

July 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

Scattered in this newsletter you will find pictures from our mission trip to Nashville. I want to report to you all that I wasn't sleeping on the job nor lying down on the job -at least that's my story and I'm sticking to it. (Even though the picture seems to show that I AM lying down on the job!)

We had an uneventful drive to Nashville, unless you count the longer route one of our "Garmin's" lead us on. Took us out of our way, but kept us mostly on interstate highways. Got to Westminster Presbyterian, Nashville around 8 pm in the evening and were able to bed down for a good night's rest in beds constructed for the mission teams. A group of adults and youth from Albuquerque, NM joined us.

Monday morning we sat down for our orientation meeting and to see what lie ahead of us, and then set out to work in four teams on four different houses. At one it was mowing and cleaning up a yard that had been neglected for over a year. At the others it was doing home repairs of damage done to the homes during the flood of May 2010. From Monday through Thursday we worked on these homes. Then on Friday, two teams continued the work they had begun and were able to finish it and the other two teams moved on to work on two more houses and then help demolish a structure that had to come down. Most of the teams had 4 or 5 people on them; one team was made up of just two.

What this mission trip and the mission trip of last year showed me is how Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is great at helping people recover from a disaster over the long term. Other groups are great at helping right after the disaster occurs, we excel at helping families do the long term repairs to their homes and get back into their homes.

We completed the work needed on two homes and the others we helped get work done in preparation for others to follow us and help the families get on down the road of getting their home repaired.

It wasn't all work and no play. We played some too. Tuesday evening we went to the Grand Ole Opry and heard some excellent music. A couple of the acts were Little Jimmy Dickens, over 90 and still performing, the Oak Ridge Boys, and several others. What I appreciated most was how they had an act for every generation present. We also saw how they cleaned up and repaired the Opry following the flood, preserving the portion of the original stage that they cut out and installed as center stage, so performers could stand where others had stood before them. It was a real fun evening out. Then Friday night we enjoyed a meal out together at a restaurant that served its food family style. We took up a table and a half, and others joined at the one table to make it a full table.

Another important aspect of the mission trip was our evening devotional times. Phyllis and I shared in leading these devotions. The devotions helped keep us focused upon why we had come and who we were serving.

I give thanks for all who went and for God watching over us in our comings and goings and in our serving Him.

As I finish my thoughts on this mission trip, I already hear God calling for us to help others.

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Between now and next summer, I'm sure we'll be doing some disaster assistance in Joplin or the surrounding area. The presbytery PDA group is already working on a three day mission trip in July 19th – 21st, and then another August 18th – 20th. (See related article on page 6 in this newsletter.) Ozark Presbyterian and Community Presbyterian might also schedule some other trips and yes, this work will go on into the cool months of fall, winter and even into next year. Then on the news is the historic flooding now occurring in Minot, South Dakota. They'll be in the same shape as Nashville, this time next year. We might make a trip up there or to another area affected by flooding or tornadoes this year. We'll see where God calls us to serve.

Two things to keep in mind as we begin planning for our next mission adventure; firstly, your gifts can be put to use somewhere and somehow and we pace ourselves – if you need a break, you take one. I'm a good example lying down on the job and finding some good shade when I needed it. Most importantly the people who go are a great group of people to be with for 2, 3 or even up to a week and they become friends for life. So, pray about it and if lead, join us on our next mission adventure.

Thanks for your prayers and support on this trip and the ones to come.

Dennis

Session Digest of June 16th

At 2 pm on June 16th, four of the elders, along with Pastor Dennis, met with Truman Persinger to receive him as a member of the church and approve his baptism. It was with joy that Truman professed his faith and the elders voted to concur with his wishes.

The elders then gathered that evening for the regular stated meeting of the session. The meeting was opened with a devotion lead by Pastor Dennis on Matthew 28:16-20 "The Great Commission" and then a quote from Bonhoeffer (German theologian during WWII) on "The Church and God's Aim on Earth." Here's a quote from the Bonhoeffer reading:

First, everything in this community is directed toward the active proclamation of Christ to all the world, so that the church itself is only an instrument, only the means to an end. Second, in this very initiative of the church for the world, the aim and initial fulfillment of the divine mandate of proclamation has occurred - that is, the church, by itself wanting to become only the instrument and means to an end, has become the aim and center of all God's actions in the world."

The elders then heard a report on the finances of the church and how pass through monies will be handled. They'll be shown as a liability, for the money is received for a specific purpose and then 100% paid out for that specific purpose. An example is monies received for Joplin Disaster Assistance, another could be monies received to help pay camper scholarships. The elders expressed their appreciation to Clayton Cooper and Denise Carr for their work as Treasurer and Financial Secretary.

The elders then heard a report on the mission trip to Nashville, and were pleased to learn how much work was accomplished in helping families affected by the record flooding of Nashville, TN in 2010. Elders Cindy Werner, Ralph Taylor, and Reed Click along with Pastor Dennis reported as to what a joy it was to participate in helping others.

The elders also heard reports from each session committee and the plans for an Ice Cream Social on July 17th, at 4 pm, at the church.

The elders also voted to not hold their regular meeting in July, unless something came up needing the session attention. Next Stated meeting will be August 18th, 2011 at 6:30 pm in the Fellowship Hall.

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

	Current Period	Current Budget
INCOME		
BUDGETED	\$59,805.45	\$62,250.00
NON-BUDGETED		
DONOR RESTRICTED	200.00	0.00
Subtotal Non-budgeted	2,602.04	0.00
<i>Budgeted</i>	0.00	0.00
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	2,602.04	
TOTAL INCOME	62,407.49	62,250.00
<i>Budgeted</i>	59,780.93	62,250.00
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	2,626.56	
EXPENSES		
PASTOR	\$32,732.53	\$34,597.50
STAFF SERVICES	9,773.11	11,325.00
CARE OF PROPERTY	6,597.63	9,400.02
MISSIONS	5,663.98	5,803.92
OTHER	2,357.26	3,350.04
NON-BUDGETED	11,900.77	1,000.02
TOTAL EXPENSES	69,025.28	65,476.50
<i>Budgeted</i>	56,675.80	65,476.50
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	12,349.48	
EXCESS INCOME\EXPENSES	-\$6,617.79	-\$3,226.50
<i>Budgeted</i>	3,105.13	-3,226.50
<i>Non-Budgeted</i>	-9,722.92	

Benevolence Fund Report

During June, we helped 12 families/individuals: 7 with places to stay, 2 with utility payments, 1 with prescription medication, and 2 with transportation related expenses. The transportation related expenses was a for a bus ticket to Kansas City for one individual going to a half-way house there, and then another individual who needed to get to the VA hospital in Columbia, MO.

In late May, we received a generous gift from the Slusher Foundation! We are happy to be able to help more people in our area with that gift. In June, we received a donation to the fund from someone who regularly attends our Sunday services. We'd like to say "Thanks" for your generosity!

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!



Church Ice Cream Social

Sunday July 17th

In the Fellowship Hall 4:00 p.m.

Hosted by:

Parrish Activities Committee



Denny Merry, Chief 'Go To' person (& all around great guy!) and Buz Hosfield from Ozark Presbyterian and our own Reed Click enjoying dinner.



Cindy Werner wearing her PDA t-shirt.



Small Group Study

The Lord is My Shepherd:
Healing Wisdom of the Twenty-third Psalm

by Harold Kushner

1st Meeting July 7th, 10:00 a.m., at Vera Hardin's house

Books have been ordered-

but if you'd like to join us, we can order more!

Just let the office know, via phone or email, and we'll get you a book.



Reed Click working on a house in Nashville.



CAM/My Neighbors Pantry

Needs for July:

Pasta

Peanut Butter

Canned Chicken

Cereal



Ken Bavuso-practicing measure twice, cut once!





Volunteer in Joplin with John Calvin Presbytery PDA

JCPDA will be taking volunteers to Joplin to do what work we can. Three day trips are planned for July 19-21 (Tues-Thurs) and August 18-20 (Thurs-Sat).

The plan is to car pool to Joplin leaving early each morning and returning in the afternoon. We will be working through Americorps. I will need to know if you are available to go on one or both of these trips by July 8. If you have a van and are willing to take it please let me know.

Jobs include debris removal, sorting and repacking donations, data entry/call center. We will be assigned when we get there. As the group is formed, more information will be sent out.

If you can go on one or both of these trips, please respond to this email letting me know what trips you can be part of. For those who don't live in Springfield, we'll try to make arrangements for you to sleep at someone's house.

Thank you for your commitment to being the "hands and feet" of Christ in helping our neighbors who have been affected by this disaster.

Peace,
Kathy Morriss
JCPDA

Recipes brought to you by popular demand:

This dish was served at the most recent potluck.

SPARE RIBS AND KRAUT

3# spareribs, cut in serving pieces

2 t. salt 1/4 t. pepper

1 (1# 10oz can) kraut

Combine: 1 unpared chopped tart apple

1 1/2c. tomato sauce 2 Tbs. brown sugar

2-3 t. caraway seed

Season ribs with salt/pepper, place in dutch oven and brown well. Combine remaining ingredients. Spoon over ribs. Simmer covered for 1 and 1/2 hours. Basting several times. Skim off fat. Add stuffing. Cook 15 mins. more.

Alternate, crock pot instructions: I do not brown meat. I put meat in crock pot, drain kraut and use 1 pint of tomato juice. Also put stuffing on at the same time, baste several times over all. Cook, approximately 6 hours and serve. I use stove top stuffing mix and add chopped onion, celery and a sprinkle of cinnamon.

Enjoy! Marilyn Parsons

For all you Meatloaf lovers, this recipe is from my wonderful sister-in-law Liz Prewitt Miller. She and Moss' mom, Donna, used to have a Tea House and their food was, and is, always great!

MEATLOAF (Recipe used at the 2011 ETC Dinner):

1 & 1/2 pounds of ground chuck

1 roll of Jimmy Dean regular sausage (Dean's is our favorite and adds additional flavor, we're going to try the sage flavored sometime)

1 package of finely crushed saltine crackers

2 eggs (or equivalent in egg sub)

1/2 cup of diced onions

1 small can of tomato sauce

1/3 cup of ketchup

1 tsp of salt

1/2 tsp of pepper

Mix well. Form into 3 equal loaves. Spray baking pans with pan spray and add loaves.

SAUCE:

1 cup of ketchup

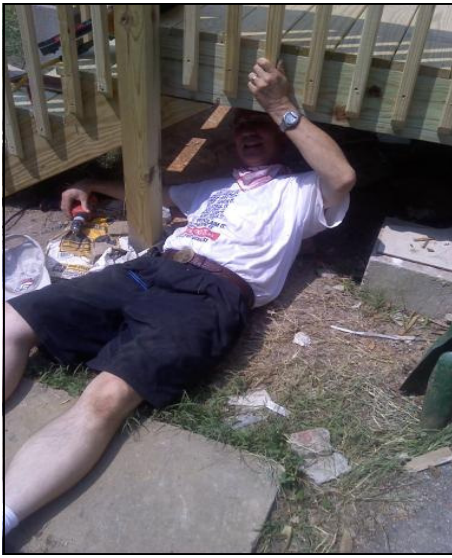
1 tsp of dry mustard

1/4 cup of brown sugar

Using 3 throw-a-way aluminum pans (I'm all for easy clean up) bake in a preheated oven at 350 degrees for 1 hour, add the sauce and continue baking for 30 minutes. Using a meat thermometer, the inner temperature should be at least 180 degrees. Cool in the pans while finishing up the rest of your meal (10 to 15 minutes), place on cutting board and slice. Eat and enjoy! My favorite leftover sandwich is a meatloaf sandwich with mustard. Ummmm!!!!

I send this email to Denise for the Chimes as we travel across West Virginia headed for Baltimore, MD. Very curvy roads with lush green hills, another of God's beautiful creations.

Our best to you all, Mary and Moss Prewitt.



Dennis lying down on the job!



Ralph Taylor hard at work!



Cindy ready to paint!

GOD ALWAYS ANSWERS PRAYERS

When the idea is not right, God says, "NO."

No ~ When the idea is not the best.

No ~ When the idea is absolutely wrong.

No ~ When though it may help you, it could create problems for someone else.

When the time is not right, God says, "SLOW."

What a catastrophe it would be if God answered every prayer at the snap of your fingers.

Do you know what would happen? God would become your servant, NOT your Master.

Suddenly God would be working for you, instead of working for God.

Remember: God's delays are not God's denials.

God's timing is perfect. Patience is what we need in prayer.

When you are not right, God says "GROW."

The selfish person must grow in unselfishness.

The cautious person must grow in courage.

The timid must grow in confidence.

The dominating person must grow in sensitivity.

The critical person must grow in tolerance.

The negative person must grow in positive attitudes.

The pleasure seeking person must grow in compassion for suffering people.

When everything is right, God says, "GO."

Then miracles happen:

A hopeless alcoholic is set free!

A drug addict finds release!

A doubter becomes a child in his belief!

Diseased tissue responds to treatment, and healing begins!

The door to your dream suddenly swings open and there stands God saying "Go!"

~Author Unknown~

July 2011 Daily Lectionary

Friday July 1

Ps. 88, 148
1 Sam. 13:19—14:15
Acts 9:1–9
Luke 23:26–31

Saturday July 2

Ps. 122, 149
1 Sam. 14:16–30
Acts 9:10–19a
Luke 23:32–43

Sunday July 3

Ps. 108, 150
1 Sam. 14:36–45
Rom. 5:1–11
Matt. 22:1–14

Monday July 4

Ps. 62, 145
1 Sam. 15:1–3, 7–23
Acts 9:19b–31
Luke 23:44–56a

Tuesday July 5

Ps. 12, 146
1 Sam. 15:24–35
Acts 9:32–43
Luke 23:56b—24:11 (12)

Wednesday July 6

Ps. 96, 147:1–11
1 Sam. 16:1–13
Acts 10:1–16
Luke 24:13–3

Thursday July 7

Ps. 116, 147:12–20
1 Sam. 16:14—17:11
Acts 10:17–33
Luke 24:36–53

Friday July 8

Ps. 84, 148
1 Sam. 17:17–30
Acts 10:34–48
Mark 1:1–13

Saturday July 9

Ps. 63, 149
1 Sam. 17:31–49
Acts 11:1–18
Mark 1:14–28

Sunday July 10

Ps. 103, 150
1 Sam. 17:50—18:4
Rom. 10:4–17
Matt. 23:29–39

Monday July 11

Ps. 5, 145
1 Sam. 18:5–16 (17–27a)
27b–30
Acts 11:19–30
Mark 1:29–45

Tuesday July 12

Ps. 42, 146
1 Sam. 19:1–18 (19–24)
Acts 12:1–17
Mark 2:1–12

Wednesday July 13

Ps. 89:1–18, 147:1–11
1 Sam. 20:1–23
Acts 12:18–25
Mark 2:13–22

Thursday July 14

Ps. 97, 147:12–20
1 Sam. 20:24–42
Acts 13:1–12
Mark 2:23—3:6

Friday July 15

Ps. 51, 148
1 Sam. 21:1–15
Acts 13:13–25
Mark 3:7–19a

Saturday July 16

Ps. 104, 149
1 Sam. 22:1–23
Acts 13:26–43
Mark 3:19b–35

Sunday July 17

Ps. 19, 150
1 Sam. 23:7–18
Rom. 11:33—12:2
Matt. 25:14–30

Monday July 18

Ps. 135, 145
1 Sam. 24:1–22
Acts 13:44–52
Mark 4:1–20

Tuesday July 19

Ps. 123, 146
1 Sam. 25:1–22
Acts 14:1–18
Mark 4:21–34

Wednesday July 20

Ps. 15, 147:1–11
1 Sam. 25:23–44
Acts 14:19–28
Mark 4:35–41

Thursday July 21

Ps. 36, 147:12–20
1 Sam. 28:3–20
Acts 15:1–11
Mark 5:1–20

Friday July 22

Ps. 130, 148
1 Sam. 31:1–13
Acts 15:12–21
Mark 5:21–43

Saturday July 23

Ps. 56, 149
2 Sam. 1:1–16
Acts 15:22–35
Mark 6:1–13

Sunday July 24

Ps. 67, 150
2 Sam. 1:17–27
Rom. 12:9–21
Matt. 25:31–46

Monday July 25

Ps. 57, 145
2 Sam. 2:1–11
Acts 15:36—16:5
Mark 6:14–29

Tuesday July 26

Ps. 54, 146
2 Sam. 3:6–21
Acts 16:6–15
Mark 6:30–46

Wednesday July 27

Ps. 65, 147:1–11
2 Sam. 3:22–39
Acts 16:16–24
Mark 6:47–56

Thursday July 28

Ps. 143, 147:12–20
2 Sam. 4:1–12
Acts 16:25–40
Mark 7:1–23

Friday July 29

Ps. 88, 148
2 Sam. 5:1–12
Acts 17:1–15
Mark 7:24–37

Saturday July 30

Ps. 122, 149
2 Sam. 5:22—6:11
Acts 17:16–34
Mark 8:1–10

Sunday July 31

Ps. 108, 150
2 Sam. 6:12–23
Rom. 14:7–12
John 1:43–51



BIRTHDAYS!

- 2 Bob DeBres
- 5 Reed Click
- 7 Neill Wilmarth
- 9 Gerri DeBres
- 14 Dorothy Adams
- 15 Jan Franzten
- 19 Eli Stillings
- 20 Mary Parr, George Iden
- 28 Sue Steele
- 30 Ray McKee, Jim Weeks



**JULY
CELEBRATIONS!**

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- ANNIVERSARIES!**
- 7 Frank & Jan Espinosa 1979
 - 15 Liz Rogers & Ron Schroder 2002
 - 20 Dennis & Phyllis Winzenried 1974
 - 21 Rick & Leslie Wyman 1979
 - 26 Dennis & Angie Sulgrove 2008
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WELCOME
TO OUR NEWEST MEMBER
TRUMAN PERSINGER!

Community Presbyterian Church Members,

I want to thank all of you for your prayers, the visits from Dennis, Ralph and Vera to the hospital. Prayer works. I am home recuperating and gaining some strength. Dick takes excellent care of me, I call him my "Guarding Angel." God Bless all of you.

Richard & Pat Hibben



The entire Community Presbyterian and Ozark Presbyterian 2011 PDA Mission Team

Ushers/Greetings

Jim & Nancy Czerniak
Sue Steele
Eloise Clark

Liturgist

Leslie Wyman



JULY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Every Sunday Sunday School 9:00 am Worship 10:30 am					1	2 AA 7:00 pm
3	4 Independence Day!	5 Vessels of Clay Yoga 9:00 am Prayer Group 10:00 am AA 7:00 pm	6 Men's Breakfast 8:30am (NO Choir)	7 Small Group 10:00 am Bar Assoc Lunch 11:30 am	8	9 AA 7:00 pm
10	11 Diabetic Group 10:00 am	12 Vessels of Clay Yoga 9:00 am Prayer Group 10:00 am AA 7:00 pm	13 Men's Breakfast 8:30am Calico Cutups 10:00 am Chamber Lunch 11:30 am (NO Choir)	14 Small Group 10:00 am	15	16 AA 7:00 pm
17 Ice Cream Social 4:00 pm	18	19 Vessels of Clay Yoga 9:00 am Prayer Group 10:00 am AA 7:00 pm	20 CHIMES Deadline Men's Breakfast 8:30am Choir 7:00 pm	21 Small Group 10:00 am	22	23 AA 7:00 pm
24	25	26 Vessels of Clay Yoga 9:00 am Prayer Group 10:00 am AA 7:00 pm	27 Men's Breakfast 8:30am Choir 7:00 pm	28 Small Group 10:00 am	29	30 AA 7:00 pm
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