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Musings from Pastor Erin

Family of faith,

I cannot believe that September is upon us! We are entering into my favorite season of the year. I absolutely love fall with its changing colors, the cooler air, & the coming of my most favorite of drinks - the pumpkin spice chai latte. If you haven't tried one, I would highly suggest it - it is like drinking fall in a cup or like warm pumpkin pie. I'll be honest with you, I've already had one by the time you are reading this.

Fall also brings the ramping up of activities around the church. The choir will begin singing again in worship on September 17th. We will be officially kicking off Tuesdays @ 10 on September 19th, with the topic of Islam & where it intersects with Christianity. Finally, we will have our annual rally day/kick off Sunday on September 24th. Adult Sunday School will begin that day; we will have a special children's moment with a blessing for their new school year/bibles for our kids; & finally, the Deacons will host a luncheon after worship in the dining room. We hope you will mark your calendars & plan to join us for these dates!

My fall schedule does include several times of travel for Presbytery, continuing education & service to the larger church. In September, I will be heading to Montreat, NC for the 2024 Planning Team meeting. I have the privilege of serving on the Team coordinating the evening worship services during weeks 1 & 2 of the conference in June 2024.

Fall is an exciting time! Looking forward to what God has in store for us

Blessings,

September 2023

PCOP Updates

SEPTEMBER CALENDAR

SUNDAY, SEPT. 3RD

10am-11am Summer Coffee Hour
11:00am Worship & Communion

MONDAY, SEPT. 4TH

Office Closed; Labor Day
No Mahjong

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 6TH

Erin working @ Presbytery

SUNDAY, SEPT. 10TH

11:00am Worship

MONDAY, SEPT. 11TH

10am-12pm Mahjong Mondays

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 13TH

Erin working @ Presbytery

THURSDAY, SEPT. 14TH

6:00pm Choir Picnic

SUNDAY, SEPT. 17TH

11:00am Worship

MONDAY, SEPT. 18TH

10am-12pm Mahjong Mondays

TUESDAY, SEPT. 19TH

10:00am Tuesdays @ 10
2:00pm Community Meal Prep
6:00pm Session Meeting

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 20TH

Erin working @ Presbytery
4:30pm Community Meal

THURSDAY, SEPT. 21ST

11:30am Choir Rehearsal

SUNDAY, SEPT. 24TH

9:45am Adult Sunday School
11:00am Worship
12:00pm Deacons' Fall Luncheon

MONDAY, SEPT. 25TH

10am-12pm Mahjong Mondays

TUESDAY, SEPT. 26TH

10:00am Tuesdays @ 10

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 27TH

Erin working @ Presbytery

THURSDAY, SEPT. 28TH

11:30am Choir Rehearsal

**Erin will be in North Carolina from Saturday, Sept. 16th through Monday, Sept. 18th.

FINANCIAL UPDATE & ATTENDANCE - AUGUST 2023

	Offering	Attendance
August 6th	N/A	29 (Church picnic)
August 13th	\$5,914.00	47 (0 online)
August 20th	\$2,325.00	47 (0 online)
August 27th	(in Oct. Highlander)	51 (0 online)

July 2023 Financial Statement

	Current	Year to Date	Budget
Receipts	\$11,305.27	\$110,281.62	
Disbursements	\$13,153.97	\$114,243.27	\$193,678.00
Total	-\$1,848.70	-\$3,961.65	



FLOWER SCHEDULE - SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER

SEPTEMBER 3rd: Piano (open). Urns in memory of her brother, Carl Eger II, from Lu-Ann Grube.

SEPTEMBER 10th: Table in memory of Wendy Mulqueeny & George Sorrick from Kathy Dinsmore. Urns (open)

SEPTEMBER 17th: Table in memory of Bob Lettie's birthday from Rex & Laurie Lettie. Urns (open)

SEPTEMBER 24th: Table & Urns (open)

OCTOBER 1st: Piano & Urns (open)

OCTOBER 8th: Table (open). Urns in loving memory of A.C. & John W. Dougherty from the Richard Cessna family.

OCTOBER 15th: Table in loving memory of Louise McMeans from Carole & Jack Haire. Urns (open)

OCTOBER 22nd: Table (open). Urns in recognition of Ray & Roberta Dinsmore's wedding anniversary from their children.

OCTOBER 29th: Table & Urns (open)

Flower dedications are \$25 each; if you would like to dedicate flowers in honor or memory of someone or something special, please contact the church office at (814) 938-5560.

September 2023

Church Activities & Announcements

Prayer List

Marge Brennan
Duane & Pam Carr
Betty Cessna
Robin Cochran
Kate Doverspike
The Graham Family
Barb Hanley
Kathy Kopp
Flo West

Please contact the church office to add a name to the newsletter & bulletin prayer lists.



Liturgist Schedule

September 3: Barbara Endress
September 10: Dana Hartman
September 17: Pam Hogan
September 24: Keith Hughes
October 1: Donna Kengersky
October 8: Rex Lettie
October 15: Flo West
October 22: Patty Young
October 29: Marion Asel
November 5: Lee Blöse
November 12: Joyce Cooper
November 19: Debra Dinsmore
November 26: Kathy Dinsmore
December 3: Bev Divelbiss
December 10: Barbara Endress
December 17: Dana Hartman
December 24: Pam Hogan
December 31: Keith Hughes

2024

January 7: Donna Kengersky
January 14: Flo West
January 21: Patty Young
January 28: Lee Blöse

Mahjong Mondays

Mahjong Mondays will continue to meet every Monday in September from 10am-12pm in the Seminar Room! Note: we will not meet on Monday, Sept. 4th in observance of Labor Day.

Mahjong Mondays are beginner-friendly, with all levels and Punxsutawney community members welcome. Don't know how to play Mahjong? We'll teach you!

Adult Sunday School

Adult Sunday School will resume on Sunday, Sept. 24th at 9:45am in the Seminar Room.

Deacons' Fall Luncheon

At 12:00pm on Sunday, Sept. 24th, the Deacons will be hosting a picnic themed fall luncheon following worship in the Dining Room. There will be hot dogs, baked beans, Linda Fetterman's hot dog sauce, macaroni salad, potato salad, and more!

Email Prayer Chain Update

Beginning in July, Donna Kengersky has agreed to take responsibility for managing the PCOP Email Prayer Chain. She will monitor prayer requests and forward those to the "prayer warriors" who have agreed to participate on the chain.

It is important to note that there are no changes to the way the prayer chain operates. Prayer requests should continue to be sent to the same email address (pcop.prayer.chain@gmail.com).

Many thanks to Donna for volunteering to oversee this ministry of our church.

Sept. Community Meal

This month's community meal will be held Wednesday, September 20th at 4:30pm. The menu is Pierogies with Kielbasa and Triple Chocolate Zucchini Cake.

Meal prep will be Tuesday, September 19th at 2:00pm. Anyone wishing to help out, please contact Donna Anderson (814-592-1001).

Tuesdays @ 10

Tuesdays @ 10 will resume on Tuesday, Sept. 19th at 10:00am in the Seminar Room.

Choir

Choir rehearsals will resume on Thursday, Sept. 21st at 11:30am in the Choir Room.

The annual Choir Picnic will be held at 6:00pm on Thursday, Sept. 14th at Nancy Pearce's home. Choir members, family, and anyone interested in being part of our choir is welcome to attend! Please contact Nancy Pearce at 814-591-6325 with any questions.

Birthdays

- Sept. 7th: Emma White
- Sept. 20th: Patricia Chambers
- Sept. 21st: Dee Blöse
Chris Fezell
- Sept. 26th: Doug Harrold
Gabiella Suntheimer
- Sept. 27th: Kellan Cessna
- Sept. 30th: Roberta Dinsmore



Church Picnic

A special thanks to Keith & Jean Hughes for coordinating this year's church picnic! It was a wonderful event with fantastic music from the Ivey family & amazing, delicious food.



Thank you to everyone who made our August Community Meal a success! We prepared and distributed 164 meals. Want to join us in September? Contact Donna Anderson at 814-592-1001.



Donna Anderson
Her Majesty, the Queen



Debby Elder
"You Butter Believe It"



Nancy Pearce
Spatula Sage



Marion Asel
Cornflake Counsel



Rex & Laurie Lettie
Seasoned Table Setters



Lee Blöse & Laura Jenary
Dynamic Dessert Duo



Donna Grabany
Professional Packager



Pastor Erin
"Hi, Barbie!"



Joyce Cooper
Cornflake Dolloping Ace



Joanne Mennetti
Lemon Cake Cutting Angel



Karen Offutt
Punster

A joke, from
Karen Offutt:



Where do bad rainbows go?
Prism. It's a light sentence,
and it gives them time to
reflect.



