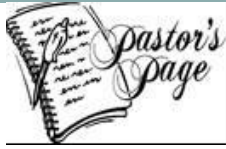


# COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MT. BETHEL AND PORTLAND

## MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



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Minister of Visitation

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What a difference a few days can make! We are clearly in summer mode as the temperatures have hit ninety degrees and the length of daylight is almost at its peak.

There are several things to note:

1. Our Sunday morning Bible Study on the N.T. book of Hebrews has ended. We had very consistent attendance of eight every Sunday. I found it a real joy to be teaching the class. Starting in the second Sunday of September we will begin again with a study of the Patriarchs in Genesis from Abraham to Joseph. It is a good time to join the group at 9:15 until 10:00.
2. The session has decided to accept on-line giving to the church. We are working out the details now. We expect that the access will be made by going to our web site and following the directions.
3. We are pleased to report that our Sunday morning attendance has been steadily increasing. Although we have not taken a survey, it would appear that a majority of the people attending have been vaccinated. There are still some reasons to be considerate of others and cautious of the possibility of infection especially to the most vulnerable. With that in mind, I would suggest that we still try to maintain social distance when possible. Mask wearing will be up to individual discretion. During worship we will continue, at least for now, to limit how we take the offering, distribute communion and greet one another.

Fortunately, during the past year, only a few of the people in our congregation tested positive for the virus and those who did test positive quarantined themselves. I am not aware of any of us who were very sick from it even though there were people in the area who were quite ill and some have died from it.

4. One of the ways, we can be a community church is to encourage special interest groups to form and meet at the church. Ideally our members could take the initiative to gather people into groups. Special interest groups can be centered on any interest, skill, or hobby. Some examples would be: sewing, knitting, computers, model trains, gardening, cooking, pet care, book club, outdoor recreation, chess, antique cars, etc.

With that in mind, I am going to advertise a gathering of people who might be interested in knowing more about beekeeping. It will be entitled, *Is Beekeeping a Possibility for You?* The date is Saturday, July 24 at 10:00 at the church parking lot. I would not consider myself an expert beekeeper but I have kept bees for about 45 years and usually have success in keeping a good number of the hives alive from year to year. The orientation on July 24 will be of interest to anyone who wants to learn more about the honey bee and how beekeepers manage them. After that, if there are some people who might want to give it a try, I will meet with them to help them get started. Today there are men and women of every age (including youth!) who are interested in beekeeping but the learning curve is a bit steep in the beginning- hence a group is helpful. A bee hive can be kept almost anywhere: on roofs, in out-buildings, back yards, etc. Please spread the word. All are invited to attend the gathering on July 24.

5. Please note the celebrations on June 6<sup>th</sup> and the summer schedule the next Sunday, (13th) at 9:30.



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### Worship Service:

10:30 a.m.  
Sept. 13, 2020– June 6, 2021  
9:30 a.m. June 13th – Sept. 12, 2021

**Bible Study:** 9:15 am

### Holy Communion:

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of the Month

### Session Members:

Jonathan Rush – Clerk  
Deb Llewellyn  
Lillian Williams  
Cher Mount  
Suzy Armstrong  
Mike Feeny



*R E M O T E  
W O R S H I P*

Below is the link for Rev. John's account for Zoom Worship on June 13, 20, 27th.

The access code will be the same as it has been for each of the past few months. Here are the links:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81916811413?  
pwd=bEgyMjRjdVJLV2lzTGVGekJLQmhVUT09](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81916811413?pwd=bEgyMjRjdVJLV2lzTGVGekJLQmhVUT09)

Meeting ID: 819 1681 1413

Passcode: 743486

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Find your local number: <https://us02web.zoom.us/u/kcincTFM0>

Rev. Jenny will be using her account for Zoom on June 6th

The access code will be the same as it has been for each of the past few months. Here are the links:

<https://zoom.us/j/216305804?pwd=NXVwajdXcXAzMXV0cFBsdC8ydjBzdz09>

Meeting ID: 216 305 804

Password: 998322

You can also download the Zoom app for your Smartphone or tablet and use that same Meeting ID and Password to join.

If you would like to join via the phone, you can call 646-558-8656

When it asks for a meeting ID enter 216 305 804#

When it asks for a participant ID just enter #

When it asks for a password, enter 998322

## *Our Family Photo Album*



Pentecost Sunday, May 23, 2021 We had a basket of "Flames of Fire", and Isaiah and Mandela gave a flame of fire to each congregant to celebrate Pentecost. The members of the congregation also wore something red.



# Announcements

The Women of Community Presbyterian Church on Tuesday, June 1st, at 10 am with a Bible study, business meeting at 11 am and meet at a local eatery at 12 noon for lunch.



On Sunday, June 6th The Women of CPC will be having **Blanket Sunday** that will benefit Church World service.

On Sunday, June 6th, the Worship Committee will be **honoring our three graduates** during the worship service. Our graduates are:

- Josh Seas graduating from Bangor High School
- Laura Bocko graduating with an Associate's Degree from NCCC,
- Alexis Culp graduating with a Master's Degree from Temple University



Also on June 6th, there will be a **church picnic** after the worship service hosted by the Deacons and the Worship Committee to honor our graduates. All are invited.

Sunday, June 13th worship returns to 9:30 am for the Summer.



Session will meet on Wednesday, June 9th at 7:00 p.m.

June 6 —Sharon Potter  
June 30—James Potter





# Announcements

Bible Study has concluded for the summer and will resume in the Fall.



Deacon of the is Sharon Potter

Paul E. Raesly

March 12, 1930 - May 10, 2021

IN LOVING  
*Memory*

In lieu of flowers, memorial  
contributions may be made to  
Community Presbyterian Church, 1755 S.  
Delaware Drive, Mount Bethel, PA 18343



Prayerfully—Carole and Henry Deibel, Betty Meixsell, May Nodzak, Olin Cramer, Esther Nichols, Ginny Brockelman, the Raesly family, Marcia Pensack, Wendell Harford, Kevin Correll.

The pandemic caregivers—nurses, doctors, janitors, EMT's, our students and teachers, those who are helping feed the needy, those who have lost loved ones and incomes, our government leaders that they may prayerfully lead our country back to normalcy and

Prayer requests are to be made to  
Heather Delp, Prayer Chain leader.

Heather's contact info is:

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heather.delp@gmail.com



# Looking Ahead...



Shortly we will be adding a new function to our website. You will be able to give your contributions and tithes online! Watch for details!

The Women of CPC will have their next bake sale at Driftstone campgrounds on Saturday, July 3rd at 10am. Joan Correll will be at the church at 09:00AM to pick up baked goods and take them to the campgrounds.



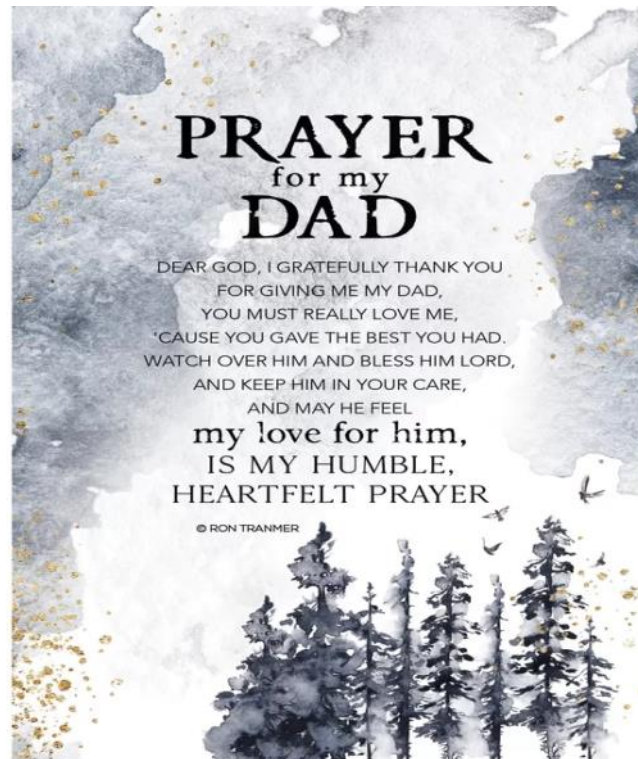
## *Is Beekeeping a Possibility for You?*

The date is Saturday, July 24 at 10:00 at the church parking lot.

In May of 1909, Sonora Smart Dodd of Spokane, Wash., sat in church listening to a Mother's Day sermon. She decided she wanted to [designate a day for her dad](#), William Jackson Smart. Dodd's mother had died in childbirth, and Dodd's father, a Civil War veteran, had taken the responsibility of singlehandedly raising the newborn and his other five children.

The following year, Dodd wanted to celebrate Father's Day on June 5th, her father's birthday, and petitioned for the holiday to be recognized in her city. Needing more time to arrange the festivities, Spokane's mayor pushed the date back by two weeks, and the first Father's Day was celebrated on June 19, 1910, according to the Spokane Regional Convention and Visitor Bureau.

At the first Father's Day celebration, young women handed out red roses to [their fathers](#) during a church service, and large baskets full of roses were passed around, with attendees encouraged to pin on a rose [in honor of their fathers](#) – red for the living and white in memory of the deceased. Dodd then brought her infant son along on a horse-drawn carriage ride through the city, bringing roses and gifts to home-bound fathers.

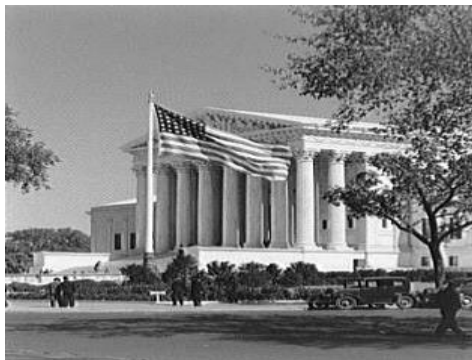


## Flag Day Celebrated June 14, 1777

On May 30, 1916, President Woodrow Wilson issued a presidential proclamation establishing a national Flag Day on June 14. Many Americans celebrate Flag Day by displaying the Red, White and Blue in front of homes and businesses. The day commemorates the adoption of the Stars and Stripes as the official flag of the United States.

Do you know the flag's history? According to American legend, in June 1776, George Washington commissioned Betsy Ross, a Philadelphia seamstress, to create a flag for the new nation in anticipation of a declaration of its independence.

On June 14, 1777, John Adams spoke about the flag at a meeting of the Continental Congress in Philadelphia. He said, "Resolved, that the flag of the thirteen United States shall be thirteen stripes, alternate red and white; that the Union be thirteen stars, white on a blue field, representing a new constellation." There have been twenty-seven official versions of the flag so far; stars have been added to it as states have entered the Union. The current version dates to July 4, 1960, when Hawaii became the 50th state.



The flag flies over the U.S. Supreme Court, where the First Amendment right to free speech regarding the Pledge of Allegiance was upheld

# Community Presbyterian Church

## June 2021

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		<b>1</b> Women of CPC 10:00 am	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b> Blanket Sunday Church picnic Rev. Nichols 10:30—Worship	<b>7</b> <i>AA 7:00 pm</i>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Session 7:00	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> Presbytery Meeting 1:00 pm Zoom
<b>13</b> Father's Day Rev. Heinsohn 9:30 —Worship	<b>14</b>  <i>AA 7:00 pm</i>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b> Rev. Heinsohn 9:30 —Worship Coffee Hour	<b>21</b> <i>AA 7:00 pm</i>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> Rev. Heinsohn 9:30 —Worship	<b>28</b> <i>AA 7:00 pm</i>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>			