

June

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As summer approaches, plan for worthwhile life pursuits. Church services help. Reviewing your life situations with God gives better grasp of sound choices for your time and energy.

Sunday, June 11 the sermon theme will be: Preparing for an abundant life this summer with Christ as a guide.

During refreshment time this month you can peruse displays and resources for making your summertime more significant for you and those you love.

"I want you to see me when I pass by," said God to Elijah (I Kings 19). His vacation turned into a revitalizing turning point regarding his vocations.

Pastor Mel

A Healthier YOU

Duke University Medical Center Dr. Harold G. Koenig reports, "People who attend church are both physically healthier and less depressed." The Center's studies also discovered people attending church live longer and have stronger immune systems than their non-religious counterparts. People with strong faith have better health outcomes from physical illness and are hospitalized less often.

Georgetown University Dr. Dale Matthews found a positive effect of religious commitment on health in 3/4s of the 212 studies he reviewed. He reports that research shows benefits of religion in dealing with health challenges and addictive temptations.

June Is Here!

By Elaine Peacock



“June is busting out all over” so the words go from one of the songs from the Broadway show *Carousel*.

The kids will be busting out of school in a few weeks ready to dive into summer, the graduates will be enjoying their last summer before going off to college or looking for that all important job. June 14th is Flag Day the birthday of old glory and remember to make Dad feel extra special on June 18th Father’s Day. Summer officially begins on June 21st the longest day of the year. I hope everyone has a wonderful summer – get out and enjoy!

Each June Sunday parents who bring their children will be rewarded with activity items to enrich their summer hours at home. As the school year finishes and they ask, “What’s there to do?” our church wants you to have the support of some good extra dimensions for exploration, activity, and development. Look over the displays at refreshment time for making your summertime more fulfilling.



Round Table of Thanks!

Thank you to our Search Team for their devotion, long hours and dedication in searching for our new Pastor. We are so thankful for all of you. Know that you are being upheld in prayer.

Thank you to our Quilters and Knitters for all their beautiful handwork and for the ministry they provide. You are a blessing to all. Thank you.

Many, many thanks to my PRC family for all your beautiful expressions of sympathy and love in the recent passing of my mother. Special gratitude to Patti Kitchell, Leslee Ferray, Kim Lampe, and Rick Pierce for their outstanding gifts of music in the very moving memorial service here at PRC. God's blessings to you all, Caroline Winter

Make a Joyful noise unto the Lord
Psalm 98:4

Birthdays



Madison Paille Conklin, 13 years old

Memorials

<u>From</u>	<u>In Memory of</u>	<u>Designated</u>
Andre and Jude Ann Cote	Lois Stearns	Undesignated



In memory of Kathryn Peacock on Mother's Day, from Elaine



Fellowship Dates

June 11- Ice Cream Social

July 23- Strawberry Festival Social

August 20- Ice Cream Social

September 17- Community Picnic - Fellowship and Missions will partner on this.

October 21- Autumnfest

October 29- Chili Social

November 18- Sight and Sound Social

December 17- Cookie Social



Jeanette Sweetman Poulsen was a beloved Pompton Lakes School System nurse for decades. In partnership with our church she also developed a Home Health Aide training program for upper Passaic County. Sunday, June 11, she will be honored for her skillful Christ-like care for people. An Ice Cream Social celebration will honor her also after the worship service.

Sunday, June 18 our own **Robert Barrett** will report on the difference you are making in lives, hearts and souls in Haiti, where he has been representing us.

A Message from Consistory

Dear Pompton Reformed Family,

As we continue together through this transitional period, awaiting God's call of our new Senior Pastor, I wanted to provide this update on a somewhat new direction in our worship experience.

Amazingly enough, Pastor Mel has already completed one full year with us as our interim minister and has been a blessing in so many ways! It is unsettling to think of where we would be without his steady, caring and guiding presence. It has also become apparent, as Mel would be the first to acknowledge, that he has spread himself very thinly as he seeks to nurture and develop our faith community in a multitude of ways.

Therefore, with the renewal of our agreement with Pastor Mel, we will be bringing in alternate pulpit supply (guest preachers) at least half of the time and perhaps a bit more depending on availability. This will relieve Pastor Mel of planning sermons on a weekly basis, which is WAY more time consuming than any of us fully realize. This will free him up to focus more on the many other irons he has in the fire (pastoral care, visitation, education, administration, etc.). Additionally, this change will afford us all the opportunity to experience the preaching and teaching of God's word and His life-changing Gospel message in a variety of ways delivered by a variety of His messengers. This change of direction, recently approved by consistory, will continue until God brings us our new pastor.

Please continue to uphold the pastoral search team and the search process in your prayers and to thank the team members for their many hours of faithful service when you have an opportunity. God's plans for our future and his timing are perfect and I remain fully confident as well as privileged and excited to watch them unfold at Pompton Reformed over the coming months!! Thank you!

Yours in Christ,

Mark Warner
VP of Consistory



Thank you, Pastor Mel and the Search team for all your hard work over the last year!



Reaching Up and Reaching Out



Wendy's Dine and Donate.....Please join PRC on Wednesday June 14th from 5-8pm for a Dine and Donate. No flyers required. All proceeds going to PRC's Reaching Up & Reaching Out Capital Campaign.



Save the Date:

Pompton Lakes is having a town wide garage sale on Saturday July 15th. PRC is participating in the sale this year. We are now accepting gently used items and can be dropped off in Room 103. Last day to drop items off would be July 9th.

Autumnfest 2017 will be here before you know it! It will take place on October 21 from 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. This only gives us 143 days to prepare! The price of the Vendor/Crafter inside and outside spaces will be the same as last year. Inside spaces will be \$25.00 and outside spaces will be \$20.00. The contract is on our website.

We will be asking once again for homemade baked goods for our Dot Ploch Bake Table. You do not have to put the ingredients on the baked items unless they include nuts of any kind. At this time of the year breads and pies go quickly. But we also need brownies, cakes, cupcakes, and cookies. We will begin emailing in August and calling in September for donations. This is one of our largest money makers. Lorna Carroll and Nancy Shimmel are in charge of the Bakery. You can talk to either of them if you would like to work in the Bakery.

This year Room 108 will be turned into "A Room for All Seasons." If you would care to donate any seasonal or holiday items we would appreciate it. Please make sure that the items are workable and clean. We will start collecting them in September.

We are always looking for help in Children's Games and Crafts. The games and crafts are already set and are very easy to manage. We have games, crafts, and face painting. If you are interested in helping please see Fran Bierwas.

The Deacons will be in charge of the Farm Stand and they will be having a Mum Sale in September.

We will be asking for donations of bottled water and cans of soda for the Luncheon.

There will be plenty of areas to help out. You will receive emails periodically asking for help in certain areas. We really can use your prayers that we are able to show God's love through our smiles and through our kindness to those in the community. Thank you all in advance for your generosity of time and donations. God Bless You All!

Psalm 68:5,6

“Father to the fatherless, defender of widows – this is God, whose dwelling is holy. God places the lonely in families; He sets the prisoners free and gives them joy. But He makes the rebellious live in a sun-scorched land.”



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