

The Vine

From Pastor Doug:

On my desk is a calendar of silly things that people have said. The one for Father's day goes like this:
Attorney: What was your father's name?

Witness: I don't know, we always called him "Dad."

While humorous, it makes me think of two things. First, it reminds me of the term that Jesus used when he talked to his heavenly father. It was the word, "Abba" which is the Aramaic word for of the word "Father" "Dad" and "Daddy." There was only one word, and regardless of which way Jesus meant it, we understand that he used it because he had a relationship with God. It was a familiar father-son relationship. It is a model of a parent-child relationship with God that we need to have. We should be comfortable knowing God as our parent; one who loves and cares for us and with whom we can share our needs and desires. What have you done recently to nourish that relationship?

The second thing I see in this is that while this witness did not know his father's name, our Heavenly Father always knows our name. In Biblical times, when you knew someone's name it not only meant that you knew something of the person's personality, but that you also had some influence over the person. God knows us intimately. God is our creator and made us who we are. God wants us to live in obedience to God's will, so we are influenced and guided by the Holy Spirit. Isn't it great to have a relationship with someone who knows us so intimately and loves us so deeply?

This Father's Day, let us give thanks for our earthly fathers and grandfathers, but also to our Heavenly Father who knows our name, calls us into relationship, and loves us!

UMYF and Acolyte Upcoming Events

The Acolytes and Youth will be playing Mini Golf at 3 PM on Sunday June 3rd We will play at the Big Swing Golf Course on Salina Road. It is \$6.00 for 36 holes.

The Acolyte End of the Year Party will be on June 9th at the Philadelphia Zoo. Family and friends are invited. Time and details to follow.

A fund has been established to repair the air conditioners in the sanctuary and McConnell Hall. Repair of the leaking units is estimated to be around \$1,800, and cost for the replacement of the bad unit over the stage is \$3,400. Please prayerfully consider if you can help out with donations for this effort. Thank you in advance!



SUMMER WORSHIP: Beginning on Sunday, June 24th, there will be only ONE service on Sunday mornings at 10:00. One service Sundays will continue through the summer. Two services will resume on Sunday, September 9th.

No more Teacher's, no more books....

At least until September. Believe it or not school is almost over for the 2017-18 school year. Please submit all graduates (elementary, middle, high school & college) to the office for Graduate Recognition Day. Please include the grade completed, old school name, new school name, or college major and college attending, or college graduated from and diploma received. All graduation information must be received by June 6.





MTV Painless Fundraiser
Buy Shop Rite (\$20) Cards The Church receives 5%
You receive gift cards dollar for dollar. It costs you nothing!

Where does the money go? It pays for some of the equipment needs of MTV. In addition, contributions have been made to UMC Mission Trips.

Goal: We have a goal of **\$1,000 per week**. This is easily achievable! We managed to achieve it 2 weeks in 2016! If we only had 50 families that shop at Shop Rite and each family bought one card per week, that would be \$1,000. The church would earn **\$2,600 per year**. **When we meet this goal, MTV would not only be mostly self-supporting, we would also be able to make larger contributions for other church needs.**

Action: LET'S DO IT! Exchange your cash or check for Shop Rite gift cards and go food shopping for your family or donate cards to The Corinthian Cup-board or Family Promise! It costs nothing but reaps great rewards!

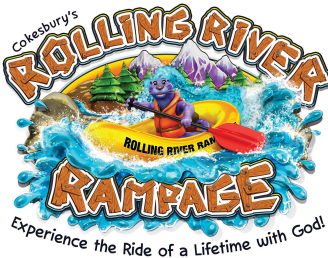
Keep up the Good Work!

2017 1st Quarter \$292 per week	2017 2nd Quarter \$375 per week	2017 3rd Quarter \$328 per week	2016 4th Quarter \$387 per week
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THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!
Bruce Reyher, MTV Treasurer

Women's Community Bible Study will meet on the 2nd Tuesday during June, July, and August at 9:30 am. In September we will resume meeting on the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays. Please join with us as we study God's Word. All are welcome. Please contact the church office at 468-2711 or call 468-5549 with questions.

Vacation Bible School 2018
 Rampage River



It is almost time to enjoy Vacation Bible School with family & friends! We hope you can join us for a week of fun and learning at The United Methodist Church of Mantua VBS 2018.

Vacation Bible School will be held
 Mon. June 25th—Fri. June 29th
 From 6:00 pm—8:30 pm.

We will begin with dinner every night, then music, missions, classes for all ages, games, crafts, snacks and prayer.

We are in need of teachers and helpers.

Pre-registration will begin on
 Sunday, May 28th
 in McConnell Hall between services.
 Donation—\$5.00 per person
 T-shirt or Music CD—\$5.00 each

For more information or if you would like to help, please see or email
 Jenise Fraser at
 vbsumcofmantua@gmail.com.

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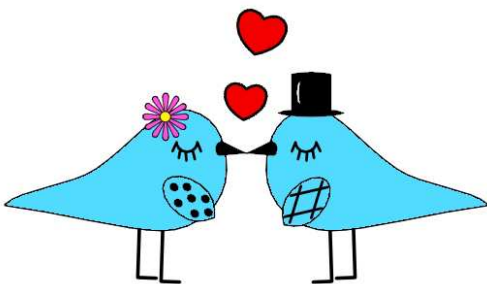
Happy June Birthday!

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| 1 | Nancy Reyher
Steven Rogers | 17 | Matthew Fraser |
| 2 | Sammy Ensor | 18 | Hunter Fuchs
Raeya Fuchs |
| 3 | Roy Overton | 21 | Delaney Dalton
Ethan Dalton |
| 4 | Dane Drucker | 22 | Laura Ristine
Peyton Shute
Mark Wyatt |
| 5 | Kaylie Eckert | 23 | Sophia Fuchs |
| 7 | Sean McMullen
Alex Rossi
Christine Smith | 25 | Robin DeGirolamo |
| 8 | Jenise Fraser | 26 | Locklyn Weiner
Nick Zelinsky |
| 10 | Jan Fuhrer | 27 | Suzee Wagner
Doug Wardrop |
| 11 | Kaelyn Gallagher
Matthew Hickman
Tim Newcomb
Nolan Rollins
Christian Salvatore | 30 | Colin Keller
Kaitie Langer
Kevin Sullivan Sr. |
| 13 | Tracie Schaekel | | |
| 14 | Kathy Allen | | |
| 15 | Jackie Farace | | |
| 16 | Kelly Rouh
Jeffrey Wescott
Bill Wolf | | |



Happy June Anniversary

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| 13 | Scott & Kristen Lisle |
| 20 | Bob & Becky Langer |
| 23 | Tom & Sarah Jennings |
| 24 | John & Carol Lewis |
| 25 | Lance & Laura Holman |
| 27 | Paul & Stacie Toppin |
| 28 | Susan & Kevin Sullivan |



June 2018 Communion Offering *Young Life Capernaum Group*

Young Life was incorporated in 1941 by Jim Rayburn, a seminary student and part-time youth minister in Gainesville, Texas, who wanted to reach out to youth disinterested in church. Mr. Rayburn went where youth were and found creative ways to share the love of God with them. Activities were and still are open to every youth.

Young Life has had an active ministry in this area since the 1980's. The Ministry is currently reaching students across Gloucester County with its current focus on Washington Township and Clearview Regional High School students. Many of our youth have participated in *Young Life* and we hosted them at our church for a short time.

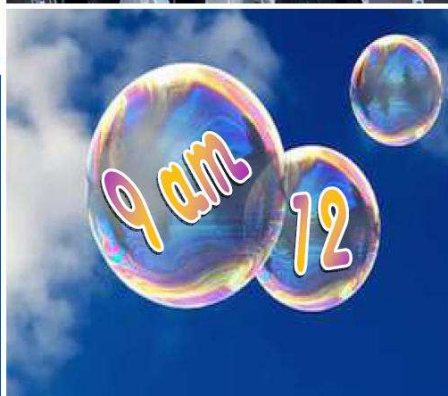
Young Life Capernaum Ministries is a dedicated program which resulted out of *Young Life* dedicated for youth and young adults with special needs.

This Ministry gives young people the chance to experience fun and adventure, to develop fulfilling friendships and to challenge their limits while building self-esteem through club, camp and other exciting activities. *Young Life* staff and volunteers model Christ's unconditional love and acceptance as they walk alongside these young adults — filling their lives with love and support.

For more information about *Young Life Capernaum* group contact:

Sean Raimondo at 609-442-0043 or Seanraimondo1414@gmail.com or Ylgc.Capernaum@gmail.com

<p>DESSERT CONTEST & PARTY</p> <p>JUNE 2, 2018 7-9 PM</p> <p>See one of the Mission Team Members or visit our table during fellowship for tickets and more information.</p>	<p>Tickets</p> <p>\$5</p> 	<h3>Dessert Contest</h3> <p>Enter Your Homemade Dessert for a chance to win a prize!</p> <p>Desserts will be judged on Presentation & Taste</p> <p>Desserts should be dropped off at by 6:30pm</p> <p>All entrants must be pre-registered</p>	<h3>Dessert Party</h3> <p>Buy a ticket and join us:</p> <p>Taste Desserts</p> <p>Vote for Your Favorite Dessert & Enter to Win a Prize</p> <p>Enjoy Coffee, Yummy Treats, Music & Fellowship</p>
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The Mission Team will be holding a car wash on Saturday June 16

9 AM until Noon
in the church parking lot.

THIS IS A FREE CAR WASH!


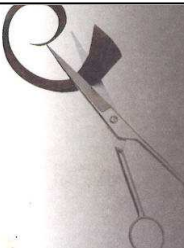

All donations will be accepted to support the work of the Mission Team this summer. Hope to see you!

ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The Alice Buck Memorial Scholarship will again be awarded this year to any graduating high school senior who is furthering their education, is a member of the United Methodist Church of Mantua, and/or regularly attends worship services and participates in church activities, such as UMYF, retreats and mission trips, and completes the application process NO LATER than June 3, 2018.

Application forms are available in the church office. Scholarships will be awarded on Student Recognition Sunday, June 10, 2018.

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