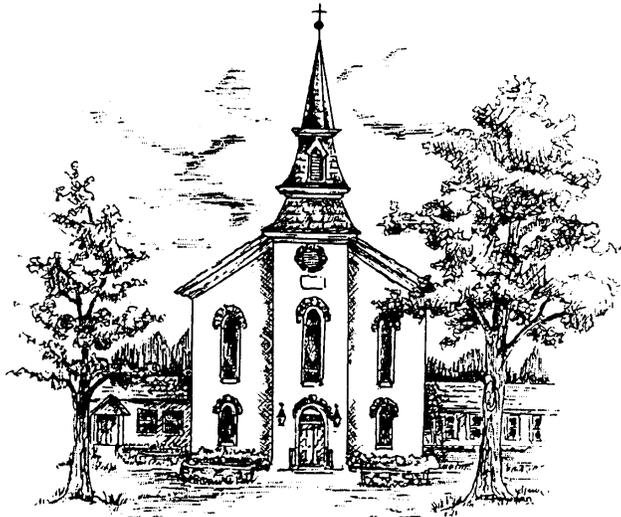


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Please send your email address to: office@wentzsucc.org
Thank you.

From Pastor Tony



“...and you will be my witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.” (Acts 1:8b)

When was the last time you talked about Jesus...in a public bathroom? I know that’s a strange question to ask. Why would anyone talk about Jesus in a public bathroom? That kind of talk should be in the church, maybe in the home or with a roommate in college, but in a public bathroom?

One of the interesting moments of the Hawaiian leg of my sabbatical was just such an experience. As I was in the facility, I overheard a conversation between a regular tourist and one of the helpers on a tour ship vessel (we were in Lahaina on Maui, at the public bathrooms on the docks where all the tourist boats are located). After recognizing one another from the just completed tour, the tourist noted that he had seen the young man elsewhere, sharing his faith in Jesus. Acknowledging this, the young man explained how he felt because of his faith, and could not help himself in wanting to share this with anyone he could. They exchanged a few more pleasantries and then departed.

I reflected upon that exchange, a result of the missionary work of the previous century. The Hawaiian people heard the gospel proclaimed by the witnessing of the New England missionaries, and came to accept and believe the gospel of Jesus Christ. The young man is a fruit of that initial endeavor.

Mission outreach is that way. It makes its mark upon the people served, transforming their lives. What I witnessed in that young man was the results of the missionary effort to share the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We have been learning about our missionary efforts through the many local and greater missions we support. The lives changed are a result of our support. They are the outcome of our giving.

As we gather from the summer break, and rally once again to participate in the church’s mission of sharing the gospel, let us take comfort in knowing that somehow and in some way we are helping to change lives in the sharing of the gospel. This may impact us in ways we haven’t imagined – like the child in Sunday School who brightens at the idea of Jesus’ love for her, or the youth who comes to understand their spiritual strength in dealing with the pressures of peers, or even a young man willing to talk about Jesus in a public bathroom!

So, when was the last time you shared your faith, in words and actions. Go and live your faith; it may change the life of someone!



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

Wesley Walton	Lois McConnell	Bill Detwiler
Kathryn Eshbach	Pauline Caufield	Kim Metzger
Melissa Johnson	Pauline Thacker	Thomas Geyer
Bruce Keyser	Thelma Wood	Fran & Mark (friends of the Wengers); 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); Bill Fisher (Brother-in-law of Denise Granlun); Susan Fritz (wife of Rev. Sterling Fritz); Janet Garris (friend of Kim Kline); Edward Gresch & Family (Son & family of Bev Gresch); Ruth Hague (friend of the Domurat family); Elizabeth Hanes (mom of Kim Kocsi); Kathy Heinz (friend of the DuBree family); Judy & Julie (friends of the Wengers); Jessica Jannenga (Laura McLennan's sister-in-law); Mary Lou Johnson (Mom of Craig Johnson); Jamie Jordan (niece of the Rubery's); Doro- thy Klock (friend of Jackie Wolfe); Marsha Koopman (sister of Denise Granlun); Don Krapp (friend of Kim Klines's); Agnes Lafiata (friend of Frank Engro & Paige Wolfe); Sue McCallum (friend of the Wisler's); Peg Moser (friend of Pas- tor 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 Kin- sky); 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); Jeanette & Melvin Yocum (friends of Annalise Wilson); Iva Zanoni (friend of the Snyders)

Births

Joshua Michael Ostrowski ~ July 5, 2016
Son of Jon & Nichole Ostrowski

Deaths

Lillian Lorraine Seraika ~ August 12, 2016
Barbara Wenner ~ August 14, 2016

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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Don't forget to use
GoodSearch, GoodShop,
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to help support our church.



September 11: Sunday School begins at 9:30 a.m.
Worship is at 10:45 a.m.
Please note that our early service will begin in November.



DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO IS in the hospital or may need to talk with the Pastor? If so, please inform the church office, or contact Pastor

Tony: pastortony@wentzsucc.org



Join us for Sunday School Rally Day on September 11 at 9:30 a.m.



October 2 at 10:45 a.m. we celebrate World Communion Sunday

Pancake Breakfast



The Stewardship Committee invites you to a Pancake Breakfast beginning at 8:30 a.m. on September 11. *A free-will donation is appreciated.*



2016-17 Confirmation Class

Confirmation Orientation Night is Thursday, September 8 at 7:00 p.m.

Confirmation Kick-Off Retreat is Saturday, September 10th, beginning at 9:30 a.m.

Confirmation Commitment Sunday is September 11th at the 10:45 a.m. service.

Please contact Pastor Tony if you have any questions.

Adult Sunday School Class



JOIN US FOR ART BUSTARD'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS on Sunday, **September 18 beginning at 9a.m.** and remember to bring something to share for our breakfast as we begin a new video series from Ray

Vender Laan. This 5 week course will focus on the video "The Mission of Jesus" from his "That the World May Know" series. Offerings collected for this Sunday School class will be donated to our newest building project! We hope to see you there as we begin an exciting 2016-2017 year!



Mitzvah Circle Foundation

Hand's On Service Project
Sunday, September 25, from 1—3pm
Sign-up at the Welcome Desk!



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. All Women of Wentz's are invited to join us on MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 19 at 7:00 p.m. for our Guild Meeting.



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.

BAZAAR ALERT



Wentz's Women's Guild wants to remind you that the Christmas Bazaar is Saturday, December 3.

1. Please remember items for ATTIC TREASURES and CHRISTMAS PAST, plus books, games, etc. for the BOOK NOOK.
2. Make soups, jams, candy and/or relish for the Gourmet Table.
3. COOKIE BAKING starts in October and we are in need of cookie makers, cookie helpers and cookie packers .
4. Please attend the WOMEN'S GUILD MEETING on SEPTEMBER 19 @ 7:00 p.m.

Mark your calendars! Cookie Baking begins October 17 from 8am until Noon. Cookie Packing is on the same evening and begins at 6pm until 7:30pm. If you can help out a little or a lot, it will be greatly appreciated. The dates for cookie baking and packing are as follows:
October 17, 18, 24, 25, & 31. November 1, 7, 9, & 10 (if needed)
If you would like to help, or if you have any questions or concerns, contact Rita Cipriano

We also need clean tubes from paper towel rolls. Please place them on the credenza in the Guild Room.

LOST AND FOUND: Please check the coat rack and box by the kitchen for lost and found items. Anything not claimed by the end of September will be donated to Mitzvah Circle.



September

Hello and Happy Fall from the Preschool!

We have been busy here! We enjoyed 5 weeks of summer sessions between May and July, and had a great time working with the VBS team in August! The school looks a little different this year. We've added a new office space, as well as a library/music room that will double as a new Kindergarten Enrichment classroom in the afternoons! Pretty exciting stuff! Check it out when you stop by for Sunday School!

We did endure a slight hiccup this summer, when we discovered our phone lines were not working properly. Many thanks go out to Gerald and Rob for spending a very hot day running up and down the stairs troubleshooting and getting us back online! Thank you for saving the day! It is GREAT having messages coming in again for preschool registrations!

It's a new and exciting year for us, and we look forward to sharing it with you! Stay tuned for upcoming announcements and events, as well as opportunities to serve the youngest members of our church community. We thank you for your ever present love and support!

If you or anyone you know would like to join our Wentz's family, have them give us a call. And please extend our sincere apologies if they tried to call while our phone line was down. 610-584-4855.

Thank you!

Kim Bauer

Director of Wentz's Preschool



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 and on the youth group bulletin board outside of Fellowship Hall.

The Youth Group will begin the year on September 11 at 6:30 pm.

We will meet in the Fellowship Hall. We will explore upcoming activities. For any questions please see Pastor Tony.

You're invited to an Applebee's Flapjack Fundraiser Breakfast to support Wentz's Youth Group!



\$7 per person

Saturday, September 17

8 ~ 10 a.m.

Tickets available at Welcome Desk. Please call Kim DuBree if you have any questions:
215-527-9963

CONFIRMATION CLASS: A new confirmation class is being formed for the 2016-2017 school year. If your child is going into the 7th grade or higher and would like to join the confirmation class, please contact the church office.

☀ 8:30am Journey Service (first of the month) & then Regular Service the Sundays following, 9:30am Sunday School; Allegro Ringers during Offertory; Cherub Choir/Junior Choir/Youth Choir, Flute Choir & Youth Band following Children's Message at the 10:45am Service of Worship; 10:30am Prelude chimes 10:45am church service

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

September 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7:30pm AA	2 8pm AA (Men)	3
4 ✝	5 Holiday-Office Closed 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	6 7:30pm AA	7 8 pm AA	8 7pm Confirmation Orientation Night 7:30pm Chancel Choir 7:30pm AA	9 8pm AA (Men)	10 9:30am Confirmation Kick-off Retreat
11 ☀ 8:30am Pancake Breakfast 9:30am Rally Day Confirmation Commitment 6:30pm Youth Group Meeting	12 6:30 pm AA (Women Only)	13 7:30pm AA	14 6:30pm Elders Mtg 7:30pm Consistory 8 pm AA	15 7:30pm Chancel Choir 7:30pm AA	16 8pm AA (Men)	17 8-10am Applebees Flapjack Fundraiser
18 ☀ 9am Adult Sunday School Class begins Speaker from Veterans of the Cross Second Grade Bibles	19 6:30 pm AA (Women Only) 7pm Women's Guild Mtg	20 7:30pm AA 7:30pm Stewardship 7:30pm Christian Ed Committee Meeting	21 8 pm AA	22 7:30pm Chancel Choir 7:30pm AA	23 8pm AA (Men)	24
25 ☀ Speaker from Wentz's Scholarship Program 1-3pm Mitzvah Circle Project	26 6:30pm AA (Women Only)	27 7:30pm AA	28 8 pm AA	29 7:30pm Chancel Choir 7:30pm AA	30 8pm AA (Men)	

* Please note that the Resounding Ringers' practice schedule will either be on Monday night or Tuesday night. Laura will post the schedule on the music calendar on the website, or you may contact Laura: dlrnmclennan@gmail.com or 215-234-4635