

CHRISTIAN CALLER

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PASTOR'S COLUMN

Hey Church!

God has been blessing us with better attendance recently, we have had some new folks showing up for worship! We praise god for every person that God is sending our way! One of the GOOD things about this church is that visitors are greeted before worship and visited with during our church fellowship time. This ministry of personal attention makes a BIG difference in whether people will come back the next Sunday. New folks Bob and Sharon Price (Bob was baptized here in the 1950's) have told me that Lebanon FCC is one of the friendliest churches they have attended anywhere. That comment is music to the pastor's ears because it takes a lot of courage to walk into a strange place, so let us continue to make newcomers feel welcome and part of the congregation.

I want to do the great series the "Fruit of the Spirit" in the months of June and July. By focusing on what the Holy Spirit produces in us we will discover what the very essence of Christianity is. This nine week series is perfect for the time that I have remaining with you. So the schedule for June is:

June 5th LOVE, June 12th JOY, June 19th PEACE, June 26th PATIENCE

I would like to say a big thank you to Nancey West and her wonderful "YOU MATTER" committee that planned an outreach event here on the church grounds May 22nd. We appreciate Nancey's vision and the wonderful work of Judy Stevens, Kelly Tamerius, Heidi McCraw and Tiffany Becker. Plus, all the folks who set up, took down, face painted, cooked and served food, provided games, played music and lots of other stuff. God gave us a beautiful day and a good crowd. This event was a huge "SUCCESS"!

Keep in prayer our Pastorl search committee as they seek permanent pastoral leadership for Lebanon FCC. We are currently in dialogue with the Presbyterian Church and the possibility of a joint call to share a pastor between the two churches.

May God's will be done!

Your brother in Christ,

Greg

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Chairman of the congregation, Jon West, reports that the pastoral search committee continues to look for a long-term pastor. They are meeting with the Christian Church Regional Minister, people from the Presbyterian Church and their Regional Minister, to look at possibilities of hiring a full-time pastor to serve both churches. Pastor Greg will be here for two more months and with the help of the Regional Church we will have a pastor upon his departure, which may be another interim.

Thank you to all the volunteers who helped with our event after church on May 22. Especially to Tyler, who came for Sunday School and ended up helping all day. What a blessing he was.

Working together we created a fun-filled afternoon for many visitors. New friendships were created and bonds strengthened. It was a beautiful, sunny day to unite families and friends together in celebration and worship of our great God.

Our next event will be July 23 at Academy Square. We are partnering with the Lebanon Police Department to bring a larger family-fun day. This is a great opportunity to share our faith with the community. If you would like to assist on a committee, please let us know.



Martha CWF Meeting June 21, 1:00 pm

Hymns & Hops
June 28

MONTHLY BOARD
MEETING
June 12, 2022
12:15

Anniversaries

Arline and Elmer Breckel 6/01

Tina and Bruce Morgan 6/11

Joyce and Ed Dart 6/18

Marilyn and Jeff Elliott 6/27

Peg and Red Vorderstrasse 6/30

N OUR PRAYERS:

Wilma Grill
Betty Hodges
Dan Jasmin
James Lenfesty
Matthew Little
Steven Morgan
Millie Patterson
Nancy Van Vleet
Ron Van Vleet

Madeline Wright
-Burns
Pray for our
World, our
Church, our
Ministers, the
Soup Kitchen,
and our Region-

al Ministers.

Birthdays

Noel Falk 6/02 David Lewelling 6/17 Tins Morgan 6/26

Charles Troxell 6/4 Ed Dart 6/19 Jon Godinez 6/28

Wendee Kreitzer 6/5 Nicole Christie 6/20 Boss Berryman 6/28

Laura Troxell 6/8 Elmer Breckel 6/22