

June 10-16,
2022



MUSINGS...

by Pastor John Bethard

There are some exciting events happening in the coming months, activities that all of us can be part of.

Tomorrow, **June 11**, the Yokefellows Sunday School class is hosting a pork barbecue from 4:30-7:00pm. All are welcome to come and join us for this time of fellowship and great food. The significance of this is that is the first event like this in a very long time. It will be wonderful to have some time of fellowship together!

Saturday, **June 18**, we will be participating in Charles Town Days. The downtown portion of Washington Street will be closed, where there will be food, music, and activities for all ages. Vendors and local businesses will have tents and tables set up, and we will be down there, giving out information about our church and our upcoming activities. We could use some help staffing the booth, so if you are available, come join us anytime between 9am-3pm. And if you are visiting all the vendors, be sure to stop by and say hello!

Vacation Bible School will happen in July this summer, and we are doing it a little differently. On Saturday, **July 16**, there will be a "Summer Olympics" event from 3pm-5pm for children, as a way of kicking off VBS, which will be held each morning the following week. If you can help with VBS or the Summer Olympics, please contact Garth Stevens-Jennings.

Finally, I want to share an important "save the date." Sunday, **November 6**, we will celebrate our 235th anniversary with a Homecoming Celebration. There will be a special worship service, beginning at 10:30am, with a catered lunch to follow. We are still in the planning stages, so details are not yet firm. We are also considering a silent auction for that event. The lunch will be a ticketed affair, with proceeds helping to offset repairs to the fellowship hall.

Our mission as a congregation is "knowing Christ, growing in God's love, and serving as the Holy Spirit leads." Until recently, we spent over two years trying to live out this mission under the strictures of the pandemic. Now that things have loosened up, we are able to do more, and it is such a joy to see our church reaching out into the community while also celebrating God's faithfulness over the last 235 years.

I hope to see you at all these ministry events!

In Christ's love,

Pastor John



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Charles Town Presbyterian Children, Youth, and Family Ministries

Kid's Group!

Bring out your Bricks: DFM Lego drive!

Do you or someone you know have any old Legos collecting dust in an attic or storage room? Donate them to the Youth and Children's Ministry, where they will be used for a number of upcoming events, including the creation of model of Charles Town Presbyterian Church and contests to recreate iconic Bible scenes! Contact Garth for more info, or drop your donations by his office.

Summer Olympics! Saturday, July 16th, 3-5PM

To kick off our time with Vacation Bible School this summer we will be throwing a Summer Olympics party for kids of all ages! Come and compete in various events to win prizes and bragging rights!

Vacation Bible School! Monday, July 18th -- Friday, July 22nd, 9-Noon

The theme for our Bible School this year is the Knights of North castle. Come join us for a week of learning fun, knights, and dragons! We are still looking for volunteers to run the program, if you are interested in helping contact Garth Stevens-Jennings at garthstevensjennings@ctpres.org.

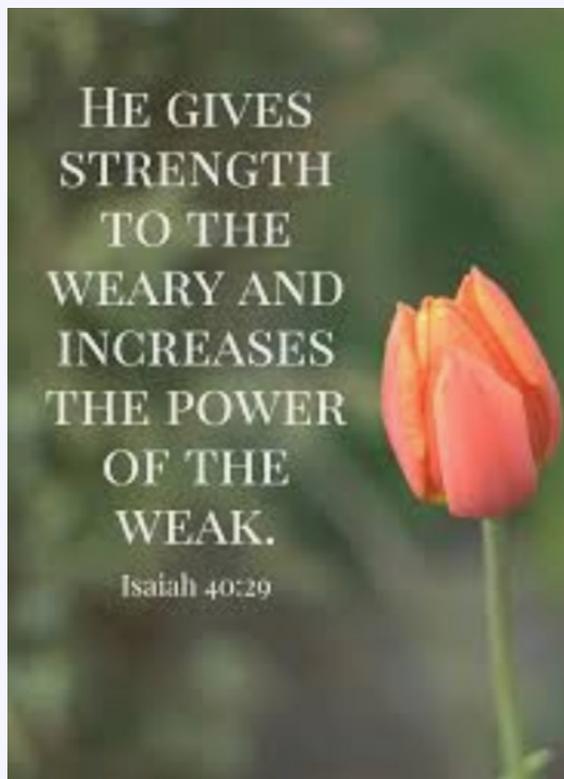
Any questions, please feel free to contact Garth Steven-Jennings (304-725-5316 or garthstevens-jennings@ctpres.org).



Yokefellows BBQ Pork dinner. Please join us this Saturday, June 11th, 4:30-7:00 pm, for fresh pork BBQ, slaw, mac & cheese, baked bean, desserts, and drinks provided. Tickets: \$15.00 adults; \$7.00 children under 12 years; Free children under 3 years. Proceeds from the dinner will be used to offset repairs to the fellowship hall roof. Tickets may be purchased at the door. We hope to see you there!

Pastor's Help Fund. During the pandemic, there were few requests for help. That has changed with the winding down of the pandemic phase of Covid and the dramatic increase to the cost of living. The help fund provides assistance for people who are in danger of eviction or have gotten behind in their utilities. The fund is now significantly low, and we need some donations to build it back up. Donations to the help fund can be given through the regular Sunday offering or mailed to the office. Note on memo line: help fund.

♪♪ MUSIC NOTES ♪♪ from Miss Penny



“Attitude of Gratitude”

"Turn Your Eyes Upon Jesus"

Are you weary? Weary in heart, mind or soul? If you are, then this song is for you!

O soul are you weary and troubled
No light in the darkness you see
There's light for a look at the Savior
And life more abundant and free
Turn your eyes upon Jesus
Look full in his wonderful face
And the things of earth will grow strangely dim
In the light of his glory and grace
His word shall not fail you he promised
Believe him and all will be well
Then go to a world that is dying
His perfect salvation to tell
Turn your eyes upon Jesus
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Blessings and Love,

Penny

Celebrations this week

Sunday @ CTPC

Birthdays

Megan Camilletti
Linda Myers-Hart
Will Pugh
June Titus



Anniversaries

John & Laurie Bethrd
Doug & Julia McDonough
Doug & Patsy White
Doyle & Sharon Criswell

10:30am-Worship Celebration FaceBook

For a complete listing of all of the church activities, please click [here](#).



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CTPC Zoom Meetings this week

To join any of the Zoom meetings listed below, please email the church office at ctpres.org for contact information.

- **The Faithweavers** is a blended Sunday School class with in person and virtual options led by Margaret Kursey.
- **Yokefellows Sunday School Class.** The Class will begin with a short business meeting from 8:45 am to 9:00 am at which time prayers will be offered for class members, family and friends who are ill or otherwise in distress. At 9:00am until 9:35 am a lesson will be taught by the class teacher from the Adult Bible Studies series. Anyone wishing to visit the class on ZOOM should contact the following class members to receive a ZOOM "invite": Gary Scott at email: gary3042795296@gmail.com or James Mackenzie at email: mackenzie48708@gmail.com



GRADUATE INFORMATION: We will be recognizing our graduates during the worship service on June 12th.

Emma Damm—College of the Atlantic
Jessica Donadio—George Mason
Sydney Fulbright
Brooks Kursey—Liberty University (Doctorate)
Rosalyn LaVallee—Washington High School
Camdyn Noland—Washington High School
Briana Pizzuti—Washington High School

Congratulations, Grads!!

2022 Frazier Music Scholarship - The Frazier Music Scholarship was created in 2014 by the congregation of Charles Town Presbyterian Church upon the retirement of organist and choir director, Ceil Frazier, and in memory of her husband, Raymond Frazier, a choir and handbell member. The scholarship is awarded each year to a graduating senior in either Jefferson or Berkeley County who will be attending Shepherd University and majoring in music or music education. Katie J. Davis is the seventh recipient of the Frazier Music Scholarship. Katie is a graduate of Musselman High School and will be attending Shepherd University. Congratulations to Katie as she begins her college education with support from CTPC through this Frazier music legacy.

The Session has called a congregational meeting for Sunday, June 12th, following worship to hear a report from the congregational nominating committee. The committee is making the following nominations: CNC class of 2023: Henry Christie, Allen Peacher, Bob Tansill; Elder class of 2025: Doyle Criswell, Marsha Dibbern, Lazan Rogers; Deacon class of 2023: Tommy Morgan; class of 2025: Judy Edwards, Sue Flanagan, Debbie Henshaw, Brooks Kursey; Trustee class of 2025: Steve Bossung, Thane Van Zomeren.

Mission and Outreach is looking for pictures to use on June the 18th for downtown Charles Town Days. We hope to have a table with a picture display of how we Know, Grow and Serve. We also will have a craft for kids as well as have a bag with candy kisses and a Bible verse. Please go through your pictures and send them to Diane Mayhew or Patsy White. This will be a fun day to be downtown as well as let the community know what we are doing at CTPC. Thanks!



Friendship Ministry Meal

Several years ago, we changed the name of the meals served from “Homeless Meals” to “Friendship Ministry Meals.” We did this because we realized that many who were coming for a meal were not homeless, but they were hungry. For many of our guests it is the only meal they will have that day. Some of our guests live in a single hotel room with their entire family with no ability to cook a hot meal.

Matthew 25:35 says, “For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat. I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink. I was a stranger and you invited me in.” Feeding the hungry is an expectation Jesus has of his followers. Now more than ever our Christian family needs to step up to help with this community mission. Everything is extremely expensive right now. I wonder as I pay for our weekly groceries how others who are less fortunate are able to buy food for their family. You can help by volunteering you time and monies. We serve meals only twelve times a year. We serve the first Saturday of each month at 5:30pm. Our servers plan the meal and arrive at 4:30pm to begin packing the meals in carry out containers.

These are the servers for the rest of this year. June 4th, the worship team. July 2nd, Ruth and Gary Scott. August 6th, the Deacons. September 3rd, the choirs. October 1, George Tabb and Jason Mullens. November 5th, the Yokefellow’s Sunday school class. December 3rd, the Mission and Outreach committee. Each and everyone of these groups could use help. It might be just bringing a case of water or bringing cookies. Of course, you could stop by and donate your time by helping to fix carryout containers. It only takes about an hour. Pray about how you can help and then volunteer. Many hands make fast work!



Life Line Screening, the nation’s leading provider of preventive health screenings, will offer affordable, non-invasive and painless health screenings at Charles Town Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, July 5, 2022. A

package of five screenings to identify risk for stroke, heart disease and other chronic conditions will be offered:

Carotid Artery Screening (Plaque). An ultrasound is performed to screen the carotid arteries (a pair of blood vessels in the neck that deliver blood to your brain) for buildup of fatty plaque. This buildup, called atherosclerosis, is one of the leading causes of stroke.

Peripheral Arterial Disease Screening. An Ankle-Brachial Index (ABI) test is performed using blood pressure cuffs on the arms and legs. It is important to screen for PAD because it increases the risk of coronary artery disease, heart attack, or stroke.¹

Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA). An ultrasound is performed to screen the abdominal aorta for the presence of an enlargement or aneurysm. AAA can lead to a ruptured aortic artery, which is a serious medical emergency.

Atrial Fibrillation. A 6-lead electrocardiogram (EKG) is performed by placing sensors on the arms and legs to screen for Atrial Fibrillation. AFib can lead to blood clots, stroke, and heart failure, and other heart-related complications.²

Osteoporosis Risk. An ultrasound is performed to measure the shin bone for abnormal bone mass density. This can help assess the risk of osteoporosis, a disease where bones become weak and brittle.

These 5 vital screenings take 60-90 minutes to complete. Register by calling toll free 1-888-653-6441, text the word "circle" to 797979 or online at <https://llsa.social/HS>



Weekly Congregational Giving:

Needed to Meet Expenses Budget: \$6,934. Sunday's Receipts: \$5,454; Special Offerings: Hunger—\$10; Sunday School—\$51; Fellowship Fundraisers—\$500; Help Fund—\$34; Loose—\$97; Help Fund—\$230; Pentecost—\$638.

Checks can be mailed to:
CTPC, PO Box 89,
Charles Town, WV 25414

For electronic giving, please scan here:



ONLINE GIVING

Online giving helps you to bring your offering before God. In addition to the no-fee Facebook

donations and nominal fee Paypal service, we set up online giving through the Presbyterian Foundation. **Money donated via any of these services gets deposited to our church bank account.**

By going through the Foundation, the fee they charge actually helps the mission of their organization, which is to help Presbyterian churches to be excellent stewards of their gifts and resources. The exciting part about working with the foundation is that we are able to use a mobile app that is connected to our account. The app is called Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement on the Google Play or Apple App Store. You can set up for weekly, monthly or one time giving! Note: If you were previously using the "Give Plus" app, that has been superseded by the Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement as of January 31, 2022. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Thank you.

Pentecost Offering. Giving to the Pentecost Offering this Sunday, June 5th, is investing in our greatest resource, our youth and our children. The Pentecost Offering makes it possible for the church to encourage, develop, and support its young people and address the needs of at-risk children. 40% of this offering stays in our local community and will be designated for Jefferson County Community Ministries. The other 60% will help support: young adult volunteer programs, ministries for youth, and child advocacy.



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For those who wish to continue with the Bible reading plan in 2022, you can access or download the document [here](#). This plan is a little different than the 2021 plan. The 2021 plan had only five readings per week, and we were able to finish the entire New Testament. The 2022 plan has two readings every day, and they are a little longer, but we will read through the whole Bible in a year. If you read through the 2021 plan, it is okay to use this plan but skip the New Testament readings. These are the readings from which Pastor John will do his daily devotions each morning on the church Facebook page.

<https://www.navigators.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/12/navigators-bible-reading-plan.pdf>



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3. Select "Charles Town Presbyterian Church" as your charity
4. Follow the on-screen instructions to activate AmazonSmile in the mobile app



JCCM Food Pantry needs. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated: hot dogs, ground beef, eggs, shelf stable/powdered milk, jelly, powdered coffee creamer, salt, sugar, cooking oil, dish soap, laundry detergent, deodorant, shampoo/conditioner, paper towels, cat and dog food. Thank you, Kari Dean, Food Pantry Coordinator, JCCM



The flower chart for 2022 is available for sign up. It is located on the bulletin board by the church office or call at 304-725-5316. If you would like to donate your flowers for the deacons to deliver to a shut-in or someone in the hospital, please call the church office.