Prayers of The People

Pray for anyone who suffers from any kind of grief, trouble or illness especially Ed, Harlow, Mary Ann, Russ, Fr. John, Bill, Jean, Marion, Carol, Charline, Joe, Dawn, Sheri, Nick, Elanor, Nicholas, Tina, Chase, Amy, Nancy, Kaz, Michael, Janna and Jennifer. Deliver them from their distress.
Pray for those serving in our armed forces especially, Casey, Nicholas, Jim, Trevor, Aaron, Christine, Alan, Mitchell, Emily, Steven, Chris the 200th Red Horse Squadron and the 13th U.S. Air Force Bomb Squadron. Protect, guide and comfort them and bring them home safely when their work is done.

A Message From Pastor Beverly

Growing up in the church I assumed two things about the Psalms: David wrote them, and it was the longest book in the Bible. Both of these assumption are incorrect. David wrote only about half of the Psalms and many of those are attributed to him, perhaps not even written by him. The Psalms as we know them today, were written over a 700 year period, and by at least six other authors besides David. Moses wrote Psalm 90, and David’s son Solomon wrote Psalms 72 and 127. Asaph and his sons were ordained by David to lead the people in worship, Psalm 50 and 73-83 were written by them. The Sons of Korah, a prominent Levi family, wrote 11 of the Psalms, and Heman and his brother Ethan wrote at least two of the Psalms. The remaining Psalms are what we call “orphan” Psalms because they are not credited to anyone.

A number of our Hymns, such as “O, Sing to the Lord a New Song”, is taken from Psalm 96 and “By the Rivers of Babylon” is from Psalm 137. And, although the Book of Psalms is one of the longest books in the Bible, with over 2500 verses, both Jeremiah and Genesis are longer in actual words, leaving the Psalms in third place.

Announcements

Ladies Night Out
Something new and exciting is coming for the Women of St. Thomas. Come join us for dinner and fellowship. Where: Casa Las Palmas 4000 E. Harbor Light Landing Drive in Port Clinton on Tuesday, July 23rd at 5:30 PM. While there, we will discuss future dining options. Please call Sue at the Church office to make a reservation: 419-734-3404. Hope to see you there.

Mark your calendar for our special Hymn Service
We will be holding a special hymn service on Sunday, August 4th. That Sunday, we will be singing and playing hymns selected by the congregation. Please contact the church office and tell us your favorite so we may include it in the service.

July Baptism Service
Please join us Sunday, July 28th to celebrate the baptisms of Roman Barker and Thomas McRitchie IV.

Saint Thomas Saturday
The next Saint Thomas Saturday will be on July 27th. On that day, please wear your Saint Thomas polo shirt when you go out to remind others that we are here and ready to serve.

Future Announcements
Please send future church email announcement submissions to saintthomaspcoh@gmail.com, or you can call the church office and speak to Sue. Thank you.

Marion Rose celebrates her 89th birthday at Saint Thomas with her niece, Marica Foss.
**Vestry Meeting Information**

Here is a summary of topics discussed at the June Vestry Meeting. Office expenses are up. To cut expenses, office hours were reduced to 3 days, per week, Tue, Wed and Fri. Pastor Beverly talked about conducting four baptisms, two in July and two in August. She also discussed sending flowers to Trinity UMC in honor of their 185th anniversary. Sue Hejhal has procured summer camp scholarships for two of the children, who have been helping with the community meal. However, she is still looking for donations. The vestry also approved making repairs to the front steps, and windows in the sanctuary and the guild hall. Pastor Beverly reported that some of the summertime members planned to help with church service activities.

Finally, a special vestry meeting was held on June 30th to discuss a potential replacement candidate for Bonnie Daniels.

**July Birthdays**

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Look with favor on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives.

**Anniversaries**

Ron and Helen Uebbing-July 6th (56 years)

Send therefore your blessing upon these your servants, that they may so love, honor, and cherish each other in faithfulness and patience, in wisdom and true godliness, that their home may be a haven of blessing and peace.

Please let us know your birthday or anniversary so that we may include it in future additions of the newsletter.

**Whose Serving You? Sue Hejhal**

She has been a member of the vestry for the last couple of years and also serves as the church secretary. John, her husband, has been married to her for 18 years and has one son Tyler who serves as our acolyte. They also have a friendly yellow lab whose goes by the name Yuma.

A native of Flint, Michigan, she was raised with two sisters, Robyn and Judi, of which she is the oldest. A graduate of Taylor University in Fort Wayne, she majored in Counseling and Bible Studies and minored in Music, and then went on to get a Master’s degree from Texas A & M, in Testing and Assessments. During this time she worked for 6 years in Veterinary Services for the Army Reserve and served one year active duty at Ft. Hood in Texas.

She has taught Psychology and Sociology at a number of colleges in Texas and Arizona including Arizona Western College in Yuma, Arizona.

She and her son Tyler are active in the Theatre Program here in Port Clinton and she volunteers at the Salvation Army. A lover of music her favorite hymn to sing “His Eye is on the Sparrow”, her favorite food is Apple Strudel and she loves to travel. She will be spending a week in Ireland this August.

Sue sits on her porch swing at her home following Sunday service.

**Recipes of the Month**

Submitted to the 1938 edition of the Junior Guild Cookbook by Mrs. Harold Wahlers.

**Sweet Pickles**

7 pound pickles, 4 inch
Salt brine
3 pounds sugar
1 quart vinegar
1 ounce celery seed
1 ounce allspice
1 ounce cinnamon bark

Put pickles in salt brine (that will hold and egg) for three days. Change into clear water for three days. Simmer in weak vinegar solution for 2 hours with alum size of walnut. Slice or leave whole and put in jars. Cover with syrup, which has been boiled together 3 minutes and seal.
**Jokes of the month**

One day a teacher asked her student, “Tommy, can you tell me where the Declaration of Interdependence was signed?”

The little boy thought a moment and then politely replied, “Yes, ma’am. The Declaration of Independence was signed at the bottom.”

Why does the Statue of Liberty stand in New York Harbor?
Answer: Because she can’t sit down.

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