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*Look to nature for nurture,
It is as reliable as
the God who provides it.*



Saturday & Sunday

Oct. 22 & 23

12 to 4 PM

WORSHIP LEADER:

Loretta Liesch— Oct. 23

Susan Beall—Oct. 30

GREETERS:

Ginny & Sherri Breckler

—Oct. 23

Office Hours

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Bob Beall

Choir Director:
Rob Duerr

Organists:
Jacque Fisher
Mary Jane McBride
Shelley Outlaw

Chapel Worship: 8:45 AM
Morning Worship: 10:45 AM
Sunday School: 9:30 AM
Bible Adventure: 10:45 AM

Ushers:

8:45 AM **10:45 AM**
Gary Etter Jerry Archer
Arlene Uldrich Matt Julien
Charlene Brown Bob Karl

Pastoral Transition...the work continues

As many of you know, the Interim Pastor Search Committee has been interviewing candidates to serve our church as Interim Pastor. When selected this Pastor will work closely with a new committee, yet selected, known as the Pastoral Search Committee. More information will be made available on the Pastoral Search Committee in the coming weeks. . Of course, when selected, the Interim Pastor will take on many responsibilities that relate to the life of our church. The Interim Pastor and all of us will experience a time of renewal as we work together in this time of transition. We will continue to reinforce the true nature and experience of Greenmont Church as set forth in our Church Covenant, the two great commandments as set forth in Matthew 22: 35. This is a version from *The Message, The Bible in Contemporary Language* Matthew 22: 37-40:

Jesus said: Love the Lord your God with all your passion and prayer and intelligence. This is the most important, the first on any list. But there is a second to set alongside it: Love others as well as you love yourself. These two commands are pegs; everything in God's Law and the Prophets hangs from them.

Take care, Bob Beall

also...

Annual Congregation Meeting

I hope all of you will join us following the 10:45 worship service on Sunday, November 6, for our annual Congregation Meeting. Important information regarding our budget and the group of committee chairpersons for 2012 will be presented for approval. Also, updates and information regarding steps the Official Board is taking to put an Interim Pastor in place, as well as the process involved in moving forward to select a Pastoral Search Committee will be explained. - Sincerely, Bob Beall

October Pastoral Care is Given by Rev. Dr. Robert Smitley

As the Interim process continues and until an interim pastor is selected, Rev. Robert Smitley will conduct our worship services. He is also graciously providing for homebound and hospital care in this time. We are grateful for his friendship and pastoral leadership.

If you have any need of a Pastoral call, please contact the church office, 252-6705, ext.0

Please continue to keep the Church in your prayers ... let's keep one another in prayer as we begin our new journey together knowing that it comes with the love and assurance of God's truth and guidance for our daily living.

Everyone Counts— Statistics

Attendance Oct. 9, 16 2011

8:45 — 11, 22
10:45 — 62, 74
Sunday school — 17, 24

Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$15,850)

	Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
Dec. '10	- \$ 15, 964	+ \$114
Jan. '11	- \$15, 252	- \$598
Feb. '11	- \$ 13,545	- \$2,305
Mar. '11	- \$12,209	- \$3,641
Apr. '11	- \$14,261	- \$1,589
May '11	- \$13,157	- \$2,693
June '11	- \$10,387	- \$5,463
July '11	- \$14,577	- \$1,273
Aug. '11	- \$9,779	- \$6,071

Happy Birthday

Barbara Richards—Oct. 19
Amee Conn—Oct. 20
Betty Hine—Oct. 24
Anna Landing—Oct. 24
Alyssa Ybarbo—Oct. 24
Craig Sink—Oct. 25
Ryan Sink—Oct. 25
Joyce Kelley—Oct. 27
Mason Dull—Oct. 28
Robbie Von Holle—Oct. 28
Margaret Foster—Nov. 1
Gage Rayney—Nov. 1
Lee Amundson—Nov. 2
Howard Jordan—Nov. 5



In Our Prayers

Glenda Boddie	
Jim Coleman	Jerry Edwards
Gary Etter	Jim Farra
Jamie Geswein	Beverly Guffey
Ken Hambrick	Judy Hirshman
Vern Hine	Bill Hine
Carol Hildebrecht	

Ruth Ingles	Dan Jones
Marilyn Jones	Vince Knowlton
Dustin Knowlton	Mary Lehman
Erik Landing	Bob McCray
Nancy Lyttle	Marcella Miller
Lauren McClure	Karolina O'Donnell
Cindy Ramono	Harriet Shawhan
Mary Reynolds	Calire Riccos
Laura Ruppert	Tom Scheit
Doug Sink	Paul Stutz
Danny Tomaz	Gloria Van Camp
Flo Warner	Evelyn Wheeler
Mary Willett	Diane Yost

Those in Nursing Care

Mary Lou Chaney – Bethany Vlg.
Margaret Cobb – Walnut Creek
Margaret Dill – Masonic Home
Marion Farren—Trinity Home
Ginny Hambrick—Walnut Creek
Mildred Heath – Walnut Creek
Lottie Jaeger – The Oaks, West Kett
Dan Jones – Patriot Ridge Nursing
Lena Patterson – Liberty Woods
Charles Warren – East Moline, IL
Vera Westfall—Walnut Creek

Military

Ian Bader - USA, (Brown's grandson)
Scott Certain – USA
(Jo Anne Jay's son-in-law)
Andrew Hayden – USA
(Edna Holland's grandson)
Tyler Mantia – Afganistan
Michael Mantia – USA (Mantia family sons)
Nathan Nicholas—USA
Brian Nicholas—Korea (Nicholas family sons)
Adam Reeves—USA (Edna's grandson)
Sam Rogers— USA (Jen Roger's son)
Casey Ryan - USA (Weyrauch son-in-law)
Kevin Stites— USA (S Stites grandsons)
Ryan Stites - USA

Dear Members,

FISH Southeast Food Pantry thanks you for the \$100 donation to our work. We appreciate your support of this local program. Sincerely, Janet Harris, Pantry Coordinator



Dear Greenmont-Oak Park Family:

Patti and I thank you for your kindness and generosity. The dinner was fabulous. It was so humbling and appreciated to see so many of you there. Your financial gift and gift items astounded us. I am planning to purchase a clergy robe to remind me that I am always surrounded by your love and prayers.

We traveled through two days of rain. But Tuesday was bright and warm as we came to Chamberlain, S. D. We are slowly unpacking. I still cannot find my book with all my "passwords."

The people are very warm and friendly. Friday was "Homecoming," All the businesses downtown closed up for an hour as the whole community came out to watch the marching bands, football teams, grade school through High school parade their floats down main street in the middle of the afternoon. It's a different life style out here. God bless you in your mission.

Sincerely, Pastor Greg & Patti King (the thank you note is posted on the bulletin board across from the office for all to read)

Thank You, Lord for Indian summer!

I don't know why we call it that. Maybe the Indians took time to enjoy it, time to drink it in, time to savor these summer-is-gone-but -winter—is -not- yet here days.

I thought winter had come, Lord. I got the coats out, and found the mittens. Now, suddenly, the days are warmer. The mornings have a crisp delight that sets them apart — and only the evenings have the chilly reminder that this is a brief respite.

Why, Lord? Why Indian summer? Are these special gift-days from thee, as the Indians said they were? Are they another chance to gather in the harvest of the fall. Are they a time for storing up beauty and warmth and peace?

If these are special gift-from-God days, I should do something special with them. For one thing, I shall enjoy them.

I shall look with eyes that see at the dazzle of the sun, at the blue-smoke haze of the sky— at the burnished gold of the sycamore leaves in my neighbor's yard. I shall store up in my soul as much of the color of ivy and chrysanthemum, as much of the beauty of cloud pattern and harvest moon, as much of Indian summer as I can contain.

Then Lord, when winter comes, and cold winds whistle outside my door, I can bask again in these gift-days of October. Amen. (from "Too Busy Not to Pray")

In anticipation of the next few weeks — every family must surely make it a point to get out in the woods to drink in God's beauty together at least one time in the Fall.



**Prayer - Book Study
Featuring**

**Stormie Omartin's book:
"7 Prayers That will Change
Your Life Forever"**

Anyone interested is invited to join in this book reflection study group, to be held on Tuesday evenings at 7 Pm, beginning November 1. Sheri Parrett our youth leader will be leading the group. The group will meet for 5- Tuesday night sessions to reflect and discuss the power and meaning of these specific prayers.

A sign-up sheet is posted for those interested. The book cost is \$6.00, hard cover. Please sign-up by Oct. 16, so books can be ordered in time. Any Questions, call Sheri at 475-5724



**Congregational Meeting
- Sunday, November 6
Follows the morning
Worship services.**



We will remember those dearly departed who have received Christian burial this past year through our church, on Sunday, November 6, 2011

New Chimes Schedule Set

The Chimes will be sent out bi-monthly throughout the year beginning this week. The Finance Committee made this recommendation to the Official Board as part of the 2012 budget information.

It will remain a dynamic part of communicating "what's happening" during this challenging transition. -Bob Beall

Article deadline dates for coming issues are : Oct. 31, Nov. 14, 28 And Dec. 12.

We recently sent the Chimes out via E-mail to those whose addresses we have ,to see what the response would be.

The paper mail copy will continue to come to you at this time, as we explore the economic break even point, and the needs of our congregation before making any further changes.



**WINGS Calendar
for the remainder of 2011**

October 22:Mystery Trip: We will leave the church Saturday morning at 9:30 for a fun day of shopping and other activities. Wear flat shoes and dress for the weather. Bring extra money for your shopping and dinner. We will return to the church around 6:30 pm.

October 24: Book Club discussion of Sarah's Key at 6:30 pm. Please bring a carry in dish to share if it is your turn.

November 9: We will have a fall meeting in the donut room at 7:00 pm. We are planning to have a speaker and/or a fall craft project. More details in the coming weeks.

November 28: Book Club at 6:30 pm.

December 11: Annual Christmas Tea .

Youth News

As Rev. Smitley stated Sunday, "We are planting seeds for Christ, let us have faith that God will provide for their growth."



Youth Groups Fall Schedule

- Footprints**— (K to 2nd grade)
1st Sunday of month
- Crusaders** - 3 to 5th grade
3rd Sunday of month
- Girls of Grace**—Jr High girls
Last Sunday of month, 6to 8pm
- Christian Nighthawks**—Sr High boys - Saturday— Nov. 5
- Jr High youth**—6th to 8th
1st & 3rd Saturday evenings
8 to 11PM
- 5th Quarter**—Sr High youth
2nd & 4th Saturday evenings
8 to 11PM



The youth with some adults had a fun long hayride evening together. 43 persons total attended the hayride activity.

Halloween Party and Chili Cook-off



Join us for a fun and delicious afternoon, on Sunday Oct. 30 following worship in the Donut room. Bring the kids (grandkids) in their costumes and taste some of our best chili recipes.

If entering a chili for the contest, please RSVP to Matt Julien by Friday, Oct. 28.

Music (Choir) and Worship Committee Meeting Nov. 13, 11

There will be a Music/Worship meeting, Sunday, Nov. 13, following the 2nd worship service in the Hilty Room. We have several topics to discuss. Please plan to attend. -Toni Bailey

New Altar Flower Plan to Begin in 2012.

The last several years we have been running a deficit of up to \$500 in flower contributions. The church has had to absorb these costs. In light of that, the Board opted to purchase silk flowers that would remain on the altar for the length of a particular season. The Worship committee will purchase the flowers and change them as the church season calendar dictates.

The Board understands that there may be an occasion a member may want to purchase "live" flowers for the church altar or chancel. If so, please call the office on how to make these arrangements.

This new plan begins in January, 2012.
- Bob Beall, Admin. Chairperson

FAMILY FALL Festival & PUMPKIN Sale



Saturday & Sunday – Oct. 22 & 23rd - 12 to 4 PM

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Games:

Ring toss

Football throw

Pumpkin Walk

Basketball Hoop

Games : 50 C a ticket

Food:

bake Sale

caramel apples

Hot Dogs/ Hamburgers

popcorn

FUN:

great photo site

petting zoo

pony cart ride \$

jumping Castle \$

AND PUMPKINS For Sale !!



New

Cornhole Tournament to be played Saturday at 4 PM.

Two person teams - The cost is \$10/team. Trophies awarded, call CHURCH to register 252-6705, ext. 0

We need volunteer help for Pumpkin sales every day (during school hours) and extra help for the festival - a sign-up sheet is posted in the Gathering place - please consider helping to support our youth programs. call Sheri Parrett 475-5724

