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Living, Learning, and Growing in the Word of God

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P.O.P. NOTES



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The Spirit Moves...

On Pentecost Sunday, we will hear two very different accounts of how the Holy Spirit is given to the disciples. While the stories are different, they show how we are connected to God and are moved by God through the power of the Holy Spirit. They give us a view of God's continuing work in the world in the disciple's day and continuing through to each of us today.

In the story from Acts, the disciples are together in a house in Jerusalem for the Jewish harvest festival of Pentecost and the wind blows through the house as tongues of fire appear on their heads. They are pushed out of the house and begin to speak the Word of God to all the people gathered there in their own languages.

In the Gospel of John, the disciples are locked in a house after the resurrection and Jesus appears to them and breathes on them and gives them the Holy Spirit. It is quiet, intimate and not a whole lot happens at that moment. In fact, they are still sitting around a few days later when Jesus appears for Thomas' sake. It is only then do they leave the house to bring the Gospel to the world.

These are two very different stories that give us two very different ways of understanding how the Spirit works in our lives. For some, the Spirit acts passively and nudges us out from the places that are safe for us. It nudges us quietly by moving us to touch people lives by working in food banks, or speaking a word of love to a person in need of comfort. It may inspire us to do something bold and take a risk in our faith by showing us a need for our gifts in the world.

For others, it blows the doors open in our lives and drives us out in exciting and sometimes unnerving ways that we would not expect of ourselves. This work of the Spirit drives us and motivates us in active ways, many times with a shove rather than a gentle nudge. It inspires us to not sit idly by and wait for something to happen, but motivates us to explode out and take things on at full speed.

In either case, the same Lord is served. The same lives are touched. The same Gospel is lived. How do you see the Spirit working in your life? Are you quietly nudged or are you driven out from your safe place to do the work that God calls you?

As you think about those questions, I pray that no matter the case of how the Spirit calls you, that you are open to the power of the Holy Spirit in your life to transform you. When we allow the Spirit to transform us, we can reinvigorate our congregation to be the people of mission that we were 50 years ago when POP was founded. POP was a chosen place for the work of God to the Latrobe community in 1962 and it is continuing to be called to be that type of congregation in 2011. How is the Spirit calling us to act for God today? How can we be the hands and voice of God in the community in 2011 as we were in 1962? How can you allow the motivation of the Holy Spirit to lead you in adding to the work of God being done here at POP?

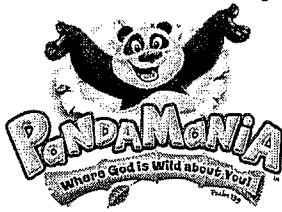
Look for the work of the Spirit and your life and allow it to lead you. The hardest thing for us is that we forget that we cannot control how the Spirit moves in our lives. The Spirit is a gift given to us by God to inspire us, support and grow our faith, and guide us to be the hands of God in the world.

How do you see the work of the Spirit in your life today and are you willing to follow where it leads you and this congregation? Exciting things await us when we allow the Spirit to inspire us. Come Holy Spirit come!!!

Yours in Christ

Pastor Bill

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
Verna Allen – Ministry Chair



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL - There will be a VBS meeting for everyone who is helping on Monday June 27th at 7:00pm and then a final meeting on Wednesday July 20th at 7:00pm. Please try to attend both meetings. Any questions, please see Jen Schaefer.



Spaghetti Dinner – the Confirmation Class will be serving up spaghetti on **June 11th** in hopes of raising enough money to send them to camp. Please come out and support them. Also, they are in need of **dessert donations** so if you are able to help please see Kellie or Vickie.



The youth group will be having a **yard sale June 18th**. As you are doing your spring cleaning, please consider donating items to the yard sale. Someone will be available to help you unload items at the following times: **Sunday, the 12th after church, Monday from 10-12 and 6-8:30, Tuesday from 10-1, Wednesday 1-3 and 6-8:30, Thursday 10-1, Friday 10-2 and 6-9.** We are asking that no clothes, computer items or tv's be donated. Questions? Call Carla Wano – 724-539-3838 Thank you.

Help Needed – Adults are needed to help the day of the yard sale. There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex with two hour work slots. Please help if you are able.

Youth Group – There is a sign up sheet in the Narthex for the week prior to the yard sale and the day of the yard sale. Please sign up for all the slots that you are able to cover.

Bags/boxes needed – Please bring in plastic grocery bags and/or boxes that can be used for the yard sale.

4:24?

Check the bottom of your calendar blocks for whom/what we are praying at 4:24p.m.

Fellowship
Shirley Kelley – Ministry Chair



Church Picnic – June 5th at Twin Lakes. Pavilion 4.

Bake Sale The women of the church are holding a bake sale/refreshment stand during the youth group yard sale. If you would like to donate a baked good please see Shirley Kelley. Please come the day of the yard sale and support the youth and the women.

Summer Theater – Mark your calendars for Wednesday, August 3rd, at 8:00p.m. St. Vincent Theater will be presenting "Taking Steps" Tickets will cost between \$15 - \$17 a piece depending on group size.
"We are pleased to present this rollicking comedy, by one of Britain's leading playwrights. The Pines, a Victorian manor house in the English countryside, is rumored to be haunted...but the behavior of its inhabitants is more farcical than supernatural. Roland, a cheerful, if vulgar, millionaire is planning to buy the house as a present for his wife – unaware that she is considering leaving him to return to her far-from-successful dancing career. Meanwhile his wife's terminally dull brother is attempting to win back his fiancée, who has recently left him at the altar, the house's owner is desperate to make the sale, and Roland's shy, young solicitor just wants to make good on his first job. In the course of one frantic day these people, all focused on their own problems, manage to collide in a series of uproarious misunderstandings, mistakes and mixed-signals. The result is a joyous festival of laughter."
Please sign up in the Narthex if interested.
Questions – see Sheila Thompson.



Property and House Committee
Bob Woller – Ministry Chair

We are looking for someone to take over the Property & House committee. My term will be ending in September and the committee would like to start training any interested people for this position. The committee also needs help with various little jobs around the property and grounds and is planning a Spring cleaning day. Please see Bob Woller if interested in helping or chairing the committee.



Lawn mower – the 20 year old lawn mower has died. Council approved a purchase of a new tractor. The cost is \$3049. Now we must find the money to pay for it. If this is something you would like to donate to please mark your donation "tractor" and we will see how quickly we can pay it off. Thank you.

OUTREACH

Vickie Onusko – Ministry Chair

POP is helping with **Fresh Express** on September 15th so please keep that date open if you are able to help unload the truck and/or distribute food.

FINANCE

Dwight Sarson – Ministry Chair

As many of you already know, Verna Allen has resigned from the Treasurer position due to personal reasons. We desperately need someone to step in and take over this position. If you are called to do this please see Dwight Sarson.

TREASURER'S REPORT

March 2011

CURRENT FUND

Beginning Balance	\$2,155.54
Receipts	\$ 9,848.50
Disbursements	\$ 9,930.32
Ending Balance	\$2,073.72

BENEVOLENCE

2011 Pledge	\$15,500.00
Amount Pledged to Date	\$ 3,875.00
Amount Received to Date	\$ 2,691.00
Differnece Over/(Under)	(1,184.00)

BUILDING FUND

Beginning Balance	\$20,351.73
Receipts	\$ 2,905.38
Funds Available	\$23,257.11
Disbursements	\$ 30.00
Ending Balance	\$23,257.11

STEWARDSHIP

Susann Tschupp – Ministry Chair

IT'S NOT OVER!

Jesus' task was completed. He said so: "*It is finished,*" and "*He bowed His head and gave up His spirit*" (John 19:30). The body was taken down from the cross and buried. Didn't everyone think it

was all over? The Master was dead and buried. What else could they think? Then came that unbelievable morning at the tomb when the body was nowhere to be found and the slow realization that Jesus had indeed risen from the dead, "*just as He said*" (Matthew 28:6).

Disbelief turned to joy when Jesus came to them, and "*He showed them His hands and feet...and ate [a piece of broiled fish] in their presence*" (Luke 24:40-43). Just as before, He taught them. He told them again what He had told them before, but now "*He opened their minds so they could understand the Scriptures*" (Luke 24:45). The disciples must have listened with new ears as they took in all Jesus told them in those days following His miraculous Resurrection.

Then Jesus took them out to a remote area, blessed them, and "*was taken up into Heaven*" (Luke 24:51) before their eyes. Joyfully they went back home and waited – waited for the gift Jesus had promised would come to them. One day with wind and fire the Holy Spirit came, bringing power and authority to those men Jesus had commissioned to "*go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything [He had] commanded [them]*" And He added His promise, "*And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age*" (Matthew 28:19-20).

The book of Acts tells the story of what happened as those disciples, armed with Jesus' promise to be with them, started in their own community and then branched out into all nations, preaching and teaching, baptizing and discipling others, performing miracles in Jesus' name, facing persecution and death for the sake of the Gospel.

The book of Acts ends after 28 chapters, but the work is not over. The story goes on through the lives and witness of the thousands of Christians who have picked up the task where the first disciples left off. Your story may never be written down for other Christians to read, but those around you are seeing it unfold. They are hearing you speak the Gospel message; they are recipients of the good deeds you do in the Lord's name; other workers for the Gospel are equipped by your financial and prayer support; they take notice of the stand you take in defense of Truth over the lies with which Satan would blind the world. No, it's not over. We have the privilege of carrying on Jesus' work till He comes again to take us to Himself, saying, "*Well done, good and faithful servant!*" (Matthew 25:21)

MUSIC AND WORSHIP

Pam Yuhaniak – Ministry Chair

HEAD USHERS are still needed for several months in 2011. We are willing to split months into weeks if needed. Thank you. Pam

WORSHIP ASSISTANTS FOR JUNE

JUNE 5TH

Greeter: The Onusko Family

Acolyte: Emily Hay

Lay Reader: Pam Yuhaniak

Lay Assistants: Bill and Donna Smith

JUNE 12TH

Greeters: The Jellison Family

Acolyte: Zakary Jellison

Lay Reader: Barb Volpe

Lay Assistants: Pat Fry/Ginger Warren

JUNE 18TH

Lay Reader:

Lay Assistants:

JUNE 19TH

Greeter: The Douglas Family

Acolyte: Ben Douglas

Lay Reader: Kathy Bangor

Lay Assistants: Jack and Kathy Bangor

JUNE 26TH

Greeters: Don, Ginger, Courtney Warren

Acolyte: Courtney Warren

Lay Reader: Pam Yuhaniak

Head Usher for June is Dave Douglas
Altar Care for June is Jenny Bowser and
Kathy Bangor

CATECHISM CORNER

From Luther's Small Catechism

The Apostle's Creed

The First Article: On Creation

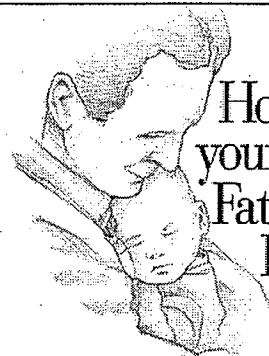
I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

What is this?

Answer: I believe that God has created me together with all creatures. God has given me and still preserves my body and soul: eyes, ears, and all limbs and senses; reason and all mental faculties. In addition, we are to fear and love God, so that we do not entice, force, or steal away from our neighbors their spouses, workers, or livestock, but instead urge them to stay and remain loyal to our neighbors.



"Dad, can you make dinner for me and my entire Sunday school class?"



Honor
your father:
**Father's
Day**

*Poem by Timothy Daly, Sue Tschupp's
Grandfather,
Originally printed in the paper in 1928*

The Father's Business

*All the business that is true,
Is from God – and given you.
That his glory may abound
In your daily business round.*

*Open heart and open hand
Best receive divine command
Thus, with open hand and heart,
Learn of God – and do your part.*

*From his vast and boundless store,
He has given – given more,
Than your open hands can hold,
or your open heart enfold.*

*Utilize the boundless store,
When you meet it – there is more
If by every ACT and THOUGHT
All you work in HIM is wrought.*

*Thus it is – when day is past
And you homeward turn at last.
You may confidently say:
God employed me – HE WILL PAY*



Sympathies of the congregation go out to the family and friends of Ron Poole who passed away on Tuesday and whose funeral was held here on Saturday. Please keep them in your prayers.

*Jim Clegg is home from the Greensburg Care Center but he fell out of his wheel chair on Sunday and broke his leg. Please send a card if you have time to raise his spirits.
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Latrobe PA 15650*

If you or someone you know from the congregation is in the hospital or is at home and sick and needs a visit from Pastor Bill, please call the office so that he can schedule a visit. The Pastor is only told by the hospital when a person is a patient if they ask for the church to be notified.

Prayer is an essential part of who we are as a people of God. Below is a list of people from our congregation to keep in your daily prayers. If you know of others who should be added to these lists, please contact the church office with the names.

From our congregation: Julie Zeltner, Jim Clegg, Bev Guyer, Flo Gulisek, Mary Jane Hayden, Anne Koontz, Vergean Helfferich, Jen Schaefer, Vi McIlInay, Clara Brewer, Randy Gerhart, R.R. Schmitt and Dave Williams.

Others in need of our prayers: Rev. Susan Luttner, Taylor Ridilla, Dan Schaefer, Bill Hauger, Betty Onusko, Shelly McAfoose, Nickolas Gehlman, Emily Head, Michael Santone, Rick Stouffer, Jill Blair, Mary Jane Bangor, Nash Sinchak, Debbie Riggins, Jennifer Sears, Bob Rienhart, Scott Achhammer, Marcie Isom, Ann Bredbenner, Spencer Kozar, Shirley Citrone, Mary Evelyn and Gene Miller, Matthew Humburger, Cecil Metz, Phoebe, Ken Lenhart, Ann Walthour, and Hannah Toth.

Our Shut-in members: Catherine Abrams (at home), Louise Johns (Green Meadows), Frieda Nehls (Nature Park Commons), Helen Albright (at home), Phyllis Stewart (Redstone Highlands), Marie Hill (at home), Betty Felbaum (at home) Barney and Dolores Helfferich (Green Meadows), Thomas Washnock (at home) and Violet Myers (Barnes House).

Those in the Military: Capt. Michelle Davis, Sean Stewart, Justin Kowatch, Scott Gillespie, Troy Golden, Erik Sarson, and the 28th Military Police Battalion.

Addresses for Care Homes of our Members

Barnes House
2021 James Street
Latrobe PA 15650

Nature Park Commons
132 Nature Park Road
Greensburg, PA 15601

Green Meadows
500 Brouwers Drive
Latrobe PA 15650

Redstone Highlands
8 Garden Center Drive
Greensburg PA 15601

Announcements

Baccalaureate Service – To honor the 2011 Graduates of GLSHS will be held at Latrobe Presbyterian Church at 428 main Street, Latrobe PA at 7:00p.m. on Wednesday, June 1, 2011.

Congregational Meeting – A meeting of the congregation will be held on Sunday, June 26th following the 10:30 Service. The purpose of this meeting will be to elect members to the Congregation Council. No other business will be discussed at this meeting.

Church Council – The church council is looking for members! If you are interested in sharing your talents and leading our congregation please see Dwight or Pastor and have your name submitted for council. The new members will be elected at the June 26th congregational meeting and their term will begin with the August meeting. Please prayerfully consider playing a part in shaping the future of this congregation. The council is currently in need of 3-5 members.

Kellie needs your help – you will be receiving a membership information form along with a Spiritual Gifts Inventory. The Membership information is a way for me to first update the information I have so that it accurate and then establish a data base of information so that we have a permanent record. I do not wish to enter erroneous information so please fill out a form for **each** of your family members and return to me. The other form you will be receiving is a Spiritual Gifts Inventory. This will replace our Time and Talent list and enable our Ministries to expand and update their volunteer base. Both forms are very important so please take the time to fill them out and return both of them.

Patriotic Interfaith Fourth of July Service – June 26th, 2011 at 7:00p.m. Latrobe Elementary School 7:00p.m. **"United We Stand"** Honoring those Who Have Made a Difference

CONGREGATION AND COMMUNITY CARING

If you catch someone being "good" please let Kellie know so they can be featured in this section



Matt Weltz will graduate this year and has been accepted into the Plumber and Pipe fitters Local Union 354 in Youngwood. He will do his apprenticeship for 4 years and then earn his journeyman papers at the end of his training. He went to EWTC for the last 3 years for air conditioning and plumbing and has been a member of the National Honor Society at tech.

Lara Fay Zimmerman is due to graduate from Derry Area H.S. on 6/3/11. She is planning to attend I.U.P. this fall to begin her studies to be an educator.

Ben Onusko has earned his Associates Degree in Wildlife Technology from Penn State University. Ben was recognized twice for having the highest GPA of a Freshman and a Sophomore in an Associates Degree program. Ben will stay at Penn State to earn his Bachelor's Degree in Wildlife and Fisheries Sciences.

Becky Onusko graduated from Greater Latrobe High School on June 3. She earned two varsity letters in tennis, and will travel to Spain this month (JUNE) with the Spanish classes from the high school. Becky will continue her education at California University of PA and study Environmental Science.

Bethany Means graduated Summa Cum Laude, on May 7th from St. Vincent College with a Bachelor of Science degree in Elementary Instruction.

Blake Colaianne graduated Magna Cum Laude on May 14th from Juniata College. Blake graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree in Earth and Space Science and Secondary Education. Blake was accepted into the Juniata college Honor Society and was a member of Pi Lambda Theta, Sigma Gamma Epsilon and Omicron Delta Kappa honor societies.

Jaimie M. King graduated from the University of Duquesne with Doctorate in Psychology. Jaimie is the niece of Debbie Prohaska and the grand daughter of Norie Schrecengost



Anthony James Wano – graduated on June 3rd from Greater Latrobe High School. Anthony graduated with distinguished honors in the top 2% of his class. He was in the National Honor Society, National Spanish Honor Society and he was a science Olympic Gold medal winner. Anthony is the son of Carla and Doug Wano and the grandson of Proud Grandparents, Jim and Kay Ramsey and Lois Wano. Anthony will be attending Penn State Main in the fall to study engineering.



Gus & Esther Toth were among the 30,000+ walkers and runners in the Mother's Day Race for the Cure in Schenley Park, Pittsburgh. This was their 14th year of participation.

Emily Johnston – Building Bodeez fitness Center recently hosted its third annual three-hour Fitness a Thon benefiting the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Emily was one of the instructors who donated their time and they raised more than \$3,000.

Rachelle Holnailer – received the Class of 1866 Award, the class of 1895 Frank Albert Award, the who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges and the Reverend Lewis Merwin Hobbs Medallion/Dr. Dominic '53 and Mrs. Helen DiNunzio Award.

Anthony Wano – Did you know that Anthony travelled to the South Side of Chicago in March to help cleanup and revitalize a neighborhood and work on the community garden? This trip was the annual spring trip taken by the National Honor Society.

CONGREGATIONAL LEADERS

PASTOR - BILL SCHAEFER	Finance - Dwight Sarson (532-3020)
President - Dwight Sarson (532-3020)	Outreach - Vickie Onusko - (537-9383)
Vice President - Shirley Kelley (537-5645)	Fellowship - Shirley Kelley - (537-5645)
Secretary - Vickie Onusko (537-9383)	Worship/Music - Pam Yuhaniak (537-5533)
Financial Secretary - Pat Fry (539-7513)	Library - Margy Williams - (539-8704)
Treasurer -	W.E.L.C.A. - Shirley Kelley - (537-5645)
Stewardship - Susan Tschupp (219-3893)/ Andria Wood (532-1429)	Memorial Committee - Pastor Bill/Pat Fry
Christian Education - Verna Allen (532-2961)	Prayer Chain - Ginger Warren (593-7524)
Evangelism - Cathie Schall - (539-7164)	Altar Care Coordinator- Pam Yuhaniak - (537-5533)
Property/House - Bob Woller (539-8042)	Funeral Dinner Coordinators- Sheila Thompson - (537-8010)/Ginger Warren (593-7524)



BAPTISMS

- 1 John Marks
Jeanna Vesco
- 4 Debbie Boskovitch
Gavin Bych
- 7 Joann Hauger
- 10 Bev Guyer
Michelle Williams
- 14 Aaron Semasko
Allison Obstarczyk
- 15 Rick Williams
- 18 Rachel Dahlmann
- 19 Rebecca Onusko
- 23 Lee Semasko
- 27 Susann Tschupp
- 28 Brian Forsha




ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Phil & Susan Sherbuck
- 3 Doug & Ruth Hay
- 8 Bob & Garnet Snyder
- 16 Bud & Deanna Thomas
- 21 Ron & Judy Ray
- 27 Ron & Carol Carey

JUNE BIRTHDAYS

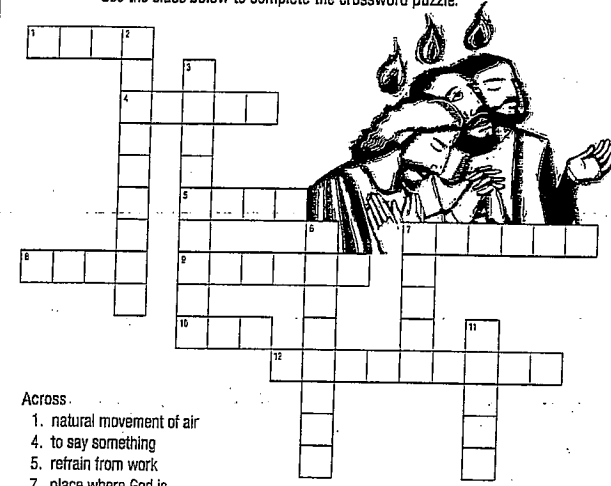
- 1 Eric Semasko
Andrew Johnston
Morgan Wano
- 3 Jane Hayden
Louise Johns
- 4 Robert Mills
- 5 Greg Vargo
- 6 David Poole
- 8 Don Kayser
Phyllis Winchell
- 9 Scott West
Jody McGinity
Mitchell Schall
- 13 Sheila Thompson
- 14 Debbie Kinchloe
Shirley Kelley
- 17 Bud Thomas
- 19 Dwight Koontz
- 23 Eric Woller
- 24 Betty Felbaum
Mathew Kelley
June McIlnay
Frieda Nehls
- 27 Gavin Roddy
- 28 Ken Frohnert
John Marks
- 29 Phil Sherbuck



The Spirit Comes

ACTS 2 TELLS ABOUT A SPECIAL DAY
WHEN THE HOLY SPIRIT CAME TO THE DISCIPLES.

Use the clues below to complete the crossword puzzle.



Across

1. natural movement of air
4. to say something
5. refrain from work
7. place where God is
8. a combustion or burning that gives light, heat and smoke
9. part of mouth that can taste and lick
10. the time between sunrise and sunset
12. the day the Holy Spirit descended on the disciples

Down

2. followers of Christ
3. moved apart
6. quickly and unexpectedly
7. a building where people live
11. vibrations that travel through the air

Answers: Across 1. wind, 4. speak, 5. rest, 7. heaven, 8. fire, 9. tongue, 10. day, 12. Pentecost; Down 2. disciples, 3. separated, 6. suddenly, 7. house, 11. sound