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This summer in our Adult Sunday School class, we'll be focusing on the Psalms. If you're at all like me, you find difficulty with some of the Psalms – understanding them and even relating to the message they proclaim. I think, more than anything else, the Psalms are honest expressions of every imaginable human emotion.

For virtually every situation in which you find yourself, there is a Psalm that will be appropriate to the occasion. This Sunday, Trinity Sunday, read Psalm 29, where the Psalmist offers a lesson in "Bailing on Baal."

Trinity Sunday Blessings,
Dennis

Eastminster's BIG Weekend!

What a weekend it was at Eastminster as we hosted the Presbytery of Ohio Valley on Saturday and the Harrison High School Baccalaureate on Sunday. Both events were hugely successful and many of you contributed to that success. It would be nearly impossible to list everyone who helped out but, for starters, our thanks to Jane Biggs, Patsy Sproatt and their entire crew of kitchen volunteers who provided what was, beyond question, the finest meal the Presbytery has been served in more than 25 years! Great work! In addition to the noon meal, Beth & Brian Bailey provided outstanding early morning refreshments as well.

There was so much food for the Presbytery meeting on Saturday that we had enough to serve another 40 people after worship on Sunday and a number of individuals helped again to prepare that meal and clean up afterwards. The Christian Education Committee once again presented an outstanding reception for the folks from Harrison High School on Sunday afternoon.

An extra word of thanks needs to be offered to our church staff for their tireless work all weekend. Marian LaChance & Mike Cantrell were here on both days, keeping everything moving and in order and Trey Fulkerson was here as well on both days, helping out in a variety of ways. Erin Tipton made the transition from Sunday lunch to Baccalaureate reception move like clockwork and Rachel Luttrull was here playing the organ for both events. What great work by a lot of great people!

TRASH TO TREASURES UPDATE FYI

EPW is nearing the homestretch in rummage preparations. Here is the planned timeline: 1) Continued pricing and boxing in basement storage - Thursday afternoons until June 7. 2) Box brigade with the congregation's help and helpers' lunch served following 10:30 worship - Sunday, June 10th. 3) Final sale prep, pickup of large items & donations of bake sale items - week of June 11th. 4) SALE DAY: Saturday, June 16 from 7 AM - 2 PM. Everyone is invited to join any of these activities. If you have questions, please contact Marlene Huffaker. More details to come! Thank you for your support thus far!



Thanks to all my Eastminster friends for your visits, cards, flowers, and phone calls while I've been recuperating after my fall.. You've inspired me to tough it out. I hope to be fully recovered soon.



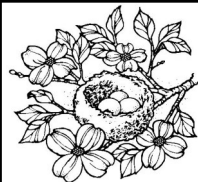
Sincerely,
Helen Straeffler



If someone in your family will be graduating this year – from high school, college or another institution – please call the church office and provide us with as much information as possible. We'll offer congratulations in next week's newsletter.



Sympathy is extended to the family and friends of Ginny Marvel who passed away on May 14, 2018.



Sunday, May 27, 2018

8:00 A.M. SERVICE

LITURGIST

Tony McClees

USHER

Matt Fiedler

10:30 A.M. SERVICE

LITURGIST

Marilyn Ellsperman

HEAD USHER

Mel Ellsperman

USHERS & GREETERS

Sarah Karges & John Niehaus
Ralph & Lannie Frasier
Pat & Jayne Manis

ACOLYTE

Addison Fritz

CHILDREN'S WORSHIP LEADER

Erin Tipton

Eastminster Staff

Mike Cantrell - Housekeeper
Dennis R. Davenport - Pastor
Mary Fulkerson - Office Manager
Trey Fulkerson - Youth/Pastoral Assistant
Marian LaChance - Housekeeper
Rachel Luttrull - Organist
Dennis Malfatti - Director of Music
Erin Tipton - Christian Ed Director

Church Office Hours

M - Th: 8:30 - 4:00 P.M.

Friday: 8:30 - Noon

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June 2018

Anniversaries

- 6/2 Harold and Joan Post
- 6/7 Randy & Melissa Mattingly
- 6/13 Ray & Karen Schaefer
- 6/17 Ron & Patsy Sproatt
- 6/28 Brandon & Paula Viner
- 6/29 David & Kelsie Davenport
Norm & Mary Fulkerson
Gene & Carolyn Tyring



Birthdays

- 6/1 Andrew Tharp
- 6/2 Elizabeth Kuhs
- 6/3 Drew Davenport
- 6/6 Anne Mogavero
Allen Helmstetter
- 6/9 Jeff Holden
Karla Harper
- 6/10 Joan Post
Erin Mattingly
- 6/12 Lisabeth Stauth
- 6/13 Drew Tharp
- 6/16 Vickie Rauch
- 6/20 Daniel Holden
Bob Dekarske
- 6/21 Richard Yeager
- 6/23 Suzette Fritz
Sue Kuhs
- 6/25 Anne Richardson
Corinne Smith

Sunday Schedule

- 8:00 Worship
- 9:00 Sunday School
- 10:00 -10:30 Fellowship
- 10:30 Worship
- 6:30 PM Youth Group

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3	4	5 9 AM Quilters 9 AM Staff Meeting	6 7 AM Men's Breakfast @ Carousel Noon EPW Picnic	7 9 AM 4C Play & Learn 4 PM Mahjong 4:30 Youth Office Hours	8	9
10	11	12 9 AM Quilters 9 AM Staff Meeting 6:15 Ladies' Night Out	13 7 AM Men's Breakfast @ Carousel 6 PM Assembly Night	14 4 PM Mahjong 4:30 Youth Office Hours	15	16 7 AM - 2 PM EPW Rummage Sale 
17 	18 1 PM Bridge	19 9 AM Quilters 9 AM Staff Meeting	20 7 AM Men's Breakfast @ Carousel	21 9 AM 4C Play & Learn 4 PM Mahjong 4:30 Youth Office Hours	22	23
24	25	26 9 AM Quilters 9 AM Staff Meeting Noon - Book Club	27 7 AM Men's Breakfast @ Carousel 6 PM Session	28 9 AM 4C Play & Learn 4 PM Mahjong 4:30 Youth Office Hours	29	30

Christian Education

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Summer in Psalms Reading Schedule

Psalm 1:2 Instead, his delight is in the LORD's instruction, and he meditates on it day and night.

- May 21-Psalm 138
- May 22-Psalm 139
- May 23-Psalm 140
- May 24-Psalm 141
- May 25-Psalm 142
- May 26-Psalm 143

We sail away on our VBS adventures very soon and could still use some help. We need someone to head our snack time team. Are you willing to help? Contact the church office or see Erin.



We want to wish Cheryl Ison, as well as her husband, Ron, and their granddaughter Ashlyn Eddlemon all the best on their upcoming move. Cheryl has been such an AMAZING member of the Christian Education Committee. She is always willing to jump in and help wherever needed. We will miss their family so much, but will be excited to hear about their new adventures near Lexington, KY and the surrounding area. Thank you so much, Cheryl, for all that you have done!!!

Pre-K through 2nd Grade

Summer Sunday School

- 6/3-Gordon Wiley
- 6/10-Meredith Garcia
- 6/17-Gordon Wiley
- 6/24-Meredith Garcia
- 7/1-Meredith Garcia
- 7/8-Gordon Wiley
- 7/15-
- 7/22-Erin Tipton
- 7/29-
- 8/5-
- 8/12-
- 8/19-
- 8/26-
- 9/2-Erin Tipton

3rd through 5th Grade

Summer Sunday School

- 6/3-
- 6/10-
- 6/17-
- 6/24-
- 7/1-
- 7/8-
- 7/15-
- 7/22-
- 7/29-
- 8/5-Suzette Fritz
- 8/12-Suzette Fritz
- 8/19-Suzette Fritz
- 8/26-Suzette Fritz
- 9/2-

Adult Summer Sunday School

- 6/3-Emma Sue Davenport
- 6/10-
- 6/17-
- 6/24-
- 7/1-
- 7/8-
- 7/15-
- 7/22-
- 7/29-
- 8/5-Barb Ferguson
- 8/12-Pam Doerter
- 8/19-
- 8/26-
- 9/2-Mike Lee



Congratulations to our Pre-K, Kindergarten, Elementary School, Middle School, High School and College Graduates!! Your Church Family is proud of you!!!!

Never have I ever...

Owen and I were at dog training Monday morning. Upon leaving, there was a raucous near the dog trainer's property involving a crow. Suddenly, birds of all types were banding together to attack this crow taking turns to dive bomb this intruder. The dog trainer ran after the crow to see what it had. NEVER HAVE I EVER seen birds come together like I did this day. In fact, what the crow took was a baby Robin. The dog trainer startled the crow enough that he or she dropped the baby bird. She picked it up to see if it would be ok and laid it next to a tree. Thankfully, the little bird hopped away. What the birds and dog trainer did worked! What amazed me were the Robins were trying to save their baby, the Woodpeckers in the area were fighting, too, as well as, any and every bird in the surrounding trees. It didn't matter that it was a Robin and not a Woodpecker. These birds were in it together to save that baby bird. It kind of reminded me of 101 Dalmatians where the dogs all came together to save Pongo and Perdy's lost puppies that Cruella DeVil had stolen. I wonder why God put this before me on this particular day? Maybe just to be able to share it with you? But, couldn't we, as humans, learn something from these birds? When we see one of our own suffering, do we go forward or do we shy away? Do we attack the situation or do we look the other way and pretend not to see it? Do we take the wounded traveler in all of his suffering and clean his wounds and give him a place to rest like the Good Samaritan or do we walk by and ignore it? I know so many times I walk by. I ignore the suffering. Not because I don't want to help, but sometimes I don't know what to say or do. Sometimes because the suffering is too great for me to bear. Maybe the message is to step toward the battles or suffering? Step out in faith. Step into the arena. We are in this one life together and is it worth it to live divided. I'm not so sure it is.