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World Communion Sunday



**WORLD
COMMUNION
SUNDAY**

Every year on the first Sunday in October, Christians around the globe celebrate World Communion Sunday. It is a day to remember that Jesus Christ is the Head of the Church and that every Christian Church and any denomination that promotes Christian unity are one. The idea for this special Sunday began in 1930 in the Presbyterian Church. Around the time of WWII, World Communion Sunday was promoted by the National Council of Churches. Today, this day is celebrated in churches the world over.

In recognition of World Communion Sunday, Charlotte Wookey, who is subbing for Kat Bowman, will play music whose origins come from various countries.



Room to Read®

Join us for Room to Read Sunday on
October 9th!

See page 2 for more information on
this mission.

Lectors Needed

We are currently in need of Lectors for the upcoming months. If you would like to be our lector for an upcoming Sunday, *please use the sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall or contact the church office to sign up.*



Altar Flowers

If you would like to provide the altar flowers for an upcoming Sunday, *please use the sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall or contact the church office to sign up.*

Social Hour

If you would like to provide the refreshments for an upcoming Sunday, *please use the sign up sheet in Fellowship Hall or contact the church office to sign up.*

Lancaster, Moravian Theological Seminaries to Merge

Lancaster Theological Seminary and Moravian Theological Seminary in Bethlehem are in the process of merging. Each of the schools' board of trustees approved the plan, but it will take years to complete the merger.

Both institutions have experienced a significant enrollment decline over the past decade, and a merger meant greater financial stability moving forward, seminary officials said.



Room to Read Sunday October 9, 2021

Our Room to Read mission supports girls through their secondary education. This comprehensive program keeps girls in school, thus allowing them to marry later, earn a better wage, and make strides in gender inequality. By supporting this program, we are helping to eradicate or minimize poverty, HIV, human trafficking and illiteracy in some of the neediest parts of the world.

Our book fair is fun, but donations are how we meet our goals. Please consider making a generous donation. It costs just \$300 to keep a girl in school for a year.

And speaking of fun...NEW this year is the book cafe on Saturday, October 1! We will have tables and light refreshments from 2-4. Take a cozy break, come sit and visit with friends, find your next read and enjoy a cuppa!

BOOK SALE HOURS

9/25 (Sun.)	11:00 am-12 pm
10/1 (Sat)	2:00- 4:00 pm
10/2 (Sun)	11 am- 12:00 pm
10/9 (Sun)	11 am -12:00 pm



“PURPOSE
IS THE PLACE
WHERE YOUR DEEP
GLADNESS
MEETS THE
WORLD’S NEEDS.”
~ FREDERICK BUECHNER



St. Peter's will hold its Chili Cook-off on Saturday, November 12th at 6:00pm.



The first modern-day chili cook-off was held in October of 1952 at the State Fair of Texas in Dallas.

The cook-off was a way to advertise a new book called *With or Without Beans*. Such cook-offs have become so popular that there is now an international chili cook-off society, The International Chili Society (ICS). Its annual cook-offs are on a grand scale, with regional qualifying events that attract tens of thousands of participants and a "World Championship" cook-off held in October.

Many chili cook-offs were either canceled or moved to virtual events because of the COVID-19 pandemic. However, St. Peter's doesn't believe in virtual tasting contests, and so we are using real chili!

Proceeds will go to the missions of the church.

If you would like to enter your chili in the cook-off, please contact Maureen Wookey at mwookey17@hotmail.com

Also, as a way to help our veterans, and receive 5 extra tickets for the cook-off, you are encouraged to help any local veterans organization. Just let them know when you arrive at the cook-off. One suggested link is for the K9s for Warriors' Gift Registry Address at [Check out my list on Amazon](#).

K-9s for Warriors pairs up highly-trained service dogs with veterans that suffer from PTSD, traumatic brain injury and/or military sexual trauma. Please consider purchasing a gift from the link above to help.

Fall Festival



There was a nice turnout for our Fall Festival on Saturday, September 24th. We enjoyed hayride, games and great food!

Thank you to Fred and Maureen Wookey for coordinating this event!

Outdoor Worship Service



A beautiful Sunday morning greeted all who gathered for our outside service behind the Christian Education building. Thank you to Kat Bowman and Pete Warner for sharing the music of worship on accordion and guitar.

Because the service was enjoyed so well on our beautiful hillside, another outdoor service has been scheduled for October 30th, weather permitting.



Thank You

Thank you to Steve Krasley who came to the rescue and fixed a jammed lock in an exterior door of Fellowship Hall!



Sewing Circle News



Sewing Circle will meet Wednesday, October 12th in Fellowship Hall. We are looking forward to seeing everyone. Gayanne is our hostess for lunch and Cherri is our inspirational reader.

St. Peter's will celebrate Harvest Home on Sunday, October 16th.

Harvest Home began September 18th.

We are asking for non-perishable food items. You'll find a list in the Sunday bulletin with "hot items" they are in urgent need of.

If you prefer to make a cash donation, see Kathleen Wachsmuth. She will buy fresh fruit, vegetables and whatever else the organizations need.

Harvest Home ends on October 16th. Mums will be available for purchase after church on October 16th. \$6 each.



"Come, O thankful people, come, raise the song of harvest home; all is safely gathered in as the winter storms begin..."

Pickering Valley Guild Ingathering

The Ingathering will be held here in Fellowship Hall on Tuesday November 8th. at 12PM. Bring a covered dish and come join us for a few hours. You will get to see what the women of the Sewing Circle work on during the year and also the good work the agencies we help support accomplish.



We ask for your support by bringing in new clothing (all sizes, infant to size 6), personal items and especially diapers and baby supplies. Just drop the items off in Fellowship Hall on the designated table. Monetary donations are always appreciated and we would be very happy to do the shopping for you. The Sewing Circle will be collecting items until Sunday, November 7th.



CALENDARS & CARDS...

Overloaded with 2022 calendars or greeting cards? drop them off in the basket in Fellowship Hall or in the Narthex of the church.

The Sewing Circle will share them with all the organizations.



October Birthdays



Kirstin Smith	10/1
Meghan Cavan	10/3
Mackenzie Wookey	10/3
Alice Bierer	10/7
Herman Nieuwenhuizen	10/8
Steve Krasley	10/9
Douglas Beatty	10/11
Norman Norris	10/13
TJ Dunn	10/14
Emily Cavan	10/14
Lynn Mailey	10/15
Don Davidson	10/16
Jordan Spranger	10/17
Alexandra Furlong	10/19
Richard Merryman	10/20
Ian Mansmann	10/21
Bill Bierer	10/22
Brian Lupold	10/22
Rich Nicholson	10/22
George Smith	10/22
John Borzillo	10/25
Bob McClimon	10/26
Christina Whitlatch	10/28
Carol Krisch	10/28
Tyler Smiley	10/29
Erin Martin	10/31



Daylight Saving Time Ends

Remember to turn your clocks **BACK** one hour before heading to bed on Saturday, October 31.

Wedding Anniversaries

Eileen and Bob Biddle
 Tom and Lauren Carnevale
 Daniel and Cindy Gorge
 Barb and Sam McCabe
 Bob and Dee McClimon Jr.
 Richard and Grace Merryman
 Doug and Laura Yeakle
 Jeff and Jessica Griffiths
 Greg and Sonja Wheelan



St. Peter's Lutheran Concert

On Sunday, October 16th at 3:00pm, our neighbor church St. Peter's Lutheran will offer a community choir concert. Refreshments will follow.

Ukraine Relief Fund

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously over the last few months to our Ukraine Relief Fund.

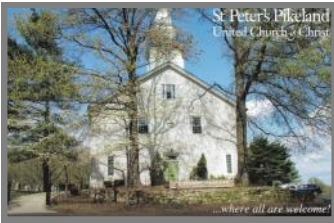
Thanks to your generosity, we raised \$4,845.00!!!

Thank you to Fred and Maureen Wookey for organizing this special collection.



November Highlights

All Saints Sunday- 6th
 Pickering Valley Guild Ingathering- 8th
 Chili Cook-Off- 12th
 Veteran Recognition during worship- 13th
 Leaf Mania- 19th
 Annual Meeting- 20th
 Blessing of the Hounds-24th
 First Sunday of Advent; Bear Fair Dedication- 27th



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 2022

President of Congregation –
Pete Warner

Secretary of Congregation –
Kathleen Wachsmuth

President of Consistory –
Jim Phillips

Secretary of Consistory –
Michelle Case

Treasurer – Ken Whitlatch

Elders

Michelle Case- Chair
Doug Yeakle
Maureen Wookey,
Kathleen Wachsmuth

Deacons

Richard Sherman—Chair
Diane Campbell, Bill Latta,
Jim Phillips

Trustees

Mark Myers-Chair
Peter Wilson, Fred Wookey III,
Drew Zummo

Andrea Lafleur
Angie Schlessman
Annamae Moore
Anthony Didesidero, friend of Anne Breiling
Barbara Broyles, friend of the Wachsmuths
Barbara Shivers
Bob Dewilde
Caitie Blazic and baby Nicholas, friend of Judy Smythe
Carol Banz, friend of Richard Benjamin
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 Mulcahy, friend of Harlows
Denny Stanley, Bob McClimon's uncle
Donna Rhodes, Gail Phillips' sister
Doris Ingham, Joyce Rosen's mother
Douglas Wilson, spouse of Kevin McLemore
Ernie Coccia, Father of Deb Wetty
Ethan, son of a friend of Dee McClimon
Friends and family of Anne Breiling
Friends and family of Helen Morgan
Friends and family of Jim Hall
Heidi Kieffer, daughter of Eric Johnson's cousin
Ian Charles Harmon, the Booraem's grandson
Jashown Banner, former student of Jackie Warner
Jennifer Osborne
Ken Whitlatch
Laura Dick
Lindsay Meekins, friend of Micki Menkins
Lisa, cousin of Eric Johnson
Margaret Breiling
Mary Andersen, friend of the McCarthys
Marvin Rosen
Mia Nordhoff
Patty English
Peter Lenichek, Anne Breiling's cousin
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

