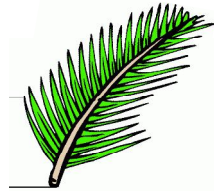


GRAPEVINE

March 17, 2010



Psalm 118: 24-26

This is the day that the Lord has made;
let us rejoice and be glad in it.

Save us, we beseech you, O Lord!

O Lord, we beseech you, give us success!

Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.

The Israelite people would sing the words to Psalm 118 every year during the Passover. The phrase "Save us" is the Hebrew word "Hosanna".

As Jesus entered Jerusalem during Passover over 2000 years ago, the children and crowds shouted the word "Hosanna"! "Hosanna to the Son of David; Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" Everyone present recognized the familiar words of this Psalm.

O Lord, save us! Save us!

As we enter into Holy Week remembering the exuberant crowds welcoming Jesus on Palm Sunday, retelling the story of the Last Supper on Maundy Thursday, observing the suffering of Jesus on Good Friday and anticipating the joy and promise of Easter morning, may the prayers and songs on our lips be shouted, or whispered, or sighed: **Hosanna! Save us Lord! Save us! Hold us! Help us! Bring your creative love into our world, our churches, our community, our homes and our hearts. Hosanna. Hosanna!**

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"Hosanna in the highest!"
that ancient song we sing,
For Christ is our Redeemer,
the Lord of heaven our King.
O may we ever praise Him
with heart and life and voice,
And in His blissful presence
eternally rejoice!

(Hosanna, Loud Hosanna Jeanette Threfall 1873)

THANK YOUS:

Dear Fellow Presbyterians,
 I want to thank all who sent me cards and notes while I was recuperating from my heart surgery. I am blessed to be a member of this church, and thank you for all your prayers you said for me. I know they helped me to regain my strength and have a quick recovery.

With Love,
 Bette Fissel

THANK YOU!

A heartfelt **THANK YOU** for your Christian caring for Miriam during her battle with Parkinson's Disease: for faithful Deacons who visited and brought weekly CDs of Sunday service for pastoral visits by Harry, Lou and Dave for cards and phone calls and for the positive and uplifting Memorial Service at her passing. I am so glad to be a part of G.P.C.

Paul Wilson & Family

To our Beloved Church Family,

Ron & I wish to thank all of you for your loving support, food, cards/letters and flowers on the recent death of our beloved brother Don Clark. You are the most caring, loving church we've ever had the pleasure of becoming members of. I know Don would be very proud of you.

Sincerely,

Gail Lee & Ronald Clark

The joint mission project between Presbyterian Women and the mission team was a success. We assembled 132 hygiene kits for Haiti and delivered them to Church World Service, along with the money to ship them. Many thanks to all who donated kits, money, gift cards, and assorted items. Special thanks to **Ashlyn Sowell, Becky Carbaugh, and Amy Stewart** for organizing, putting together activities for the children to get involved, and delivering the kits to Westminster, Md. to be shipped. Great job everybody!

CONDOLENCES:

Our Thoughts and prayers are with Kay Hoch on the recent death of her father.

CONGRATULATION

to Benjamin Kolmer
 who received his
 Eagle Scout award
 on March 10, 2010.
 Ben is the son of
 Tom & Susan Kolmer

Update on Phyllis Dowd

Our DCE, Phyllis Dowd, continues to make progress in her recovery from her accident in February. She has been moved for rehab to the L-TACH unit at Holy Spirit Hospital in Camp Hill. The family continues to request that there be no visitors, but you can leave cards and notes in the church office and we will take them to Phyllis. Please continue to keep Phyllis and her family in your prayers.

"Prayer Path" Labyrinth to be held on March 26th and 27th

The Middle School Fellowship will be organizing and hosting a labyrinth experience upstairs in the new Youth Room on
Friday, March 26, from 5-8:00 p.m. and
Saturday, March 27, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.



The Prayer Path is a unique event with profound spiritual impact that will help church members draw closer to God in preparation for Holy Week. Using a CD "journey guide" or a written script, participants will take a meditative prayer-walk with activities along the way that help them focus on their spiritual journey with God.

Unlike a maze, a labyrinth has only one path in and one path out--there are no dead ends or false paths. It takes approximately one hour to walk through the labyrinth and reflect at each of the 11 "stations" along the way. Participants will reflect and meditate on different areas of their lives including hurts, distractions and "noise"--all for the purpose of drawing closer to God. After spending a personal time encountering God, participants are challenged to take that experience and make a difference in their life for God. It's a devotional experience like no other!

The Prayer Path labyrinth is free of charge, but any free will donations will go toward the World Vision's 30-Hour Famine event that the Mid-Ship group will hold in April. Please RSVP for the labyrinth to Libby Crowe at 359-9719 or fourcrowes@embarqmail.com to reserve a time slot.

Bible-a-thon is Back!



Each year students in the elementary grades participate in our Bible-a-thon. Children are asked to study age-appropriate Bible related questions. They are then quizzed and rewarded for their success.

We need your help!

Who: Adult and teen volunteers

What: Verbally quiz the elementary students on their 50 or 100 questions

When: During Sunday school (9:30) and Children's Church (11:00) on April 11th and 18th

How: Please contact Wendy Brubaker at 337-2058 or wenandmike@comcast.net

**Would you like to
see your giving
make a
real difference?**

Please use the enclosed envelope to give generously to **One Great Hour of Sharing**, which supports disaster response, refugee assistance, and projects that help families start new lives! Funds from last year's offering have gone to support suffering people in Haiti and Chile following the earthquakes there. We'll receive the offering on **March 28**, Palm Sunday.



Hershey Park Tickets

Thinking of going to Hershey Park this summer? Want to buy tickets at a cheaper rate? We've got the answer for you! You can order and buy tickets through the church group rate. These tickets can be used ANY DAY of the 2010 season. The rates are as follows:

\$29.00 for ages 9-54 (regular rate is \$52.95)

\$24.50 for ages 3-8 (regular rate is \$31.95).

\$24.50 for ages 55+ (regular rate is \$31.95).

You may order these tickets by signing up in Fellowship Hall on March 21, March 28 and April 11. **FINAL DATE TO SIGN UP & PAY FOR THESE TICKETS IS SUNDAY, APRIL 11th.** Please make checks out to %Gettysburg Presbyterian Church.+ There will be no refunds for tickets not used. You do not have to be a church member to participate. Thanks!!

YOU'RE LATE FOR MEXICO!

Applications were due last Sunday, March 14.

Contact Pastor Dave immediately if you are interested in participating in the Mexico mission trip !

Dates: July 6 - 13

Cost: \$700.00 (Scholarships are available)



2010 Pictorial Directory

Church Growth. Spiritual Growth. It all starts with making a connection. Connecting individuals. Connecting families. Connecting with your faith. Connecting with your faith community and reaching out to connect with others. The 2010 church photo directory will start the connection! Please sign up at the table in Fellowship Hall on March 21 & 28, or go to the church website at: www.gettysburgpresbyterian.org and follow the link directly below the "Welcome" to sign up online. Thank you for helping us attain 100% participation!

Start thinking about when you can schedule your photos.

The dates that will be available to schedule your appointment are:

April 6, 7, 8 & 9

(2:30 - 9:00 p.m.)

(April dates will allow photos to be delivered by Mothers Day.)

May 26, 27, 28 & 29

(26, 27 & 28 - 2:30 - 9:00 p.m.) (29 - 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

This is Memorial Day weekend, so if you have family in town you can invite Grandparents and other family members to join your portrait sitting (even if they do not attend GPC).

High School Workcamp Brunch is March 28th



- What:** Food, Fellowship and Fundraiser for high school workcamp
- When:** Sunday, March 28, 2010
- Where:** Fellowship Hall
- Time:** 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. **(After 1st Service & Before 2nd Worship Service)**
 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. **(After 2nd Service & Before 3rd Worship Service)**
 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 Noon **(After Sunday School)**
 12:00 Noon to 1:00 p.m. **(After 3rd Worship Service)**
- Cost:** \$9.00 (13 years and older) \$6.00 (12 years and younger)
- Why:** To raise money to off-set the cost per student to go on this year's workcamp to South Webster, OH from June 11 - 19, 2010.

The brunch is catered by the Dobbin House and features: egg-bake; waffles; bacon; potatoes; fruit and cheese tray; muffins; with orange juice, coffee, tea, and water to drink. To reserve a seat at the Brunch for one of the times above you **must** purchase a ticket in fellowship hall Sunday mornings, throughout the week in the church office, or email Rev. Nyiri at gpclou@embarqmail.com (put %Workcamp Brunch+in subject line). **Please Note: If you reserve a seat at the brunch we will need to collect the price of the ticket even if you have to miss the brunch.** If you cannot attend the brunch and would like to support Workcamp 2010, contact Rev. Nyiri in the church office. This is the high school workcamp's **only** fundraiser and your generous support helps send students to serve God in South Webster, OH. You have supported us generously in past years and we thank you in advance for this year's support.

Celebrate the Ultimate Gift With Presbyterian Women in the Synod of the Trinity

June 17—19, 2010
Waynesburg University
Waynesburg, PA

- Registration by May 1
- \$225 for the entire gathering
- Four (4) \$100 scholarships available for women attending from GPC
- 10 Workshops to choose from.

More information call Sherry Farkas (642-1552)

PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN in the Presbytery of Carlisle

SPRING GATHERING
Saturday, April 17, 2010

Gettysburg Presbyterian Church

“Treating Yourself and Others Well”

AM Speaker - Eleanor Pella, a registered dietician speaking on “Women on the Verge of Veggies.”

During the morning business meeting, Charlotte Winsheimer will be installed as Moderator of PW in the Presbytery of Carlisle.

Afternoon speaker will be Tiffany Rudisill, Director of a successful anti-bullying program at Gettysburg Middle School.

GPC Supports the Meals & More Program

The Meals and More Program at Prince of Peace Episcopal Church embraces and nurtures homeless, abused, and hungry children during the summer months. Children from the Homeless Shelter, Survivors Shelter, Circles of Support, Soup Kitchen, and children of incarcerated parents are invited to participate at no charge. The program will run from mid-June to mid-August, Monday through Friday from 10am to 2pm. The children receive two meals, enrichment activities, spiritual enhancement, trips to the library, drama lessons, music, self-esteem building exercises, and field trips. This summer, the children will be writing their own play under the direction of Drama Specialist Ann Griffith. They will have opportunities to perform their play at the Adams County Public Library and the Heritage Festival.

Several fundraisers are being planned, the first of which is a community day/night at Hoss's Restaurant. If you eat at Hoss's anytime between noon and 8pm on Thursday, April 22nd, twenty percent of your tab will be donated toward the Meals and More Program. You will need a ticket, which should be presented at the time you order your meal. If your whole family would like to eat at Hoss's, you only need one ticket provided the meals are all on one tab. Please contact Penny in the church office 334-1235 or Pam Rowland at 642-8802 if you would like to have a ticket, or if you would like more information about Meals and More.

SOFTBALL TEAM

In order to field a team in the church softball league we need the following:

1. A Coach/Coordinator - If we don't get someone to do this we will NOT be able to field a team. Rev. Lou Nyiri is unable to be coach this summer so this role is crucial. The Coach will: attend League meeting in March or April, coordinate make-ups, ensure equipment is at games, make line ups for each game...AND make certain team members conduct themselves with Christian integrity and good sportsmanship... or appoint another to do so in their absence.
2. At least 9 players for games - games are 1 day/week on either a Monday, Tuesday or Thursday. Players must agree to conduct themselves with Christian integrity and play with good sportsmanship, as well as be at every game they are in town for, and will inform team captain when away so substitute players can be contacted.

All skill levels are encouraged to play.

To talk more about any of these items (especially item #1) call Rev. Lou Nyiri in the church office (334-1235, ext. 4). To sign up to play call, email or return the tear off below to Rev. Lou Nyiri by **MARCH 31, 2010**.

Return by MARCH 31, 2010

Softball Registration

- Yes, I will be a REGULAR player on the 2010 team
- Yes, I will be a SUBSTITUTE player on the 2010 team



NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE# _____ EMAIL _____

Yes, I agree to conduct myself with Christian integrity and play with good sportsmanship on the 2010 GPC Softball Team. (It is mandatory you agree to this in order to play.)



March Music Schedule

March 21	8:15 a.m.	Adult Bell Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Women's Choir
		Youth Bell Choir
		Youth Choir
March 28	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Primary Choir
		Adult Choir

HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP

March

March 21	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Fellowship
March 24	6:45 a.m.	Lenten Breakfast
March 28	8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Workcamp Brunch

MidSHIP Schedule

March

March 21	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Bigger & Better
March 24	6:45 a.m.	Lenten Breakfast
March 26	5:00 - 8:00 p.m.	Labyrinth
March 27	10:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Labyrinth
March 28	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	No MidSHIP

Let's Read!!

2010 Faithful Journey Book Group

The Faith Club: A Muslim, A Christian and a Jew - Three Women Search



for Understanding

by Idliby, Oliver, Warner

April 18

Discussion Date Sunday, April 18th
(after 11:00 service)

This month's selection is The Faith Club. We will meet from 12:15-1:15 on April 18th for an informal discussion. Bring a bag lunch if you wish. Coffee, Tea and dessert provided. All GPC members and friends are invited. Buy the book on your own or order one through the church office.

Contact Rev. Candace Veon- Nyiri if you have any questions @ 337-2939.

Future Selections:

When Joy Came to Stay by Karen Kingsbury - May 23

Animal, Vegetable, Miracle: A Year of Food Life by Barbara Kingsolver - September 26

Have a Little Faith by Mitch Albom - October 24

The Best Christmas Pageant Ever! by Barbara Robinson - Nov. 20 (Sat. Morning) This selection is for all ages!



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Sunday, March 28

8:15 & 11:00 a.m.
9:30 a.m.

Palm Sunday

Traditional Worship
Contemporary Worship

Thursday, April 1

7:30 p.m.

Maundy Thursday

Worship Service

Friday, April 2

12:00 p.m.

Good Friday

Community Service at Trinity United Church of Christ on High St.
"Passion of the Christ" movie in the sanctuary

7:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 4

6:30 a.m.

Easter

Contemporary Worship
Service at the Peace
Light on the Battlefield

8:15 a.m.

Traditional Worship

9:00 - 9:30 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

9:30 a.m.

Traditional Worship

10:30 - 11:00 a.m.

Continental Breakfast

11:00 a.m.

Traditional Worship

Gettysburg Presbyterian Church Presbyterian Women

Cordially invite all women to a

Ladies Tea

**Saturday, March 27, 2010
1:00 - 3:00 p.m.**



*At the home of Amy Deitch
38 Twin Lakes Dr. - Gettysburg, PA 17325*

**Directions from Gettysburg: Take Fairfield Rd. (Rte. 116 W) to Park Ave. Turn right.
Turn left onto Twin Lakes Dr. to Amy's house on the left.**



Moms and Friends

Tuesday April 6, 2010

10:00-11:00a.m.

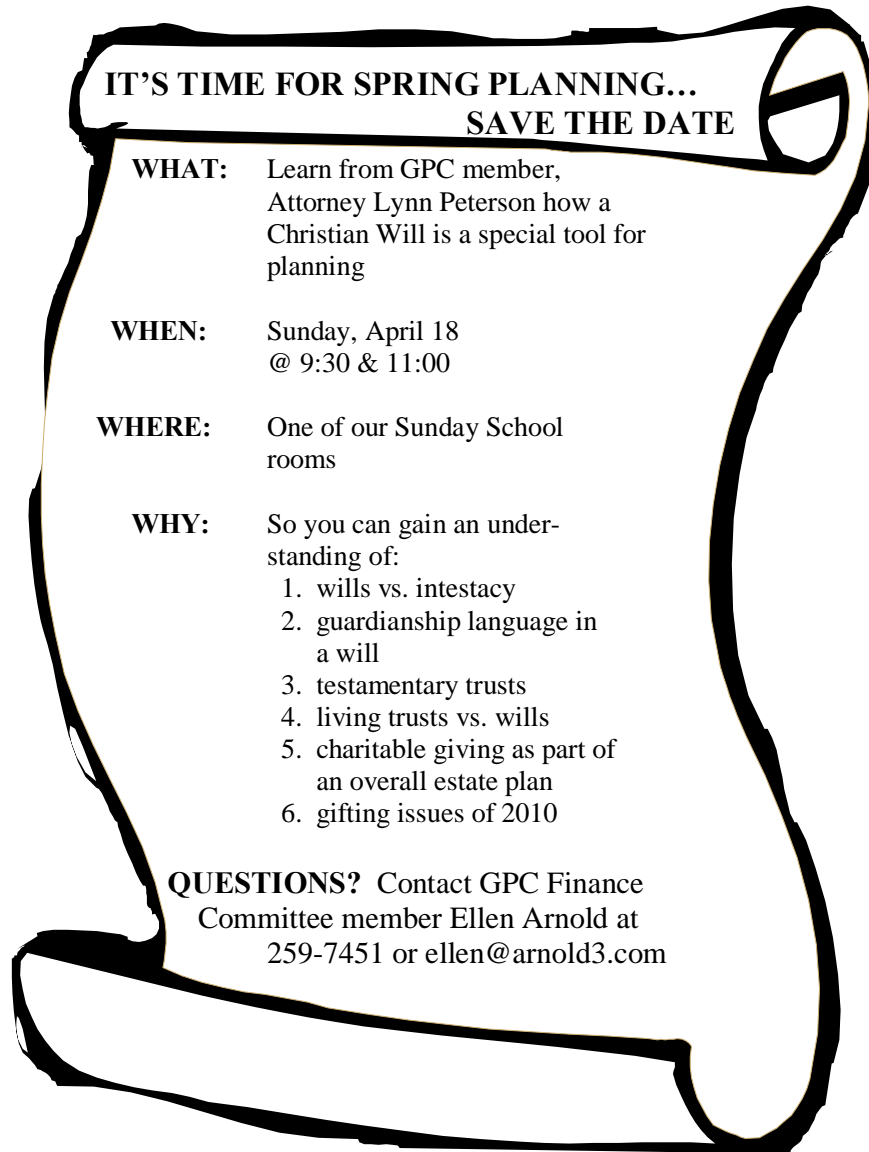
in the church library.

**All are welcome! Come and bring a friend for this
informal time of Bible study and fellowship!
Please email Rev. Candace Veon-Nyiri if you need childcare
lucan615@embarqmail.com**



Pull Yourself Together!

You've heard it a million times. Others may have said it to you or you may have said it to yourself. But things just aren't coming together. You're still hurting. You still feel like things are falling apart. Our Stephen Ministers are trained caregivers who will walk with you, listen to you, and provide confidential one-to-one care, as you search through the pieces and find what is truly in your heart. To find out more, or if you or someone you know could benefit from receiving the gift of a Stephen Minister, contact Rev. Lou Nyiri at the church office at 334-1235, ext. 4 or gpclou@embarqmail.com.



Easter Flowers

Honor your loved ones with the beauty of flowers at Easter. This year we offer you a choice of three flowers: lilies, tulips, and hyacinths. Please fill out the information below and return this form with your check (**payable to Gettysburg Presbyterian Church**) to:

Mary Lou Seamens
169 Hunters Trail
Gettysburg, PA 17325



Any flowers not picked up by Monday, April 5 at noon will be taken to shut-ins.

DEADLINE FOR ORDER IS MARCH 21.

- _____ Easter Lily \$10.00 (4-6 blooms)
- _____ Tulips \$10.00 (8 bulbs)
- _____ Hyacinth \$10.00 (4 bulbs)

In Memory of / In Honor of (circle one)
(please print clearly)

Given by: _____

Will pick up _____
Deliver to shut-ins _____

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Palm Sunday. March 29th

Next Newsletter Deadline:
Noon, Thursday, March 25, 2010

March/April 2010

GPC WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Services @ 8:15 and 11:00 a.m.
Contemporary Service @ 9:30 a.m.

Lenten Sermon Series on the Apostles' Creed

3/21	What is a Holy Spirit?
3/28	Palm Sunday: The Holy Catholic Church
4/4	Easter Day! The Resurrection of the Body
	6:30 a.m. Sunrise Service at the Battlefield Peace Light
	8:15, 9:30 & 11:00 a.m. Traditional Worship Services