

The Cornerstone September 2013

CALLING ALL WOMEN!!!



We are having a Women's Choir this year at Willard-Mt. Zion Presbyterian Church. We will have rehearsals every Wednesday at 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary. Our first rehearsal will be **Wednesday, September 4.**

All women who like to sing are invited to join.

Hope to see you there!

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Sunday School - 9:00 AM
Worship Service- 10:00 AM

*It is the mission of
Willard-Mt. Zion
Presbyterian Church to
serve God, to reach out
in love and care for
our congregation, our
community and the
world; to be people who
are Christ centered, fed
by God's word and led
by the Holy Spirit.*

**COME HOME TO
CHURCH.**

SAVE THE DATE.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 9, 2013

PW BAZAAR

OPEN at 9 A.M.

LUNCH 11 A.M. - 1 P.M.

BASKET DRAWING 1:30 P.M.

CLEAN UP at 2 P.M.

If there is any area where you would like to help, please contact me. Now is the to begin your crafts and make plans for the bakery.

Blessings,
Suzy Bunge, moderator
833-0221

From Your Pastoral Presbyter

I have had a wonderful summer as I have been in many churches around JCP in the last few months. It is exciting for me to be able to be among the churches and to greet the members of this presbytery in person. I enjoy preaching, participating and being in worship and know that I have been enriched by getting to know the people in the pews. One of the things I treasure about being in this position is the people I get to meet on a regular basis. I would have to say that the people in JCP are the best. You have shown me how a larger body of Christ relates to one another and to the communities where you live in strong and passionate ways. I can see your commitment to Christ in the ways you live out your faith and am delighted to hear the stories of faith that make the presence of Jesus real in JCP. I thank you for these opportunities because without you, this would not be possible. You are the reason JCP exists. As we head into the fall, I pray that our commitment to faith will be strong and that as a result of those commitments, our relationships will grow even stronger. May God bless you for your continued love and support.

Pastor Susan Rosenbaum

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Ten of us attended the Men's Breakfast on Saturday, August 17. It was great to have Ed Rainwater back. Because they were so good the first time we had them, Jerome fried ham and Raymond made blueberry pancakes again.

After breakfast we did some work outside and also changed light bulbs in the sanctuary. If you've ever wondered why we wait until there are quite a few bulbs out in the chandeliers before we change them the picture shows you why. It's not easy and it takes five Presbyterian men to complete the job.

Thanks to Al Nolte, Raymond Hardman, Sam McCown, the Raders, Bunges and the Goodsons. We appreciate Eddy and Suzy helping out before heading to the lake for the weekend.

Please join us on Saturday, September 21 at 8:30 a.m. We have good food and even better fellowship.





Presbyterian Women met on August 1, 2013. The meeting opened with prayer by Anna Rafferty followed by devotions from John 1: 23.

Dorcas ladies are still tying knots and making baby quilts. Anna recently took 15 quilts to Newborns-In-Need.

Please let Suzy or Nancy know if someone is in need of a casserole.

Please keep in mind that our Bazaar is November 9, 2013.

Our prayer list includes Sam and Mary Lou, Hannah, grandniece of the McCowns, our church and the JCP. Our next meeting is Thursday, September 5 at 9:30 a.m. We invite all women of the church to our meetings.

PW FREE LUNCH SEPTEMBER 22

Spaghetti & Meatballs

Salad

French Bread

Pies

Prayer Concerns in This Part of Christ's Family



If you have a prayer concern for the next newsletter, please advise Linda Cameron or Mickey Goodson.

Cancer Patients

Naomi O'Connell (mother of Amanda Sanger)

Continuing Prayer

Eli Rader, Henry Wills, Jerry Jones,
Ralph Cox (father of Deb Frey),
Bid Doucette (granddaughter-in-law of the Noltes),
Sam & Mary Lou Farmer

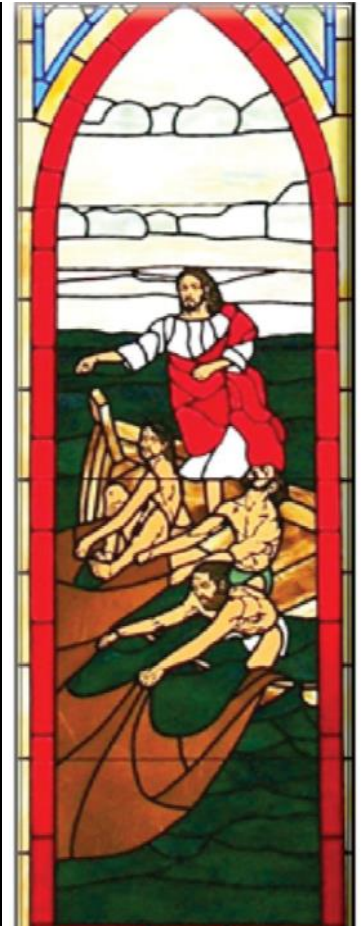
New Prayer Concerns

Nicholas Black (grandson of Carol Peterson)
Ted Hansen Jr. (brother of Sally Rader),
Sandy Osborne (son of Glendora), Mary Snapp,
Richard Whaley

Military Personnel

Captain Dylan Farmer (grandson of Sam & Mary
Lou Farmer) Helicopter pilot

Please remember that Member Care has revised the prayer concerns list. The new prayer concerns will be left on for about a month. If you would like your concern left on longer or removed sooner, you will need to notify us. We are all in need of prayer and urge you to continue praying for the members of our church and their families.



Session Highlights

Funding / Stewardship: nothing really changed. General pledges \$5,161; building pledges \$490. The following financial information includes a transfer of \$356.28 from the building fund to the operating fund to cover utilities.

July operating fund: income \$5,370.28, expenses \$7,906.43, balance including special funds \$22,132.01; July building fund: income \$490.15, expenses \$356.28, balance \$23,394.83; investments: \$26,465.29; total all funds \$71,992.13. Memorial and gifts: \$14,931.23. Morgan Stanley balance: \$3,822.42.

Facilities and Property: the team met on Saturday, July 20 after the men's breakfast. They worked trimming trees in the field on the south side of the church. They also pulled weeds in the flower beds and around the front of the church building. The Triennium group appreciated the use of the van.

Faith Development: Committee had no formal meeting. Janine Barry volunteered to be the Sunday school teacher for the age group 10 years and older. Classes resume September 8 with special refreshments following worship.

Health Ministries: Linda McCown resigned as chair of the Health Ministries committee. The AED prescription is due. Linda will check this. The consensus of the session was to suspend the Health Ministries committee until further notice.

PW Report: no report

Personnel: Deb Frey gave reviews to two paid staff. Jo Lynne Palmerton, choir director, knew about her raise from the newsletter. Her contract is renewed for 2014. Mary Olson, custodian, was pleased with the review and has agreed to 2014 contract. Deb reported the reviews are done, a file set up, and the file placed in the file cabinet in the church office.

Member Care/ Reaching Out: Although there hasn't been a formal meeting since July 7, the committee did get notes sent out to those members who quit attending church since the end of last year to let them know they were missed. They continue to send out the newsletter to those members also. When they hear someone is sick they send out get-well cards. There was a visit to Mary Lou Farmer at Quail Creek.

Worship: no formal meeting held. Deb reported that Mickey is her committee and helps her with communion Sunday. Deb is struggling with pulpit supply at this time. Jim Tranbarger will fill the pulpit August 11 and Rev. Dick Menzel will do August 25.

Presentation by members of the congregation / Do Right Group: by Jerome Rader. Other members of the group present were Suzy Bunge, Merlyn Goodson, Delores Jones, Glenn Kauffmann, Anna Rafferty, and Peggy Wills.

Jerome told how the group got the name "Do Right". One Tuesday they watched a motivational video by Lou Holtz about doing right with people. Jerome also presented a history of church attendance from 2003 to the present time (128 to 40).

The Session elected elders Deb Frey and Stephanie O'Neal to serve on the 2013 church nominating committee.


The Session accepted the resignation of Tim Smith as volunteer pianist.

There was discussion about interim pastors. Rev. Julie Mercer-Kidd of the Administrative Commission (AC) reported they would have to wait for Melana Scruggs to get back from her vacation and touch base with her to see if she had received more names. The AC agreed to work and guide the session in the interim search process. They will help prepare for phone interviews. The information forms for pastors and interims have recently been extensively revised. This is causing all pastors with forms outstanding to redo their information forms. There is not a large pool of interims to choose from. Deb Frey had been informed by Melana Scruggs via email that Rev. Gene Campbell will not be allowed to be our interim or designated pastor. No reason was given to the session.

Suzy reported on the JCP meeting at Kimberling City. She brought back a mission packet which was given to Stephanie O'Neal. Willard-Mt. Zion was also one of 18 churches to receive a certificate for the per capita they had paid. Session books and rolls and registers have not been reviewed. There was disagreement by the delegate and a few of our members who attended the JCP meeting with things said about WMZPC. There was a lot of miscommunication. Suzy was informed by a member of Committee on Ministry that she would not be able to speak. A member of the AC said they would check on this because they thought Suzy as delegate should have been able to speak. Members of the AC apologized for the way things transpired at the JCP meeting. JCP voted to allow the Administrative Commission to invoke original jurisdiction if necessary at the Willard-Mt. Zion Church. The action at presbytery was done because the JCP Committee on Ministry wanted something in place in case something different in support was needed.

The Administrative Commission and Session had much discussion on various items. Bottom line is both parties agreed to communicate better regarding items which affect WMZPC and that the communication would be more timely. The AC wants to be more helpful to the extent we want their help. They realize leadership is missing in our congregation. All agreed to come together and work as a team. It was suggested Rev. Julie Mercer-Kidd give a report at an upcoming congregational meeting possibly on August 25.

September 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Communion Pulpit Supply Jerry Hilton	2  Yoga 6:30 p.m.	3 "Do Right" 8:30 a.m.	4 Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.	5 PW 9:30 a.m.	6 Scrapbooking 6 p.m.	7
8 Jerry Arnold	9 Yoga 6:30 p.m.	10 "Do Right" 8:30 a.m.	11 Dorcas 9 a.m. Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.	12 Session 7 p.m.	13	14 Reserved - fellowship room & outside for Girl Scout Day Camp
15 Rev. Gene Campbell	16 Yoga 6:30 p.m.	17 "Do Right" 8:30 a.m.	18 Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.	19	20	21 Men's Breakfast 8:30 a.m. followed by short work time
22 Eddy White PW free lunch	23 Yoga 6:30 p.m.	24 "Do Right" 8:30 a.m.	25 Dorcas 9 a.m. Choir Practice 6:30 p.m.	26	27	28
29 Jerry Arnold	30 Yoga 6:30 p.m.					

*September Birthdays & *Anniversaries*

1 John Nipper
3 Dee Ann Snapp
14 Michelle Bunge
15 Susan Baertschi
17 Tom O'Neal
17 Aicha Barry



24 Susan Bunge
24 Leon Baertschi
24 Merlyn Goodson
25 Richard East
27 Tessa Peterson

Pulpit Supply for September

1st Jerry Hilton
8th Jerry Arnold
15th Rev. Gene Campbell
22nd Eddy White
29th Jerry Arnold