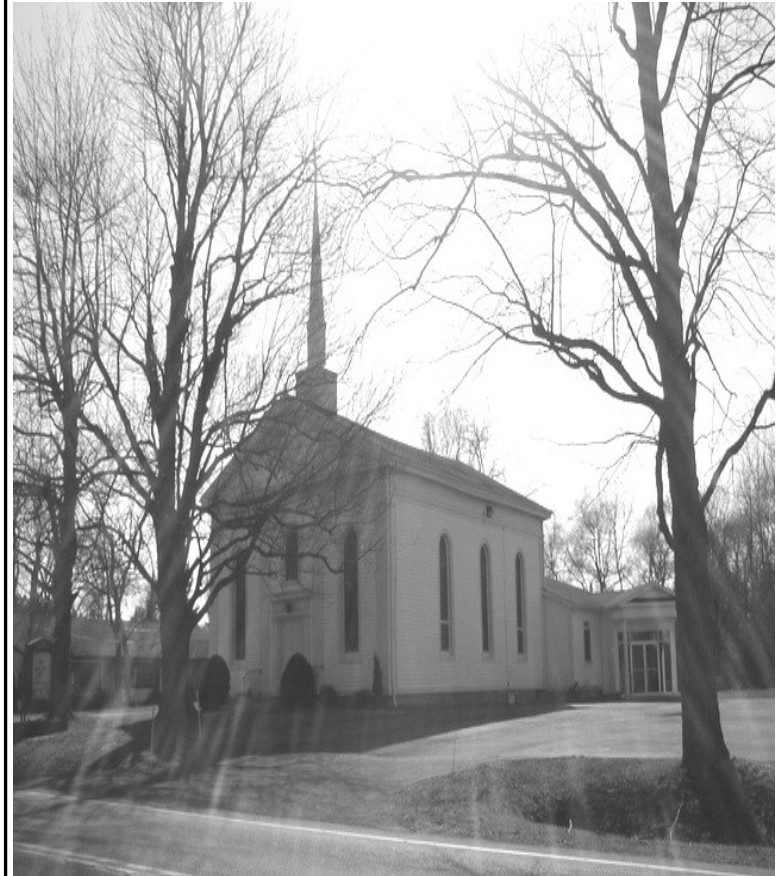


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A Message from the Pastor...



The theme for the upcoming Baptist Peace Fellowship gathering next week is on forgiveness. What is involved in forgiving or being forgiven?

One of the scheduled conference speakers is Kim Phuc, an innocent victim of war. On June 8, 1972, Kim's village came under attack by South Vietnamese planes, which mistakenly dropped napalm on a Buddhist pagoda. While running for safety with other children, Kim was severely burned by the napalm. Kim suffered many years of painful burn therapy. When Kim met Captain John Plummer, a pilot who helped coordinate the air strike on her village, she forgave him! Her incredible strength and spirit are evident in the fact that her life focus has become forgiveness and helping children.

While hoping to mine her truth as she shares next week, I wonder what begins to form the foundation for forgiveness. It seems that we must at some point be able to see another as a child of God. And depending on our anger and hurt and stress, that timeline varies.

In his book, *Mending the Heart*, Baptist preacher John Claypool wrote, "What Jesus heard when coming up from the waters of baptism is exactly what God wants to communicate to every single soul," that we are each a beloved child of God, that we are forgiven and we are to be blessing to others.

Is God's invitation for everyone? Yes. And we as the people of God can model blessing others. That's God's gift and call to us: "I will bless you...so that you will be a blessing (Gen. 12:2).

I know, we haven't dealt with the forgiveness journey itself, but it helps to have a beginning perspective and an end goal...allowing the Spirit to lead the way.

Learning alongside,
Gail

Looking Ahead



- July 10 Church Picnic (following worship at the church)
- July 14 Guild Picnic 6:00pm at Sue Feuerherm's
- July 11-15 VBS Pandamania: where God is wild about you
At Ogden Presbyterian Church
- July 17 VBS worship at Ogden Presbyterian 10:00am
(for those interested)
- July 31 Worship at Ogden Presbyterian Church 10:00am
A Touch of Brass performing with jazz inspirations
- August 1 OBC Family Fun Night / Red Wings Game
- August 15 Trustees & Deacons, 7pm
Church Council, 8pm
- September 11 RALLY DAY Sunday School 9:30a
Worship 11:00a
Commemorative service at 5:00pm at Spencerport
Gazebo



September 11 service at the Gazebo in Spencerport
This special commemoration will be held at 5pm and all area churches are invited to participate. Choirs, and anyone who would like to sing, will join together and prepare a song for the service. The rehearsal is Thursday, September 8 at 7:30pm at the White Church.



Organizers are also looking for people for a bell choir. If this is something you would like to do let Sue know.



July Birthdays

- 1— Ted Vargo
- 3— Sylvia Nemecek
- 5— Carolyn VanderTang
- 5— Andy Vargo
- 6— Rev. Laura Dalton
- 10— Matthew Dalton
- 15— David Benjamin
- 16— Wendy Sill
- 20— Carolyn Meyers
- 24— Al Hoak
- 30— Wendy Kraus
- 30— Tammy Lesniak
- 31— Sue Feuerherm



August Birthdays

- 1— Richard Brewer
- 2— Cole Amering
- 2— Kevin Lee
- 2— Jared Wilson
- 2— Mary Bower
- 3— Janice Brewer
- 3— Joyce Mance
- 3— Joanne Lee
- 3— Bette Voorheis
- 6— Elizabeth Maurici
- 7— Pat Franko
- 7— Carolina Parker
- 8— Megan Hartman
- 8— Charleen Riexinger
- 9— Willa Morgan
- 10— Sidney Deathridge
- 10— Mark Baker
- 11— John Sill
- 12— Norma Drosky
- 14— Ruth Hill
- 16— Jean Chajka
- 20— Tom Olney
- 20— Daniel Brewer
- 20— Michael Steele
- 24— Tuck O'Brien
- 25— Karli Calabria
- 25— Marion Parker
- 29— Angie Shoeneman
- 31— Tom Plyter



July Highlights

Sunday July 3
Tuesday July 5
Wednesday July 6

Worship 10a **COMMUNION SUNDAY**

AA meets 7:30p

Yoga with Linda 7p

Sunday July 10

Worship 10a **CHURCH PICNIC** today

Gathering for Prayer 7p

Vacation Bible School at Ogden Presbyterian 9a-12p

Yoga with Linda 7p

AA meets 7:30p

Guild Picnic 6:00p at home of Sue Feuerherm

Sunday July 17

Worship at 10a also VBS service at Ogden Presbyterian Church

AA meets 7:30p

Tuesday July 19

Sunday July 24

Worship 10a

Gathering for Prayer 7p

Yoga with Linda 7p / Rehearse:

"God Bless America" 7p

Monday July 25

AA meets 7:30p

Tuesday July 26

Sunday July 31

Worship 10a at Ogden Presbyterian for A Touch of Brass jazz worship



Special music for the summer

The choir will not be singing over the summer, so if you play an instrument or have a song you would like to share please let Sue Feuerherm know.

Thank you.

Choir Rehearsal for the Red Wings Game

Monday, July 25, at 7:00pm in the choir practice room. We are singing "God Bless America" after the fifth inning. If you would like to join your voice with the choir and friends please let Sue Feuerherm know.

(See page 4 of newsletter for game time)



Summer Fun!

CHURCH PICNIC

Sunday, July 10 at the church

Worship will be informal with a hymn sing. Wear your shorts and relax for a fun summer day with food and fellowship. Meat will be provided by the Deacons (hots & hamburgers).

If you would like to be a grill cook, let us know on the Sign-up sheet.

Please sign-up (in the Fellowship Hall) to bring:
Condiments (ketchup, mustard, pickle relish) /vegetables / chips / salads / fruit / dessert / drinks.

Four (4) volunteers are needed to help Eric put up a large tent on Thursday evening, July 7th at 6:30pm.

If you can help, let Eric know.

Anyone have a volleyball net and pole that could also be set up at that time, please let Gail know to arrange for it to there to be set up that Thursday evening also.



OBC Family and Friends Night

August 1st at 7:05p

Ticket cost is \$9 each and money should be in by July 17.
Children under 3 not requiring a seat are free.



RED WINGS



Meditation Garden



Our garden is growing! With thanks for all plant donations and help planting.



More Plants donated ----

Sedum, Lamb's Ear, Black-eyed Susan, Lupines, Day Lilies and Salvia from Ann Link

Ajuga, Sergeant Stripes, Mums, Obedient Plants, Lamium, Sedum, Purple Flower, and Yellow Sun Drops from Nancy Olney

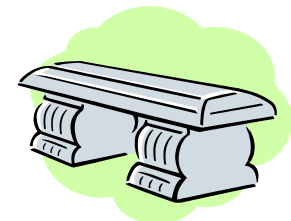
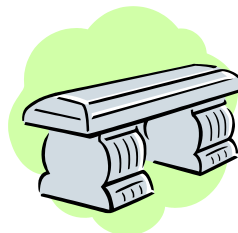
Smoke Tree and Iris from Sue and Eric Feuerherm

Butterfly garden plants donated and planted by Tom and Laurie Cole who also donated the playground bench

A bench is in the works from Doris and Ted Vargo in memory of their daughter, Shelley Wilson.

We are also looking for someone to build a shelter for the bench? If you could help with this or know someone, please see Linda Benjamin.
Phone: 293-1376

More plants are welcome. See Linda Benjamin or Nancy Dean (293-9211).





Women's Service Board Fundraiser

We are selling Tops gift cards in values of \$20, \$25, \$50, and \$100.

These can be purchased for face value and a percentage of the purchase goes to the Women's Service Board of the Fairport Baptist Homes. See Nancy Dean if you would like to participate in this effort.



Shop now for School kits in the Fall

Church World Service school kits are an ongoing project and during the summer is a great time to stock up on supplies for the School Kits. Watch the ads during July and August for great prices.



Items to look for are:

70 page spiral notebooks, blunt children's scissors, pencils, erasers, pencil sharpeners, 12 inch rulers, and 24 count crayons. Extra items will be donated to Mary's Place and Cameron Community Ministries.

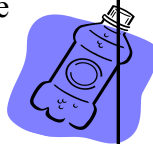
The Auxiliary collects returnable cans & bottles

To raise funds to support missions. Collection site for your donations is in the education wing near the office

Or call Nancy Dean for pick-up
293-9211

Also, please save **Campbell's product labels** for Cameron Community Center. These are collected in an envelope in the Fellowship Hall (by the mail folders).

Thanks for your donations!



Mary's Place

For Refugee Outreach in the Maplewood area

During July and August we will be hosting **Ice Cream Socials** for the neighborhood children during their summer program.

This will be on two Friday afternoons in July and two Fridays in August. If you would like to help serve or just come and play please contact Barb Koepke, Carolyn Meyers, or Sue Feuerherm, our fun community organizers.

Items needed for their summer Children's Program:

- Art supplies (paint, markers, crayons, etc.)
 - Boondoggle, pony beads
 - Playground equipment - soccer balls, basketballs, jump rope, sidewalk chalk
- Construction paper, and school supplies.

Call Barb Koepke at 293-2051
for more information

Spencerport Ecumenical Food Shelf

There are always needs, so please remember the Food Shelf this summer when you shop.

Needs for SEM:

Canned goods, paper products, cereals, pasta, etc.

No glass containers please.

Elaine Hill takes the food to the food shelf in Spencer-

