

# ***August 2017 Newsletter***



*Vacation Time*

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## From the Pastor's Study August 2017

I left home the first day of my vacation on Sunday at 4:30 AM and arrived at Bethany Beach, Delaware around four hours later; an easy drive with little traffic, thus the early hour. Although the hotel where I stay is in the next town of Fenwick Island, five minutes from Bethany, my room is never available until mid- afternoon. Therefore, I usually spend the morning in Bethany which, unlike Fenwick, has a boardwalk and numerous shops and places to eat. There is also a farmer's market on Sunday mornings. Vacationers flock the market to buy homemade baked goods, local produce, flowers and peaches.

One of my favorite places to have breakfast while in Bethany has been the Frog House family restaurant downtown. Looking forward to a big breakfast I headed there shortly after arriving. When I got to the place where The Frog House had always been, it was no longer there. In place of it was a women's clothing store and gift shop. The Frog House restaurant, one of the town's older businesses, was gone. I spent part of the morning of my first day at the beach looking for a new place to have breakfast.

The Sands Motel in Fenwick Island is where I have been staying for the past three years. The motel is located along the Coastal Highway. The rent is cheap for a beach rental and it is one block from the ocean which is practically in its backyard. I can leave my car at the hotel and walk to the beach without the stress and expense of paying a parking meter all day. The Sands built in 1953 has seen little improvements since that year. The rooms are small with a small bathroom with a shower stall tiled with 1950's era pink tile. A light above the small sink is turned on with a pull chain. The windows are metal framed and if they open at all do so by turning a handle and pushing the single pane outward. Despite that the rooms are clean. Maid's make the beds every day, empty waste cans and replace used towels and washcloths with fresh ones. There is air conditioning, cable TV, a small fridge, and a microwave. There is also a pool for guests to use. Across the highway from the hotel are several good restaurants, shops and the bay.

Because the accommodations are not fancy and the rent is cheap, the hotel attracts a variety of interesting guests from all walks of life; bikers, people who appear to have seen or are currently experiencing hard times, the elderly, the young, people with many children, people with pets (dogs and cats are allowed), as well as people who are apparently well off. It is not unusual to see

Mercedes parked next to a 1980's van with a stripe down the side and a ladder attached to the back to access the roof of the vehicle. Sometimes the people are loud, the kids sound like a herd of buffalo in the room above yours, but everyone is friendly and cordial. Eventually everyone settles down and it is quiet for most of the night. The frantic search for a small missing dog that bolted from a motel room was the most dramatic event of the week.

On my last day at The Sands Motel I walked over to the office to tell the manager I would be leaving very early the next morning and what should I do with my room keys. He said someone was in the office at all times and I could just bring my room keys to the office before I left no matter how early. And, by the way he said, *"This will be last season for this motel. It's being torn down next year and will reopen in 2019 as a brand new place."* *"But I like the character of this old motel."* I said. *"I like that because it isn't fancy it is affordable to a lot of people who might not be able to afford to stay anywhere else at the shore."* He just smiled and said, *"The new hotel will be better."*

Change, anyone who says they're okay with it is not being honest. Change shakes our foundations, it makes us feel unsettled. It forces us to look for something else, to go in a new direction. The comfort we find in the familiar is gone. Change forces us to think about the future. What does it hold for us? Will it be good, bad and hard to accept? What will the change we are experiencing demand of us? Will we be up to the demands it might require? However if it were not for change nothing would grow, life would become stagnant, familiar and comfortable yes, but stagnant. We would never move forward.

The bible tells us in Philippians 4: 6-7 *"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God. And the peace of God, which transcends all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."*

## In Christian Love, Pastor Michael

*"There is a time for everything, and a season for every activity under heaven."*  
-Ecclesiastes 3: 1

# ***Birthdays & Anniversaries in August***



- 8/2 Linda Hovis
- 8/14 Robert Stum
- 8/15 Linda Ritchey
- 8/17 Sophie Misner
- 8/17 Cole Leidig
- 8/17 Reid Leidig
- 8/21 Donna and Tony Haugh
- 8/23 Ethan Berkey
- 8/24 Robert & Trudy Stum
- 8/27 Charles and Jean High

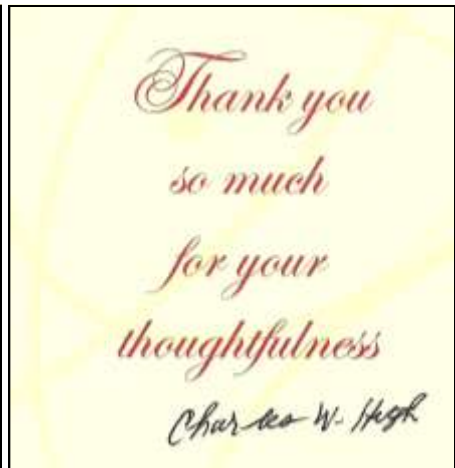
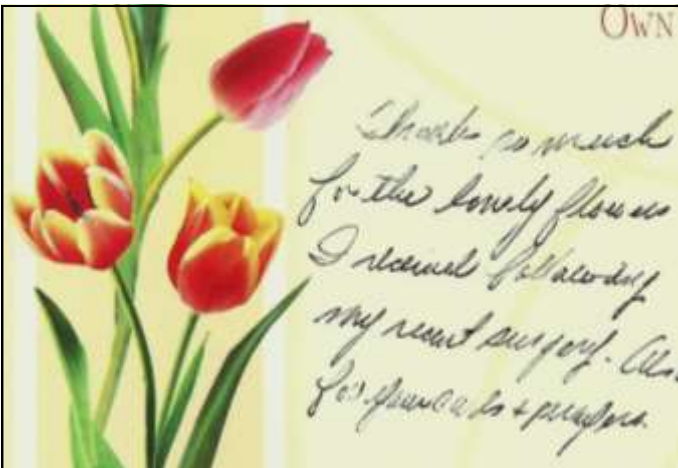
# **Calendar of Events August**

- 6 Worship 10 AM
- 13 Outdoor Worship 10 AM
- 15 Silver Express Delivery 1:30 PM
- 20 Worship 10 AM
- 27 Worship 10 AM



Weight Watchers meets every  
Tuesday at 5 PM  
and Wednesday at 9 AM

Al Anon meets every Thursday  
from 8-9 PM



# WORSHIP ASSISTANTS *in August*



## Ushers & Greeters

August 6: Randy Cramer & Ernie Fitz

August 13: Donna Levick & Judy Fitz

August 20: Bob Benchoff & Bob Stum

August 27: Brian & Debbie Jacobs



## Outdoor Worship Service

Our third outdoor worship service will be on August 13 at 10:00 at the outdoor worship area on the church grounds. You may sit under the trees or in the sunlight. You are welcome to bring your own folding chair although chairs will be provided. Dress comfortably and casually.

## “Silver Express” Food Bank

Thank you for your help to fill their bowls!



Donations for this month will be delivered **August 15.**



All canned/boxed food on the shelves will be delivered

# CONSISTORY MEMBERS



Julia Cramer

Jean High

Mary Lou Misner

Martha Smith



Donna Levick

Sondra Monn

Nevin Monn

Brian Jacobs

## CONSISTORY HIGHLIGHTS

July 9, 2017

### Old Business:

Unanimous vote to approve dividing all current memorial money into the What Difference Fund & the Flower Fund.

### New Business:

Unanimous vote to approve proposed amendments to the Constitution & By-Laws.

## Outdoor Movie and Picnic

Around fifty people from Trinity of State Line, Trinity of Waynesboro and Church of the Apostles attended last month's picnic and outdoor showing of Beauty and the Beast on the church grounds. The event was a result of the Mercersburg Association's request that UCC churches that are located in close proximity of each other get to know one another better.



YOUTH BASEBALL

# 10U TEAM HEADED TO STATES



The Waynesboro Cal Ripken 10U baseball team went 3-2 to become the Cal Ripken District 8 10U Runner-Up. Waynesboro defeated Upper Allen 6-2, Cedar Cliff 17-1 and Franklin Township 12-4. The team fell short twice to the Cal Ripken District 8 Champions, West Perry, and finished second. Waynesboro qualified for the Cal Ripken State Tournament in Spring Ford, Pa., July 7-10. Waynesboro also hosted the 10U Boro Classic. Waynesboro defeated Fairfield 21-8, Clear Spring 26-0, Frederick 10-6 and the Landsharks 15-5 on its road to the championship. Pictured (left to right) bottom row: Colin Young, Cal Myers, Eric Knepper, DJ Wynkoop, Gunner Shifflett and Riley Eaton. Middle row: Brett Powell, Kellen Smith, Farin Parks, Ethan Hotchkiss, Eric Jacobs and Aiden Lininger. Back row: Coaches Mark Powell, Todd Parks, Shane Hotchkiss and Steve Myers. [PHOTO SUBMITTED]

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## ***MISSION STATEMENT***

*We are called together to worship God, united by the Holy Spirit, and chosen as instruments of our Lord's purpose to teach, support and serve all people. We witness to the church, the community and the world by showing joy in the faith and using our talents to praise God.*