

SUNDAY SIGN-UPS BEGIN NEXT WEEK! The Stewardship Committee would like to let our church family know that you will have the opportunity to sign up for new Sunday school classes, focus groups, and ministry teams. This year we will be hosting Sunday Sign-Ups in the Greeting Area on **August 28th and September 4th**. These classes and teams are a great way to grow in your Christian faith and understanding, while meeting new people and serving your church. Stay tuned for more details about the specific classes and groups that will be offered.

Next Sunday (August 28th) is **Food Bank Sunday**. We are collecting non-perishable food items and paper products for the residents of VOICE (Victim Outreach Intervention Center). The *Items of the Month* are liquid laundry detergent, fabric dryer sheets, and cleaning supplies. All items should be *un-opened* and *non-perishable* (not requiring refrigeration or freezing, and no produce). If you have any questions, please check with a member of the Mission Committee, one of the pastors, or the office staff. Forgot to bring it? No worries! You can drop it off in the office Monday - Wednesday from 9:00 AM - 2 PM. Supporting local people who are struggling is just one way that CCUPC is trying to make a difference and to spread the love of God.

You are welcome to join the **CCUPC Choir** this fall! We would love to make a joyful noise with you! Rehearsals begin **Wednesday, September 7th** from **7:00 - 8:00 PM** here in our sanctuary. We will sing about twice a month for our 10:00 AM service. Please see Mindy or a choir member if you have any questions. Stay tuned for details about children's choir in the near future.

If you have been a visitor of our church, and would like to learn more about us, join our **NewComers Class** that will begin on **Sunday, September 18th** at **9:00 AM** (during Sunday School) in the Pastor's Study. You will learn more about the Presbyterian Church, our own congregation, and what it means to grow as a disciple of Christ. If you are interested in attending, please write "NC" on the registration pad as it is passed to you this morning, or call the church office at 724-776-5310.

The **Chancel Flower Sign-up** is located on the nametag table in the Greeting Area. The cost of the flowers is \$30 for either the two chancel vases or the basket. You can donate the flowers in memory of a loved one, or in celebration of a special day. Sign up now so that you can get that special date!

A Note from the Finance Committee

Now that summer is here, we sometimes experience a decline in attendance due to vacations and the like. Please remember that our expenses never seem to take a vacation, and it is critical that our tithes and offerings remain strong throughout the summer months. As you budget your trips and outings this season, please remember to stay on top of your giving; and as always, we thank you for your continued financial support.

THIS WEEK AT CCUPC

<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>
TODAY	8/21	
10:00 am	- Pray for Grenada	
11:00 am	- Worship/Baptism	Sanctuary
	- Lemonade on the Lawn	Outside
	- Village D	
11:15 am	- Session Meeting	Conference Rm.
MONDAY	8/22	
7:00 pm	- Worship Team Rehearsal	Sanctuary
SUNDAY	8/28	
	- Pray for Guadalupe	
10:00 am	- Worship/Sunday Sign-Ups	Sanctuary
11:00 am	- Lemonade on the Lawn	Outside
	- Spiritual Growth Committee	
	- Chicken Lunch	Greeting Area

Being **BAPTIZED** today is Carter Thomas Lutz, son of Ashley (Faherty) and Gregory Lutz, grandson of Tim and Nancy MacFarlane.

A LOOK AHEAD AT OUR SCHEDULE:

- Our **Food Bank Collection** date is *next* Sunday, August 28th. The *Items of the Month* are: liquid laundry detergent, fabric dryer sheets, and cleaning supplies!
- **Sunday School** will begin on Sunday, September 11th from 9:00 - 9:45 AM. Worship will continue at 10:00 AM.
- The annual **Church Picnic** will be September 11th at Warrendale Park following worship.
- A **NewComers Class** will begin on Sunday, September 18th. They will meet in the Pastor's Study from 9:00 - 9:45 AM (during Sunday School).
- The Deacons are sponsoring a **Blood Drive** on September 25th.
- **Youth Group Kick Off** will be September 25th. We will be heading for downtown Pittsburgh for a Scavenger Hunt.
- **Communion** will be served on October 2nd.
- Mark your calendars!!! **VBS 2017** will be June 12th - 16th!!

The **Ladies Lunch & Learn** will hold a planning meeting on **September 8th**. We will discuss what we would like to study in the fall. Brown bag lunch at 11:30 AM, meeting at noon.

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 United Presbyterian Church**



August 21, 2016

SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
A WEEKLY CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION
IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

“For You have been my hope, Sovereign Lord, my confidence since my youth. I have become a sign to many; You are my strong refuge. My mouth is filled with Your praise, declaring Your splendor all day long.”
 Psalm 61:5, 7-8

The Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the register pad, passing it down the row, then back to center aisle.)

A Special Recognition of Service

The Prelude

“People Need the Lord”

“Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him.” Psalm 37:7

(If you have a prayer request, please fill out a green prayer card and pass it to the center aisle as they will be collected during the first hymn and included during the prayer time)

The Call to Worship

WE WORSHIP IN PRAISE

*A Hymn of Praise ***“Thank You Lord”***

*I come before You today,
 And there's just one thing that I want to say:
 Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.
 For all You've given to me,
 For all the blessings that I cannot see:
 Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.
 With a grateful heart, with a song of praise,
 With an outstretched arm I will bless Your Name.*

*Thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord.
 Thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord.
 Thank You, Lord.*

*For all You've done in my life,
 You took my darkness and gave me Your light;
 Thank You, Lord, thank You, Lord.
 You took my sin and my shame,
 You took my sickness and healed all my pain;
 Thank you, Lord, thank You, Lord.
 With a grateful heart, with a song of praise,
 With an outstretched arm I will bless Your Name.*

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WE WORSHIP IN PROCLAMATION

The Sacrament of Baptism

*The Greeting *(Please share words of peace, encouragement, and hope)*

The Children's Lesson and Prayer
(The children may come forward)
(The children 3 years old - Kindergarten may now leave for TLC)
(There is no KFC for the summer)

The Scripture Lesson (page 1033)
Luke 13:10-17

The Sermon Pastor James M. Moran
"STAND UP STRAIGHT AND WALK!"

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

The Closing Hymn #278 "Amazing Grace"

*The Benediction

The Postlude "Amazing Grace"

*Please stand as you are able.

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The chancel vases are given by Loretta Lippert to the glory of God, and in loving memory of her husband, Robert Lippert.

The basket of flowers on the organ is given by Mark and Christina Taylor to the glory of God, and in celebration of their daughter, Kaitlyn, on her 2nd birthday.

The basket of flowers in front of the pulpit is given by her friends to the glory of God, and in honor of Esther Suppa on her birthday.

Please keep these family members and friends in your prayers:

Abbey (daughter/sister of Dave, Linda & Katie Watkins), Geneva Cable (mother of Mindy Cable), Joe Ciaramella (father of Pastor Dena & Brooks Roy), Delia (mother of Mike & Jo Goddard), Doug (husband of Dara Marner), Jackie Grecco (friend of the Watkins family), Dick & Lillian Grundler (members of CCUPC), Ryan King (nephew of Cindy Miller), Barry Lavery (brother-in-law of Dale & Diane Jacobs), Kim Long (friend of Nancy Hodges & CCUPC), Jim Miller (CCUPC member), Lee Moorhouse (husband of Linda Moorhouse), Harriet Murray (wife of Bill Murray), and Karen Raman (CCUPC member).

Nancy Hodges shares her THANKSGIVING for all of the prayers for her mother. Her mother is stable at this time.

Dara Marner shares her THANKSGIVING for everyone who helped unpack and price our "treasures" and helped out at the sale.

I WAS JUST THINKING . . .

Victor Hugo, in his memorable novel, The Hunchback of Notre Dame, uses an interesting literary technique in the story. The reader is allowed to see the basic decency and humanity of Quasimodo, the hunchback, while the crowd sees him only as a monstrous freak. The story, in its essence, is part tragedy, and part hope.

Our text this morning from Luke's Gospel is part tragedy and part hope. Luke is the only Gospel writer who records this event in the life of Christ. But Luke, being a physician, would have been drawn to a story like this. He does not go into a lot of detail. The implication is that she had not been born with it. With the benefit of modern medicine we may surmise that she had a calcium deficiency, a spinal injury, a genetic defect, or some extreme case of osteoporosis. We do not know. We are simply told that a spirit has crippled her.

Remember the scene with me. You have Jesus who has been invited on the Sabbath to address the congregation. You have the synagogue ruler off to the side who has invited him. Then you have the congregation who has heard so much about this young man from Nazareth and they are excited to have him there in their hometown synagogue. That is the scene. The stage is set. Enter stage left a hobbled frail woman who is known throughout the small community. They call her the cripple. Luke does not even name her. She is simply the hunchback. She does not address Jesus. The Scriptures tell us that when Jesus saw her he called her forward. He takes the initiative and tells her she is set free. She is healed, just like that. After 18 years she is freed from that which bound her. At this I am convinced the entire town, present at the synagogue that morning, wanted to shout with joy but the ruling authorities shut it down and that is a shame.

Sometimes you simply have to express joy. Because of a healing, or an accomplishment, or a victory, you have to shout thank you to God. Or, perhaps we should shout for joy and offer thanks out of appreciation for God and His character alone.

Bless your hearts,
Pastor Jim

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Join us on **Sunday, August 28th** following church to hear **Sara Ahlgren** speak about her 6 weeks in Tajikistan. A Chicken lunch will be available for \$5! Sara took over 4000 pictures and has been such a witness to the church and God. Please come and hear about her adventures and ask questions. There is a sign up sheet on the bulletin board so we can have an idea of how much chicken we need. See Dara Marner with any questions.

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Thank You, Lord, I just want to thank You, Lord.*

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Thank You, Lord.*

WE WORSHIP IN PRAYER

*The Call to Confession

*The Unison Prayer of Confession

Generous God, You have given us a perfect model of forgiveness and love in the life, death, resurrection, and ascension of our Lord Jesus Christ. Your grace has been freely given to us, yet, we confess that we are all too stingy with Your grace. We rush to judge others and are quick to get angry or raise our voice. Merciful God, purge us of our shameful ways. Teach us patience, gentleness, and meekness. Help us to recognize ourselves as those who hear and follow Your Word faithfully, that we may be blessed in doing Your will. Hear our prayer as it is made in Jesus' name. Amen.

*The Assurance of Forgiveness

*Glorifying God "We Will Glorify"

*We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb.
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.*

The Joys, Concerns, and Prayers of God's People

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE WORSHIP IN GIVING

Our Invitation to Give

The Offertory

"Bread Upon the Water"

Carl Cawley

*Praising God #556 "Praise God From Whom All Blessings"

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*The Prayer of Dedication