

Grace Presbyterian News

September 2019

Game Night – Friday, August 30, and Friday, September 27, at 6:30 p.m.

Hoping you get the newsletter in time, remember that game night for August is Friday, August 30, at 6:30 p.m. Bring a game and/or a snack. Game night in September will be Friday, September 27.

Please Help our Children Learn

We are looking for volunteer teachers for Children's Sunday School (9:45-10:30 am) and for Children's Church (11:15-11:45 or so). Lessons and materials are provided. Our children love being taught by you as often as you are interested in teaching; teach just once a year or once a month or whatever fits your schedule. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the narthex and hard copy lessons will be available at least one week before you teach. Contact Emily Mayne with questions: 901-626-1441/emilykrech@yahoo.com.

Adult Sunday School Class

The adult Sunday School class, (the Friendship Class) led by John Price, continues its study of Paul's letter to the Philippians, Sundays at 9:45 a.m., meeting in fellowship hall. Following Philippians, the next study will be the Gospel of Matthew.

Salad and Sandwich Lunch – after Worship on September 8

Our September church meal will be salad and sandwiches after worship on Sunday, September 8. Please linger for this light fare and fellowship with others.

Presbyterian Women Bible Study Resumes September 9 and 10

After a summer hiatus, monthly Bible study for Presbyterian Women resumes in September. The night circle meets on the second Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. and the day circle meets on the second Tuesday of the month at 10:00 a.m. The 2019-2020 study book, available at the church for \$10, is *Love Carved in Stone*, a look at the Ten Commandments.

A Reminder of Weekly Events at Grace Presbyterian Church

Prayer and Praise is at 9:30 a.m. We sing and prayer for those on the prayer list.

Sunday School for all ages begins at 9:45 a.m.

Sunday Worship begins at 11:00 a.m.

Bell choir rehearses most Sundays after worship at about 12:00 noon.

Choir rehearsal is held Wednesday at 7:00 p.m., beginning September 11.

GrandPals read to preschoolers Fridays at 11:00 a.m., beginning Sept. 20

Mustard Seed, our program for children of the church and extended care, meets Fridays at 4:15 p.m.

We are on Facebook

Grace Presbyterian Church is on Facebook. We are located at www.facebook.com/GPCBartlett. Please click "Like" on the page to see updates in your newsfeed. The more you "Like," share and comment on our posts, the more activity our page gets and the more other people will see what's going on at our church.

Thank You Note from Michelle Brown

Dear Grace Presbyterian Church, How can I possibly begin to express my thanks to you all for the loving way you have embraced me (and my family) as part of your fellowship these past summer months? While I have endeavored to plan, prepare, and present music to the glory of God, you have given me encouragement, blessed me with support, and shown me the presence of Christ in you. Praise God for all the blessings He had bestowed on me! Thank you for the sweet way you honored me Sunday. The very large bouquet of roses is just beautiful. I am enjoying them so much. I have appreciated the wonderful opportunity to serve God by serving you at Grace Presbyterian Church. To God be the glory!

Michelle Brown

GrandPals Resumes

A number of us have been reading Bible stories to the children in our child care on Friday mornings for several years now. It is time to re-start GrandPals on Friday, September 20. If you would like to become one of the readers, (or if you need to take a break this term) please sign accordingly on the Friendship Pad or speak to Ruth Ellen Cox. If you have been reading and plan to continue, Ruth Ellen will include you in the schedule for September-December 2019. THANKS!

Get Up and Go Bunch

Our popular new activity, Get Up and Go Bunch, has two events scheduled for September. Memphis City Sound Chorus program "In My Dreams" is Saturday, September 14, at 7:30 p.m. at Bartlett Performing Arts Center on Appling Road. Carpool from the church at 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$15, and can be bought in person at BPAC, weekdays between 10-2.

Peabody Hotel Parade of Ducks – Monday, September 23.

We will leave the church at 9:30 a.m. so that we will be able to have choice seats in the lobby for the 11:00 parade. We will eat lunch at the Peabody, which will enable us to park at the hotel and get our parking ticket validated. The only charge will be for your lunch.

Visitors in Worship in August 2019 who signed the register

Akwi Aseh & Afah Takwi; Michele, Cy, & Vivian Baldwin; Nancy Barnes; Savoyd Beard; Julia Bialecki; Heather Bopp; Rick Brown; Gerald and Jari Dykstra; Nadiyah Gibbs; Al & Susie Hayes; Sherry Hathaway Hodges, Lee's Summit, MO; Sandra Hurley; Joe King, Russellville, AR; Brien, Samuel, Paul Luck; Seth Mayne; Roseann and Dan Mayo; Shawn McGoldrick; Don & LindaJo McKim; Linda G. Perry; Frank Talley; Andy, Angela & Adalyn Vachon; Janet Warren; Karen Getman Weiss, Havertown PA.

All labor gained new dignity
since he who all creation made
toiled with his hands for daily bread
right manfully.

No work is commonplace, if all
be done as unto him alone;
life's simplest toil to him is known
who knoweth all.

Each smallest common thing he makes
serves him with its minutest part;
man only with his wand'ring heart
his way forsakes.

This beautiful hymn, at left, with its unusual a-b-b-a rhyme scheme, speaks an important word about the dignity and worth of all labor, when seen through the eyes of Christ. We do well to be reminded daily how much the everyday material and spiritual well-being we enjoy rests upon the labor of many who are paid wages that are modest at best. Labor Day is mostly an end of summer holiday final fling in our culture now, but it reminds us of the worth of work, especially as we see our labor as our Christian vocation, our offering to God, for God's glory and the good of our neighbor.

Pastor Mike Krech

John Oxenham, 1920

September 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 9:30 Prayer & Praise 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship/ Communion	2 Labor Day Office Holiday <i>Katelyn Vawter</i>	3	4 <i>Jean Starnes</i>	5 7:00 p.m. Bartlett Area Chorus Rehearsal	6 4:15 p.m. Mustard Seed	7
8 9:30 Prayer & Praise 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Salad & Sandwich Lunch	9 7:00 pm PW Night Circle	10 10:00 am PW Day Circle	11 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	12 7:00 p.m. Bartlett Area Chorus Rehearsal	13 4:15 p.m. Mustard Seed	14 9:00 a.m. DAR event Sanct. & kit. 7:00 p.m. Get Up & Go Bunch carpool to BPAC
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29 9:30 Prayer & Praise 9:45 Sunday School 11:00 Worship 12:00 Bell Choir	30					

Ushers

Sept 1: Ruth Ellen Cox & Becky Stirling
Sept 8&15: Hannah McAdams & Karen McAdams
Sept 22&29: Cole Price & Greg Price

Elders Serving Communion

Sept. 1: John Gordon, Rosemary Gordon,
Ken Hathaway, John Price, Elizabeth Velazquez

Lay Readers

Sept. 1: Becky Stirling
Sept. 8: Janet Vawter
Sept. 15: Bob Gammon
Sept. 22: Bob Harrold
Sept. 29: Suzanne Getman

Closing Elders

Sept. 1: Brooks Keiser
Sept. 8: Kevin Bopp
Sept. 15: Janet Vawter
Sept. 22: Anna Tate
Sept. 29: Rickie Cooke

Lectionary Readings for Worship:

September 1:

Jeremiah 2:4-13; Psalm 81;
Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16; Luke 14:1,7-14

September 8:

Jeremiah 18:1-11; Psalm 139
Philemon 1-21; Luke 14:25-33

September 15:

Jeremiah 4:11-12,22-28; Psalm 14;
1 Timothy 1:12-17; Luke 15:1-10

September 22:

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1; Psalm 113
1 Timothy 2:1-7; Luke 16:1-13

September 29:

Jeremiah 32:1-3,6-15; Psalm 146
1 Timothy 6:6-19; Luke 16:19-31

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