

The Seeker for July/August 2015

Newsletter for the Caldwell Presbyterian Church

"Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth"



Dear Caldwell Family,

Summer is here, and many of us plan to set aside time for island camping, trail hiking, and long evenings spent around a crackling fire in the backyard. The beauty of the Adirondacks is something I know none of us takes for granted. It's why we live here, choose to stay here, and raise our children here. And summer is a particularly splendid time for the beauty in nature to startle us and wow us and remind us of the Creator's hand at work in the world, now and forever.

A treasured book for me is a collection of poems by Old Testament Professor Walter Brueggemann, who writes poems in response to selected scripture, hymns, or significant experiences. One poem based on the hymn "Praise My Soul, the God of Heaven" could be my favorite. Toward the end it reads:

"We join the angels in praise, and we keep our feet in time and place...

awed to heaven, rooted in earth.

We are daily stretched between communion with you

and our bodied lives,

spent but alive,

summoned and cherished

but stretched between.

The photo here was taken by Becky Potts on Father's Day in her backyard. What a stunning reminder of God's dazzling presence all around us, and the faith and sense of purpose a single moment is capable of renewing in us. Brueggemann's poem concludes:

"...We are reminded that before us

there has been this One *truly divine, truly human*...

We are thankful for him, and glad to be in his missional company.

Alleluia. Amen.

--Awed to Heaven, Rooted in Earth, Prayers of Walter Brueggemann, p. 86

This summer, my prayer for us all is that in the midst of whatever we may be shouldering, whatever dark night of the soul we might contend with, and in the midst of the heartbreak of our broken world, we all set aside time to pause and look up. He is with us. And how glad we are to be in his missional company...to do our part in building up Christ's body here and now.

Faithfully,

Ali

Caldwell Presbyterian Church Prechool Fundraiser

CARNIVAL ▢ SILENT AUCTION ▢ BASKET RAFFLE

HOW DO YOU MEASURE SUCCESS??

Financial: \$2868 raised for the Preschool & Scholarships

Outreach: VBS interest, Caldwell Church interest & positive energy

Relationships: Preschool Families & Staff <> Church members <> Community

Fun: Smiles, Laughter!

Based on all reviews received so far,

IT WAS A HUGE SUCCESS !!!



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Thank you to all who gave of your time, talents, donations, and more!

Thank you to our committee members who worked

for many months to make these events a reality and a success:

Patti Brozyna ♦ Lesley Clemons ♦ Kim Cornelius ♦ Stephanie Fregoe

Judy Guilford ♦ Jessica King ♦ Sarah King ♦ Rachael Lujbli ♦ Linda Nicols

Kate Pape ♦ Denise Perry ♦ Chris Sallstrom ♦ Erica Smith



Thanks to the following businesses for their generous donations –

Please visit them and thank them for their support:

- Adirondack Nautilus ♦ Adventure Racing ♦ The Algonquin Restaurant ♦ Angelina's Pizzeria
♦ Bistro Leroux ♦ The Blue Moose ♦ Bounce Around ♦ Café Vero ♦ The Dog Cabin ♦ Eddie Bauer
♦ Gambles ♦ Gale Freiburger's Hot Dogs ♦ The Garrison Restaurant Gore Mt. Ski Resort
♦ Hannaford's ♦ The Karate Center ♦ Lake George Baking Co. ♦ Lake George PTSO ♦ Lake
George Steamboat Co. ♦ Lake George Village ♦ Magic Forest Magic Castle Indoor Entertainment
♦ McDonalds of Warrensburg ♦ Pablo's Burrito Cantino ♦ Parasail Joe's ♦ Peter Harris Clothes
♦ Raul's Mexican Grill ♦ Reebok-Rockport Outlet Store ♦ Pirate's Cove Mini Golf ♦ Shoreline Cruises
♦ Stewarts ♦ Sushi Yoshi
♦ The Tom Tom Shop
♦ Walmart ♦ Wilton Mall Cinema
- ♦ Sweet Frog ♦ Thirty One Gifts
♦ Tupperware (Nancy Vilander)



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 10:30 am 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.

Coffee Hour Hosts:

July

5 Jess King
12 Davis/O'Reilly
19 Picnic on the Lawn
26 Clemons/Corriveau

August

2 Earl Family
9 Duell/Hollenbeck/Edwards
16 Carr/Carpenter
23 Horn/Moore
30 Bernd Family

Save These Dates

Church Picnic on the lawn July 19th.

The Fellowship & Hospitality Committee are providing a cookout for everyone immediately following the church service that day. Hotdogs, hamburgers, watermelon, and brownies will be provided. Feel free to bring a dish to share, or a beverage.



Bible School is August 10-14th.

The theme is **Everest**. This is open to kids 3 years old (who are potty trained) through incoming 6th graders. Older children are needed as teen helpers. Registration forms are on the table in the Coffee Room, or at caldwellpres.org.

Kid's Corner:

Happy summer!!

I wanted to thank all involved in the Success of Youth Sunday. The kids did a wonderful job. We have lots of talent here at Caldwell. All the teachers and parents involved. Thank you. Good Job to all!!

The Beach Picnic at Usher Park was very fun. Thanks to Yvonne for organizing the event . Thanks to all for the yummy side dishes.

No Sunday school classes through the summer. There will be a video available in the youth room for small kids who rather watch a DVD then stay with parents in Sunday worship.

Vacation Bible School August 10th thru the 14th. **“Everest”**

Register early and get a special gift. Registration forms are available at the church.

Call Sarah King with questions. Still looking for helpers with VBS.
If interested please contact Sarah King.

Enjoy your summer!!

Judy, Dana, Laura



Youth Activity in July !

YOUTH GROUP PICNIC on LONG ISLAND in LAKE GEORGE!

Where: Lake George Village docks by Million Dollar Beach

When: Wednesday, July 15, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Activity: Boat Ride to Long Island for Picnic, Group Building and FUN!

RSVP: Please let Pastor Ali know if you can come by JULY 10th so that planning for lunch can be coordinated. ali@caldwellpres.org or 668-2613.

This is an opportunity to join with friends from Sacred Heart Church and Caldwell Church and get to know one another and have a great time on Long Island in Lake George!

Many thanks to Kim Scott who will be offering the use of her boat to bring us to Long Island for the afternoon excursion. Hope you can join in the fun!

Summer Office Hours:

***The Church Office will be opened
Tuesday –Friday from 9:30-1:30.***

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO MOW THE GRASS.

If you would like to volunteer, please sign up on the sheet in the coffee room or call Laura at #368-0540.
Sign up is by week for the following Sunday.

**Fall classic Golf Tournament and Steak Bake
to benefit the North Country Ministry**

*September 20th at Cronin's Golf Resort,
Warrensburg, NY 12855*

Tee off at 1:00 pm

Cost: \$95 if paid by 9/10

*Include: Golf, Cart, Prizes, Lunch, Beverages, Steak
Bake, Gifts, Silent Auction*

*Send check, name, and address to
NCM Golf Tournament*

P.O. Box 111

North Creek, NY 12853

Americade Breakfast Thank You!

Many thanks from the whole of Caldwell Presbyterian Church to the many people who made the Americade Breakfast possible.

We served 20 more people this year, for a total of 328 happy bellies.

Thank you to Helene, who took over organizing everything after Carol Longman could no longer be involved.

Thank you to Jennifer, Margy, and Karen who walked the streets to pass out posters.

Thank you to Roger for the putting the sign out on the lawn.

Thank you to Dave Madden for procuring nearly everything.

Thank you to Tom, HoEllen, Tom J., Ann, and Joni who worked hard all four days.

Thank you to Linda C. who became the chief egg cooker for four days.

Thank you to Judy who contacted and arranged all of the workers.

Finally, thank you to all of the other folks who worked one, two, or three days at the breakfast.

This team of people did an awesome job to make the breakfast a success!



Pastor Ali would like to know everyone's month and date of birth. You do not have to give her the year. You can place a slip in the offering plate, her mailbox, or email it to secretary@caldwellpres.org.

No Deacon or Elder Meeting in July. Will meet again in August.

August 2015

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12	13	14	15
		Ch. Ed. Mtg. 5:30	Deacons Mtg. 6:30		Food Pantry	
16	17	18 Session Mtg. 7	19	20	21	22
		Lake George Music Festival August 17th to the 27th				
		Find the concert schedule at LakeGeorgeMusicFestival.com				
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
					Food Pantry	
30	31					

Happy Birthday

July

Roger Glenn
 Jessica Hunsicker
 Les Edwards
 Jed Moody
 Ree Humphrey
 Dorothy Quigan
 Gladys Tasker
 Emelia Bernd

August

Pat O'Reilly
 Margy Mannix
 Tiffany Cornelius
 Aubrey Corriveau
 Max Jenne



PRAYER CONCERNS

Jenne Family, Bunalski Family, Kellie Moody, Lauren Azer, Karen Azer, Charlie Fuller, the Green Family, John Kohland, Pamela Parrott, Alex & Justin Blanco, Nancy Munro, Jill Greene, Andy & Melissa Thomas, Christine Nicols, Janet Murphy, Deloris Reese, Scott Fowler, Pat's brother Dean, Glen Gabriel, Caryl Clark, Ree Humphrey, Lori Masson, Clyde Gazlay, Kathy Duell, Dominic Renaldi., Nanette Bushey, John a friend of the Mirandas, Robin Hoffman, Caroline Becker, Jeanne Bureaus, Twila Fitzgerald, Glen Gabriel, Rhyan Towne, Pastor Bob, Julie Bonn, George Mathewson.

Out-of-Towners

Arkansas: Nanette Bushey

Florida: Beth Gailey, Anna Fox

Georgia: John Logan

Germany: Heinz-Juergen Hohmeier

Haiti: James Obarowski

Illinois: Wendy Raphael,
Linda Muehling

Maryland: Tanya & Kurt Peltz

New Jersey: Neva & Victor Strom,

New York: Jackie Mackey, Ken Austin
Esme Savoie

Ohio: Mary Lou Peterson

Pennsylvania: Ron Madeira

Texas: John & Theresa Lisenbe,

West Virginia: Sharon Frohnafel



Our men and women serving in the military

Our Nation and our leaders in government

Our missionaries

Persecuted Christians around the world

Recently Deceased:

Jean Dansen

Betty Cole

Carol Longman

Hospital, Nursing & Retirement Homes

Indian River Nursing Home – Pat Eaglestone

Westmount Health Facility– Mary Harbourne

Fort Hudson— Charles Sandora

July news from the Haiti Mission School

As the 2014-15 school year winds to a close, we begin the process of reviewing the year and looking forward to the next school year. A time consuming project for us is with students' pictures we took on our last trip. JoEllen spends many hours putting names with the faces so that we can keep records and send out current pictures to those who have a student that they support and pray for.

One of the enjoyable parts of doing this is to look back at some of the students and see how they have grown over the years. Then there is the sadness of noting that some have left us. One of our students, Carlotta Benjamin died this year. As is often the case in our rural area with little in the way of medical help, there was scant information about what happened. They said she had a "fever".

Several students moved away—some just stopped coming – some we had information about—for others there was none. Some who had stopped, returned after a few year's absence. We have come to expect this, since we know that life is very uncertain in Haiti and a considerable number of our students are "Restaveks"—living with families that aren't their own. The children are often treated more like servants than the family's own children. As a result their families often don't have a strong desire for success of the student (or a large involvement in the school).

We are making an effort to find out more information about those who do not return. We plan to share that information with those who have been supporting those students when and if the information becomes available.

Then there is the process of reviewing the year's finances and getting next year's budget that we agreed to with the committee in Haiti. It needs to be analyzed, printed and forwarded for our board of directors' review at the next meeting. Thanks to a good year of donations, we were able to give the teachers a ten percent raise this year. We are still not up to what the government would pay, but at least, as we remind the teachers, they are paid every month. In Haiti, (and elsewhere) this is not a small thing. In an effort to encourage the teachers to complete their requirements for teaching credentials, we gave a bonus to the two teachers who have degrees, and are giving some financial aid to those who are working on completing their degrees.

We also were able to provide \$1,000 to the committee in Haiti, so that they could loan one of our teachers money to purchase a motorcycle. This will allow him to travel back and forth to Jèrèmie for continuing education classes. During the summer he will use it as a taxi for additional income. He has agreed to have money deducted from his monthly salary to pay the loan back. As it is paid back, the money will be available to the committee to loan to other teachers as they might request it.

Speaking of motorcycle taxis—in the Jèrèmie area, these small Chinese bikes are the omnipresent means of transportation for the vast majority of Haitians (and some of us too).





Mission of the Month - July, 2015

♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ Y....M..C.A ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪ ♪

That is..... Glens Falls YMCA!

Glens Falls YMCA was organized in 1887 by a group of men from local churches in response to the need to keep young men busy and out of mischief. The first building was constructed in 1892, on Glen Street. With a gymnasium and meeting rooms, the YMCA established a number of innovative programs, including basketball, football, track & field, as well as choral, bicycle, and camera clubs.

The Glens Falls YMCA established the Boys Conservation League & planted thousands of trees in Crandall Park, served as the local representative for the Red Cross, formed the first Boy Scout troop, & organized church baseball and basketball leagues. In 1931, service was extended to girls and women.

Today the YMCA serves over 20,000 people and is committed to nurturing the potential of kids, promoting healthy living and fostering a sense of social responsibility.

In 2013, to help strengthen 3,600 children and families, they provided \$345,000 in financial assistance for reduced cost and free programs and memberships.

YOUTH SPORTS

The Y nurtures the potential of children through the YMCA's Youth Sports programming by strengthening character in our youth, engaging families, and building lasting relationships. Participants in these programs build skills, learn about teamwork, and focus on sportsmanship. Families are presented with second-to-none volunteer opportunities as coaches, team parents, and committee members.

HEALTHY LIVING - Improving the nation's health and well-being

THE Y provides a welcoming, safe and supportive environment for all ages to become healthier and stay well in spirit, mind, and body. Through meaningful programs in family time; health, wellness, and fitness; sports and recreation; and group interests, the Y shares resources, expertise and support for the nation's health and well-being.

And....many, many more wonderful programs....stay tuned!



Bible School Registration Form for “Everest”.

Child's Name_____ Child's Gender_____

Child's Age_____ Date of Birth_____

Last school grade completed_____

Name of Parents_____

Street Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Home Telephone_____

Parent/Caregiver's cell phone_____

Home email address_____

Home Church_____

Crew number or name (for church use only)_____

Allergies or other medical conditions_____

In case of emergency, contact_____

Phone_____

Relationship to Child_____

Register by August 1st for a free gift!

Mission of the Month – July, 2015

The Rural and Migrant Ministry of NY

This ministry works diligently to help create a more just rural environment for workers. The RMM nurtures leadership and education for rural people, farm workers, and their families. They help to change unjust systems and structures that contribute to maintaining poverty. Programs include youth empowerment programs, summer camps, art camps, school arts programs, and leadership experiences. The Rural Women's Conference held in late fall each year, creates opportunities for migrant and farm women, most of whom have the care of families in addition to low paying jobs, to come together for three days of learning how to advocate for one's self and family while being housed and fed. Most lives are changed because they leave the conference with hope.

The Mission Committee has chosen to sponsor one or more women for the Rural Women's Conference as our Mission of the Month.

We will have a guest speaker from the
Rural and Migrant Ministry
here on August 9th.



The Seeker

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Lake George, NY 12845

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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