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# Chimes

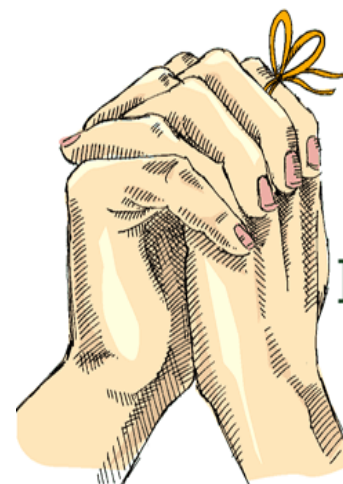
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Resolve  
to pray  
each  
day

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**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

Arlene Uldrich

Charlene Brown

Join us for Church



Outdoor Worship & Picnic—Aug. 4

**WORSHIP LEADER:**

Brian Donovan—July 21

Loretta Liesch—July 28

**GREETER:**

Jane Simmons—July

### FIVE MINUTES WITH GOD

There's a legend – if there isn't, I'll start one – that every newcomer to heaven gets a five-minute audience with the Lord as a gesture of welcome. If you think you're going to make it to heaven, I suggest you sit down now and decide what you're going to talk about, because time flies and once it's gone, it's gone. You don't want to have wasted it on, "Hello, how are you doin'?" What do you think of this weather we've been having lately?"

I plan to use my time to find out some things I've always wanted to know but didn't know whom to ask. Like, how come whenever you get jelly in a restaurant it's always grape? I mean, that's a serious matter. Did someone make grape our national fruit? Where is the law that you shouldn't put a little strawberry in there sometimes? Or maybe – maybe even a little orange marmalade? Lord knows, I hope.

And how come when you order coffee they bring you nicely brewed coffee in a steaming glass pot, but when you ask for decaffeinated you get a cup of warm water and a little envelope with some powder that when you dump it into the water looks like something you'd dye an Easter Egg in? And if you want a second cup it's another forty cents. Where did it say on the tablets Moses brought down from the mountain that you shouldn't make decaf in a pot?

And where is it carved in stone that every electrical outlet in the house has to be behind something? And that T-shirts always have to shrink: and zippers only jam when you're in a hurry?

These are important questions in man's search for eternal meaning, and I plan to ask them. I'm not going to waste my five minutes on trivial things like how did Adam have the time to sin for all of us? Or is the millennium going to be pre – post – or what – ever? I want the real secrets of the universe. Like, how do you get a cereal box open without ripping the lid all apart? How do you find what happened to the pencil you put by the telephone when everyone says, "Don't ask me; I didn't touch it." Where do shut-ins go when you call on them and they aren't at home? Why are the back pews more comfortable than the front ones? I'm dying to know, literally!

I don't know how many questions can be asked in five minutes. I recall something about one day in his sight being like a thousand years. (That is 2 Peter 3:8). That computes out to be a mighty long five minutes, and even I haven't that many complaints; and I doubt that he has that much patience. But I do need to know things like why our holiest days always come on Easter and Christmas when the schools are closed and everyone's gone away. (My friend at the Church of the Free Spirit says over there they don't announce them in advance; they just wait for a Sunday when there's a full house and then they have Christmas or Easter). And I want to know why we couldn't have had two Saturdays in every weekend. Then maybe some of my members could have

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### Attendance - July 7 & 14 '13

8:45 — 24, 26  
10:45 — 60, 50  
Sunday school — 21, 15

### Offering—operating income

(Monthly budget need is \$14,958)

	Income rec'd	+/- Amt.
Dec. '12	\$13,272	-1,686
Jan. '13	\$10,411.91	-4,547
Feb. '13	\$10,323	-4,635
Mar. '13	\$14,314	-644
Apr. '13	\$8,745	-6,212
May '13	\$10,436	-4,522
June '13	\$10,768	-4,190

### Happy Birthday

Evelyn Shartle—July 25  
Carol Landing—July 26  
Arlene Uldrich—July 29  
Suzanne Dull—July 30  
Darlene Schafer—July 30  
Cindy Archer—Aug. 1  
Barb LeBlanc—Aug. 1  
Jack Gilmore—Aug. 2  
Helen George—Aug. 7  
Maggie Roalef—Aug. 7



### In Our Prayers

Doris Alexander	Kevin Bader
Russell Berk	Cassie Blitchington
Glenda Boddie	Ginny Breckler
Nolan Butts	
Jim Coleman	Michelle Conn
Norm Conn	CeCe (Cobb) Cole
Larry Earwood	Margaret Foster
John George	Jamie Geswein

Sharon Gilmore	Ken Hambrick
Bill Hine	Don Keltner
Dustin Knowlton	Onu Kolossova
Barb LeBlanc	Kelly McRonney
Bob McCray	Lauren McClure
Marcella Miller	Hilda Mobley
Karolina O'Donnell	John Parnell
Cindy Romano	Calire Riccos
Deb Richey	Tom Scheit
Ron Sink	Beverly Smith
Diana Smith	David Stockton
Wayne Stolich	Paul Stutz
Gloria Van Camp	Gina Van Camp
Evelyn Wheeler	
Paul White (Dicks family)	
Mary Willett	Cathy Winn

As prayers are answered—please let the church office know, so we may give God thanks with you.

### Those in Nursing Care

Mary Lou Chaney – Bethany Vlg.  
Margaret Cobb – Walnut Creek  
Margaret Dill – Masonic Home  
Doris Greenwood—Grand Court  
Ginny Hambrick—Walnut Creek  
Vern Hine—St. Leonards Center  
Lottie Jaeger – The Oaks, West Kett  
Lena Patterson – Liberty Woods  
Vera Westfall—Elm Croft, Washington Tnsp

### Military

Ian Bader - USA, (Brown's grandson)  
Kirby Brooks— USA (Al Brooks son)  
Scott Certain –Afganistan (Jay's son-in-law)  
Michael Mantia— USA  
Nathaniel Nicholas—USA  
Brian Nicholas—USA (Nicholas family sons)  
Adam Reeves—USA (Edna's grandson)  
Sam Rogers— USA (Jen Roger's son)  
Casey Ryan - USA (Weyrauch son-in-law)

**"Sympathies"**

We extend our prayers and thoughts to the family of Harriet Shawhan, who passed onto eternal life earlier this month. May God comfort the family at this time of loss. -Your GOPCC family

**"THANK YOU ALL"**

( from two Missions we support as a church)

**Dear Friends,**

Thank you so much for your generous gift of \$400 to Pine Mountain Settlement School. Your gift helps us continue to be a source of community service and to offer cultural and environmental education and historical preservation training.

Pine Mountain School celebrates 100 years of service this year, 2013. We invite you to attend special events and activities. Our work success into the future is due in part to the support of special friends like you.

Thank You for your partnership!  
Debra Callahan

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**Dear Members,**

FISH Southeast Food Pantry thanks you for the \$100 donation. We appreciate your support of this local program.

Sincerely, Janet Harris, Coordinator



**Updating Member Address Info. + Updating the One-Call System**

Please let the church office know if there are any address, phone, email address changes, so we can update for the new church directory. I will be working on updating information through the month of July and August. We will have a new church directory to hand out later in September.

If anyone who is not participating on our church One-Call Information System and would like to get calls of important church related information or coming events, please let the church office know, so we can add you to the call list. The automated calls can go to either your home phone number or cell phone number or both if you wish.

**Meet Jasmeen Ramirez - our new Child Fund sponsored child.**

Jasmeen is 3 1/2 years old. She lives in South Dakota with her family. She has 1 brother and 2 sisters. She likes to be called pumpkin pie. She loves watching 'Cat in the Hat". And her favorite color is purple and her favorite food is chicken.

She goes to daycare, and is learning about being a helper.

( We have Jasmeen's photo posted on the bulletin board outside the church office. If anyone would like to be a penpal or just write a note to Jasmeen, please talk to the church office, so I can give you information about sending mail to Jasmeen.) - Nova Kigar

**FIVE MINUTES WITH GOD cont.**

gotten all yard work, shopping, and golf games done and been able to get to church when Sunday finally did come. I think there was just a bit of poor planning there, and I intend to say so. It might be my only opportunity before I get transferred.

If you make it a habit to talk with God now about the important things in your life on a daily basis through prayer, you won't have to worry about what to ask or what to talk about when you finally meet face to face. Any questions?

(reprinted from Pulpit Digest Jan/Feb 1984, At Ease in Zion, by Paul A. Corcoran

Dr. B.

**Aug. 4—Church Picnic**

Please join us for Church and Sunday School at the normal times. Please bring a lawn chair for each one coming, food to share and wear your green church logo T-shirt.

We will be having chicken and hot dogs for our meats and pop, lemonade and water to drink. We will have a free will offering to help with the cost.

After lunch games will be available to play. I have games for the children and Bingo and Cornhole for the youth and adults. If you have a favorite yard game you would like to play, bring it along. We will start clean-up at 4:00 pm.

**Come join us for a fun day!**

Cheryl Barnett  
Membership/ Fellowship

See the flyer on page 5 of Chimes.

**July 20—Leadership Retreat**

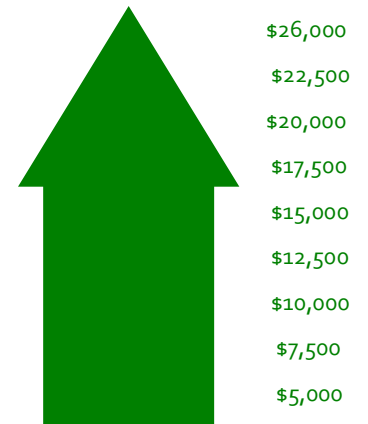
All Official Board members and Standing Committee Chairpersons are to attend the July 20, 2013 Leadership Retreat, here at the church , 9:30 AM to 11:30 AM.

Committee Chairpersons are to bring your committee goals with you to share. Please contact Jamie Fisher if you are unable to attend.

**Search Committee Update**

We are currently meeting 3-4 times a month reviewing ministerial profiles, and we have begun the process of interviewing some Pastor's . We have many interviews set up for the month of July.

Please keep our Search Committee in your prayers and thank you for your support!



**Paving the way to our Goal !**

YOU HAVE RESPONDED WITH FAITHFUL COMMITMENT—We are close to meeting our goal.



### Getting to Know the Disciples Summer Sunday School

We are taking a look at the disciples from the time they met Jesus to what they did after the Crucifixion. We're sure some information will surprise you.

July 21—Simon—Dave Roalef

July 28—Peter—Joe Von Holle

Aug. 4—Matthew—Bob Karl

(Our Aug. 4 class will meet at the park at its usual time.)

Aug. 11—Thomas—Robbie Von Holle

Aug. 18—Mathias—Frank Taylor

Chimes Article Deadlines are:

Aug. 5 & 19



#### Church T-Shirt Sale

The Membership/Fellowship Committee has green-Greenmont-Oak Park Church T-shirts for sale, at \$8.00. They will also be giving a free T-shirt to our new members. They will have them available for sale on Sunday, July 28th.

#### WINGS—July Book Club Pick

Anyone interested in joining the book club is welcome. We meet on the last Monday of the month at 6:30 PM, for a light potluck meal and discussion time.

In July we will be reading, "Winter Garden" by Kristin Hannah.

### Fill the School Bus



#### Supply Collection

We are again asking for donations to help our pantry families with their general school supplies. Supplies to be collecting: paper, two-pocket folders, glue, pens, pencils, erasers, rulers, scissors, crayons, hi-lighters, from now until Aug. 4. You can bring the school supplies to the yellow buses (boxes) in the upper Gathering Place. Thank you for caring—any questions, talk to Connie Sink or Lori Keltner



#### Food Pantry Wish List:

These items are typically in lower supply— they move quickly onto the shelf and then out the door to families -your donations make it possible to purchase & restock the shelves so we can continue to serve our neighbors in need.

- \* drink mixes (tea bags, kool-aids, Punch, etc.)
- \* Canned peas, green beans, corn
- \* Tuna
- \* Spaghetti pasta and sauce
- \* Soups
- \* TP and bath bar soap
- \* Paper grocery bags also needed  
(no plastic please— these are plentiful)

Any item donations can be dropped off at the red cart or wooden chest in the Gathering Place. Your service to our neighbors is greatly appreciated.

**All Church Picnic**

**August 4**

**Greenmont Park  
Shelter House**

**8:45 am – 4:00 pm**

8:45 Church with Communion  
9:30 Sunday School  
10:45 Church with Communion  
12:00 Lunch  
1:00 Games/Fellowship  
4:00 Clean-Up

Bring: Lawn Chairs and Food to share  
Wear: Church t-shirt

Drinks, Chicken, and Hot Dogs Provided

