30 p.m. Divorce Sup. Grp. 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	14 12:00 noon Newsletter Deadline 12:00 p.m. Young @ Heart 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Men's Fellowship 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	15 8:30 a.m. Walking Sm. Group	16
17 VBS Registration Begins 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service 9:30 a.m. Last day of Sunday School 12:15 p.m. Deacons Mtg. 12:15 p.m. Property Committee 4:00 p.m. Inquirers' Class #4 5:00 p.m. Session 5:30 p.m. SHIP & MidSHIP Year End Picnic	18 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 1:30 p.m. Elizabeth Circle 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:30 p.m. Mary Martha Circle	19 5 - 7p.m. JMJ Spanish 7:00 p.m. Stewardship Team	20 8:00 a.m. Ministerium Mtg. 12 Noon Mid-Week Prayer group 1:00 p.m. Weekly Cancer Group 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 6:00 p.m. Cont. Music Practice 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	21 9:30 a.m. Esther Circle 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 6:15 p.m. Gastric Bypass Support Grp.	22 8:30 a.m. Walking Sm. Group	23
24 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:00 a.m. Celebrate May Birthdays 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service 12:00 p.m. New Members' Reception	25 (OFFICE CLOSED)	26 5 - 7p.m. JMJ Spanish	27 12 Noon Mid-Week Prayer group 1:00 p.m. Weekly Cancer Group 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 6:00 p.m. Cont. Music Practice 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	28 12:00 noon Newsletter Deadline 10:00 a.m. Mom's Club 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts	29 8:30 a.m. Walking Sm. Group	30
31 PENTECOST 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 a.m. Teacher Appreciation Breakfast at the Dobbin House 9:30 a.m. Contemporary Worship Service Celebrate New borns	<h1>May 2009</h1>					

MAY CONTEMPORARY WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Join us for an engaging worship experience centered in God's Word!
Everyone is Invited! Bring a Friend.

Each Sunday morning in the Sanctuary at 9:30 a.m.

April 26	Candidating Sunday
May 3	Youth Sunday
May 10	Mother's Day

"Alleluia! He has risen just as He said!" (Matthew 28:6 NIV)

Next Newsletter Deadline:
Noon, Thursday, April 30, 2009

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