

Gettysburg Presbyterian Church

GRAPPEVINE

January 19, 2011

About this time each year we offer our church family an opportunity to get to know each other in a casual, friendly environment. It is called Dinners for Seven or Eight though it is about so much more than just dinner. It is, in fact, about hospitality. Hospitality is a basic building block in the Christian community. Our Lord was hospitable to those he encountered and shared many memorable moments around table fellowship. (See Luke's gospel.) Hospitality may well be the best means we have to promote close, familial love among our brothers and sisters in Christ. It is especially important within the church where far too often people really don't know each other or where relationships are Sunday morning only relationships. While it is about much more than just dinner, what better way to promote hospitality and fellowship than around the dinner table? I invite you to meet some of your fellow travelers along the road of faith and sign up today for Dinners for Seven or Eight. Read on for more information.

Faithfully Yours,

Dinners for Seven or Eight

The goal of these dinners is to provide church members the opportunity to enjoy fellowship with other members at three casual, adult-only dining experiences. If getting to know eighteen to twenty-four church members in this type of setting sounds appealing to you, then Dinners for Seven or Eight is for you.

The goal of this fellowship event is to have the meal be the context for fellowship. We have learned in previous years that the job of the host can be burdensome to coordinate four different calendars. In some cases, the coordination of calendars was so difficult that some groups were not able to meet. In an attempt to relieve this pressure, we have re-designed the dinners this year by choosing the night for the meals. Our hope is this will allow people to sign up now and immediately reserve the night on their calendars. This also means participants can sign up for one, two or all three months based on their calendars.

Our goal is for 25 dinners to occur each month. This means we need a minimum of 100 singles or couples to sign up. After sign ups are over (February 27, 2011 is deadline to register) a schedule will be made which designates one person to host. The host prepares the main course, provides the drink and informs the other members in their group so they will bring an appropriate side dish (side dishes are assigned to each participant on the schedule - vegetable, salad or dessert). Sometimes we have more participants than hosts, so if you desire you may request to host more than one dinner. You may also choose to be a substitute who is called if a regular participant runs into an unforeseen calendar problem and cannot attend a particular month's meal. As a substitute you will then bring the meal portion of the individual or couple you are replacing (ie. salad, vegetable or dessert).

The dates chosen for 2011 are the third Fridays of each month: March 18, April 15 and May 20.

Remember these dinners are to be casual and adults-only. Use the form below to sign up.

*****Dinners for Seven or Eight Registration Form*****

(DEADLINE to register is February 27, 2011)

ATTENTION: Rev. Lou Nyiri

_____ Yes, I will be a REGULAR part of Dinners for Seven or Eight
Circle date(s) you wish to participate: March 18 / April 15 / May 20

_____ Yes, I will be a SUBSTITUTE part of Dinners for Seven or Eight

Name(s): _____

Street Address (where dinner will be held if hosting): _____

Town: _____ Phone #: _____ Best Time to Call: _____

Email: _____ I check email regularly: Yes / No

Wish to Host: Yes / No

Put a %1+ by the month you would most like to host, %2+ by your second choice, %3+ by your third choice.

If you are willing to host more than one meal place a %4+ by the months you are willing to host:

March 18 _____ April 15 _____ May 20 _____

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Happy Birthday to...

February 1

Keith Baker
Karen Breighner
Diane Hoffman
Thomas Piper

February 2

Lydia Flinner
Kayla Hosterman
Sean Hosterman
Freda Hulton
Kyle May
McKenna Snyder

February 3

Greg Trax
Pam Wisor
Penny Breighner
Elizabeth Farnham
Mary Flinner
Linda MacAskill
Sophie May
Meghan Moroz
Kasey Rathgeber
Deb Siefken

February 5

Blaze Graff
Christopher Kulkusky
Cohen Michajluk
Rebecca Zepp

February 6

Allan Blue
Lori McNair
Viola Reaver

February 7

Ab Rainbow
Daniel Snyder

February 10

Matt Clark
Susan Wicklein

February 11

Chuck MacDonald
Susan Paul

February 12

Charlie Behre
Walker Daniels

February 13

Margaret Dombrowsky

February 14

Carolyn Durboraw
Cody Smith
February 15
Sandra Yarber Dixon

February 16

Jackson Hilbert
Robert Bigham
Alison Golanoski
Carly Hinton
Bob Hoylman
Carrie McMaster

February 17

Kate Mowrey
Clare Alloway
Barry Breighner
Nicole Bridel

February 19

February 20

Jack Reese
Deborah Litten

February 21

William Fitzpatrick
Faye Johns
Patti Schwartz
Deborah Yargar-Reed

February 22

Margaret Crone
Elliana Dillman
Brandon Guiher
Frank Temme

February 23

Henry Heiser
Dana Hubble
Harrison Moroz
Janet Streit

February 24

February 25

Henry Rice
Marty Fitzgerald
Robert Lindsay
Colton McMaster
Art Pore

February 26

Joseph Egloff
Kody Kulkusky
Bryan LaRochelle
Myrt Watson

February 27

Gary Morrison
Susan Moyer

February 28

Rush Benson
Jean Conover
Robert McQuaide
Joyce Morrison
Lovette Mott
Rad Schultz
Bill Tindall
Courtney Weaver
Jordan Williams

(February 29)

Elizabeth Bergen
Alexander Heeschen
Charlotte Winsheimer



THANK YOU:

I want our loving congregation to know that I really appreciated their prayers, visits and cards during my recent heart attack. I felt so loved.

Faye Johns

I would like to thank Sherry Farkas and Sheryl Suplee for providing transportation for my recent eye surgery. I am so thankful for their kindness and taking time to help me. God bless you and this church. You are examples of Christ's love.

In Christ's love,
Marty Fitzgerald

Thank you from the Nyiri Family
Many thanks to all within this wonderful church family who bestowed gifts and well wishes upon our family this Christmas season. We thoroughly enjoyed everything from the cards to the cookies & other Christmas confections to the gifts for Alexander and his parents. Also included in this thank you is a special thank you to the person who gave Candace the gift of a heart shaped prayer stone necklace at her farewell reception. The card got separated from the gift and so we are not sure who it is from but want that person to know it is very much appreciated! (Please let us know if the necklace was from you!) Thank you all! Happy New Year 2011!

Condolences:

Our thoughts and prayers are with:

John Kuhn on the recent death of his mother.

Sue Moyer on the recent death of her father.

We thank the following people for sharing their musical talents for our Christmas services ó Brass Quintet (Ben Kolmer, Briannah and Tim Rohrbaugh, Christian Swartzbaugh, Barry Wareham), Soloists (Rachel Doehring, Kyleigh Grim, Nick Telenson), Flute Choir (Beth Jones, Laura Pennings, Deb Siefken), Women's Choir (Beth Jones, Bonnie O'Dell, Rachel Parmentier, Wendy Wilson, Charlotte Winsheimer, Bonnie Wright), Chapel Choir, Chapel Bell Choir, Adult Choir, Amy Hieber and Dave Conklin.

Upcoming Events:

**January/February
Music Schedule**

Jan. 23	8:15 a.m.	Adult Bell Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Youth Bell Choir Youth Choir
Jan. 30	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
Feb. 6	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
Feb. 13	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
Feb. 20	8:15 a.m.	Early Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Adult Choir
Feb. 27	8:15 a.m.	Youth Bell Choir Youth Choir
	11:00 a.m.	Chapel Bell Choir Chapel Choir

HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP

January/February

Jan. 23	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Fellowship
Jan. 30	12:15 - 3:30 p.m.	Roller Skating at Magic Elm
February 6	3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	*SouperBowl Game
February 13	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Fellowship
February 20	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Fellowship
February 27	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Fellowship

* Information will be given out at Jan. SHIP meetings.

MidSHIP Schedule

January/February

Jan. 23	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Fellowship/Games
Jan. 30	12:15 - 3:30 p.m.	Roller Skating at Magic Elm
February 6	3:00 - 5:00 p.m.	*SouperBowl Game
February 13	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Fellowship/Games
February 20	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Fellowship/Games
February 27	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Fellowship/Games

* Information to follow.

**Financial Presentation
On February 13**

Come join us for a financial presentation entitled %life Changes Always Affect Your Budget.+ It will be held on Sunday, February 13 at 9:30 a.m. in the MacAskill Room.

We will cover challenges that people face when a major (or minor) life change occurs, including Birth of a Child; Retirement; Loss of a Job; Illness or Serious Injuries; Death of a Spouse or Partner; Divorce or Separation.

We will cover the following subjects: Budgeting; Maintaining Bank Accounts, Financial Scams, and Identity Theft.

This very important program is for all ages. If you have any questions, please contact Phyllis in the church office (334-1235, ext. 5).

Hope to see you there!



Mark your calendar!!

April 1- 2

Women's Retreat

June 27-30

Vacation Bible School



The mission committee is starting a series of biweekly mission updates to provide the congregation, over the course of this coming year, with a summary of all the mission programs which are currently on the budget. We are exploring new programs which might be family oriented, shorter duration, local or national, or non-building projects or some combination of these and will keep you posted on new mission opportunities as they arise.

This week the focus is on **Circles+**, one of our newest missions. It is a local program under the umbrella of SCCAP and serves Adams and Franklin Counties. The purpose of the program is to help families escape from poverty and become self-sufficient. The low-income individual or family is paired with 3-4 **Allies+** who are volunteers who provide their expertise in finances, childcare, education, nutrition, mechanics, health, career building and other areas to coach the families and provide a role model as the family works its way out of poverty. The families attend regular education and fellowship sessions through the program. GPC has pledged \$1000 this year to the program.

Anyone wishing to send a donation on their own or volunteer 3-5 hours per month as an Ally can contact Emily Rice-Townsend who heads the program at 717-334-7634. For more information go to www.circlesadamscounty.org.

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED of Gettysburg and Adams County will meet at noon on **Wednesday, February 2, 2011** in the **Gettysburg Foursquare Gospel Church** at 328 Middle Street. The hour-long meeting begins with a (\$2) light lunch coordinated this month by the ladies from Gettysburg Presbyterian Church. During dessert, a program of slides with information and insight given from the perspective of women from the country of Chile will be presented for additional enrichment to this year's annual World Day of Prayer focusing on Chile to be held in March. Newcomers are always welcome. No reservations needed. Meet with some longtime friends or make some new friends with other ladies in this ecumenical fellowship. Parking is available behind the church. For more info, contact Rachel at 334-3415. Inclement weather policy: If Gettysburg schools are closed, the meeting will be cancelled.

“10 Great Dates” Program Begins February 5th!

Come two, come all! All married couples in our church are invited to be part of a new exciting program called “10 Great Dates”. By combining fun dates and marriage education skills, couples take time out to build their marriages and enrich their relationships.

So how does this program work? It will be held on the first Saturday of each month starting February 5th at 6:00 p.m. All couples who have signed up will meet as a group to watch a short DVD on one particular aspect of marriage, then you go out on a date! With your spouse! That’s it! Childcare will be offered at the church by members of our Mid-SHIP program until 8:00 p.m.

Topics for each month include “Choosing a High-Priority Marriage,” “Finding Unity in Diversity,” Resolving Honest Conflict,” “Building A Creative Love Life,” “Balancing Your Roles As Partner and Parent,” and others.

To sign up, fill out the tear-off below and return it to the church office, or sign up in Fellowship Hall on any Sunday in January. The cost is \$12.00 for one participant’s guide for each couple. Any questions, call Phyllis Dowd in the church office (334-1235 ext. 5) or Bob Remaley (642-8334).

P.S. By the way, husbands, this is a great Valentine’s gift for your wife. Nothing to buy, nothing to wrap, everything to gain!

NAME _____

PHONE # _____ EMAIL _____

- Yes, we would like to participate in “10 Great Dates”.
- We would like to reserve childcare for Feb. 5.
- Please contact us with more information.



**South Dakota Mission
Trip Meeting
January 30, 2011 @ 6:30 p.m.**

A meeting for all those interested in this year's South Dakota Mission Trip will be held on Sunday, January 30 at 6:30 p.m. in the MacAskill Room. Come join us whether you want to sign up or just get information about our trip to the Cheyenne River Indian Reservation from July 14-24, 2011. If you have any questions, please contact Phyllis or Penny in the church office 334-1235, ext. 5. Hope to see you January 30!

NEED A RIDE?

If you are having trouble attending church services and/or church functions due to not having transportation, let the Deacons help you. We are only a phone call away. The transportation Deacon for January is Cheryl Gochenauer, 337-0406 and February is Kathy Kircher 357-1175.



Join Cub Scouts



Who: You and your son
(grade 1 through 4)

What: Cub Scout Pack 73
1st Pack Meeting of 2011

When: Tuesday, January 25th
6:30 to 7:45 p.m.

Where: Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$15.00 per participant
(confidential financial aid available)

Questions: Contact the Nyiris at
lucan615@embarqmail.com

HELP Needed for Coffee Hour

We are in need of a few very reliable people who would be willing to help out on a rotating basis cleaning up the coffee pots after the last Sunday morning coffee hour in fellowship hall. It only takes about a half hour and can be done anytime after the 11:00 AM service begins, or immediately after that service ends. Please contact Cindi Knouse-Fellowship elder (528-8993) or Lou by phone, e-mail (gpclou@embarqmail.com), or fill out the info sheet below and drop in the offering plate or mail to the church as soon as possible. Your help is MUCH APPRECIATED!

Name _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

_____ Yes, I will help with cleaning the coffee pots, etc. on Sunday mornings.

Preferred Sunday of the month: 1st _____ 2nd _____ 3rd _____ 4th _____

Coming Soon!

2011 Lenten Study Small Groups

Join us for Gospeled Lives as we meet New Testament people who heard Jesus speak about their lives.

An encounter with the living Christ demands a response. In this book we read about the response of people to Jesus' presence in their lives. Some responded with joy and gratitude; some ignored or rejected his word to them. Their stories are the basis of our six-week study which will include scripture, exploration of the biblical witness, prayer, and a call for each of us to encounter Jesus during the season of Lent.

Our resource for this year's study is Gospeled Lives by John Indermark

Sign-ups will begin January 30th.

Watch for more information in the bulletin and on a table in Fellowship Hall.

All Church Luncheon & Congregational Meeting will be held Sunday, January 30th beginning with lunch at 12 Noon followed by the Congregational Meeting at 12:30 for the purpose of reviewing the annual report and approving the terms of call for the pastors. Please do the Fellowship Team a favor and let us know how many will be attending from your family so we have enough food for lunch. You can let us know by leaving a message in the church office (334-1235, ext 4) , returning the slip below via offering plate, snail mail, or e-mail to Rev Lou Nyiri (gpclou@embarqmail.com)

Suggested donation of \$3 per person is requested.

****Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, January 26th, 2011****

----- Tear off -----

All Church Lunch & Congregational Meeting

Name _____ will be attending the lunch and meeting.


I will have _____ in my party.

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 8:30 a.m. Sewing Wrkshp 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts 7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision	2 10:00 a.m. Moms & Friends 12 Noon Men's Inter. Lunch. 3:00 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Grp. 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 5:30 p.m Cont. Musi c Prac. 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	3 12:30 p.m. Homeschool Volleyball 5:45 p.m. Youth Choir 6:15 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 6:30 p.m. Worship & Music 6:30 p.m. Christian Education 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	4	5 6:00 p.m. "10 Great Dates"
6 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 3:00 p.m. SHIP & MidSHIP "Souper Bowl" 6:00 p.m. "What the Good Book Says"	7 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 12:15 p.m. Montessori P.E. 1:00 p.m. PWCT 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. Mission & Interpretation	8 7:30 a.m. Habitat Board 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Leaders	9 3:00 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Grp. 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 5:30 p.m Cont. Musi c Prac. 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Cont. Ministry Team	10 12:00 NOON Newsletter Deadline 12 noon Young @ Heart 5:45 p.m. Youth Choir 6:15 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	11	12
13 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 9:30 a.m. Financial Presentation 12:15 p.m. Deacons 12:15 p.m. Property Committee 5:00 p.m. Session 5:30 p.m. SHIP / MidSHIP	14 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 12:15 p.m. Montessori P.E. 7:00 p.m. Cancer Support Group	15 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts 7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision	16 3:00 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Grp. 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m Cont. Musi c Prac. 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir	17 9:30 a.m. Esther Circle 12:30 p.m. Homeschool Volleyball 5:45 p.m. Youth Choir 6:15 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 6:15 p.m. Gastric Bypass Support Group 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	18	19
20 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 5:30 p.m. SHIP / MidSHIP	21 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 1:00 p.m. Elizabeth Circle 7:30 p.m. Mary Martha Circle PRESIDENT'S DAY	22 5:00 p.m. JMJ Spanish 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts 7:30 p.m. Personnel & Admin	23 3:00 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Grp. 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m Cont. Musi c Prac. 5:30 p.m. High School "12" 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m Adult Choir	24 12:00 NOON Newsletter Deadline 5:45 p.m. Youth Choir 6:15 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	25	26 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Girl Scouts in the Heart of PA
27 9:30 a.m. Sunday School 5:30 p.m. SHIP / MidSHIP	28 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 9:30 a.m. Mom's Board 12:15 p.m. Montessori P.E. 6:30 p.m. Boy Scouts	<h1>February 2011</h1>				

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 **Next Newsletter Deadline:**
Noon, Thursday, January 27, 2011

JANUARY / FEBRUARY 2011

GPC WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Services @ 8:15 and 11:00 a.m.

Contemporary Service @ 9:30 a.m.

- 1/23 Jeremiah Series: The Price of Peace
- 1/30 Jeremiah Series: Disappointment with God
- 2/6 Jeremiah Series: The Sovereignty of God
- 2/13 Jeremiah Series: Is There Any Hope?
- 2/20 Jeremiah Series: Written on the Heart