

September 2011

The Chimes



C O M M U N I T Y P R E S B Y T E R I A N C H U R C H



REFLECTIONS FROM PASTOR DENNIS

On September 11th, we along with many people across our nation and around the world will be marking a significant anniversary – the tenth anniversary of 9/11. It is one of those events in the life of our country, where all of us can remember where we were and what we were doing the moment we learned of the attacks. I was in Wichita, KS. While getting ready to leave the house, I could hear a radio from outside. It was so loud, I could hear it in the kitchen. As I walked out the kitchen door, headed to work, I saw a service man had his truck radio up loud as he worked on making repairs to one the lines on the poll. I asked him why he had his radio up so loud? He said, "Have you not heard a plane flew into one of the twin towers and another has just been hit?" I'm not sure when I went on over to the office that day. Many continue to ask, "where was God that day?" I saw God in the heart and lives of all the first responders, risking their very lives to save lives. I've seen God since in the hearts, minds and souls of the American people as we've taken steps to protect one another and as we've worked together to rebuild from the ashes.

On September 11th, we'll sense God's presence as we gather to remember the many lives lost. Recently I read these words from Psalms 62. They are words we need to remember especially during times like these.

- ¹ For God alone my soul waits in silence;
from him comes my salvation.*
- ² He alone is my rock and my salvation,
my fortress; I shall never be shaken.*
- ⁸ Trust in him at all times, O people;
pour out your heart before him;
God is a refuge for us.*

May these words be a part of our remembering and giving thanks.

Along with our worship service, the Daughters of the American Revolution will be holding a service of remembrance at 2 pm on September 11th, hopefully many of us can join them at that service.

Please note in this newsletter all the wonderful things taking place in the life and work of the church, such as:

- Potluck luncheon on September 4th, following worship.
- The continued growth of the mentor program.

May God's blessings be upon all who lost loved ones on September 11th, 2001, and upon all of us as we seek to heal the deep, deep wounds that linger within all of us.

Dennis

Session Digest for August 18th, 2011

Meeting opened with devotional and prayer lead by Pastor Dennis. The scripture for the devotion was Mark 12:28-34, where we hear Christ's command to Love God with all our heart, soul, mind and strength and love our neighbor as we love ourselves. The elders also took a moment to remember and give thanks for Elder Dave Seals many years of service on the session.

The elders always keep before them the mission statement of our church.

***"Come share God's inspiring love,
Through the nurturing of this caring community,
As we enrich living traditions with the good news of Christ."***

One of the first actions the elders took was to approve six, count them, six sets of minutes; the stated meeting and five called meetings. What was comical about all that was, that in the stated minutes it was noted that we'd not meet for our regular meeting in July, but only meet if needed. Guess it was needed as we received nine new members at those five called meetings.

The pastor noted that as of July 10th, we now had a new book of order at the denominational level, and would need to be reviewing the church's bylaws and manual of operations as much of what had been in the Book of Order was now left up to the discretion of the local church. The elders will be doing all over the next couple of months, then presenting its recommendations to the congregation at a congregational meeting.

The pastor also noted with joy, that he and Elder Esther Hall had the privilege and honor of serving Truman Persinger his first communion. Others from the nursing home were present with us for this wonderful occasion.

Please note the financial report that is included in this newsletter, page 3.

Under new business the elders planned a reception for all our new members in October, Sunday the 9th following worship. Hope all can be in attendance. The elders also approved the baptism of Madison Claire Saforek, daughter of Robert and Danielle Saforek, and granddaughter of Cheryl Saforek for Sunday, August 28th.

Under committee reports, it was noted that new curriculum had been ordered for the children/youth classes. Leslie Wyman and Reed Click will be looking this over and making plans for its kickoff sometime in September.

The Care Committee will be working on a way of contacting members who do not have email, when an important event is taking place in the life and work of the church. If you have an interest in helping with this important part of our ministry, please let the church office know.

Dates were set for the Thanksgiving Dinner; November 24th and Annual Catered Candlelight Christmas Dinner on December 13th in the evening. All are welcome to attend.

The worship committee noted that 76 people were served communion on August 7th and that average attendance is now 86 so far this year.

The Building and Grounds committee submitted a proposal for the repainting and repairs to the front of our building. The front will be power washed, repainted, wood repaired where needed and stone work cleaned up. Monies from the Building Reserve Funds will be used for this project.

The elders called for a congregational meeting to be held following worship on September 11th, to elect three members at large to the nominating committee and review the bylaws of the church if necessary.

Meeting adjourned with prayer at 8:25 pm.

Community Presbyterian Church
Income and Expense Statement (UNAUDITED)
 Consolidated - January 2011 - August 2011

	Current Period	Current Budget
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INCOME		
BUDGETED	\$78,397.70	\$83,000.00
NON-BUDGETED		
DONOR RESTRICTED	295.00	0.00
Subtotal Non-budgeted	3,575.04	0.00
<i>Budgeted</i>	0.00	0.00
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	3,575.04	
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TOTAL INCOME	81,972.74	83,000.00
<i>Budgeted</i>	78,373.18	83,000.00
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	3,599.56	
 EXPENSES		
PASTOR	\$46,475.91	\$46,130.00
STAFF SERVICES	14,708.73	15,100.00
CARE OF PROPERTY	10,692.61	12,533.36
MISSIONS	7,450.64	7,738.56
OTHER	3,416.75	4,466.72
NON-BUDGETED	12,842.13	1,333.36
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TOTAL EXPENSES	95,586.77	87,302.00
<i>Budgeted</i>	81,862.13	87,302.00
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	13,724.64	

Benevolence Fund Report and a "Thank You" from a recipient:

During August, we helped 9 families: 1 with a portion of funeral expenses for a son killed in a car crash, 4 with utilities, 3 with transportation expenses, and 1 with rent.

We also received 4 donations to the fund, including donations made in memory of Chet Hardin and Dave Seals. Thank you for your gifts so that we can help those needing a hand during this difficult economic time.

If you would like to make a donation to the Benevolent Fund, please do so by marking your check "special gift - benevolent fund". Those who receive our assistance greatly appreciate your gifts!

Food for Thought:

Someone once asked Mother Teresa, "Why do you include the rich among the oppressed and enslaved?"

She responded, "You in America live in greater poverty than these poorest of the poor in Calcutta, because you suffer from poverty of the spirit!"

CELEBRATE!

The Parish Activities Committee
is hosting a
Potluck 60th Anniversary Party
for the Taylors & the Gaileys
& we'll also celebrate
Ralph Taylor's 80th birthday!

Come join us on
Sunday, September 4th, after worship
for good food & fellowship!

Dessert & table service
will be provided
so bring a covered dish
&

join in the fun!



3rd Annual Gospel Sing-Off

Sunday, September 4th, at 2 P. M.

Sight & Sound Theater

Branson, Missouri

\$12 for adults, \$6 for children

Call 1-800-377-1277 to purchase tickets

This event is a fundraiser for
Christian Action Ministries
food pantries in Branson & Forsyth



PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

It has been a Hot, Hot summer, however, September is almost here and hopefully will bring cooler weather. This is a reminder that the P.W. Circle Bible Study and Bi-Monthly P.W. Meetings will begin.

We would like to extend an invitation to all the new ladies in the Church to join us for the circle meetings and our general P.W. Meetings. Also our regular members.

This year our Bible Study will be "Confessing The Beatitudes". We will have our joint circle meeting Wednesday Sept. 28th at 1:30 P.M. in the fellowship hall. Pastor Dennis will be giving us the first lesson, he is unavailable on our regular Wed the 21st, so therefore note the date change. Study books will be available.

For our new Presbyterian Women, we have two circles, one meets on the first Wednesday of every month and one meets the 21 Monday of the month. The General P.W. Meets every other month. Nov. Jan. March and May. We would very much like to have you join us.

Come join in the study, fellowship and fun. Looking forward to seeing all of you on Sept. 28th.

Blessings
Presbyterian Women



New Directory Update:

Please make the following change in your church directory:

**Pat Seals has a new phone number.
It is now 251-9101**

BAPTIZED!



New member, Joe Carmack, is baptized at Forsyth Care Center as wife Shirley looks on.



Members Joe & Shirley Carmack with Pastor Dennis.



PANTHER PARTNERS MENTOR PROGRAM

The school year has begun and so has our mentoring program, with 19 new mentors coming on board to join 44 returning mentors this fall. We will begin seeing our children at school the week of September 19th. Initially, the program was designed to mentor a child from 1st through 4th grade, but relationships have been formed and, this year for the first time, we will be able to continue to see our children in 5th grade.

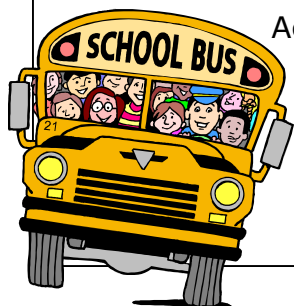
Training will be provided to our new mentors in early September and we are pleased to have 4 new mentors from Community Presbyterian: Ken

Bavuso, Bill Brush, Paul Creason, and Georgia Roe. We plan to celebrate the time and effort given by our mentors by recognizing them at the Sept. 11th worship service, Mentor Sunday. There are 7 churches providing mentors this year: Community Presbyterian, United Methodist, First Baptist, Forsyth Christian, Shepherd of the Lakes Lutheran, Branson East Seventh Day Adventist, and Our Lady of the Ozarks Catholic. This church should be very proud as 21 of the mentors are from Community Presbyterian!

Anyone who might have an interest in the mentor program is invited to come to the Branson Belle on Monday, Sept. 12th, for breakfast from 8:30 to 10 a.m. This is sponsored by Care for Kids through Silver Dollar City Foundation and is an inspiring event. If you would like to attend to find out more about the joys of mentoring, please call 417-336-7058 to make reservations by Sept. 9th.

The traditional kick-off for the mentors and their students will be on Sept. 22 (3rd and 4th grades) and 23 (1st and 2nd grades) at the Boys' and Girls' Club. McDonald's provides Happy Meals for the children and we enjoy playing games and having an informal time getting to know our children better.

Again, many thanks to our members for supporting this program by their willingness to participate and, if you would like more information, please call Jeanne Legge, 546-3255.



Excerpt of letters received from the American Red Cross and Convoy of Hope

Red Cross

...Your gift of \$161.16 on 06/20/2011 to the Joplin Tornado relief has helped and will continue to help the Red Cross assist those in need following this destructive tornado. As of July 29, we have served over 449,000 meals and snacks, sheltered 3,450 people, supplied 205,799 bulk items including cleanup and comfort kits and provided health services to over 5,835 in addition to mental health support to 6,778.

...thank you for your generous gift to the American Red Cross relief efforts in Joplin, Missouri.

Convoy of Hope

...Thank you for your gift of \$161.16 to help Convoy of Hope continue its ongoing relief and recovery efforts in Joplin, Missouri. To date, we have distributed more than 1.4 million pounds of relief supplies and we will be in Joplin helping needy families for many months to come.

(A special collection was taken after the Joplin tornado of May 22nd, and that money was divided equally among The Red Cross, Convoy of Hope, and First Presbyterian of Joplin.)

August 1, 2011

Dear Friends and Family,

April 29, 2001. A little over ten years ago, my Mother died of ALS. If I think about it for very long it seems like only yesterday. I remember the shock of the diagnosis, the fear of how we would take care of her, and the worst part watching her go through losing her health, and her life. Needless to say a part of all of us who loved her died that day right along with her. That is why once a year every year since then, I have to try and help in some way the families who are going through what we did.

A lot has happened in the past ten years. Through all the donations the staff of the ALS Association has been able to raise more than 100 million dollars through the Walk to defeat ALS, serve more than 1200 ALS patients and families per month through the national office, maintain a web site which serves 150,000 viewers each month, print a magazine that reaches 360,000 readers, enacted the ALS Registry to establish a central database to identify ALS cases across the country, enabled global research that has increased the number of scientists working towards a cure and treatments through grants. The ALS Advocacy Association has increased awareness at Washington DC, the white house, and Congress who have established federal agencies that have raised \$365 million dollars for research, just to name a few.

Also within the past ten years our country has suffered a great many challenges. The economy isn't what it should be, and people are losing their jobs. Imagine what it would be like to be unemployed, wondering how you are going to pay your bills, then a family member receives a diagnosis of ALS.

If you want to know more about the disease, the Association, both nationally and regionally, visit the website; support.alsa-midwest.org. You can also donate on the site, or mail a check to me or the local chapter. Whatever you can give will help.

I greatly appreciate your support and invite you to help me honor the memory of my Mother who faced the diagnosis of ALS by making a gift in her name to the Chapter. What better way to honor her courage than to help those who are currently experiencing the challenges this disease brings. There is hope that one day a cure for ALS will be found and memories of loved ones will never again be marred by this merciless disease.

Thank you.
Bonita



Ozark Presbyterian Church 4 Person Scramble Golf Tournament

Saturday, October 1st, 2011 @ Hidden Valley Golf Club
11:30 AM Registration - 1:00 PM Shotgun Tee Off

Multiple Hole Contests, Raffle Prizes, Mulligan's, Door Prizes, Place Prizes

Men's, Ladies, or mixed teams, If you need help, we will assist making teams

Entry Fee: \$70.00 per person

For more information call Bruce Minter @ 725-7641 or 631-7797 or Denny Merry @ 350-9674 or 581-3735

You can help make a difference and bring hope out of chaos!!



HOLE SPONSORSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR THE 2011 OZARK PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

We are offering you the best \$50.00 worth of advertising available. Hole Sponsorships with a 18"x24" recognition signage posted at the tee box, are available for \$50.00 per hole. If you would like to sponsor a hole, donate prizes or give-a-ways, please complete the appropriate section below and mail your check to "Ozark Presbyterian Church, PO Box 328, Ozark, MO 65721". Or you may contact Bruce Minter @ 725-7641 or 631-7797 or Denny Merry @ 886-2808 or 350-9674.

Yes I would like to sponsor hole(s) My sign(s) should read as follows:

Company Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____

Email _____

Contact _____

- Yes we will donate a raffle, door or place prizes
- Yes we will donate some promotional give-a-ways
- Yes we will donate gift certificates
- Yes we will donate a cash gift.
- Yes we would like to enter a 4 person team

(NO DISCOUNT CERTIFICATES PLEASE)

100% of the net proceeds from this event will benefit the Mission & Outreach activities of Ozark Presbyterian Church which will include but not limited to the Joplin tornado recovery effort, the 2012 mission trip as well as numerous local charitable organizations in Christian County. Helping the community and those in need is our focus and we need your help!

Ozark Presbyterian Church is a not-for-profit organization under the IRS Section 501c(4). Please consult your tax advisor as to the deductibility of any payments.



September 2011 Daily Lectionary

Thursday September 1

Ps. 116
1 Kings 11:1–13
James 3:13—4:12
Mark 15:12–21

Friday September 2

Ps. 84
1 Kings 11:26–43
James 4:13—5:6
Mark 15:22–32

Saturday September 3

Ps. 63
1 Kings 12:1–20
James 5:7–20
Mark 15:33–39

Sunday September 4

Ps. 103
1 Kings 12:21–33
Acts 4:18–31
John 10:31–42

Monday September 5

Ps. 5
1 Kings 13:1–10
Phil. 1:1–11
Mark 15:40–47

Tuesday September 6

Ps. 42
1 Kings 16:23–34
Phil. 1:12–30
Mark 16:1–8 (9–20)

Wednesday September 7

Ps. 89:1–18
1 Kings 17:1–24
Phil. 2:1–11
Matt. 2:1–12

Thursday September 8

Ps. 97
1 Kings 18:1–19
Phil. 2:12–30
Matt. 2:13–23

Friday September 9

Ps. 51
1 Kings 18:20–40
Phil. 3:1–16
Matt. 3:1–12

Saturday September 10

Ps. 104
1 Kings 18:41—19:8
Phil. 3:17—4:7
Matt. 3:13–17

Sunday September 11

Ps. 19
1 Kings 19:8–21
Acts 5:34–42
John 11:45–57

Monday September 12

Ps. 135
1 Kings 21:1–16
1 Cor. 1:1–19
Matt. 4:1–11

Tuesday September 13

Ps. 123
1 Kings 21:17–29
1 Cor. 1:20–31
Matt. 4:12–17

Wednesday September 14

Ps. 15
1 Kings 22:1–28
1 Cor. 2:1–13
Matt. 4:18–25

Thursday September 15

Ps. 36
1 Kings 22:29–45
1 Cor. 2:14—3:15
Matt. 5:1–10

Friday September 16

Ps. 130
2 Kings 1:2–17
1 Cor. 3:16–23
Matt. 5:11–16

Saturday September 17

Ps. 56
2 Kings 2:1–18
1 Cor. 4:1–7
Matt. 5:17–20

Sunday September 18

Ps. 67
2 Kings 4:8–37
Acts 9:10–31
Luke 3:7–18

Monday September 19

Ps. 57
2 Kings 5:1–19
1 Cor. 4:8–21
Matt. 5:21–26

Tuesday September 20

Ps. 54
2 Kings 5:19–27
1 Cor. 5:1–8
Matt. 5:27–37

Wednesday September 21

Ps. 65
2 Kings 6:1–23
1 Cor. 5:9—6:11
Matt. 5:38–48

Thursday September 22

Ps. 143
2 Kings 9:1–16
1 Cor. 6:12–20
Matt. 6:1–6, 16–18

Friday September 23

Ps. 88
2 Kings 9:17–37
1 Cor. 7:1–9
Matt. 6:7–15

Saturday September 24

Ps. 122
2 Kings 11:1–20a
1 Cor. 7:10–24
Matt. 6:19–24

Sunday September 25

Ps. 108
2 Kings 17:1–18
Acts 9:36–43
Luke 5:1–11

Monday September 26

Ps. 62
2 Kings 17:24–41
1 Cor. 7:25–31
Matt. 6:25–34

Tuesday September 27

Ps. 12
2 Chron. 29:1–3, 30:1 (2–9)
10–27
1 Cor. 7:32–40
Matt. 7:1–12

Wednesday September 28

Ps. 96
2 Kings 18:9–25
1 Cor. 8:1–13
Matt. 7:13–21

Thursday September 29

Ps. 116
2 Kings 18:28–37
1 Cor. 9:1–15
Matt. 7:22–29

Friday September 30

Ps. 84
2 Kings 19:1–20
1 Cor. 9:16–27
Matt. 8:1–17

SEPTEMBER CELEBRATIONS!



ANNIVERSARIES!

- 2 Ralph & Vera Taylor 1951
- 6 Wayne & Barbara Graham 1964
- 11 Jack & Madelon Kinkade 1958

BIRTHDAYS!

- 3 Madeline Lumpkin, Pat Seals
- 5 Cheryl Saforek
- 9 Neva Harrison
- 11 Pat Larsen
- 15 Mary Jane Wallahan
- 16 Pat Knudtson
- 17 Natalie King
- 18 Pat Hulsey
- 23 Lester Groenenboom
- 25 Moss Prewitt
- 26 Ed Legge

WELCOME
TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS!
Ken & Gayle Bavuso

A Prayer for Renewal

Lord, I need patches on my faith. The cloth of courage has worn thin. The threads of joy have been cut. The pattern of right and wrong has faded. I don't pray for more love, but for strength to move the love I already have. I don't pray for a new conscience but for sense enough to scrape barnacles off the old me. I don't pray to be commander in chief over my life but a trustworthy private on a worthwhile mission. I don't pray for a medal but for loyalty in my heart. Amen.

-Jeannette Struchen
"Prayers to Pray Without Really Trying"

We're Throwing a Birthday Party
You're INVITED to Play

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**FORSYTH COMMUNITY
GRANTMAKING FUND**
Making Charity Fun
Sponsored by Forsyth Lions Club

Ushers/Greetings

Liturgist


Margaret & Clayton cooper

Mary Parr

Bill & Nancy Brush

SEPTEMBER 2011



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Every Sunday Sunday School 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am				1 Bar Assoc 11:30 am	2	3 AA 7:00 pm
4 Potluck! 11:30 am	5 Labor Day	6 Prayer Group 10:00 am AA 7:00 pm	7 Men's Breakfast 8:30am Choir 7:00 pm	8 Mentor Training 4:30 pm	9	10 AA 7:00 pm
11 Patriot Day Mentor Sunday Congregational Meeting 11:30 am Dinner w/ Friends after the meeting	12 Diabetic Group 10:00 am	13 Vessels of Clay Yoga 9:00 am Prayer Group 10:00 am AA 7:00 pm	14 Men's Breakfast 8:30am Calico Cutups 10:00 am Chamber Lunch 11:30 am Choir 7:00 pm	15 Session Meeting 6:30 pm	16	17 AA 7:00 pm
18	19	20 CHIMES Deadline Vessels of Clay Yoga 9:00 am Prayer Group 10:00 am AA 7:00 pm	21 Men's Breakfast 8:30am Choir 7:00 pm	22	23 Autumn Begins 	24 AA 7:00 pm
25	26	27 Vessels of Clay Yoga 9:00 am Prayer Group 10:00 am AA 7:00 pm	28 Men's Breakfast 8:30am PW Meeting 1:30 pm Choir 7:00 pm	29	30	



The music of autumn

There is a harmony in Autumn, and a luster in its sky, Which thro' the summer is not heard nor seen, As if it could not be, as if it had not been!
-A Treasure Chest of Quotations

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Sunday School 9:00 am
Sunday Worship Service 10:30 am