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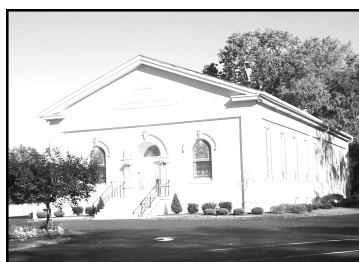
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THE PASTOR'S PEACE

Well, I am writing this on September 25th. For those who have followed the news, I guess that means that the Rapture has not happened, or I wasn't raptured. For those who don't know what I'm talking about, it involves a pastor in South Africa who claimed he received a vision from Christ. The vision showed him that the Rapture would be happening on September 23rd or 24th, but here I am on the 25th. Right now, we are working our way through the book of Revelation in a seven-week Tuesday night Bible Study. It is interesting that such a prediction about the Rapture was made, as we were just talking about all of the people and times that the second coming of Christ has been predicted. Even though there are scripture readings that state we will not know the time or day, and even though Revelation is anything but clear, there is still this temptation to predict such things. It makes sense though; we always would like to know what tomorrow brings.

Trying to predict the future takes place in many parts of our world. From weather forecasts to stock market predictions, we are always trying to see if we can know in advance what will be happening. Some of this is wanting to be prepared for the future, but I think part of it is that we are probably anxious about the future as well. It can seem like something bad is just around the corner, and any reassurance that we can have contrary to this idea is comforting. Of course, the future need not always be one that is bad. Although a popular view about the end of the world involves there being a great calamity at some point, this is not necessarily going to be the case. Also, even if it is, we have no idea when this might be. How silly would it be if we spent all of our time worrying about something that won't happen for another 500 years.

Instead of dreading tomorrow, I try to have hope for the future. After all, if we believe that Christ is in the world always, that should give us some comfort. People have sometimes asked me what I do believe in terms of the second coming of Christ. I do believe that there is a reality beyond this one, and that ultimately through God all will become one in it, but in terms of a timeline, I have no idea. Instead, I choose to focus on my faith life and to try to discern what Christ is calling me to do in the here and now. If I can do that, then I don't really need to worry about what tomorrow brings. As I jokingly say, if you are doing your job, then you don't need to worry about when the boss is coming back. Let us all have hope and know that no matter what tomorrow brings we will always have each other and the love of Christ.

Peace and Blessings,
Pastor Brian

Prayer List

MEMBERS/FRIENDS IN ASSISTED LIVING

Norma Jackson—Oak Creek Terrace
Wayne
Hudson
Susan Saddler—Ashford
Polly—Trinity
Jim
Mary Owens
Laverne



PRAYERS FOR

The family of Charmayne's mother.
The family of Pam Rauls, Tom's sister-in-law.
The family of Kim, whose son died.
The family of Dan Mercer.
The family of Brad, age 43, Shirley Nelson's nephew
The family of Linda, Alan Nelson's sister

HOSPICE CARE

Jan—Marty's friend
Patty Adams
Sandy—Linda R.'s friend
Paul—Marty's friend
Charlie & Gary
Jim Chrismer
Norma
Norm (& wife Ida)
Millie Kelly
Jim Abrams
Jean, Julie's mother
Anna, Jackie & Cathy
Jack G.—Alice
Shirley Stavik

PRAYERS FOR THOSE WITH CHRONIC DISORDERS

Nancy, Parkinson's—Karen B.
Steve, ALS—Bob W.
Sharon, ALS—Ann
Austin Puckett, MD
Dale, Hodgkin's lymphoma—Janice
Lisa & Carol—long Covid
John K., leukemia
Evan (age 9), heart—Shirley
Pastor Brian & Amelia
Andy, Type 1 diabetes—Janice
Wayne, chronic infection/pacemaker
Hope, cerebral palsy
Alan, ongoing health condition
Cheryl M., Parkinson's/diabetes

RECOVERY

Ralph B., lung transplant
Barb H. & Barb P.
Dawn, back surgery
Donna R., heart valve
Tom, eye surgery



STAGE 2 OR 4 CANCER

Becca, colon
Sherry, pancreatic, stopped chemo
Chris S., uterine
Jack G., brain tumor
Charles, colon
Rochelle and Marilyn
Aunt Dot, stage 3 melanoma
Bob D., lung and bone
Tony, stomach
Jim, stage 4 colon

PRAY for our families and friends, our leaders, our military, our first responders, our teachers, our farmers and workers, our manufacturers and laborers, our health workers, our service workers. And, above all, the homeless, helpless and weak.

PRAY for our nation and the world.

Prayer List

Please review the Prayer List on page 3 and tell Ruth if there are names to remove.
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Prayer List



Ann, hip replacement Andrea B.,—Pat F.	† Pam M., stroke
† Barb, brain cyst—Nelson	† Patrick, cancer surgery—Shirley
† Barb H., infection	† Patsy, foot surgery
† Beth, open heart surgery	† Paula, kidney trouble—Nelson
† Beth, mental, cancer—Tom	† Penny, kidney transplant—Pat
† Bill, bladder cancer	† Pete B., chron. Bronchitis—Alice
† Brooklyn, accident, paralysis—Pat F.	† Bob & Barb P., general health
† Cabe , recurring cancer	† Rae, cancer treatment—Carol L.
† Carol, stroke: Vicky, daughter—Barb P.	† Ray Eben, Carolyn Paul—Marty
† Carolyn C., ongoing back pain etc.	† Randy—brain tumor
† Cathy, mass on spine—Hawkins	† Rich K.—Penrod
† Cathy M., neck pain	† Rich, cardiac—Sheila K.
† Charley, age 102, fell/caretaker Theresa, daughter	† Richard T., stroke—Sherry
† Cheryl, breast cancer/liver	† Richard McD., stroke—Hawkins
† Cheryl, flu, cellulites	† Rob, aortic aneurism
† Chris, live/stomach cancer—Shirley	† Robin, stem cell
† Chris, kidney surgery—Karen	† Rose, health—Alan
† Chuck, diabetic complications	† Sandy, tests, surgery—Hawker
† Dan, bone marrow/chemo—Pat's cousin	† Sandy, dementia—Alice
† Dave, prostate; Debbie, cancer—Alan	† Sandy, cancer surgery, mother of 7
† Denise Moore, cancer	† Sarah, Brian's friend
† Donna	† Sarah T., stress—BeBe
† Dwayne, brain cancer—Alan	† Sharon, fall, broken bones—Linda R.
† Elizabeth—Barb H.	† Sheila, COVID—Penrod's daughter
† Evan, skin cancer—Marty	† Sherry, COVID—Mindy
† George B., heart, hospital—BeBe	† Shirley, cancer—Linda R.
† Glenn, spine broken 3 places—Tom	† Sonny, fast growing invasive cancer
† Henry, rotator cuff	† Steve, back—Pat
† Jackson & Jim, health—Shirley	† Steve, cancer—Alice
† Ida, Marty's sister	† Sue, stroke—Pastor Brian
† Janette/Michael, chemo	† Tammy, heart; Zach, kidney—Ashley
† Jenny, hospital—Barb H.	† Terry K.'s father, cancer
† Jerry, lung cancer—Gloria	† Terry, aorta surgery
† Jerry M., inoperable brain cancer—Bill B.	† Theresa, skin cancer—Hawkins
† Jim, bladder cancer—Auer	† Tim P., heart—Pat
† Joan & Gary: memory/prostate	† Tina, lungs—Shirley
† John, esophageal cancer, sepsis—Freeze	† Troy, neck/throat cancer—Auer
† Josh, heart—Nelsons	† Vicky, hospital—Pat
† Joyce, pulmonary stenosis—Doug	† Virginia, pacemaker—Barb's cousin
† Joy & Julia, cancer—Nelsons	† Wayne, surgery—Patti
† Kate, Lisa's mom—Tom	† Zachary, tumor of the jawbone—Barb
† Ken, advanced cancer—Linda R.	
† Ken M., amputations—Ed R.	
† Marcia, throat cancer—Sherry S.	
† Mary Ann, heart surgery—Rauls	
† Nathan, liver transplant	
† Norm, stroke—Marty	
† Odyssey, cancer—Charlie	

The names on the prayer list will remain for two or three months or until the crisis has passed. Then they'll be removed to make room for others' needs. Please let Jeannette know if the person still needs prayer.

Church Service List

Communion October 5		
Scripture	Psalm 137 Luke 17:5-10	
Usher/Greeter	John Lyden	
Lay Reader	Patti King	
Altar Flowers	Bill & Carolyn Conner	
Children's Bible Study: Brittany King	Young Learners Sarah Hogan	Nursery: Hayden Rauls

October 19		
Scripture	Genesis 32:22-31 Luke 18:1-8	
Usher/Greeter	John Lyden	
Lay Reader	TBD	
Altar Flowers	Linda Racz, in memory of her father and Sr. Norma	
Children's Bible Study: Brittany King	Young Learners Sarah Hogan	Nursery: Hayden Rauls

Communion November 2		
Scripture	Habakkuk 1:1-4; 2:1-4 Luke 19:1-10	
Usher/Greeter	John Lyden	
Lay Reader	TBD	
Altar Flowers	Karen Barger	
Children's Bible Study: Brittany King	Young Learners Sarah Hogan	Nursery: Hayden Rauls

October 12		
Scripture	Jeremiah 29:1,4-7 Luke 17:11-19	
Usher/Greeter	John Lyden	
Lay Reader	TBD	
Altar Flowers	Karen Barger	
Children's Bible Study: Brittany King	Young Learners Sarah Hogan	Nursery: Hayden Rauls

October 26		
Scripture	Joel 2:23-32 Luke 18:9-14	
Usher/Greeter	John Lyden	
Lay Reader	TBD	
Altar Flowers	Bill & Carolyn Conner, for Bill's birthday	
Children's Bible Study: Brittany King	Young Learners: Sarah Hogan	Nursery: Hayden Rauls

\$\$Stewardship Record		
Date	Offering	Attendance
Sept. 7	\$3000	54+FB
Sept. 15	\$2050	61+FB
Sept. 21	\$1811	62+FB
Sept. 28	\$1470	58+FB

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Church News and Events

Book Study: Revelation & the End of All Things

We will be continuing our new book study on Tuesday nights at 6:30PM through Oct 28th. This is a Bible study on the book of Revelation. We are using a study guide as well, that is “Revelation & the End of All Things” by Craig R. Koester. This is a hybrid book study, meaning that we meet in person in the fellowship hall each Tuesday, and it is also available online via Zoom. The Zoom link will be sent out via the all-church email list each Tuesday.

October 7th – Revelation 8-11, Study Guide Chapter 4
October 14th – Revelation 12-15, Study Guide Chapter 5
October 21st – Revelation 15-19, Study Guide Chapter 6
October 28th – Revelation 19-22, Study Guide Chapter 7



Cookie Walk Fundraiser: November 22nd 10am-5pm

As many of you know we are doing a cookie walk and bake sale fundraiser on November 22nd from 10am to 5pm. Please tell everyone you know about the event. Below is info for the event:

Volunteer Signup: We have placed a volunteer signup sheet in the sanctuary under the clock; please sign up if you can.

Cookie Deadline: We are asking that all cookies for the event be brought to the church before 8pm on Friday November 21st. There is room in our freezers for cookies brought even earlier. Please write down on the container or with a piece of paper what type of cookies they are.

Pre-Setup: We will be doing an initial setup for the cookie walk on Friday the 21st from 6pm-8pm. We will be arranging tables etc. There will be slots for this on the signup sheet. Please note that cookies will not be on sale until 10am on Saturday.

Day of Setup: We will meet at 8am on Saturday the 22nd to put all the cookies out and do the final setup. There will be slots for this on the signup sheet.

Cookie Walk: The cookie walk will be from 10am to 5pm on November 22nd, and we will have slots for this on the signup sheet.

Congregational Pumpkin Carving Night,

All kids and adults, let it be known that we will again be having our annual grand pumpkin carve off on Saturday October 25th at 2:00 PM here at the church. Please bring a pumpkin to carve and whatever carving instruments you feel you need. We will likely have apple cider and other snacks; feel free to bring those as well. We will also have different categories of competition and prizes, yup that's right—prizes. All are invited.



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Chicken and Noodle Dinner: October 18th

We will be having our fall Chicken & Noodle fundraiser dinner for the church and public on Saturday October 18th. The dinner will be open for most of the day 11AM to 7PM, and we will offer chicken and noodle, 2 sides, dessert, and a drink for \$15. We will be doing advertising, and please tell folks you know about it.

We have put up a signup sheet for people to help with the dinner, and there is also a signup sheet asking people to donate sodas, waters, and desserts if they can. Thank you so much!



Blessing of the Animals: Tuesday Oct. 7th 6:00 pm

The Feast of St. Francis is in the beginning of October, and we will have our annual blessing of the animals at 6:00 PM in the shelter on Tuesday Oct. 7th. All types of animals are welcome, although we would ask that folks be considerate and not bring animals that don't get along well with others. We also ask that the animals have a leash or restraint of some kind.



Neighbors in Need (NIN) offering

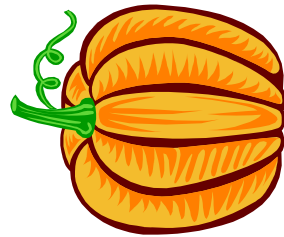
Beaver UCC will receive the NIN offering on **Sunday October 5th** as one of our four special denominational offerings we take up during the year. Neighbors in Need (NIN) is a special mission offering of the UCC that supports ministries of justice and compassion throughout the United States. One-third of NIN funds support the Council for American Indian Ministry (CAIM). Two-thirds of the offering is used by the UCC's Justice and Witness Ministries (JWM) to support a variety of justice initiatives, advocacy efforts, and direct service projects. To give simply write "NIN" on your check or envelope.

Mindy Severtson Concert: October 25th 7pm



Mindy Severtson will be playing a concert with her instrumental group at the Clifton Opera house at 7pm on October 25th.

(Dulcimers, etc.!!)



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 available during
 worship services for
 ages infant to five.

Beaver Church is
 wheelchair accessi-
 ble with elevators.
 We also have sound
 devices for those
 with hearing impair-
 ments. Please ask.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2 12:30 pm Lunch Club @ Marion's Pizza <i>A.A. 8:30 pm</i>	3	4 <i>SONKA</i> <i>Neighbors in Need Offering is Tomorrow</i>
5 9:15 Bell Choir 10:30 Worship & Communion 11:45 Carry-in	6	7 6 pm <i>Blessing of the Animals</i> 6:30 pm Book Study	8	9	10	11
12 9:15 Bell Choir 10:30 Worship 11:45 Lunch 12:15 Choir	13 Columbus Day	14	15 6:30 pm Planning Committee on Zoom	16	17	18
19 9:15 Bell Choir 10:30 Worship 11:45 Lunch 12:15 Choir <i>AA 7pm</i>	20	21	22 6:30 pm Consistory at Church	23	24	25 2 pm Pump- kin Carving 7 pm Mindy Severtson @ Clifton Opera
26 9:15 Bell Choir 10:30 Worship 11:45 Lunch	27	28	29	30 Halloween 6 pm Beggar's Night in Bvek	31	