



Rev. John H. Heinsohn
Minister of Visitation

Last month at the Deacons meeting, we discussed restarting the Prayer Chain. I understand that at one time in the not too distant past, it was functioning rather well. Many churches find the chain to be an important means of care for their members and friends. The Board of Deacons is a logical group to oversee this ministry and our Deacons have been asked to do that.

Everyone on the Prayer Chain needs to agree to several operating principles in order to keep in on track. First of all each person must agree to pray for the various requests of prayer for some specified time. They must agree to standards of confidentiality so as to keep it from becoming a gossip chain. In a secondary way the chain can serve to be one of several communication tools for the congregation. The chain can foster a sense of community among the chain members, as well as throughout the congregation. Discernment is always needed as to what should be shared since many people value their privacy and some may not want to have their concern stated on the chain.

Many years ago, my wife Shirley organized and led such a ministry in a former church. It continues quite effectively to this day. On some Sunday morning after worship, in the next month or so, I will invite Shirley to come and share her experience with all who may be interested. In the meantime you can share your interest and questions about this ministry with one of the Deacons. The members of the Board of Deacons are: Hope Correll, Debbie Llewellyn, Heather Delp, Joan Correll, Melanie Thiel, and Sharon Potter.

One other thing, the Deacons have agreed to spearhead the ministry to the Clover Nursing home in Columbia. We have been going once a month on the second Wednesday to conduct a communion service. Speak to Heather Delp or Joan Correll if you have any interest in this outreach.



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Worship Service:

10:30 a.m.
Sept. 10, 2017 – June 10, 2018
9:30 a.m. June 17th – Sept. 2, 2018

Holy Communion:

1st Sunday of the Month

Sunday School:

9:15 a.m. – September through May

Session Members:

Jonathan Rush – Clerk
Bonnie Pearce, Lillian Williams,
Laura Bocko, Suzy Armstrong,
Mike Feeney



May 19—Jim and Sharon Potter



May's deacon of the month is Heather Delp.



Please remember to bring your donation of a non-perishable food item for **PUMP** the first Sunday of each month. The next collection date is May 6th.



The Presbyterian Women from Oceanside, New York will be worshipping with us next Sunday, May 6th.



The Women of Community Presbyterian Church will meet on Tuesday, May 8th (instead of May 1st) for Bible study, followed by their business meeting and then onto lunch at a local eatery. All are invited to attend.



BAKE SALE

The Women of CPCMBP will hold their annual Bake Sales at Driftstone Campgrounds on the following dates: Saturday, May 26th (Memorial Day), June 30th (for July 4th weekend) and Saturday, September 1st (Labor Day).

If anyone wishes to donate baked goods for the sale it would be much appreciated. Someone will be at the church at 09:00am on each Saturday of the sale day to pick up baked goods and take them to Driftstone for the sale that starts at 10:00 a.m.



Thank you to all who gave a helping hand with our annual clean up on Saturday, April 21st! Many hands made short work of this enormous task.



May 28th – a day to honor and remember those who fought so bravely so that we might have the freedoms we enjoy.



There are times when only a mother's love can understand our tears, can soothe our disappointments and calm all of our fears.

There are times when only a mother's love can share the joy we feel when something we've dreamed about quite suddenly is real.

There are times when only a mother's faith can help us on life's way and inspire in us the confidence we need from day to day.

For a mother's heart and a mother's faith and a mother's steadfast love were fashioned by the angels and sent from God above.--
Author Unknown



The result of our recent Blood Drive on April 27th yielded 11 pints donated. Thank you to all who participated!









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MONTH of MAY 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5 
6 Rev. Nichols Worship 10:30 Sunday School 9:15 am PUMP Food Collection 	7 AA 8:00 p.m.	8  Women of CPCMBP - 10:00 a.m. AA 8:00 p.m.	9 Session 7:00 p.m.	10	11	12
13 Rev. Heinsohn Worship 10:30 Sunday School 9:15 am Mothers Day 	14 AA 8:00 p.m.	15 AA 8:00 p.m.	16	17	18	19
20 Rev. Nichols Worship 10:30 Sunday School 9:15 am	21 AA 8:00 p.m.	22 AA 8:00 p.m.	23	24		26  BAKE SALE Driftstone Bake Sale
27 Rev. Nichols Worship 10:30 Sunday School 9:15 am	28 Memorial Day 	29	30			