

The Lifeline

May 2019



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From the Minister's Desk

So how's it going?'

'With what?', you appropriately ask.

My response? 'With your journey to (re)discover Jesus: how's that going?'

I know that there will be several folks who will read these opening few lines and think to themselves, 'aren't we done with that yet?! I thought that was supposed to be what he was talking about during Lent?'

It was. But just because the daily devotional readings are complete, does not mean that it's done. Because if it's done, then that means that we didn't appreciate the sort of 'all in' life shift that we were invited to embrace and be embraced by. And if you happen to find yourself in the place that we are talking about, now is the exact right time to begin again...or begin for the first time. Remember (and please believe), the Savior we are invited to (re)discover never turns away from us, even when we have struggled, and even failed, to remain oriented toward him. You are loved that much. We all are.

Now we'll try this again.

'So how's it going? With your journey to (re)discover Jesus: how's that going?'

Regardless of how you may answer, I encourage you to (re)orient toward the Savior of all. Find those faith-filled disciplines (scripture, prayer, denial of self) that allow you to knock on that door that opens to an all-in relationship with God that allows your joy to be made complete!

With Love in Christ,

Pastor Ryan

THREE BRIDGES REFORMED CHURCH 2019 INTERGENERATIONAL MISSION TRIP. JULY 14, 2019—JULY 21, 2019 NOXEN, PENNSYLVANIA

It has been two years since we fell in love with the community in Noxen, PA. Their hospitality and warm, open hearts helped to make our 2017 mission trip a wonderful experience. When the local tannery closed, it brought with it a lack of opportunity for those that have lived in this community for generations. A large elderly population needs help and that is what Three Bridges does. Join the team this summer to make a huge difference in someone's life.

Accommodations: Teams stay in the air conditioned church building on gender-specific floors (air mattresses) or in tents in a large cedar grove (team members determine their own sleeping area). Showers are available at Misericordia University, which also offers an Olympic pool. Local swimming holes are also an option.

Cost: \$150 per person covers lodging, transportation, food and materials. A deposit of \$75 is due to reserve a space. Please make the checks payable to Three Bridges Reformed Church and give to Sue Newborn.

Join the team: Space is limited. Anyone entering 9th grade in September of 2019 and up are welcome. No prior experience needed, just a willingness to serve. A sign up sheet can be found in the fellowship hall.



Vacation Bible School

Keep plans and the lives of all the kids, volunteers, and leaders in prayer as we prepare to invite our neighbors and friends. VBS will be held **Mon., July 16th, through Fri., July 20 9 am - 12 Noon.** Co-Leaders are Monica Hoopes and Karin Erwee. Interested in volunteering? Interested in signing up for all or part of the week? Watch your email and bulletin for further updates. Contact the main office with any questions.

Stewardship and Finance

Thank You for "Stepping Up"! We have surpassed our goal of 65 pledges and are very close to our 10% increase in contributions. Thank you for responding so generously! These funds will help with the operational needs of the church and for mission activities near and far. Our 2019 stewardship campaign is coming to a close in the next several weeks. Importantly, there is still time for those who have not yet had a chance to return an Estimate of Giving card. If you haven't received one, or just need another, you can pick one up at church or call the office and we will mail one to you.

Our church family continues to be blessed in many ways – thanks be to God.



The next dates that we will be serving at Family Promise are:

May 9th & 10th and July 10th & 11th.

2 volunteers are needed to provide dinner for the guests and 2 people are needed for the overnight.

Contact Debbie Bulik (dbulik@comcast.net or 908-625-5155) if you have questions or are able to serve.

Worship Responsibilities

May 5 (Communion)

Keyboardist Kate Lim
 Ushers Ed Drenkhahn,
 Eric Christensen,
 Fiona Bradshaw, Gerry Rihl

Flowers
 Fellowship
 Nursery Jen Rasch
 Tech Eric Rasch

May 12 (Mother's Day Sunday)

Keyboardist Kate Lim
 Ushers Richard Kacvinski,
 Linda Kacvinski,
 Scott Beers,
 Malcolm Hallam

Flowers
 Fellowship Lisa Thornton
 Nursery Barb Wisniewski
 Tech Edmund Knowles

May 19

Keyboardist Kate Lim
 Ushers Barbara Wisniewski,
 Peter Wisniewski
 Wendy Rochelle,
 Ken Moser

Flowers
 Fellowship
 Nursery Melanie Kosinski
 Tech Greg Mead

May 26

Keyboardist Kate Lim
 Ushers Rob Benton, Dick Stothoff,
 Keith Snyder

Flowers
 Fellowship Fellowship Commission
 Nursery Cindy Katsempris
 Tech Dirk Beisner

Birthdays

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|----|------------------|----|----------------------|
| 1 | Darryl Reuter | 18 | Sue Newborn |
| 3 | Carol Mead | 19 | Kristina Benton |
| 5 | Carl Sutphin | 19 | Zena Kirby |
| 6 | Ryan Mallea | 19 | Michele Lyman |
| 7 | Karen Mallea | 19 | Theresa Stoveken |
| 9 | Douglas Reuter | 23 | Barbara Livingston |
| 11 | David Boelhouwer | 25 | Stacey Volkmann |
| 12 | Hannah Lawrence | 27 | Thomas Volkmann, Jr. |
| 13 | Debbie Schnitzer | 28 | Dirk Beisner |
| 14 | Nicholas Towle | 28 | Iman Knowles |
| 16 | Trevor Benton | 29 | Anna Meh Feindt |
| 16 | Kenneth Moser | 29 | Wayne Riche |
| 17 | Jill Wheeler | 30 | Kathy Traynor |
| 17 | Jenna Newborn | | |

Anniversaries

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| 2 | Sarah and Jeff Milheim |
| 6 | Anthony & Cynthia Katsempris |
| 9 | Christopher & Jessica Cook |
| 9 | Linda & Richard Kacvinski |
| 11 | Debbie & Joe Bulik |
| 16 | Robert & Caren Lloyd |



Music and More Kids Helping Out



Prayer Concerns

Please include these people in your prayers this month. In addition, they may really appreciate an occasional card.

Continued Prayer: Ken Folta (*Kim Beer's father*) Bryan Sindorf (*Debbie Bulik, family friend*), Jamie (*Tasha Scruggs friend*), Julian and Kevin (*Renee McFadden, Friends*), Timothy (*Erik and Cory Christensen*), Bannister Family (*Rachel Moser*), Rich Petersen (*Marlyn Reuter*), Michelle Kelly (*family friend, Newborns*), Leah and Chuck (*Friends of Nace's*) Chantel (*wife of Joseph, Haiti*), Brittany, Jared Lozier and family (*Kim Kacvinski*), Janny van Vliet (*Dirk Beisner, family*) Bruno Eisner (*Renee McFadden, friend*), Kyle Martin (*Kacvinski, Grandson*), Luke Burtch (*Kaitlyn Corsentino's husband*), Kathy Brandt (*Peggy Corsentino*), Gerdus Korb (*Karin Erwee, Nephew*), Donna Traynor (*Kathy Traynor, daughter*), Connie Sanfilippo (*Lisa Thornton's Aunt*), Jeff Lageman's mother (*Rachel Moser's friend's husband*), Helen Chin, Alexa (*Lucinda Snyder*), Michael Heater (*Sue Newborn*), Aileen D'Agostino's Mother, AJ Celeste (*Friend, Rachel Moser*), Megan Wheeler & her child (*neice, Lacinda Snyder*), Scott Darden (*Dirk Beisner*), Alex Vining, Betsy Taylor, Andrea Shadel (*friends, Sally Markert*), Jen Watkins (*Friend of Sarah Milhiem*), Ashley Hayes (*granddaughter, Jean Mallows & sister, Tasha Scruggs*), Jim Croke (*family friend of Laurie Riebe*), Justin (Zippy) Cimino (*Renee McFadden*) Janet Murphy (*Cory Christensen*), Joanna (*LeighAnn Koch's friend's mother*), Emma Banker (*Adella Kline's friend*), Donna (*Barbara Marino's Co-Worker*) Dawn (*Renee McFadden*), Calyssa (*Luke and Zina Kirby's Niece*), Peggy McKibben (*Dirk Beisner's Cousin*), Mrs. Ondina Neves (*Dirk Beisner; co-workers mother*), Deborah Joy Quinn (*Rachel Moser; cousin*), Lori Wilcox; Mark Wilcox (*Peggy and Bill's daughter and son*); Matt, Mike Maranon (*Renee McFadden*) Cole Bachman (*Lynda Benton, Friend of parents*), Donna Stefanick (*Lois Hanna*), Elise Henkelman (*Debbie Bulik's friend*), Margaret Marone (*family friend of Koch's*), Mary Hilligas (*Michael Reuter's Mother-in-Law*) Ron Sparvero (*Kathy Moser, friend*), Cheryl Agans (*Kathy Moser, friend*), Duncan (*Herb Wood*), Joan Reilly and Matthew Harms (*friends of the Mead's*), Ray and Edie Schmidt (*Adella Kline*), Bobbie MacGregor (*friend of Suanne Presser*), Katherine Emerson Higgins (*Courtenay Gayeski; grandmother*), Joan (*sister of Barbara Marino*), Paula (*friend, Patti and Sarah Thornton*), George Bartlett (*friend of Audrey Spies*), Kory Wiita (*Renee McFadden girlfriend's cousin*), Thomas Forsythe and Family, Elaine Tublin (*friends of Peggy Corsentino*), Brian Walsh (*friend of McFadden's*), Jessie Lenah-Glue (*friend of Shelly Lyman*), Bridget Gum (*child—friend of Pam DeStefano*), Sue McCarthy (*friend of Renee McFadden*), Ian Bradshaw

On-Going Church Members: Peggy and Bill Wilcox, Lois Hanna, Meredith Taylor, Suanne Presser, Agnes Pesce, Austin Nace, Casey Jack Reilly, Carter Bulik, Logan Hutchins, Kate Lim, Herb Wood,

Our Missionaries: Jeremy and Susan Beebout, Republic of Niger www.rca.org/jeremy-susan-beebout

Church Classis: Jan Miller (Steve Miller's wife)

Our Haiti Sponsored Children:

Stevenley, Jeph, Micheleine, Yamiley, Robenson, Chrislove, Widson, Rosebenita, Renalson Frizline and Adlinda

Additional Haiti Children supported by individuals :

Andrise, Nana, Coby Jean, Edwine (Ed), Michel-Lynn, Rose Carline, Angeline, Westerson, Slaend, Kenelson, Milenska Rose, Robinson, Madeline, Sedeline, Jennica

Military Service:

Ben Danner, Marines (Sharyn Danner, son)
Carlos Hermosa, Marines (Renee McFadden, friend),
Joel Sparvero, Army/ Fort Bragg (Roxanne Alpaugh, son-in-Law)
Airman Nickolas Heitkamp; US Air National Guard (Daniel Heitkamp, brother)
Evan Toyberg, Marines (Peggy Ferrone, Grandson; Dirk & Wendy Beisner, nephew)
Seppe Heitkamp, Marines (Daniel Heitkamp, brother)
A1C Kenneth Wayne Pine, Air Force, (Wayne & Gail Jones, nephew)
Tanner McLaughlin, Army/Fort Bragg, (Latasha Scruggs, nephew)


Our Confirmand: Jandre Erwee who will be confirmed this month



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To Know Christ and To Make Christ Known

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
5 9:00 a Adult Study 10:15 a Worship/ Communion Sunday School	6 7:15 p Bell Choir	7 7:30 a Women's Bible Study / Country Griddle 7:00 - 9:00 p Boy Scouts	8 2-3 p Sr. Exercise 2-4 p Knitting 6:30 p Elders 7:30 p Consistory	9 6:30 a Men Bible Study 7:15 p Vocal Choir Family Promise	10 Family Promise	11
12 9:00 a Adult Study 10:15 a Worship/ Sunday School	13 7:15 p Bell Choir	14 7:30 a Women's Bible Study / Country Griddle 7:00 p TBCNS Board Meeting	15 2-3 p Sr. Exercise 2-4 p Knitting 7:00 p Cemetery Work Night 7:30 p Scout Leader Meeting/Lounge	16 6:30 a Men Bible Study 7:15 p Vocal Choir 7:30 p Ladies Book Discussion Group	17 6:30 - 8:30 p Cub Scout Pack - FH/All	18
19 9:00 a Adult Study 10:15 a Worship Sunday School	20 6-8 p CPR Training Course (No Bell Choir)	21 7:30 a Women's Bible Study / Country Griddle 7:00 p Stewardship and Finance Meeting 7:00 - 9:00 p Boy Scouts	22 2-3 p Sr. Exercise 2-4 p Knitting	23 6:30 a Men Bible Study 9:30 am TBCNS End of Year Program 7:15 p Vocal Choir	24	25
26 10:15 a Worship / Memorial Remembrance Sunday School	27 Offices Closed 	28 7:30 a Women's Bible Study / Country Griddle 7:00 - 9:00 p Boy Scouts	29 Soup Kitchen 2-3 p Sr. Exercise 2-4 p Knitting 7:00 p Buildings and Grounds Meeting	30 6:30 a Men Bible Study 7:15 p Vocal Choir	31 9:00 - 11:30 a TBCNS Last Day of Classes	

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