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Parson to Person

September 28, 2011

Skills for Growing as a Disciple

Our Session recently adopted the following Mission Statement for GPC. Following a brief prologue, it reads:

Gettysburg Presbyterian Church believes that God calls us to invite people to faith in Jesus Christ, and equip them to grow as his fully devoted followers. As disciples, we:

Study regularly

Pray daily

Witness boldly

Live faithfully

Serve passionately

Worship weekly

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As the Visioning and Planning Team worked on this mission statement, it became clear to us that some of these things come more easily to us than others. Which do you think is the hardest for most Presbyterians? We thought it was "Witness Boldly." So, I'll be teaching a class at 7PM on the first four Monday nights in October, entitled, "How to Share Your Faith." I believe that every follower of Jesus Christ, no matter how introverted, lacking in biblical knowledge, or fearful, can learn to share the Good News of God's love in Christ with others. Come and find out how! You can sign up for the class in Fellowship Hall this Sunday. If you forget to sign up, just show up in the MacAskill Room on Monday, Oct. 3!

**How to Share
Your Faith Class
Mondays, Oct. 3,10,17, & 24
at 7PM**

Many Presbyterians are uncomfortable sharing their faith with others, even though it is one of the basic tasks given to followers of Jesus. This class, led by Pastor Dave, will help you progress toward greater comfort in faith-sharing. We'll look at the basic gospel message, barriers to sharing faith, and possibilities for faith-sharing that fit your personality and temperament.

Sign-up will continue through October 2 in Fellowship Hall, or you may contact Phyllis in the church office at 334-1235, ext. 5 or gpcdce@embarqmail.com. If you forget to sign up, just come to class!

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- **CHANGING TABLE**
- We are looking for a changing table for our church
- nursery. Then we can remove the large bureau in
- there which holds the diapers. If you have a chang-
- ing table in good shape, or know where we can get
- one, please contact Phyllis 334-1235, ext. 5 or
- gpcdce@embarqmail.com. Thanks!
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Thanks, Wendy & Heather

Did you notice that someone has been %prucing up+our bulletin boards? That would be Wendy Brubaker and Heather Tschop. Thanks, Wendy, for your display of Sunday School class pictures in Fellowship Hall. And thanks, Heather, for re-covering many of the bulletin boards in our childrens Sunday School rooms.

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- SESSION UPDATES**
- ★ At its meeting on Sept. 18, the Session
- ★ • Heard a presentation from Elder Scott McNair, overviewing our financial situation over the past seven years in preparation for working on the budget next month
 - ★ • Heard the recommendations from the GPC Financial Review
 - ★ • Approved holding one worship service on Christmas Day (Sunday) this year
 - ★ • Approved moving the Lord's Supper from Jan. 1 to Jan. 8.
 - ★ • Talked about ways to identify and stay in touch with members who are no longer actively participating at GPC
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Dear Friend of Lend A Hand:

We are excited to team up with Hoss's Steak and Sea House to raise money for a very worthy cause. Please consider visiting the Hoss's location(s) listed below on 10/23/2011 to aid us in raising money to benefit Lend A Hand.



Print this and present it on **10/23/2011** at Hoss's in **Gettysburg, Carlisle, Annville, Chambersburg, Enola, Hanover, Hummelstown, or Mechanicsburg**, Hoss's will then donate 20% of your total check paid to **Lend A Hand**.

***New this year: If your group raises \$1200 or more in sales, Hoss's will donate 25%! This applies to single day, single store events only.**

Group #13347

Please print and present this when ordering. Voucher distribution is prohibited on Hoss's property.

Mark Cable Concert
DATE NIGHT

on Saturday, November 5 at GPC

Married couples of all ages are invited to a very special night on Saturday, Nov. 5 at 7:00 p.m. here at GPC, as we welcome Mark Cable, Christian singer and songwriter, for an evening of entertainment. Bring that very special someone to a two-hour concert of insightful, everyday-life songs and off-the-wall sense of humor. Fellowship Hall will be transformed into a casual café, complete with homemade desserts and other treats.

Check out Mark Cable at www.markcable.com. The following comment comes from the Director of Couples ministry at a large church in Virginia:

“What a fabulous event! Our couples had no idea what to expect and walked out of there with a smile on their face, a little pep in their step, and a little tug at their hearts— PERFECT! Exactly what we were hoping for!

Mark was so fun - so honest - so relatable and talented, too! Would love to have Mark back for sure!”

Tickets are \$20/couple for the evening. Sign-up will be held on Sundays, Oct. 9 & 30 in Fellowship Hall or by contacting Phyllis at 334-1235, ext. 5 or gpcdce@embarqmail.com. Childcare is available if you sign up ahead of time.

So bring your spouse and come to this special night. Enjoy the music, laugh, unwind, reconnect with each other and think about the things in life that really matter. Invite any other couples you know. Make this a night to remember!

Upcoming Events:

**October
Music Schedule**

Oct. 2	8:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Early Choir Adult Choir Chapel Choir
Oct. 9	8:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Early Choir Adult Choir
Oct. 16	8:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Chapel Bell Choir Chapel Choir Early Choir Primary Choir Adult Choir
Oct. 23	8:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Youth Bell Choir Katelyn Gormley Youth Choir Adult Bell Choir
Oct. 30	8:15 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	Early Choir Adult Choir

HIGH SCHOOL FELLOWSHIP

October

October 2	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Dinner & Fellowship
October 9	12:15 - 2:00 p.m.	Lunch & Bowling
October 16	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Dinner & Fellowship
October 23	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Dinner & Fellowship
October 30	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Halloween Party

MidSHIP Schedule

October

October 2	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Fellowship & Games
October 5	2:30 - 4:30 p.m.	MidSHIP Small Group
October 9	12:15 - 2:00 p.m.	Lunch & Bowling
October 12	2:30 - 4:30 p.m.	MidSHIP Small Group
October 16	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Dinner & Fellowship
October 19	2:30 - 4:30 p.m.	MidSHIP Small Group
October 23	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Dinner & Fellowship
October 26	2:30 - 4:30 p.m.	MidSHIP Small Group
October 30	5:30 - 7:00 p.m.	Halloween Party

Kids Club for Children in Kindergarten - Grade 2 October 20 - November 17



Kids Club is a time of fun, friendship, Bible stories, scripture activities, crafts, and games under the leadership of Pam Rowland. We will offer two identical programs for our Fall series, "The Symbols of Our Faith". These programs will be held every Thursday from October 20 - November 17, one from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m. and the other from 6:00 - 8:00 p.m.. Both programs are for children in Kindergarten - Grade 2 and will be held downstairs in the Sunday School Area.

Registration forms will be mailed out this week. If your child is interested in Kids Club and you do not receive a registration form, please call Phyllis in the church office (334-1235, ext. 5) or pick one up on the bulletin board in Fellowship Hall. There is no fee and the program is open to any child in Kindergarten - Grade 2 who is interested. We ask that you register your child by October 16th at the latest. We hope your child can join us for this church activity for younger members.

— Blessings, Phyllis

PW Rummage and Bake Sale - October 14 & 15

Please call Kathy Kircher 357-1175 to volunteer to help with the sale. We will need brown bags. Please no toxic substances or items that require special handling for disposal. **Bring only items that work, are clean and in good condition.**

Rummage and plant sale: Friday, Oct. 14, 8:30 to 5:00, Sat. Oct. 15, 8:30 to noon.

Lunch will be served on Friday.

Drop-offs: Monday, Oct. 10, put everything in the corner next to the main outside entrance in Fellowship Hall. Deadline for drop-offs is Thursday, Oct. 13 by noon.

Marking and sorting will take place Tuesday—Thursday 8:30 a.m. —5:00 p.m.

Baked goods: Drop off by 8 a.m. Friday or the night before if frozen.

Plants: May drop off Mon. or Tues., but be sure they are moist. Wed. and Thurs. is the best time to bring them.

Clean-up: Saturday Oct. 15 noon until complete.

Volunteers are needed!!! The more help, the faster and easier big projects get done. Please call Kathy if you can help.

Thank you for your support of this worthwhile PW Project. SEE YOU AT THE SALE!!!!



Spotlight on Missions Presbyterian Senior Living

Presbyterian Senior Living (PSL) is a free standing not-for-profit organization which was founded in 1927 as a mission of the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. PSL provides retirement services to older adults in the mid-Atlantic region. Currently, Presbyterian Senior Living owns and/or

operates 23 communities.

Throughout its system of care, PSL provides independent living in apartments, and cottages; assisted living and personal care; specialized Alzheimer's and dementia care; sub acute care; respite care; rehabilitation therapy and adult day services.

Within the Carlisle Presbytery, PSL operates in the following locations: Green Ridge Village in Newville, Presbyterian Apartments in Harrisburg, Carroll Village in Dillsburg and Quincy Village in Quincy. More information about PSL can be found at: www.presbyterianseniorliving.org

Grief Support Series Begins October 30th

We will once again offer our four-week grief support group entitled: "Dealing with Grief and Loss: Hope in the Midst of Pain." The group will be led by Charlotte Winsheimer and Anne Gallon, two of our Stephen Ministry Leaders. We will meet on Sunday evenings from October 30th through November 20th in the Crane Library from 7:00-8:00 p.m. The group is open to anyone who has experienced the death of a loved one and who would be interested in exploring their experience further with others in the same situation.

If you have any questions or wish to sign up for the group, please contact Lou Nyiri in the church office at 334-1235, ext. 4 or gpclou@embarqmail.com.

The winners of the Personnel and Administrations Team's "Do You Know Your Staff" on Kick Off Sunday are as follows:

- Grape Jelly ó Rebecca Zepp
- Halloween cookies ó Dillman Family
- Apple Pie at Thanksgiving ó the Stablers
- Pecan Pie at Christmas ó Mary Miner
- Kettle Corn popcorn on Super Bowl Sunday - Sedona Wilson

Winners, please call Joanna McGuire 334-2096 (after 7:00 p.m.) so a date can be arranged for pick up at the church.

Young at Heart October 13, 2011

- In October we will be traveling to the Allenberry Playhouse in Boiling Springs for a lunch buffet and a play entitled "I Do, I Do". This romantic musical follows a married couple through 50 years of marriage. The cost of lunch and the show including tax and gratuities will be \$51 per person. We will carpool from the church using the church van and cars as needed, meeting at the church at 10:15 AM and leaving no later than 10:30. The lunch buffet will begin at 11:30 AM and the show starts at 1:00 PM. Since we have to book this in advance we ask that those interested in attending please mail a check to Dick Wisor at 7 Preserve Drive, Littlestown, PA 17340 arriving no later than **Tuesday, October 4th**. Checks should be made payable to Gettysburg Presbyterian Church. Any questions can be directed to Dick Wisor at 717-359-8896.

"Calendar of Giving"

For the month of:

October

We will be collecting: cat & dog food, pet toys and cat & dog treats for **SPCA**

Please put your donations in the blue bin in Fellowship Hall

CHURCH WOMEN UNITED of Gettysburg and Adams County

welcomes all church women to the meeting and social time on **Wednesday, October 5, 2011 at 12:00 noon** in the **Gettysburg Foursquare Gospel Church** at 328 W. Middle Street. This month's luncheon (\$2) will be coordinated by the ladies from Gettysburg United Methodist Church. Following dessert, Father Jonathan Sawicki of St. Francis Xavier Church will be the speaker. Newcomers are always welcome to join in this ecumenical fellowship. No reservations needed. Parking available behind the church. For more info, contact Rachel at 334-3415.

PW CIRCLES

Elizabeth Circle

Monday, Oct. 17, 1:00 p.m.
Paideia House, First Floor



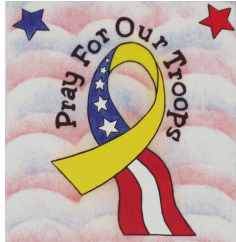
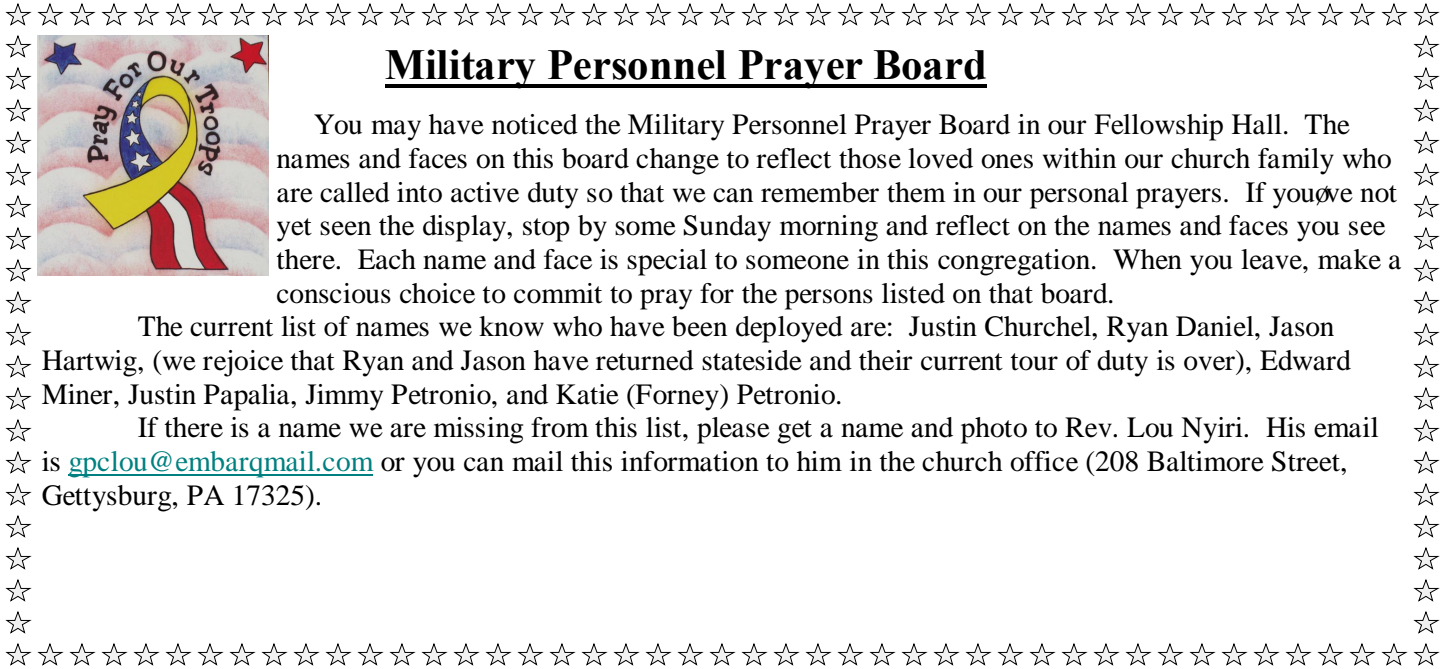
Mary Martha Circle

Monday, Oct. 17, 7:30 p.m.
Hostess: Sherry Farkas
520 Water St.
Fairfield, PA
642-1552

Esther Circle

Thursday, Oct. 20, 9:30 a.m.
Eisenhower Lounge at GPC

LESSON 2: Matthew 5:4; Luke 6: 21b, 25b



Military Personnel Prayer Board

You may have noticed the Military Personnel Prayer Board in our Fellowship Hall. The names and faces on this board change to reflect those loved ones within our church family who are called into active duty so that we can remember them in our personal prayers. If you've not yet seen the display, stop by some Sunday morning and reflect on the names and faces you see there. Each name and face is special to someone in this congregation. When you leave, make a conscious choice to commit to pray for the persons listed on that board.

The current list of names we know who have been deployed are: Justin Churchel, Ryan Daniel, Jason Hartwig, (we rejoice that Ryan and Jason have returned stateside and their current tour of duty is over), Edward Miner, Justin Papalia, Jimmy Petronio, and Katie (Forney) Petronio.

If there is a name we are missing from this list, please get a name and photo to Rev. Lou Nyiri. His email is gpclou@embarqmail.com or you can mail this information to him in the church office (208 Baltimore Street, Gettysburg, PA 17325).

New Sunday School Series from Oct. 2 - 23

Rev. Dr. Lou Hammann will be presenting a new series entitled "Unconventional Religions" during the Sundays in October at 9:30 a.m. in the MacSkill Room. Come join us as we examine Mormonism and other sects in the U.S. who call themselves Christian to see if their claims are true.

Lou Hammann taught at Gettysburg College for half a century. Early in his career he also coached the College soccer team. Later he was instrumental in starting the local Youth Soccer Program. Lou has also been involved locally in many civic activities; currently he participates in the programs of the local Democracy for America. He was born in Baltimore and grew up there working in a variety of jobs. He has also traveled to Japan, Taiwan, Pakistan, Nicaragua, Mexico and throughout Europe and the United States. He is an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ, and a member of Hundredfold Farm Community.

Undergraduate Student Care Packages



Gone but not forgotten. School has started. Our college students may not be here at church, but we want them to know that they are still very much in our thoughts and prayers. We can do this through our College Care Packages. If you have a college student that you would like to receive one, just fill out the following form and return it to the church office or contact Bev Weber. (bandlweber@aol.com) Final responses are due by Oct 12 for an early November delivery.

Thank you in advance for your help.

Return the following information to Bev by Oct. 12th.

Name of Student _____
Postal Mail Address of Student _____

Email Address of Student _____
Food Allergies of Student _____
Parent's Name & Phone Contact: _____




SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 6:00 p.m. "10 Great Dates"
2 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:15 a.m. Sunday School (ages 3 . Grade 8) 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Grades 9-12 & Adult) 12:00 p.m. Exploring Membership Class 4:00 p.m. Youth Bell Choir 4:00 p.m. Session 5:00 p.m. Youth Choir 5:30 p.m. MidSHIP & SHIP	3 8:30 a.m. Burden Bear Workshop 1:30 p.m. PWCT 5:45 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Boy Scouts 7:00 p.m. "How to Share Your Faith"	4 9:30 a.m. Sewing Workshop 6:30 p.m. Christian Education 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts 7:00 p.m. Stephen Ministry Supervision	5 9:00 a.m. Moms & Friends 12:00 p.m. Men's Interfaith 3:00 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Group 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m. High School 12 5:30 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Nominating Committee	6 12 Noon Newsletter Deadline 3:00 p.m. Girl Scouts 6:30 p.m. Worship & Music 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	7	8 Wedding Rehearsal
9 7:40 a.m. Early Choir 9:15 a.m. Sunday School (ages 3 . Grade 8) 9:30 a.m. Sunday School (Grades 9-12 & Adult) 12:15 p.m. Deacons Meeting 12:15 p.m. Property Com. 12:15 p.m. Mid-SHIP & SHIP Lunch & Bowling 3:00 p.m. Cook Wedding	10 COLUMBUS DAY 5:45 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:00 p.m. Cancer Support Grp 7:00 p.m. "How to Share Your Faith" 7:30 p.m. Mission & Interpretation R U M M A G E S	11 7:30 a.m. Habitat Board Mtg. 6:30 p.m. Cub Scouts 7:00 p.m. Boy Scout Leaders	12 3:00 p.m. MidSHIP Sm. Group 3:15 p.m. Youth Club 5:30 p.m. High School 12 5:30 p.m. Cont. Music Prac. 5:45 p.m. Chapel Choir 6:00 p.m. Welcome & Outreach 6:15 p.m. Chapel Bell Choir 7:00 p.m. Adult Choir 7:00 p.m. Cont. Worship Team A L E S E T U P	13 12:00 p.m. Young @ Heart 5:30 p.m. Girl Scouts 7:15 p.m. Adult Bell Choir	14 RUMMAGE SALE 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.	15 RUMMAGE SALE 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.
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 **Next Newsletter Deadline:
Noon, Thursday, October 6, 2011**

October 2011

GPC WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Traditional Worship @ 8:15 & 11:00 a.m.

Contemporary Worship @ 9:30 a.m.

- 10/2 %Homosexuality and the Church I - Using the Bible+
- 10/9 %Homosexuality and the Church II - Dealing with Division+
- 10/16 %On the Red Carpet+
 Stewardship Sunday
- 10/23 %Grace+
- 10/30 %Traveling Light+