

# The Messenger

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## *A Note from the Pastor*

It is Summer time! Well...the temps are soaring and telling us that summer is just around the corner. I don't know what exciting summer time activities run through your mind when it gets warm, but for many people memories of camping fill our minds and hearts. So, with camping in our minds and hearts, I would love to tell you about two different ministries that are happening this summer in the Western PA Conference of the UMC and at Monaca UMC.

First I would like to tell you about Bishop Cynthia Moore-Koikoi's camping initiative for Western PA campers. Stats show that most young people make a decision to follow/develop a lasting faith relationship with Jesus Christ in a camping environment. The intensive community environment of camp helps young people to connect with God and neighbor apart from the hustle and bustle of everyday life and responsibilities that take up so much of our young people's time. At camp folks slow down and "hear" the voice of God.

Deeply Rooted, Upward Reaching campaign for Camping and Retreat Ministries is a five million dollar campaign to raise funds for both the physical maintenance/improvements of the our WPA camps which include...Jumonville, Camp Allegheny, and Wesley Woods as well as camping programs. It is a large undertaking. There are several areas of focus for the fundraising such as individual clergy pledges, corporate pledges, and congregational pledges. As one of the two Butler District chairpersons for congregational giving I will, along with Rev. John Phipps, oversee volunteers who will make presentations regarding the initiative and fund raising opportunities for each church council in our District. We will be able to expect a visit at our council in September. I'm eager to have our council hear of all the excitement in camping and to plan out what our part in this excitement will be.

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## **Upcoming Events**

**June 6-9**  
**Annual Conference**  
**Grove City College**  
**Attending: Rev. Nancy Shute,**  
**Allen Johnson , Norma Coast**

**June 8**  
**Sing-a-long Brighton**  
**Wellness & Rehab Center**

**June 11-August 17**  
**Western Psych Day Camp**  
**begins though Aug. 17**  
**8:30 am -3:00 pm daily**

**June 24**  
**Joel Garrett's Retirement**  
**Celebration See page 2**

**July 4**  
**Office closed**

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## **July Meetings**

**Wednesday, July 11**  
**7:00 pm Finance Committee**

**Wednesday, July 18**  
**7:00 pm Trustees Meeting**

**Wednesday, July 25**  
**7:00 pm Ad. Council**

**Every Thursday**  
**6:30 pm Prayer Gathering**

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The second camping experience will be occurring here in our very own building this summer. From June 11 through August 17 Western Pennsylvania Psychiatric Care of Beaver will be holding their summer day camp for their school aged clients. These are children who received care and services during the school year at their individual school settings. This includes children from all around Beaver County.

From Monday to Friday each week the campers will arrive at Monaca UMC by bus and will attend “day camp” from approximately 9am to 3pm. The day camp is expecting 60 children! What an amazing opportunity to serve as the hands and feet of Jesus by providing a place for children to receive care. The camp will also provide meals for children who may only get their meals at school and have to fend for themselves during summer break. I am so deeply grateful to the leadership of Monaca UMC for their support and care of the children of Beaver County in this way. I am looking forward to the noise and activity in these hallways, knowing that we will be expressing our love for God as we love our neighbors. All sixty of them!

Blessings and Peace,  
Pastor Nancy



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## In the District



Sunday, June 24, 2018  
5 PM - Rev Joel (Debbie)  
Garrett's Farewell Celebration  
Unionville UMC  
1297 Route 68  
Rochester, PA 15074.

Service followed by a reception.

Please RSVP to our office and we will pass the total number attending to the Butler District Office.

## ASSISTING WITH WORSHIP IN JUNE AND JULY

June	Greeters	Acolyte	Liturgist
3	Ruth & Don	Leigh Ann Esworthy	Sally Zupsic
10	Roberta & Dennis	Mike McCullough	Dennis Bloom
17	Betsy Sutton	Mary Beth Shannon	Donna Hesser
24	John & Donna	Joanne Ziegler	Allen Johnson
<b>July</b>			
1	Dennis & Helen	Don Lynch	Mike McCullough
8	Otto & Levina	Sally Zupsic	Clay Beringer III
15	Ann & Sue	Allen Johnson	Deb Croyle

<b>23</b>	Betsy Sutton	Leigh Ann Esworthy	Adam Davidson
<b>30</b>	Mike & Jane	Mike McCullough	John Hesser

**Note: No nursery is provided during the summer months.  
July 3 – September 2**

**June Counters:** Ann Mancheff & Sue Heidel  
Bill & Linda Hulme

**July Counters:** John & Donna Hesser  
Kay Carrier & Sarah Hill

## **FOOD DRIVE 2018**

Thanks friends for helping us with the food from the Postal Service Food Drive. You are a very special crew. We had many bags to sort, check dates, put into categories, etc. And after looking at so many "sell by dates" our eyes go batty. All dates look the same! Then food has to be put into boxes, carried down to the lower social room...blah, blah, blah!!! It is a big job but we are very thankful to get the food. We will have enough vegetables and soup to last us until the next Food Drive. FYI – the annual food drive is always the Saturday before Mother's Day. We hope more of you will be available to help us next time. We still are serving 30 plus families each month and they are very grateful for our Food Pantry.

## **CLAYTON'S ARMY THANKS YOU!**

The Pittsburgh Region Cystic Fibrosis Foundation's 30th Great Strides 5K Walk took place on Saturday May 19. You probably didn't see anything about it on the local TV news programs -- only KDKA showed up -- but 20-plus teams raised more than \$323, 200 for cystic fibrosis research. Clayton's Army -- made up of 25 walkers and 3 children in strollers (including 7 month old Clayton) -- raised nearly \$9,000 of that total. Nancy and I and the 38 individuals and families who supported us donated \$830 of Clayton's Army's total.

We want to thank all of you for your support. Donors contributed anywhere from \$5.00 to \$50.00. You have helped to make a difference. This is especially true when, as we were told, the Federal government provides next to nothing for CF research.

This year's theme was "Keep the Momentum Going." You helped to do exactly that. As our tee-shirts said: *We Stride until CF stands for Cure Found.* Thank you for helping keep the momentum going. We thank you. Clayton and his parents thank you. And so do the 30,000 "kids" who deal with CF every day. You are a blessing!

Thank you,

Dave and Nancy Wilson

**American Red Cross**

**Blood Drive at Monaca Turners  
June 11, 2018**

Our theme is an international one – highlighting the fact that we have experienced an 80,000 unit per year drop in donations for the past 4 years – a trend we cannot live with – that patients cannot live with. We are on a mission to find lapsed donors and NEW donors – so please do what you can to help! Much of this is due to donors “aging out” and not being replaced with the younger generation. So please spread the word to help. Encourage friends, family and neighbors to come.

The theme this year is **#MissingType – A B and O. Without A, B & O, we can't save anybody. You are the #MissingType we need!**

The Red Cross thanks the following groups for their participation :

**Donna Douff will be recruiting from United Methodist Churches in the area!**

**Marci Madl and Boy Scout Beaver County Troop and Pack 423 will once again help to recruit donors and serve at the drive.**

**Texas Roadhouse will provide their excellent BBQ sandwiches,**

**Sweet Treat Patrol from WISH 99.7 will do their magic!**

Each presenting donor will receive a T-shirt while supplies last. There will be a raffle for a \$50 VISA gift card open to all presenting donors. Our goal is 45 units – Please spread the word and ask people to sign up to donate. If you would like to help in another way, or have an event that we can attend to encourage participation, please contact me through the church office.

It is helpful for donors to have an appointment and to complete RapidPass on the day of the drive – this can reduce wait times. The BloodApp is a perfect tool to do both and to have your donor card and complete donor history at your fingertips!!

## **Prayer Requests**

**Please keep the following persons in your prayers:**

Jordan & Austin Miller, Ruth Graham, Penny Hart, Gene Wolfe, Bob Graham, M. Wolfe, Mac McCullough, Dylan Mattern, Shirley Hood, the Johnson family, Kevin and Alex (specialty nurses in US Army in Syria) Carolyn Wolfe, Doug Johnson, Sue Heidel, G. Heidel, Mary Ellen Owens, Kathy Petrella, Kathy Albert, Tammie, Kathy Kendres, Didi Holmes, Rae, Rose Mary, Dick & Joanne Clarke, Al Contino, Ed Best, Lisa Moore, Ron Harich. Lorraine Mason, John, Margie Plocinik

**“PRAYER IS THE KEY TO THE MORNING AND THE BOLT OF THE EVENING.”**

Anonymous

If anyone is in need of prayer, please call our Prayer Chain –

Nancy Beringer (724-775-5331) or Bobbie Dierdorf (724-774-5487).

# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!



## June

"Putzie" Hill	6
Don Lynch Sr.	8
Kay Thomas	11
Clay Beringer III	11
Roberta Houser	12
Mary Hamilton	13
Richard Shute	14
Junnae Zupsic	15
Kathy Thomas	17
Robert Shannon	21
Morgan Mihalic	23
Zoe Woods	23
Rebecca Hill	27
Mariah Petrella	27

## June

Jeffrey & Joan Dierdorf	2
Dennis & Roberta Houser	14
David & Carol Davis	17
John & Donna Hesser	23

## July

Dan Householder	2
Robert Trumpeter	4
Lester Hamilton	5
Barbara Hood	10
Frank Brozich	10
Nanette Petrella	12
Gary Newman	14
Levina Pritchard	15
Patricia Goehring	22
Gretchen Harich	23
John Yothers	26
John McCullough	26
Violet Hood	26
Dennis Houser	26
Sue Heidel	28
Margaret Brozich	29
Cheryl Cascio	29
Laurie Markle	31
Joseph Sargeson	31

## July

Robert & Roberta Dierdorf	11
Jeffrey & Tracy Harris	19
Mike & Jane McCullough	28
James & Cindy Kibler	31

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