



Middletown Press

June 2010

Coming Events:

- 5/30 – First 9:30 AM Summer Worship service
- 6/13 – Church Picnic
- 6/19 – B&P Work Day
- 6/20 – Pancake brunch 11:45AM
- 6/21 – PrimeTimePlus noon in Martin Chapel
- 6/21 – Men’s Golf Outing
- 6/21-25 **Middle School Wild Week** at the Church from 6:30-9:00
- 6/30 – Blue Rocks Baseball Game leave church at 5:15 PM
- 7/17 – B&P Work Day
- 7/19-23 – VBS 9AM – noon
- 7/27 Faith & Family Night with the Phillies
- 8/1-8/6 – “Shacc” Youth High Adventure Camp in WVA
- 8/5-6 – Global Leadership Summit (Willow Creek)
- 9/10-11 – Women of Faith
- 10/1-3 – Men’s Retreat at Lake Champion

Wild Week

6/21-25 – 6:30 - 9 PM.
 Each night from 6:30-9:00 pm, there will be games and competitions, crazy skits and music leading up to the main message. The messages will start off on Monday with the fall of humanity into sin, highlighting our need for someone to pull us out of that sin. Tuesday and Wednesday will be spent introducing Jesus, highlighting his life and teaching. On Thursday night the crucifixion and resurrection will be presented. Following this message, we will invite kids to make a decision for Christ. There will be several groups of adults ready to talk to the kids who have come forward. The program will conclude on Friday evening.

Registration begins at 6:15 PM and there will be Snack Bar – Worship and teaching are covered, but we do need volunteers for the following:

- Registration
- Snack Bar
- Games and Skit helpers
- Group Leaders

Please consider helping out with Wild Week. We can’t do this without you! Even if you can only give a night or two of your time, we will gladly accept any help you are able to give.

If you cannot volunteer your time but would like to help us out with the cost of this event, please contact Matt by phone or e-mail: 484-995-8457;

mattmiazga@comcast.net.

Thanks so much!

Youth Group – Youth group time will change for summer to 11:00 - 1:30 PM. Youth Group will meet bi-weekly in summer.

*8/1-8/6 – “SHACC” (Seneca

High Adventure Christian Camp) in WV. Youth entering 8th grade and up. Cost –\$450/person. Need \$200- deposit by month’s end. Sponsorship table will be set up at Church Picnic.

June

- 6/2 Bible Study
- 6/6 Youth Group (11-1:30)
- 6/8 Youth Team Meeting
- 6/9 Bible Study
- 6/13 Church Picnic (No YG)
- 6/16 Bible Study
- 6/19 6 PM Pancake Brunch set-up
- 6/20 Pancake Brunch (No YG – Wild Week Set-up)
- 6/21-25 Wild Week 6:30-9 PM**
- 6/27 Balance of SHACC money due!
- 6/30 Blue Rocks Game (No BS)

Summer Schedule

Beginning with Memorial Day weekend the Worship schedule will change.

- Thursdays –contemporary-style service in Martin Chapel at 7:30 PM. Bible Study precedes the service at 6:00 PM.
- Sundays—in the sanctuary at 9:30 AM followed by punch on the lawn.

Deacons Doings

The Board of Deacons wishes to thank the congregation for the financial support that you give so faithfully. Deacons' offerings are taken in the worship service every other month on the odd numbered months and go to fund the Board's work within the church and in the community.

For the church family, Deacons provide communion supplies, holiday flowers, and Care Notes. One outreach project to the community is the Sole Fund, which provides the needy with gift cards for the purchase of shoes. The Deacons also help to support several community organizations. The following ministries receive donations two times each year: Chester Eastside, Pathways PA, City Team, RBC Ministries, Aid for Friends, Child Evangelism Fellowship, and Presbyterian Children's Village.

In addition, Deacons reserve a portion of their budget for special requests, whether it may be groceries for a needy family, a camp scholarship for a deserving teenager, or a money donation for a church project. With much discussion and prayer, the Deacons promise to continue to be good stewards of the money that you give so generously.

Session

The Session met on Tuesday, April 18 and noted the following:

- Funerals for Richard Welfley on April 24 and Kurt Malmstrom on May 3.
- Bill Young's funeral will be June 8th. A special service commemorating Bill's music ministry will be arranged for a future date.

Session approved:

- a new summer bus schedule and repairs to one of the buses.
- The men's retreat is scheduled for October 1-3, 2010.
- That the church's web site address can go on the sign out front of the church.
- The all church picnic will take place on June 13th.
- June 6th as Confirmation Sunday.
- May is Endowment month.

Session approved the Church Information Form provided by the Pastoral Nominating Committee. The next step is to receive approval by the Committee on Ministry of the Philadelphia Presbytery.

Session has called a meeting on June 1 to meet with the confirmand class and Brenda Abrams will be acting clerk. The next stated meeting of session is June 15th.

Legacy Progress

We received the final mechanical drawings and have called four contractors in each trade. If the contractors are responsive we should be able to pick contractors do the work in the first week of June. Then we can submit the plans and contractor info for permits.

The township indicated we can plan on 30 days for review of the plans and issue of the permits. As soon as the bids are in we will have a meeting to select the contractors.

Continue to pray that the Lord leads us through this and lead us along the way.

Isn't it strange . . . how we need to know about an event for Church 2-3 weeks before the day so we can include it in our calendar, but we can adjust it for other events in the last minute?

Pastor Nominating Committee

The Pastor Nominating Committee (PNC) has completed the Church Information Form (CIF) which gives a picture of whom we are, what we believe and what skills, gifts and talents we believe would most compliment and expand the ministry of Middletown Presbyterian Church. This form was approved by the Session in May and when approved by Presbytery, will be sent to the denomination's headquarters. After our form is matched with those in the computer we will be given a list of pastors whose theology, gifts and ministry interests that "match" what Middletown Presbyterian is looking for.

The PNC committee will appreciate your prayers as they study the list of potential pastors, make contact with those they believe might fulfill our pastoral needs and try to discern who God has called to pastor the church.

Financial Update

It is time to once again address our financial condition and give you an update. Below is a summary of Church finances from January through May:

	Jan	Feb	Mar	April
Pledges	\$29,822	\$11,452	\$19,390	\$18,258
Plate	7,167	599	1,455	2,142
<u>Other</u>	<u>3,158</u>	<u>10,875</u>	<u>4,196</u>	<u>7,810</u>
Received	\$40,147	\$22,926	\$25,041	\$28,210
Admin	\$2,478	\$3,981	\$4,098	\$6,251
Adult Min	0	0	0	0
B&P	3,568	2,755	6,842	2,554
Child Min	601	340	726	349
C&C	0	0	0	30
Mission	0	0	0	3,700
Outreach	0	0	0	0
Pastor Exp	7,135	7,138	7,032	7,055
Staff	12,022	12,057	12,120	12,182
Buses	-38	148	203	104
Worship	125	46	85	470
Youth	0	0	0	0
<u>I&S</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Paid Out	\$25,891	\$26,465	\$31,106	\$32,695
Difference	14,256	-3,539	-6,065	-4,485
Surplus	\$14,256	\$10,717	\$4,652	\$167

We started the year with surplus in January, because many in our Congregation once aware of financial condition decided to give their annual pledges in the beginning of the year rather than at the end. We also received some funds from the Deacons, consistent with their mission, which will help us fulfill our missionary support. As a result, we ended January with a surplus of receipts over payments out of \$14,256.

The weather made February an awful month. We did not have services on one Sunday due to the snow and several other Sundays had treacherous road and ground conditions. The result was very low worship attendance resulting in a sharp fall off of pledge and plate receipts. But, expenses needed to be paid regardless of the weather so we incurred a \$3,539 shortfall, bringing the surplus from the prior month down to \$10,717.

In March we received pledges and plate receipts in the amount we had budgeted. However, as you can see in the chart bills came due for all of the snow removal in February, in addition, to the amount we estimated we would be short if our pledges and receipts did not improve over the amounts forecasted and presented during the annual meeting. If you remember we anticipated a short fall of almost \$3,200 per month unless contributions we receive increased or we made very large cuts in expenses. The short fall for the month was \$6,065 bringing our surplus funds down to \$4,652.

April was somewhat of an improvement over March with regard to total receipts because of contributions received on Maundy Thursday, Easter and receipt of money from the Newsome Endowment Fund. Our plate and pledges have not increased. Since we were behind on our mission payments and have missionaries in the field who rely upon our support we sent out \$3,700 to them. We need to send about \$2,000 per month in order to meet our budgeted support levels. As you can see, this meant that our account paid out exceeded our receipts. The shortfall for the April was \$4,485. Our reserve balance was now \$167 or essentially gone.

We are now in the position forecasted and presented during the annual meeting. Our surplus is now gone and we are going to have very difficult paying our bills, mission support and payroll from this point forward. Session during its next meeting will be asked to make some very hard decisions.

We ask you to pray for wisdom and guidance for Session and prayerfully consider whether you are able to increase your financial support to the Church.

Scriptures and Sermons

June 3/ June 6 - I Kings 17:8-24, "A Man of God"

June 10/ June 13 - I Kings 21:1-22, "Jezebel"

June 17/ June 20 - I Kings 19:1-18, "The Comfort of the Lord"

June 24/ June 27 - II Kings 2:1-14, "Take A Deep Breath"

Bulletin Board

Get Ready to Golf

MPC's 16th Annual Men's Golf Outing
Monday, June 21
Mocassin Run Golf Club

Tee Time: 8:00 AM

Fees: (includes ½ cart fee)

Seniors with proof of age \$38

Non-Seniors \$43

Mulligans-four per team max \$ 5 per mulligan

Lunch: Lunch will be at Applebee's in Kennett Square. Dutch Treat/

Reservations: Contact Jim Standish (610) 805-6304 or stndsh@comcast.net or call the church office at 610-565-4080. Provide names and ages of players. Bring your make family members and friends. Checks payable to: James Standish, Jr. DEADLINE for reservations: Thursday, June 17.

Needed for VBS

Items **needed** for the 2010 VBS program... large red pots.....No plants...just the pots and Sand color bricks. We will need snacks such as fruit rollups, pretzels and cupcakes and juice.

Come Out to the Ball Game

MPC and Aston Presbyterian Churches have the opportunity to Sing the National Anthem at the June 30 Blue Rocks Game this year. Come out to sing or just to watch the game.

Mark your calendar for the July 27 Faith & Family Night Phillies game against the Diamondbacks.

Knit Night WEDNESDAYS

Join us for **Knit Night** (2nd and 4th Wednesdays) or just ask for needles, yarn and instructions--we'll gladly help YOU help OTHERS.

We are currently "renting" an area on the 2nd floor of the CE Building in the Purple Room and can get you all stocked up any Sunday morning. Need transportation? Give the office a call.

Call Linda Fox at (610) 574-0936 or Janet Gemsheim at (610) 891-1827 to request a prayer shawl or for more information.

B&P Work Days:

We have tasks for skilled and unskilled labor during our scheduled Work days from 8:30-12:30 on June 19, and July 17. Any help would be appreciated. Individuals able to help can contact Lisa McWaters @ lmcwaters01@msn.com.

Women of Faith

Spring is here and, believe it or not, Fall is just around the corner. So is Women of Faith!

Ladies, this is so special, loud, exciting, uplifting, and spirit filled, that you don't want to miss it. We take the bus so you don't even have to drive. There are about 5 tickets left at \$89. It is September 10 and 11— Friday during the day and evening, Saturday all day. Share a ticket with someone if you can't do it all. Believe me when I tell you that you'll want to do it all! Contact Janet Gemsheim (610) 891-1827.

Church Picnic on June 13

The Church Picnic will follow the 9:30 AM worship service on June 13. Join us for lunch, a chance at winning a basket filled with terrific goodies and time to catch-up with friends. A Fire engine ride, moon bounce and games will engage the kids. We could use your help:

- Donate Baked Goods
- Help with children's games
- Set up and Clean up

Isn't it strange . . . how a 20 dollar bill seems like such a large amount when you donate it to church, but such a small amount when you go shopping?

Buy One, Get One (BOGO)

Thank you for all you've done and please continue to bring food items for City Team and Media Food Bank. The need continues and grows. Here's a tip - When you buy toiletries, get a couple extra or those bogo items. Domestic Abuse in Media needs those things for the women and children who run from horrible situations and have nothing. Put them on the right of the Narthex and we'll get them there. Thank you all.

PrimeTimePlus

On May 17, the Riddle Village Singers visited our PrimeTimePlus meeting and after a delicious lunch by Andy Nelson, they gave us an impressive program. Some came with walkers but they had their music books and sang with such enjoyment and had fun being with us.

Glenna Sprang, the director was a delight and got those ladies to perform a wonderful musical program. Ruth Fisher accompanied the singers on the piano and as always enjoyed being with us. Our members enjoyed it immensely. Sorry, if you missed it.

Next month on June 21 at noon, the OWLS (Older and Wiser Lutherans) from Reformation Lutheran Church will be our guests. We will have a "Sing-a-long" together. They are bringing some of their talented people to share some songs with us. We intend to have a party to end another great year of PrimeTimePlus.

Andy, Margaret and Gladys

Isn't it strange . . . how everyone wants front-row-tickets to concerts or games but they do whatever is possible to sit at the last row in Church?

Travel Back into Bible Times

***Vacation Bible School - July 19 thru 23
Monday thru Friday 9:00 AM-12:00 PM***

Bring your entire family to ancient Egypt! Each day, your children can become part of history as they see, hear, touch, and even tastes what it was like to live in Pharaoh's empire! These experiences make God's Word come alive with new meaning for all who participate.

We will have a great time with lively songs, creative crafts, exciting games, Bible stories and tasty snacks—all of the things that make Vacation Bible School so much fun for children.

We need a Prayer Leader, Guides, Bible Story Leader, Bible Memory Leader, Music Leader, Craft Leader, Recreation Game Leader, Decorators, and Kitchen Snack Help etc. We need extra help as we will be meeting in the daytime. If you could help part of the time we would appreciate it. If you would like to help, please contact me at 610-565-8317 or e-mail at mpckids@aol.com.

The Adventures of Michael Washington Continues

As I drove the Blazer around the bend and saw the marshes under the small bridge up ahead, the aroma hit us. Wes and Elisha were traveling with me and they smelled it, too. It was not a particularly pleasant scent....in fact, it smelled a little like a rotten egg....but it was always the sign that we were close to the town of Ocean Breeze, our favorite vacation spot on the Jersey shore and, although most people would reject this smell as a bad omen, it only served to excite us because it meant that we were finally arriving.

Immediately, the kids began talking excitedly. "Do you think we beat Mom?" Elisha shouted. Molli had driven separately with Lance because there were too many bikes, belly boards, and other "stuff" to fit in one car. I tended to drive a little slower and always took the scenic route, but I always left earlier. Molli, nevertheless, usually arrived before me! Wes began listing exactly what he was going to do first, which buddies from home would also be in Ocean Breeze and what flavors of salt water taffy he was going to purchase on the boardwalk. We proceeded across the bay on the large bridge at the back end of town and entered Ocean Breeze on 41st street. I turned right onto Bayside Avenue to get to our rental house which was on 48th and Marlin (several of the streets are named after fish....clever!). Wes and Elisha were urging me to "speed it up." I reminded them, "This town makes its money during the summer giving speeding tickets to guys like me!" They groaned as I kept going at 25 miles per hour.

Finally, we arrived at our rental house. It was a beauty, two blocks from the beach, with a large porch on the second floor where we could eat our breakfast and see the ocean, and a beautiful green lawn where Molli and Lance were standing and waving and laughing at us as they shouted, "We beat you again!" We laughed back, parked the car and we all pitched in as we unpacked and dragged all of our stuff into the house. This was the first time we had rented this house and, although the realtor had given us a description, we had never seen it. As we walked through and checked everything out, the kids got more excited...big rooms, comfortable furniture and an unbelievable kitchen. The boys picked their room and Elisha picked a large room with two

beds because her friend, Kate, was coming on Monday to spend the rest of the week with her. One bedroom was left empty for family who would visit during the week including Molli's sister and her husband and my mother and stepfather.

After we finished unpacking and getting organized, the kids got ready for the beach while Molli and I made plans to visit the local Shop Rite and buy the groceries for the week. This trip would also include a stop at a favorite bakery that only sold cinnamon buns....they were delicious and we feasted on them every time we were in Ocean Breeze. We were thankful that the kids were cooperating. Although Lance was older, he enjoyed going to the beach with Wes and even included him when he was hanging out with his friends and both boys were happy to take Elisha with them to the beach.....at least, for one day! We jumped in the car as the kids dragged the umbrella, chairs and belly boards toward the ocean. As we turned into the Shop Rite parking lot, we were surprised to see the Catons getting out of their car. We parked next to them and greeted them. Russ and Lillian Caton owned a family home by the bay in Ocean Breeze and they served as the unofficial hosts for all the families from church who vacationed there. Every Wednesday evening during the summer, they hosted a pot luck supper and bible study which became a special highlight for all of us.

Normally, I like to isolate myself during my vacation week. Hank Heffernan was covering for me and preaching while I was gone so I was free to enjoy the week and not worry about what was happening at home. For the most part, we avoided running into people from church. We needed a break! The exception, however, was Sunday morning worship and the Wednesday bible study where it was fun to be with Wilman Valley people in a different setting with someone else leading worship and leading the bible study. We always looked forward to these times and our parishioners who were also vacationing in Ocean Breeze respected our need to have some time away.

We zipped through the supermarket, picking out plenty of special treats that we usually avoided, and returned to our house and unloaded again. Finally, we were set up and ready to hit

the beach. I grabbed one of the many mystery novels that I brought along and we were off. The kids spotted us before we located them and came running out of the ocean with their boards and showed us where they had set up the umbrella and chairs. I took my chair and walked it down by the ocean and immediately lost myself in a Rex Stout mystery, thankful that the kids were older and didn't need me to entertain them in the ocean anymore. That didn't stop Molli, however. She is a water rat and she was out there with the kids, bodysurfing and borrowing their belly boards, competing to see who could catch the best wave.

That evening, at dinner, I was surrounded by sunburned faces and bodies as we all sat down to eat the tacos which we had all pitched in to prepare. It was Elisha's turn to pray and she was so thankful, we thought we would never get a chance to eat! I whispered a silent prayer of thanks for a great start to our vacation. After dinner, the boys made plans to meet a group of their friends on the boardwalk. Elisha would stay home with us....her boardwalk escapades would begin when Kate showed up on Monday. Elisha went with me as I drove the boys into town and dropped them off at 8th street. I gave them strict instructions to meet me at the same place at 11 o'clock sharp....and not to spend all of their money in one night! Then, I drove a couple of blocks and found a parking spot. Elisha and I ran up to the boardwalk where I bought her a butterscotch coated soft ice cream cone and I came back with a bag of my favorite fresh baked macaroons. We all need our special treats!

Later that evening, I was envious of Molli and Elisha as they went to bed. I was struggling to keep my eyes open, but I had to go pick up the boys. I left the house and arrived at 8th street right on time, but was a little alarmed to see only Wes standing on the corner. He quickly came to the car and got in as I asked, "Where's Lance?" He didn't know. They had split up on the boardwalk to hang out with their separate friends and had made sure to remind each other to meet at the corner on 8th street.....but Lance hadn't shown up. We waited for fifteen minutes and then we ran up to the boardwalk. There was no sign of him there and we weren't about to start looking for him in the midst of the crowds....talk about a needle in a haystack. I wasn't sure what

to do next. Wes looked at me impatiently and said, "Dad, you know what we're supposed to do first." I looked at him, confused, and said, "What are you talking about?" He responded, "First, you pray. Don't you remember that song? You're the one who's always reminding us. We need to pray!" Ah.....a child shall lead them! And that's just what we did. We prayed....and as we prayed together, a peace came over us. We didn't have any special answers or new instructions, but we had a good sense that this crisis was in God's hands.

I suggested that we go back to the house and see if he was there. All kinds of thoughts were running through my mind. Why hadn't I bought cell phones for all the kids? Why did I let them go by themselves to the boardwalk? Had he been kidnapped? Was he just being irresponsible? If that was the case, you can bet he was going to be punished! None of these thoughts were helpful and I did my best to discard them as I drove a little faster than 25 miles per hour back to the house. Our sense of dread increased as we saw a police car parked in front of the house on 48th and Marlin. We jumped out of the car and ran into the house to find a very calm police officer drinking a cup of coffee and talking to Molli while Lance stood in the kitchen eating one of my macaroons. Wes and I wanted to shout out a number of questions, but both of us were speechless.

Molli and Officer Chambers knew how scared we were, so they quickly reassured us that everything was fine. Lance had not done anything wrong. In fact, he had been a great help. Shortly after he and Wes had parted, Lance's buddy, Patrick, had tripped and taken a serious fall on the boardwalk. In addition to hitting his head very hard, he had a good size splinter in the heel of his hand. He was bleeding and very woozy so the paramedics insisted he go to the emergency room. Lance went with him. Patrick was released, but Lance had no way to get in touch with us because we didn't have a phone in our rental home....and we didn't have a cell phone. The kids loved rubbing that one in on their dad! As a result, Officer Chambers gave both Patrick and Lance a police escort to their homes and they figured Wes and I would show up either here or at the police station. Wes and I breathed a sigh of relief and I asked Officer

Chambers to join us in a prayer of thanks as we prayed for Patrick to heal quickly from his fall.

The next morning, we awakened early and had a delicious breakfast which included our favorite cinnamon buns and were off to worship at the Chapel On The Bay, an interdenominational church whose building was an old restaurant that literally sat on a pier on the bay. The service was preceded by a fifteen minute hymn sing which was a wonderful way to prepare for worship. As we sang, we looked around and saw many friends from Wilman Valley, some from the church and many who worshipped in other churches in town. Molli also waved to some old friends from the town in which she grew up. As the service continued, I worshiped with an attentive and thankful heart, grateful for all the good people whom God had placed into our lives and especially thankful for the fact that Lance and Patrick were safe and at our side.

The rest of our week in Ocean Breeze was a pure joy and we returned home refreshed and looking forward to enjoying our lives together in Wilman Valley. May each one of you be refreshed this summer season as you enjoy the change of schedule, the opportunity to travel to other communities and the unique refreshment of worshipping with other congregations.

(to be continued)

*Yours in Christ,
John*

Isn't it strange . . . how 2 hours seem so long when you're at church, and how short they seem when you're watching a good movie?

The Global Leadership Summit

The Global Leadership Summit will be held August 5-6 at Church Of The Savior, if you would like more information go to <http://www.willowcreek.com/events/leadership/2010/>

The Summit will be broadcast live via satellite from the Willow Creek campus to the Church of the Savior. The price is \$145.00. We can take a bus if there is enough interest. If you are interested in going, let Chriss know. John King & Chriss Benson plan on attending the conference.

Joys and Concerns



Shirley, friend of Frances Andrews, has a health problem. Please pray for improvement.

Linda Cassey's Aunt died suddenly. Please keep the family in your prayers.

Cindy as she undergoes chemo and recovers from the effects of surgery.

Carl Abrams recovering

from a stroke.

Judy Belk, suffering from MS and three lumbar and thoracic discs that are pressing against her lungs; they are inoperable.

Funeral arrangements for **Bill Wheeler Young**, our Music Director, will be held on Tuesday, June 8, 2010 at 1:00 PM. at Hanover Presbyterian Church in Wilmington, DE. Burial will be private.

Bill and April Reeser

- For God's direction in all we do.
- For God's will to be done regarding the political/ governmental turmoil in Thailand.
- God's continued help to us in learning the Thai language.
- That more musicians will step up and be a part of the worship team at ANCF Church.
- Praise for the response at the Children's Carnival on April 10 and continued outreach for Christ to all the children in the area.

Things are getting quite dangerous in parts of Chiang Mai and Bangkok. Please be much in prayer at this serious time. Pray for the Thai people to turn to Jesus in the midst of such unrest, danger, and uncertainty.

Pray for the Thai Christians to stand strong and share their faith with those who are suffering. Pray for God to be known in this nation.

We are still safe and living three hours south of Bangkok. But, we have Thai and missionary friends who are being affected greatly by all the violence. Please do pray for this nation to turn to God. Thank you.

Thanks

Outreach and Publicity sends loving thanks to those who came out to help staff the MPC table on Saturday, May 8, at Middletown Pride Day. The rain held off and the sun shone brightly, though the wind nearly blew us away! The banner and canopy were early "victims," but we did manage to entertain many children and families. (We were right next to the Moon Bounce!---a perfect location with plenty of room for all.)

We distributed 100 pre-assembled information bags which held VBS, Wild Week and summer activity print-outs, in addition to lollipops and Biblical coloring sheets to be enjoyed at home.

The children's arts and crafts area featured water bottles and door hangers waiting to be decorated with stickers and "foamies"---a craft that works well for kids of all ages. (MPC is the only one of the several church tables that does a "Kids' Corner"---which always gives us the perfect opportunity to speak with parents about our church.)

These community events run all day, and with each helper giving an hour or two of their time and energy, the task is made light. We thank you and bless you all, special friends!

Another Successful Year

I just want to thank everyone for a successful year with Aid for Friends. The generosity has been amazing. Everyone who has received meals remarks how tasty they are and would not have a meal to eat if it were not for us. We will not meet again until September 12. Thank you again.

God's Blessings on you all!

Carol Curtis

5 Day Club August 9 – 13

This year a special 5 Day Club will be held at Naomi Bird's Ceramic Shop in Aston on August 9 thru August 13 at 10:00-12:00 PM

More info will be on the table in the Narthex.

Children will make a special ceramic item plus have a Bible story and learn a verse every day with games. Contact me Chriss at 610-565-8317 or MPCkids@aol.com if you are interested in sending your child.

JUNE 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30	31	1 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 8:00 PM NA Group	2 9:30 AM Women's Bible Study - last one until September 7:00 PM Teens Bible Study	3 4:00 PM Trevoze Weight Group 6:00 PM Adult Bible Study 7:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM Worship Service 8:00 PM NA Group	4 4:00 PM Girl Scouts 8:00 PM NA Group	5 1:00 PM Boy Scout Eagle Court of Honor 7:30 PM Mayer Small Group 7:30 PM Seeking 2 Serve Small Group 7:30 PM Standish Small Group
6 COMMUNION SUNDAY 9:30 AM Worship Service 11:00 AM Youth	7 8:00 PM NA Group	8 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 7:00 PM Children's Ministry Team 7:30 PM Delco Cruiser's Car Club 7:30 PM Youth Ministry Team 8:00 PM NA Group	9 7:00 PM Teens Bible Study 7:30 PM Knitting Night at MPC	10 1:30 PM I & S Team 4:00 PM Trevoze Weight Group 6:00 PM Adult Bible Study 7:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM Worship Service 8:00 PM NA Group	11 7:30 PM Seeing Eye Puppy Club 8:00 PM NA Group	12
13 All Church Picnic 9:30 AM Worship Service	14  7:30 PM Deacon's Meeting 8:00 PM NA Group	15 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 7:30 PM Session Meeting 8:00 PM NA Group	16 1:00 PM Women's Bible Study sings at Faor Acres 7:00 PM Teens Bible Study	17 4:00 PM Trevoze Weight Group 6:00 PM Adult Bible Study 7:30 PM Boy Scouts 7:30 PM Worship Service 8:00 PM NA Group	18 9:30 AM Mom's Club of Media 4:00 PM Girl Scouts 8:00 PM NA Group	19 8:30 AM B & P Work Day 6:00 PM Pancake Breakfast Set Up 7:30 PM Seeking 2 Serve Small Group 7:30 PM Standish Small Group
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27 HEALING SERVICE 9:30 AM Worship Service 11:00 AM Youth	28 8:00 PM NA Group	29 10:30 AM Staff Meeting 8:00 PM NA Group	30 5:15 PM Leave for Blue Rocks Game (No Teens Bible Study)	1	2	3 Isn't it strange . . . that you can't find a word to say when you're praying but you have no trouble thinking what to talk about with a friend?

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