

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Birthdays

Dr. Steven Schneider	April 4	Alex Bowers	May 01
Micah Tsamwa	April 12	Tamara Searer-Jenkins	May 03
Cayden Lyons	April 17	Stella Jacobs	May 08
Wil Searer	April 19	Josiyah Tsamwa	May 09
Mildred Anderson	April 22	Phyllis Wilkie	May 09
Carl Jacobs	April 28	Dave Zimmerman	May 10
Audrey Seitz	April 30	Janice Weber	May 20
Dave Gilbert	April 30	Dee Stoiche	May 26
		Meghan Mahoney	May 26
		Kathy Graney	May 27
		Ervin Bellis	May 28



Anniversaries

Ken & Peggy Mahoney	April 5, 1970
Rob & Nora Brown	April 13, 2015
Ken & Maureen Rogers	April 25, 1964
Ervin & Gail Bellis	May 17, 1986
Doug & Linda Haller	May 23, 1965
Todd & Cathy German	May 25, 1986
Dave & Nancy Gilbert	May 30, 1970



GRACE NOTES



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Sunday School:  
9:00 A.M.  
Worship:  
10:30 A.M.  
Fellowship:  
11:30 A.M.  
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Monday-Friday
10:00 A.M.-2:00 P.M.
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### THOUGHTS FROM PASTOR ROB



This month we had a lot - A LOT - to fill our newsletter and I had nothing important to say, so instead of me saying nothing we have an article for you from Jim about Stewardship and what God has given us.

Peace,  
Pastor Rob

The Stewardship Committee has been meeting and has begun to explore what it means for a disciple of Christ to be a steward. We've learned that a steward is a person who manages someone else's property or affairs, just as the owner would manage them herself/himself.

The Psalmist declares that "The earth is the LORD's and everything in it..." In fact, at no time do we ever read of God relinquishing ownership of anything that he set in motion. This gives a clear view to us stewards of the owner we're serving.

But why would an all-knowing and all-powerful God entrust us with any of his stuff? Stewardship is the path God uses to make us into the people he wants us to be. Our obedience and intentional stewardship of what God gives us (time, talent, treasure), provides us with an opportunity to vividly reflect his image that we bear. Indeed, our discipleship and stewardship are two sides of the same coin. Discipleship is our calling; stewardship is our responsibility.

For the Church, the term *stewardship* has become synonymous with giving, fundraising, or capital campaigns. While stewardship certainly includes these, it also includes such important responsibilities as conservation of the planet on which we reside and supporting issues of social justice. We should also include the Gospel message and the relationships we have with others. Undoubtedly, each of you could name more.

As the Stewardship Committee explores more of what being a steward entails, you can expect to hear from us again.

Adapted from *Stewardship and Discipleship: Two Sides of the Same Coin* by Brett Elder, 2010, from the Lausanne World Pulse Archives

## PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

### Sarah Circle

The Presbyterian Women get together for a circle meeting and bible study at Grace at 1pm. We meet the 2nd Thursday of each month - April 11<sup>th</sup> & May 9<sup>th</sup> @ 1pm

### Cancer Pad Sewing

Grace Mission Project and good fellowship. No special sewing skills needed. Just a simple basting stitch. We meet the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 9am.

April 17<sup>th</sup> & May 15<sup>th</sup> @ 9am in the Gold Room.

### Lunch Bunch

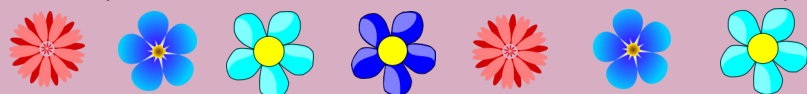
Come have lunch at Glenbrook Mall Food Court near JC Penny's on the last Thursday of the month at 12 noon - April 25<sup>th</sup> & May 30<sup>th</sup> @ Noon

***All Women are Invited to these activities***

***For more information, call Evelyn Brunnegraff at (260) 424-2804***

### PW Plant Sale:

There is a change this year! The Plant Sale, normally held on Mother's Day, is going to be a week early. That will be Sunday May 5th during Fellowship. We hope to have a better variety of plants and also hope that the day will not be so hectic. Plus you will still have the plants in time for Mother's Day.



## April & May Birthdays

Please consider donating to the Legacy Birthday Fund.

The Legacy fund is an investment fund providing for the future of Grace. It will use the interest earned to promote special projects in areas of missions, property, and programs. If you'd like to donate, the decorated birthday box is in the Narthex.



## WISH LIST



### Grace is bringing back the Wish List!

Sometime soon, a bulletin board of items that will help Grace thrive but are outside of the budget right now, will show up in the Narthex. The tickets will have our "wish," how much it costs, and when we would like to have it (or if it's a revolving need). If you would like to donate to fulfill a wish – or partially fulfill a wish – please let Pastor Rob or JoAnn know and we will let you know how to do it!

***We know you like to give to specific things.  
This is your way to do it!***





# TREASURER'S REPORT

## February Financials

|                                 |                    |              |                    |
|---------------------------------|--------------------|--------------|--------------------|
| Total Income for Feb. 2019      | \$14,953.19        | YTD Income   | \$34,324.48        |
| Total Expenses for Feb. 2019    | <u>\$19,566.31</u> | YTD Expenses | <u>\$33,932.26</u> |
| Operating Deficit for Feb. 2019 | \$-4,613.12        | YTD Surplus  | \$ 392.22          |

# WORKSHOP

When you die and leave this mortal coil, someone will need to take care of you and your affairs. They will need information from you and answers to questions only you know the answer to. And they will want to know how you want your life celebrated.

And you can't answer their questions because, you know, you died.

You can do things to help them out, though. The Legacy Committee is hosting another workshop this year with

a firm focus on the practical matters of death and what happens after you die. We will have presentations and materials from an estate lawyer, funeral director, and Pastor Rob to help you prepare."

*So, you died. Now what?*

**Sunday, April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2019**

12:30pm Workshop  
*(Lunch immediately following worship)*



# CONGREGATIONAL LIFE



Congratulations to the "Totally Cool Jokers" for their first place win in the Trivia contest March 23rd. Totally (Tom Callahan), Cool (Cathy German), & Jokers (John Current) did an outstanding job in showing up the rest of the contestants. *They each went home with a box of 'Nerds' candy.*

Congregational Life is planning a Memorial Day Picnic after church on May 26th. It will be a simple pot luck for those that may not have plans for the weekend. *More details will be given in the May church bulletins.*



*Bob Bausser's chili was such a hit @ the Chili Cook-Off and he was kind enough to share it with us!*

## **Scoutmaster Bob's Chili**

### ***Ingredients (stuff needed):***

|                                                    |                                             |
|----------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 1/4 cup olive oil                                  | 3 Tbs oregano                               |
| 4 large onions, chopped                            | 3 Tbs cocoa powder                          |
| 2 lbs of hot pork sausage (I like Tennessee Pride) | 2 Tbs cinnamon powder                       |
| 2 lbs of 95% ground beef                           | 2 tsp cayenne powder                        |
| 1/3 cup chili powder                               | 4 cups tomato juice                         |
| 3 Tbs cumin                                        | 1 can of crushed tomatoes (I like Rotel)    |
| 2 cans beef broth                                  | 8 cloves garlic, freshly and finely chopped |
| 2 large cans of hot chili beans with chilies       |                                             |

Mix chili powder, cumin, oregano, cocoa powder, cinnamon, cayenne pepper, in a bowl. Set aside for later.

In a large skillet, sauté onions in most of the olive oil.

In a #14 Dutch Oven, (or stockpot at home), add the rest of the olive oil and brown pork sausage and ground beef. Season with around 2 tsp Kosher (Sea) salt. Cook for around 20 minutes.

Add onion mixture to beef and stir in spices. Add garlic and Cook around 5 minutes.

Add tomato juice, tomatoes, and beef stock. Bring to a boil, lower heat to simmer.

Add Chili beans and simmer for around an hour.

***For additional kick, substitute hot chili beans for cans without the chilies, then add freshly chopped jalapeno (2) and Habanero pepper to taste.***

# HAPPY

**All children are welcome!**

Registration begins at 10 a.m. so come early so you don't miss any of the activities! We are located on Fairhill at Cherokee Road

# EASTER!

**JOIN US EASTER SUNDAY TOO, APRIL 21<sup>st</sup>**



Free Easter morning breakfast served by Boy Scout Troop 15 @ 8:00-10:30 AM Easter Service with *flowering of the cross*

**Ready...Set...Go!**

**EASTER EGG HUNT AT GRACE**

Saturday, April 20, 2019

10 AM - 12 PM



**Egg Hunt!**  
**Games!**  
**Music!**  
**Snacks!**  
**Crafts!**

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# EASTER EGG HUNT

# UPCOMING EVENTS

April 18 - 7pm : Maundy Thursday @ Grace

April 19 - Noon : Good Friday @ Trinity Methodist

April 20 - 10am - Noon : Easter Egg Hunt

April 21 - 8am : Easter Sunday/Scout Breakfast

April 28 - 12:30pm : "So You've Died, Now What?"

April 28 - Holy Humor Sunday

May 12 - Youth Sunday - a day that the children and youth take lead in the worship service. Plus, on that day we will have the end of the year recognition for the Sunday school classes and Bible study classes. *The last day of Sunday school will be on May 19th*

May 26 - Following Worship : Memorial Day Picnic!

June 2 - Day of Pentecost & Alex Monnier's Confirmation!

**Calendar of events**



# ATTENDANCE

February 3<sup>rd</sup> - Not recorded

February 10<sup>th</sup> - 49

February 17<sup>th</sup> - 66

February 24<sup>th</sup> - 44

March 3<sup>rd</sup> - Not recorded

March 10<sup>th</sup> - 51

March 17<sup>th</sup> - 91

March 24<sup>th</sup> - 55

