

# The Vine

## *From Pastor Doug...*

On March 6, we enter the Lenten Season as we prepare for Easter. I hope you will join us for the Ash Wednesday Soup Supper and Service. We will gather to eat at 6 PM on March 6. If you are able to bring a soup or bread, there is a sign-up sheet in McConnell Hall. At 7 PM, we will enter the Sanctuary for a service where we will receive communion and have the opportunity to receive ashes as well. Lent is a season of preparation, reflection, and self-denial, and the service helps to set the tone for the season.

While traditionally people give up things for Lent, the better choice is to try something new. This year at the ministerium Soup and Study, we will be looking at Spiritual practices that will help us grow in faith. The format this year is a little bit different. We will start at 11:30 AM and will begin with the study. We will finish with lunch, which will provide a hard start and give those who need to leave an opportunity to do so without missing the study. It will be ok to eat and run!! The schedule is as follows:

March 13: Memorial Presbyterian Church in Wenonah

March 20: Barnsboro UMC

March 27: Holy Trinity Episcopal Church in Wenonah

April 3: St. Paul UMC in West Deptford (Thorofare)

April 10: The UMC of Mantua

We hope you can join us!!

**Choices of the Heart Baby Bottle Offering** Baby Bottles for Choices of the Heart will be distributed on March 3 and should be returned March 31. This is a ministry for expectant mothers to offer support and Christian love. All are invited to participate by taking a bottle and filling it with change. The one thing we ask is for all used of unused bottles to be returned.

**Women's Community Bible Study** meets on the 2nd & 4th Tues. September-May at 9:30 am. 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.

**SaveAround Coupon Books and Wawa Hoagie Coupons** make wonderful gifts! Please see any J.U.G. Member to purchase a SaveAround Coupon Book or Hoagie Coupon!



## *Vacation Bible School 2019*

*June 24<sup>th</sup> - 28<sup>th</sup>*

*Mark your calendar for a week of fun and learning with family & friends!!*



### **MTV Painless Fundraiser**

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

**Goal:** We have a goal of **\$1,000 per week**. This is easily achievable!

**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 Cupboard or Family Promise! It costs nothing but reaps great rewards!

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!**

**Bruce Reyher, MTV Treasurer**





# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

2	Jessica DeGirolamo	12	Allison Gooch
	Tamara Friedman	14	Robert Brickner Jr.
	Lance Holman		Briana Morgan
3	Karlyne Bradley		Colleen Shute
	Ian Kruithof		George Wescott III
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5	Cheryl Finley	18	Chelly Kraft
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	Ryan Hausman	19	Abby Stanton
	Ed Wescott	20	Amelia Ensor
8	Steven Brickner		Maci Fox
	Doug Fraser	23	Payton Makaro
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	Nick Godsey	24	Justin Baitinger
10	Grady Fraser		Julianna Wardrop
	Dylan Fuchs	28	Theresa Skalit
	Frank Heiss	29	Rich Guarrera
11	Eric Humble	30	Kevin Kraft
		31	Ruth Holliday
			Nancy Wescott

## *Happy Anniversary*



4	Karl & Karen Dickel
11	Bob & Terry Grabert
15	Nick & Delle Zelinsky
18	Greg & Jody Miller
	John & Vickie Stens
23	Roy & Nancy Overton
25	Carl & Karen Kressley

**2019 Family Promise Schedule**

March 10 – March 16

May 5 – May 11

Sept 22 – Sept 28

Nov 17 – Nov 23

For more information, or to volunteer, please contact **Paul & Lori Brooks, 468-8769.**

*“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’”*  
Matthew 25:40

**Here’s how you can help:** Pre-Visit Preparations, Morning Van Drivers, Evening Van Drivers, Dinner Hosts, Evening Hosts, Overnight Hosts, Post-visit Breakdown, More Ways to Help, Pray for our guests, and our ministry. Take home a bag of laundry to wash, consider a small financial donation. Spread the word about the great things we accomplish with this ministry. There is strength in numbers, and the more volunteers we have, the stronger our ministry will become.

Pick up a booklet in the Narthex for more details for each duty.

**IT’S NOT TOO LATE!!!** to join us for this year’s Mission trip to Steubenville, Ohio, August 11-17. We will be working with the Urban Mission to do minor home repairs and in the food pantry, thrift shops, soup kitchen, and to help during the Back to School Bash. The total cost of the trip is \$250.00 per person which includes a day at Kennywood, an Amusement Park in Pittsburgh. If you would like to join us, there is a \$50.00 per person deposit due as soon as possible. We will be planning fundraisers to help defray the cost. See Pastor Doug if you would like to go!!

**Fellowship, Food, and Fun Opportunity with Family Promise** Our week of hosting Family Promise is March 10 through the 17<sup>th</sup>. As always, there are many ways for you to be involved: spending the night at the church, hosting during the evening, providing a meal, driving the van, etc. You are always welcome to stop in and meet the guests who are with us. On Friday, March 15, the way that we will be providing dinner for our guests will be through a covered dish dinner. You are invited to come and bring a dish to share. There will be a sign-up sheet available in McConnell Hall so that we know we are covered with enough variety of foods. (However, if you came to the movie night, you know how much great food there was! So we should be fine.) After dinner we will play a couple of rounds of Candy Bar Bingo to have some fun. Join us!!

**Camp Cards Are Here** There will be upcoming opportunities to purchase Camp Cards from members of the Scouts BSA. Scout Sunday is March 10 this year. See one of the Scouts in McConnell Hall to purchase your card. The cost of the card is \$5.00 which gives you a \$5.00 off a \$50.00 purchase, so just like the MTV cards, it doesn’t cost you anything except a trip to ShopRite. The card also gives you access to many other local and national discounts when you sign up on line. \$2.50 of each card sold stays with the unit.




Choices of the Heart Baby Bottle Campaign will run from March 10– March 31. Money raised from the baby bottle campaign will support meeting the physical and spiritual needs of men and women who find themselves facing an unplanned pregnancy. Your support provides free pregnancy testing and ultrasound, and makes abortion recovery counseling possible. Additionally, you are reaching out to hundreds of students through our education programs, and serving mothers and children with materials needed.

Share life.  
Give blood.



## Red Cross Blood Drive March 4th 2:00 pm—7:00 pm

McConnell Hall

Please see Nancy Reyher with any questions

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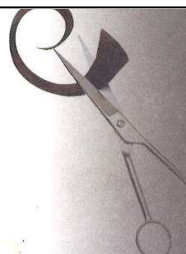
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