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- 23 Jodi Eschbach
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Michael Gauger
- 30 Joan Clouser
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CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL - with
SPECIAL GOOD WISHES TO Viola
Domin who will celebrate her 91st birthday
September 25.



Communion will be celebrated Sunday,
October 3, 2010 at all services.
(8:15, 9:00, and 10:45 a.m.)



The Annual Crop Walk will be Sunday,
October 10, 2010. Please mark this date on
your calendar and plan to be there.

Talk to your friends and get them
interested in walking with you this year. We
need your help. Call the church office if you
are interested.

CHURCH CAMP

Zion's youth attending Camp Mensch Mill this year were: Coral Lewis and Jacob Young. Each year the Sunday school pays 1/2 of the registration fee for any of our young people who attend church camp. This is made possible through special donations received in the spring and early summer. Many thanks to all who gave. The kids had a great time!



CHURCH WOMEN UNITED

The Church Women United is collecting new items that will be given to local agencies in the Pottstown area. Please note, **we cannot accept used items.**

Below is a list of the most needed articles told to us by the agencies: **Babies and Children:** diapers (pampers), crib sheets, baby clothes, underwear, blankets, warm shirts, blouses, sweaters, slacks, jeans, socks for boys and girls, bottles, terry cloth sleepers (newborn), night gowns (newborn w/string at bottom), girls clothes (18 mos.), and boys clothes (2T). **Domestic Items:** twin size bedding, pillows, towels and wash cloths, quilts, dish towels and dish cloths, wheel chair bags, walker bags, and soap.

Adults: men & women's sweat shirts and pants (large, X-large, XX-large most needed), underwear (men & women), socks (men & women), lap robes, gloves, jackets, and maternity clothes. **Craft Supplies:** markers, poster board, construction paper, paint, coloring books (11x17), puzzles (large-kids jumbo type), and word search books (**no crossword puzzles or crayons**).

You may also give money which is used for the Shoe Fund and the Coat Fund. Members of the Cluster will take children and buy needed articles to fit them.

Through your generosity they are able to distribute over 900 articles each year. Please bring these articles to the office or give them to Doris Miller by Sunday, October 3rd.



We are now back on track for the newsletter. Articles for October newsletter are due to me by September 19. The deadline is usually the third Sunday of the month, check your bulletin for any other changes. If I don't receive the information by Thursday of that week by noon it might not appear in the newsletter. I've accepted information up until the day of putting the newsletter together, I am discontinuing that practice. I would only like to have the Monday as a printing and set up day. This means I will not accept things that Friday or Sunday. Please try to meet my deadlines. Thank you, Tina.



COFFEE BETWEEN SERVICES

Sunday, September 12, join us for CBS from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. There will be NO CONTEMPORARY SERVICE. This will be in Fellowship Hall. Then stay and join us for Rally Day/Promotion Day.



PLEASE...remember to call the church office if you know of someone who is in the hospital. There is a list available again for those who identify themselves upon admission as members of **Zion's United Church of Christ (you must tell them United Church of Christ)**, but it has not proved especially helpful to date. Calling the church office is still the best way for us to find out who is in the hospital and respond with a visit. Your cooperation is appreciated.



Peter & Carol Goguts
Married 45 years – September 4
Robert & Diane (Binckley) Leightcap -
Married 35 years - September 20
David & Elaine (Kehler) Richards -
Married 30 years - September 13
Herb & Debbie (Leister) Houck -
Married 30 years - September 21
Bruce & Shari (Drumheller) Albitz -
Married 29 years - September 19
Michael, Jr. & Lisa (Kausnaught) Alex -
Married 21 years - September 30
Mark & Kendra (Hoover) Rivoli -
Married 19 years - September 28
Donald & Marlene (Kehler) Ziemba
Married 16 years - September 16
Van & Angela (Heimbach) Hudick -
Married 18 years - September 26
Mark & Marianne (Paul) Bertolet
Married 12 years - September 12
Bruce & Sherrie (Yost) Heimbach -
Married 11 years - September 11
Christopher & Charlene (Franey) Stein -
Married 10 years - September 16

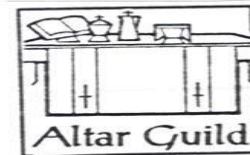
CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE
ABOVE!!

**Sorry I missed – Katie and Andrew
Scherrf's first anniversary.**



Prayer Chain News

If you are on the committee or a person who put someone on the prayer chain and they should be removed please let the church office know. Thank you.



Serving on Altar Guild for the month of
September is Tina Weaver.



Ham Supper

It is not too early to think about the supper on October 9, 2010. Pam Shellenberger and Bill Jones will be the co-chair persons this year. **If you have helped in the past and would like to have that same job, or you are a person who hasn't helped before and would like to, call one of them or the church office.** There is preparation on Friday and Saturday with the dinner from 4 to 7 p.m. If you can't help but would like to come for the meal or have take out mark your calendar now.

Bakers needed

We are looking for bakers for the ham supper. We are not ordering desserts so we need your help. There will be a sign up sheet in the Sunday school building or call the church office. This will be a savings to the church. We appreciate it.



“Pottstown Church Women United” Night of Missions

On Tuesday, September 14, Church Women United will sponsor a meeting. The program will be at Trinity Reformed Church, at 7:00 p.m. Everyone is invited. John Atkinson, a member of New Hanover United Methodist Church, will be the speaker. He is a member of his church based Medical Mission Team. They deliver medical supplies to, and set up clinics in the outlying areas of Guatemala. The group works with a church they helped build there. He will tell of his experiences in Guatemala. He has gone on several mission trips and plans to go back in November. This program is not only of interest to the women but men as well as teen youth groups are invited to attend.

Summer Ingathering Report

On August 8 we received our special Ingathering Offering, to date we have received \$1,311.00. The gifts from Summer Ingathering are designated to be used for church expenses. If you haven't yet given it is not too late. Mark your check or envelope Summer Ingathering and we will see it gets to the proper place. Thank you again for your generosity.



Prayer Shawl Meeting

ATTENTION: Anyone who knits or crochets or would like to learn please join us Thursday, September 9 at 7:00 p.m. Does a prayer shawl scare you in that it's a project you feel will take forever to complete? Then why not make a scarf? Before you know it we will be putting up those Christmas trees and the Cluster will be asking for donations of hats, mittens, and you guessed it scarves. A scarf is a great project to use to learn to knit or crochet or even just to learn a new stitch and you will be accomplishing so much at the same time for yourself and someone else. Any questions give me a call. LuAnn Yerkes 610-326-1731.



From The
Sunday School
Superintendent



The church picnic was held on July 18th and it was an enjoyable hot day. We had 55 people enjoying great food, playing games and participating in a nice vesper service at the end of the day.

Winners of the bean bag toss were Tom Brauner and Barry Embody. Winners of the peanut scramble were: Tori Young, Susan Heffner, Alexis Demeter, Michelle Heffner, and Scott Steffey. Cake walk winners were: Susan Heffner, Zach Demeter, Anna Reigner and Emily Albitz. The winner of

the candy jar guess and watermelon weight guess was Horace Gauger.

A big thank you to Jen Young, Adrienne Andres, Jim Miller, Shari Albitz and Deb Brauner for their help with transporting items, set up, clean up, games and vespers service. Also, thank you to Tina Weaver for handling the peanut scramble and Tom Brauner for help getting BBQ. We also appreciate all those who attended the picnic to make this a fun day!

As our Summer Sunday School programs are ending we look forward to Rally Day on September 12th. Please continue to support our Sunday School programs with your faithful attendance.

Sincerely,

Joan L. Miller, Superintendent



YOUTH GROUP

In Town Service Project August 1-6, 2010

The In Town Service Project titled "Pottstown Helping Pottstown" was very successful. Nineteen youth and thirteen adults representing Trinity UCC, Zion's UCC, and First Baptist Church came together to serve the community and to explore the theme "Becoming the Body of Christ." Trinity UCC hosted the event.

Work took place at several different locations including the new Cluster building. Jobs included pulling weeds, demolition of a pavilion, painting a porch and garage, removing old floor tile, building a gate and shelves, moving a tree, picking up litter, and replacing a porch roof. About 800 hours of direct service to the Pottstown community were logged by our adult and youth volunteers.

Evening meals were served at the homes of several of Trinity's members and Zion's members and one meal was served at Zion's for the entire work group.

Devotions focused on the gifts the participants have and how using those gifts helps to build up the body of Christ.

Many thanks to the adults who gave their time to supervise and work side-by-side with the youth: Shari Albitz, Sandy Schollenberger, Pete Hoover, Horace Gauger, Calvin Miller, Paul Desch, and Deb Brauner. Thanks also go to Bruce and Shari Albitz and Sharon and Gary Moser for providing meals in their homes and to Janet Nash, Joan Miller, and Eleanor Jones for serving a meal for the entire group in Zion's Dining Room.

New Stuff

I want to extend the invitation to all youth in the sixth through twelfth grades to join us for our meetings and events. We have a great group of kids and welcome many more!

Sunday, September 12
2:30-6:30 p.m.

FRISBEE GOLF AND PICNIC

Join us for our first Youth Group outing of the fall season! Bring a Frisbee (or 2) and a bag lunch and meet in Zion's parking lot. We plan to leave at 2:30 p.m. and return about 6:30 p.m. You must bring a signed permission slip and medical form. There is no cost for this event.

Please plan to help at the Ham Supper, October 9th. Helpers should be here at 3:30 p.m.

The CROP Walk is scheduled for Sunday, October 10, 2010. See Debbie Brauner to sign up! Plan to walk with our group. Meet us at First Presbyterian Church, 750 N. Evans St. at 1:30 p.m. We will walk together and return for pick-up at First Presbyterian at about 4:30 p.m. Get sponsors and join us in the campaign to help those who are hungry.

Fund-raisers

We will be selling God's Creation Calendars again this fall. The cost is \$10.00 per calendar. Youth selling calendars may earn credit toward future youth activities.

We are continuing to collect inactive cell phones. If you have any used INACTIVE cell phones cluttering up your home, please consider placing them in the cell phone

collection box outside the Nursery Room in the Chapel Building. Please, cell phones only. No chargers or accessories needed. Your donation will help fund youth activities.

Also, remember to drop any EMPTY INK CARTRIDGES in the separate container by the Nursery Room. We recycle those for profit too!

Upcoming Activities:

Sept. 12 – Frisbee Golf and Picnic

Oct. 9 – Ham Supper 3:30 p.m.

10 – CROP Walk 1:30 p.m.

Please continue to check your Sunday bulletin for additional youth group updates and events!

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### ***Day Camp at Men-O-Lan August 14-15, 2010***

Day Camp at Camp Men-O-Lan was a blast this year! We read the scriptures and experienced the challenges of *Survivor: Egypt* as our tribes, the Egyptians led by Pharaoh and the Israelites led by God and Moses experienced the 10 Plagues, the Exodus, and the Wilderness Wanderings.

We were joined by some of our friends from First Baptist Church for this weekend event. Eleven children and five adults sang, studied Bible stories, fished, swam, and enjoyed the beautiful camp.

A BIG thank you goes to Shari Albitz, Susan Embody, Jennifer Young, and Mike Heffner for sharing their time and talents with us.

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***Don't take yourself so seriously.
No one else does.***

Rally Day
Sunday School Promotions/
Teacher Appreciation
September 12, 2010
Fellowship Hall
9:30 a.m.

Come join the fellowship time outside the Sunday school building and enjoy the refreshments provided by the Church Growth and Evangelism committee. Then join us in thanking God for the many individuals here at Zion's Church who serve Jesus as they serve his people.

We will acknowledge the exceptional service that our teachers, helpers, and officers give to Zion's Sunday school and promote our students to their new classrooms.

How blessed we are to have such a vital Sunday school program. Come celebrate God's goodness!

CROP Walk Organizer for Zion's Church
Needed!

If you are able to be the coordinator for our church – recruit walkers, give them the required paperwork, collect envelopes, help publicize and create enthusiasm for this event, please speak to Debbie Brauner. She can give you the necessary information to get started.

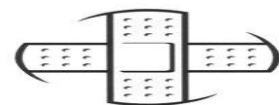


Pastor's Vacation - Pastor Goguts will be on vacation September 6 through 12. The Rev. Rebecca Brenner, pastor of St. Paul's UCC, will be available for pastoral care. She can be reached at her office 610-323-2295 or at her home 610-856-1771. On Sunday September 12th The Rev. Dr. Fred Schwerdt, pastor emeritus of Immanuel UCC, Shillington will be our guest preacher.



Sunday School Greeters

- 5** Kaaren Steiner
- 12** Jim Miller
- 19** Court & Nancy Smith
- 26** TBA



HOSPITALIZED

PMMC: Liz Miller, *+George Hill, Doris Evenstad

*transferred to Sanatoga Center
 +Now at Villa at Morlattan

Phoenixville: +David Stout, Eileen McCormick

+transferred to Health South

Attention Choir Members – We will have our first rehearsal on Wednesday, September 8 at 7:30 p.m. We will be singing at the 10:45 a.m. service of worship on September 12. If you are not a member of the choir and would like too, please come to this rehearsal.



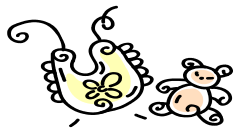
WORSHIP LEADERS AND TEACHERS
SCHEDULE FOR SEPTEMBER

- 5** Worship – Marjorie Casselberry
Teacher – Horace Gauger
- 12** **Rally Day**
- 19** Worship – Stanley Boyer
Teacher – Jake Miller
- 26** **Hymn Sing**
Teacher – Doris Miller



FOR SEPTEMBER

- 5** 8:15 Calvin Miller
10:45 Marsha Biehl & Grace Rounds
- 12** 8:15 Barry & Shirley Haring
10:45 Doris Evenstad & Jean Byrne
- 19** 8:15 Gene & Joyce Bertolet
10:45 Emerie Jean Ashworth & Catherine Wilson
- 26** 8:15 Dan Oister
10:45 Virginia Slody & Jeanne Graham



Nursery for September

- 5 Donna Litwin
- 12 Paula Demeter
- 19 Donna Litwin
- 26 Tara Demeter



Address changes, additions and other corrections!

Judy Bank
 c/o Golden Living, Rm 209A
 833 S. Main St.
 Phoenixville, PA 19453
 Take phone # out.

Tim Camacho's wife's name is Heather not Michelle. Also, children Naomi and Emily

Jana Eschbach
 5076 S. E. Orange St.
 Stuart, FL 34997-2442

Doris Evenstad phone # correction 610-323-4532, not 326

Take out Saybrooke Pk. from Jake & Doris Miller's address

E-mail address for Julie & Dusty Rhoads – jarheads@dejazzd.com

Bob & Shirley Witmyer phone # 610-323-1335

E-mail address for Kenny Shellenberger – Kenneth.W.Shellenberger@uscg.mil



A Word of Thanks to Work Camp Participants

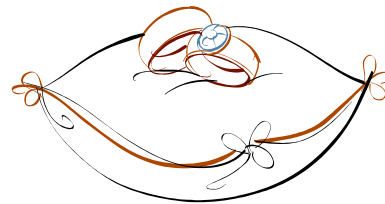
Dear Wonderful Friends,

I want to thank all of you for the beautiful work you did on my home.

Everyone was so nice and the young people were so well behaved and courteous. They really worked hard.

As it becomes increasingly hard for me to care for my home it is great to know that there are people willing to help out

Many, Many Thanks, Joan Rhoads



A Wedding Announcement

W. Eugene and Joyce Bertolet are pleased and happy to announce the marriage of their son, Dr. Craig E. Bertolet, Professor of Medieval English at Auburn University, Auburn AL to Dr. Anna Riehl, Professor of Renaissance English at the same university on Saturday, August 21st at St. Dunstan's Episcopal Church at Auburn University. They are residing at 209 Shelton Mill Rd., Auburn AL 36830.

We wish them a happy life ahead.



The next Hymn Sing will be September 26. Come join in the singing in the Dining room at 9:30 a.m. All are welcomed.



CLUSTER NEWS

Work on the new building continues. Major repairs of the roof are now completed. Removal of walls and old refrigeration structure is mostly completed. The next major project is the heating/air conditioning system. Mold abatement (due to all the leakage) also needs to be done. Detailed renovation plans are being developed. They will be launching a "Capital Campaign" sometime in October.

Other Cluster needs – Plastic grocery bags and egg cartons. Personal care items, cleaning products, toilet paper, and paper towels. Food items needed are juice, canned vegetables, tuna, Ensure, and peanut butter. Your donations can be taken down to the Cluster or to the lobby of the Sunday school.

Women's Fellowship News

All women of Zion's are invited to the Women's Fellowship meetings. This year all the meetings will be held at 1:30 in the afternoon.

Our first meeting will be on September 7 at 1:30 p.m. The program will be by Ashley's Chocolates. There will be samples! Come out and try some.

Doris Miller, Pres.



Listening in on the Evangeline What is Evangelism?

I once heard it said that evangelism is one beggar telling another beggar where to find food. Yes, evangelism is one person who has found and experienced the goodness and forgiveness of God sharing it with another hoping they will find the same.

Who of us, if we found the way to cure cancer, would not share it with our family, friends and the rest of the world? So why then when we have found the greatest gift in the whole world (God's love and plan for us to be restored in our relationship with him and eternal life) are we so timid in sharing it with others?

Well, as I look into my life I can find a number of reasons why I don't share God's truth with others as often as I would like. The first reason I can come up with is my faith is weak and I don't totally except what God has spoken in his word. *God, please help me to know your love more, so I may more freely give others your love.*

The second reason I find is that I am afraid the other person will not believe me and think I am strange and not value me. *God, please help me to love my neighbor and be more concerned about their eternal life than my temporary discomfort.*

As I keep looking at myself the list of excused goes on:

It's the pastor's job.

I don't care for the person, so why should I talk to them.

I'm not gifted in that area.

They won't listen anyway.

I might offend them.

I could keep going with my list, but all of them are poor excuses for not doing what God has called each one of us to do. The truth is if we don't share God's love with others we are letting them die without knowing there is a cure.

I hope you are different than I am. I hope you don't have excuses and share freely God's love with others. But if you are like me, won't you ask God for a changed heart with me. Ask with me for a heart that loves others more and knows more fully his love and forgiveness.

Dear God, help me to know the reality of you so much that I cannot stop telling others of your love and forgiveness. Help me to love others enough that I share the greatest gift of all, Your Son Jesus. Amen.

Submitted by Paul Desch



Acolytes for September

- 5 Tasha Hatch
- 12 Zach Demeter
- 19 Scott Steffey
- 26 Coral Lewis



FINANCIAL SECRETARY SEPTEMBER

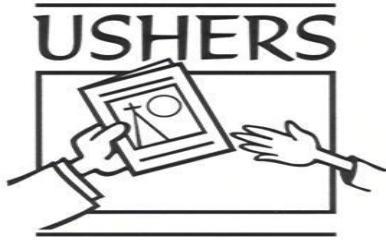
Assisting the Financial Secretary, Steve Guy, for the month of **September**:

Sept. 5 Sharon Moser and Jennifer Young

Sept. 12 Marsha Biehl and Louise Griffiths

Sept. 19 Craig Strunk and Pam Shellenberger

Sept. 26 Dusty Rhoads and Jim Eschbach



FOR SEPTEMBER

- 5** 8:15 Horace Gauger in charge
10:45 Ken Shellenberger II in chg.
Emerie Jean Ashworth
Joan Clouser
Betty Hawthorne
Dorothy Miller
- 12** 8:15 Craig Strunk in charge
10:45 Dale Drake in charge
Cheryl Drake
Joan Jones
Court Smith
Nancy Smith
Jennifer Young
- 19** 8:15 Dan Oister in charge
10:45 Stanley Emery in charge
Marsha Biehl
Bambi Eschbach
Jim Eschbach
Louise Griffiths
Joan Miller
Jim Miller
- 26** 8:15 Stan Schollenberger in chg.
10:45 Julie Rhoads in charge
Jessica Albitz
Dusty Rhoads
Tanesha Richards
Chelsea Mackie



Consistory News –

The consistory met on July 12. Julie Rhoads presented the treasurer's reports. The \$17,000 that was authorized at the last meeting was moved from our investment account to cover current expenses. The Worship and Ministry committee are in the process of developing a survey to obtain reactions from the congregation to the possibility of discontinuing the 8:15 worship

service. Paul Desch gave a report on the movies on the lawn. Movies are scheduled for the remaining Friday evenings July and August. Pete Hoover reported that a 2x4 fell off the peak of the roof near the end of the nursery and put a hole in the ceiling tile. This was repaired by a roofer. The Wednesday Crew did various jobs around the church. Catherine presented 2 prayer shawls that have recently been completed and are ready to be prayed over and donated. Elaine Richards reported that her committee is searching for fund-raising ideas. Deb Brauner is still seeking helpers for the In-Town Service Project which will take place August 1-6. Rev. Goguts received a quote for the air conditioner for the office. He will be out of the office September 6-12 and obtain a supply pastor for September 12. He also reported that updates and changes to the web site are being made. Dale Drake reviewed the question and answers that were discussed during his and Bill Jones' exit interview with Rev. Nichols. A Search and Call Committee was elected. By secret ballot the members elected to the committee are: Shari Albitz, Adrienne Andres, Horace Gauger, Connie Griesemer, Gay Hoover, Bob Mackie, and Dusty Rhoads. The meeting was adjourned with the praying of the Lord's Prayer.

QUIET DAYS AT MENSCH MILL

You are invited to come away for a time of quiet and solitude on the **first Tuesday of each month. Quiet Days begin at 9:30 a.m. and end at 1:00 p.m. They are held at the Mensch House** (unless otherwise noted) at Mensch Mill Conference and Retreat Center. They include time for individual reflection and solitude, fellowship and sharing, and interaction with members of the Spiritual Life Mission Team. Each participant is asked to bring a Bible, journal, pen and a bag lunch. Quiet Days are designed to open new avenues of communing with God, and to give opportunity for sharing faith journeys and stories. They allow for Sabbath time and renewal in the midst of our busy world. Plan some quality time with God. Take a day for rest and renewal in the beautiful setting of Mensch Mill. No formal registration is necessary, just come and see what God has in store for you.

Quiet Days are sponsored by the Spiritual Life Mission Team and supported by your gifts to Our Church's Wider Mission. Remember to mark your calendars for the first Tuesday of each month after Labor Day. For more information contact the Rev. Wanda Craner at 610-489-2055x303, craner@psec.org

Your upcoming dates – September 8, October 6, November 3, December 1, January 5, February 2, March 2, April 6 and May 4.



Walking with God XIII Sacred Rhythms: Spirituality of the Desert

October 15, 4 p.m. to October 17, 11 a.m.

Kline Center, Mensch Mill

This gathering for a weekend of reflection and prayer focuses on deepening the spirituality of everyday experience. This year participants are invited to explore unique rhythms of prayer and desert

spirituality.

We begin with registration and dinner on Friday and Continue with a sharing from Talitha Arnold, Pastor of the United Church of Christ, Santa Fe, New Mexico. Rev. Arnold had a Louisville Institute sabbatical focused on desert spirituality.

Accommodations – two kinds of overnight housing are available; the Kline Adult Center, where most of the activity will take place; or the Grist Mill. Registration includes two nights of lodging, snacks and five meals.

Workshop Experiences: Each person will be able to select 2 workshops.

Copies of the registration form can be downloaded at www.menschmill.org or there are copies available in the church office. Registration is \$150.00 for the Kline Center and \$140.00 for the Grist Mill. The deadline to registration is October 8th.



Congratulations to Kristal and Matthew Alford. They were married on August 13, 2010. Kristal is the daughter of Vicki Jenkins. May you have a long and happy life together.



**The church office will be closed on
September 6 for the Labor Day holiday.**



HMMMM...

When they ship Styrofoam, what do they pack it in?

Why is the Alphabet in that order? Is it because of the song?

Why is it that Lemonade cans say, "Contains artificial lemon juice," and a can of Pledge advertises, "Contains real lemon juice?"

HMMMM...