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# THE FELLOWSHIP

A JOINT NEWSLETTER OF THE EBENSBURG PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AND THE COLVER PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

JUNE 2019



## What's Happening?

The Session met on May 14 and opened with prayer and a reading of Psalm 131.

The Book of Order training continued a study of the confessions used in our denomination. This month's topic was the modern confessions and included the "Confession of 1967" which is based on a doctrine of reconciliation, the "Barmen Confession" written as Hitler's Germany was trying to co-opt the church for the Nazi's, the "Brief Statement of Faith" written in 1983 following the unification of the northern and southern Presbyterian denominations, and the "Belhar Confession" written as apartheid was ending in South Africa. (One of the resources used for this series of training topics is [www.theoacademy.com](http://www.theoacademy.com). It's free online training for Presbyterians if you want to check it out.)

Following approval of agenda and minutes, the Treasurers' report was discussed and accepted.

The Communications Committee discussed questions about online security and website administration.

The Mission Committee reported that \$377.01 was collected for OGHS (One Great Hour of Sharing). Funds from the regular benevolence offering were added and a total check of \$500 was sent to OGHS. The makings for s'mores are being collected for Pine Springs Camp. They will be delivered May 28.

The Organ Restoration Committee is preparing for the Memorial Day Porch Refreshment Sale.

The Pastor Nominating Committee is trying to find candidates.

The Pastor/Parish Relations Committee has a meeting set in July.

The Property Management Committee reported that a lock has been placed on the janitor's closet. A mop and bucket will be placed in the kitchen or ice cream room. A backed-up commode in the men's room will be checked. The roof contract is ready to be signed and the color cocoa brown was chosen for the porch roofs.

The Worship Committee reported that Rev. Powell will not be available to preach from July 7 through Aug. 4. They will be working on plans for those services.

In new business, a problem with the internet speed for the church will be investigated and addressed.

Our church will sponsor Alex Jeffers again this summer as a Pine Springs counselor.

The next session meeting date is June 19<sup>th</sup>.

In honor of our Silver and Gold members the Deacons donated to the Organ Restoration Fund.

# Sunday Scripture Readings



**June 2, 2019**

**Seventh Sunday of Easter**

Acts 16:16–34	Paul and Silas are arrested, but an earthquake destroys the prison.
Psalms 97	The Lord reigns over all the earth; light dawns for the righteous.
Revelation 22:12–14, 16–17, 20–21	The Lord says: See, I am coming soon. Amen. Come, Lord Jesus!
John 17:20–26	Jesus prays that his disciples may be one as he is one with the Father.

**June 9, 2019**

**Day of Pentecost**

Acts 2:1–21	On the day of Pentecost, God pours out the Spirit upon the earth.
Psalms 104:24–34, 35b	The Lord of creation sends forth the Spirit to renew the earth.
Romans 8:14–17	In the Spirit, we are children of God and joint heirs with Christ.
John 14:8–17 (25–27)	Jesus and the Father are one; the Father will send the Holy Spirit.

**June 16, 2019**

**Trinity Sunday**

Proverbs 8:1–4, 22–31	Does not wisdom call? I was present at the beginning of creation.
Psalms 8	O Sovereign Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth!
Romans 5:1–5	God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit.
John 16:12–15	Jesus says: The Spirit will guide you; all that the Father has is mine.

**June 23, 2019**

**Second Sunday after Pentecost**

1 Kings 19:1–4 (5–7) 8–15a	Elijah meets God—not in wind, earthquake, or fire—but in silence.
Psalms 42 and 43	My soul longs for you, O God; where are you? My hope is in you.
Galatians 3:23–29	In Christ there is no Jew or Greek, slave or free, male and female.
Luke 8:26–39	Jesus casts out a man's demons and they enter a herd of swine.

**June 30, 2019**

**Third Sunday after Pentecost**

2 Kings 2:1–2, 6–14	Elijah is taken to heaven in a whirlwind; Elisha picks up his mantle.
Psalms 77:1–2, 11–20	You work wonders, O God; you make a path through the waters.
Galatians 5:1, 13–25	Christ has set us free; live by the Spirit, not the desires of the flesh.
Luke 9:51–62	Jesus turns toward Jerusalem and warns those who would follow him.

# Redstone Stories

## Mission Partners

Even though Trinity Church in New Florence and Third Presbyterian Church in Uniontown are over 60 miles apart, the two churches have partnered for mission trips for the past four years. The churches are very different. Trinity is rural. Third is in a small city. Trinity has under 100 members and Third has over 200. Yet the two congregations have worked together to rebuild homes and lives from New Jersey to Houston to the Carolinas.



Marilyn Fitzsimmons, an elder at Third has a passion for planning mission trips that bring the churches together and also include students from local colleges like Penn State (Fayette), Clarion, Pitt and Robert Morris.

“Our goal is to unite together with other people and denominations,” Fitzsimmons says. “We love having students join us because they are young and energetic.”

She says that the mission partnership between the two congregations has worked well.

“We have some people who are really skilled and when they get their heads together they can do anything,” she says.

Bill Betz of Trinity the mission partnership has brought the congregation together in new ways. The older folks often have the finances to support mission but not the energy to do the work of mission. The younger people have the energy, but not always the money. Working together, they are able to reach out and help others in Jesus’ name. Betz says going on mission trips has helped him to get a new perspective on his life and faith.

“I have way too many things. Material things used to be important. But, once you go on one of these trips and see what people don’t have it makes you rethink what it is you ‘need.’ The congregation has seen that change in me and it’s helped them to be more generous about mission.”

Fitzsimmons and Betz both welcome anyone who is interested to join their mission work by calling the church. Trinity also has a mission Facebook page at

[facebook.com/thelightmissionteam/](https://www.facebook.com/thelightmissionteam/)

*Communicate the Word...Carry on the Work...Change the World...  
Together!*

Silver and Gold Honorees

May 19, 2019

On May 19, 2019 these individuals were honored on their milestones of membership. Rev. Powell acknowledged the honorees and thanked them for their years of service to the church.

*A donation to the Organ Fund was made in their honor.*

Bill Carlisle	65 years
Jim Estep	60 years
Becky Carlin-Shuey	55 years
Jim Lyons	50 years

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**Jim Estep**

Born – March 13, 1947, son of James F. and Jean McSparran Estep  
Family – parents, sister Martha Estep O’Brien and brother Dr. Thomas A. Estep III, both of Ebensburg, Dr. David F. Estep, Littleton, MA. Kara Dambach German and Adam Dambach came into my life in 1984 and are a blessing to me. Although they are not my biological children, nor have I legally adopted them, they reside in my heart as my kids. Kara German and husband Cory, their children Brady James German age twelve, and Colin Lee German, age ten, Amelia Marie German, age seven. Adam Dambach and wife Aimee, their children, Haley June, age 10, Brynn Iris, age 6.

Educated in Central Cambria public schools, graduated 1965, earned Eagle Scout 1962. BSA Order of the Arrow, Amadahi Lodge. Attended Allegheny College, Meadville, PA. Phi Kappa Psi fraternity – pledged January 1966. Military Service – 336<sup>th</sup> Military Police Battalion, USAR, Leetsdale, PA – 1968-1971 – medically discharged as a result of injuries sustained while working on the railroad.

My first job was selling peanuts at Central Cambria football games. It paid one cent per ten cent bag and on a good night I made seventy-five cents. I worked at Ebensburg Lumber Company – 1961-1967 – summers and college breaks – started right out of eighth grade earning eighty-five cents per hour as a laborer and later as a truck driver. This truly was one of the best experiences of my life for many reasons. I worked for my dad, learned much from him, I worked side-by-side with the men, and with my brothers, Tom and Dave.



College jobs – Coca-Cola Bottling of Meadville, PA – loading trucks in the evening. P&LE Railroad, Pittsburgh, PA – locomotive fireman – 1968-69 Erie Lackawanna Railway Company, Meadville, PA – yard switchman, yard conductor – 1969-1971.

Injured March 26, 1971, Meadville, PA – Attended that day by family, fraternity brothers, and two members of our church, Dr. Robert C. Magley and Attorney Larry Davis.

I have served our church as a trustee, deacon, and elder.

## **Jim Lyons**

Jim and his wife, Laurel, reside in Ebensburg and have been happily married for 26 years. He is the longtime owner/president of Lyons Industries. They have 2 daughters that they are very proud of. Holly is 24 and a graduate of Duquesne University. She lives in the South Hills of Pittsburgh, is employed by Creehan and Company as a Development Coordinator and recently became engaged to Blake Miller. Brooke is 21 and a recent BSN, RN graduate of IUP and will go to work in July at UPMC Magee Women's Hospital on a Labor & Delivery Unit.



### EBENSBURG FINANCIAL SUMMARY

Year to Date as of April, 2019

Actual Operating Income:	\$23,163.30
Actual Operating Expenses:	\$14,730.42
Gain/Loss:	\$8,432.88

### 2019 Per Capita

**2019 Per Capita** – Our Per Capita offering, which supports the work of the presbytery, synod and general assembly, has been set at **\$42.50**. We are a connectional church, and we encourage you to submit your per capita as soon as possible! Just mark your envelope or the memo line on your check. We are then responsible for sending this full amount to the Redstone Presbytery. Thank you!

**The Worship Committee** requests donations of potted red geraniums for Pentecost Sunday, which is June 9 this year. If you would like to donate but cannot bring a potted geranium to the church, we would be happy to accept cash donations, as well. Please drop off potted plants between Sunday, June 2 and Friday, June 7. As in the past, these geraniums will be planted outside the church for the summer.



### Wheels and Wings June 20th

We will again be seeking your help and donations for this event, as we sell drinks and have a bake sale.

Look in the back of the sanctuary (or call the office) for sign-ups to help that day, to supply coolers and to provide drinks/baked goods to sell.



## Pine Springs Camp Fundraisers

Many of you have attended Pine Spring Camp over the years. Here is a way to help them.

Pine Springs Camp Incorporated.- If you have empty ink jet cartridges (No Laser/Toner cartridges), bring them to the church and they will go toward the PSC programming budget. We will have a box to collect them.



Our congregation is again sponsoring **Alex Jeffers, a counselor at Pine Springs Camp**, for the summer. If you would like to send him a card or a note of encouragement, we will have a box in the area at the back of the sanctuary. Alex is also being added to the prayer list, so please keep him in your prayers. If you would like to help fill a shoe box-sized package to send to Alex, please have the items to the church by Sunday, July 7th. Suggested items for the shoe box-sized package include: cards and notes; candy bars, candy and other fun items that would fit in the box; a \$25.00 Gas gift card (Giant Eagle Get-Go is recommended, but another type is fine; a \$25.00 gift card for a restaurant (the chains that are near are Ruby Tuesdays, Eat and Park, Sub-way, Applebee's, Chili's); small devotional, book and/or spiritual encouragement items that fit in the box.

## We Honor Our Graduates

Sunday, June 9, 2019

Please join us in worship on Graduate Sunday, June 9th as we honor the milestones of the graduates listed below.

### Paige Forberger

Paige has now completed her elementary years at CES and is looking forward to starting the sixth grade at the Central Cambria Middle School this August. During her elementary years, Paige participated in the ELA gifted program, invention land, band, chorus, Songfest, student council, reading competition and several other extra-curricular activities. At home, Paige loves to read, write, play basketball, go camping, bake with her mom, hang out with friends and spend time with family. Paige is excited to move on and to try other exciting things in the years to come.

### Brooke Lyons

Brooke graduated on May 11, 2019 Magna Cum Laude from Indiana University of Pennsylvania with her Bachelor of Science degree in Nursing. She will be soon starting work on a Labor and Delivery unit at UPMC Magee Woman's Hospital and moving to the city of Pittsburgh. She is excited to begin her career as a nurse.



**Mackenzie Magley**

Mackenzie graduated from the Philadelphia College of Osteopathic Medicine on May 24, 2019. She is the daughter of Dr. Scott and Sandra Magley. Mackenzie won an Apollo scholarship in October 2018. The scholarships are awarded each year to third- and fourth-year medical students who plan to return to this area to practice medicine. The scholarships are funded through contributions from the 1889 Foundation, Lee Initiatives Inc., Chan Soon-Shiong Medical Center at Windber, Conemaugh Health System and the Apollo Award Fund, which is administered by Community Foundation for the Alleghenies with support from Cambria County Medical Society.


**Lucas Taylor**

Lucas Kenneth Taylor has been an honor roll student at Central Cambria High School. He is the President of the Young Conservatives Club there. This group and the Young Democrats have had very good and civil discussions. He loves history and geography. He enjoyed his AP Euro and AP US History classes. They traveled to museums in Pittsburgh and Philadelphia. He also enjoys reading, studying maps, watching Central Cambria and Johnstown Tomahawks Hockey games, the Pittsburgh Pirates, the Altoona Curve, and minor league baseball. He also enjoys collecting flags from all countries. Lucas loves traveling and following routes the old fashioned way, with a paper map. Since 2011, along with his Dad and brother, he has really enjoyed putting the American flags up in Colver for the summer holidays, He has also enjoys helping here at the church, especially the Eggstravaganza. Lucas also participates in ringing the bell for the Salvation Army at Christmas time.

In the fall, Lucas will attend Penn Highlands Community College to major in Liberal Arts. After receiving his Associate Degree he will continue his education at UPJ to major in History and minor in Political Science, working to obtain his Bachelor of Science Degree. In the future, he would like to teach high school, college, or work as a Historian or in the National Park Service or in a museum.

# Ebensburg Presbyterian Church

## June 2019

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 <i>Worship 11:00 AM</i>	3	4 <i>Point of Freedom 6 PM</i>	5	6	7 <i>Happy Birthday— Lisa Wesley</i>	8
9 <i>Worship 11:00 Communion,  Graduate Sunday  Happy Anniv. Bill &amp; "R" McMcKim, and Duane &amp; Pat Mohney</i>	10	11 <i>Point of Freedom 6 PM</i>	12 <i>Happy Birthday Emily Wesley</i>	13	14  <i>Flag Day</i>	15 <i>Counselor 9:45 - 12 Noon  NA Business Mtg. 9:45 AM</i>
16 <i>Worship 11:00 AM Communion  Father's Day</i>	17 <i>Happy Birthday, Rebecca Bracken, Kristy Forberger</i>	18 <i>Point of Freedom 6 PM</i>	19 <b>SESSION - 7 PM</b> <i>Happy Birthday, Lynn Ann Hrabosky, Sue Castelli</i>	20 <i>15th Annual Wheels &amp; Wings 5—10 pm Soda and Bake Sale—Church Parking Lot</i>	21 <i>Happy Birthday, Scott Magley, Mary Lou Carlisle  First Day of Summer</i>	22 <i>Happy Birthday James Lyons, III Happy Anniv. Jim &amp; Jani Stratton</i>
23 <i>Worship 11:00 AM Happy Birthday Magdalene Bracken, Brooke Lyons</i>	24	25 <i>Point of Freedom 6 PM  Happy Anniv. Jim &amp; Shirley Cassidy</i>	26	27	28	29 <i>Happy Birthday, June Fedora, Doug Weber</i>
30 <i>Worship 11:00 AM</i>						

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