

THE HERALD



From the Pastor:

October 2011

The website of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A) has a lot of resources that many of you may find helpful. A few that may interest you are highlighted below.

One resource that has a long tradition is the *Mission Year for Prayer and Study*. The *Yearbook* is printed every year and has been printed for decades. Each day there is a page dedicated to the mission and ministry of the various councils of our denomination (presbytery, synod, and General Assembly) or a description of an overseas mission. Each page also includes the daily lectionary readings for the day. You can order copies of this book. But you can also view each day at the PCUSA web site. Go to <http://gamc.pcusa.org/ministries/missionyearbook/>, and then click the day on the calendar, and this will take you to the *Mission Yearbook* reading for the day. At the bottom of each day there are the daily lectionary readings, which usually include a reading from the Old Testament, the morning Psalms, the evening Psalms, an epistle reading, and a gospel reading. By clicking on the scripture passages, you will go to a page that has the scripture lesson. You can even have the daily readings emailed to you every day. Go farther down the page, and click on "Subscribe to the Mission Yearbook daily readings."

Perhaps you would like to have information about a particular Presbyterian Church. Go to the home page, <http://www.pcusa.org/>, and on the right side you will see a box where you can either type in the city and state, or the zip code, and you will go to a page where it might list more than one church. Click on the particular church you are looking for, and it will take you to another page. On that page you can click to see the church's website, or find statistical information about that church for the last ten years. The statistical information includes membership, average worship attendance, financial figures, and more.

If you would like information about a minister in the PCUSA go to <http://ogasys2.pcusa.org/mrcjava/mnstringy/i00010gc.mrc>. In the search box, type in the last name of the minister, and you will be taken to another page where you can select the minister and find information about that person.

The mission work of the PCUSA might be of interest to you. Go to <http://gamc.pcusa.org/ministries/world-mission/> where you will find quite a few links to all kinds of information, even information on volunteering. You may want to discover what the PCUSA is doing to help with various disasters around the world. Presbyterian Disaster Assistance is our mission agency that coordinates such a ministry and it can be found at <http://gamc.pcusa.org/ministries/pda/> There is a link to make a donation. You can always make a donation through your local church that way the donation is "credited" to your local church. However, if you want to donate directly, you can do that on this page.

If you would like to see the latest news of the PCUSA, go to <http://www.pcusa.org/news/> If you would like to have all of the PCUSA news releases emailed to you, you can subscribe by clicking the link "Subscribe by email" on the left side of the page. (Warning: you may get 5 or 6 emails a day if you subscribe to the news service!)

These resources are only a small portion of what is available on the PCUSA website. I invite you to go to pcusa.org and explore what is there.

Raymond A. Meester



October Birthday Greetings

- 01 Amber Brown
- 04 Sebastian Newman
- 04 Stephanie Brown
- 06 Shauna Marie Haas
- 08 Andrew Kurtis Singsaas
- 10 Dawn Thompson
- 17 Judy Guilliat
- 18 Frances Beurivage
- 18 Mary Brown
- 20 Mark Smith
- 22 Curtis Pester
- 23 Levonne Salisbury
- 28 C. Harvey Traudt
- 28 Ron Smith
- 29 Patrice Gaines
- 30 Melanie Dee Haas
- 30 Synder Rae Brickner
- 31 Sharon Baker
- 31 Sherill Quist



PLEASE BE IN PRAYER FOR

Elly Propp;
Beverly Bonnet

Please update prayer requests with Marilyn Smith or the church office weekly.

BEST CHOICE



Best Choice UPC Symbols.

2,000 more UPC symbols have been sent in for redemption so we should be receiving another \$60.00 soon for our youth program.

HERITAGE BIRTHDAY CLUB

Consider renewing or joining Heritage's Birthday Club. Donations (usually 1 dollar per year of life) are made to our endowment fund. These gifts will be used to ensure that our ministry can continue in the future.



October Anniversaries

- 03 James Robertson & Jane Bitney
- 03 Tom & Patty Doering
- 06 Arnold & Sharon Wells
- 09 Andrew & Kate Singsaas

Please notify the church office if your birthday or anniversary was omitted or incorrect so we can make the necessary changes.



Erin Hansen was received into church membership upon profession of faith on Sunday, September 18, 2011.

PRESBYTERIAN COFFEE PROJECT

As part of the Presbyterian Coffee Project, Equal Exchange donates 15 cents per pound purchased to the PC(USA) Small Farmer Fund. In 2010 this donation totaled \$21,788! The Presbyterian Hunger Program disburses the funds to small farmer cooperatives in the form of grants for development projects. Equal Exchange Coffees may be purchased at the coffee corner in the back of the church.

Christmas Boxes for Heritage Shut-ins & St. Elizabeth's & Tabitha Hospices

It's again time to start collecting items to make Christmas boxes. We need shoe boxes, old Christmas cards, old magazines, and tissue paper.



Cash donations will also be accepted. Items may be brought to the church or contact Kay Traudt (402-489-6010) and she will be happy to pick them up.

The Tabitha Activities Director has set up an activity for some of the residents to help prepare these boxes. However volunteers are needed to help the residents do this. They will meet in the cafeteria every Wednesday in October at 1:30 PM. Call Ann at Tabitha if you are interested (402-486-8534). **There will also be workshops at Heritage** on Tuesday afternoons in October at 1:00 PM in Fellowship Hall to put together these gift boxes. If you are interested in doing this, call Kay Traudt at (402-489-6010).

**Deny yourself:
Put down your spoon;
feed the hungry.**



"These Days" Daily Devotions Booklets for October, November, December, 2011 are in and may be picked up at the back of the church.



Heritage Book Club Selections

The book club meets in the Gibson Room at 7:00 PM.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

The following selections have

been made for the next six months:

October 10: *Cutting For Stone* by Abraham Verghese

November 14: *O Pioneers!* by Willa Cather

December 12: *Can't Wait To Get To Heaven*
by Fannie Flagg

January 9: *A Voice in The Wind* by Francine Rivers

February 13: *Song Without Words* by Ann Packer

March 12: *The Immortal Life of Henrietta Lacks*
by Rebecca Skloot



Lincoln's Annual CROP Hunger Walk

Sunday afternoon, October 9.

Over 1 billion people are hungry worldwide. That's one out of every seven people in the world.

Each day almost 16,000 children die from hunger-related causes – one every five seconds.

People are hungry in the United States, too. If all 36.2 million Americans faced with food insecurity stood in line at a food pantry in New York, the line would stretch to Los Angeles and back. Twice.

Please support the following Heritage walkers with your prayers and your generous donations: Danny & Jessica Broeder, Leanne Miller, Robyn Throckmorton & Greg Mason, Nancy Weyers & Family, Deb Kendle & Family, Ramona Meester & Family, Dawn Thompson & Family, Kate Singaas & Family, Lew & Karen Sieber.



ANNUAL SOUP SUPPER
You won't want to miss this!
November 6th
from 4:30 PM to 7:30 PM
Tickets to go on sale soon.

FOOD PANTRY

This is a very important ongoing program. So many people go hungry every day. Please continue to donate to the food pantry. Your donations are appreciated. Places to put the food are provided in the narthex and the south entrance of the church.



Waffleman Event & Silent Auction

The Mission Committee would like to thank all those who helped make the Waffleman and silent auction such a great success – \$1,577.50 was raised for a future mission trip by church members. We would especially like to thank those who:

- Donated items for the silent auction
- Purchased auction items
- Helped with loading/unloading the Waffleman equipment
- Helped in the kitchen or dining room
- And/or ATE WAFFLES!



MISSION TRIP



The Mission Committee is organizing a team for a mission trip sometime this fall. Due to the many tornado and flood disasters this year, we know that such a team will be needed somewhere in the US. If you are interested or would like more information, please contact Karen Griffin Sieber.

Peacemaking Offering

“Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God,” said Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace (Matthew 5:9). Responding to God's gift of peace, the church is called to join others and go into the world to build a culture of peace and nonviolence for all God's creation. The Mission Committee invites you to be a part of the work for peace in our world. Our church's 25% share of the offering will be directed to “making peace with the earth” as the church continues in its efforts to “go green”. The offering will conclude on World Communion Day, October 2nd.

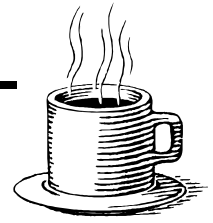


Hats & Mittens for Elliott School

The Mission Committee is once again asking for help to keep the children of Elliott School warm this winter. We will be collecting donations of hats and mittens through early November. Hopefully we can get these hats and mittens on the children before it gets really cold and snowy!



**SUNDAY SCHOOL 9:15 AM; WORSHIP 10:30 AM
COFFEE CORNER EACH SUNDAY MORNING
COOKIE FELLOWSHIP 1ST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH**



You are so gracious and thoughtful to donate 4 flood buckets to our flood victims. What a rewarding mission this has been, The dinners and buckets have certainly spread the warmth of love to these families in need! Thank you for your loving support!

Love & Prayers, Presbyterian Church friends Nebraska City

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Julie & Mark Hopp

Thank you for your recent generous gift of \$45.63 to the Lincoln Children’s Zoo towards supporting the Red Panda and other animals at the zoo....Your support allows the zoo to continue to create memorable experiences for our visitors and foster a life-long appreciation of nature....(This thank you letter has been posted on the church bulletin board in its entirety. The offering was received during vacation bible school in August 2011).

John P. Chapo, President/CEO

Lectionary Month of October:

October 2nd: Exodus 20:1-4, 7-9; Psalm 19; Philippians 3:4b-14; Matthew 21:33-46

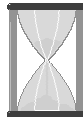
October 9th: Exodus 32:1-14; Psalm 106:1-6, 19-23; Philippians 4:1-9; Matthew 22:1-14

October 16th: Exodus 33:12-23; Psalm 99; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-10; Matthew 22:15-22

October 23rd: Deuteronomy 34:1-12; Psalm 90:1-6, 13-17; 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8; Matthew 22:34-46

October 30th: Joshua 3:7-17; Psalm 107:1-7, 33-37; 1 Thessalonians 2:9-13; Matthew 23:1-12

**DEADLINE FOR THE
NEXT HERALD**



October 15: Articles received after this time may not be included in the Newsletter.