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JULY 2022

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MESSAGE FROM THE CONSISTORY PRESIDENT JULY 2022



Greetings!

We are officially in the summer season according to the calendar. Sun worshipers are in heaven - sunshine, sand, beaches, pools, baseball, gardening, outside family gatherings and picnics.

Here at Jerusalem, we too go into summer mode. We started with 9:00 AM services out in the grove, outdoor Flea Market (a very successful two days and thank you to everyone that donated items or helped sort, mark and sell) and another Food Pantry food giveaway to help 6 families in need. We celebrated the Confirmation of two amazing young ladies as they experience the joy in taking Jesus Christ as their Lord and Savior and very big thank you to Jennika Borger for taking on the phenomenal task of teaching our Confirmation Class this past year as well as leading us in worship two weeks while Pastor Quayle was on a much-needed vacation. As this newsletter goes to print, the tentative date for the official digging and construction of our new addition will begin and our executive committee will officially sign all the legal paperwork for the contracts and bank loan. Whew, and that was only June! On to July - no sitting back and relaxing. Many details must be taken care of in advance to prepare for our annual picnic in August. Raffle tickets are now available if you would like to help sell and a big thank you to everyone that donated a prize. We will also have a Tricky Tray drawing, something new we decided to try this year, as well as the Corn Hole Tournament. We will have sign-up sheets for all the events on this busy day - sign up for a shift, or just come and enjoy the day, we look forward to seeing you!

We also would like to start planning some meetings for our 175th Anniversary, look for future dates and keep in mind some activities and events that you would like to see in this celebration. If you have old photos, old bulletins, any other memorabilia, but most of all, your memories and stories of this great church of ours. Whether you are a new member or you have been here since birth and your family has attended for generations, we would love to have you participate. Enjoy these Lazy(?), Hazy Days of Summer and remember to give God thanks and praise for all the little things in your life. Keep the Faith.

Wendy



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July - Weekly Bible Verse

July 3, 2022 - *Acts 7: 49* - Heaven is My throne, and earth is My footstool. What house will you build for Me? says the Lord, or what is the place of my rest?

July 10, 2022 - *Revelation 21:23* - The city had no need of the sun or of the moon to shine on it, for the glory of God illuminated it. The Lamb is it's light.

July 17, 2022 - *Matthew 6:1* - "Take heed that you do not do your charitable deeds before men, to be seen by them. Otherwise you have no reward from your Father in Heaven."

July 24, 2022 - *Genesis 8:22* - While the earth remains, seed time and harvest, cold and heat, winter and summer, and day and night shall not cease.

July 31, 2022 - *Ephesians 3:21/22*-... in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows in a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you are also being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP



Our Worship Service is held in our beautiful picnic grove at 9:00am. You can also remain in your vehicle in the parking lot and listen to the service on radio station 95.5FM or watch us live on Facebook. The service is also posted on our website after it has concluded. Supply Pastor, Don Quayle will lead us in worship.

Sunday, July 3rd we will have <u>Holy Communion</u>. Elements are provided by the church.



<u>PASTOR'S NOTE</u> If there are members who desire home communion, please contact <u>Pastor Quayle at 610-861-9203.</u>

CONFIRMATION 2022 – June 26, 2022

Our confirmands, *Trinity Beers and Camryn Bonser* reaffirm their baptism during our 9:00am service. Please congratulate our confirmands. May God Bless them both!



Christian Education News July 2022

Happy Summer!! Hope everyone is enjoying some fun in the sun! I am sitting in a Condo in Ocean City Maryland as I write this, I hear the seagulls and feel the ocean breeze. Life is GOOD, God is GOOD!!!

We are going to have VBS this year on July 19, 20 and 21st from 6-8 pm. This is open to children ages 2 through 12. We will have 2 groups. The "Littles" who are ages 2 through 5 (who did not attend Kindergarten). A parent/grandparent need to stay with the child the whole time. The Sunday School group is for kids who finished Kindergarten through 6th grade. I know some of the kids who just finished 6th grade want to help and that is FABULOUS, those kids have the option either way. Parents do not have to stay for the Sunday School kids on Tuesday or Wednesday.

This year we are talking about Miracles of Jesus focusing on His miracles on the sea and healing. The kids will be working on a special mission project that hopefully will be meaningful to them and the recipients. On the 21st we will have a Family Night for food, fun and games, to highlight Jesus feeding 5000. There will be a raindate of July 22nd for the Family Night.

Attached to the Newsletter is the Registration Form. You can bring it to church or bring it the first night. I would appreciate if you could let me know through Jillian or just talk to me if your kids are attending so I have a rough idea of how many kids are coming. This is an outreach so please feel free to invite children of friends, neighbors, and family, but once again please let me know, if possible, for planning purposes.

Hope to see lots of kids this year and stay cool!!

Blessings, Marcia



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"...pray for one another, so that you may be healed." (James 5:13) "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing..." (1 Thessalonians 5:16-17) As disciples of Jesus, we seek to pray daily. Below is a list of those who need our prayers.

Shorter term prayer concerns:

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Longer term prayer concerns:

Bonnie O'Brien Linda Mackes Timothy Henning Joanne Frable Millie Lehman Dalton Fredericks Ada Frederick Duane Hawk Helen Smale Marla Schmidt

Barry Smale Elizabeth Krause Doug Hawk Anna Bowman Micheal McCabe



MONTHLY GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

The Monthly Grief and Loss Support Group at JUCC meets twice a month – on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1:00pm, and the 4th Thursday at 6:30pm. <u>The group is presently being held on a web</u> <u>platform.</u> Directed by professional counselor, Sue Featro, M.E.D., E.D.D., M.S. Counseling, this group is for people experiencing grief due to trauma, loss or death. It is an effort to assist people in the surrounding community to heal and find peace. Please contact the church office for the link, or check for the invitation link on our Facebook page. People are managing to find and make use of this important ministry. Thanks to God and to the members of JUCC who make it possible!



Hello Fellow Everyone,

Just a brief update on our church addition project.

Our contractor has the excavation for the foundation scheduled to start on Monday, June 27th. The pouring of the foundation is to take place shortly after that. Framing of the structure is to begin after foundation work is completed. Hopefully good weather will be on our side this summer as we move forward with construction.

Steph Anderson has been working closely with our bank to finalize the mortgage agreement for the balance of the funds to complete the addition. Thank you, Steph, for all your time and efforts to complete the loan.

Finally, a big thank you to all our members and friends who have made financial commitments to the support of our project. Every dollar counts and is greatly appreciated. We can now begin to plan for the future growth and the potential benefits this added space will bring to our ministry and surrounding community.

COME GROW WITH US!

Thank you all, The Future Building Committee





Music & Worship

- Renee Mowad added her lovely voice to our praise band on May 1st we so appreciate her joining us in worship. On May 8th Mother's Day the Sunday School children, teachers and Confirmation class joined the band by presenting the song How Great is Our God in sign language. Beautiful! We were happy to welcome Kelly Heinick back on May 15 and 22. This busy college student always finds time to help us out during the summer and we love to hear her sing along with Lynn Mastio Rice. Such a beautiful blend of voices. Our Memorial Day service honored those who have served with patriotic music and a slide show.
- As always, we are appreciative of all who add so much to our Sunday morning worship – the members of our praise band, those who support our set-up each Sunday, Pastor Quayle who enlightens and inspires us with his thoughtful sermons each week, and our God from whom ALL blessings flow.
- We look forward to worshipping in the grove!

Shelba Scheffner

JUCC QUILT & CRAFTS GROUP

Our group will be meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month (**July 14th and July 28th, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**). We have a variety of crafts happening, from quilting to cross stitch to bag making. We welcome any crafters to join us. Some friends just stop by to hang out with our lively group - that is good, too! Social distancing is easy in the church basement, with each person having at least one large table to work on. Please see Shelba or call the church office if you need further information.





We are honored to celebrate the graduate listed below for her achievements and wish her the best of luck in future endeavors. Congratulations!!!

Be brave and strong...the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.



Brittany Williams

Brittany Williams graduated with honors from Pleasant Valley High School. She is the daughter of Lisa and Rick Williams. She will be attending DeSales University in the fall, majoring in forensic biology.



Jerusalem UCC Trachsville Family Pantry

We held another JUCC Family Pantry Drive Thru on June 25th. We provided food for 14 people from 6 different families. We really appreciate your monetary donations to our JUCC Family Pantry. Any amount helps. If you are still interested in contributing, please send your donation to the church or put in offering plate marked "Food Pantry". Thanks for all your support so far!

Your JUCC Family Pantry Committee: Steph, Kelli, and Amy



ANNUAL JERUSALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST COMMUNITY PICNIC

IN THE CHURCH GROVE

Saturday, August 13th 12:00pm – 9:00pm (Rain date of Sunday, August 14th)

MUSIC BY MAIN STREET CRUISERS TRACHSVILLE'S LEGENDARY CAKE WALK RAFFLE TICKET DRAWING

12:00 NOON – OPEN AND READY FOR LUNCH

1:00 P.M. – FREE KIDS GAMES & KIDDIE CAKE WALK

3:00 P.M. – MUSIC BY MAIN STREET CRUISERS

5:00 P.M. – MUSIC BY MAIN STREET CRUISERS

6:30 P.M. – TRACHSVILLE'S LEGENDARY CAKE WALK

7:30 P.M. – MUSIC BY MAIN STREET CRUISERS

9:00 P.M. - TRICKY TRAY & RAFFLE TICKET DRAWINGS

GREAT FOOD, GREAT FUN, GREAT ENTERTAINMENT! BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS AND SPEND THE DAY!

Register Tapes

<u>Kinsley's ShopRite: Brodheadsville ONLY.</u> NO other stores such as Giant, Other ShopRite stores/locations. NO Senior Citizens Discounts, Pharmacy sales slips, Alcohol sales. <u>Weis: Brodheadsville ONLY.</u> NO other Stores or Locations accepted. Senior Citizens Discount slips ARE acceptable. NO Pharmacy sales slips, Alcohol sales or Gas sales slips.



Christmas in July Movie Night Date TBA 8:00pm in the Grove *"The Star"*

Free of charge, free popcorn and drinks





JULY FLOWERS & BULLETINS SPONSORS

<u>July 3rd –</u> Lenny Breiner in memory of Janet Breiner's birthday July 2nd



<u>July 10th</u> – Shawn, Kelli and Mason George in honor of son/brother Cole George's birthday on July 11th and special friend Carisa Lee's birthday on July 7th

<u>July 17th</u> – Beverly & Ricky Waibel in honor of wedding anniversaries for Ryan & Melissa Waibel on July 12th and Joe & Shelly Wonderly's 25th on July 26th

July 24th - Lana Kuehner in honor of everyone on our prayer list

<u> July 31st – Tammy Landon in memory of Aunt JoAnne</u>

JUNE SCRIPTURE READERS

<u>July 3rd</u> – Lynn Mastio Rice <u>July 10th</u> – Steph Anderson <u>July 17th</u> – Ed Brader <u>July 24th</u> - Patti Snyder <u>July 31st</u> – Lisa Hawk & Kim Williams

PLEASE CONSIDER...

Volunteering to read scriptures at our 9:00am Sunday service. We are always in need of readers and would love to have some new voices! Contact Jillian at the church office for available dates!



FLEA MARKET NEWS!

A Great Big *THANK YOU* to everyone who helped out in any way by working, donating, baking or coming by to shop. No matter what you did – it was greatly appreciated! Everyone helped to make the JUCC Annual Flea Market a huge success! We had beautiful weather and the turnout was great!

JUCC 2022 UPCOMING EVENTS

Nake A Difference

Annual Community Picnic Music by Main Street Cruisers Cake Walk – Games Saturday, August 13th 12pm – 9pm (Raindate – Sunday, August 14th)

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Happy Bowl Stand

Apple & Fall Festival

Music by Dean Hahn & The Hawks Apple Dumplings – Apple Sausage Saturday, October 1st 9am – 3pm

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Fall Basket Raffle & Bazaar

Saturday, November 5th 9am – 1pm

<u>Thanksgiving/Fall Filling Sale</u> Saturday, November 19th Orders Due: Nov. 5th





<u>175th Anniversary Committee</u>

Next year in 2023 we will be celebrating our 175th year of loving God, loving our people, loving our community, and loving this beautiful house of worship here in Trachsville. We have been making numerous plans to build our new addition, remodel our sanctuary with new paint, new pews, carpeting and new ceiling options. But we would also like to form a committee to plan special worship services, do some research on former pastors of the church, and appeal to any members that would have those amazing old-time photos of days gone by. We would openly welcome any of our senior citizens that were active in this church since they were children and can reminisce about how things "used to be years ago". Please look for upcoming meeting dates, we would love to have you join us as we research the past ages of our church.



If you have an article to submit for the August Newsletter, please email it to Jillian, our church secretary, by <u>Friday, July 22nd</u>. FMI call 610-681-4412 or email <u>juccsecy@ptd.net</u>

Has your contact information changed?

If your mailing address, phone number or email address have changed please contact the church office to update your information. 610-681-4412 or <u>juccsecy@ptd.net</u>





Just a reminder! Our beverage can shed is looking for your empty aluminum beverage cans. There are two deposit slots:

Our clothing bin is out in the grove near the beverage can container. Accepted items include all clean & dry clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, towels, drapes, pillow cases and stuffed animals.



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