

THE SEEKER FOR OCTOBER 2014

NEWSLETTER FOR THE CALDWELL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH



1 Peter 1:13-2:3

The Call to Holiness

Believers are called to be sanctified people who live holy lives. Holiness means being set apart by God for His purposes. This process of sanctification begins when we receive Jesus Christ as our personal Savior, and it continues for the rest of our lives.

The Holy Spirit draws our will and longings to align with His. As we submit to Him, we will begin to desire what He desires. With His leading, we will choose to consecrate our conduct, our conversation, and ultimately our character to God alone. He teaches us how to make holiness a way of life rather than see it as some lofty place of enlightenment we can never reach. God has placed us where we live and work, not to be “pious” or to isolate ourselves as if in incubators, but to reflect who Christ is as we walk among other people. If we are in the process of being conformed to Jesus’ likeness, then the longer we live and mature spiritually, the more others should be able to recognize the Savior in us. Our hearts should grow softer, and our willingness to love and serve should increase.

If we are Christ’s ambassadors, then our lives must be holy; otherwise, we are misrepresenting Him. If we are the body of Christ, then our hands are His hands, our eyes are His eyes, and our feet are His feet. When we allow Jesus to speak, love, and serve through us, others will be compelled to ask why we live such vibrant lives. All followers of Christ are called to be holy. To answer this call daily is to embrace the Great Commission.

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Dear Church Family,

As a member of the PNC, I am excited about the possibility of hiring a new pastor in the next few months. I choose this devotional reading to encourage all of us to think about how all of us can be the hands, eyes and feet at Christ and his church.

Once the PNC completes the search process, we must give our new pastor time to settle in, to try new things, to get to know people. I would implore you to be patient, to encourage him or her, to be supportive, and to get involved yourself. The pastor’s job is not to be everything and to do everything for all of the people. They have a family, a life, and personal responsibilities too. My own father was a pastor, and I know how people had high expectations of him and his family. Many times, people were quick to react or criticize if he wasn’t available for them, or do things as they felt they should be done. It was impossible for him to please everyone.

Today though, people use their email as a way to communicate, rather than face to face. This can often cause misunderstandings when the pastor can only read, and not discuss the issue with you in person. Again, I ask you to use sensitivity, to offer assistance as the pastor learns how to fill his/her role, to be slow to anger, and not be critical of others.

I pray our new pastor will be encouraged by each member here as we try to live a “vibrant” life for Christ.

*Sincerely,
Beth Corriveau,
PNC Member*



“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives

and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free,

to proclaim the year of the Lord’s favor.” Luke 4:18–19

DEDICATED TO BRINGING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TO THOSE AROUND THE WORLD

For many years, the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program and the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) have been committed to supporting the efforts of peace seekers and advocates working in the Presbyterian peacemaking community.

In 2014, the 221st General Assembly approved a change from the Peacemaking Offering to the Peace & Global Witness (P&GW) Offering. This transition will extend the depth of the Offering and inspire more Presbyterians to join this mission. This new Offering will allow us to broaden our reach, making a greater impact and bringing peace to people through Christ.

The Presbyterian Peacemaking Program, a mission of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and a program of Compassion, Peace and Justice Ministries, in urgent response to the overwhelming culture of violence in our world is:

WORKING TOWARD...

Transforming cultures of violence into communities of peace.

Responding with the community to...

INSPIRE new approaches to active peacemaking.

EQUIP God’s people to be compassionate and prophetic peacemakers.

CONNECT communities of peace to learn from each other in shared accompaniment and take action together for the transformation of the world.

The Peace & Global Witness Offering is received during the Season of Peace, which ends on World Communion Sunday, Oct. 5, 2014.

Senior Breakfast

The Senior breakfast will be held Monday, Oct. 27th at 8:30 a.m. at the Holiday Inn. The price is \$7.50. The program is to be announced..

Fellowship and Hospitality

Committee Members: Emilia Bernd, Helene Horn, Ann Kohland, Tom Jenne, Joni Steiner, Sue Moore and Jessica King (chairperson).

The Fellowship and Hospitality Committee meets on the first Tuesday of each month at 8:30am in the middle room at Caldwell Church. We encourage anyone who would like to be a part of this committee to join us. Perhaps you would just like to help at some of the events we sponsor. If that is your choice please contact one of our committee members.

Our committee arranges for Coffee hour hosts. Please check the bulletin board in the coffee room to see when your name appears. If you find the date you have been assigned is not good for you, we ask that you find someone to take your place. It is possible to just switch dates with someone else who is listed with their permission. **PLEASE MAKE YOUR CHANGE ON THE CHART AND NOTIFY TOM JENNE OF YOUR ACTION.** (Tom's-cell-#716-870-0013).

We celebrate the first Sunday of each month as Birthday Sunday for all people who have birthdays in the current month. A cake is provided which will be found in the refrigerator in the church kitchen. You may choose to serve just cake and coffee or if you prefer you may add other snacks as you see fit. There is a list of instructions to follow on the cupboard door near the sink describing how to make the coffee etc.



Our Church has a history of being warm and friendly. If anyone in the congregation has visitors sitting in a pew near them we ask that you reach out and encourage them to come to the coffee hour and share in the fellowship and hospitality

Coffee Hour Hosts:

October

- 5 Kopf family
- 12 Fuller family
- 19 Cornelius family
- 26 Emilia Bernd & family

November

- 9 Mannix family
- 16 Dana Powers
- 23 Christine Bunalski
- 30 Hunsicker family

Our Annual Fall Rummage & Bake Sale

The sale will be held October 16, 17 & 18th this year. We will be setting up on Sunday, October 12th after coffee hour. As always, if you would like to help volunteer, please contact Sue Hunsicker at hunsicker@verizon.net or 745-5740

Services Offered by friends of our church:

Veils hand made with love and care any style or size for all occasions. Please call Chris at #518-409-5723, so we can customize to make your veil perfect for you on your special day.

FASZ DESIGNS

Interior Painting/Custom Tile Installation

Graphic Designs/Logos/Contemporary Art

Custom Built Tables/Furniture Refinishing

References/Reliability/Photos

Call Scott @ 518-232-0373

Anson Scott Fowler, Lake George, NY

Seeker Deadline for November

Please note that the November version of the Seeker information is due by October 22 nd. Send information to secretary@caldwellpres.org. Thank you.~~~Beth

Yummy Pies for Sale

Your opportunity to purchase pies to enjoy a great tasting raspberry or blackberry pie in the middle of a long cold winter will soon take place! Gardner Pies are an upscale pie that will keep in your freezer for up to a year. All you do is take them out and bake them.

We will sell the same pies as last year: blackberry, raspberry, peach praline, apple walnut, strawberry rhubarb and very berry (blueberries, blackberries, raspberries, strawberries,). I haven't found out about the cost yet but I am sure it will be similar to last year. We will take orders on Sunday October 26th and Sunday November 2nd after church or you can call me at home at 668-4470 by November 3rd to order.

Pick up this year will be Sunday, November 9th at A & W between 11:00 and noon. Since so many people order pies now, we need you to make every effort to pick them up or have someone pick them up for you at this time. However, if that is not possible let me know and we will do our best to work something out. Feel free to call if you have questions.

Karen Azer

KIDS CORNER

Christian Education

We have had a great start to the 2014/2015 Sunday School year.

Thank you to the Amrocks for a delicious pancake breakfast on the first day.

The 5th/6th grade class has already made taffy and soup to share.

We are continuing the mission we started during our Weird Animals VBS. Operation Kid to Kid works to provide Clean Water for school children in India. \$2.50 is enough for a child in India to have clean water for an entire year at school. Thanks for helping us make this happen- and share God's love.

Six Jr/Sr High students have signed up for eight week confirmation class. The class is making posters and playing Pictionary to study how we are called by God. Reverend Tom Parsons will lead the Confirmation ceremony during the service on November 23rd.

The Great Pumpkin Race

Invite your friends! On Sunday, October 5th, Caldwell will host the 3rd annual Great Pumpkin Race at 11:30 a.m. Past challenges have included laser mazes, whipped cream pies, and fishing clues out of Lake George.

This years clues are top secret and better than ever. The event will take place rain or shine. If you are able to keep up with a group of running youth or willing to supervise a station, we need your help!

Please call Yvonne Fuller at 743-9759.



GARDENER CORNER

Warrensburg, NY – The Warren County Master Gardener Training Program is now open for 2014! Applications are being accepted for the training that will begin in January 2015. The program is open to anyone who has an interest in expanding their gardening experience and knowledge. Learn how you can improve your own gardens and landscapes. Learn scientifically-based gardening information in a relaxed and supportive atmosphere. It is a great way to learn even more by sharing information with fellow-Master Gardeners during the training, and following the training, by participating in community-based horticultural programs, educational projects and helping people in the community with their gardening questions. The Master Gardener Training Program is packed with information provided by the many scientists, educators, and garden experts associated with Cornell University. The course includes information about: botany; entomology; organic gardening; soil health; use of fertilizers; plant diseases; good flower, fruit and vegetable growing practices; and wildlife management. Please contact the Master Gardener program at Cornell Cooperative Extension in Warren County for more information and an application 518-623-3291 or at warren@cornell.edu.



*Wondering what to do with those
Used candles, boxes of broken crayons or*

Old wax blocks in

The back of your drawer?

I'll take them off your hands!

With a little dryer lint, they make great

Fire Starters for camp fires!

Thanks, Linda Nicols

Deacons Information

Fall Rummage & Bale Sale It's time to DECLUTTER! Our Annual Fall Rummage & Bake Sale is just around the corner! We will begin setting up on Sunday, 10/12 after the coffee hour. If you can stay and lend a hand, it would be greatly appreciated; Lots of heavy tables and racks to move. We will also start accepting rummage after the service on 10/12 through Wednesday, 10/15.

The Sale Runs:

Thursday, 10/16 from 3-7 pm;

Friday, 10/17 from 11 am to 5 pm

Saturday's Bag Sale, 10/18 from 9 am to 11 am.

North Country Ministry and Prospect School arrive shortly after 11 am to haul away most all of the leftover rummage. If you would like to volunteer any of your time either for set-up, sorting, sale days or clean up or would like to make something for the Bake Sale, please contact Sue Hunsicker at hunsicker@verizon.net or [518-745-5740](tel:518-745-5740).

College Care Packages Do you have a family member (son, daughter, grandchild) that is away at college? Please contact Deacon, Patti Brozyna at patriciabrozyna@gmail.com if you would like a care package sent to you loved one. We want to send some cheer their way and to let them know that we are proud of their commitment to further their education! Care packages will be sent out to our recipients the first week in November.

Food Pantry Our Food Pantry Distribution is opened the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month from 9:30 am to 12 noon. THANK YOU to all of our faithful volunteers that make the bi-monthly operation of the pantry possible!

If you have any Joys or Concerns, please do hesitate to reach out to the Deacons; we are here to lend a helping hand.

Sue Hunsicker- Moderator, Rummage Sales, Food Pantry Administrator, Christmas Caroling

Patti Brozyna- College Care, Christmas Families, Soup Ministry, Food Pantry

Lynda Glenn-Recording Treasurer, Prayer Shawl Ministry, Christmas Families, Seeker Articles

Bob Gunther- Rummage Sale, Request for Assistance coordinator

Tom Jenne- Food Pantry (inventory, ordering and pick-up/delivery from Regional Food Bank)

Margy Mannix- Secretary, Holiday Food Baskets, Food Pantry

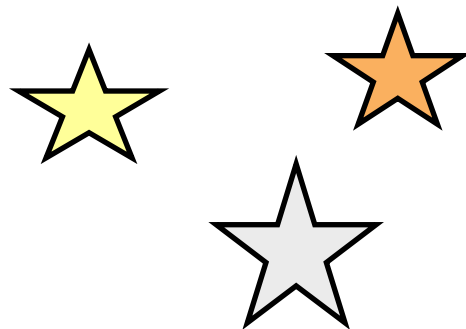
Tim McCann- Rummage Sale, Food Pantry

October 2014

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			1 Mission Comm. 1:30	2 Choir 7:30	3	4
5 Great Pump- kin Race/ World Communion	6	7 Supervisory Meeting 12:30	8	9 Choir 7:30	10	11
12 Rummage Sale Set Up	13	14 Session Mtg. 7	15	16 Choir 7:30 Rummage Sale 3-7	17 Rummage Sale 11-5	18 Rummage Sale 9-11
19	20	21	22 Preschool Carnival Mtg. 12	23 Choir 7:30	24	25 Roast Pork Dinner
26	27	28	29	30 Choir 7:30	31 Halloween Night at church	

Happy Birthday

Alec Winyall	Howard Nicols
Caleb Perry	Pam Quigan
Carol Whalen	Pat Radloff
Catelyn Jean Mc Cann	Rachel Hunsicker
Charlie Fuller	Samantha Gorey
Don Winyall	Suzanne Hunsicker
Laura Corriveau	



PRAYER CONCERNS

David Malcolm, , Jenne Family, Len Bunalski, , Kellie Moody, Lauren Azer, Karen Azer, Charlie Fuller, the Green Family, John Kohland, Pamela Parrott, James O'Brian, Jim Corkland, ,Chloe Cuthbert, Michelle Kylloe, Jeffry Leoni, , John Santiago, Dan Gillman, Maggie Greene, Alex Blanco, Jean Morris, Carl Desantis, Carol Longman, Kurt Peltz, Jill Greene, Andy & Melissa, Skyler Castro, Bob McKinney, Joan Potts, Liz Peterson, Pat's brother Dean., Caryl Clark, Susan Moore.

Out-of-Towners

Florida: Beth Gailey, Anna Fox

Georgia: John Logan

Germany: Heinz-Juergen Hohmeier

Haiti: James Obarowski

Illinois: Wendy Raphael

Maryland: Tanya & Kurt Peltz

New Jersey: Neva Strom,

New York: Jackie Mackey, Ken Austin
Esme Savoie

Ohio: Mary Lou Peterson

Pennsylvania: Ron Madeira

Texas: John & Theresa Lisenbe,

Virginia: Ed Pharmer,

West Virginia: Sharon Frohnapfel

**Our Men and Women serving in the-
military**

**Our Nation and Our Leaders in-
Government**

Our Missionaries

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Harry Horn

George Green Jr.

Jim Morris



Hospital, Nursing & Retirement Homes and At Home

Indian River Nursing Home – Pat Eaglestone

Westmount Health Facility– Mary Harbourne

At Home — Clyde Gazlay

Fort Hudson— Betty Cole, Charles Sandora

OCTOBER NEWS FROM THE HAITI MISSION SCHOOL

As I write this, we are preparing for the annual meeting of the Board of Directors for the *Friends of Siloam School at Labastille* AKA the Haiti Mission School. I would have preferred to write this after the meeting, but church newsletter schedules take precedence. Several major topics will be on the agenda, most of them formed by the decision of the Haitian government to begin paying our teachers. It will clearly affect our budget and future plans. So much rides on how the new arrangement works out. We are taking a “wait and see” attitude with no new programs beginning this year. And of course, we continue to pray for God’s wisdom and work in this and we hope you are continuing to pray with us.

Tom and JoEllen will travel to Haiti in November to see how things are going at the school and to meet the board in Jeremie, We also hope to meet with a representative of the Education Dept. in Port Au Prince. We have numerous questions and some thoughts for them. First, we wonder if they have future plans in the area and if so how they will affect our school.

We anticipate having a full school this year with somewhere in the range of 125 students in k-6th grades. As far as we know, all our teachers will be returning. We are continuing to provide scholarships for the five students that passed their exams in secondary school last year, and are adding six more from last year’s graduates of HMS.

We have just learned that the school they are attending which is sponsored by a Catholic organization in Canada has outfitted a classroom with brand new computers, printers, etc., and a generator to provide electricity. As a result, we have been told all the students at the secondary school will be getting an hour of instruction in computers daily and it will cost us \$3 additional tuition per student. Imagine, \$103/year total tuition including computer instruction!!!

IMAGINE!

By Tom Parsons

Searching for a book today--
Looked on first one shelf --And then another.
Too many books?

Visited a Haitian home near our school.
Saw no books—not one!
It isn’t just poverty.
If you can’t spell--What would be the point?
If you can’t put letters together and make words.
If perhaps you can’t tell an “A” from a “Z”
What’s the point of a shelf full of books?

What would be the point
Of a bible--
Of great poetry--
Or the adventures of Moby Dick,
Dick and Jane and Spot,
Or a history of your native land?
What would be the point of a shelf of books
If you can’t read?

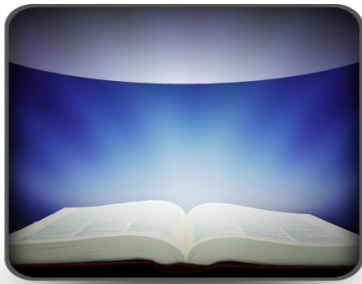
Imagine that you can’t read—
Now --
imagine that you can!

A Biblical Basis for Missions by the Mission Committee

The Mission Committee was recently asked if there is a biblical basis for missions. It was an interesting question, because to us it seems that the heart of what it means to be Christian is in our missions. Here is some of what we found:

Jesus was the first Christian missionary. His mission was to teach the world about God's love. He demonstrated what it means to be in mission. He provided food, he taught, he healed, and most of all he loved everyone that he met. He showed through word and action what a loving God we have.

Before he left, he commanded his disciples to do the same, and even more. In John 21, for instance, he asks Peter if Peter loves him. When Peter says "You know I do," Jesus tells him to "*feed my sheep... take care of my lambs.*" In Acts 1, just before he ascends, he says "*You will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you and you will be my witnesses I have shown you in all Judea, and Samaria and to the ends of the earth.*"



Following his ascension, the *idea* of missions really took off in the early Christian church. We read in the book of Acts how one of the first things the church did was to provide daily food for widows. (Jesus had talked many times about providing for widows and orphans). In fact this became such a big responsibility, that they appointed deacons to take over that function, so that the Apostles could continue their primary mission of spreading

the word.

Our word *Mission* comes from the Latin word "mission" which means "to send," or "one sent forth". This idea came directly from our Lord who told the disciples to "*Therefore, go [for as you go], make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you...*" [Matthew 28:19. Since we are his disciples, as we go, we are to make disciples, baptize and teach.

The call to missions also comes from "The great commandment": "*You shall love the Lord, your God with all your heart, soul, strength and mind, and you shall love your neighbor as yourself.*" [Matthew 22:36-40] Thus it seems that a major part of our calling as Christians is to reach out to our neighbors, make disciples, love and take care of the Lord's flock [the world].

When we hear about missions, we often think in terms of giving money. The truth is that money is an important aspect of missionary work. Still, giving money is not the heart of what the bible says about missions. It is simply one the means of going about missions. In fact, you can do all of the above without giving a cent if that is your call.

So back to the original question: Is it biblical? It seems that it would be nearly impossible to fulfill Jesus' command to us, his disciples without missions and missionaries—those who, as we go out, serve, and teach about God, the Holy Spirit, Jesus, and the bible. We are those who baptize and make disciples. Mission is, it seems, how Jesus showed us to live as Christians.

Submitted by Tom Parsons



Preschool News

Dear Friends,

As I write I can hardly believe that September is almost over. Grandparents' Day will be held at the Preschool tomorrow (September 26, 2014).

It is so encouraging to see the support of our families as we have at least 18 families who are sending grandparents to our school tomorrow. It is great to work with children whose families show such love and interest in them.

Our students have all settled into our program at the preschool. It is amazing how these little ones can learn the routine so quickly and find comfort in the boundaries that have been clearly set for their protection and development. We have had so many encouraging words from our families about their experience so far. One mom said that her daughter didn't know she was still in the room and when her sweet girl turned around from putting her backpack up she had a huge smile on her face. Mom said, "I saw pure JOY on her face, that gave me the assurance that we had made the right decision for our daughter to come here."

Our classes are about filled to capacity. We have 12 students in the 4's class and 11 students in the 3's class. On Monday, we will add one more to the 4's and we are talking with another family who may start in January. The word is getting out that "this is the place to be". We are hearing that many are coming because of what our families are telling about their experience here. They may not realize it, but because we ask **Jesus** to be part of all that we do, He is the one who is making the difference in our preschool.

Thanks for being a part of all that is going on in the preschool. We are seeing students who love to be here and students who think that learning is fun!!

Working with you,
Christine Sallstrom

Calling all cooks, bakers, servers, dishwashers and anyone who just likes to eat!

COMMUNITY DINNER

November 5, 2014

Again this year Caldwell Presbyterian Church will prepare a dinner for Sacred Heart Catholic Church's community dinner program. Dinners are held Wednesdays between October 22 and May 6, from 5-6:30 PM. The dinners are free for all in the community but donations are accepted.

Due to the popularity of our past dinners, we will again prepare chili, corn bread and coleslaw. In addition to cooks, we also need servers, set up and clean-up volunteers and bakers to provide desserts. Approximately 100 people are generally served.

If interested in being part of our "dinner-team" in any capacity, please contact Linda Nicols at 623-6888 or e-mail at lindan12817@yahoo.com. Thank you!

The Seeker

Caldwell Presbyterian Church

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All are welcomed into The Caldwell Church Family.

We would love to see you in church on

SUNDAY MORNINGS AT 10AM!

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