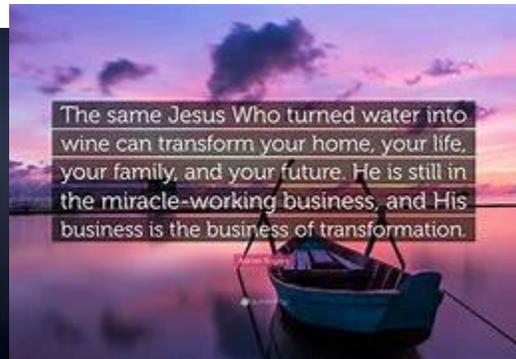


Weekly Newsletter 7.30.2021

This Sunday we will continue our summer series based on "I love to tell the Story". We will look at John 2 a well-known story of Jesus turning water into wine. We will also have communion. Looking forward to seeing you via zoom or in the sanctuary.
Pastor Kirsty DePree



Dear fellow travelers,

Rain, rain, go away. Come back another day! It seems like we are now in a rainy time after being in a moderate drought for a while. Cool and rainy here, hot and fiery out in the western portion of our country! What wild times these are. The news presents few bright spots, but I try to seize those bright moments where you can see the human joy. Certainly, there has been joy in the Olympic athletes who have reached their goal. There is joy in having to fill the little pantry knowing we are providing food to people in need. There is joy in the faces of those we meet in worship or at a meeting. Let us continue to be thankful for the joy in our life.

Notice - Next week's newsletter will arrive in your email box on Thursday, as the office will be **closed** on Friday, **August 13**.

We will be celebrating communion this Sunday, **August 1**. We will continue to pick up our communion cups as we enter the sanctuary and proceed to our seats. You will notice we have removed most of the arrows. We would ask you to still enter the door by the parking lot door, sign in and sit only where there are cushions.

As we turn the page to **August**, the calendar events continue.

Missions Breakfast

Greetings from your Missions committee,

Mark your calendars for our next breakfast... with a twist!

On August 8, we will serve a drive-thru breakfast from 8am to 9am, but to go along with the beautiful story of "feeding the 5,000" on which we will reflect that day, **we will also feed you in person, outside, from 9:30am to 10am.**

The menu will include eggs, sausages, fruits and our now famous pancakes (with real maple syrup!).

All are invited to partake, this breakfast will be by donation only and will benefit our outreach initiative with Mount Lebanon school at providing school supplies to the elementary school children.

We hope to see you then.

If you have any questions, please ask any of us.

Ely, Jackie, Lorinda, Dick, John and Christine

\$anctuary \$crip orders are due August 10. Look for an email with more details next week.

Joint Meeting of Trustees and Deacons

There will be a joint meeting of the trustees and deacons on **August 12 at 6:30pm**, followed by separate meetings of both groups. The group will be looking at moving forward with the purchase of a camera and screen which was approved during the July 18th cabinet meeting. Stay tuned for more tech details on the ending of Zoom and the start of live streaming. Also voted on was open singing which will not start until after August. A determination will be made as to whether it will be choir singing and/or congregational singing.

Women's Fellowship continues to meet on **Thursday mornings at 9 AM**. This past week we met inside. Several ladies were continuing to knit prayer shawls and we shared ornaments that could be made for the upcoming holiday fair. Kirsty brought the new books for our fall bible/book study and shared a short biography of the author and read one of the stories. Books are available for those interested in joining us this fall. **The Holiday Fair will take place on November 6.** The tables will include basket raffle, food table to include candy, jewelry, hand crafted items, cheese and Christmas decor. There will be no coffee hour or luncheon, but we will include some take out corn chowder and chili. More details are to follow.

Opportunity to Serve

We will once again be cooking at the LISTEN Community Dinner on the third Thursday of the month! **The first meal will be in August on the 19th.** We are looking for people who would be interested in going to the White River Junction facility and preparing and serving the meal. Our generous donor has agreed to sponsor our purchase of the ingredients for our meal, American Chop Suey or Goulash as some call it, green beans and salad ingredients. Our goal is to have enough people so there are opportunities for many to serve. A **big thank you** to those who have already responded. If you have questions or are interested in working on the cook team, please contact Nancy Simpson, nanteaches@comcast.net or the church office.

Thank you to all who have been contributed to the **Little Food Pantry**. It has seen some withdrawals as well as some additions. Now that the weather is warmer we are accepting cans and jar goods. Some of the **items that go quickly are peanut butter, ramen noodles and coffee.** At present we have plenty of mac and cheese, pasta and rice, but anything you donate is greatly appreciated. Please pass the word on about the availability of food in the Little Food Pantry.

Faithfully
Nancy Simpson
for WLCC