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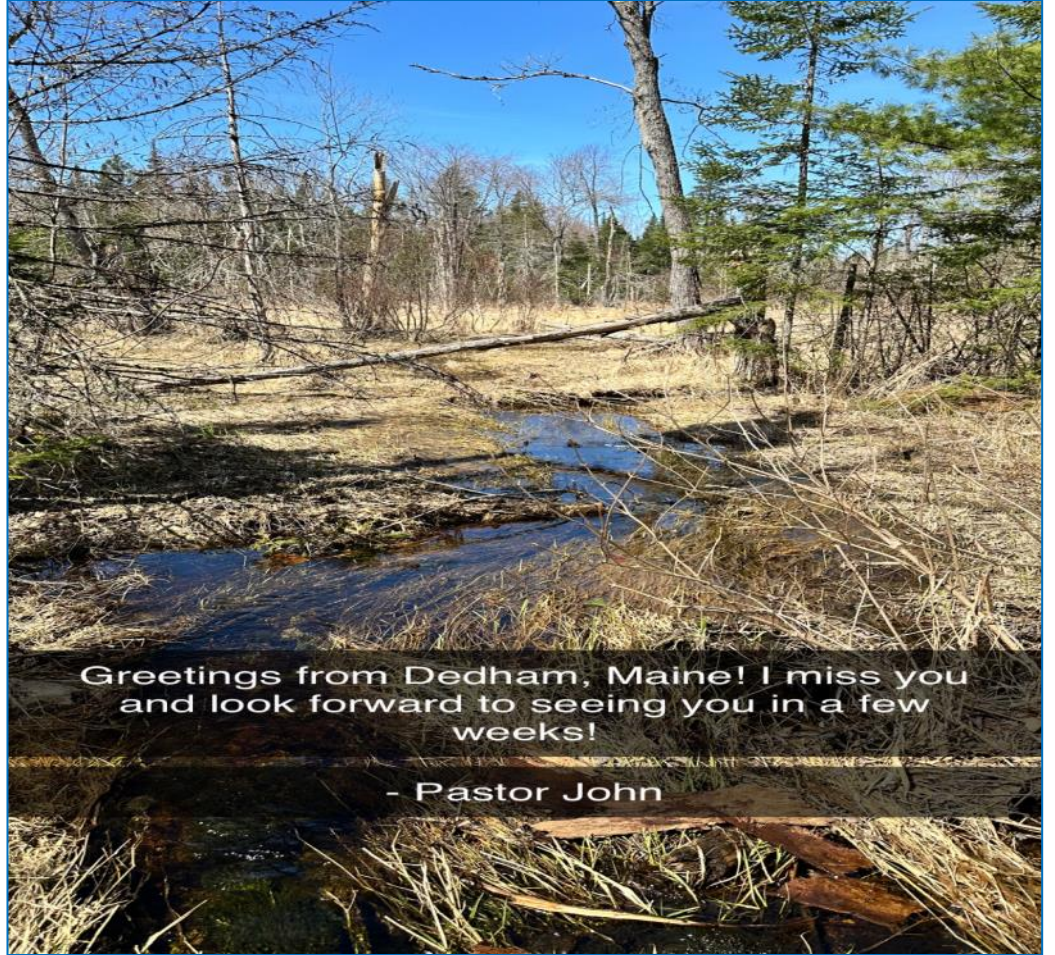
MUSINGS...

by Pastor John Bethard



CHARLES TOWN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

CT Press



Greetings from Dedham, Maine! I miss you
and look forward to seeing you in a few
weeks!

- Pastor John

*Sydnor- Lewis
Library & Hospitality Center
All Are Welcome!*



*Please stop in for a visit
Coffee, Snacks
Fellowship & Books*

Attitude of Gratitude

There are so many things to be grateful for today! The sun is shining lowers are blooming and the refreshing time of spring is felt in our music ministry and life at CTPC.

Our music room has experienced spring refreshing! Recently Steve Bossung, Gordon Myers, and Hoyle Fulbright tackled my request of painting all the trim work. It looks great! If the music room usually isn't a room you go to, we invite you to stop in for a visit!

Signup sheets for our summer music programs will soon be available and all are encouraged to give music a try.

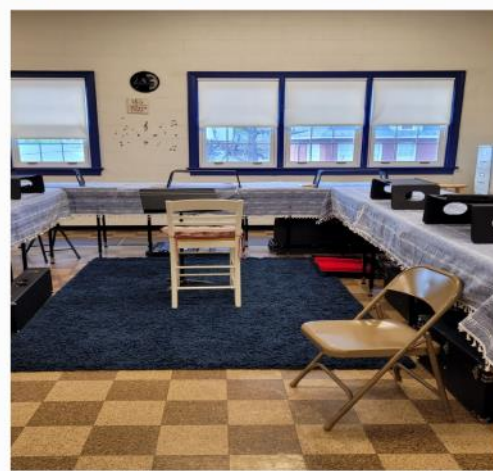
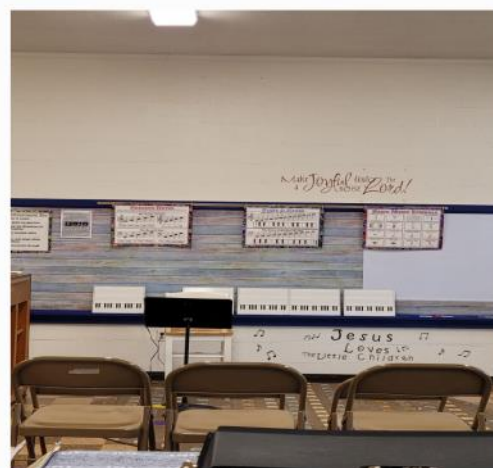
Something new is on the horizon for our Senior Choir! In addition to Silver Bells we will have an easy percussion group this summer!

As always, during the summer the Glory Singers and Geneva's take time off. If you're interested in providing special music please let me know.

I have access to some wonderful pieces for 8-12 bells and piano I'd love to do this summer! Please let me know if you're interested in ringing.

Ephesians 5:20 "Always give thanks to God the Father for everything"!

Blessings, Penny



"I've Got Rhythm"



Summer Percussion Class
for
Seniors

CONTACT PENNY FOR MORE INFO!
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5 Finger Prayer

4) The ring finger is the weakest. Pray for the sick, poor, and those most in need.

5) The pinkie finger is the smallest. Pray for yourself and your own needs.

3) The middle finger is the tallest. Pray for leaders in government, business, and the church.

2) The pointer finger is used to give directions. Pray for teachers, coaches, therapists, doctors, and first responders.

1) Your thumb is closest to your heart, so pray for those closest to you - your family and friends.



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WEEKLY NEEDS

FRESH FRUIT AND MUFFINS

Goldfish, pretzels, cookies, cheezits,
Breakfast bars

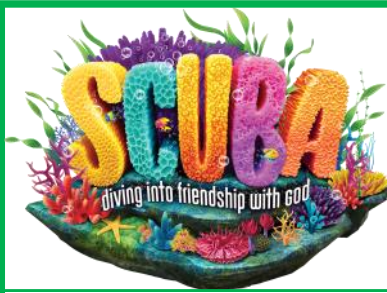
Gluten free / Dairy free items



LET'S FILL IT UP!
FOR JEFFERSON COUNTY
COMMUNITY MINISTRIES



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Mark your calendars!

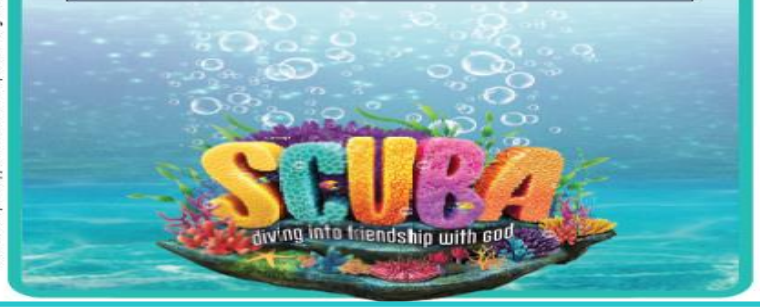
VBS will be Monday, July 15-Thursday, July 18, from 9:00AM-Noon. The theme will be “SCUBA-

diving into friendship with God”. Scuba will take kids deep into an amazing under-sea adventure where they’ll experience the ever-flowing, never-ending love of God. Any questions, please feel free to contact Garth Stevens-Jennings (304-725-5316 or garthstevens-jennings@ctpres.org) or Marsha Dibbern (304-728-2278 or marshadib@juno.com).

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make a splash this summer!

Charles Town Presbyterian Church
VBS
July 15-18, 2024
9:00 AM- 12:00 PM
Rising Kindergarten-Rising 6th grade
Get ready to splash into fun!
contact the church office 304-725-5316
or @garthstevensjennings@ctpres.org



Charles Town Presbyterian Children, Youth, and Family Ministries

Youth Group!

Youth Group meets each Sunday from 2:30-4:00pm.

Kid’s Group!

Kid’s Group meets each Sunday from 4:00-5:30pm.

I look forward to seeing you there!

Any questions, please feel free to contact

Garth Steven-Jennings 304-725-5316 or garthstevens-jennings@ctpres.org.

Boundary Training

In 2023, the Presbyterian Church (USA) created new guidelines for councils (Sessions, Presbyteries, and Synods, as well as the General Assembly itself). These guidelines require Boundary Training for all people serving on those councils and must include specific content on Child Sexual Abuse Prevention and Sexual Misconduct Prevention. This training must be completed at least every thirty-six months. The same requirement applies to those who are Certified Christian Educators, and those under care of the Presbytery as Inquirers. While the Presbytery has always mandated Boundary Training for those in pastoral leadership, and for those going on Presbytery sponsored mission trips, this addition of other categories of people is relatively new.

Elders in active service on Session are required to take this training; any others (SS teachers/Youth leaders, congregational members, employees/staff are also welcome)

When we have Healthy Boundaries, not only is the church healthier, but we are living out the Scriptural admonition to “be holy, as God is holy.” (1 Peter 1:15)

You are invited to participate in a **BOUNDARY TRAINING**

Presenter: Associate General Presbyter: Nancy Meehan Yao

Where: Falling Waters Presbyterian Church 2928 Hammonds Mill Road Hedgesville, WV 25427, 304-754-8211, Email: fwpcusa@gmail.com, When: SATURDAY, MAY 11, 2024, Time: 9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Refreshments will be served at the beginning and during the 15-minute interlude. **Please RSVP by Thursday, May 9, 2024.**

Celebrations this month

Birthdays

Ashley Pugh
Lena Camilletti
Connie Casserly
Camdyn Noland
Jennifer Morgan
Claire Smith
Karen Gregoryk
Jimmy Low
J. P. Burns
John Fanjoy
Sara Fowler
Abby Duncan



John Karos
Lauren Rossi
Jack Huyett
Jamie Hardy



Anniversaries

John & Rebecca Karos
Jon & Karen Gregoryk
Corey & Brooke Smith
David & Jackie Weil
Vincent & Beth Pugh
Michael & Debbie Gregory
Mark & Mary Day
Michael & Heather Duncan

Sunday @ CTPC

10:30am-Worship Celebration FaceBook

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



Donate



CTPC Zoom Meetings. 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.



Capital Campaign Update: Dear Congregation Family, thank you for participating in our shared Sunday School Hour's facilities walkthrough which identified over 60 items that we could improve with your Capital Campaign contributions. There are a handful of items that don't cost us anything, and in 2024 you should look for some scheduled work days to help out in sharing your time to complete. For those wanting to make a difference sooner, you can contribute to the Capital Campaign now through your usual donation method or via the no-fee PayPal Giving Fund <https://paypal.com/us/fundraiser/charity/3122728>.

Pastor John's 20th Annivervy Celebration!



August 11th, 2024



Yokefellows BBQ Pork dinner. Get your tickets now from any Yokefellow and plan to join us on Saturday, June 8th, 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 go to church ministries.



Attention Graduates: We would like to honor your achievements. If you have a graduate in your family or know of any graduates (high school or college) in our church family, please call (304-725-5316) or email (ctpres@ctpres.org) their name, high school or college, and future plans to the church office by Monday, May 13th. Graduates will be recognized during worship on Sunday, June 2nd.



Online giving helps you to bring your offering before God in a simple, and secure way. You can choose from The Presbyterian Foundation, Facebook, or PayPal, each of which have a nominal fee that you can include as part of your gift. The Presbyterian Foundation fee does help the organization's mission, and you can easily use a mobile app (Vanco Mobile Faith Engagement on Google Play/Apple AppStore) to set up for repeating or one time giving. If you have any questions, please contact the church office. Donation options and tax information at www.ctpres.org (<http://www.ctpres.org>).



The Six-cents-a-meal offering, is collected on the 4th Sunday each month, and goes to the Presbyterian Hunger Program. To contribute to this offering please note on memo line: hunger offering. Thank you.



JCCM Food Pantry needs. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated: spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, canned meat (vienna sausage, spam, chicken, tuna), canned beans, canned vegetables (not green beans/corn), soups (hearty and condensed), canned chili, rice (small bags), instant mashed potatoes, jelly and peanut butter, syrup, instant oatmeal, crackers, boxed pancake mix, cooking oil, deodorant, shampoo/conditioner, paper towels, toilet paper, dish soap, laundry detergent. Thank you, Kari Dean, Food Pantry Coordinator, JCCM

Worship Help Needed. We need help running the technology used in worship each week. We are seeking two or three people to help run the PowerPoint slides and the camera for our live broadcast. These are fairly simple tasks, and we provide training. Please speak with Pastor John or Roger Snook if you can help.



The flower chart for 2024 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.

Seeking a nursery attendant:
 Where—CTPC
 When—every Sunday 10AM-noon
 What—an aide for our current nursery attendant, Jordan, as she cares for children infant- Kindergarten
 Why—to keep a safe environment for young children while parents (members or visitors) worship in our church sanctuary
 Who—We seek a Christian individual 18 years or older who loves and respects children. This person should be gentle, warm, trustworthy, responsible, playful, nurturing, patient, and punctual.
 This is a part time position. Hourly wage will be discussed when serious candidates apply. A background check will be required.
 Email a resume to Charles Town Presbyterian Church: ctpres@ctpres.org



Meals-on-Wheels is in need of volunteers to help Monday—Friday for packing meals (8am-10am) and delivering meals (10am –Noon). We have five areas in Jefferson County that we deliver to and need drivers for all of them. Please call (304-725-1601) or stop by the kitchen of the Charles Town Presbyterian Church. We are open 8am-1pm.

**Charles Town Presbyterian Church
 2024 Elder Committee Assignments**

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| Communicating with Technology - | Beth Pugh |
| Discipleship and Family Ministry - | Marsha Dibbern |
| Finance - | Diane Mayhew |
| Mission and Outreach - | Doyle Criswell |
| Personnel - | Kathy Shue |
| Property - | Gary Scott and Diane Mayhew |
| Stewardship and Vision - | Beth Pugh and Patsy White |
| Worship and Music — | Signe Garms and Lazan Rogers |



OFFICE CLOSED
 Monday, May 27th,
 in observance of
 Memorial Day.