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Sunday Programming

Sunday Sermon Information

Matthew 2:16-18

We begin a new sermon series for the first portion of the Fall season. The perennial question that is lifted up before God is “Why?” This is a good question to ask. A high school physics teacher I know used to

have in his classroom a huge banner that stated, “Science can answer the how, but not the why.” It is the why question that draws us deeper into a relationship with God and confronts our own limitations. It’s at the threshold of these limitations that we must face an acknowledgment. Do we acknowledge our need to trust God or do we turn our face away in despair, denial, anger or delusion? Our passage today conjures up the question: why? It is fully a tragic story. It is a story rooted in the theological and philosophical construct of Theodicy. We begin our journey on Sunday.

Summer Worship

8:30 a.m. Worship in Pavilion.

Nursery opens @ 10:15 a.m.

10:30 a.m. Worship in Sanctuary.

10:30 a.m. Children’s Church for ages 4 yrs.-2nd grade.

Minute for Mission

Adult Mission Trip - October 13-19

Choices - either Buckhorn, Ky (about 6 1/2-hour drive) with Presbyterian Disaster, OR Cabot, Vermont (about 10 hours) with Central Vermont Missions and working with Tim Shaeffer from our W. Kentucky trip. Both are working on houses damaged by flooding. Please let Jim know your interest and preference for location. janovskys@verizon.net.

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A N N O U N C E M E N T S

The Bus Trip to Sugarcreek, Ohio on September 12th to see "Ruth". (We have 45 people attending).

Here is the outline of the day.

Departure time: 7:15 am

Arrive 10:30 am - Walnut Creek Cheese

Arrive 11:30 am - Lunch at Dutch Valley Restaurant

Arrive at 12:30 pm - Ohio Star Theater

Show time 1:00 pm

Shopping time in the area after the show.

Depart for home 5:00 pm

Arrive home at 8:30 pm

Car Show & Touch A Truck HPC Parking lot on September 28 from 12-3:00.

Concessions, DJ, Cars and Trucks. A great family event.

Attention all officers in the church!

Pittsburgh Presbytery is offering a training session for all officers within our presbytery to attend a training event. If you are a "retired" officer or an incoming officer or currently serving, this is an event for you. Check out this link to find out more and call Pastor Ted if you are interested in attending. <https://files.constantcontact.com/0a8d94ab001/180245cf-4e89-425e-b69d-f670efc07eb2.pdf?rdr=true>

September 11 --Hosanna Industries

Would you like to donate a few hours of your time to help Hosanna Industries? They need a few people to help with tree and shrub and general stick pick up around their Rochester campus. Please call Pastor Ted if you are interested.

Capital Campaign 2023-2025

We are nearing the halfway point in our capital campaign! And there is a ton of good news! In less than 18 months we have secured enough funding to replace the boilers, replace 4 of the chillers on the roof, and replace the carpet in the Pre-School! We are about to replace/repair the 30-year-old roof over the Fellowship Hall

and Narthex. This project will begin next week! Our final project to complete is the parking lot. We still need you! If you haven't pledged to support the capital campaign, please submit your pledge card. If you have made a 3-year commitment to the campaign, don't forget to follow through with your promise. The church is looking better every day, and we are being good stewards of a resource the Lord has given to us. For 224 years, we have reflected the hope of salvation through Jesus Christ. We've got another 224+ years to look forward to!

A PRISM Thank you

Thank you to those who donated to the PRISM Garage Giveaway on August 17. PRISM had 753 students from 37 countries register to come. They were able to serve 450 students from 28 countries. 125 students and volunteers attended the Welcome Dinner on August 19. Many of the new students are interested in being connected to Friendship Partners. If you are interested in making a connection with an international student (connecting once a month in person or online is recommended), please speak with one of the Mission Committee members.

Malawi is coming!

October 4-15 a delegation of pilgrims from Malawi will be in Pittsburgh from our sister churches in Blantyr Synod. Since 1990, Pittsburgh Presbytery has had a vibrant cross-cultural and spiritually nurturing relationship with the good disciples of Malawi. Hampton Presbyterian Church has the great privilege and honor of hosting two representatives from this delegation. If you would like to find out how you can tap into an enriching experience with this visit, please contact Pastor Ted. The sky's the limit, and it isn't just limited to providing a bed! More information will continue to be shared as the time approaches.

We are sent as faithful ambassadors to reflect the hope of salvation through Jesus Christ.