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Laboring for the Lord

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Our Mission Statement: As people of God and servants of our Lord Jesus Christ, we believe our Mission to be the building of a strong fellowship, ministering to the Spiritual and physical needs of the church, the community, and the world fulfilling our Lord's command to “Love our neighbors.”

For many people, the pandemic redefined work, with more employees logging hours from a home office – or kitchen table. Boundaries between job and personal life blurred, as did any sense of being “off duty.”

Most of us prefer clear divisions between our tasks and time. While such separations may help with scheduling, they are artificial human constructs. “Whatever your task,” says Colossians 3:23 (NRSV, emphasis added) – whether in public or private, family or job, spiritual or worldly activities – “put yourselves into it as done for the Lord.” Verse 17 tells us to “do everything “ in Jesus’ name, “giving thanks to God the Father through Him.”

That means even work and worship interlock. As Rick Warren writes, “Work becomes worship when you dedicate it to God and perform it with an awareness of His presence.”

BIRTHDAYS
**SEPTEMBER
BIRTHDAYS AND
ANNIVERSARIES**

JoAnne Zickert	September 3
Arlene Harle	September 5
Betty Adams	September 8
Elaine Jordan	September 12
Linda Biek	September 14
Helen Day	September 18
Bob Clarke	September 19

ANNIVERSARIES

Frank & Nancy DiCristina	September 3
Dennis & Sue Robertson	September 7
Dave & Nancy Buel	September 7

**Scripture readings for
the month of September,
2021**
September 5, 2021

Semicontinuous: Prov. 22: 1-2, 8-9, 22-23 and Ps. 125
Complementary: Isa. 35: 4-7a and Ps 146; James 2: 1-10 (11-13)
 14-17, Mark 7: 24-37

September 12, 2021

Semicontinuous: Prov. 1: 20-33 and Ps. 19;
Complementary: Isa. 50: 43-9a and Ps. 116: 1-9; James 3: 1-12;
 Mark 8: 27-38

September 19, 2021

Semicontinuous: Prov. 31: 10-31 and Ps. 1;
Complementary: Jer. 11: 18-20 and Ps. 54; James 3: 13 - 4:3, 7-8a;
 Mark 9: 30-37

September 26, 2021

Semicontinuous: Esth. 7: 1-6, 9-10; 9: 20-22 and Ps. 124;
Complementary: Num. 11: 4-6, 10-16, 24-29 and Ps. 19: 7-14;
 James 5: 13-20; Mark 9: 38-50

These readings are suggested by the Presbyterian Planning Calendar and may be changed depending on the topic of the sermon.

**Special Dates for
September, 2021**

Labor Day, September 6th
 Patriot Day, September 11th
 National Grandparents Day, September 12th
 Hispanic Heritage Month, September 15 – Oct. 15
 First Day of Autumn, September 22nd

Prayer requests

Prayers are needed for JoAnne Zickert who has Pancreatic cancer and it has metastasized into the liver. Kathy LaBarge's daughter-in-law, Elaine, originally had toe surgery, but developed a very serious infection and eventually had to have her foot and partial leg amputated to stop the spread of the infection.

Please pray for all of the above people that are going through these anxious times. They need to know that they have our prayers and support and comfort.

*Session Notes from August, 2021***Events for September****ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The envelopes for 2022 are on the table in the fellowship hall along with the new pocket calendars for 2022.

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Power in weakness

In the late 1970s, Henry Smith was struggling to find work after finishing his education. He also lived with a degenerative disease that caused him to become legally blind. But one day he heard a pastor explain that Jesus became poor so we might become rich through Him. This idea inspired Smith to craft a song of thanks for God's gift of Jesus. Though Smith wrote more than 300 songs, only this one became widely known (sometimes labeled "author unknown" or misattributed, but finally rightfully credited to him).

"Give thanks with a grateful heart," the song begins exuberantly. One of its most poignant lines urges, "Let weak say, I am strong...because of what the Lord has done for us." Across two millennia, Smith's words and faith echo the apostle Paul: "[The Lord] said to me, 'My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness.' So, I will boast all the more gladly of my weaknesses, so that the power of Christ may dwell in me." (2 Corinthians 12: 9, NRSV).