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A little of this, a little of that

A little slice of heaven
I was able to get away for the Memorial Day weekend.
Thank you, Mark Warner for taking my streaming day!
It was a long one for me because I got 2 extra days off, so it was like a mini vacation.
I went to a place that holds wonderful memories for me from a young age.
It is my "happy place".
Some say that heaven is not really a literal place.
I beg to differ!

While I was away, close to Canada, a local
AM radio station that plays oldies played
"Pompton Turnpike" a song from the 40's! It was
Specifically about the NJ "Pompton Turnpike".
What a shock!

It has been great to see the sanctuary filling up for Sunday services.

A couple of Sundays ago, our music director, Mark Adamy, was absent due to a car accident.
The service was missing its usual organ and keyboard music,
but the congregation came through with a lovely A capella version of
a couple of familiar hymns. It was simple and lovely!
We are so glad Mark Adamy was not injured and was back playing the
Keyboard the following week. (the organ was smoking- literally!)

Another successful Outback fundraiser was recently held.
The people at Outback could not be nicer and the food was delicious as always.
I look forward to more yummy fundraisers in the future!

June has arrived and brought with it some more seasonal weather!
Enjoy the warm weather. Soon we will be having
outdoor services again, I hope!

June Thoughts

By Elaine Peacock



June is one of those months with no major holidays for us to tack on for extra time off and sit back and relax a bit before the summer kicks in and our heads are filled with fireworks and where we check out brochures for some fun at the beach, in the mountains or just checking areas around our home for some fun day trips with family, friends and yes, the dog too. While we are thinking were to spend our hard in money – don't forget Father's Day. Father's Day is right in the middle of the June calendar – June 16th. Dad some time gets lost in the Mother's Day rush. Father's Day is just in time to fire up the grill and have a cozy dinner at home with "good old Dad". Dad does so many things for us and never complains – he just enjoys the hand made presents for his desk from his special children. So just as our Father in Heaven takes care of us God has given our earthly fathers charge over all the fathers on earth. So, give your earthly father an extra hug today and if he is not with you say a prayer for this wonderful man we call Father, Daddy or Pop. Happy Father's Day PRC

Next Free Community Dinner will be June 27, 2024, from 5:30-7PM. Please invite friends and neighbors to join us for this wonderful Community outreach.





History Room Help Needed

Several months ago, the history room in our main office wing next to Pastor John's office was converted to a small conference room with plans to relocate it back to its original location in room 227 upstairs near the entrance to the sanctuary.

One of the reasons for this change was because it had become overly cluttered over several years, nearly rendering the space unusable. Following the installation of some shelving in the new location, we will begin curating a very large number of historic photographs, documents and other memorabilia from PRC's long and rich history. The space we have to work with is limited, as it was downstairs, given the volume of material we have.

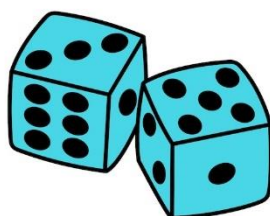
To help us with this process of proudly and tastefully displaying this material, we're looking for a few volunteers with particular skills. Since all these photos and documents cannot possibly be displayed properly in the limited space, we're looking for someone who enjoys scrapbooking to assist us in displaying them in one or perhaps a few well-designed albums. Additionally, we're looking for someone with a knack for photography. There are several items in our collection that we very much want to retain a history of, but don't have room for the object itself. The idea in this case is that a quality photograph and print of these objects can be preserved and displayed for future generations in the albums. Our overall goal is to end up with an inviting and uncluttered space that can be enjoyed for years to come.

If you or someone you know has the skills noted above and are willing to help with this project, please let either Mark Warner or Eva Terhune know. Thank you.

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Bunco Fundraiser is Coming soon!

Bunco is a fun, no skill dice game that gives you a chance to meet other people and have a relaxing afternoon with others. Joann Mack is selling tickets (check with her!) to our event on June 8. Give it a try. It really is a LOT of fun. Everyone goes home with a small prize.



APPETIZER SOCIAL

Sunday, June 9th is our Appetizer Social! The Fellowship Committee is looking for as many cold appetizers as possible—nothing that needs heating. So, this is your best opportunity to share your favorite appetizer and have a fun time with your church family! If you are not able to bring an appetizer, you are still welcome to join us! There will be plenty for all! So, mark the date—one week from this Sunday—June 9th which is also scheduled to be our first outside service of the season. We hope to see you all for a great day!

OUTBACK FUNDRAISER

Our OUTBACK fundraiser was once again a huge success! 310 tickets were sold in record time. Thank you to all who purchased tickets. No complaints were noted about the amount of food that was served. I saw a lot of “doggie bags”! PRC made a profit of \$3090. Our next date for OUTBACK is in the fall, October 14-17. Save the date!

So, God Made a Father

By May Patterson

At the dawn of time, God looked down on all He had made and said, “Now, I need a caretaker.”

So, God made a father.

God said, “I need someone to teach children to fish, and to ride a bike without training wheels, and to play catch in the backyard. It must be someone who’s tough enough to run a chainsaw and wield a machete and yet, gentle enough to join his little girl and her dolls for tea.”

So, God made a father.

“I need someone to bring the car around when it’s raining, so everyone else can stay dry. Someone who will keep jumper cables in his truck, just in case he needs to help a stranger. I need someone to notice practical things, like how the tread on the tires is wearing and if the weather stripping around the front door needs replacing, for no one else will.”

“I’ll create someone who’s strong enough to open a tightly sealed jelly jar and tall enough to place the angel on top of the Christmas tree. Someone who will be gracious enough to let his son fish the best fishing hole or to let his daughter win at least one hand of gin rummy.”

"Yes, he will struggle to find his glasses and keys," God thought. "But I'll help him find time for the important things, like tumbling with the kids on the den floor, or saying 'I'm proud of you, son,' or giving Mama a hug."

So, God made a father.

God said, "I need someone brave enough to carve the Thanksgiving turkey, for no one else seems to want the job. Someone who's not afraid to go into Grandma's dark cellar, or to check on what goes bump in the night, or to remove the dead mouse from the mousetrap."

"I need someone wise enough to know when to let his child fail. Someone who will pick her up, dry her tears and say, '*Honey, I know you can do it! Give it another try.*'"

"I need someone who listens more than he talks. Who will stand by his family through laughter and tears, tornadoes and snowstorms, good times and bad. **Someone who will love his kids and love their mother even more.**"

So, God made a father.

God said, "I need someone to provide for the family. Someone who will get up early and stay up late and never complain. I need someone who's willing to make unpopular decisions and stand by them. Someone to provide authority and discipline, as well as love."

"I need someone with broad shoulders, broad enough to carry a little child around town and broad enough to pull more than his fair share. Yes, I need someone who will work the second-shift, or take second-best, or play second fiddle, so that his family can have it better than he did."

"I need someone who is *willing* . . . willing to man up and provide the love, support and strength his family will so desperately need."

So, God made a father.

"Sometimes, he will not feel worthy of the love his family gives him. There will be times when he fails to live up to my ideal standard. But when his family needs him, he will show up, or give up, or do whatever needs to be done."

"Yes, that's exactly what I need," thought God as He shook His head. "A father to love my children, and if necessary, to lay down his life for them. Someone . . . *well, someone like Me.*"

So, God made a father.



Memorials

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

Psalm 103:13 *“As a father has compassion on his children, so the Lord has compassion on those who fear him.”*

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