



# August Beacon



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## Family Fall Festival

## 90th Celebration

Sunday, September 17th will be a special day in the life of our church! Mark your calendar! We are going to celebrate all our members that have crossed their 90th birthday milestone. We also want to surround them with youngsters 9 and below (and the young at heart)!

This will be a great time for all. In addition to the birthday festivities we are going to kick off our Fall Season with a Fall Festival. The day begins with worship at 10 AM followed by the festivities in and around Fellowship Hall.

Hamburgers & hot dogs, cold salads!

A special pie judging contest – bring your favorite pie and compete for the top honor! Hay rides! Games!

Come and wish our ‘senior’ folks that are 90+ best wishes – if you cannot make the day there will be several card signing opportunities during August and early September! A perfect opportunity for your kids, grand kids and maybe your great grand kids to share their energy and enthusiasm with our seniors!

We are trying to reach out to all who have had an association with our church. If you are aware of a friend or relative that we may have missed, please share this invitation with them and ask them to join you on the 17th.



Pastor Doug will be leaving for vacation in Buffalo on Monday, August 7, and returning on Monday, August 14.

Preaching for Pastor Doug on Sunday, August 13, will be Rev. Kevin McLemore. Rev. McLemore is both a member of our church, and also the Associate Conference Minister for Search and Call in the Pennsylvania Southeast Conference of the UCC. Although Kevin is, most Sundays, visiting other Conference churches, he always enjoys getting to be at his “home” church.

## Room to Read Booksale

Mark your calendars! The Room to Read Booksale will begin on Sunday, September 24th!

Please remember to save your beach (and other) books to donate to the Room to Read sale this fall. We will gratefully accept any books less than 6 years old for the sale.

This year, Room to Read Sunday is October 8, with the book sale starting September 24. We’ve had great success keeping girls in school and breaking the poverty cycle. With your help, we look forward to another heartening year.



## Sewing Circle

Our summer picnic was held at the Wachsmuth's on June 14th. We were blessed with a perfect day. The weather was sunny, food was delicious, and we had lots of fun catching up with everyone.



### Mark your calendars with the following dates:

Our annual luncheon is going to be at Chadwick's in Audubon on **August 9th at 12**. We always enjoy our fellowship time together and are looking forward to a pleasant afternoon.

**Wednesday, September 13th** is our first meeting. Please come join us and see what we are all about. It's not just for sewing anymore.



*The Sewing Circle is Having a Baby Shower....*

The Sewing Circle is having a "Baby Shower" to help local nonprofit organizations. They are in need of the following items: Diapers (Sizes 2,3,4,5,6) Baby Wipes, Baby Shampoo, bottles and sippy cups. All donations will be distributed at the Pickering Valley Guild Ingathering held here in Fellowship Hall on November 14th.

Donations can be left at the display located in the Welcome Hall of the Christian Ed Building.

## Summer Sunday Music

On Sunday, July 16th, Joe Lombardi performed with his guitar alongside Kat and her accordion during our worship service. It was a beautiful service thanks to their original works that they composed together over the last few years. Joe and Kat were also joined for one song by Joe's wife, Cathy, on the piano.

On Sunday, July 30th, The Thin Line played during our worship Service, and debuted another piece written by our very own Pastor Doug!



## FEAST

Feast is returning to our church calendar on August 26th!

This is a great opportunity for our church family to get to know each other better.

Sign up to join this special dinner event. If you would like to host, please mark that down on the sign up sheet as well. You can find the sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall.





## August Birthdays

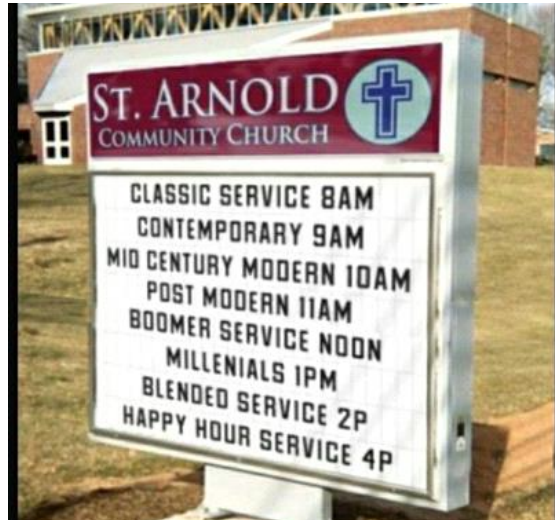
John Pandjak	8/1
Bobby McClimon	8/4
Shirley Detwiler	8/5
Rob Whitlatch	8/6
Jan Mest	8/7
Dan McClimon	8/7
Elizabeth Cavan	8/7
Lexi Smith	8/9
Jill Kelly	8/9
Joann Thomson	8/10
Garrett Harlow	8/12
Cindy Gorge	8/14
Samantha McCabe	8/14
James Wachsmuth	8/14
Carol Hughes	8/15
Avery Blue	8/16
Sandy Raichle	8/21
Grace Merryman	8/22
Logan Cheney	8/23
Virginia Lawrence	8/28
Benjamin Neiman	8/28
Julie Myers	8/29
Matt Zaro	8/30
Judy Shupe	8/31



## Wedding Anniversaries

- Don and Gwen Davidson
- Jim and Jill Kelly
- Carol and Fred Krisch
- Norman and Nancy Norris
- Albert and Kathleen Wachsmuth
- Fred and Charlotte Wookey
- Charlie and Judy Shupe

## A little humor in finding faith in a post modern world...



Thank you to the painters who helped paint in Fellowship hall on July 29th:

- Fred Wookey III
- Bob McClimon
- Albert Wachsmuth
- Herman Nieuwenhuizen



## Bethany Anniversary Day

Bethany Children’s Home is bringing back Anniversary Day this summer on August 19th, celebrating 160 years of service to children and youth. From 11AM – 9PM, there will be music, carnival games, food, and rides.

Bring your favorite blanket or chair for the lawn seating. Music includes an Elvis Tribute, The Celtic Martins, and Grease Band. The cost is \$5 per car, and additional costs for activities. If you have not been to Bethany Children’s Home before, this is a great way to see the campus and also have some fun!





# Our Prayer List

Please keep the following members and friends in your prayers:

## Church Staff

**Rev. Douglas Hanson,**

*Pastor*

**Kat Bowman,**

*Director of Music and Organist*

**Jill Cook,**

*Church Secretary*

**Deborah Wetty,**

*Nursery Attendant*

**Debbie Wolk,**

*Bookkeeper*

**Wayne Freese**

*Cemetery Manager*

## **Church Officers 2023**

President of Congregation –  
Pete Warner

Secretary of Congregation –  
Kathleen Wachsmuth

President of Consistory –  
Jim Phillips

Secretary of Consistory –  
Michelle Case

## **Elders**

Kathleen Wachsmuth

Deb Wetty

## **Deacons**

Diane Campbell,

Herman Nieuwenhuizen,

Jim Phillips

## **Trustees**

Fred Wookey III- Chair

Bob McClimon, Ray Perry,

Peter Wilson

Andrea Lafleur

Angie Schlessman

Annamae Moore

Anthony Didesidero, friend of Anne Breiling

Barbara Broyles, friend of the Wachsmuths

Barbara Shivers

Caitie Blazic and baby Nicholas, friend of Judy Smythe

Carol Meyer

Cathy Moffa, friend of Don and Gwen Davidson

Charlie Fishman, Pete Warner's Nephew and Godson

Chris Webb, son of a friend of Lynn Mailey

Daniel Meyer serving in the US Army stationed in Poland

Daniel Mulcahy, friend of Harlows

Donna Rhodes, Gail Phillips' sister

Douglas Wilson, spouse of Kevin McLemore

Ernie Coccia, Father of Deb Wetty

Friends and family of Doris Ingham, Joyce Rosen's mother

Guinevere, granddaughter of friend of Dee McClimon

Gwen Davidson

Heidi Kieffer, daughter of Eric Johnson's cousin

Ian Charles Harmon, the Booraem's grandson

James Betres, nephew of Maureen Wookey

Jashown Banner, former student of Jackie Warner

Jennifer Osborne

JoAnn Warshaw-Godmother to Alyssa Menkins

Laura Dick

Lia Sawyer, friend of Cherri Romano

Lisa, cousin of Eric Johnson

Mary Andersen, friend of the McCarthys

Mia Nordhoff

Patty English

Rick Cassidy, friend of the Davidsons

Sally Kramer, Cherri Romano's sister

Sally Mehrens, sister of Lynn Mailey

Sharon Divis, daughter of Judy Smythe

Sue McVay, friend of Mary Jo Pandjak

Sylvia Houff, Kathleen Wachsmuth's sister

Tara Cantello, friend of Denise Harlow