

Weekly E-Newsletter of The Presbyterian Church

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God's Love Is Here for You

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Dear friends!

We celebrate the Ascension of our Lord into heaven this Sunday in worship. The actual date in the Church year for celebrating the ascension is today—May 13; it is always remembered 40 days after Easter. This time of 40 days between resurrection and ascension comes from Acts 1:3: "After his suffering he presented himself alive to them by many convincing proofs, appearing to them during forty days and speaking about the kingdom of God."

Of the Ascension of the Lord celebration, our *Book of Common Worship* says, "on this day in particular, we give thanks for Christ's sovereign rule over all creation, as well as his priestly intercession for us at the throne of God's mercy. We proclaim with joy that Jesus is already Lord of heaven and earth and head of the Church, and watch with longing for the day when he will come again in the glory of God's new creation."

I am happy to announce that we are restarting our Windsorwood Worship service this Sunday at 2 p.m. Caroline Heading will play piano and Betty Harrison is our deacon assisting. This service is always special to me because of the intimacy of the group, with only about 20 people gathering, and the sweet spirit that always dwells in our midst. It is even more special this Sunday because it has been more than a year since I led worship at Windsorwood because of the pandemic. I look forward to visiting with our three members who live there and reaching out with the kindness of Christ to others who need encouragement, too.

God gives us multiple opportunities to witness to our faith outside the church walls—if only we have eyes to see them and hearts willing to obey. I pray that you will be stirred to share the gospel, more and more, as you go about your daily life.

Thank you for your love and commitment to the Lord and His Church!

God bless you with joy and peace.

Love, Pastor Karen

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What's Happening with the Church This Week?

Thursday (5/13): 10 a.m. Prayer Fellowship via Conference Call

Sunday (5/16): 9:30 a.m. Trustees meeting

10:30 a.m. Worship for Ascension Sunday in the sanctuary

2 p.m. Worship at Windsorwood

Monday (5/17): Pastor Karen's Continuing Education with

Lombard Mennonite Peace Center

Scriptures: Psalm 47; Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:15-23; Luke 24:44-53

Meek Week



Happy Birthday to: August McPeek (5/15); Chelsey McPeek, Heather Stewart,

Raymond Stout (5/18)

Happy Anniversary to: Clay and Lisa Gibson (5/19)

In our hearts and prayers:

Barb Moore - Home Donna Westfall - Home

Louise Mickelson - Home

Dick Sycks - Home

Mary Timmons - 4588 Wesley Woods Blvd., Unit 106, New Albany, Ohio 43054

Nellie Walters - Home Barb Wheeler - Home



Join Us for Prayer Fellowship:

Would you like to share your prayer requests with Prayer Fellowship? Here are the instructions to join the group meeting by conference call Thursdays at 10 a.m.

- 1. Call 717-275-8940 (if busy, try again)
- 2. Enter the access code: 2225172 followed by #. Then, say your name and press #. You will enter the conference call and your name will be announced.

Devotion and opening prayer begin right at 10:00.





Summer office hours will be a little different this year. Beginning June 1, Tina will be in the office Tuesday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., Wednesday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. and Thursday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The office will be closed Monday and Friday.

Session has approved our return to the chapel for summer worship on June 6 at 10 a.m. More details will come in the next few weeks.



AT-HOME PHOTOS



Georgia Haines and Kiera McPeck following a performance of the musical *The Wizard of Oz* at River View High School.



Debbie Clark's brother, Jeff, with their mother. Thank you for your prayers for Jeff!



Beautiful outdoor photos from Betty Harrison.





Mary Ellen Landschulz with daughter, Ann Simpson, and granddaughter, Emily Simpson (submitted by Glenn and Sally Kinkade)



"Coshocton County Cat" (from Betty Harrison)

The Ascension of Jesus

While he was blessing them, he left them and was taken up to heaven. Luke 24:51 (NIV)

Based on Luke 24:44-53



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