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## *The Way We Live Our Lives*

***From the Desk of***
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I remember reading somewhere some time ago, a definition of "spirituality" that has stuck in my mind ever since. *Spirituality* can be understood as "the way we live our life, given our understanding of a mystery at the center of the universe." I want to unpack that a bit for our summer *Cornerstone* newsletter … and offer a direction for the weeks ahead.

First of all, as men and women with a "religious worldview," we most commonly call the "mystery at the center of the universe" *God*. As a Christian community, we find the mystery most fully, though not completely, revealed in Jesus of Nazareth. That is to say for us, the mystery, *God*, is defined by the life, death, and new life (resurrection life) of Jesus. So that's what we know (all we can know) about our "mystery at the center of the universe."

How do we know the right "way to live our lives?" Well, we have sources for our own moral guidance in our lives of faith: Scripture, Tradition, and our own Experience. These three sources guide us as we seek to live our lives in such a way that leads us into deeper relationship with God (the Mystery) and creates in us the capacity for greater compassion for others – as we seek, in other words, a deeper *Spirituality*. Here's the problem … More people have left the church over the Bible than for any other reason. Our Church Tradition has been used to *diminish* our relationship with God and one another. And our destructive biases and stereotypes can, and do, too easily influence our own experiences. So we're back to our question: "How do we know the right way to live our lives?"

Our lives of faith, our Christian spirituality, are as simple and as challenging as this: **To live as Jesus lived – loving God and loving that which God loves.** That's what we'll spend our summer trying to do: *"To live our lives in light of the mystery at the center of our universe!"* We'll explore our "moral guides" as we engage the complex world around us. We'll celebrate these guides as they lead us into deeper relationship with God and create greater compassion for others and we'll challenge them when they diminish either! And it all begins … well you know where …

See you in church,

Joel

## PASTOR WEIBLE ON VACATION

July 1 through July 8

We're looking forward to some time away again this summer and trust that once again "absence will make the heart grow fonder!" You will, of course, be left in the more than capable hands of the rest of our PVPC staff during this week and I will provide several names to our church office in the event of any Pastoral emergencies. Thanks, everyone -- *Pastor Joel*

## SUMMER 2019
## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

*May 26th (Memorial Day Weekend)* ***through*** *September 1st (Labor Day Weekend)*

### *Worship Service remains at 10:30 a.m.*

We are excited again this year about the fellowship before and after worship that the "lazy days of summer" provide as we celebrate the love, life, and promise of God this summer.

### *Your Christian Education Team Reminds You …*

Beginning on May 26th (Memorial Day weekend), all of our "regularly scheduled" Sunday School classes, from preschool to adult, will take the Summer off to re-group for the Fall. We will be providing nursery and toddler care, of course, beginning at 10:15 a.m. Our Youth Director will be here for any youth that wish to gather before worship, as well. Be sure to let the CE Team know of any other ideas or needs that arise this summer so that we may continue to meet the needs of our teaching ministries!

## PVPC AT FRIENDSHIP MANOR

**Sunday, July 28th at 2:00 p.m.**

At 2:00 pm on July 28th, we will lead the regular Sunday gathering at Friendship Manor. We gather with the residents there to sing, pray, and share a bit of the life and love of our congregation with them. We end with five or ten minutes in conversation, sharing the hope and faith of PVPC and looking forward to our next visit. *What a wonderful way to spend a bit of time!* If you have this time open on the 28th, please plan to join us for the celebration!

## Worship Attendance

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| **05/05/19** | 10:30 | 68 |
| **05/12/19** | 10:30 | 67 |
| **05/19/19** | 10:30 | 84 |
| **05/26/19** | 10:30 | 56 |

# Monthly Mission Highlight

## Palm Sunday Mission Survey Update

On Palm Sunday last month, we collected a survey put together by your Mission Team in which many of you shared how and where you are already involved in mission. Members of PVPC participate in missions in a wide variety of ways. Our direct involvement in helping others includes financial support, donation of goods, labor, and serving on boards and committees. Some of us seek to improve our community and environment through lifestyle choices and vocation. Others share their talents in art, music, sports, and gardening to lift up people.

One of the most accessible ways we share is by addressing food insecurity through donations to Dare to Care, Oldham County Inter-Church Council and High Point Pantry. Our congregation is committed to giving support to vulnerable youth and families by serving with Foster Care Review Boards, Uspiritus/Centerstone, Special Olympics, Lotts Creek School, St. George's Scholar Institute, The Center for Women and Families, and Family and Children's Place. Members also address specific health concerns through work with the Alzheimer's Association, Council on Developmental Disabilities, Cedar Lake Lodge, and the Depression Bipolar Support Alliance.

The larger community is enhanced through our volunteering with the Kentucky Derby Festival, Thunder over Louisville, and Iron Man.

Thank you for your participation in the survey. The Mission Committee plans to build on this information to develop hands-on experiences for our congregation to share our "love of neighbor" in a meaningful way.

If you have suggestions please speak to a member of the group; Lynne Anderson is the chair.

# SMALL GROUP

## *SCHEDULE FOR JUNE...*

**Sunday, June 2** - Games at the Williams home, after worship until 2:00p

**Sunday, June 9** - Leave for Montreat, meet at church at 8:30a

**Saturday, June 16** - No Small Group

**Sunday, June 23** - Renaissance Fun Park, 12:00-4:00p

**Sunday, June 30** - Centerstone, 12:00-3:00p

## YOUTH AT MONTREAT

June 9 - June 15

We have eight Youth traveling to Montreat in the month of June with Youth Director Ashia Stoess and Pastor Joel

Toby Fletcher, Lucas McCarson, Jackie Meade, Nick Metry, Makenna Williams, Annie Weible, Gabe Weible, and Ethan Willis will participate in this summer's ***Montreat Youth Conference: Let Love Lead.***

The 2019 Montreat Youth Conference will equip and empower youth to make tangible changes within themselves and the greater community by hearing their peers voices and using their own. We invite youth to be their authentic selves, to form deep, spiritual, and intentional relationships with God, themselves, and others, in order to grant assurance of wholeness. It provides an affirming atmosphere to embrace the unknown and ask questions that lead to exploration as a means of faith development.

Please let all the participants now that you are praying with them and look forward to hearing about the experiences they will share during this week together!!

## Flower Dedication Form

Each week chancel flowers may be dedicated in memory or in honor of people special to the members of our church community. If you would like to purchase an arrangement for this purpose, the amount of this donation will be ***$30 00***. If you would like to dedicate flowers to someone meaningful to you, please use this form or contact Shelly Settle in the church office: office@pvpres.org or (502) 241-4326.

*Return this form to the Church Office*

1) I would like to dedicate flowers on a Sunday in 2019:

____ I have no preference on a date

**OR**

____ I would like to dedicate flowers on the following Sunday

1st choice_____ 2nd choice _____

*(We will notify you when request date is confirmed)*

2) Arrangement is to be provided by:

____ PVPC Worship Team. **Enclosed is $*30.00***

**OR**

____ I will provide my own flowers. **No payment to the church**

*(Delivery must be made to the sanctuary at least 15 minutes prior to the 10:30 a.m. worship service on your confirmed date)*

3) I would like the following dedication to be included in the bulletin:

_____

_____

Name _____

Phone _____

## April 2019 Financial

| | Current Month | Current Month Budget | Year To Date | Year To Date Budget |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| **Member Contributions** | $28,577 | $21,228 | $125,691 | $84,911 |
| **Loose Plate Offerings** | $624 | $167 | $1,019 | $667 |
| **CDC Contributions** | $8,250 | $8,850 | $33,000 | $35,400 |
| **All Other Income** | $1,823 | $1,148 | $0 | $4,591 |
| **Expenses** | $27,486 | $26,989 | $119,002 | $121,704 |

## June Birthdays

| | |
|---|---|
| 2 | Steven Fisher |
| 9 | Benjamin Faul |
| 9 | Kyle Malone |
| 10 | Pam Scott |
| 12 | Ed Staats |
| 12 | Jake Trimpe |
| 14 | Sue Toole |
| 14 | Jack Wood |
| 15 | Anita Hicks |
| 22 | Roy Wayne |
| 23 | Betsy Warren |
| 28 | Quinlan Morris |
| 28 | Shirley Orr |
| 28 | Ron Warren |

## July Birthdays

| | |
|---|---|
| 4 | Clayton Stoess, Sr. |
| 5 | Judy Hall |
| 9 | Bob Payne |
| 9 | Richard Wayne |
| 9 | Katie Weible |
| 10 | Celeste New |
| 14 | Myles Scott |
| 16 | Serayah Fletcher |
| 16 | Patty Weeks |
| 18 | Linda Heleringer |
| 18 | David Malone |
| 19 | Dan Kinnicutt |
| 23 | Jill MacNiven |
| 25 | Chip Culbertson |
| 29 | Mary Boone |
| 29 | Mary Ann Warren |
| 30 | Clint Talley |

## Summer Ushers

**JUNE**

| | |
|---|---|
| 2 | Mike, Maria, & Lucas McCarson |
| 9 | Grant/Fletchers & Linda Heleringer |
| 16 | TBD |
| 23 | Jay & Karen Poole |
| 30 | TBD |

**JULY**

| | |
|---|---|
| 7 | TBD |
| 14 | TBD |
| 21 | Jay & Karen Poole |
| 28 | TBD |

## Children's Sermon

**JUNE**

| | |
|---|---|
| 2 | Pastor Joel |
| 9 | Margaret Hill |
| 16 | Pastor Joel |
| 23 | Pastor Joel |
| 30 | Pastor Joel |

**JULY**

| | |
|---|---|
| 7 | Pastor Joel |
| 14 | Pastor Joel |
| 21 | Pastor Joel |
| 28 | Pastor Joel |

## June Anniversaries

| | |
|---|---|
| 05 | Gary & Lynn Stoess |
| 06 | Jack & Peggy Wood |
| 09 | Joel & Katie Weible |
| 10 | Rock & Debbie Thompson |
| 10 | Roy & Wilma Wayne |
| 12 | Richard & Mary Ann Warren |
| 18 | Mike & Maria McCarson |
| 20 | Allen & Peggy Morris |
| 29 | Kenny & Stephanie Willis |

## July Anniversaries

| | |
|---|---|
| 06 | Dan & Laura Fisher |
| 07 | Mike & Barbara Russell |
| 12 | Alan & Joanie Walser-White |
| 22 | Regan Moore & Margaret Hill |
| 28 | Dan & Laura Kinnicutt |

## Summer Refreshments

**JUNE**

| | |
|---|---|
| 2 | Rebecca Byford |
| 9 | Jay & Karen Poole |
| 16 | Karen Wood |
| 23 | James & Regina Bates |
| 30 | LaMont, Thom, & Sally |

**JULY**

| | |
|---|---|
| 7 | Lois & Bob Hicks |
| 14 | Stephanie Willis |
| 21 | Joanie & Alan Walser-White |
| 28 | Clark Family |

# June 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | 1 |
| 2<br>*Fellowship Team | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| 9<br>*CE Team<br>*Worship/Music Team<br>*Finance Team<br>MONTREAT | 10 | 11 | 12<br>*OC Democrats, 6:30-8:30 (library) | 13 | 14 | 15 |
| 16 | 17<br>*Session, 7:00p | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 |
| 23<br>*Mission Team<br>*Youth: Renaissance Fun Park, 12-4p | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 |
| 30<br>*Youth: Centerstone, 12-3p | | | | | | |

# July 2019

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4<br>*Church Office Closed | 5 | 6 |
| 7<br>*Fellowship Team | 8<br>*CDC Board, 8:30a<br>*Session, 7p | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 |
| 14<br>*CE Team<br>*Worship/Music Team | 15 | 16 | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 |
| 21<br>*Finance Team<br>*Ice Cream Social at the Gardiners, 6:30-8:30p | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 |
| 28<br>*Mission Team<br>*Friendship Manor, 2p | 29 | 30 | 31 | | | |

# Prayers and Concerns

***Members:***

**Mary Boone**
**Sarah Copely**
**Betty Deibel**
**Emma MacNiven**
**Sis Marker**
**Bob Pace**
**Alex Pappas**
**Clayton Stoess**
**Gary Stoess**

***Family and Friends:***

**Ardis Elowson** (D.D. Hendrickson)
**Susan Melcher** (Ann Finney)
**Jimmy Brown** (Regina Bates)
**Sharon Perkins** (Ann Finney)
**Kaleb Jones** (Mike/Maria McCarson)
**Caroline Meyer** (Ann Weingardt)
**Scott Hood** (Shirley Hawkes)
**Isabella Anderson** (Mary Jones)
**Evans Family** (Linda Heleringer)
**Shannon/Rich Smith** (Ann Finney)
**Mary Ellen Wilkins** (Ann Finney)
**Delcina Todd** (Jill MacNiven)
**David King** (Mark Lane)
**Reed Francis** (Laura Kinnicutt)
**Barbara Mappes** (Karen Wood)
**Heather Turpin** (Ann Finney)
**Jim Stoien** (Ann Finney)
**Jennifer Matthews** (Clare Grant)
**Rev. James Byford** (Rebecca Byford)
**Susan/Nelson Dawson** (Ann Finney)
**Forest Henson, Jr.** (Rebecca Byford)
**William Ernst & Terri Burks** (Ann Finney)
**Fred Miller** (D.D. Hendrickson)
**Rose Smith** (Ann Finney)
**Dave Reily** (Jay/Karen Poole)
**Tommy Boone** (Mary Boone)
**Jo Rinck** (Karen Wood)
**Linda Hyatt** (Shirley Hawkes)
**Drew Esposito** (Karen Wood)
**Gavin Elder** (Mark Lane)
**Betsy Hawkins** (Shirley Hawkes)
**Michelle Hendrickson** (D.D. & John Hendrickson)
**Stan Penn** (Karen Wood)
**Peggy Wahlgren** (D.D. Hendrickson)
**Johanna Rohde** (D.D. Hendrickson)
**Jim Browning** (Ann Finney)
**John Hendrickson** (D.D. Hendrickson)
**Larry Bebe** (Mark Lane)
**Ed Stoess** (Jim & Ann Stoess)
**Aline Eads** (Sally, Thom, LaMont)
**Jim Wethington** (Rebecca Byford)
**Alice Walser Booker** (Joan Walser)
**Mary/Morris Kirchoff** (John & D.D. Hendrickson)

*To add or remove a name from, complete a Prayer Request Card*

*or email us at: office@pvpres.org*

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## Big News from the Little Valley!

**Marie Fledderman**

***Bookkeeper***

Monday & Tuesday: 8:00a - 4:30p

Wednesday: 8:00a - Noon

**Shelly Settle**

***Administrative Assistant***

Monday-Friday

8:00a -1:00p

**Ashia Stoess**

***Youth Director***

Sunday: 8:00a– Noon/6:00p - 8:00p

Monday & Wednesday: 10:00a - 2:00p