



# The Beacon

July and August 2026

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## Weekly Worship

Bethlehem United Presbyterian Church  
Sundays at 10:45 am

|           |                          |
|-----------|--------------------------|
| July 5    | Rev. Mike Taylor         |
| July 12   | Rev. Dr. Regina Sturiale |
| July 19   | Rev. Mike Taylor         |
| July 26   | Rev. Bill McCoy          |
| August 2  | Rev. Mike Taylor         |
| August 9  | Rev. Bill McCoy          |
| August 16 | Rev. Mike Taylor         |
| August 23 | Rev. Bill McCoy          |
| August 30 | Rev. Mike Taylor         |

*“O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you;  
I will praise your name, for you have done wonderful things,  
plans formed of old, faithful and sure.” Isaiah 25:1*



## In Our Hearts and Prayers

### **NURSING HOME & RETIREMENT HOME**

Peggy Foster, Good Shepherd Nursing Home, 159 Edington Lane, Wheeling, WV 26003

Craig Garvin, Peterson Healthcare & Rehab Center, 20 Homestead Avenue, Wheeling, WV 26003

Tom Hostutler, Moundsville Healthcare Center, Room 404, 2200 Floral Avenue, Moundsville, WV 26041

Carol Schul, Good Shepherd Nursing Home, 159 Edington Lane, Wheeling, WV 26003

### **General, Long-term, and Special Health Concerns**

|                 |               |                  |
|-----------------|---------------|------------------|
| John Adams      | Kathy Butler  | Tiffany Charlton |
| Lou Clark       | Winnie Clark  | Nancy Elliott    |
| Eydie Garvin    | Sue Hartley   | Jerry Hinton     |
| Nancy Hostutler | Michael Kuthy | Anita Marvin     |
| Bob Mengeu      | Olivia Mengeu | Joellen McNeil   |
| Nancy K. Mumley | Kitty Patrick | Stacy Stewart    |
| Jon Sykes       | Ed Thurman    | David Waits      |
| Sophia          | Simon         | Lexi             |

Come join Friendship Diners  
for a relaxing time of food  
and fellowship!



**July 7<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm Undo's 51130 National Rd. East, St. Clairsville, OH**  
**August 4<sup>th</sup> 5:00 pm. Location to be announced**

Please let Beckie Habak know if you are coming.

### Scripture Readers



|           |                  |
|-----------|------------------|
| July 5    | Sue Lane Johnson |
| July 12   | Jan Pysh         |
| July 19   | Bob Young        |
| July 26   | Bill Syphers     |
| August 2  | Kathy Syphers    |
| August 9  | Volunteer Needed |
| August 16 | Volunteer Needed |
| August 23 | Volunteer Needed |
| August 30 | Volunteer Needed |

### Coffee Hour Host(s)



|           |                                                |
|-----------|------------------------------------------------|
| July 5    | Birthdays & Anniversaries-Jackie, Pam & Raenel |
| July 12   | Jan & Wayne Pysh                               |
| July 19   | Nancy McBee                                    |
| July 26   | Sue Lane Johnson                               |
| August 2  | Birthdays & Anniversaries-Jackie, Pam & Raenel |
| August 9  | Kathy and Bill Syphers                         |
| August 16 | Rick & Emmy Lou Charlton                       |
| August 23 | Volunteer Needed                               |
| August 30 | Volunteer Needed                               |



<https://biblia.com/bible/esv/psalm/133/1>

## Recipe from the Past

### Strawberry Popover shared by Sue Weisenborn



2 tablespoons margarine

½ cup flour

½ cup milk

¼ teaspoon salt

2 eggs

1 pint strawberries, sliced

¼ cup sugar

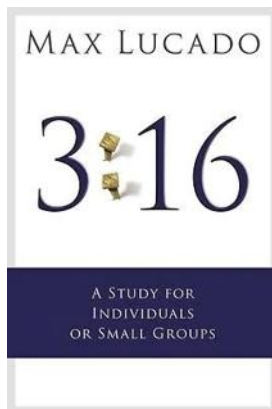
Preheat oven to 400.

Melt margarine in skillet or pie plate.

Beat flour, milk, salt and eggs together. Pour into skillet. Bake 20-25 minutes or until edge of pancake is puffed and brown.

Sprinkle strawberries with sugar and pour into popover.

Serve immediately sliced into wedges.



### Thursday at 6 pm in library

### "Experience the essential truth of the Christian faith"...

Books are available at the church.

DVDs or streaming videos are available if unable to attend.

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|-----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| July 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | The Most Famous Conversation in the Bible                |
| Session 1             | <i>"A man named Nicodemus...came to Jesus at night."</i> |
| July 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Hope for the Hard Heart                                  |
| Session 2             | <i>"For God so loved the world..."</i>                   |
| July 16 <sup>th</sup> | The Heart He Offers                                      |
| Session 3             | <i>"He gave His one and only Son..."</i>                 |
| July 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Heaven's "Whoever" Policy                                |
| Session 4             | <i>"Whoever believes in Him..."</i>                      |
| July 30 <sup>th</sup> | The Last Word of Life                                    |
| Session 5             | <i>"Shall not perish but have eternal live"</i>          |



## Cape Henry Landing: Dedication of a New Land to God (1607)

*"We do hereby dedicate this Land, and ourselves, to reach the People within these shores with the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and to raise up Godly generations after us, and with these generations take the Kingdom of God to all the earth. May this Covenant of Dedication remain to all generations, as long as this earth remains and may this land, along with England, be*

*evangelists to the world. May all who see this cross remember what we have done here, and may those who come here to inhabit join us in this Covenant and this most noble work, that the Holy Scriptures may be fulfilled. From these very shores the gospel shall go forth, not only to this new world, but the entire world."*— Attributed to Rev. Robert Hunt



## The First Continental Congress convened in Philadelphia in September 1774.

One of the first motions proposed by John Adams and supported by Samuel Adams—was that the Congress begin its proceedings with prayer. Rev. Jacob Duché, an Anglican clergyman from Christ Church in Philadelphia, was invited to lead the opening devotion on September 7.

*O Lord our Heavenly Father, high and mighty King of kings, and Lord of lords, who dost from thy throne behold all the dwellers on earth and reignest with power supreme and uncontrolled over all the Kingdoms, Empires and Governments; look down in mercy, we beseech Thee, on these our American States, who have fled to Thee from the rod of the oppressor and thrown themselves on Thy gracious protection, desiring to be henceforth dependent only on Thee. To Thee have they appealed for the righteousness of their cause; to Thee do they now look up for that countenance and support, which Thou alone canst give. Take them, therefore, Heavenly Father, under Thy nurturing care; give them wisdom in Council and valor in the field; defeat the malicious designs of our cruel adversaries; convince them of the unrighteousness of their Cause and if they persist in their sanguinary purposes, of own unerring justice, sounding in their hearts, constrain them to drop the weapons of war from their unnerved hands in the day of battle! Be Thou present, O God of wisdom, and direct the councils of this honorable assembly; enable them to settle things on the best and surest foundation. That the scene of blood may be speedily closed; that order, harmony and peace may be effectually restored, and truth and justice, religion and piety, prevail and flourish amongst the people. Preserve the health of their bodies and vigor of their minds; shower down on them and the millions they here represent, such temporal blessings as Thou seest expedient for them in this world and crown them with everlasting glory in the world to come. All this we ask in the name and through the merits of Jesus Christ, Thy Son and our Savior."*

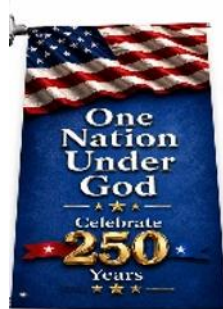


*"And for the support of this Declaration, with a firm reliance on the protection of Divine Providence, we mutually pledge to each other our Lives, our Fortunes, and our sacred Honor."*



## July Birthdays

July 4 Kathy Syphers  
 July 4 Brian Mengeu  
 July 4 United States of America



## August Birthdays

August 7 Robert Mengeu  
 August 9 Ira Werner  
 August 13 Lisa Mengeu  
 August 14 Cliff Elliott  
 August 31 Eydie Garvin

## August Anniversaries

August 6 Robert & Pattie Mengeu  
 August 8 John & Beckie Habak



| July 2026                                                     |        |                                                        |           |                                                                              |        |                                                                                                                |
|---------------------------------------------------------------|--------|--------------------------------------------------------|-----------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Sunday                                                        | Monday | Tuesday                                                | Wednesday | Thursday                                                                     | Friday | Saturday                                                                                                       |
|                                                               |        |                                                        | 1         | 2<br>6:00 pm<br>Bible study                                                  | 3      | 4<br><br>Independence Day |
| 5<br>10:45 am<br>Worship                                      | 6      | 7<br>5:00 pm<br>Friendship Diners<br>at Undo's, St. C. | 8         | 9<br>8:00 am Men's<br>breakfast at Bob Evans'<br><br>6:00 pm<br>Bible study  | 10     | 11                                                                                                             |
| 12<br>10:45 am<br>Worship<br>Communion                        | 13     | 14                                                     | 15        | 16<br>6:00 pm<br>Bible study                                                 | 17     | 18                                                                                                             |
| 19<br>10:45 am<br>Worship<br><br>Deacons after<br>coffee hour | 20     | 21                                                     | 22        | 23<br>8:00 am Men's<br>breakfast at Bob Evans'<br><br>6:00 pm<br>Bible study | 24     | 25                                                                                                             |
| 26<br>10:45 am<br>Worship                                     | 27     | 28                                                     | 29        | 30<br>6:00 pm<br>Bible study                                                 | 31     |                                                                                                                |



| August 2026               |                               |                                   |           |                                                   |        |          |
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| 23<br>10:45 am<br>Worship | 24<br>7 pm Session<br>Meeting | 25                                | 26        | 27                                                | 28     | 29       |
| 30<br>10:45 am<br>Worship | 31                            |                                   |           |                                                   |        |          |



**Church Picnic**

**Sunday, September 13th**

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**Worship with us**

**Sundays**

**At 10:45 am**