



Sebring Church of the Brethren

August 2022 Volume 50



PASTOR'S KEYBOARD



Enjoy your vacation David– Rest Well! We will see you back August 15!



Special Offering Opportunities:

Food Pantry has restarted. We will need monetary donations to be able to continue to offer this program to the food insecure in Highlands County. We estimate we will need \$8,000 for the year to feed 200 people a week. (mark food pantry in memo line to donate)



IMPORTANT DATES

July 31-Au	Ig 5 Mountain Adventure Camp
Aug 3	9-noon Ladies Aid
	5:30 pm Carry-In
	Evangelism study time with pastor Craig
Aug 4	4pm Bible Study—Blough Hall
Aug 5	11am-1pm Food Pantry
Aug 7	9am Children's Sunday School
	10am Worship ~ <i>Pastor Craig</i>
Aug 10	9-noon Ladies Aid
	5:30 pm Carry-In
	Evangelism study time with pastor Craig
Aug 11	4pm Bible Study—Blough Hall
Aug 12	11am-1pm Food Pantry
Aug 14	9am Children's Sunday School
	10am Worship ~Pastor Craig
Aug 17	9-noon Ladies Aid
	5:30 pm Carry-In
Aug 18	4pm Bible Study—Blough Hall
Aug 19	11am-1pm Food Pantry
Aug 21	9am Children's Sunday School
	10am Worship ~ <i>Pastor David</i>
Aug 22	5:30pm Leadership Team (Parlor)
Aug 24	9-noon Ladies Aid
	5:30 pm Carry-In
Aug 25	4pm Bible Study—Blough Hall
Aug 26	11am-1pm Food Pantry
Aug 28	9am Children's Sunday School
	10am Worship ~ <i>Pastor David</i>
Aug 31	9-noon Ladies Aid
	5:30 pm Carry-In

August

- 2- David & Janet Bollinger
- 17- Marvin & Carolyn Miller
- 18- Ron & Harriet Durrwachter **Bob & Sandy Lentz**
- 21– David & Marilyn Ebaugh



August 5– Donald Israel 9- Dan Bernhard 10– Dean Ramer 11– Bentlee Ward Keefe 13– Jan Bernhard Kay Harnage Don Knowlton 18- Shirley Braner 21– Lela Lilyquist **Donald Bollinger** 24– Edna Rutkosky Alan Geiger 27- Harriet Durrwachter 28- Howard Kesselring Sharon Kesselring Seth Ziegler 31-Bob Lentz

Office Schedule (August)

M: Office Closed (Pastors on Call) **T:** 9am-1pm Secretary & Pastor(s) 1pm-2pm Treasurer W: 9am-1pm Secretary & Pastor(s) **Th:** 9am-1pm Secretary Noon-4pm Pastor(s) **IF:** Office Closed (Pastors on Call) David: 863-214-1224 Vacation July 14-Aug 15 Craig: 610-781-4329 Out of Office Aug 17-25



Budget Challenge

After reading the July Newsletter. A church member noticed that we were \$1930 shy of meeting our budget for the month of June and has mailed a check for half that amount with a challenge issued for someone or several someones to match the other half. Together We can do it!

Bible Studies and Sunday School starting this Fall:



9 am Sundays:

Women's Sunday School (Blough Hall)

9 am Sundays: Men's Sunday School (Library)

9 am Sundays: preK-2nd grade (nursery) Started!

4pmWednesday Night KidZone Elementary and Junior/Senior High (Youth Rooms)

4:30pm Thursdays Bible Study (Blough Hall) Started!

Wednesday Nights following the 5:30 meal: An Evangilism Refresher (Blough Hall) . Started!

Church Servants

Deacons on Call - Barbara Kesselring, Chair

Month of July Barbara Kesselring C - 863-381-8316

Directory!

The directory is done! Thank you to those of you who contacted the church office to update your information! Two different versions have been emailed out this week. Please contact the church office if you are in need of a printed copy. We will have printed copies available locally.

A photo directory is still in the works. We need to continue to gather pictures of everyone to make this a reality.





Church Budget Update:

\$6250
\$4161
\$-2089
\$-3335

Note from Properties

Please be aware we do not currently have a custodian cleaning the building, it is done as volunteers have time, so if you make a mess please clean it up. Thank you!





Special Prayer List 7-28-2022

To All of our Church Family, Please give updates to Barbara Kesselring (863) 381-8316 or email: kessellb@embargmail.com RED is new names or issues since the last Newsletter. **Recent Church Family:** Michelle Brandt (cancer) Dorthy Bugbee (breast cancer surgery) Tracy Burnhart (Much Better!) Karen Ferguson Lisa Franks (Job searching) Barb Greenwell (friend of Bonnie Kesselring, cancer) Bev Hann's son Mike (Covid) Diane Hurst (in hospital) Tony Kesselring (in hospital) Paul Klossner (lung cancer) Miriam Kauffman (home recovering) Faye Livengood (Hip Surgery) Walter Livingood (waiting for test results) Ruby Ludwig (knee surgery) Judy and Bob Skow (Judy home, Bob in healthcare) Keith Simmons (back in hospital) Loraine Walker Larry Weise (back surgery)

JOYS:

Children in Worship! Friends & Family Visiting Food Pantry Travelers home safe Camp Ithiel Paul Leavy (recovered from stroke) Kaylee Barber has a new Job! DECEASED*: Virginia Tharp passed March 13, 2022

Atlantic Southeast District:

Ilexene Alphonse—death of step father Paul Leddy (7/6) desceased—first cousin of Davis S.

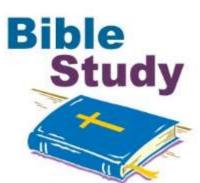
Church Body

Prayer for Leadership team Prayer for Church financial needs (\$2,000 needed per week) Growth and Transition in the Church Living Water Ministry **Ongoing Church Family:** Louanne Barber Joan Bohrer (moved to Ohio) Louise Bohrer Jim Burner Carolyn Colver Gayle Diehl (home after surgery) Colleen Drew (Gail Strome's daughter) Gary Harnage and Kay Harnage Curtis Heitzman (Carolyn Colver's son) Brenda Hollar (slowly getting better) Jonathan Hollenberg Stephanie Hollenberg (Life Changes) Ramona Hollinger Paul Levey Betty Liliquist Scott Lofton Craig and Jenny Luckenbill Baldy & Marcel Miranda (Alzheimer diagnosis) Teresa Skinner David & Terry Smalley Nick Vela (Prayer for positive life changes) Randy Walker (Lorraine Walker's Son) (ALS)

Other:

Nation's Unity Prayer for Teachers, Staff & Students Prayers for the world Refugees in the Ukraine conflict Calm Hurricane Season Violence in the World

Annual Conference Wrap-Up



First of all I would like to thank our church family for all their support, and for allowing us to represent Little Swatara COB, and Sebring COB at annual conference. It was a really good experience, we got to meet all kinds of people, make new friends, and also see how the business side of the church operates. We were able to make what I think was some progress on some key issues that have been being ignored for too long. I am not saying anything we

passed will bring back the congregation's that left the denomination but it may keep others from leaving.

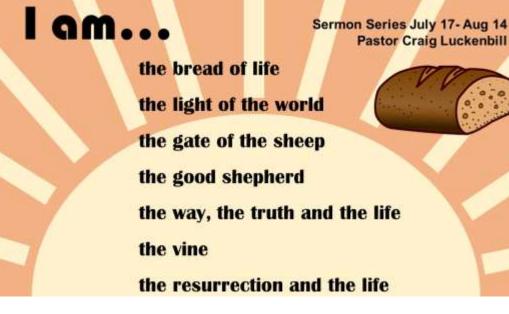
I felt the tensions in the room decrease after the vote passed. I wholeheartedly believe we are ready to move forward as a denomination and do the will of the Lord. Even when we don't agree with one another we should still be able to love one another.

2 Corinthians 5:18-21

18)All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ and gave us the ministry of reconciliation. (19) That God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting people's sins against them. And he has committed to us the message of reconciliation. (20) We are therefore Christ's ambassadors, as though God were making his appeal through us. We implore you on Christ's behalf: Be Reconciled to God. (21) God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

Blessing's To All,

Pastor Craig





Dear Church Family:

August 2022

With August comes back to school and an end to summer. I have had a very busy summer, both at work and at home. My family has been blessed by the addition of animals to our backyard in an effort to plan for the future. This adds another responsibility to my day. It always seems

odd to me to be thankful for Illness, but having a mild case of COVID at the end of the summer gave me a week to rest. Sometimes you don't realize how busy you are until you are forced to rest. As a teacher I always noticed that the start of a break I would get sick, that was my bodies way of saying "you need rest". I look forward to meeting Jesus knowing that I will have the ultimate rest in Christ one day. Christ's rest won't come with a fever, but with Joy!

See you Sunday! Invite a friend!

In Christ's love,

Tricia Ziegler-Bozeman

