

Announcements ~ September 9 ~ Mini Wellspring

We welcome Reverend Karen Burke to the pulpit this morning. You may remember Karen because her husband, Robby preached here a few weeks ago! She has been a Registered Nurse for 40 years and has been enrolled at Eastern Mennonite Seminary since 2012. Karen is scheduled to graduate in May 2019 with a Master of Divinity degree, and believes God is calling her into Chaplaincy ministry. She and husband Robby have two daughters and five grand-children. Welcome Karen!



PW Circle Circle will meet, in the Parlor, every second Wednesday, of each month, at 1:30. Our meeting consists mainly of a Bible study. This year's Bible study is exciting; God's Promise, I am With You. This study traces God's recurring promise of presence from Genesis through the Gospels". Our first meeting will be **September 12th**, so please join us!

Church World Services Collection The Presbyterian Women are collecting school supplies for Church World Service (CWS). CWS distributes the filled bags to school children, where these supplies are needed. All donations will gratefully be received, whether it is 1 or 2 items or a filled bag. Requested Supplies are *One pair of blunt scissors (rounded tip only) *Three 70-count bound notebooks or notebooks totaling 200-210 pages (no loose leaf or filler paper) *One 12" ruler *One hand held pencil sharpener *One large eraser *Six new unsharpened pencils with erasers *One box of 24 crayons (only 24) *CWS requests a donation of \$2.00 per kit for delivery costs. You will find a container of home made bags, in the Fellowship Hall and Narthex, which also contain lists. Take a bag home and fill it. A collection box will be in the Narthex until the sales end in September. There's a box in the Narthex marked CWS to put your filled bag. Thank you!

September Collection During September, we'll collect in the narthex for the Shenandoah Alliance for Shelter. They need supplies for the homeless. Ponchos, socks for men and women, laundry detergent pods and quarters to run the machines, deodorant, toothbrushes (and small bottles of water to use for brushing teeth). This is another way we are blessed to be a blessing.

Remember in Prayer Barry Haigh, Jim Litten, Donna Painter (Tiffany Newland's mother), Jennifer O'Ferrell, Bill Coffman, Rick Litten

Volunteers Today **FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Jen & Morgan Saeler **WORSHIP LEADER:** Diane Cook **NURSERY:** Jessica Jones/Amanda Wiseley **GREETER:** Diane & Barry Cook **SEXTON:** Steve Simons **HEAD USHER:** Morgan Saeler **COUNTERS:** Susan Coffman, Becky Fadeley, George Swecker **BROWN BAG BLESSING Tues:** Malinda Johnston, Steve Simons, Barbara Simons; **Thurs:** Gary Hines **BULLETIN FOLDERS** (Sept 14): Diane & Barry Cook **SANCTUARY ASSISTANT** (during the week of Sept 9): Jane Runyon **WOODSTOCK CLOTHES CLOSET** Sept 14 (12:15-2:30) Linda Burnside, Liz Sollenberger

Birthdays This Week September 9: Henry Coffman, Sherry Symons; September 10: Ernie Grisdale, Jamie Newland; September 12: Shirley Lynn; September 14: William French, Kathryn Loveland, Jeff Murray



Woodstock Presbyterian Church

Sunday, September 9, 2018 - 11:00 AM

16th Sunday After Pentecost

National Grandparents Day

"I was glad when they said to me,

Welcome to all who gather to worship today! We hope you feel warmly welcomed and even "at home," for all are welcome in God's house! If you are a guest today, we are honored by your presence with us and hope to see you again! Loving childcare for infants and children through 2nd grade is provided in our Nursery Suite; ask a Greeter for directions. Please take a moment to sign the Friendship Register located in the pew. Everyone is invited to stay for our Fellowship Hour following worship!

WPC Vision & Mission Statement

Growing and Building in the Love of Christ
Ephesians 4:16

We ENVISION a church that:

- † Is kind, generous, hospitable and welcoming.
- † Involves everyone in local and global mission.
- † Treats everyone as a Child of God.
- † Shares our time, talents, and treasure.

Our MISSION is to grow and build in:

- † Faith through worship, prayer, and Bible study.
- † Fellowship with one another and with guests.
- † Hospitality shown to our community and world.
- † Facilities that are exceptional and accessible to all.

* Congregation is invited to stand.

We Gather To Worship

Prelude *Allegro (Organ Concerto in D Minor)* G. Handel
He Touched Me Wm. Gaither
Healer of Our Every Ill M. Haugen

Welcome and Announcements

Call to Worship Diane Cook
Our merciful God, maker of us all,
pleads the cause of the poor and afflicted.
Open our hearts to demonstrate God's grace
through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Here at the feast of God's holy word,
eyes and ears are opened so that we may all be made glad and filled with hope. Amen.

***Hymn 187** *Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*

***Opening Prayer** *(pray together)*
Good and generous God, you have blessed us with favor and counted us as your people through our glorious Lord Jesus Christ. Freed by your grace, let us extend your generosity to others, sharing our bread with the poor, pleading the cause of the afflicted, and receiving all who assemble in your name with the warmth of your love and the richness of your hospitality; in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, Amen



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Invitation to Confession of Sin Confession of Sin

Almighty and compassionate God, every day, in our desire to attain our wants, avoid discomfort, and shun those we do not know or love, we show ourselves to be unworthy of your gifts of life. Of this we are sorely aware, and ask your power to renew us in body and spirit, through your help, to walk in the way you intend for us. Forgive us and lead us, in Jesus' name...(Time for self-reflection) Amen.

Declaration of Forgiveness

Just as Jesus made the deaf to hear and the mute to speak, our merciful God lifts our burdens from us, removes the failures of our past, and turns us to new life. You are forgiven. Walk in peace.

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven! Amen!

We Experience God's Word

Children's Message

5-Cents-a-Meal Offering *Only Trust Him* J. Stockton

Favorite Hymn 837 *Leaning on the Everlasting Arms*

Scripture Readings

John 10:2-5 ~ page 97 NT

1 Samuel 3:1-10 ~ page 236 OT

This is the Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God!

Message "Can You Hear Me Now?"
Rev. Karen Burke

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 Lord's Prayer

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.

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.

We Respond to God's Word

*Apostles' Creed

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

**Gloria Patri (words at left of page)*

***Hymn 451** *Open My Eyes, That I May See*

Prayers of Intercession

God's Tithes and Our Offerings

Offertory *Trust and Obey* D. Towner

***Doxology & Prayer of Dedication** (words at left of page)

***Hymn 720** *Jesus Calls Us*

*Benediction

***Choir Response** *Threefold Amen* E. Sollenberger

Postlude *Prelude (Third Sonata for Organ)* A. Guilmart