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IN CENTRAL ASIA: MR. & MRS JAMES KEECH

OUR MISSION IS: "TO KNOW CHRIST, TO GROW IN CHRIST, AND TO SHOW CHRIST"

Are You The Person Who is "Behind Your Church"?

A pastor went to Jamaica on a mission outreach where he helped to erect a small cement-block church building. One day a sudden storm interrupted the work, and he and a Jamaican man named Daniel sought shelter together. As they watched the rain, Eastman asked, "Are you an officer in the church?" "No," Daniel replied. "I'm the man behind the church." He meant he was not one to be up front in the church--pastor, teacher, board member, but one who stayed in the background, doing all sorts of things to keep the church functioning. Paul commended many people just like Daniel who worked hard in their churches. No service we do for the Lord is unimportant. Say that out loud right now! So, if you happen to be that "Daniel behind your church", thanks! We are certainly grateful you are "on the team"!

Maybe you are wondering how you can serve. We could always use your thoughts and abilities in a work area where your ideas help provide for important services for God and His people! God has surely given each of us special insights, experiences and talents that enable us to be a serving and witnessing church.

As I was writing this, I thought of a few places where we would welcome your participation. I list these alphabetically: Acolyte or acolyte helper, altar guild, caring outreach for neighbors, children's fellowship, music (choir, praise team or instrumental music), college and military outreach, costumes, family coordinating, finance committee, fixit person, food bank helper, health service, hospitality, kitchen help, lay speaking, missions team, recording secretary, singles ministry, small group leader, Sunday school teacher, technology help, "tween" leader, United Methodist men or women, visitation team or young adult ministry. If you believe that any of these positions (or something we haven't even thought of yet!) is a place where God is calling you, call us at the church. We will "plug you in". We want to help you to serve God.

Everyone has something to offer! Remember what the apostle Paul said: "Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it." (1 Cor. 12:27)

A "p.s." from pastor Mike: I would like to thank all those people who make working together such a joy. Your vision and continued commitment is not only a great inspiration to me, but a great witness to the church and community. I'm looking forward to a great year serving with you in 2009!

Your friend in service with you,
Pastor Mike

WORSHIP SERVICES

(WORSHIP) ... 8:00 a.m. in the parish hall and 10:30 in the sanctuary
(SUNDAY SCHOOL) ... Classes for all ages and interests at 9:15 a.m.

FALL FESTIVAL, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25TH

11:00 AM TO 2:00 PM HERE AT MESSIAH

Come & enjoy Apple Dumplings, Chicken Corn Soup, Pork B.Q., Hot Dogs, Ham & Cheese Pretzel Sandwiches, Apple Cider, Hot Chocolate & other drinks. *All money raised will go the Holy Ground Camp Fund.*



The Mission Committee will have table space on Heifer International where you can purchase your shares.

At the same time "Slime Time" will be happening outside (weather permitting). See information below. Bring your whole family and friends and enjoy a nice Fall day at church.

Just a reminder – Penn State has an 8pm kick off. If you're going to the game you can still swing by and get your lunch – Tailgate in our parking lot.

SLIME TIME FESTIVAL

Oozing with fun, exploding with games & food, dripping with powerful lessons from our own Professor Gizmo's Lab, this is a free event for all ages right here on Messiah's campus on Saturday, October 25th from 11:00-2:00 pm!

Parents will be able to enjoy fall harvest food & adult conversation while your preschool and elementary age children try their hands at games like *Beaker Basketball*, *Goop Scoop*, *Battery Bowling* and *Glow Toss*. Children will be able to collect a complete set of *Bible Buddy cards* and tickets to redeem for special candy treats.

Be sure to stop at the registration table upon entering so that we can take a family photo of your rocket scientists and kids will receive a goody bag with other themed treats! **Teenagers-** there are fun and service opportunities for you as well! Be sure to sign up in the Youth Room!



UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Central PA Conference 36th Annual Seminar to the Board of Global Ministries is scheduled for Feb. 1-4, 2009. Registration of \$395 will cover bus fare, 3 nights double occupancy, baggage and handling and Tuesday's all day tour. Participants pay for all meals and subway transportation. If you have an interest in going, please let it be known so that the mission committee and UMW may budget funds to help with the expense.

Joy class meeting, Monday, October 13, 2008 at noon in the Parish Hall. Bring a bag lunch. Dessert provided.

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Wednesdays just aren't wonderfl without U!

Come out and discover what God has to say to each of us midweek! There is nourishing food, encouraging fellowship, enlightening discussion on a contemporary topic, service opportunities and challenges to Live Inside Out. Child care is available by calling the church office by Monday.

Mark each Wednesday in October from 6-8:00 pm to grow your faith at Messiah UMC! Treat a friend or a neighbor to this midweek treat!

Holy Ground Update

\$8,000.00 2008 Pledge
- 5,356.60 as of 9/14
\$ 2643.40 To Reach Our Goal

Won't you consider helping out by contributing a little each week?

One Room Sunday School

Next One Room Sunday School will feature our preschoolers on Sunday, November 2nd @ 9:15- 9:40 am in the Sanctuary!



LIBRARY CORNER

October Librarian: Leah May Foller

New in the Library

DVD – “2007 Women of Faith Concert of Praise”

Novels – “The Shack” by Wm. Paul Young

“The Edge of Recall” by Kristen Heitzmann

Adult – “Aging and Ministry In the 21st Century”
By Richard H. Gentzler Jr.



Kids Own Worship

Kids have you ever built something cool out of wood, Lego's, cardboard or graham crackers? This month we will be discussing some of the amazing structures that God commissioned his followers to build. Join in the fun as we look at the ark that Noah built the tower of Babel that many different peoples constructed and even the nation that Abram built. Follow Miss Mindy and Miss Kim to the second floor worship area after “small talk” Sundays in October for fun songs, great lessons and hands on application activities.

- Oct. 5th NO KOW
- Oct. 12th Noah
- Oct. 19th Babel
- Oct. 26th Abram

Looking ahead: Nov. 2 Lot & Abram

FREINDLY NEIGHBORS

Our September's meeting was a two part learning experience for many of us. Phyllis Plowman of The Antique Center of York, not only brought to us her knowledge of gemstones, but also how they relate to biblical times. She explained about the garment of the high priest of Israel. She explained about the 12 gemstones that represent the 12 tribes that the priest wore on his breast plate. From this we learned interesting facts about our own gems. These are the 12 foundations stones of the New Jerusalem, Revelation 21:19, 20. We all want to thank St.Peter's Lutheran Church for a great dinner and for being in charge of the monthly meeting.

For the month of October, on the 2nd we will meet at Messiah United Methodist Church. In the past we have supported our local York Cancer Center. This past year we've experienced high prices of gas, food and travel. However, we all suffer with illnesses regardless of cost. These increased expenses bring harder times on our neighbors no matter their station in life. Cancer is one of the most devastating to all of us. This month Peggy & Denny Tilton will entertain us with their bag pipes. Peggy is Financial Coordinator of the Cancer Center. She suggested to us that since fruit costs have increased and may be unaffordable for those most in need that we support the Center with canned fruit.

DUE TO RECENT CHANGES WE ASK THAT FIRST TIMERS NOW CALL BETTY COWEY 845-2460.
Phil Welsh

ALTAR GUILD: Rick & Sandy Kerns
COMMUNION: World Communion—October 5
 Prepare— Bill & Connie Kepner
 Cleanup— Dorrie Whorl & Althea Hartman

BULLETIN BOARD
OCTOBER—Dee Gembe

REMEMBER THESE AREAS OF MISSION AND MINISTRY

- **GIVE TO THE MACARONI BOXES FOR OUR DAILY BREAD SOUP KITCHEN**
- **REMEMBER TO CONTRIBUTE ITEMS TO THE WELL AND TO OUR OWN FOOD PANTRY**
- **PURCHASE WEIS & GIANT GIFT CARDS**
- **SAVE YOUR ALUMINUM BEVERAGE CANS AND PLACE THEM IN THE CONTAINERS AT THE EAST AND WEST ENTRANCES—CANS ARE SOLD AND PROCEEDS GO TO THE CHURCH MAINTENANCE FUND**

IT IS IMPORTANT TO REMEMBER TO PASS THE ATTENDANCE PAD EACH SUNDAY AND THEN PASS IT BACK TO THE CENTER SO YOU KNOW WHO IS SITTING WITH YOU.

OUR TEDDY BEAR MINISTRY IS STILL GOING STRONG AND WE HAVE BEARS WHO WANT TO BELONG TO SOMEONE.

REMEMBER THOSE WHO MAY BE GOING THROUGH A DIFFICULT TIME AND GIVE THEM A TEDDY BEAR FROM MESSIAH CHURCH.



UNITED METHODIST MEN ACTIVITIES

Gentlemen, don't forget the monthly breakfast on the first Saturday of the month, October 4th, 8am at Central Family Restaurant, N. George Street. Request you sign-up on the U.M. Men's bulletin board.

We also solicit your attendance at the fellowship breakfast on the third Thursday of the month, October 16th, 7 am at Alexander's Restaurant on Carlisle Road.

The York District U.M. Men's Rally is scheduled for Thursday, October 16th at Aldersgate U.M. Church on Tyler Run Road. The meal starts at 6 pm followed by the program. The cost of the meal is \$10.00. See Don Young to sign up.

GIVING 1/1/08 THROUGH 9/14/08

Budget Receipts - Church	260,273.63
Budget Receipts - Sunday School	4,142.65
Non-Budget Receipts	7,880.18
Building Fund Receipts	16,219.50
P.P.P. Fund Receipts	2,818.00
Total Receipts	291,333.96
Needed for Budget	329,534.10
Over (Under) Budget	(46,080.32)
Budget Disbursements	277,883.01
Non-Budget Disbursements	26,570.14
Conference Loan Payment	7,000.00
Total Disbursements	311,453.15

OCTOBER— CRADLE ROLL/NURSERY WORKERS

10:30 AM SERVICE:

- Oct 5**—Matt & Betsy Klinedinst, Matt & Sue Hartman
Oct 12—Josh & Laura Graver, Ben & Nancy Geesey
Oct 19—Kevin & Judy Newton, Bobby & Martha Hassler
Oct 26—Chad & Deb Rutter, Chris & Diana Olson
***Nov 2**—Connie Kepner, Steph Hartman, Marla Davis, Sue Warner

USHERS: OCTOBER 08

- Oct 5**—Elmer Shearer, Rob Green, George Kelbaugh, Jeff Galloway, Josh Graver, Larue Olson, Stuart Moyer, Stuart Frey, Galen Haar, Lee Barnhart.
Oct 12—Elmer Shearer, Tom Hartman, Charles Gembe, Dennis Miley, Matt Hartman, Matt Fishel, James Troxell, Lou Dell'Orfano, Jeff Shearer, Kevin Newton.
Oct 19—Elmer Shearer, Pat Poet, Sue Miley, Cobi Kepner, Martha Hassler, Hal W. Berger, Gordon Goodwin, Bobby Hassler, Sue Warner, Rick Warner.
Oct 26—Elmer Shearer, James Noel, Matt Klinedinst, Donald Young, Rogers Hall, Bernetta Hall, Laura Graver, Debbie Haar, Robert Wolfgang II, Jerry Yohe.
***Nov 2**—Elmer Shearer, Rob Green, George Kelbaugh, Jeff Galloway, Josh Graver, Larue Olson, Stuart Moyer, Stuart Frey, Galen Haar, Lee Barnhart.

PRAYER VIGIL—NOVEMBER 1 & 2

PRAYER FOCUS—OUR CHURCH, OUR COUNTRY AND CHRIST'S MINISTRY IN THE WORLD

We will be holding a prayer vigil beginning at 8:00 AM Saturday, November 1, through Sunday, November 2, at 8:00 AM.

We want to pray for your personal concerns; and in addition to those, we want to focus on the U.S., the effects of the economic crisis, high fuel costs that will undoubtedly cause hardships this winter for some elderly and families, our military and other areas. We also want to pray for Christ's ministry in our Church and throughout the world.

Renee & Barry Montag

DAILY DISCIPLINES: A SCRIPTURE SCHEDULE
(READ THE BIBLE IN A YEAR!)

Let's be "in the Word" daily and also pray for each other in the Body of Christ every day.

OCTOBER

- * **10/01:** Isaiah 63-65; Philippians 2:19-3:3; Psalm 73; Proverbs 24:13-14
- * **10/02:** Isaiah 66; Philippians 3:1-11; Psalm 74; Proverbs 24:15-16
- * **10/03:** Jeremiah 1; Philippians 3:12-21; Psalm 75; Proverbs 24:17-18
- * **10/04:** Jeremiah 2-3; Philippians 4; Psalm 76; Proverbs 24:19-22
- * **10/05:** Jeremiah 4-5; Colossians 1; Psalm 77; Proverbs 24:23-25
- * **10/06:** Jeremiah 6-7; Colossians 2; Psalm 78:1-25; Proverbs 24:26
- * **10/07:** Jeremiah 8-9; Colossians 3; Psalm 78:26-58; Proverbs 24:27
- * **10/08:** Jeremiah 10-11; Colossians 4; Psalm 78:59-72; Proverbs 24:28-29
- * **10/09:** Jeremiah 12-13; 1 Thessalonians 1-2; Psalm 79; Proverbs 24:30-34
- * **10/10:** Jeremiah 14-15; 1 Thessalonians 3; Psalm 80; Proverbs 25:1-5
- * **10/11:** Jeremiah 16-18; 1 Thessalonians 4; Psalm 81; Proverbs 25:6-7
- * **10/12:** Jeremiah 19-21; 1 Thessalonians 5; Psalm 82; Proverbs 25:8-10
- * **10/13:** Jeremiah 22-23; 2 Thessalonians 1; Psalm 83; Proverbs 25:11-14
- * **10/14:** Jeremiah 24-25; 2 Thessalonians 2; Psalm 84; Proverbs 25:15
- * **10/15:** Jeremiah 26-27; 2 Thessalonians 3; Psalm 85; Proverbs 25:16
- * **10/16:** Jeremiah 28-29; 1 Timothy 1; Psalm 86; Proverbs 25:17
- * **10/17:** Jeremiah 30-31; 1 Timothy 2; Psalm 87; Proverbs 25:18-19
- * **10/18:** Jeremiah 32; 1 Timothy 3; Psalm 88; Proverbs 25:20-22
- * **10/19:** Jeremiah 33-34; 1 Timothy 4; Psalm 89:1-13; Proverbs 25:23-24
- * **10/20:** Jeremiah 35-36; 1 Timothy 5; Psalm 89:14-37; Proverbs 25:25-27
- * **10/21:** Jeremiah 37-38; 1 Timothy 6; Psalm 89:38-52; Proverbs 25:28
- * **10/22:** Jeremiah 39-41; 2 Timothy 1; Psalm 90-91; Proverbs 26:1-2
- * **10/23:** Jeremiah 42-44; 2 Timothy 2; Psalm 92-93; Proverbs 26:3-5
- * **10/24:** Jeremiah 45-47; 2 Tim 3; Psalm 94; Proverbs 26:6-8
- * **10/25:** Jeremiah 48; 2 Timothy 4; Psalm 95-96; Proverbs 26:9-12
- * **10/26:** Jeremiah 49-50; Titus 1; Psalm 97-98; Proverbs 26:13-16

- * **10/27:** Jeremiah 51; Titus 2; Psalm 99; Proverbs 26:17
- * **10/28:** Jeremiah 52; Titus 3; Psalm 100; Proverbs 26:18-19
- * **10/29:** Lam. 1:1-2:19; Philemon; Psalm 101; Proverbs 26:20
- * **10/30:** Lam. 2:20-3:66; Hebrews 1; Psalm 102; Proverbs 26:21-22
- * **10/31:** Lam. 4-5; Hebrews 2; Psalm 103; Proverbs 26:23

NOVEMBER

- * **11/01:** Ezekiel 1:1-3:15; Hebrews 3; Psalm 104:1-24; Proverbs 26:24-26
- * **11/02:** Ezekiel 3:16-6:14; Hebrews 4; Psalm 104:25-35; Proverbs 26:27
- * **11/03:** Ezekiel 7-9; Hebrews 5; Psalm 105:1-15; Proverbs 26:28
- * **11/04:** Ezekiel 10-11; Hebrews 6; Psalm 105:16-38; Proverbs 27:1-2
- * **11/05:** Ezekiel 12:1 - 14:11; Hebrews 7:1-17; Psalm 105:39-45; Proverbs 27:3
- * **11/06:** Ezekiel 14:12 - 16:42; Hebrews 7:18-28; Psalm 106:1-12; Proverbs 27:4-6
- * **11/07:** Ezekiel 16-43 - 17:24; Hebrews 8; Psalm 106:13-31; Proverbs 27:7-9

Christian Education Dates

- October 1st Wonderful Wednesday 6-8:00 pm
CPR & AED class 6:30-10:00 pm
- October 5th NO KOW
- October 8th Wonderful Wednesday 6-8:00 pm
- October 9th Lay Speaker Class 6:30-9:00 pm
- October 15th November Newsletter deadline
Wonderful Wednesday 6-8:00 pm
- October 17th Lay Speaker Class 6:30-9:00 pm
- October 18th Lay Speaker Class & Commissioning 8-3:00 pm
- October 19th **Consecration Sunday**
- October 22nd Wonderful Wednesday 6-8:00 pm
Deadline for PRC teaching seminar
- October 25th SLIME TIME FESTIVAL 11-2:00 pm
- October 28th Publish monthly newsletter
- October 29th Wonderful Wednesday 6-8:00 pm
- November 1st **Teaching for Transformation** seminar @ PRC