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One of the most quoted books in the Bible is the book of Psalms, and one of the most quoted psalms is Psalm 46 where God says, "Be still, and know that I am God". Here we have a meditation on the greatness of God that teaches us that we will only know the greatness of God if we meditate ourselves. God is so great and so powerful. If we believe that God created the world then everything around us declares the wonder of God, and yet, how often do we notice all that is around us? We are busy people, and we are always on the go, so it is important that we remember this command to be still. The command to "be still" comes from the Hebrew word *rapha* which might better be translated as, "cause yourselves to let go" or "let yourselves become weak". So much of what we do is designed to focus us on ourselves and give us the illusion of being strong. As human beings we focus too much on our self and God calls us to be still, be weak, let go of ourselves, and only then we will know that God is God.



When we take the time to be still, we stop striving and worrying and working. We stop pretending that it all depends on us, and then we hear the still, small voice of God and know where true strength lies. Remember what Paul said that "I will boast all the more gladly about my weaknesses, so that Christ's power may rest on me." (2 Corinthians 19) When we are still, we see all that God is doing. When we are weak, we learn how strong God is. When we lose ourselves we gain so much more.

It is a powerful testament that God, who is so powerful, does not overwhelm us, but invites us to be still that we might accomplish so much. It is often hard to find the time to be still, to be quiet, to listen to that small voice that says is much more than all the loud voices we hear in our lives. That is why it is such a blessing to come to church, to push aside the clutter and the din of the week, to clear our minds, and rest our bodies. For some people it is the only peace and quiet they get all week. Come to church on Sundays to be still, and you may just hear God's voice well.

Rev. Chris



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What Safe Conduct Means to the Personnel Committee of Fairhill Manor Christian Church

We as the Personnel Committee of Fairhill Manor Christian Church take Safe Conduct very seriously. At the beginning of 2021, we as a group had little knowledge of the subject and had a lot to learn before we felt comfortable in performing all the safe conduct tasks that are required of our committee. However, we decided as a group to participate in getting background checks and taking the required training so that we could obtain a better understanding of just what Safe Conduct Policy means to us, the children that participate in church activities, our employees, and our volunteers who give much of their valuable time to help educate our youth.

During the Safe Conduct Policy Orientation Training that was held on July 25th and August 8th we as a group realized just how tuned in the children are to Safe Conduct. They listened carefully in the training and participated in real life examples of what is safe and proper and what is not. Our employees and volunteers have taken the online training which is required annually and have obtained two levels of background checks which are required, every three years. The Personnel Committee has worked hard to make sure each and every employee and volunteer is trained and in compliance. This gives us a greater level of comfort that our children, volunteers, and employees are better prepared to protect themselves. We as a committee have quickly learned that Safe Conduct can be utilized in all walks of life and that everywhere our children go, they can take simple steps that they have learned to protect themselves. That and knowing that God is with them gives the Personnel Committee a great level of comfort and pride knowing that Safe Conduct is there to protect them.

Church Picnic

September 12, 1:07pm

Kiwanis Pavilion – Washington Park

Chicken, Hot Dogs & Drinks provided

Bring a covered dish and/or dessert

BINGO

Masks optional



Kathy Duchess, daughter of the late Vicki & “Brink” Brinkman recently graduated from nursing school. She is a single mom who worked full time as a CNA during COVID, graduated top of her class and was chosen to speak at graduation.

Her daughter says, “Proof that it is never too late to turn your life around and be who you want to me”.

Shared by Peggy Oliverio



September 7: @ Jefferson Avenue

September 14: Home

September 21: @ IC St James 2

September 28: @ Avery Methodist

Worship Assignments

Date	Call to Worship, Call to Offering	Scripture	Elder	Deacon
September 5	Von Lacock	Linda Reese	Bread: JC Leasure Cup: JC Leasure	Jerry Puskarich
September 12	Serena Dube	Kevin Puskarich	Bread: Linda Reese Cup: Jackie Nelson	To be determined
September 19	Sandy Todaro	JC Leasure	Bread: Cara Hritz Cup: Gary Ford	To be determined
September 26	Amy Caldwell	Gary Ford	Bread: Craig Dotson Cup: Tammie Wallace	To be determined



- 2 Beth Teagarden
- 3 Susie Macik
Shelva Morrow
- 4 Dawn Couch
- 5 Adelaide Hess
- 7 Maureen Davis-Furshman
Phyllis Doria
- 9 Dorothy Morgan
- 12 Robert Bakaitis
- 13 Brian Shaw
- 15 Steve Skariot
Lauren Ware
Lynn Ware
- 18 Joy Barnhart
Michelle Ringer
- 20 Sammi Waters
- 21 Brooke Barlow
Eliza Barlow
Megan Faust-Piatt
Mike Nelson
Rolinda Sprowls
- 22 Sharon Ingram
- 23 William Leitsch
- 24 Thomas Foutz
Nicole Wolf
- 25 Norma Antill
Scott Fowler
- 28 Kathryn Hess
- 29 Connor Gatten
- 30 Windsor Keene



- 1 Steve & Lou Skariot
- 2 Rick & Dawn Couch
- 7 John & Anna Berg
Chris & Lisa Gardiner
- 8 Ty & Kerri Lacock
- 15 John & Cathy Anderson
- 24 Mike & Jackie Nelson

Citywide Development Application

Block by Block Home Repair Program is hosted by the City of Washington's Citywide Development Corporation. This program aims to protect the overall wellbeing of the community by ensuring safe and comfortable homes in the City of Washington.

The program provides, time, talent and resources for home improvement projects to eligible homeowners at no cost to the homeowner.

Applications are available in the Narthex on the wooden ledge under the posted copy of this newsletter.

September 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			NA 6:45pm	NA 7:30pm		
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
Worship 10:15am	Labor Day Church Office Closed NA 7pm	Stewardship/ Finance Ministry 6pm via Zoom Dartball @ Jefferson Ave	Elders 6pm Shepherds Room NA 6:45pm Board Meeting 7pm Library	Personnel Committee 4pm Library NA 7:30pm		
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
Sunday School 9am Worship 10:15am Church Picnic 1:07pm	Prayer Shawl 11am Parlor NA 7pm	Dartball Home	NA 6:45pm	NA 7:30pm		
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Sunday School 9am Worship 10:15am	NA 7pm	Dartball @ IC St James 2	NA 6:45pm	October Newsletter Deadline NA 7:30pm		Parking Lot reserved for Thomas Campbell Apt overflow parking 10am-5pm
26	27	28	29	30		
Sunday School 9am Worship 10:15am	Prayer Shawl 11am Parlor NA 7pm	Dartball @ Avery Methodist				



Teach us to pray

In Luke 11:1-13 (NIV), Jesus teaches about prayer.

Directions: Add or subtract the letters indicated and unscramble the letters to form a new word, using hints from the passage. Then unscramble the circled letters to answer the question below.

party – t = p r a y (v. 1)

lady + i = _ _ _ _ (v. 3)

drab + e = _ _ _ _ (v. 5)

rod + o = _ _ _ _ (v. 7)

bask – b = _ _ _ _ (v. 9)

keeps – p = _ _ _ _ (v. 9)

define – ee = _ _ _ _ (v. 9)

shift – t = _ _ _ _ (v. 11)

sneaky – y = _ _ _ _ (v. 11)

sift + g = _ _ _ _ (v. 13)



What will the Father give to those who ask of him?

_ _ _ _ _ (v. 13)

Answer: pray, daily, bread, door, ask, seek, find, fish, snake, gifts, Holy Spirit