

Living Stones

“You yourselves are being built like living stones into a spiritual temple.” (1 Peter 2.5)

Thursday, August 9, 2018

To be added to or removed from this list, please notify Sheren or Bill.

<p style="text-align: center;">OUR DAILY BREAD</p> <p><i>No, dear brothers and sisters, I have not achieved it, but I focus on this one thing: Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead, I press on to reach the end of the race and receive the heavenly prize for which God, through Christ Jesus, is calling us. (Philippians 3:13-14)</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">ABOUT THE FLOCK</p> <p><i>Please keep our homebound members in your prayers.</i></p>	<p style="text-align: center;">WISDOM AND REVELATION</p> <p><i>“God desires every person to come home to his heart, find refuge in Jesus. He therefore has a gospel message he passionately wants brought to the world. But does he simply reveal salvation to every man, woman, and child in one swift, global, immediate, and irreversible act? Clearly not. Despite his intense desire, he does not zap salvation over the earth. He does the wildest thing ever – he entrusts the task to us.” - John Eldredge, <i>Moving Mountains</i></i></p>
<p style="text-align: center;">SPIRITUAL GROWTH FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH</p> <p>Sunday School kick-off Ice Cream Social: Sunday, September 16!</p> <p>Wonderful Wednesday will resume on September 19.</p> <p>Sunday School will resume on September 23.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">SPIRITUAL GROWTH FOR ADULTS</p> <p>Adult Education classes will resume in the fall.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MUSIC</p> <p>Sanctuary Choir will resume rehearsals on September 5.</p> <p>Bell Choir will resume rehearsals on September 19.</p> <p>Children’s Music will resume on September 19.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">PRAY WITHOUT CEASING</p> <p>The Wednesday noon prayer service will resume on September 12.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS</p> <p>Sat 8/18 @ 10:00am: Memorial Service for Linda Tear (daughter of Virginia Schlichter)</p> <p>Fri 9/7 to Sun 9/9: Family Camp at Camp Greenwood</p> <p>Sun 9/16: Sunday School kick-off Ice Cream Social</p> <p>Wed 9/19: Wonderful Wednesday and Wednesday Night Dinner resume</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">MEETINGS THIS WEEK</p> <p>Wed 8/15 @ 1:30pm: Natural Church Development Team</p>

Sun 9/30 @ 3:00pm: Stone Church Concert (Tom Bara, organist) (apologies for my typo last week)

SUGGESTED READING GUIDE

Wed 8/8: Ruth 1 + Acts 26 + Jeremiah 36 and 45 + Psalm 9
Thu 8/9: Ruth 2 + Acts 27 + Jeremiah 37 + Psalm 10
Fri 8/10: Ruth 3 and 4 + Acts 28 + Jeremiah 38 + Psalms 11 and 12
Sat 8/11: 1 Samuel 1 + Romans 1 + Jeremiah 39 + Psalms 13 and 14
Sun 8/12: 1 Samuel 2 + Romans 2 + Jeremiah 40 + Psalms 15 and 16
Mon 8/13: 1 Samuel 3 + Romans 3 + Jeremiah 41 + Psalm 17
Tue 8/14: 1 Samuel 4 + Romans 4 + Jeremiah 42 + Psalm 18
Wed 8/15: 1 Samuel 5 and 6 + Romans 5 + Jeremiah 43 + Psalm 19

PRAYER

Almighty God, by your grace alone we are accepted and called to your service. Strengthen us by your Holy Spirit and empower our calling, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

IN OTHER NEWS...

Sheren is back in the office several hours a day as she regains her strength. She has some doctor's appointments scheduled in the next few weeks, so there will be some intermittent times when the office will be closed.

The Deacons need your help with the back-to-school project! They have over 20 tags remaining for pants, shoes, and underwear, and are also in need of cash or check donations for shoe gift cards. Call Laurie McGonigal (517-930-0762) for more information.

There will not be an August issue of the *Cornerstone*. If there is important, time-sensitive information that would ordinarily have been printed there, I can include it here.

We are experimenting with a new online church calendar. Events for the next two weeks now show up on the front page of our website (www.masonpresbyterian.org). A link below that event list takes you to a complete month-by-month calendar. Committee chairs, please let Sheren or Bill know of events that need to be added. Everyone, please tell us: how does it look on your computer/phone/tablet?

WHAT'S FOR DINNER?

Wednesday Night Dinner will resume on September 19.

SUNDAY PREVIEW

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost
Isaiah 38:1-6; 2 Corinthians 12:7-10;
Daniel 10:1-14
"The Best Prayers in the Bible"
(Part 6)