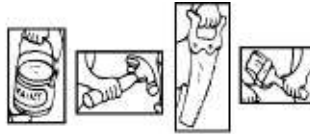




MECHANICSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

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Mechanicsburg Presbyterian Church is a marvelous mixture of God's people. We are strong and weak, sad and joyful, faithful and sinful, graced and searching, young and old, married, single, divorced and widowed. Regardless of who we are, we need one another and we need to celebrate Jesus Christ who lives within us. We're glad you're here!



Mission Trip Sunday

August 1, 2010
18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
9:30 AM

Gathering Around the Word

We gather knowing God is with us

If you have a prayer request you would like to share with the pastors, please fill out a card from the pew rack and pass it to the center aisle where an usher will collect it during the first hymn. The Prayer Chain and staff pray for those you have mentioned and others throughout the week. Please let us know of any changes.

Quiet Meditation

A time of relative quiet in the midst of the hustle and bustle of the week.

I give you a new commandment, that you love one another.
Just as I have loved you, you also should love one another.
By this everyone will know that you are my disciples,
If you have love for one another. -- John 13:34-35

"The whole dance, or drama, or pattern of this three-Personal life is to be played out in each one of us: or (putting it the other way round) each one of us has got to enter that pattern, take his place in that dance. There is no other way to the happiness for which we were made.

Good things as well as bad, you know, are caught by a kind of infection.

If you want to be wet you must get into the water. If you want joy, power, peace, eternal life, you must get close to or even into, the thing that has them.

They are not a sort of prize which God could, if He chose, just hand out to anyone.

They are a great fountain of energy and beauty spurting up at the very centre of reality.

If you are close to it, the spray will wet you: if you are not, you will remain dry.

Once a man is united to God, how could he not live forever?

Once a man is separated from God, what can he do but wither and die?"

-- C. S. Lewis, *Mere Christianity*

ENTER TO WORSHIP – DEPART TO SERVE

Welcome & Concerns of the Church

*During this time, please take a moment to sign the pew pad and pass it along the pew.
Please take note of the persons sitting with you so you can greet them warmly by name.*

Prelude

We're Marching to Zion

Eric Millard

*Call to Worship

Joan Lotz

Jesus said, "I give you a new commandment. Love one another."

And they will know we are Christians by our love.

"Love one another, just as I have loved you."

We will be known as Christ's disciples by our love.

Let us worship God.

*Hymn

You are Holy (Prince Of Peace)

Verse – ***You are holy. (You are holy.) You are mighty. (You are mighty.)***

You are worthy. (You are worthy.) Worthy of praise. (Worthy of praise.)

I will follow. (I will follow.) I will listen. (I will listen.)

I will love You. (I will love You.) All of my days. (All of my days.)

Chorus 1 – ***You are Lord of lords, You are King of kings. You are mighty God Lord of ev'rything.***

You're Emmanuel, You're the Great I Am. You're the Prince of Peace who is the Lamb.

You're the living God, You're my saving grace. You will reign forever, You are Ancient of Days.

You are Alpha Omega Beginning and End. You're my Savior Messiah Redeemer and Friend.

You're my Prince of Peace. And I will live my life for You.

Chorus 2 – ***I will sing to and worship. The King who is worthy.***

And I will love and adore Him. And I will bow down before Him.

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You're my Prince of Peace. And I will live my life for You.

Ending – ***You're my Prince of Peace. And I will live my life for You.***

*Opening Prayer

Erin Foor

*Prayer of Confession

Merciful God, you come to us in astonishing ways – humble, yet with authority; helpless, yet with the power to save. You have shown us how to live lives grounded in gratitude and consecrated in service. Forgive us, Lord, for we have not always followed your lead. We have not followed you. We confess to you our cowardice, our selfishness, our failure to love as you have loved, and our poor witness to the world. Cleanse us again, we pray. Cleanse us and renew us, that our lives may show forth the love and grace we have received from you. ... (time of silent confession)

*Assurance of Pardon

Nathan Heeter

*Response #579

Glory Be to the Father

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

*The Passing of God's Love and Peace

The Peace of Christ be with you... **And also with you.**

Proclaiming the Word

We experience the Word of God.

Children's Moment

Stephen Choi

Hymnal Supplement #19

Open Our Eyes

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Lessons

Psalms 127:1a and I John 4:7-12

This is the Word of the Lord... **Thanks be to God.**

Hymnal Supplement #33, vs. 1

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Chile Mission Trip

Lauren Conner

Hymnal Supplement #33, vs. 2

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Huntington, WV Mission Trip

Mission Trip Participants

Hymnal Supplement #33, vs. 3

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Cornwall, Ontario Mission Trip

Mission Trip Participants

Hymnal Supplement #33, vs. 4

They'll Know We Are Christians by Our Love

Responding to the Word

We affirm our faith and commitment to the Word of God.

***Declaration of Faith**

The Apostles' Creed

Kyle Dinger

Our church states its faith and bears witness to God's grace in Jesus Christ by using eleven creeds and confessions. In these confessional statements the church declares to its members and to the world who and what it is, what it believes and what it resolves to do. These confessional statements are subject to the authority of Jesus Christ and the Word of God.

The following is the Apostles' Creed, which in its earliest form dates back to 180 AD:

I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Prayers of the People & The Lord's Prayer

Kathy Wells

Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.

Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors;

And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever. Amen.

Offering of Tithes & Gifts

Offertory

Mission Trips Slide Show

***Doxology**

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise Him all creatures here below;
Praise him above ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

***Prayer of Dedication**

Lauren Conner

Bearing & Following the Word

We declare the Word of God throughout the week.

***Hymn #369**

I'm Gonna Live So God Can Use Me

***Charge & Benediction**

Stephen Choi

***Response #432**

Song of Hope

*May the God of hope go with us every day,
Filling all our lives with love and joy and peace.
May the God of justice speed us on our way,
Bringing light and hope to every land and race.
Praying, let us work for peace, singing, share our joy with all.
Working for a world that's new,
Faithful when we hear Christ's call .*

***Postlude**

Get Down

*** Please greet one another in Christ's name ***

VISITORS: Welcome! There is a table located in the back of the Sanctuary with more information about MPC and someone to answer your questions. Fairly traded coffee and snacks are served after worship in the Gathering Area just outside the Sanctuary doors. This is also where you will find the restrooms, including baby changing stations. We're glad you're here! Children's worship kits are located in the back of the Sanctuary. Worship aids are available from the ushers. (Please remember to turn off the audio receivers after use.) Thank you!

The flowers are placed to the glory of God with thanksgiving for our church family by Gail and Ted Foor; and for our loving and much loved parents and grandparents by Terry and Don Cornish.

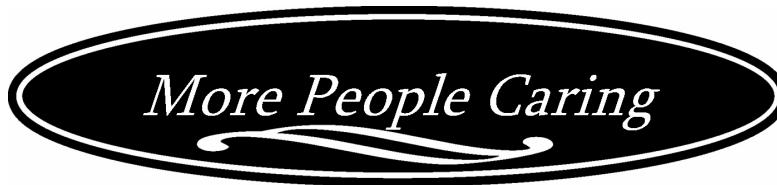
Pastor Kathryn is on vacation and will return Wednesday, August 4. **Pastor Myrtle** is preaching at the Greencastle Presbyterian Church for their Old Home Week today.

It was comforting and uplifting to know and feel so many of my church family cared as Melody's journey began with discomfort and pain. Then came the diagnosis, surgery with life style change, to treatment, to complications, to the end. My heartfelt thanks to all who offered prayers, sent cards, baby sat, gave hugs, chauffeured, gardened, etc. Pastor Myrtle was a regular visitor and supporter. -- Miriam Porter

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Greeters: Jessica Ulrich, Pat & Gary Heintzelman
Ushers: Kristina Bell, Nikki Singiser, Nancy & Larry Crown
Nursery: Holly Andersen, Laura & Mike Martin
Fellowship Hour: Mission Trip Participants
Church to Pray for This Week: McConnellsburg Presbyterian Church, McConnellsburg, PA

KNOWN TO BE HOSPITALIZED

Elizabeth Walters – Messiah Village, Wagner 21
Dale Zirkle – HealthSouth 208

HOME FROM THE HOSPITAL

PRESBYTERIAN YOUTH CONNECTIONS

Thursday, August 5 – Dorney Park & Wildwater Kingdom – We will meet at church at 8:30 AM to go to Dorney Park in Allentown. We should be back by 8 PM. The cost for admission is \$25. If you are planning to go, contact Pastor Stephen by TODAY.

Monday, August 16 – Downtown Daily Bread – We will meet at church at 11:30 AM and will return by 2:30 PM. If you are interested in going, please contact Pastor Stephen.

Wednesday, August 25 – Open House at the Youth Center from 6:30 - 8:30 PM. The cost for pizza is \$3 per person or \$5 for a family.

CHURCH NEWS

Peach Festival: Following service this morning, Esther Mullen will be in Gathering Area with sign up sheets for the Peach Festival. She is looking for volunteers to make pie dough ahead of time, peel and slice peaches, prepare chicken for the soup on August 26, bake pies on Friday, August 27, and work at the Peach Festival on August 28. Any help you can give is appreciated!

CALENDAR AUGUST 1 - 8, 2010

SUN:	9:30 AM	Mission Trip Sunday
	10:45 AM	Summer Sunday School
MON:	11:45 AM	Downtown Daily Bread
TUE:	8:30 AM	Happy Hikers
WED:	9:30 AM	Staff Meeting
THU:	8:30 AM	PYC at Dorney Park
	4 PM	More Than Conquerors, Parlor
	7 PM	PW Coordinating Team, CR
FRI:	6:15 AM	Men's Bible Fellowship
SAT:	3 PM	Dunkle – Eakin Wedding
SUN:	9:30 AM	Commissioning of VBS Staff
	10:45 AM	Summer Sunday School

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Summer Sunday School continues this morning, with two classes for adults: *The Screwtape Letters* class in Fellowship Hall and Dave Dinger's class on Christian parenting meeting in the Conference Room. The children's class will meet in Lower Fellowship Hall. Please join us, even if you have not registered for a class previously.

Vacation Bible School – Time to celebrate *Clean Water for All God's Children!* VBS will begin in ONE week, from August 9-13. Registration forms are included in this morning's bulletin. Teachers and staff will be commissioned in church on Sunday, August 8. Teachers, you may bring your t-shirts that day and prepare them after morning worship. We have enough rolls from paper towels, but we **still need more two-liter soda bottles**. Also, if you took an "every drop helps" bank and have not yet returned it, please bring it in next Sunday, August 8.

Krislund Camp – Attending Krislund Camp this week from MPC will be Mackenzie Hammel, Josafina Rodriguez and Kylie Zerbe. Sally Biller and Owen Hammel will also be attending grandparents' camp.

MISSION

Giant Gift Cards – Orders will be taken this morning for Giant gift cards. If you want to place a standing order, or change your existing standing order, you may do so today. The 5% proceeds from the sale of these gift cards will go to support the 2011 adult mission trip. Cards will be here for pick-up next Sunday.

Cumberland Vista (CROSS) needs your help. Each week Oak Grove donates a variety of fresh produce to our friends at Cumberland Vista. The food that is donated helps them save on grocery bills, but preparing it is more than the small staff can handle. Help is needed peeling, slicing and dicing this bounty to freeze for future use. If you can spare 1-2 hours on a Wednesday morning and would like to help, or if you would be able to take food home to work on, please call Luanne (432-2822) to make arrangements. This does not have to be a weekly commitment. One-time-only volunteers are also appreciated.

CHURCH NEWS

New chairs have been purchased to replace the stacking chairs that were used in Fellowship Hall and the Conference Room. If you are interested in purchasing any old chairs at \$5 each, contact Ran Singiser (766-5076 or rsingiser@aol.com). Chairs not sold by August 2 will be advertised for sale.

College students: Please send your school address to the church office (csutton@mechpresby.org) and include your box/apartment numbers and email address. We will send you the newsletter and cookies through the year to keep you up-to-date with your church at home.

SOCIAL GROUP

Married with Children Picnic and Pool Party - Join us on Saturday, August 14, at 2 PM at 85 Honey Road, Dillsburg. There will be games, swimming and lots to eat. Bring a covered dish and a drink to share. RSVP to Bob and Barb Bell (350-4962 or wwolfey@aol.com).



PEACH FESTIVAL

Saturday, August 28th
4 - 7 PM
Fellowship Hall

Fresh Peaches & Ice Cream
Chicken Corn Soup
Beef/Pork Barbecues
Hot Dogs
Peach Pies & Other Desserts

Pre-order Soup: August 15 & 22

Assist with preparing corn on
Wednesday, August 25 @ 10 AM





Operation Wildcat Project Back to School

Meeting the needs of All Students in our District

What is Operation Wildcat? The Mechanicsburg Area School District PTOs, Parent Advisory Group, and community members are working together with the school district administration and staff to pool resources to help those of our own – our local families in need – on an on-going basis.

What is Project Back to School? This summer we are collecting the items listed below in donation bins throughout our district June 21st through September 10th. Items are stored in a central storage site in the District Office Building for guidance counselors, nurses and teachers to access for distribution to students in need.

What Items are Needed?

Back to School Supplies (new):

- backpacks (age & gender neutral)
- binders - 2 inch
- book covers (age & gender neutral)
- subject dividers w/pockets
- colored pencils
- crayons (8-16 ct. packs)
- erasers (large pink)
- highlighter
- index cards
- lunch boxes
- markers (dry erase, black fine line)
- pencil boxes & cases, post-its (sm. & reg.)
- protractors
- scissors (small)
- scotch tape

Personal Items (new):

- brushes, combs & combs
- deodorant (men's & women's)
- hand sanitizers
- shampoo, conditioner
- toothbrushes
- tissues

Books (new or gently used)

All school ages

Calculators (new/gently used)

Texas Instrument 34 & 83 models

** Gift cards to Giant, Wal-Mart and Target

Where can I donate Items?

THE RECEPACLE IN FELLOWSHIP HALL

** Gift cards should not be left in the bins but can be mailed to or dropped off at the district office c/o "Operation Wildcat", MASD, 100 E. Elmwood Ave., Mechanicsburg, PA 17055.

For more information on Operation Wildcat or to get involved, please visit us on the MASD district Website: www.mbgd.org/operationwildcat, or contact Leslie Collins at 795-7372, or mommagic@comcast.net.

Vacation Bible School – If you did not pick up a water bottle bank, you may pick one up in the Gathering Area this morning. "Drop" some coins into the bank throughout the summer, and "drop" the money off at the church by August 8. It will be part of our "every drop helps" offering for VBS, which will go to help repair clean water systems in Haiti.

