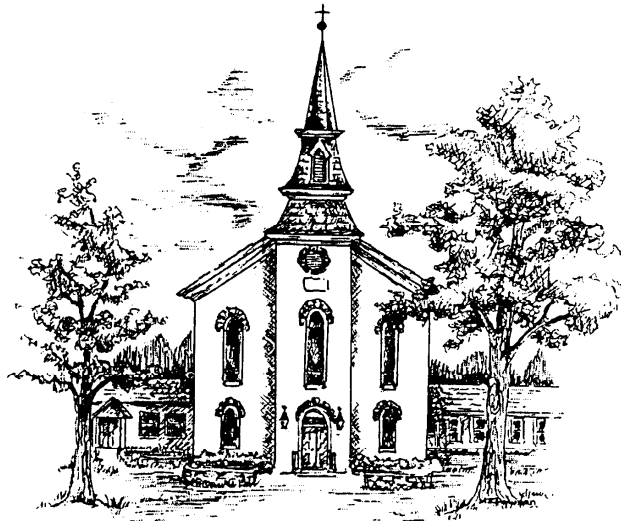


# Inside Wentz's Summer 2016 (June, July & August)



Would you like your Newsletter emailed to you? If so, please contact the church office. Not only will you receive the monthly newsletter, but also weekly reminders. If you do not wish us to email you, you can visit our website: [www.wentzsucc.org](http://www.wentzsucc.org) and view the newsletter online, OR pick up a copy at the Welcome Desk.

Please send your email address to: [office@wentzsucc.org](mailto:office@wentzsucc.org)  
*Thank you.*

# From Pastor Tony



The summer is closing in upon us, and the schedule is rapidly filling. We move to our summer worship schedule on June 12<sup>th</sup>, the beginning of the congregation's experience of sabbatical time. During the months that I will be away, the church will be privileged to hear from the many mission fields we support. It will be a time for us to reaffirm the works of outreach and care, and maybe, envision new possibilities for sharing the gospel.

So, mark your calendars for the following Sundays to rediscover our connections to our mission outreach of love. How many do you recognize or have knowledge of?

June 12	Mary's Shelter
June 19	Mitzvah Circle
June 26	Center for Loss and Bereavement
July 3	Lancaster Seminary
July 10	Neighbors in Need offering
July 17	Laurel House
July 24	Manna on Main St
July 31	Oak Park Elementary
August 7	CROP Walk/Blanket Sunday
August 14	National Youth Event
August 21	Habitat for Humanity
September 18	Veterans of the Cross/Christmas Fund
September 25	Wentz's Scholarship Grant Program
October 2	Pennsylvania Southeast Conference
October 9	Phoebe Wyncote/Phoebe Ministries
October 16	Bethany Children's Home

While you are rediscovering our connections to the mission outreach, I will be exploring connections of missionary outreach. Beginning June 6<sup>th</sup>, I will be in the New England area exploring the missionaries of the 19<sup>th</sup> century to the Hawaiian Islands. I will be spending time at the Congregational Library & Archives of the Congregational Churches in Boston, MA doing research on these early missionaries. I will then visit churches in Connecticut, Vermont, Maine and other areas from which these missionaries came, sharing with the pastor about how this history continues to shape the ministries of these congregations. As an aside, I discovered in my planning the pastor of one of the churches I will be visiting was a youth group member of the first United Church of Christ I attended in Greensboro, NC while I was in college.

In late June through mid-August, Betsy and I will be traveling first to the west coast for my annual baseball trip with my college buddies. Then, we will journey to the islands of O'ahu, Hawaii and Maui to visit several of the churches founded by the early Congregational missionaries. Among the churches I will visit will be the Kawaiaha'o Church on O'ahu founded by Rev. Hiram Bingham I, one of the original missionaries on the first company sent by the American Board of Commissioners of Foreign Missions, our predecessor to the present day Local Church Ministries.

I will return to Wentz's for a three week period from late August to September. On September 15<sup>th</sup>, Betsy and I will leave for the final stage of the sabbatical, a visit to Germany. I will visit Partenheim, the village of Peter Wentz, hopefully to talk with the pastor of the church where Wentz was baptized. I will also visit other towns as we are able to trace from the founding families and early pastors of Wentz's UCC. The ultimate would be to achieve a church to church relationship with one of these churches and Wentz's UCC.

As you can see, it will be a busy yet renewing time for both me and the congregation. We will kick off the Sabbatical season on June 5<sup>th</sup>, with our regular summer communion and a special service of Sabbatical Release. We end the day with the Wentz's Fest celebration. So, let's mark our calendars and join together in this special time for pastor and congregation.



*Wentz's Family  
Please keep these  
members  
and family and friends of  
members in  
your prayers:*

Bill Detwiler	Lorraine Seraika	Wesley Walton
Kim Metzger	Lois McConnell	
Nancy Domurat	Kathryn Eshbach	Pauline Caufield
Pauline Thacker	Christopher Johnson	Barbara Wenner
	Betty Reed	Barbara Reed
	Thomas Geyer	Bruce Keyser

**Doris "Pinky" Walton** Fran & Mark (friends of the Weners); **Albert D'Angelo** (friend of Bob Kocsi); **Marsha Chappell** (friend of Congregation); **Michael Corazon** (friend of Gail Reilley); **Debbie Deily** (aunt of Nichole Ostrowski); **Kathy Evelhock** (friend of Betsy Villareal); **Susan Fritz** (wife of Rev. Sterling Fritz); **Edward Gresch & Family** (Son & family of Bev Gresch); **Kathy Heinz** (friend of the DuBree family); **Judy & Julie** (friends of the Weners); **Jessica Jannenga** (Laura McLennan's sister-in-law); **Mary Lou Johnson** (Mom of Craig Johnson); **Jamie Jordan** (niece of the Rubery's); **Dorothy Klock** (friend of Jackie Wolfe); **Don Krapf** (friend of Kim Klines's); **Agnes Lafiata** (friend of Frank Engro & Paige Wolfe); **Sue McCallum** (friend of the Wisler's); **June Messinger** (friend of Annalise Wilson); **Peg Moser** (friend of Pastor Tony); **Marlee Mintzer-Shaner** (friend of the Reed family); **Nathan Morton** (Nephew of Stacy Morton); **Jaime Moyer** (son-in-law of Carl & Henrietta Kurtz); **Taylor Moyer** (granddaughter of Carl & Henrietta Kurtz); **Alexander Murph** (friend of Kim Kline); **Mia Nguyen** (friend of June Wright); **Nunes Family** (friend of the Rader's); **Beth Ann Phipps** (niece of Craig Johnson); **David Roper** (nephew of Bev Wilkie); **Mary Jane Roth** (mother of Megan Roth); **Hank Ryzner** (grandfather of Bob Darde); **Louis Santora** (Uncle of Bev & Henrietta); **Lisa Serrao** (friend of the Kessler family); **Shackelton Family** (friend of Nancy Ricci); **Barnes Tatum** (friend of Pastor Tony); **Brian Tew** (friend of Debi Kinsky); **Mary Todd** (wife of Gordon Todd, Jr); **Mabel Weidman** (friend of Betty Wilkie); **Ty White** (friend of Stacy Morton); **Virginia Wright** (Mom of June Wright); **Iva Zanoni** (friend of the Snyders)

Births  
Ethan Lepore, April 21, 2016  
Son of Nicole Lepore & Brian Lepore

Baptisms  
Alexander Paul Vogt, May 1, 2016  
Son of Albert & Allison Vogt

The Newsletter is published 11 times per year. **The deadline is always the 15th of every month.** To ensure communication throughout the entire Wentz's family, please contact the church office with your newsletter articles. Should you need assistance, please call us at 610-584-4855 and we'll take care of you. Your contribution to this newsletter is appreciated.

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THE WOMEN'S GUILD is seeking the following positions: President or Vice President, a Secretary and a Photographer. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Hilda McFarland.



**JEWELRY BOOTH:** Please remember there is a box in the Guild Room for costume jewelry donations for the Christmas Bazaar. We have had very little donated so far this year. Any condition of jewelry is accepted as we can sell broken things or single earrings to crafters. Remember us at garage sales—often jewelry can be gotten for very low prices, and we can resell it at the Bazaar. Old jewelry boxes in any condition sell well, along with men's jewelry. We have also had good luck selling evening bags. Time to clean out! We will also pick up items if needed. If you want some of your jewelry evaluated we will tell you what the value is before you make the decision to donate. Any questions call Ann Kulp or Vera Hubbard.



**MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** Summer Communion is on Sunday, June 5<sup>th</sup> with only ONE service at 10:45a.m. At this service we will hold a Service of Sabbatical Release for both Pastor Tony and the Congregation. After the service, please join us for WentzFest, our all-church picnic. We begin our Summer Worship schedule on June 12<sup>th</sup>, with one service held at 9:30a.m. We begin our Sabbatical at this time as we begin our rediscovery of Mission Outreach.

**CONGREGATIONAL INFORMATION MEETING:** The Consistory is excited about a new possible building project to enhance our ministries, particularly the music ministries. Consistory invites you to a Congregational Informational Meeting, on **Sunday June 5<sup>th</sup> before the 10:45am Service of Worship**. If you have any questions, please contact any member of Consistory.



DO YOU KNOW SOME-  
ONE WHO IS in the hos-  
pital or may need to  
talk with the Pastor? If  
so, please inform the  
church office, or contact  
Pastor Tony:

[pastortony@wentzsucc.org](mailto:pastortony@wentzsucc.org)



### THANK YOU FROM THE STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE!

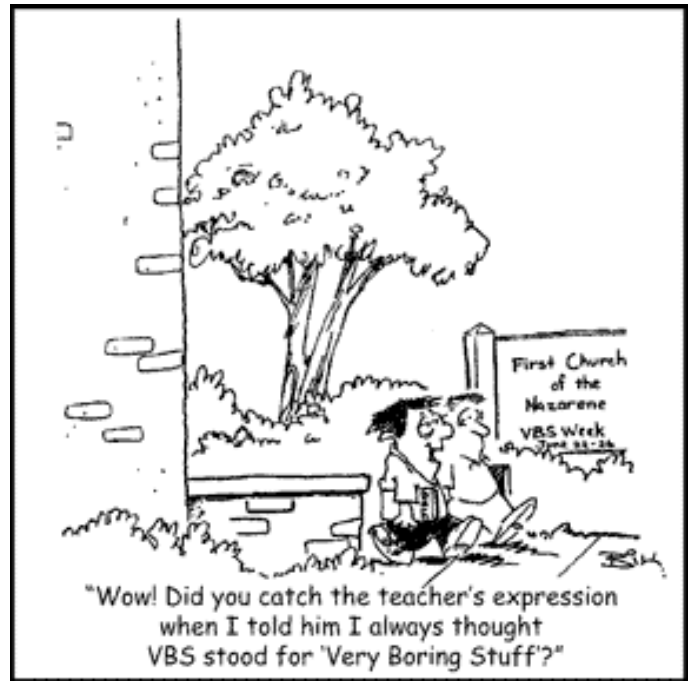
The Stewardship Committee received a check in the amount of \$259.90 from our Dining-Out at Bertucci's Restaurant. Our Dining-Outs are very easy fundraisers for our General Fund and enjoyed by many of Wentz's members, their families, and their friends. Your continued support to ALL of Wentz's Stewardship events is greatly appreciated.



The annual Garden Tour is scheduled for **Saturday, June 18<sup>th</sup>** from 9 ~ 3pm. The Garden Tour is a fun and substantial fund-raiser for our General Fund, and it is an event that our church now is known for in the community. The gardens on tour this year will be in the Perkiomen & Upper Perkiomen Valley. Tickets are on sale now. \$15 for the Tea, \$20 for the Tour, OR \$30 for a Combo (tea & tour) Ticket. Tickets will be mailed after June 1st. We are looking for Volunteers to help with the Garden Tour. ALL volunteers are treated to a private garden tour on Friday evening, followed by a party. It's a lot of fun. Please call Karen Rader - 610-613-7443.



We had an absolutely fabulous year! Best wishes to our little graduates heading off to kindergarten! We are looking forward to a summer of fun at our weekly camps, and invite you to join us. If you are looking for a program for young people between the ages of 2 and 5, we are still accepting registrations for Fall 2016. If anyone would like to stop by for a tour or talk to someone about enrollment, please contact Kim Bauer at 215-767-3766, or call the church office and leave a message for the preschool. We hope you all have a wonderful, safe, and blessed summer!





## GRADUATE SUNDAY

On Sunday, May 22nd, we celebrated high school graduates **Katie Armstrong, Tommy Armstrong, Rachel Darde, Madalyn Figurelle, and Brianna Landis**; and college graduates **Colin Cameron**, graduated from Juniata College, Bachelor of Science degree in Finance, **Devon Carrow**, Drexel University, Dual Bachelor's Degree in International Business & Legal Studies, **Megan Darde** – Millersville University, Bachelor's Degree in Psychology, **Kathryn Kocsi** – University of Pittsburgh, International Business & Marketing, **Amy Kriebel**, Gwynedd Mercy University, MBA in Strategic Management Planning, **Andrew Kriebel**, Montgomery County Community College, Associates Degree in Business Administration, **Christopher Leach**-Johns Hopkins University, MS in Electrical Engineering, **Kyle Reider**, Penn State University, Bachelor's Degree in Sciences-Civil Engineering, and **Hannah Wright**, University of Pittsburgh, Dietrich School of Arts & Sciences, Bachelor's Degree in Communication. Let us keep them in our prayers as they begin a new chapter in their life journey.



**SUMMER CAMP:** If you are interested in a summer camp, there are brochures about the Hartman Center ([www.hartmancenter.com](http://www.hartmancenter.com)) & New Goshenhoppen ([www.newgoshucc.org](http://www.newgoshucc.org)) at the Welcome Desk.

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SUMMER CELEBRATION NEXT Friday

Bring your fiends!

RSVP by July 14

What kind of *friends* will show up to this event?



# Youth Group News

All youth group members need to complete the Wentz's UCC Information Sheet with your insurance information in order to participate in youth group events. This form can be found online at: [www.wentzsucc.org](http://www.wentzsucc.org) and on the youth group bulletin board outside of Fellowship Hall.



## **Ninth Annual Wentzfest Community Picnic**

**Sunday, June 5, 2016, 12pm-2:30pm**

**Food (Hot Dogs, Hamburgers, etc.)**

**Live Music, Carnival Games, Sports, Fellowship, and More.**

**Please use the sign-up sheet at the Welcome Desk. We ask that you bring your favorite side-dish or salad to share.**

**Thank you. Questions? Contact Pastor Tony at 610-584-4855 or [pastortony@wentzsucc.org](mailto:pastortony@wentzsucc.org)**

**Guests are Welcome!**



**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL ~ Cave Quest**

**August 8 thru 12 from 9am until noon**

**Mark your calendars for our Vacation Bible School.**

**If you are interested in volunteering, please see Chip Kinsky or Pastor Tony. *Youth Group Leaders are always needed.***

**More details will follow in future bulletins and will be emailed.**



The **National UCC Youth Event** will be held July 26 - 30, 2016 at the Coronado Springs Conference Center of Disney World in Orlando, Florida. The National Youth Event is centered on faith, leadership, service and social justice. It is celebrated as the largest denomination gathering for the United Church of Christ with an expected attendance of 4,000 participants! Our very generous Congregation has helped send 12 Youth Group Members and 4 Chaperones to this event. We also have helped send 2 Youth from another local congregation to this event, and one youth from Hawaii! The youth from Hawaii ties in with Pastor Tony's Sabbatical to Hawaii! Thank you!

Transportation for our group to travel with American Airlines is being arranged and details will become available soon. All forms must be completed and returned to the church office.

This year's theme is BELIEVE. It is a charge, responsibility and call to action and is based on the Hebrews 11:1 scripture "Now faith is the confidence that what we believe will actually happen; it gives us assurance about things we cannot see."

*Questions or Concerns: Contact:*

*Chip Kinsky [chipk8691@verizon.net](mailto:chipk8691@verizon.net) or Tom Broderick [tbroderick3@msn.com](mailto:tbroderick3@msn.com)*

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✝ Summer Schedule: 9:30 a.m. Worship Service

June 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> 8 pm AA  Preschool Camp Session 2	<b>2</b> 7:30 Choir 7:30pm AA  Preschool Camp Session 2	<b>3</b> 8pm AA (Men)	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> ☀ 10:45am Service Only Summer Communion WentzFest	<b>6</b> 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)  Preschool Camp Session 3	<b>7</b> 7:30pm AA  Preschool Camp Session 3	<b>8</b> 7:30pm Consistory 8 pm AA  Preschool Camp Session 3	<b>9</b> 7:30pm AA  Preschool Camp Session 3	<b>10</b> 8pm AA (Men)	<b>11</b>
<b>12</b> ✝ Speaker from <b>Mary's Shelter</b>	<b>13</b> 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	<b>14</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>15</b> 8 pm AA	<b>16</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>17</b> 8pm AA (Men)	<b>18</b> 9am Garden Tour
<b>19</b> ✝ Speaker from Mitzvah Circle  Father's Day	<b>20</b> 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	<b>21</b> 7:30pm AA 7:30pm Stewardship	<b>22</b> 8 pm AA	<b>23</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>24</b> 8pm AA (Men)	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> ✝ Speaker from Center for Loss & Bereavement	<b>27</b> 6:30pm AA (Women Only)  Preschool Camp Session 4	<b>28</b> 7:30pm AA  Preschool Camp Session 4	<b>29</b> 8 pm AA  Preschool Camp Session 4	<b>30</b> 7:30pm AA  Preschool Camp Session 4		



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July 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					<b>1</b> 8pm AA (Men)	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b> ✚ Speaker from Lancaster Seminary	<b>4</b> Holiday-Office Closed 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	<b>5</b> 7:30pm AA Preschool Camp Session 5	<b>6</b> 8 pm AA Preschool Camp Session 5	<b>7</b> 7:30pm AA Preschool Camp Session 5	<b>8</b> 8pm AA (Men)	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b> ✚ Speaker from Neighbors in Need	<b>11</b> 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)  Preschool Camp Session 6	<b>12</b> 7:30pm AA Preschool Camp Session 6	<b>13</b> 7:30pm Consistory 8 pm AA Preschool Camp Session 6	<b>14</b> 7:30pm AA Preschool Camp Session 6	<b>15</b> 8pm AA (Men)	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b> ✚ Speaker from Laurel House	<b>18</b> 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	<b>19</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>20</b> 8 pm AA	<b>21</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>22</b> 8pm AA	<b>23</b>
<b>24</b> ✚ Speaker from Manna on Main Street	<b>25</b> 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	<b>26</b> 7:30pm AA 7:30pm Stewardship  National Youth Event	<b>27</b> 8 pm AA National Youth Event	<b>28</b> 7:30pm AA National Youth Event	<b>29</b> 8pm AA National Youth Event	<b>30</b> National Youth Event Returns
<b>31</b> ✚ Speaker from Oak Park Elementary						

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# August 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	<b>1</b> 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	<b>2</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>3</b> 8 pm AA	<b>4</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>5</b> 8pm AA (Men)	<b>6</b>
<b>7</b> ☀ Speaker from Crop Walk	<b>8</b> 9am 12noon Vacation Bible School 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	<b>9</b> 9am 12noon Vacation Bible School 7:30pm AA	<b>10</b> 9am 12noon Vacation Bible School 7:30pm Consistory 8 pm AA	<b>11</b> 9am 12noon Vacation Bible School 7:30pm AA	<b>12</b> 9am 12noon Vacation Bible School 8pm AA (Men)	<b>13</b>
<b>14</b> ☀ Our NYE Participants Speak	<b>15</b> 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	<b>16</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>17</b> 8 pm AA	<b>18</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>19</b> 8pm AA (Men)	<b>20</b>
<b>21</b> ☀ Speaker from Habitat for Humanity	<b>22</b> 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	<b>23</b> 7:30pm AA 7:30pm Stewardship 7:30 Christian Ed 8:30pm Preschool Board Mtg	<b>24</b> 8 pm AA	<b>25</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>26</b> 8pm AA (Men)	<b>27</b>
<b>28</b> ☀ Blessing of the Animals	<b>29</b> 6:30pm AA (Women Only)	<b>30</b> 7:30pm AA	<b>31</b> 8 pm AA			