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"Therefore, my dear brothers, stand firm. Let nothing move you. Always give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord, because you know that your labor in the Lord is not in vain."

1 Corinthians 15:58

SESSION MINI-MINUTES

Submitted by Jan Mernone, Clerk

Weather, we all talk about it, but what makes it happen? "The interaction of ocean water with the atmosphere results in huge weather patterns that influence temperature and precipitation on land in cycles lasting months, years—even decades. Here are two: El Niño—occurs when the waters of the eastern tropical Pacific and the air above it become unusually warm. It typically lasts for 9 to 12 months, although episodes of 3 to 4 years have occurred, and it tends to bring...warm winters, springtime freezes; above normal rainfall; reduced risk of hurricanes in the Atlantic and increase risk in the Pacific. La Niña—El Niño's meteorological opposite occurs roughly half as often as El Niño and lasts 1 to 3 years. La Niña tends to bring...hot summers, cold winters; below normal precipitation; increased risk of hurricanes in the Atlantic and reduced risk in the Pacific."

Information copied from *Weather Almanac* published by The Old Farmer's Almanac 2023

Now to the business of the church...this month we are showing income of \$19,632.72 and expenses of \$22,756.57. **Pastor Peter** reported that the congregation has given \$4900 toward water wells. He mentioned two other positives. The first was that we had some visitors who had returned and the second was the men's group at the Refuge was making a difference. The profit from the Rummage Sale was \$2220.45. Pastor Peter made 16 contacts. The **Clerk** reported that the members of the Misconduct, Ethics, Conflict of interest, Racism Revision Committee will be Judy Lovejoy (chair), Brad Deck, Peter Zinn, and Jan Mernone.

Member Care (new name Inreach) Their focus is fellowship activities. They are working on a new program "Table for Six". Plans are being made to update the membership directory (with photographs) later this fall. New Member classes start September 10. There were 14 prayer requests. **Maintaining** has received the elevator permit now good until May 2024. Jan McFerran is meeting with Head Start to find out if they will be returning to our building. The water heater for the kitchen has been replaced. The AC compressor for fellowship hall will be checked. Much thanks to all who keep everything in tip top shape. **Personnel** committee has met with Will, Christina, Steve, Charlotte and Pastor Peter and discussed roles, priorities, and goals. **Mission and Outreach** announced that our congregation gave \$837 to the Pentecost Offering. Our church will be open on September 23

for the Greenwood Fall Homes Tour. There will be a signup sheet for helping. Linda and Eleanor will make the displays. Blessing of the Animals will be October 7.

Old Business Pastor Peter will be on vacation from August 31 to September 5. Since we need more up and down speed for our Facebook broadcast, the Session authorized Peter and Lauren to do whatever is necessary to move to Metro Net. (We chose Metro Net on the recommendation of a person who represents all companies.) **New Business** The following meetings were approved by the Session for 2023, 2024. Fall Meeting of Congregation, October 15, 2023; Officer Training, December 2, 2023; Annual Meeting of the Congregation, January 28, 2024; Annual Meeting of the Corporation, January 28, 2024. Stay safe, stay cool and most of all be happy. *Ye Ole Clerk*

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS

Submitted by Judy Lovejoy

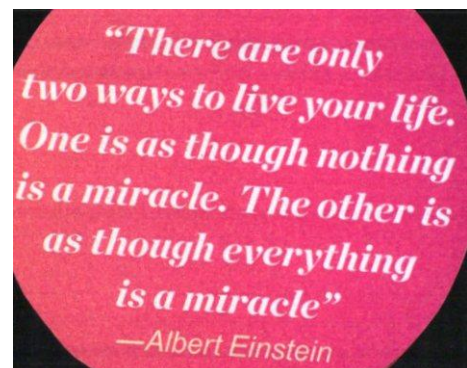
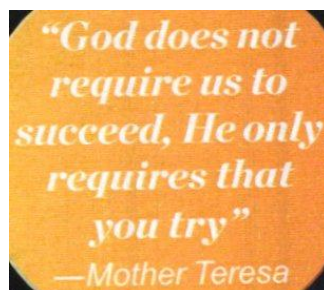


The Annual Blessing of the Animals will be held in the parking lot on Saturday, October 7. Animals of all sorts are welcome. If your furry or feathered friend doesn't travel well, bring a picture. There will be fun and games for all ages and gifts for the animals. Invite your friends and neighbors to come and join in the fun. Events will begin at 10:00 a.m. with the Blessing Service at 11:00.

MEMBERSHIP CLASSES

Submitted by The Inreach Committee

Are you interested in knowing **"How to Spell Presbyterian?"** Greenwood Presbyterian offers membership inquiry classes twice a year to help answer this question! Our next foray is set to begin on Sunday, September 10th. We'll start after lunch at 2:00 p.m. (but we're flexible about the time.) See Pastor Peter if you are interested in attending the classes. Note that membership at the end of the class sessions is not required – the classes are simply informative sessions about our faith and church so that you can make that decision for you and your family in the future!



GARDEN WELLS

Submitted by The Outreach Committee

We did it. In fact, we more than did it. We ended up with enough money to purchase **FIVE** garden wells through the Presbyterian Giving Catalog. Thanks to all who participated.

A well and hand pump provides a reliable and convenient source of clean water for drinking, bathing, washing and irrigation. Access to clean water, close to home, can transform a life — improving health, hygiene and daily living. **We've made a difference for five villages in need of access to clean water close to home!**



OLD TOWN HOME TOUR

Submitted by The Outreach Committee

This month we are opening our doors and welcoming in friends and neighbors for a history lesson and tour of our Church home! Restore Old Town Greenwood, Inc. has included our building on their Old Town Home Tour set for Saturday, September 23rd from 11am to 5pm. This tour gives guests the opportunity to visit many homes in the National Register Listed Historic District. Guests will have a fun afternoon in very walkable Old Town Greenwood touring homes, learning history about Old Town Greenwood homes, and also taking away decorating and renovation ideas. We are very grateful that due to GPC's history that was an integral part of early Greenwood, the tour includes us!

Greenwood Presbyterian Church
is excited to be a stop on the
2023 OLD TOWN HOME TOUR!



Check-in for the home tour begins at 10:45 am at
CORNERSTONE AUTISM CENTER 2 NORTH MADISON AVENUE GREENWOOD
TICKETS \$15 EACH

For more information, visit www.restoreoldtowngreenwood.org

In order to make the event a success, we are going to need volunteers! There will be at least two people posted at different locations throughout the building including at the front door welcoming guests, in the sanctuary providing history, in the Founders Room with some photos as well as in Fellowship Hall to provide guests with drinks and cookies. In addition to the volunteers needed on the day of, we also need volunteers to bake those cookies we will be offering! Sign-up sheets for both are located on the bulletin board across from the office.

If you would like to attend the tour as well, tickets are \$15 per person and can be purchased the day of at Cornerstone Autism at 2 N. Madison Avenue. Visit www.restoreoldtowngreenwood.org to learn more.



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

- ❖ September meetings are as follows: 9/7, 9/14, 9/21 and 9/28
- ❖ 9/8 Friday to 9/10 Sunday – Campout @ Turkey Run State Park. Leave Church @ 5:30pm
- ❖ 9/14 Thursday – Bring Scout Book for Advancement Recording 7:00pm
- ❖ 9/15 Friday – O/A Ordeal @ Ransburg Scout Reservation – Leave Church @ 6:30pm
- ❖ 9/16 Saturday – Parking fundraiser for the Louisville and IU football game at Lucas Oil Stadium. Leave Church @ 12pm
- ❖ 9/18 Monday- Adult Committee Meeting at GPC - Time @ 7:00 - 8:00 pm
- ❖ 9/28 Thursday – Path to Eagle for Life Scouts (30 minutes) @ 6:30pm
- ❖ 9/29 Friday to 10/1 Sunday – Firecrafter Fall Frenzy @ Camp Belzer. Leave Church @ 5:00pm

CUB SCOUTS #266–Meetings are every Thursday at 6 pm until 6:45pm pm except the 4th Thursday go until 8:30

- ❖ 9/21 Thursday – Patrol Leaders Meeting @ GPC. Time @ 6:30pm

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.



THEATER PRODUCTION

Submitted by Lauren Underwood

Our Town Players in Franklin is excited to share their final 2023 show: **Four Old Broads**. For this show, I (Lauren) have a small, fun part off-stage only. If you like to laugh, I encourage you to come see this show! I will have tickets available every Sunday for \$8 pre-sale and am taking reservations!



Our Town Players presents
FOUR OLD BROADS
Written by Leslie Kimball
Directed by Debi Hahn

Tickets
\$8 Pre-Sale
(Available from a cast member or at Franklin Parks and Rec)

\$10 Door
(Cash Only)

Reservations strongly recommended
(317) 883-9731

TWO WEEKENDS
Sept. 29th - Oct. 1st
Oct. 6th - 8th

Fridays & Saturdays
@ 7:30pm

Sundays
@ 2:30pm

**Due to adult situations and language, ages 16+
160 E. Adams, Franklin @ The AAC

Retired burlesque queen Beatrice Shelton desperately needs a vacation – and NOT another trip up to Helen, Georgia to see that “precious little German village for the umpteenth time.” A Sassy Seniors Cruise through the Caribbean may be just the ticket if she can just convince her best friend, Eaddy Mae Clayton, to stop praying and go with her. Unfortunately, things have not been very pleasant at Magnolia Place Assisted Living since Nurse Pat Jones began working there. The newest resident, Imogene Fletcher, is suddenly losing her memory. Maude Jenkins is obsessed with her favorite soap opera and planning her own funeral. Sam Smith, retired Elvis impersonator, keeps trying to bed every woman in the building. A mystery unfolds with laughter as the gals try to outsmart the evil Nurse Pat Jones and figure out why so many residents have been moved to “the dark side,” what exactly IS that mysterious pill, and what happened to Doctor Head? Hilarity ensues as Imogene goes undercover and Maude enters the Miss

Magnolia Senior Citizen Pageant to throw Pat off their trail. If they can solve the mystery, they may make it to the cruise ship after all.

Recipe of the Month

Submitted by Sandra Kelly

“Philly” Miracle Whip Wreath

Ingredients

- ❖ 2 – 8oz Cream Cheese (softened)
- ❖ 1/3 Cup grated parmesan cheese
- ❖ 1/4 Cup green onion chopped
- ❖ 1/2 Cup Miracle Whip
- ❖ 10 slices crisply cooked bacon (crumbled) – *or you can use a package of real bacon crumbles*



Combine cheese and salad dressing. Mix well. Add remaining ingredients. Mix well and chill. Form a ring on a plate (use a small glass in center wrapped in wax paper or saran wrap). Chill. Remove glass in center. Can substitute ham, green pepper, regular onion. Serve with crackers. Remove from refrigerator about 45 minutes before serving and let it soften up.

D POETRY

Submitted by Fran Mitchell

Where, oh where, has the summer gone?
 With days both warm and long.
 It can't be September yet,
 something must be wrong!
 The kids are back in school--
 all the fairs are done--
 Vacation time is running down
 for almost everyone.
 I love those lazy, hazy days
 and hate to see them go.
 I do enjoy the changing leaves,
 and, maybe, an occasional snow.
 But, I do prefer this time of year,
 and enjoy it while it's here.
 So, thank you, Lord,
 for the changing seasons
 that come around on time.
 And, so, with this thought,
 I think I'll end this rhyme!
 Cheers!!
 Fran M.



Submitted by Fran Mitchell

Q How do you make an octopus laugh?

A With ten-tickles!

Q What kind of tree fits in your hand?

A A palm tree!

JUST FOR FUN

Q What kind of award did the dentist receive?

A A little plaque!

Q Why didn't the shrimp share his treasure?

A Because he was shellfish!

Somebody actually complimented my driving today! They left a little note on the windshield that said "parking fine."

BIRTHDAYS

SEPTEMBER

- 1 Susette Blythe
- 3 Fran Mitchell
- 12 Ethan Talley
- Kate Talley
- Cooper Blythe
- 14 Charm Davis
- Mitchell Marcus
- 19 Tom Davis
- 22 Pete Aldenderfer
- Caroline Zeigler
- 24 Charlotte Deeter
- 27 Janelle Bergfield

OCTOBER

- 6 Dave Baker
- 10 Betsy Wilson (Barnes)
- 12 Brad Deck
- 14 Betty Gilliland
- 18 Larry Morgan
- 26 Dana Baker
- 28 Hillary Combs



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