AROUND THE HILL

The Round Hill Presbyterian Church Newsletter | "A caring community in Christ. Making Disciples for Christ. Equipped for ministry by Christ."

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Church Picnic

At Cedar Creek Park July 13, 2025 we gathered for fellowship fun and food.

On the menu: Hot dogs and Chicken and Baked Beans and Salads and Cherry Pie and Grape Salad and Nachos and Corn Hole and Bingo and Good Conversation and on and on and on and on.....



and on and on and on.....

It was a good day!



Bingo



Kids play on



More Bingo



Corn Hole

OUR SHUT-INS: Nancy Bacci





Nancy Bacci is one of our Shut-ins. She lives in Elizabeth Township, close to our church. Nancy moved to her home in 1964 with her husband Nick; they have been married for 65 years, She has four children, Fourteen grandchildren and nine great grandchildren. Nancy loves spending time with her grandchildren and great grandchildren when they come to visit with her and Nick.

Nancy has been attending Round Hill Church for about fifteen years. Prior to Round Hill she was an active member of Victory Primitive Methodist

Church for many years until it closed. While there

she taught Sunday School to the children including her own children and grand children. The decision to worship at Round Hill was based on the welcoming and friendly members and the intimacy of a small congregation.

Deacon Notes

The deacons did not meet in July. Vistation continues for Jesse Sandor, Joanne Boback and Byron Harris. Cards are appreciated.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS

Kevin Fritz Aug. 10 Jenna Turek Aug. 10 Nancy Painter Aug. 14 Linda Leggett Aug. 17 Mayim Stith Aug. 18 Eileen Russell Aug. 22 Bev Harchelroad Aug. 29 Jackie Karnes Aug. 31 Jameson Turek Aug. 31 Pat Opfer Aug. 31

<u>AUGUST</u> <u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>

Jules & Karen Simon Aug. 8



Trustee Tidbits

Submitted by Jackie Karnes

- * We received a \$3000 grant from Peters Foundation to use toward building repairs.
- *Fran is scheduling an electrical assessment for all the buildings.
- * He is also getting a quote for CE Bldg meeting room windows.
- * The CE and church kitchen floors to be buffed.
- * He is also requesting an updated quote for mini-split system for the CE Bldg.
- * And then kitchen stove temperature will be reset.

Food Bank All Stars!



An after Food Bank lunch was a reward for the young helpers that came to assist with the food distribution in June! Some of our regular workers brought their grandchildren. Thanks for bringing the children to show them how we, as Christians, help others!

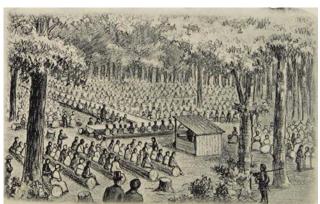


Pastoral Search Committee

The Pastoral Search Committee is actively meeting and working on the 14 page Church information document that is required as the first step. This consists of demographics, financial and congregational information.

Round Hill Memories

Submitted by Bob Leggett



SIM GREENE AND TOM THE TINKER'S MEN

A Narrative of the Whisky Insurrection

Being a Setting Forth of the Memoirs Of the Late David Froman, Esquire

by RICHARD T. WILEY, Litt, D.

Excerpts from Chapter 12: THE SACRAMENT AT ROUND HILL.

Round Hill meeting-house, three miles back from the Monongahela and about midway between it and the Youghiogheny, was reached in due time. Its name was due to the contour of the hill on which it stood and on which its successor now stands, a conspicuous object in an expanse of beautiful rolling country. On either side, at a distance of a few miles, the steep hills which overlooked the rivers were visible. But the scenes nearer at hand engaged our attention, and were such as I had never before witnessed.

The gathering had already attained the proportions of a multitude, and more people were pouring in from every quarter. On my previous visits the square log building on the top of the hill had been amply large to contain the people, but now it was evident that it would not hold a tithe of those already assembled. On these communion occasions people came from twenty and even thirty miles around. The services, perforce, must be held in the open air, for frequently the gatherings numbered thousands. For this reason the administration of the sacrament was usually in the spring and fall of each year, when the weather was pleasant.

The rude appliances for these open-air gatherings were maintained permanently....

A deal table, covered by a snowy cloth, was in front of this, on which were the elements for the eucharist. From that point a long table extended straight back up the hillside, which was not steep, and a like one proceeded at right angles on each side of it, all converging to the common center in front of the tent, like the spokes of a wheel. These long tables were made of large logs, hewn only on their upper sides, and supported by legs of wood. Logs laid on the ground parallel with them, on both sides, served as seats for the communicants. The tables were all covered with clean white linen. Over all the remainder of the slope, for as great a distance as persons could well hear, logs were ranged on the ground, and on these the people were rapidly seating themselves as we drew near.

(To be continued)

The Survivor's Lunch

The Survivors met on July 8th at the Carriage Inn in Elizabeth Township. It was a good gathering. Join us next month on Tuesday, August 12 at Lucciano's in White Oak for some good conversation with an Italian Flair.





Game Night

Game Night for July tarted with a group game of Pictionary and some Corn Hole practice. August Game Night will be on Friday, August 8 at 6PM. We will again serve pizza, soft drinks and snacks. Games will be decided by the group from the stash of games we have collected.

Bring a friend and come to play. If you bring children under 10, bring an appropriate game. For any questions contact Bonnie Craig or Lois Lawson. (*No photos this month, we were too busy laughing!*)

Nominating Committee

The Nominating Committee has met. We discussed the positions that needed filled and what they involved. Members agreed to begin contacting members. Please keep the process in prayer.

Submitted by Gayle Larceinese

Session Notes

The regular meeting of the Session was held on July 14, 2025 in the CE Building.

Discussed sending cards to folks absent from worship 2 or 3 weeks.

Discussed the possibility of upgrading the streaming system

Discussed the possiblity that after a permanent pastor comes, a letter will be sent to all members to come and meet him. Shortly after that Session will begin to clean the rolls.

Reported by Bob Leggett

Wednesday Evening Bible Study

The Wednesday Evening Bible Study continuers to study the Book of Ecclesiastes. You are welcome to join either in person or virtually. If you would like to attend virtually request a link to dreamstogo2@gmail.com. If you prefer in person just shoe; up by 6:30PM!

Round Hill Went to the Sunflower Festival!



The Outreach Team, led by Linda Leggett, represented Round Hill Church at a booth at the Sunflower Festival at Schwirian Farm located in Forward Township. This is the farm owned by our Deacon Leslee Schwirian and her husband Jay.



The team gave away free popcorn and Tootsie Pops. Guests were also offered Church information sheets, Children's Bible Story books and Children's Bibles. There was a sample of what the Clothes Closet offers, and anyone who wanted the clothes were welcomed. Bible studies, devotionals and various other information booklets were offered as well.

Who is in the Pulpit?

August 3. Rev. Mitch Wall

August 10. Rev. Bill Little

September 7 Rev Joshua Barna
September 14 Barb Mima

August 17 Rev. Bill Little September 21 Rev. Gary Charpenning

August 24 Rev. Bill Little September 28 Rev. Gary Filson

August 31. Rev. Mitch Wall





Rev. Joshua Barna

Josh has served as Minister of Children and Youth at Eastminster Presbyterian Church since 2016. He was educated at Wheaton College and Pittsburgh Theological Seminary. He has over 20 years of joyous experience working with young kids

and youth in various churches beginning in suburban Pittsburgh, then in Texas, and next Ohio, and now back in Pittsburgh, where his wife works as a professor at Pitt. He loves spending time with kids of all ages, including his two amazing girls, Cosette and Basil, who you will most likely see dancing in the aisles as they worship on Sundays. His passion is to help kids know who God says they are and how he loves them.

If Josh looks familiar to you, it could be from when he spent some time interning at Round Hill Church many years ago!



The Rev. Dr. Mitch Wall

The Rev.Dr. Mitch Wall is a born again believer in Jesus Christ! He repented of his sins and received Jesus Christ at a Billy Graham Crusade in Pittsburgh, PA on June 6, 1993. Before that time, he was an area country music musician

playing and singing in the pubs and clubs all over Western Pennsylvania.

Soon after his conversion, Mitch traded the bar stools for the church pews and changed his music to a gospel music ministry.

In 1996 he felt the call of God to enter Bible college and be trained to preach and teach the gospel. Mitch was ordained in 2000 and since that time he has pastored two Southern Baptist Churches and has done pulpit supply for Baptist, Presbyterian, Methodist and Non-denominational churches. He also conducts a church service every Sunday afternoon at the Belle Vernon Apartments for the residents since 2009. Mitch usually brings his guitar with him to the services to provide special music for the congregations that invite him to preach.



Barb Mima

I love to study the Living Word of God which gets better and better with every reading. Our study group meets every other Saturday from 3 - 8 pm, and every other Friday from 7 - 10 pm.

I studied at CCAC, and Pitt with a major in urban studies. I also studied abroad at Comenius University in Bratislava Slovakia after receiving the Samantha Smith Memorial Scholarship, and had also taken some seminary classes from Fuller Seminary as well. In the last 10 years, I have also attempted to study the Hebrew language - on and off - with friends like Holly Puett and Jules Simon.

I had worked with high school kids for 35 years before becoming a full time caretaker for my family. I reside in McKeesport and currently work part time at Cornerstone Christian Prep Academy in West Mifflin, teaching middle school Bible, and high school leadership classes. Submitted by Barb Mima

If Barb is familiar to you, she worked with Young Life youth at Elizabeth Forward a number of years ago- BC



ROUND HILL MISSION TEAM REPORT

The Round Hill Mission Team meets three times a year – April, August and December. Our job is to handle Mission Funds donated by Church members.

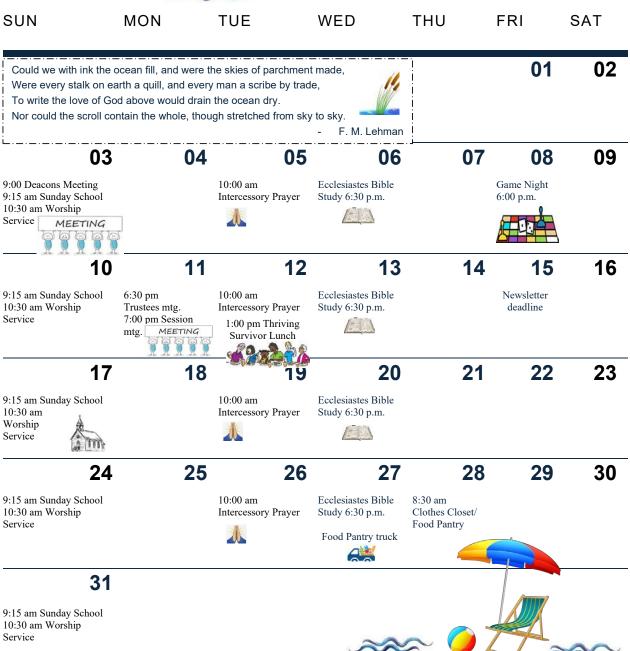
We try to donate to local, national and international mission units. Your support goes to Prison Fellowship Angel Tee Camp (local), UPC missionaries (national), and we sponsor two children at ChildHope (international), along with other units as funds are available.

If you wish to contribute to the Round Hill Mission Fund, please mark your offering envelope "Mission" and include the amount donated.

Our next meeting is scheduled for August 14, 2025. If you have any suggestions for mission units, please let us know and we will consider them.

MISSION TEAM MEMBERS: Marilyn Christenson, Barb Gaylord, Bev Harchelroad, Bill Leggett, Bob Leggett

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Around the Hill Dedication

The cost of this month's Around the Hill has been paid for by Tanya Jackson in memory of her parents, Bill and Kay Hicks.. If you would like to dedicate an issue please send your dedication to Bonnie Craig