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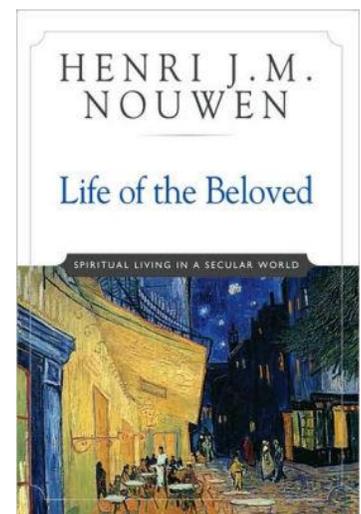
Hello Pompton Reformed Church Family!

I am so excited to finally be here as your new pastor. Our family is officially moved in (and unpacking every day). We have been having a great time checking out the local parks and restaurants. Personally, I am on a mission to try every pizza and bagel place in town...which has taken a lot of hard work.

I also want to tell you about some of our upcoming sermons! This past week, we started a four week series called “Found” which is about living out of our true identity as individuals and as a church. This series is inspired by Henri Nouwen’s *Life of the Beloved*. I cannot recommend this book enough...it has had a profound impact on me. I am also gearing up for a much longer series this fall...it will be 12 weeks!! This series will be called, “The Story” and it covers the entire Bible. Yes, you read that right. The entire Bible in 12 weeks. Actually, we will be looking at 12 major turning points in the Bible that bring it together as one story. I am really looking forward to it!

Thank you again for your wonderful welcome and hospitality that you have shown our family. We are so excited to be here and share this chapter of Pompton Reformed’s history

Pastor John Burden



Summer Dreams

By Elaine Peacock



Well summer is here – what are you dreaming about? Is it a getaway to the Jersey shore where you can relax in a beach chair and listen to the waves? How about a hike/ walk down one of the many trails that are just a short car ride from your home? Are there historical places very close to home that you have wanted to visit? Even if you are short in the cash department there are many places just a “stone’s throw” from home. New Jersey is the “Cross Roads of the Revolution” and just taking in these sights can fill up not only the summer dreams of 2019 but also the seasons that follow. How about a picnic lunch at Ringwood Manor or Skylands Manor? When you go exploring take your love of adventure and ask God to be your guide. God loves sharing his creation with us and guaranteed with God as your guide you will find wonders you would have never found on your own. So follow your summer dreams and you will have wonderful memories to cherish in the seasons to come. Have a wonderful summer.



Round Table of Thanks

- David Hackbarth for all his help with getting the manse ready.



Fellowship Activities



- July 14 Ice Cream Social
- August 11 Pie Ala Mode Social
- September 15 Church Wide Picnic
- October 5 Westchester Theater Bus Trip to see "An American in Paris".
- October 13 Soup Social
- October 19 Autumnfest
- October 26 Casino Bus Trip to Sands Casino in Bethlehem, PA.
- November 10 Chilli Social
- December 15 Cookie Social





Garage Sale

Garage Sale – July 13th....we are accepting slightly used items thru Wednesday, July 10th. Donated items can be dropped off in Room 103. Help is needed on Friday, July 12 to price items. Questions or for more information, please see Jackie Bush, Elaine Peacock, Jo-Ann Sisco, Cindi & Val Petrides.

Autumnfest 2019 Update

Only 111 days until Autumnfest 2019! Autumnfest will take place on October 19, 2019 from 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. This is a church-wide fundraiser that reaches out to the community. Once again we will have Vendors and Crafters, a Luncheon, Dot Ploch Home Made Bakery, Children's Activities, Raffles, and a 50/50. If anyone has any other ideas as to what we can have please let me know and I will bring it to Fellowship for discussion.

This year Ronnie Schubert and Val Petrides are in charge of the Vendors and Crafters. There will be 30 spaces inside and 30 spaces outside. The inside spaces cost \$30.00 and the outside spaces cost \$25.00. If you are interested in a spot please talk to Ronnie or Val.

Eva Terhune, Tina Iraggi Thompson, and Gail Freeland are in charge of the Bakery. They will be coming around in August and September to ask you if you would bake something for our Autumnfest Bakery. Every year the bakery sells out of everything because we have fantastic bakers in our church! So if you do bake, please consider baking something to add to our bakery. Items that are popular include breads such as banana bread and pumpkin bread. Pies are very popular such as apple, pumpkin, and blueberry. These are just a small example of breads and pies you can bring. Cupcakes, brownies, and cookies also sell well. We appreciate anything that you can donate. If you don't bake and would like to give a monetary donation that is fine too. If you would like to help the Friday before to price and cut or on that day please see Eva, Tina, or Gail. They will appreciate all the help they can get!

The Luncheon will be taken care of by Jackie Bush and the Fellowship Committee. They will be asking for donations of canned soda and bottles of water.

Lauren Venin has volunteered to help with the Children's Activities. But she can't do it all day. So if anyone is willing to help her please let me know. I ask the high school students from the Zonta Club to help and they really enjoy it. But I like to ask our church family first. In this area we will be doing face painting and pumpkin painting.

We will also be raffling off Baskets that our committees have donated. Mark Warner is in charge of this. We will also have a 50/50 which Terry Terhune is in charge of. If anyone would like to help these men out please let them know; they would appreciate the help.

We will need a lot of volunteers that day. We will need people to help set-up the tent and bring out the tables and chairs at around 7:00 a.m. and take down the tent and bring in the tables and chairs at 4:00 p.m. We will need people to work in these areas as well as give people who are working breaks for lunch. If you are willing to help in any area please let me know. Every year we have had a successful Autumnfest because of all of you working so well together. Let us show our community once again how warm and welcoming we are! Since 2010 we have had good weather. Let us pray to God that he sends sunlight and warmth down to shine on our event. God Bless you all and thank you for all that you do! Jo-Ann Sisco

Education News



Are you willing to share your love of our Lord, Jesus Christ with the children and youth of PRC? Teachers and Helpers are needed for all age levels of our Sunday School beginning September 2019. Curriculum is available. If you are interested in volunteering – please leave your name and contact information in the ED Team mailbox in the workroom. Thank you in advance!!

Congratulations, Scholarship Recipients! Scholarships 2019

*On Behalf of the Scholarship Committee and the entire congregation,
scholarships were presented to the following members as they pursue a
higher education:*

*THOMAS HANISCH
JACKSON HAYES
KAITLYN HOLLAR
TINA THOMPSON
ERIK WIDDOWSON*

*While we hope these scholarships will help ease the financial burden of
obtaining a higher education - it is also important that each of the recipients
know that we offer an even greater gift - that gift is the blessing, prayers and
support from the entire congregation as they pursue their individual
educational goals.*

*In Christ's Service,
The Scholarship Committee*



Mission News from Jared Cave

More Laborers for the Harvest

"...I send you out as sheep in the midst of wolves;..." - Matthew 10:13

These words from Jesus are not comforting. Two weeks ago we sent the CCO's New Staff Class out to raise ministry support "...in the midst of wolves." Although most people they encounter will be receptive to this mission we know some will not. When these hard moments come up it's inspiring to watch the New Staff offer encouragement to one another.

Here is a response from one staff after her brothers and sisters in Christ offered her words of encouragement.

"Thanks, everyone for all the words and prayers. I know that I'm not defined by that no and I was at peace before and after the conversation. I keep telling God, "you told me to do my part and have faith so you have to show out and provide." So I'm good. I was just frustrated by the response. He could of just said no. But, thank you all for your words. I appreciate it and praying for all of you as well! "

Thanks for your support of this mission!

Will you join me in praying for these new staff (Pictured Below) as they are currently working hard to see God provide for the ministry they will do?



What Does Love Look Like

It has the hands
to help others.
It has the feet to hasten
to the poor and needy.
It has eyes to see misery and want.
It has ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men.
It has a warm smile and a caring heart.
It has compassion, forgiveness and mercy.
It is seen in the eyes of a grandparent
looking at a grandchild.
That is what love looks like.

Submitted by Helen Gioia
From Pastor Joel Osteen's Journal



Heidelberg Catechism Question 26:

Q. What do you believe when you say:
I believe in God the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth?

A. That the eternal Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who out of nothing created heaven and earth and all that is in them, and who still upholds and governs them by his eternal counsel and providence, is, for the sake of Christ his Son, my God and my Father. In him I trust so completely as to have no doubt that he will provide me with all things necessary for body and soul, and will also turn to my good whatever adversity he sends me in this life of sorrow. He is able to do so as almighty God, and willing also as a faithful Father.

**September Newsletter submissions
Are due to khuysers@msn.com
By August 25
(or in the newsletter mailbox!)**