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Through Christ we put God first by teaching reaching and loving all!

The R E A C H O U T

⁶ Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. ⁷ And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. (Philippians 4:6-7)

⁹ "Pray, then, in this way: Our Father in heaven, may your name be revered as holy.

¹⁰ May your kingdom come. May your will be done on earth as it is in heaven. ¹¹ Give us today our daily bread. ¹² And forgive us our debts, as we also have forgiven our debtors.

¹³ And do not bring us to the time of trial, but rescue us from the evil one. (Matthew 6:9-13)

¹⁴ And this is the boldness we have in him, that if we ask anything according to his will, he hears us. (1 John 5:14)

²² Jesus answered them, "Have faith in God.

²³ Truly I tell you, if you say to this mountain, 'Be taken up and thrown into the sea,' and if you do not doubt in your heart but believe that what you say will come to pass, it will be done for you. ²⁴ So I tell you, whatever you ask for in prayer, believe that you have received it, and it will be yours. ²⁵ "Whenever you stand praying, forgive, if you have anything against anyone, so that your Father in heaven may also forgive you your trespasses." (Mark 11:22-25)

⁶ But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret, and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. ⁷ "When you are praying, do not heap up empty phrases as the gentiles do, for they think that they will be heard because of their many words. ⁸ Do not be like them, for your Father knows what you need before you ask him. (Matthew 6:6-8)

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⁹ Again, truly I tell you, if two of you agree on earth about anything you ask, it will be done for you by my Father in heaven. ²⁰ For where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them.” (Matthew 18:19,20)

¹³ Are any among you suffering? They should pray. Are any cheerful? They should sing songs of praise. ¹⁴ Are any among you sick? They should call for the elders of the church and have them pray over them, anointing them with oil in the name of the Lord. ¹⁵ The prayer of faith will save the sick, and the Lord will raise them up, and anyone who has committed sins will be forgiven. ¹⁶ Therefore confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, so that you may be healed. The prayer of the righteous is powerful and effective. ¹⁷ Elijah was a human like us, and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. ¹⁸ Then he prayed again, and the heaven gave rain, and the earth yielded its harvest. (James 5:13-18)

¹⁵ But now more than ever the word about Jesus spread abroad; many crowds were gathering to hear him and to be cured of their diseases. ¹⁶ Meanwhile, he would slip away to deserted places and pray. (Luke 5:15,16)

²⁶ Likewise the Spirit helps us in our weakness, for we do not know how to pray as we ought, but that very Spirit intercedes with groanings too deep for words. ²⁷ And God, who searches hearts, knows what is the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God. (Romans 8:26,27)

⁹ “So I say to you, Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. ¹⁰ For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. ¹¹ Is there anyone among you who, if your child asked for a fish, would give a snake instead of a fish? ¹² Or if the child asked for an egg, would give a scorpion? ¹³ If you, then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!” (Luke 11:9-13)

We are to pray all the time. Pray like you are talking to your Father in Heaven. Pray knowing who you are talking to, with reverence, trust, and faith. God is available to you and is very much able to give you what you need or desire. The question is, do you believe and have faith even if the answer to your prayer is no?

We first need to make sure we are a child of God, and if so, are we aligning our thoughts with God’s thoughts? Are we truly aligning our life to the will of the father in heaven? Do we want His will to be done in our lives?

When I pray, I first acknowledge who I am praying to and I make sure I know he is the creator of the Heavens and the Earth. My God who is my Father in Heaven. I then make sure that I know how much I have been blessed even if I don’t understand everything I am going through. I know that God is with me and loves me. I make sure that I ask for the help of the Holy Spirit to understand and to receive the answers that God is giving. I look for ways to see God work in my life and I find ways to understand how God wants me to follow and obey His desires and ways. I look for ways to spend time with God through Scriptures, and spend time with those who need help. I make sure that I talk with God on my ways. The things I worry about and the things I plan to do. Most of all I ask the Holy Spirit to help me align my life with what God desires for me. What am I called to do and what are my gifts that help me to help others? I also have been looking up Scripture to memorize. Things I can say to show my appreciation for the gift of the Word. I am amazed at how much is related to what I am feeling or going through at that time. The Scripture I have memorized speaks to it in my mind and in my heart. This is a start. How much does God mean to you? How much comfort do you receive by talking to God? Try it and let me know.

Pastor Ralph

Sundays & Seasons Worship Planner

DATE	EVENT	COLOR	READINGS	INTRODUCTION
August 3rd	8th Sunday After Pentecost	green	Ecclesiastes 1:2, 12-14 & 2: 18-23 Psalm 49: 1-12 Colossians 3: 1-11 Luke 12: 13-21	Today's texts offer instruction and encouragement for all who are occasionally overwhelmed by the "unhappy business" of life. Jesus urges us to take care and be on guard against all kinds of greed. We who have died with Christ in holy baptism have also been raised with him and are encouraged to elevate our thinking, seeking the "things that are above." To that end we seek the sustenance of the Lord's supper and the encouragement of God's word.
August 10th	9th Sunday After Pentecost	green	Genesis 15: 1-6 Psalm 33: 12-22 Hebrews 11: 1-3, 8-16 Luke 12: 32-40	Jesus says, "It is your Father's good pleasure to give you the kingdom." It is God's promise from the beginning, to Abraham, to the early church, and to the "little flock" of which we are a part in today's assembly. Faith, God's baptismal gift, trusts the promises of God. Have no fear.
August 17th	10th Sunday After Pentecost	green	Jeremiah 23: 23-29 Psalm 82 Hebrews 11:29--12:2 Luke 12: 49-56	The word of God is a refining fire. Jesus is the great divide in human history. He invites our undivided attention and devotion. Today in worship we are surrounded by a great "cloud of witnesses." In the word and in holy communion we are invited yet again to look to Jesus, "the pioneer and perfecter of our faith."
August 24th	11th Sunday After Pentecost	green	Isaiah 58: 9b-14 Psalm 103: 1-8 Hebrews 12: 18-29 Luke 13: 10-17	Remember the sabbath day. Call the sabbath a delight. This is the Lord's day, and the Lord will do for us what the Lord does: feed us, forgive us, help and heal us. Rejoice at all the wonderful things God is doing.
August 31st	12th Sunday After Pentecost	green	Proverbs 25: 6-7a Psalm 112 Hebrews 13: 1-8, 15-16 Luke 14: 1, 7-14	Invited and inviting—that is the nature of the church. By God's grace in holy baptism we have a place at Christ's banquet table. When, by the power of that same Spirit, humility and mutual love continue among us, the church can be more inviting still.

GOOD HOPE'S ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC SEPTEMBER 14th AT NOON

Council will provide hamburgers and hotdogs and buns.

Dinnerware and condiments and beverages will also be provided.

Please bring a covered dish or side dish or dessert to share.

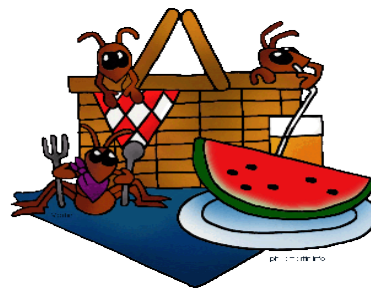
Yard games are welcome such as cornhole, lawn darts, and volleyball.

You may also bring friends and neighbors.

If it is raining, we will have the picnic

in Fellowship Hall– same day and time.

Hope to see you
there!



SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE AUGUST

Serving in God's house	August 3	August 10	August 17	August 24	August 31
Lector 8:00	Greg Razo	Nancy Crouse	Greg Razo	Nancy Crouse	Greg Razo
Lector 10:30 Liturgy	Kathy Kramer	Pastor Ralph	Kathy Kramer	Pastor Ralph	Kathy Kramer
Communion bread	Marion Meyer	Marion Meyer	Marion Meyer	Marion Meyer	Marion Meyer
Altar Guild					
Chrema	Wendy Edwards Tammy Chuey	Tammy Chuey Wendy Edwards	Tammy Chuey Sandy Kuntz	Wendy Edwards	Nancy Barret Wendy Edwards

SERVING IN GOD'S HOUSE SEPTEMBER

Serving in God's house	September 7	September 13	September 21	September 28
Lector 8:00	Nancy Crouse	Greg Razo	Nancy Crouse	Greg Razo
Lector 10:30 Liturgy	Pastor Ralph	Kathy Kramer	Pastor Ralph	Kathy Kramer
Communion bread	Charlie Sheffert	Charlie Sheffert	Charlie Sheffert	Charlie Sheffert
Altar Guild				
Chrema	Wendy Edwards Tammy Chuey	Nancy Barret Wendy Edwards	Nancy Barret Sandy Kuntz Tammy Chuey	Wendy Edwards Nancy Barret

Stuffed Shells Dinner

Saturday
September 17
4 - 6 p.m.

Carry out only

Meal includes salad,
bread, and dessert.

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Our Prayer List

Wayne Graham
Daralee Graham
Andy Tesyk
Ruth Thompson
Janet Chittock
Mark Jamison

Debbie Jamison
Lorie McCale
Hannah Perry
Coy Cope
Cohen Sweeney
Bruce Holisky

Tim Winters
Rick Johnson
Missy Foster
Jim McCauley
Joey Biroshak

In the military:
Alyssa
Bryce Liberty
Jakeb Fry
Daniel McMurray



Our weekly intercessory
prayer for the people of our
congregation :



6- Johnithan & Baylee Vinkler
6- Chad & Anna Anderson
8- Sam & Diana Allen
12- Ed & Kim Smith
16- Bill & Charlene Varga
26- Kevin & Nancy Barrett

August 3

Amber Powell
Carter Powell
Jim Powell
Jimmy Powell

August 10

Mark Powell
Auni Razo
Chelsea Razo
Chelsea R. Razo

August 17

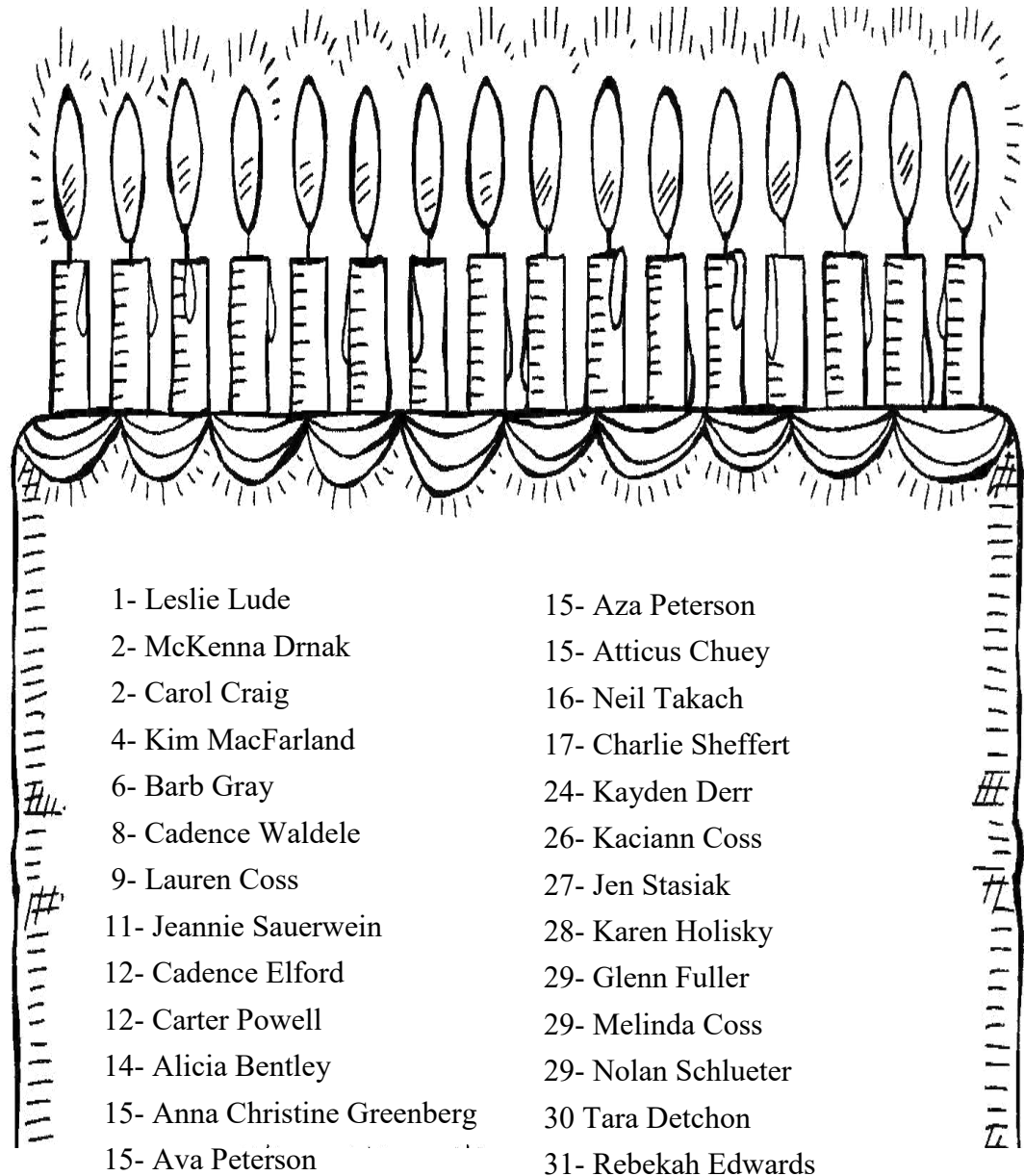
Eleanor Razo
Evelynn Razo

August 24

Greg Razo
Jared Razo
Jenny Razo
Jordan Razo

August 31

Ledger Razo
Mark Razo
Stephanie Razo
Jeff Robinson



COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

Council meeting minutes for July 15, 2025

present: Ken, Mark, Pastor Ralph, Andy, and Greg

absent: Carl

Pastor's Report –July– 2025

Area of Focus Last Month:

I had 21 counseling sessions and numerous significant contacts with members and others. I had 15 contacts by phone for significant help. We had our regular number of Saturday night and Sunday morning services Over the past month; I have presided at 15 worship services and prepared 6 sermons.

- Jun 1-6 Covering for emergencies for Kari Lankford
- Jun 4, 11, 18, 25 Music in the park 7-8:30
- Jun 11 Funeral- James Giles
- Jun 8 Confirmation- Affirmation of Baptism 10:30AM
- Jun 21 Prayer Walk at Church
- Jun 21 Joining Voices for Jesus
- Jun 24-25 Columbus Advanced CIT training
- Jun 28 Levites- move Andy's stuff to storage
- Jun 28 1st Dinner Team Meeting

Secretary's Report:

June 4- confirmation class

June 8- affirmation of baptism

June 14 & 15- Coria Brock here

June 17- Council meeting

June 22- strawberry social

June 27- fire and safety inspection

June 28- dinner team meeting

June 30- day camp meeting

Completed office duties, changed paraments, restocked supplies in pews, and answered calls for 3 c's. Updated electronic sign, organized clothing shed, prepared bulletins and power points, and the Reachout newsletter.

Old Business:

- a. Nine people attended the dinner team meeting and dinners were planned through next year's Lent season. At the next meeting, August 9th we will be tasting sauces and chicken and biscuits.
- b. The church picnic will be September 14th at Noon. Greg has offered to cook for us. A sign-up sheet will be available for desserts and side dishes.
- c. Sunday school will start back up on September 7th at 9:15am.
- d. Pastor Ralph will look into getting the photo disc for the directory.

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New Business:

- a. The Beaver Township Fire Department conducted our Fire and Safety inspection June 27th. Good Hope passed the inspection.
 - b. Pastor Ralph motions to accept Naomi Sparks and Bryan Hum to prepare the budget for 2026. Mark seconds. Motion carried.
 - c. Kaylee Price has created a new website for Good Hope. She has done a beautiful job on this project. We hope to have it up and running beginning of August.
 - d. Mark motions to accept Mike and Atticus Chuey and Taylor Harvey into Good Hope's membership as of July 12, 2025. Ken seconds. Motion carried.
- All 3 were baptized by Pastor Ralph at Camp Frederick.
- Andy led the Lord's Prayer to close the meeting.

Treasurer's Report June 1- June 30, 2025

Negative shown in parentheses	Actual	Budget	Budget remaining
Income	\$15,777.39	\$16,163.34	\$385.95
Expense	\$14,785.67	\$15,901.68	\$1,116.01
Net Total	\$991.72	\$261.66	(\$730.06)

Weekly Attendance 2025

May	June	July	August	September	October
69	83	54			
69	103	60			
55	68	62			
65	67	63			
	61				
(65)	(77)	(60)			

Mark Your Calendar

August 6- Beaver Patrolman's Golf Outing

August 6, 13, 20- Music in the Park concert series 7pm at Woodworth Park

August 13- Worship at Briarfield Place 11am

August 19- Council meeting 7pm

August 24- Shaker Woods worship at 8:30am

August 30- Levites at Mt. Olivet breakfast 9am

August 30- Dinner team meeting 10am

September 7- Family Sunday school 9:15am

September 14- Annual church picnic 12pm

September 17- Sunday school meeting 9:30am

September 17- Bible study 11am

September 17- Stuffed shells dinner 4-6pm

September 21- Lunch with Teen Challenge 12pm

Office Notes*

***Family Sunday School will resume September 7th at 9:15am.**

***Bible study will resume September 17th at 11am. Please read Acts chapters 1- 5.**

***Join Zoom Meeting**

<https://zoom.us/j/92198377951?pwd=DSkKlCEY5w7Gosjvnrj51HM3QJCqv.1>

Beaver Patrolman's Annual Golf Outing

Wednesday, August 6th at 8:30am

The Lake Club

1140 Paulin Road, Poland

To register or sponsor a hole please contact:

Chris Albert at 330-549-5338

Beaver Township Fire & EMS

CHICKEN BBQ

Saturday, Sept. 20th

3:00 - 7:00 pm

DRIVE-THRU OR DINE IN

Tickets Available Now!

Don't wait, \$15 in Advance

\$18 at the Door



Meal includes: half chicken, baked potato, coleslaw, soft serve ice cream.

Held at the South Range School building.

All proceeds to benefit the Beaver Township Fireman's Association

Smoked Turkey Dinner with Teen Challenge

Sunday September 21st at Noon

Join us in Fellowship Hall right after the 10:30 worship to welcome and share a meal with the men and women of Teen Challenge. The meal will be provided by the Shaffer family.

Meal includes: smoked turkey, stuffing, mashed potatoes, green beans, and dessert.

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Return Services Requested

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Worship Services

Saturdays—5:00 pm

Sundays—8:00 & 10:30 AM & noon

Children's Sunday School during 10:30 worship

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