

# CrossRoads

Thus says the Lord: Stand at the crossroads and look,  
and ask for where the good way lies and walk in it...  
-Jeremiah 6:16

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News from Springfield Presbyterian Church - September 2010

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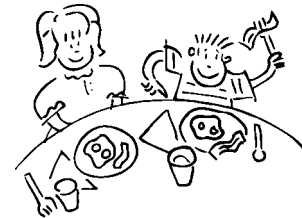
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## Sunday School Kick-Off !

### September 12, 9:00am

#### Pot Luck Breakfast For everyone!

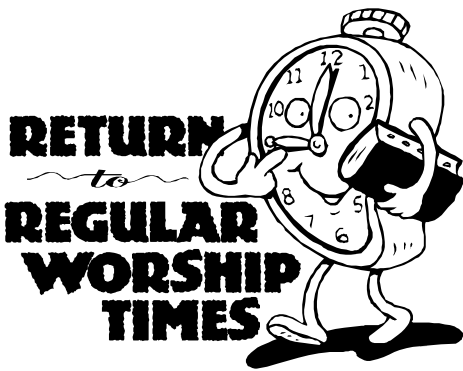


Save the date! We will kick off the first day of Sunday School on September 12 at 9:00am. First we will enjoy a delicious Pot Luck Breakfast. Bring your favorite pastries, casseroles, and fruit to share. Afterwards, we will proceed to our Sunday School classes for lessons and fun.

There will be classes for everyone: Toddler, Primary, Elementary, Middle School, High School, and Adult.



**Special Request:** Youth Group members are asked to arrive at 8:30am to help set up for the breakfast. Thanks!!



Our fall schedule begins **September 12th!** Sunday school is at 9:15, and worship at 10:30. Fellowship follows!



For the October newsletter is **September 19th.** Please send your contributions to the church Office or by e-mail..



### Classes for All Ages



# Session News

## From the Clerk

As the last of our long summer days draw to a close, we return glad to be rested and home with friends. While you were away, plans were put in place for the start of our next year. The Christian Education team has classes for all ages, youth group plans, and a great kick-off breakfast. Read their article for all the details. There have been inspiring and enlightening new friends in our pulpit and offerings of special music. Thank you to our Worship team for continuing to make those arrangements. Our June and July concerts were terrific and we hope you were able to get to them. Building and Grounds always has a full plate and with this excessively warm year, their work centered on the air conditioning. Our Congregational Care team has made numerous visits with friends and members this summer. We have also called on the connectional nature of the Presbyterian Church, USA to provide pastoral calls where needed.

The Administrative Commission has been in contact throughout the summer. Fortunately, most of their work was done before they headed off on vacations and for much of the summer relied on email to stay in touch. I shared freely with them our thanks for their support as well as when there was a need. The details of their report were shared with the Session in July and they have promised us a summary report for distribution as soon as they have shared their findings with the appropriate people. It is their hope to help us hire a temporary supply pastor early this fall to provide consistency in the pulpit and pastoral and administrative leadership. This will probably be part time and the details will be negotiated with that person. The transformation grant has been suspended and its future will be decided in conversation with the General Assembly Office and the Church Transformation Committee of the Presbytery.

The Commission has recommended that we pursue a designated pastor rather than going through the full search process that is involved when seeking an installed pastor. This is a more streamlined process. Once we elect a Designated Pastor Search Committee and make the necessary changes in our Church Information Form, the form will be circulated as it was previously but responses will be screened by a COM (Committee on Ministry) team who are able to quickly weed out those who are not appropriate. The team would present 4-5 good candidates for us to look at and at that point the process is similar to what we have been through before. We are under no obligation to take any of the candidates but could ask the COM Team to send more. The person who comes as Designated Pastor would sign a contract for four years. If it seems like a good match and all parties are willing the position could transition to an installed pastorate. The hope is that by going this route we can have a Designated Pastor in place by next spring.

Many thanks to our friends and members for your patience and continued support, and thanks also to the commission for their guidance. Keep our church family in your prayers.

Sharon Pappas, Clerk

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### **Sunday Morning Worship**

9:15 am Sunday School  
10:30 a.m. Worship

9:15 am Family Service  
(2nd & 4th Sundays only)

Sharon Pappas, Clerk of Session  
Sandy Newsome, Secretary  
Directors of Music: Linda Caviglia,  
Jennifer Wise, and Sarah Lantz

CrossRoads is published monthly. We encourage all to contribute. Deadline is the third Sunday of the month.

Please submit all articles to the church office or e-mail them to the church.

Mark Stinson, Editor

## Sunday Lectionary

- 5** Jeremiah 18:1-11;  
 Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18;  
 Philemon 1-21;  
 Luke 14:25-33
- 12** Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28;  
 Psalm 14;  
 1 Timothy 1:12-17;  
 Luke 15:1-10
- 19** Jeremiah 8:18-9:1;  
 Psalm 79:-1-9;  
 1 Timothy 2:1-7;  
 Luke 16:1-13
- 26** Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15;  
 Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16;  
 1 Timothy 6:6-19;  
 Luke 16:19-31



### Communion Servers: (September 5th)

Fran Pobletts, Beth Oates,  
 Kay Freas, Mark Stinson,  
 Bob Rogers

## Special Events

Date	Day	Time	Activity
<b>1</b>	Wednesday	6:30 pm 7:15 pm 7:45 pm 8:15 pm	Women Only Choir Refreshments Men/Women Choir Men Only Choir
<b>7</b>	Tues.	6:45 pm	RGEF
<b>8</b>	Wednesday	6:30 pm	Bell Choir Begins
<b>12</b>	Sunday	9:00 am 9:30 am 10:30 am	Sunday School Breakfast Sunday School <b>Worship Time Change</b>
<b>15</b>	Wednesday	4:45 pm 5:30 pm	SonShine Singers Joyful Noise
<b>19</b>	Sunday	12:00 pm	Red Sea Parting Practice begins
<b>26</b>	Sunday	9:15 am TBA	Early Service (no S.S.) Youth Group Activity

## Weekly at Springfield

Sunday	9:15 am 10:30 am 11:30 am	Sunday School Worship Fellowship
Wednesday	4:45 pm 5:30 pm 6:30 pm 7:45 pm	SonShine Singers Joyful Noise Choir Presbytones Bell Choir Adult Choir

Assisting on Sundays	5	12	19	26
<b>Children's Activity</b>	Beth Oates	Heather Grimsley	Deb Sperling	Joy Barwick
<b>Fellowship</b> Barbara Cornell 549-9397	Linda Caviglia Susan Burns	Barbara Cornell Maxine Saylor	Angel Carbaugh Mary Rhodes	Jessica & Andrea Lane Stephanie Bunting
<b>Lay Leader</b> Barbara Nickell 848-5710	Mark Kearney	Kathy Russ	Karen Stinson	Kay Freas
<b>Sunday Opener</b> Church Office: 795-6152	Lisa Rogers	Carl Anderson	Barbara Cornell	Jennifer Wise
<b>Ushers &amp; Greeters</b> Barbara Nickell 848-5710	Ed & Sandy Newsome	Phil & Patty Salmon	Duke Harrison Bob Rogers	Don Vasbinder Charlie Sperling



## Sunday School For Everyone!

Check out our Sunday School classes ready for you and your family!

\*The **Toddler Class** will be a play-oriented class with a short Bible story for our youngest children using the curriculum “Bible-in-Life.” The class will meet in the nursery on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month (the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month the children are welcome in the Primary Class). Barbara Cornell will be leading this class. Approximate ages 2-3.

\*The **Primary Class** will learn Bible stories and follow up with hands-on activities included in the curriculum “Walk With Me.” Susan Burns will lead this class in the “big classroom.” Approximate ages 4 through first grade.

\*The **Elementary Class** will learn Bible Stories and how to build community and grow faith using the curriculum “Walk With Me.” Connie Robinson will lead this class in her downstairs classroom. Approximate ages Grades 2-5.

\*The **Middle School Class**, will focus on middle school life issues and faith issues using the dynamic curriculum “Faith Alive.” Sandy Newsome will lead this class upstairs in the manse. Approximate ages Grades 6-8.

\*The **High School Class** will have several focuses this year. A series of lessons will explore major world religions and how they differ and compare to Christianity. The Lectionary will also be used to look at events and ideas of the past and how those same events and ideas affect us today. Later in the year, there will be a series of conversations based on the short book “God Goes to College” for our graduating seniors.

The High School class will be lead by Tim Oates at two different time slots. Every Sunday morning at 9:15am the class will be held in the upstairs of the manse. Also, a shortened lesson will be held during the Band practice lunch held in the library. The band practices on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of the month after church. All are welcome! You may choose which time slot is best for you and your schedule.

\*The **Adult Class** will meet in the library. As of this writing, we are making decisions about who will lead this class and what topics will be discussed.

As you can see, there really is a Sunday School class for everyone. We hope to see you there!

## Sunday School Calendar for September

**September 12:** Pot Luck Breakfast and first day of Sunday School 9:00am

**September 19:** Sunday School 9:15am / Band Practice Sunday School 11:45am

**September 26:** Early Family Service featuring the Band 9:15am (No Sunday School)

## Congratulations to our graduate, Anna Bunting

Anna Bunting, daughter of John and Stephanie Bunting, and granddaughter of Julie Ballard, graduated in May with an AA degree in Psychology from Carroll Community College. She will continue her studies in psychology this fall at the University of Maryland University College. Congratulations, Anna, and good luck this fall!

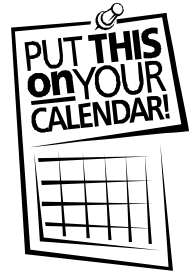




## Youth Group Time!

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 26th for our first youth group activity. We'll let you know the time and details later, so watch your email!

Mr. Charlie and Mrs. Deb are busy planning a host of fun and meaningful activities for the year. Youth group meetings will usually be the last Sunday of the month so clear that day from your busy schedules!



## Care Giving Team to Meet

The Congregational Care Committee's "Care Giving Team" will meet after a summer hiatus, on September 12 after the worship service. We will try to meet the second Sunday of each month.

These are the folks who keep track of the needs of our members and friends who aren't able to join us regularly for worship. We call and visit folks at home or in the hospital or nursing home and offer our help with meals and transportation. We also serve Communion at home when requested. If you would like to be part of this group please join us at a meeting or talk to Barbara Cornell.

We also have a Prayer Chain, mostly maintained by email messages, to support our members in need through daily prayer. To be involved or to add a concern to our weekly list, please contact [barbara.cornell@hclibrary.org](mailto:barbara.cornell@hclibrary.org) or the church office.



**Did you know?** Since the addition of the paper recycling bin, we've collected almost 5 tons of paper! That's paper NOT going into landfills. It's also raised \$75 for local missions. Let's keep up the good work; spread the word:

## Session Committees:

Building & Grounds—Carl Anderson & Tim Doyle  
Christian Ed—open  
Congregational Care—Barbara Cornell  
Mission & Outreach—Sue Holmes & Jennifer Wise  
Nominating—(2 elders to be named)  
Personnel—Tim Oates  
RGEF Liaison—Tim Doyle  
Transformation:  
Stewardship—Alex McClung  
Worship—Linda Caviglia  
Clerk—Sharon Pappas



**Stepping Stones Liaison—Aleisha Manyette**

**FEED THE BIN!**

# Our Music Ministry



A new choir year is upon us! I am very excited about all the choirs and the music we'll be working on this year. I hope that you will all participate either by joining one of our musical groups, or enjoying the music we present each week in our worship services.



I have purchased several new adult choir pieces this year, and I have a couple that really need a bass or two... so if you are a bass, and have been thinking you might be interested, I have a prime spot available for you! All parts are welcome of course... but basses are in special demand. **The first rehearsal for the Adult Choir will be Wednesday September 1<sup>st</sup> from 6:30 – 9:00 pm.** (Longer for the first rehearsal because we'll work on women's and men's parts separately some.) Women will start at 6:30. Men should come at 7:15.

The bell choir has two openings this year, and I would really like to have all the positions filled. If you have thought about playing bells, we will happily take it slowly to introduce you to the music and bells. Please let me know if you'd like to play... we'd love to have you. **Bell choir will begin on Wednesday, September 8<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 – 7:30 pm.**



The children's choirs participate in worship approximately once per month from October through April. In May we have traditionally presented a musical as a part of our annual Youth Sunday. I haven't found the musical we will work on yet... but I'm looking! **Our first Wonderful Wednesday will be September 15<sup>th</sup> beginning at 4:45 with the SonShine Singers (4<sup>th</sup> grade – middle school).** The Joyful Noise Choir will sing from 5:30 to 6:00. There is a pot luck dinner after rehearsals, so anyone is welcome to join us for that.

Linda Caviglia, Music Director  
410-549-1582 or [cavig5@comcast.net](mailto:cavig5@comcast.net)

# Our Community



## Stepping Stones Openings

### Members Of The Session

**Class of 2011**  
Linda Caviglia  
Barbara Cornell  
Alex McClung

**Class of 2012**  
Tim Doyle  
Jennifer Wise

**Class of 2013**  
Carl Anderson  
Sue Holmes  
Tim Oates

Sharon Pappas,  
Clerk of Session

### Session Notes

The Rev. Walt Peters of First Presbyterian Church of Westminster was our moderator this month.

1. Approved with regret the transfer of membership of Jerry Harvey and Ramona Albert to First Presbyterian Church of Howard County.
2. Working with Stepping Stones to resolve heating and air conditioning issues in their downstairs classroom.

### Stepping Stones Openings

Looking for a wonderful preschool/daycare for your child? Stepping Stones offers full time and part time childcare between 6am-6pm Monday- Friday. Our curriculum focuses on Kindergarten preparation for children ages 2-5. Our program is filled with sign language, phonics, numbers, letters, science, cooking and much more! For added spice we have field trips to the Baltimore Arena, pumpkin patch and circus. For additional information check out our website at: [www.asteppingstonechild.com](http://www.asteppingstonechild.com) or call Nancy at 410-549-6585.

### A Prayer for our Students

Dear Lord, bless the children and youth of this nation, returning to their schools and colleges. May your Holy Spirit enlighten their minds, purify their vision and strengthen their wills. Protect them as they learn in the classroom and participate in activities outside it. May they learn to follow in your steps, just as you grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man. Amen



*Please consider including Springfield Presbyterian Church as a beneficiary of your estate.*





## Be a faithful servant!

### Did you know

Most (59%) Presbyterians grew up in other denominations (16% Methodist; 10% Baptist)

### Where are our Presbyterians

They are helping transform families, communities, and churches in more than 50 countries. To read letters from mission workers go to [www.pcusa.org/missionconnections](http://www.pcusa.org/missionconnections).

## Reminder – Per Capita Apportionment

Already, two thirds of 2010 have slipped by! Did you remember to contribute your share -- **\$31.00 per member** -- for the annual Per Capita Apportionment? If not, please consider paying this amount now. An envelope is in the front of your envelope box, or you can just drop a check in the offering plate on Sunday, or mail it directly to the Church office.

Every year, Springfield church is apportioned a share (**per active adult & youth member**) of the expenses of the presbytery, the synod, and the General Assembly for ecclesiastical purposes. Presently, **only 43% of our 120 members**, have contributed their share to this apportionment. The difference will have to be made up expense paid by this church to the presbytery. The Session is *most grateful* to those who have already contributed to this apportionment.

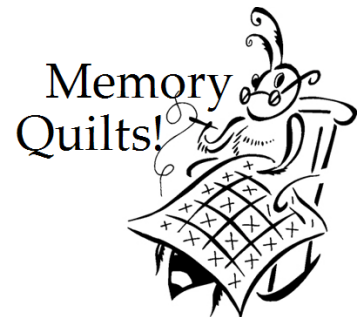
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## Out of the mouth of a Child!

James (age 4) was listening to a Bible story. His dad read: 'The man named Lot was warned to take his wife and flee out of the city but his wife looked back and was turned into salt.' Concerned, James asked: 'What happened to the flea?'



<b>One Sentence Sermon</b>	Every tomorrow has two handles. We can take hold of it with the handle of anxiety or the handle of faith.  —Henry Ward Beecher
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## September

- 8 Alexander Brandt
- 11 Spencer McClung
- 11 Blake Stewart
- 13 Mark Kearney
- 14 Linda Caviglia
- 22 Chris Bennett
- 22 Jeffery Halvorson
- 25 Julie Ballard
- 25 Genie Mayo
- 30 Sam Warfield



## September

- 1 Charles & Deb Sperling
- 5 John & Stephanie Bunting
- 9 Larry & Heather Grimsley
- 12 Jim & Jennifer Wise



**Pet Ministry:** If you or someone you know has a sick pet, or has had a pet that passed away, please call Ann Lawson at 410-795-9169 for prayers and support.

# Our Joys and Concerns

## OUR THOUGHTS & PRAYERS

- ✠ Springfield's leaders and programs
- ✠ Dianne Griffith, (Karen Stinson's sister), serious medical issues
- ✠ Emma LaBrosse, health concerns
- ✠ Sue Gubernatis, Brinton Woods, health concerns
- ✠ Herb Ward and Kitty Ward (friends of the Doyle's), health concerns
- ✠ Jimmy Reed, (Georgia Hodges' nephew), health concerns
- ✠ Lea Vest, (Connie Robinson's niece), health concerns
- ✠ Nancy LePage, Lorien Rehabilitation, health concerns
- ✠ Herman Kleinsteuber, (Fran Pobletts' father), serious health issues
- ✠ Lauren Pobletts, (Alan Pobletts' sister-in-law), recovering from surgery
- ✠ Hal, father of Jennifer Wise's co-worker, brain cancer
- ✠ Kelsey Robinson, health concerns
- ✠ Lauren Pobletts, (Alan Pobletts' sister-in-law), recovering from surgery
- ✠ Sharon Freas, (John & Kay Freas' daughter), recovering from neck surgery
- ✠ Hazel Moxley, Senior Constant Care, health concerns

## OUR JOYS & THANKSGIVINGS

- ◇ Nora Cornell, (Barbara Cornell's granddaughter), is recovering well from surgery and is riding her bike
- ◇ Bob Rogers is home from the hospital and recovering from a staph infection
- ◇ Don Smith will be inducted in the Maryland Senior Citizen Hall of Fame in October
- ◇ Charlotte Salmon, (Phil Salmon's mother), health improvements

## SPECIAL THANKS

- ◆ Aleisha Manyette and Sandy Newsome for the emergency purchase of a new air conditioner for the Fellowship Room
- ◆ Carl Anderson, Ed and Josh Newsome for the emergency installation of the new air conditioner
- ◆ Kathy Russ and Kay Freas for their office work during the secretary's vacations

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## OUR MISSION

*Our mission is to proclaim God's word as written in the Bible.*

*We do this through Worship, Sacraments, Study and Service.*

*We rejoice in forgiveness and a new beginning through our faith in Jesus Christ.*

*We support in prayer and service our congregation, community, nation and world.*

*We treasure the warmth of our church family, their time and talents, the youth and our history.*

*We eagerly extend our hand of friendship.*

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