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Submissions for the newsletter should be made by the end of the third week of each month. Thank You.

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A Thought From Pastor Wayne

What if others caught what you had? We usually think of this in terms of sickness. If someone else 'caught' a cold from you, you would be said to be *contagious*. Most often, that is a bad thing.

But there is something that you have, that others might 'catch', and it would be a good thing. If you are a person of Christian faith, and that faith were *contagious* and passed on to others, we would be thankful. What a blessing it would be if someone came to know the life-giving grace of Jesus Christ through you! What if faith could be passed from one person to another as easily as a cold?

We have been taught to 'wash our hands' of faith. We have been taught that it is impolite and intolerant to share our faith with others. This lesson has been detrimental. It has inhibited the passing on of spiritual 'antibodies' that people and culture need to be strong and resilient. And it has weakened the church as well. May this no longer be true of us!

In the latter half of the summer, Road to Emmaus will be studying a resource called "Becoming a Contagious Christian." It reframes a word that often frightens us: Evangelism.

Here is a synopsis: "Evangelism doesn't have to be frustrating or intimidating. Authors Bill Hybels and Mark Mittelberg believe that effectively communicating our faith in Christ should be the most natural thing in the world. We just need encouragement and direction. In Becoming a Contagious Christian, Hybels and Mittelberg articulate the central principles that have helped the people become effective in their churches to known in their communities for outstanding outreach to unchurched people.

Based on the words of Jesus and flowing from the firsthand experiences of the authors, Becoming a Contagious Christian is a groundbreaking, personalized approach to relational evangelism. You will discover your own natural evangelism style, how to develop a contagious Christian character, to build spiritually strategic relationships, to direct conversations toward matters of faith, and to share biblical truths in everyday language. This landmark book presents a blueprint for starting a spiritual epidemic of hope and enthusiasm for spreading the Gospel."

Beginning on July 28 and into August, our worship services will be adapted so that there is less 'preaching' and more teaching around *Becoming a Contagious Christian*. For those Sundays, there will be breakfast served at 9:00am followed by music, liturgy and prayer, then teaching and discussion.

Thanks for adapting to this new way of worship for these few Sunday mornings. I know it will be a blessing!

-Pastor Wayne

NOTES FROM SESSION

FINANCIAL UPDATE

April tithes and offerings were \$15,834, which is \$2,082 over budget. April expenses were \$13,061. At the end of April, "The Road to the Future" building fund had \$27.380 in it.

Praise God for these gifts to do His work.

HYMN FACTS

"Great is thy faithfulness", page 276 in our hymnal, was written in 1923 by Thomas Obediah Chisholm (1866-1960). The melody was written by William M. Ryan (1870-1957).

Chisholm wrote this song to honor the daily faithfulness that God bestowed on him (and us). During his life, Chisholm wrote more than 1200 poems with many being published and the basis for additional hymns. This hymn became a favorite of the Moody Bible Institute but did not become widely known until George Beverly Shea used it as part of the Billy Graham Crusades in the 1950s.

His compassions fail not. They are new every morning: Great is Your faithfulness (Lamentations 3:22-23)

ONLINE GIVING.

You now have the option to make your financial offering to Road to Emmaus Church through online giving with Vanco. Through this tool, you can make a one-time gift or set up your regular offering on a weekly, bi-weekly, monthly or semi-monthly basis.

To begin giving on-line, you can visit our website (www.roadtoemmaus.church) and navigate to the bottom of the home page. There you find a spot to

click called "Give to R2E through Vanco." Simply click and then fill in the boxes. Or you can scan the QR code included here. It's that easy! Thanks for your generosity.



MISSION AND OUTREACH NEWS

2019 MISSION TRIP

The 2019 mission trip to Parma, Ohio, just south of Cleveland, is June 16-21. Please pray for our team who will be serving elderly and low-income residences through home repair and friendship. Here's the All-Star Team:

> Wayne Lowe Morgan Hoover Tina Ulrey Michael Lago Morgan Weiser Rachel Singley

Rebecca Lowe Barry Sullivan Miranda Ulrey Hannah Lago Ella Culbertson

MISSION DINNER - SILENT AUCTION

Friday, June 7th, at 6 p.m., will be our annual auction and dinner. Items for the auction are welcome. More details will be forthcoming. Time grows short, but if you would still like to come, please call the church office. And if you would like to donate an item for the auction, please contact Pastor Wayne. Thanks!

MENS BREAKFAST

Calling all men! The Fellowship Team would like to celebrate you! Reserve Saturday, June 15th, 9:00 a.m. for the Mens' Breakfast.

Looking Ahead...

Vacation Bible School: INTO THE WILD!

August 7-10 at George Park—more details to come.

MEN'S RETREAT

Oct 18-20 is the Men's Retreat at Blackrock Retreat Center, south of Lancaster. It's makes a great Father's Day gift! More details to come.

CHURCH PICNIC

Begin to think about who you will invite to the R2E Picnic on Sunday, September 8th.

Individual Prayer

After worship each Sunday, the pastor and an elder will be available to pray with you. They will be stationed in the front right corner of the worship area.

R2E BOOK CLUB

The next book club selection is *Educated: A Memoir* by Tara Westover. This book is currently #4 on the NY Times hardcover nonfiction bestseller list. Book Club is for all adult members of R2E and any guests. Even if you can't come, you may want to read the book on your own.

JUNE-JULY BIRTHDAYS

Dan Hassell - June 1 Vilette Uhl – June 1 Bill Black - June 3 Sarah Rappolt - June 12 Don Wentz - June 14 Val Sullivan - June 21 John Foley - June 23 Michael Singley – June 23

Laurie Sullivan - July 1 Paul Uhl - July 2 Marianne Wohlfarth - July 4 Pierce's 30th wedding anniversary – July 4 Hannah Lago - July 5 Suzie Back - July 10 Amanda Heineman - July 14 David Young - July 15 Amy Chapman - July 15 Anja Heineman - July 20 Alan Lauffer – July 20 Joey Naples - July 22 Ken Bentz – July 22 Jane Stimmel - July 23 Olivia Sullivan - July 31

JUNE ADULT BIBLE STUDIES

The following are weekly Bible studies available to all. Invite a friend and enjoy fellowship.

Sunday Study Group - Sundays after 9:30 worship.

Monday Morning Study Group with Ellen Carnahan is on a break till September.

Thursday Morning Discussion Group - 7 a.m. at Panera Bread (Paxton Towne Center).

GETTING TO KNOW YOU Meagan Hakes

I grew up in Lewisberry, Pennsylvania and may have crossed paths with my future husband while in elementary school but didn't meet him until I decided to switch from flute to mellophone and march in front of the tuba section of the Red Land Marching Band during my sophomore year in high school. There I met my high school sweetheart, Brad Hakes. I recently asked him if he knew the significance of the 40th anniversary of TMI and he promptly answered, it means we have been together for 40 years! Red Land has/had a perfect view of TMI when we evacuated our high school in 1979.

Growing up Presbyterian, I introduced Brad to the denomination when we were dating and got married. We have raised two sons Sam and Derek. Sam is married to Hannah and lives in DC where they both work for Create International through Youth with a Mission YWAM which takes them around the world. Our younger son Derek is a technology education teacher at Delone Catholic High School in Hanover. He has a lovely girlfriend Emily who teaches biology at West Perry High School.

When Brad and I honeymooned many moons ago we stayed in Bed and Breakfasts in New England and dreamed how nice it would be to open one someday. Eleven years later my builder husband transformed an 1853 farmhouse in Wellsville into not only a bed and breakfast but also designed a whole home for us to raise our family. We ran Warrington Farm B&B for 14 years until Derek was soon ready to head to college. Brad is still a custom home builder and I now supervise the Welcome Centers for the Commonwealth teaching Tourist Information Counselors about everything they should know under visitPA.com (located on your PA license plates) to guide travels visiting our great state of PA.

I want to thank everyone for being our new church family while we grow and learn to become a plant of R2E in Dillsburg. Please pray for us as we grow disciples and listen for God's direction. We can't believe how blessed we are that God led us to you.

Road to Emmaus Presbyterian Church Early Summer

9 Sunday Worship and Joyful Noise offering 9:30am Fellowship to follow	10		12 F	13	14	15 Men's Breakfast 9:00am
16 Father's Day Sunday Worship and Joyful Noise Offering Fellowship to follow 9:30am	17			20	21	22
Please welcome Natan Pierce to the pulpit!	18 19 MISSION TRIP TO PARMA, OH					
23 Sunday Worship 9:30am Fellowship to follow Worship will be led by the Mission Team.	24 Deacons Meeting 6:00pm Session Meeting 7:00pm	25 Skeptics Only Bible Study 7:00pm Location TBA	26	27 Thursday Morning Fellowship at Panera, 7:00am	28	29 Perks & Prayers, 8:00am
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