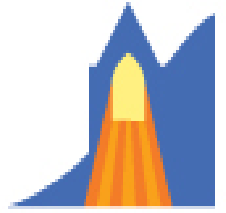


# The Presbyter

Celebrating  
100 Years  
1912 - 2012



First Presbyterian Church

July/August 2014

Clarks Summit, PA



"For we are God's masterpiece.  
He has created us anew in Christ Jesus."  
Ephesians 2:10

## VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

July 14-18

9:00am-12:00 noon

God filled the world with a lot of crazy creatures...including you! When you feel weird, different, or even lost in a crowd—nothing compares to the extraordinary love of Jesus.

Please visit the VBS page on our website [www.fpccs.org](http://www.fpccs.org) in order to register children or sign up to be a volunteer.

## COMMUNITY CARNIVAL!

Friday evening July 18th from 6 to 8 p.m.

### FPCCS Weekend at Camp Lackawanna

Save the date! On **August 9th and 10th**, we will be heading up to Camp Lackawanna for a weekend in the woods. Family and friends are welcome to join us for any or all of the activities. Highlights include:

- On Saturday, intergenerational games and activities followed by a campfire
- On Sunday, **10AM worship** at the Spann memorial chapel
- **Church picnic** beginning at 11:30AM (food and drinks provided)
- Swimming at the pool, 12-2PM

Additionally, reservations may be made for:

- Canoeing on the Susquehanna (Saturday afternoon)
- Overnight camping in cabins or tent sites
- Boxed dinner (Saturday night)

We will begin taking reservations for campsites and other optional activities in Fellowship Hall after church on June 29 and continuing through August 3, but we encourage you to get your reservations in early. It will be a weekend filled with fun, food, family, and faith. Hope to see everyone there!



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**Notes from the Session Meeting on June 10, 2014**  
Beverly Bright, Clerk of Session

1. Session approved a structural engineering proposal to provide plans for reinforcing, repairing or replacing the wood floor framing under fellowship hall. Further information will be forthcoming on this project. Temporary reinforcement has been installed.
2. Session accepted with regret the resignation of Patti Delaney as church Treasurer. The session thanked her for all of her work in this position. She will stay on as a member of Session, Class of 2016.

**The Presbyter deadline for  
the September issue is  
August 15, 2014**

The Presbyter is a monthly newsletter of the First Presbyterian Church, 300 School Street, Clarks Summit, PA 18411.

All visitors are welcome to worship with us. Services are at 10:00 a.m. each Sunday throughout the summer. Child care is available all morning. Communion is observed the first Sunday of every month.

If you do not attend a church in this area, we invite you to any and all of the events, programs, and worship services described in this newsletter. Please call the church office to arrange child care. Our sanctuary and Fellowship Hall are both handicapped accessible.

**FINANCIAL INFORMATION  
FROM YOUR FINANCE COMMITTEE  
FOR THE MONTH ENDING MAY 31, 2014**

REVENUE

Budget	\$ 162,500
Actual Received	<u>139,631</u>
Difference	\$ (22,869)

EXPENSES

Budget	\$ 168,875
Actual Expenses	<u>158,895</u>
Difference	\$ ( 9,980)

BUDGET VARIANCE \$ (12,839)

PLEDGE INCOME

Budget	\$ 131,250
Received	<u>114,522</u>
Difference	\$ (16,728)

Per Capita Update 2014:  
Total Received to date - \$3,537

<b>Church Office</b>	<b>(570) 586-6306</b>
<b>Fax</b>	<b>(570) 587-3784</b>
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<b>Pastor</b>	William G. Carter
<b>Director Educational Ministry</b>	Tina Ide
<b>Administrative Assistant</b>	Nancy Owens
<b>Treasurer</b>	Patti Delaney
<b>Editor</b>	Lindsey Hardy
<b>Clerk of Session</b>	Beverly Bright
<b>Director of Adult &amp; Teen Choirs</b>	Susan Kelly
<b>Director of Bells</b>	Richard Cochran
<b>Director of Chapel Choir</b>	Kay Ten Eyck
<b>Organist</b>	Kay Ten Eyck
<b>Sexton</b>	John Conklin



Presbyterian Women's Annual Gathering  
Tuesday, September 9  
10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Program: Preview of 2014-15 Bible Study  
"Reconciling Paul: A Contemporary Study  
of 2 Corinthians"

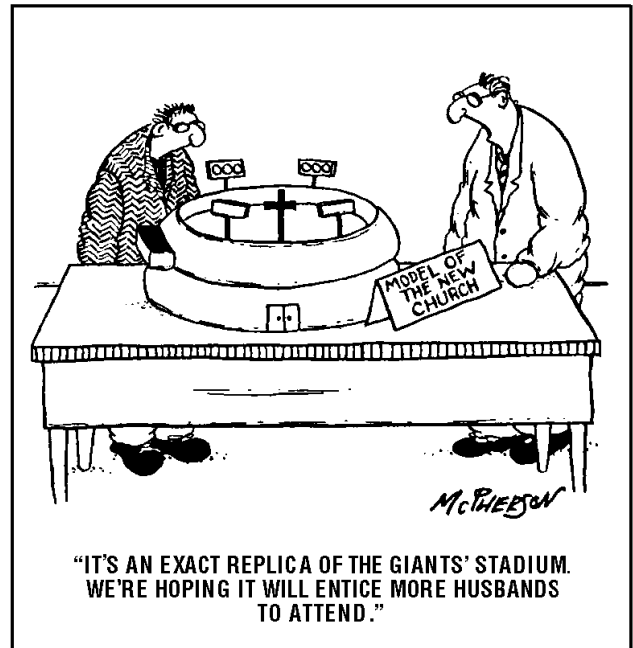
# Odds & Ends



## Welcome Our *New* Members

On June 15, Judy and Hoyt Keiser, and Valerie and Jim Treadway joined our church family.

Please extend them a warm welcome!



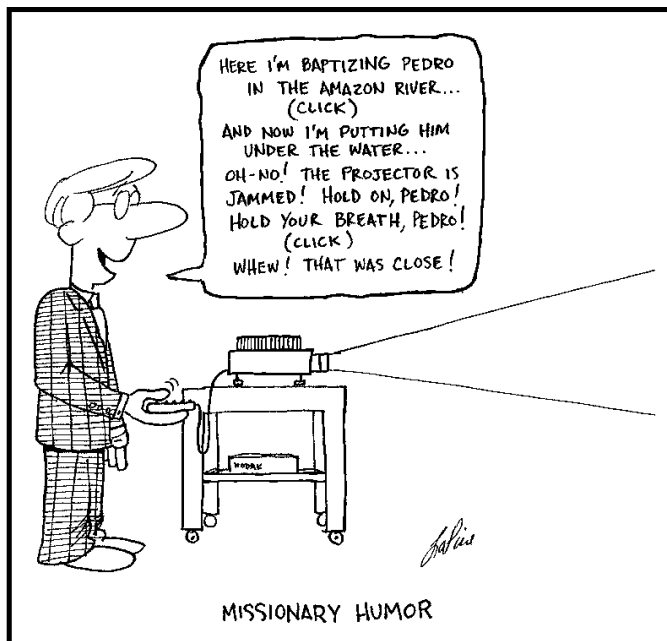
"IT'S AN EXACT REPLICA OF THE GIANTS' STADIUM. WE'RE HOPING IT WILL ENTICE MORE HUSBANDS TO ATTEND."



Our Finance Committee reminds us that church bills do not stop during the summer.

Please make every effort to keep your pledge up to date.

THANK YOU!



MISSIONARY HUMOR

## MUSIC AND WORSHIP FALL “NOTES”

Please join us this year in making a joyful noise!

### Adult Choir—Dr. Susan Kelly, director; Kay Ten Eyck, accompanist

The adult choir will have their first rehearsal in the sanctuary on **Wednesday, September 3<sup>rd</sup>** from **7:15PM-8:30PM**. We would love to have you join us! Feel free to just “show up” on September 3<sup>rd</sup> or contact Susan if you have questions (570-362-0383 or [skelly225@verizon.net](mailto:skelly225@verizon.net)).

### Teen Choir—Dr. Susan Kelly, director; Kay Ten Eyck, accompanist

The “award-winning” teen choir will have their first rehearsal in the sanctuary on **Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** from **8:30PM to 9:15PM**. If you are an older youth and like to sing, please join us!

### Chapel Choir—Kay Ten Eyck, director and accompanist

The Chapel Choir will begin rehearsals in the choir room on **Wednesday, September 10<sup>th</sup>** from **5:00PM to 5:45PM**. If you are a younger youth and like to sing, please join us!

### Bell Choir—Dick Cochrane, director

The Bell Choir will begin rehearsals on **Wednesday, September 17<sup>th</sup>** from **8:30PM to 9:15PM**. High-school-age teens and adults who can read music are welcome. If you want to try ringing for the first time, or if you're an experienced ringer, come join in. Call Dick at 570-587-3970, or just show up in Fellowship Hall on Wednesdays.

**And . . .** if singing or ringing isn't your passion, there is still an opportunity for you to be involved by joining the Worship, Music, and Arts committee. Contact Dick Cochrane at 570-587-3970 or Judy Cutler at 570-446-9310 for more information.

### *♪ Chapel Choir Notes ♪*

Our Chapel Choir children's music program had a wonderful 2013-2014 year! We appreciate the support of the parents, Briar Woodley for being our spring Safe Sanctuary assistant, Connie Weiss for being our fall Safe Sanctuary assistant and washing our robes, and Janet Dobson for assisting on Sunday mornings when we sing for worship. We also appreciate the members of the Handbell Choir and Bill Roditski for adding their “voices” to ours.

We also enjoyed having Abington Heights Junior, Kate Glidewell observing and working with the children for her Senior Project. Kate also led our very successful Music Camp this past April.

Looking ahead, we are delighted to announce that Kate will be with us next year! She will gradually expand her leadership role in directing the choir and an August Music Camp is also being planned.

The Chapel Choir is comprised of children from Kindergarten to 6<sup>th</sup> grade. We meet Wednesday evenings from 5:00 to 5:45 September through May. We sing for worship once a month. If you are interested in having your children sing with us, please contact Kay Ten Eyck at [kayt1085@gmail.com](mailto:kayt1085@gmail.com) or call the church office.

### Joyful Sounds Abound!

We are looking for students in 6<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> grades who are interested in enhancing hymns with bells and percussion. Random rings, ostinato patterns, bell descants and rhythm instruments can add beauty and excitement to congregational song. We would only meet on an occasional basis. Please contact Kay Ten Eyck if you have questions or if your child is interested in participating. You can e-mail [kayt1085@gmail.com](mailto:kayt1085@gmail.com) or see me after church.

# YOUTH Events

**Youth Group meets** Sundays, July 6 and 20 and August 3 and 17, 6:00-7:30pm in the fellowship hall.

**Messy Game Night** - Sunday, July 20 during our regular youth group time (6:00 -7:30pm). Please wear old clothes that can get dirty, messy or stained.

**Knoebels Trip** - Wednesday, August 13. Meet at church: 11:15am Return to church: 8:30pm. Cost: \$10 *Please bring:* a bagged lunch, money for dinner, money for additional ride tickets.

The cost of this event includes \$20 in ride tickets. If students wish to ride more rides, they will be responsible for purchasing additional ride tickets for themselves.



Vacation Bible School is Monday through Friday July 14-18, 9AM-Noon  
You may pre-register your children on line at [www.fpccs.org](http://www.fpccs.org)

## Robert London Scholarship Fund

The Christian Education and Growth Committee is pleased to award scholarships to any child, teen or young adult who wishes to go to a church camp, church leadership conference, church national event, or other Christian Education event. The amount given to each student is considered on an individual basis. Applications can be picked up in the church office or from our web-site.



Camp Scholarships

Scholarship Recipient



Congratulations to the 2014 recipient of the Paul R. Dobson Scholarship, Kathleen Shedlock. We wish her well as she heads off to the University of Pittsburgh. Janet Dobson and Family

## Board of Deacons

### Care Team Ministry Coordinators are:

Independent & Assisted Living: Sara Ann Hosier 587-0371  
 Emergency Needs: Jo Conklin 563-0211  
 Time of Loss: Lee Wirth 587-3767  
 Emergency Home Repair/  
 Maintenance: John Conklin 563-0211

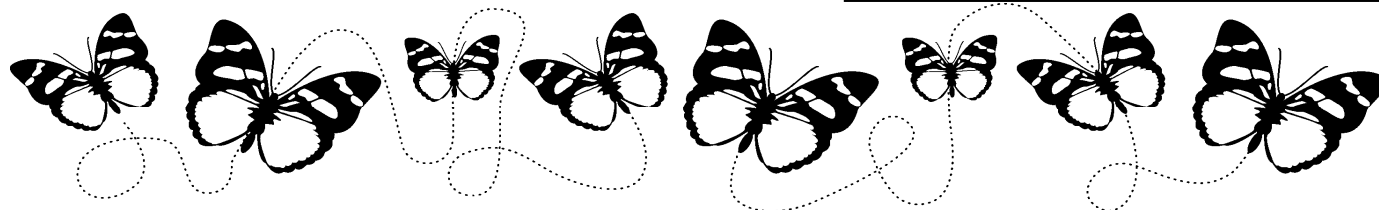
*Please let the Board of Deacons Care Team Coordinators or the church office know if anyone is in need of care.*

*We're here to care for FPC members and friends and we count on all of you to let us know when help is needed. This is our ministry and our Christian privilege to care for you.*

### WE CAN ALL RECYCLE

As part of our Green Church initiative, the Earth Care Task Force asks you to please recycle at church as well as at home. There are recycle bins in the kitchen where you may place clean, recyclable items. From the Clarks Summit Borough website: ALL PLASTICS WITH A RECYCLING SYMBOL #1-7, ALMOST ANY PAPER PRODUCT, INCLUDING JUNK MAIL, MAGAZINES, OFFICE-GRADE PAPER, NEWSPAPERS, CORRUGATED CARDBOARD AND FOOD BOXES CAN BE RECYCLED TOGETHER!

**CFL's** (the new curly queue bulb) must be recycled. Now that most incandescent bulbs have been replaced by Compact Fluorescent Lights, how do you dispose of them when they burn out? CFL's should never go in the garbage and must be recycled. We encourage you to bring **(only)** CFL's from home and dispose of them in the gray barrel next to the stove in the kitchen. Please be careful to not break the CFL's.



### High School Graduates

John Calcerano	Mary Beth Kondash	Zia Lawrence
Jessica Maietta	Kelly Mitchell	Audra Nealon
Christabel Newman	Emma Ross	Kaitlin Scappatura
Kathleen Shedlock	Kate Wardach	



### College Graduates

Megan Brown	Jasmine A. Silvestri
Katie Carter	Taylor M. Silvestri
Meredith McNelis	Katie Taylor
Kimberly Rich	

### Post Graduates

Molly E. Brown	Holly Woodley Shane
Wade Howard	Philip Wadsworth
Connor Liddic	

## Mission and Justice Committee News

### Documentary Delegation Returns from Haiti

David Porter

The “2 Rasin [Two Roots]” Documentary Delegation of Stacey Trunk, Justin Kraky, Kassiday Evans, Pat Henneforth, and David Porter, who left “well blessed” by our congregation on May 19th, returned exhausted and inspired from Haiti on June 1st. The experience was a huge success with the recording of about 750 gigabytes of video footage of interviews and concerts covering the band and its members’ lives, communities, individual music endeavors, and advocacies within their communities. Highlights related to activities our church has supported and continues to support included:

- An interview with Pastor Mathieu Ciceron who helped us understand the educational situation in Haiti, the improvement of which is becoming a larger part of N a Sonje’s mission and Carla Bluntschli’s advocacy as the band’s violinist and female vocalist and director of N a Sonje [We Will Remember],
- As another emphasis for Carla, we interviewed Leres and several women from the expanding N a Sonje Women’s Micro-Credit Program for which we have provided \$5,500 in startup funding. Last year 25 women started this program. Today there are 40 members with the same amount of money still circulating among the now 8 groups of five women. The original 5 groups of 5 women have chosen to continue to expand the number of women in the program rather than grow their own profits. An interesting concept in investing in the human resources rather than simply expanding one’s own financial gain.
- An interview with Cantave, director of Partnerships for Local Development which we have provided four \$5,000 contributions through Ground-

swell International and are now part of four peasant village development projects including peasant farming development which is a large part of Ron Bluntschli’s purpose in Haiti as the band’s lead guitar and male vocalist. Farmers who include the growing of trees as part of their agriculture are probably the only Haitians really helping to preserve and grow what little forest is available.

- A very poignant day included the interviewing and filming of the people of Mozayik, formerly the tent village of Mozayik, formerly the City of Mozayik. The band’s front man, guitarist and lyricist, Augustin Mona’s dream is to find and purchase land for the 300 families that have been displaced twice since the earthquake, where they can return to live together as the community they enjoyed prior to the earthquake. Of interest is the fact that across from this village and near the sea is a large olympic stadium complex under construction—a hard thing for people living in torn tents to witness being built under their eyes. Also the bank that displaced these people from Delmas 38 Port-au-Prince has suspended its construction for some reason, once again making all wonder, why did they displace them in the first place.

- We shared time with the drummer, Welele, in his home town of Banet on the southern shore of Haiti. We also shared time with him teaching drumming to children at the St. Trinity Episcopal Church in Port-au-Prince. Drumming has been his connection to his roots and a reason for much of his happiness in life. He loves sharing this instruction with children even though he has not been paid for providing these classes for six months.

Najee, the bass guitarist poignantly explained how he and his wife will have no more than one child in order to direct all their resources toward her education and welfare. His work as a bass guitarist for 2-Rasin and other bands, as a painter, and as a sculptor along with his wife’s wonderful vegan cooking seem to provide just enough for them to get by, but you can see the pain in a parent’s eye when you know that they feel it is not enough....

There were many times your blessings helped us survive heat, dehydration, a broken axil seal and then a broken axil, an attempted theft, the chigagunya fever [because many who we were with were getting it...] so thank you for your prayers. All donations were disbursed in creative ways and all delegation members report the experience to have been most positive, awesome, unbelievable, and important to them. We will now be about producing the first draft of the documentary and will be looking for financial and in-kind support to finance, distribute, develop venues for showing, and experiencing this documentary. We welcome all help on this matter.

We are glad to be home, but sad to be apart from the many friends we have in Haiti. Thank you all for helping us accomplish this first step in this documentary effort.





“The Stephen Minister is there to walk with you through your crisis and to help you see that, with God’s love, you will be okay.”

Would you like someone to walk with you through your crisis? Contact one of our Stephen Leaders, John Conklin, Judy Cutler, or Rev. Bill Carter for more information.

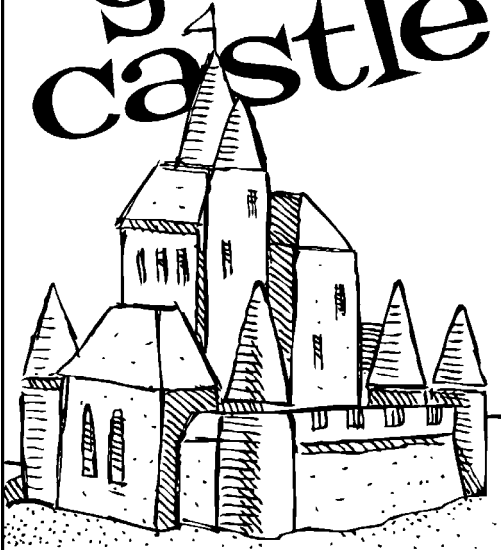


While we aren't meeting over the summer, our reading continues. The September will be at Judy Cutler's home at 7:00 on September 25th. We will be discussing: **The Aviator's Wife: a novel** by Melanie Benjamin Benjamin, delivers another stellar historical novel based on the experiences of an extraordinary woman. In this outing, she spotlights Anne Morrow Lindbergh, wife of wildly famous Charles Lindbergh and pioneering aviatrix and accomplished author in her own right. Though their courtship is the stuff of every girl's romantic fantasy, time and reality combine to reveal a much different story. Plagued by tragedy and often stifled by her domineering husband, she eventually manages to carve out a quasi-independent life and career for herself. Fictional biography at its finest; serious readers may want to pair this with the recently published *Against Wind and Tide*, the sixth and final volume of Anne Morrow Lindbergh's copious letters and journal entries.





# Color your castle



Summer is the perfect time to build a sand castle, whether in a sandbox or on the beach. Use this fun idea to add color to your creation.

### What you need:

- Empty spray bottles
- 1 cup water per bottle
- 4 Tablespoons cornstarch per bottle
- Food coloring

### What you do:

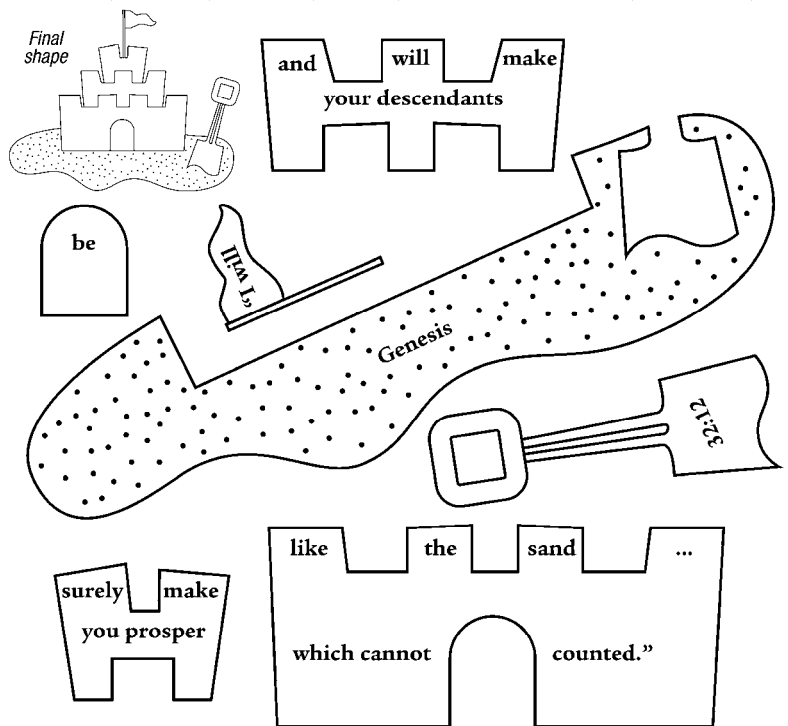
1. Remove the lid from each bottle and pour in the water and cornstarch.
2. Replace the lid and shake the bottle to dissolve the cornstarch completely.
3. Add drops of food coloring to achieve the desired color.
4. After building a sand castle, spray it with your colorful mixtures.



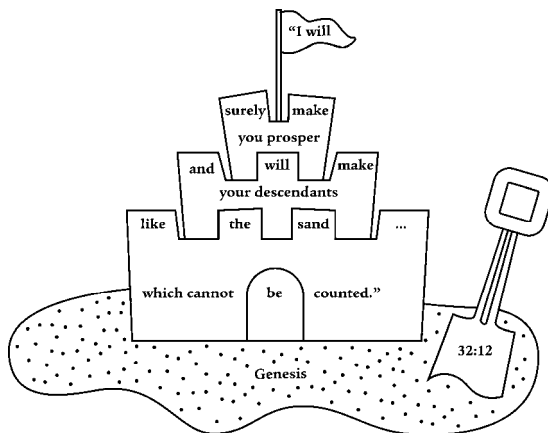
## A promise kept

In Genesis 32:12 (NIV), Jacob remembers a promise God made about his family. We, too, can be part of that promise. God always keeps his promises.

**Directions:** "Build" a sand castle using the shapes below. Cut out and assemble the shapes to complete God's promise. (Use the "final shape" image as a guide.)



Answer: "I will surely make you prosper and will make your descendants like the sand ... which cannot be counted." Genesis 32:12, NIV



## Joys and Sorrows



Drs. Phil and Abby (Thom) Wadsworth were married on June 21st in Anoka, MN. They are 2014 graduates of Temple University School of Dentistry and will be moving to Boston in July, where Abby will begin working as a general dentist and Phil will enter an endodontics residency at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine.



The sympathy of the congregation is extended to

- Kay Rudis and her family at the recent loss of her sister, Joan Richardson, and
- Harmony Vitali on the recent passing of her father, Joe.

### July Ushers:

July 6 - Wayne Griffiths  
 July 13 - The Broxtons  
 July 20 - Donna Kepler, Vi Dygert  
 July 27 - Laura Shillinger, Anne Deremer



Dear Church Family,

I would like to extend my gratitude towards you all in thanks for recognition of my graduation. I would especially like to mention the Dobson family for their generous scholarship. Growing up with such amazing support has been wonderful. Thank you and God Bless.

Sincerely,  
 Kathleen Shedlock

Both Ed and I would like to thank everyone for the thoughts, prayers and meals Ed and I received during my incapacitation.

The knee is coming along fine.

Thanks again, Diane Cole

## Lectionary Readings

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#### July 6

Genesis 24:34-38, 42-49, 58-67; Psalm 45:10-17; Romans 7:15-25a; Matthew 11:16-19, 25-30

#### July 13

Genesis 25:19-34; Psalm 119:105-112; Romans 8:1-11; Matthew 13:1-9, 18-23

#### July 20

Genesis 28:10-19a; Psalm 139:1-12, 23-24; Romans 8:12-25; Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43

#### July 27

Genesis 29:15-28; Psalm 105:1-11, 45b or Psalm 128; Romans 8:26-39; Matthew 13:31-33, 44-52

#### August 3

Genesis 32:22-31; Psalm 17:1-7, 15; Romans 9:1-5; Matthew 14:13-21

#### August 10

Genesis 37:1-4, 12-28; Psalm 105:1-6, 16-22, 45b; Romans 10:5-15; Matthew 14:22-33

#### August 17

Genesis 45:1-15; Psalm 133; Romans 11:1-2a, 29-32; Matthew 15(10-20) 21-28

#### August 24

Exodus 1:8-2:10; Psalm 124; Romans 12:1-8; Matthew 16:13-20

#### August 31

Exodus 3:1-15; Psalm 105:1-6, 23-26, 45c; Romans 12:9-21; Matthew 16:21-28

**July 2014 Calendar**

- 2—10:00 AM—Prayer & Share  
 3—8:30 AM—Mens' Breakfast  
 5:00 PM—CSG  
 4 - Independence Day—Church Office is closed.  
**6- 10:00 AM Summer Worship**  
**6:00 PM—Youth Group**  
 7-12:00 Noon & 6:00 PM Weight Watchers  
 9 - 9:30 AM—LP LDT; 1:00 PM—LP COM  
 10:00—Prayer and Share  
 10- 5:00 PM—Counseling Support Group  
 7:00 PM Christian Education  
**13-10:00 AM Summer Worship**  
**14—9:00 AM — Noon—Vacation Bible School**  
**15—9:00 AM Vacation Bible School**  
**16—9:00 AM Vacation Bible School**  
**17—8:30 AM Mens' Breakfast**  
**9:00 AM Vacation Bible School**  
 5:00 PM—Counseling Support Group  
**18—9:00 AM Vacation Bible School**  
**6:00 PM—VBS Evening Carnival**  
**20- 10:00 AM Summer Worship**  
**6:00 PM—Youth Group: Messy Game Nite**  
 21—12:00 Noon & 6:00 PM Weight Watchers  
 22— 7:00 PM—Deacons  
 23—10:00 AM—Prayer and Share  
 24— 5:00 PM—Counseling Support Group  
**27—10:00 AM Summer Worship**  
**1:05 PM—Faith Day at RailRiders game**  
 28—12:00 Noon & 6:00 PM Weight Watchers  
 29—Session  
 30— 10:00 AM—Prayer & Share  
 31—5:00 PM—Counseling Support Group

**August 2014 Calendar**

- 3—10:00 AM Summer Worship**  
**6:00 PM—Youth Group**  
 4—12:00 Noon & 6:00 PM Weight Watchers  
 6— 10:00 AM Prayer & Share  
 7— 8:30 AM Mens' Breakfast  
 5:00 PM—CSG  
 7:00 PM Building and Grounds  
 7:00 PM Christian Education  
 9 & 10—Church Weekend at Camp Lackawanna  
**10— 10:00 AM Worship (both at Camp and in CS)**  
 11— 12:00 Noon & 6:00 PM Weight Watchers  
 13— 9:30—LP LDT & 1:00 PM—LP COM  
 10:00 AM Prayer & Share  
 11:15 AM—Youth depart for Knoebels  
 14— 5:00 PM—CSG  
 15— Presbyter Deadline  
**17—10:00 AM Summer Worship**  
**6:00 PM—Youth Group**  
 18—12:00 Noon & 6:00 PM Weight Watchers  
 20- 10:00 AM Prayer & Share  
 21—8:30 AM—Mens' Breakfast  
 5:00 PM—CSG  
**24—10:00 AM Summer Worship**  
 25—12:00 Noon & 6:00 PM Weight Watchers  
 26— 7:00 PM Deacons  
 27— 9:00 AM—Presbyter Mailing  
 10:00 AM Prayer & Share  
 28— 5:00 PM CSG  
**31—10:00 AM—Annual Jazz Communion Service**

**“The Way”** Wednesday evening Church School classes for all ages will resume on September 10. The September Presbyterian will have all the details.



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**Return Service Requested**



Second Annual Camp Lackawanna Golf  
Tournament  
Shadowbrook Golf Course  
Shadowbrook Inn and Resort, Tunkhannock

Saturday, September 27, 2014

8:00-8:45 AM      Registration  
9:00 AM            Shotgun Start  
1:30 PM            Luncheon

Cost \$75

For more information visit  
[www.lackawannapresby.org/camphome](http://www.lackawannapresby.org/camphome)  
or call 570-348-0643.



**SWB Rail Riders Game**

**SIGN UP NOW!** Faith Day is Sunday, July 27th, at the 1:05 pm game for the SWB Rail Riders baseball team, and we're getting together a group from our church to attend the game. A sign-up sheet is on the counter in the Narthex. The cost is \$8 per ticket. Join us for this afternoon of fellowship and fun!

