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“For God so loved the world, that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.”

John 3:16-17

SESSION MINI-MINUTES

Submitted by Jan Mernone, Clerk



Quite a few famous persons in our history were born in April. I chose one who I think was most instrumental in helping to form this Republic of ours. He was born April 13, 1743 and died on July 4, 1826. (What founding father wouldn't want to pass from this physical life into the next on July 4th?) He was a philosopher, educator, naturalist, politician, scientist, architect, inventor, pioneer in scientific farming, musician, and writer. In addition, he was the foremost spokesman for democracy of his day. (Well now the Clerk doesn't feel so bad about all she has to do! I can only imagine how busy he was, and no computer to keep track of everything!) And you will remember that he was the person credited with writing The Declaration of Independence. I am sure you have guessed by now that you have been reading about our third president, Thomas Jefferson. He had a very classical education including Latin, Greek and Latin classics, history, literature, geography, and natural sciences. He attended the College of William and Mary in Williamsburg, Virginia. From there he became a lawyer, member of the Virginia House of Burgess, a Continental Congress Delegate, the Governor of Virginia, Minister of France, Secretary of State, Vice-President, and President of the United States. During this time, he married and had a son and five daughters (I know that his wife and servants helped raise the children but I hope their father had some time to spend with them). At age 65 he returned to his beloved mountaintop estate, Monticello, where he devoted himself to repairing and rebuilding his estate, designing houses for his friends, writing to friends like John Adams, and reading. Upon his death he left detailed instructions for his burial in a graveyard on his estate. After reading about Jefferson for this abbreviated tribute, I have to say that Jefferson and many men of his era were indeed the right people for the right time. Let's hope that we continue to raise men and women who are up for the challenges of their times.

Speaking of people who rise to the challenge of their times...Our **financials** are showing income of \$57,986.51 and expenses of \$41,987.72. **Member Care** scheduled an early spring membership class. On Easter Sunday we will be welcoming Michelle Cox and Michelle Houston as new members. The purpose of Member Care (a new department) is to oversee programs designed to welcome guests and to assimilate new members and retain existing members by providing fellowship opportunities, and participate in publicizing the activities of the church. **Personnel** met and each person on the committee will be a liaison with a member of our staff. When we meet in June we will be deciding how we will proceed with evaluations. **Finance** announced that the church is purchasing a 100% cedar wood playset, 2 brown convertible benches, and a border for the mulch to go in the play area north of the church. Thanks to **Maintaining** the leak in the women's restroom has been corrected. They are also getting equipment tuned up for outside work. **Nurturing** is encouraging all of us to attend the Tenebrae Service with Communion on Maundy Thursday in the sanctuary at 7pm. **Mission and Outreach** suggests anyone interested in the

“Guns to Gardens” event to view the Youtube video *Behind the Bullet*. We continue to support Kic-it, the organization helping homeless youth. This group will soon be going into schools and helping kids prepare for life after school. They also want to help them stay in school until graduation. Last but not least, Session discussed the document “Changes to the Structure of the Departments of Session” and made some changes to some of the department’s responsibilities.

There are signs of spring everywhere; plants, birds, geese sitting on nests (ugh), fountains back in ponds, grass growing...so get outside and enjoy.

Ye Ole Clerk

GUNS TO GARDENS

Submitted by Judy Lovejoy

Every week we hear stories of mass shootings, many involving young children. It can be very frustrating to want to help and not know what to do. This summer we hope to participate in a national program called Guns to Gardens. Building on the passage in Isaiah 2:1-5 that talks of “turning swords into plowshares and spears into pruning hooks” we will provide an opportunity for local residents to get rid of guns they no longer need or want. Guns will be dismantled and blacksmiths will turn them into garden tools or garden ornaments. A planning group with members from several churches is currently being assembled. Watch the bulletin and Presby Press for updates on their progress. Pastor Peter, Judy Lovejoy, and Michelle Cox have been taking training on how to do a Guns to Gardens event. If you have questions or would like to be part of the planning, please speak to any of them.

THANK YOU

Submitted by Charm Davis

Thank you to everyone for the thoughts, prayers, calls and especially all the cards. Thank you to Pastor Peter for his visits to the hospital. It meant so much to me!! - Charm Davis

THE SPRING FLING LUNCHEON

Submitted by Eleanor Mitchell

The Spring Fling Luncheon for Women will be back after a 3-year absence. This luncheon, hosted by the Love and Hope Circle, will take place **April 23rd at 12:00 noon** in our Fellowship Hall. Because of the rise in prices on everything, tickets will also reflect this: \$12 for adults and children 11 years and up; \$5.00 for children ages 6-10, and younger children will be served free of charge. The theme, “Our Indiana Home” will feature many Indiana features in decorations, program and Grafton Peek’s Hoosier Buffet. Put this date on your calendar, ask your guests and be ready to buy your tickets on either April 2nd or April 16th.

SOUPER BOWL OF CARING UPDATE

Submitted by Judy Lovejoy

We collected \$152 for the Souper Bowl of Caring and increased it to \$200 with funds already on hand. Nationally \$3,462,472 in cash and food was collected. 2,247 participating churches helped 2,316 charities.



“If its big enough to worry about, its big enough to pray about.”

Submitted by Marcia Justus

SOME HOOSIER TRIVIA

Original Author Cleo Burgard and Submitted by Fran Mitchell

The people of Indiana have been called “Hoosiers” since at least the early 1800s. It is one of the oldest state nicknames and has a wider acceptance than most. Where did Hoosier come from? What is its origin? What we do know is that it came into general usage in the 1830s. John Finlay of Richmond wrote a poem, “The Hoosier’s Nest”, which was in the Indianapolis Journal, January 1, 1833. As soon as our nickname came into general use, speculation began as to its origin. Among the most popular theories:

1. When a visitor hailed a pioneer’s cabin in Indiana or knocked upon its door, the settler would respond, “Who’s yere?”, and from this frequent response, Indiana became the “Who’s yere” or “Hoosier” state.
2. Indiana rivermen were so spectacularly successful in trouncing and “Hushing” their enemies in the brawling that was then common, that they came to be known as “Hushers” or Hoosiers.
3. There was once a contractor named Hoosier employed on the Louisville and Portland Canal, who preferred to hire laborers from Indiana. They were called, “Hoosiers”.
4. A theory attributed to Governor Joseph Right, was that the word Hoosier derived from an Indian word for corn, “Hoosa”. Indiana flatboat men, taking corn to New Orleans, came to be known as “Hoosa men”, or Hoosiers. Unfortunately, for this theory, a search of Indian vocabularies by a careful student of linguistics failed to reveal any such Indiana word for corn.
5. James Whitcomb Riley offered another theory. He claimed that “Hoosier” originated from the pugnacious habits of our early settlers. They were enthusiastic and vicious fighters, who gouged, scraped and bit off noses and ears. This was so common that a settler coming into a tavern the morning after a fight and seeing ears on the floor, would say, “Whose ear?”

Which one do you believe?



Submitted by Fran Mitchell

THAT'S PROGRESS !!??

God gave us all a brain--
and a voice to say what all we know.
So, why do we need computers
or "handy tablets"
To answer any questions
that need expounding on,
And cause folks like me such woe.
I want to get a person,
with an answer, right away--
I want to get a person
who sounds like they may care.
I know those folks are out there--
there are many in my life.
So, why is automation
causing me such strife?
It's OK for information--
actually, it's quite good.
But, I want a living, breathing person
when I need help and think I should.
I will be forever grateful,
I'll be your friend for life--
There, I just took a nerve pill,
and everything will soon be alright.
Nervous Nellie & Fran M.

UPCOMING THEATER PRODUCTION

Submitted by Lauren Underwood

OUR TOWN PLAYERS PRESENTS

MOON OVER BUFFALO

WRITTEN BY KEN LUDWIG
DIRECTED BY RYAN THOMPSON

TWO WEEKENDS!
APRIL 21-23 & 28-30, 2023

FRIDAYS 4/21 & 4/28
@ 7:30 PM

SATURDAYS 4/22 & 4/29
@ 7:30 PM

SUNDAYS 4/23 & 4/30
@ 2:30 PM

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As some of you may know, I am currently in rehearsals for a very funny show with Our Town Players! We are presenting the farce **Moon Over Buffalo** by Ken Ludwig at the end of April. I play the character, Rosalind, who is the daughter of two former Broadway stars now doing theater in Buffalo, NY. It has been so fun to get back on stage after just directing for the last few years. If you'd like to purchase tickets, please see me for the discounted early purchase rate!

Hope to see you there!

SETTING: The Erlanger Theatre, Buffalo, NY – 1953

SYNOPSIS: In the madcap comedy tradition of Lend Me a Tenor, the hilarious Moon Over Buffalo centers on George and Charlotte Hay, fading stars of the 1950s. At the moment, they're playing Private Lives and Cyrano De Bergerac in rep in Buffalo, New York with five actors. On the brink of a disastrous split-up caused by George's dalliance with a young ingénue, they receive word that they might just have one last shot at stardom: Frank Capra is coming to town



to see their matinee, and if he likes what he sees, he might cast them in his movie remake of The Scarlet Pimpernel. Unfortunately for George and Charlotte, everything that could go wrong does go wrong, abetted by a visit from their daughter's clueless fiancé and hilarious uncertainty about which play they're actually performing, caused by Charlotte's deaf, old stage-manager mother who hates every bone in George's body.





BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

BOY SCOUT NEWS

Submitted by Dave Baker
Liaison for BSA Troop #266

BSA Troop #266 Troop Meetings are
Thursdays from 7:00pm to 8:30 pm
Meeting in the Fellowship Hall



BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA

The following Boy Scouts have **Eagle Scout Ceremony** at GPC for the following dates in April. The Congregation of the Church is invited to attend both events

April 15 (Saturday) at 10:00 am for **Ben Crusier** followed by light refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

April 29 (Saturday) at 10:00 am for **Ethan Winnett** followed by light refreshments in Fellowship Hall.

- ❖ MEETINGS THIS MONTH: April 6*, 13, 20, 27 - *4/6 Meeting will be held at Freedom Springs due to Maundy Thursday at the Church.
- ❖ 4/1 Saturday - Philmont Practice Hike @ Brown County State Park - Leave Church @ 8:00 am
- ❖ 4/1 Saturday - Parking Fundraiser for Luke Combs Concert @ Lucas Oil Stadium -Leave Church @ 5pm
- ❖ 4/6 Thursday - Troop Meeting at Freedom Springs Park @ 7:00 pm
- ❖ 4/8 Saturday - Philmont Practice Hike @ Morgan -Monroe State Forest - Leave Church @ 8:00 am
- ❖ 4/13 Thursday - Bring Scout Book for Advancement Recording @ 7:00 pm
- ❖ 4/15 Saturday - Ben Crusier Eagle Scout Ceremony at GPC - Time 10:00 am
- ❖ 4/16 Sunday - Philmont Practice Hike @ Brown County State Pare - Leave Church @ 8:00 am
- ❖ 4/17 Monday - Adult Committee Meeting at GPC - Time @ 7:00 - 8:00 pm
- ❖ 4/21- 4/23 Friday - Sunday Campout @ Maumee Scout Reservation Leave Church Friday at 5:30pm
- ❖ 4/29 Saturday - Ethan Winnett Eagle Scout Ceremony at GPC - Time 10:00 am
- ❖ 4/30 Sunday - Philmont Practice Hike @ Yellowwood State Forest - Leave Church @ 8:00 am

CUB SCOUTS #266--Meetings are every Thursday at 6 pm until 7 pm except the 4th Thursday go until 8:30

- ❖ NO CUB Pack Meeting at Church on April 6th, will meet at Freedom Springs at @6:00 - 7:00 pm
- ❖ All other Activities with the Cub Scouts, See Scout Leaders for more information.

BROWNIES / GIRL SCOUTS – See Leaders for information. Meetings are 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Tuesdays in Fellowship Hall - Time 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Please see or call the Brownies Leaders for more Activities for the month.

Anybody interested in Scouting please contact the Scout Leaders or the Church Office.

Recipe of the Month

Easter Cupcakes

- ❖ 1 white cake mix
- ❖ 8oz cream cheese-softened
- ❖ 8oz lemon or key lime pie filling
- ❖ 4 eggs
- ❖ ¼ cup sugar

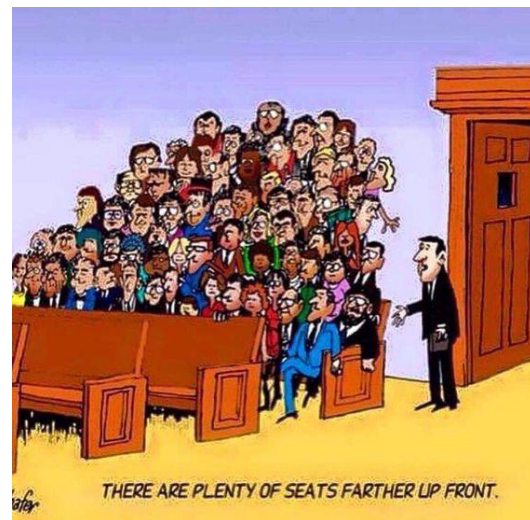
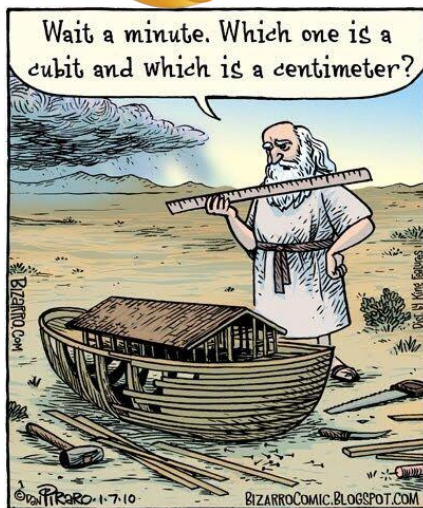


- In a small bowl, mix the softened cream cheese, 1 egg, pie filling and sugar. Set aside.
- Mix the cake mix according to the box directions – suggest using coconut oil instead of vegetable oil.
- Fill your cupcake liners just over ½ full of cake batter, then with a regular kitchen spon, put a big scoop of the cream cheese-pie filling batter on top.
- Bake at 325-350 degrees for about t 20-25 minutes



JUST FOR FUN

Submitted by Jan McFerran and Lauren Underwood



BIRTHDAYS



APRIL

2 Alex Talley
Cindy Zeigler
3 Margaret Denlinger
5 Ingrid Hensley
8 Jan Mernone
Gloria Redhead
11 Kolt Nelson
12 Carole Stockton
17 Ellen Wages
20 Donna Nelson
23 Marcia Justus
Lyric Meek
Will Scharfenberger
Larry Todrank

MAY

4 Roma Deck
Joshua Nelson
8 James Nelson
10 Madison Judge
15 Anna Towner
16 Jan McFerran
19 Dianne McFarland
21 Coleman Wages
24 Mark Hensley
Marilyn Metcalf
28 Danny Barnes
Tom Neimeyer

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