SNYDER'S CHURCH



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"To make disciples of Jesus Christ who Worship passionately, Love extravagantly, and Witness boldly"

<u>The Bible</u>: IS The Word Of God – <u>Jesus</u>: IS The Only Way To Salvation Prayer: IS Essential – Evangelism: IS Our Mission

June 2024

Dear Snyder's Church Family and Friends,

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2024

"Camp Firelight – A Summer Adventure With God"

Monday – Friday June 10 – 14

8:45 AM – 11:30 AM [12 Noon Friday]

Register Now on Snyder's Church Website

www.SnydersChurchNB.org

Facebook Page: Snyder's Church, New Bloomfield, PA

Or

<u>Link: https://snyders-churchmycokesburyvbs.com</u> <u>Diana Payne, VBS Director [phone 717 275-6097</u>

VBS is a combined Ministry to the Community of Roseglen, Dellville and Snyder's Churches

"I AM" Seven Sayings Of Jesus in the Gospel of John

"I am the bread of life" - 6:35

"I am the light of the world" - 8:12 & 9:5

I am the gate for the sheep" - 10: 7,9

I am the good shepherd" - 10: 11, 14

I am the resurrection and the life" - 11:25

I am the way and the truth and the life" - 14:6

I am the true vine" - 15: 1, 5

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Humor: Just When You Think You Know the Answer

The story is told about a pastor who was enjoyed telling stories to the children. He'd bring all the children to the front of the sanctuary, they would sit on the floor, and he would tell them a story. One day he said: "Boys and girls, I want to tell you a story about someone who likes to live in the woods, but sometimes we can see him in our yards. He has a big bushy tail, and likes to eat nuts. Anybody have any idea what I'm talking about?"

No takers.

He said: "I'm talking about a creature that lives in the woods, sometimes in our yards, big bushy tail, eats nuts, likes to climb trees, jumps from tree to tree -- now, does anybody know what I'm talking about?"

One kid raised his hand to take him out of his misery. The pastor said: "Do you know what I'm thinking about?"

The kid said: "Yeah. I know the answer should be Jesus, but it sounds like a squirrel to me."

That's a little of how it is with the Gospel of John. Just when you think you know what the answer should be, a different meaning presents itself. As you read through John, you find that it is full of double meanings and multi-layered levels. It's very different than the other three gospels. I heard one pastor say: "If Matthew, Mark, and Luke are Rembrandts . . . John is a Picasso!" That is because they have a different purpose.

John's purpose was to prove Jesus was the Messiah sent from God. But he used symbolism and metaphors to communicate that message. The symbol John employs here is that of a shepherd with his flock.

SPECIAL FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION

You will want to be with us on Father's Day, Sunday June 16th. As custom the Ladies of the Church in the Service will be the choir of the morning. And we have invited Marsha Snyder from the Dellville Church to share the message; she's always a great inspiration to everyone. So plan to be with us. The Combined Adult Class will meet after Service and Pastor Jeff is teaching.

AN INSPIRATIONAL THOUGHT

My good friend Eston Brinkley from Wilmington North Carolina sent this to me recently:

"Neighbors, friends and family, with love and appreciation I offer these simple thoughts:

- These 9 words saved the soul beside Jesus on a cross: 'Jesus, remember me when you come into your Kingdom.' 9 simple words
- Without Theology, Doctrine, Baptism, Social Principles, Catechism, Creeds, or the Bible......Salvation is possible
- Perhaps, it's not so much what you know as who you know
- And Jesus replied, "I assure you, today you will be with me in paradise"
- It's worth the effort to read His bio! WARNING: you will want to know more. Luke 23:42"

My earnest and simple response was: Amen and Amen and Amen. Thank you Jesus for your grace and mercy and sacrifice!

FROM THE FINANCE COMMITTEE

As we move into the summer season with vacation and time to relax, it's important to also remember our Church and its needs. Please use your offering/tithe envelopes on a regular basis; mailing them to the church if you are not going to be with us. Enclosed you will find a self-addressed return envelope and a tithe/offering envelope. If you need additional you will find them at the church. We count on the faithful and regular givings of our church family to help with our obligations. Thank-you.

TWO BIBLE READING PLANS

Choose between 2 reading plans: Psalms & Proverbs in a year [PPIAY] and Bible In A Year [BIAY] from Our Daily Bread. The readings for the month of June are found elsewhere in the newsletter this month. We encourage the entire church family to use these daily readings.

SCRIPTURE, SERMON & HYMN SELECTIONS

During the first two weeks of June, Pastor Bill will be completing the Scripture Lessons, Sermon Titles and Opening/Closing Hymn selections for July – December. If you have a hymn or more that you would like to have considered please write them down and give them to him by Sunday June 2nd. Thank-you.

COMBINED JULY AUGUST NEWSLETTER

With postage cost increasing in July and because it's summer time when we are not as busy as usual – we will have our Newsletter for July and August as one.

Please have information for July and August to Pastor Bill no later than June 16th [Sunday] to be included.

Information for the September news should be given to Pastor Bill no later than August 18th to be included. We say a special thank-you for your support.

Building Community

od calls us to have hearts of humility, forgiveness, and love toward one another in our communities (EPHESIANS 4:32; 5:21; 1 PETER 5:5). Being part of the body of Christ is about "one another" and not just "me."

SERVE TOGETHER: Spur one another on toward love and good deeds. (HEBREWS 10:24) • There are needs all around you. Ask God what you can do for each other and strangers. Share a meal, a card, a gift, your time. Use your God-given gifts so that people will feel seen and cared for. Join others in accomplishing His will.

PRAY TOGETHER: Carry each other's burdens. (GALATIANS 6:2)
• Bring your needs to God. Vulnerability and honesty build closer relationships and give you and others opportunity to trust Him together and to see Him work in your lives.

SHARE **TOGETHER**: Encourage one another daily,...so that none of you may be hardened by sin's deceitfulness. (HEBREWS 3:13) • Create a safe and trusted environment by allowing people to share authentically what they think. Challenge each other with the Scriptures, share your stories, help each other grow (1 THESSALONIANS 5:11). A group that includes a variety of ages brings broad experience and insights.

RELAX TOGETHER: Offer hospitality to one another without grumbling. (1 PETER 4:9) • Host others in your home for casual conversation and connection. Have fun! A game night, a dessert, a play.

How might you and your community be more intentional about practicing how to love "one another"?

Anne Cetas, Our Daily Bread author

"BEHOLD, I AM THE LORD, THE GOD OF ALL FLESH. IS THERE ANYTHING TOO HARD FOR ME?" Jeremiah 32:27

When we feel the path that the Lord is leading us is too steep and the way is too difficult, we need to pause and remember that He walks the way with us. We are never left alone on the journey. "The path is very narrow, but I'll follow. I will follow in the footsteps of my Lord."

Let this be our motto and action today, knowing that nothing is too hard for the Lord! Amen and Amen.

GENERAL CONFERENCE UMC INFORMATION This statement appears in Church Bulletin May 5, 2024

"On Wednesday May 1st the delegates of the UMC voted 692-51 to remove a rule that bans 'self-avowed practicing homosexuals' from being ordained or appointed as a minister, according to the Associated Press. On Tuesday April 30 the delegates voted to remove mandatory penalties for conducting same-sex marriages. Also by a vote of 516-203 the General Conference delegates supported the end of a disaffiliation policy which means UM churches no longer have the option of disaffiliation. For us at Snyder's Church this affirms the vote and decision we made a year ago to disaffiliate from the UMC and become a member of the Global Methodist Church. Now is an excellent time for all of us to invite those Christian members of the UMC who are upset with this ruling to become part of the GMC and especially Snyder's Church....to encourage being faithful to the Scriptures and our Wesleyan heritage. Watch for information in the coming days. Continue to Pray that the Lord will always be lifted up and we will praise God for His faithfulness. St. John 15:3 reads 'You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you!" — Pastor Bill

CHURCH WIDE PICNIC PLANNED SUNDAY JUNE 23RD AFTER OUR WORSHIP SERVICE Details will be in the weekly Bulletin but plan on this special time for the church family to gather in our Pavillion. No Sunday School on this date.

<u>2024 EXTRAORDINARY WOMEN CONFERENCE:</u> "Have Faith" is the theme for the women's conference to be held at the Giant Center September 27 and 28. The lineup includes: Sheila Walsh; Tim Tebow; Jennie Allen; Angie Smith; Margaret Feinberg; Julie Clinton; and more to be announced. Praise and Worship with Meredith Andrews and Friday night concert with Katy Nichole. Register: https://ewomen.net/hershev-pa-2024/

DAILY BIBLE READINGS JUNE 2024:

Our Daily Bread: June 1: Il Chronicles 15-16; John 12: 27-50

June 2 – 8: II Chronicles 17-18, John 13:1-20; II Chronicles 19-20, John 13: 21-38; II Chronicles 21-22, John 14; II Chronicles 23-24, John 15; II Chronicles 25-27, John 16; II Chronicles 28-29, John 17; II Chronicles 30-31, John 18: 1-18

June 9 – 15: II Chronicles 32-33, John 18: 19-40; II Chronicles 34-36, John 19: 1-22; Ezra 1-2, John 19: 23-42; Ezra 3-5, John 20; Ezra 6-8, John 21; Ezra 9-10, Acts 1; Nehemiah 1-3, Acts 2: 1-21

June 16 – 22: Nehemiah 4-6, Acts 2: 22-47; Nehemiah 7-9, Acts 3; Nehemiah 10-11, Acts 4: 1-22; Nehemiah 12-13, Acs 4: 23-27; Esther 1-2, Acts 5: 1-21; Esther 3-5, Acts 5: 22-42; Esther 6-8, Acts 6

June 23 – 29: Esther 9-10, Acts 7: 1-21; Job 1-2, Acts 7: 22-43; Job 3-4, Acts 7: 44-60; Job 5-7, Acts 8: 1-25; Job 8-10, Acts 8: 26-40; Job 11-13, Acts 9: 1-21; Job 14-16, Acts 9: 22-43

June 30: Job 17-19, Acts 10: 1-23

Psalms/Proverbs:

Week of June 2: Psalms 64 -66; Proverbs 14: 18 – 35

Week of June 9: Psalms 67 - 69; Proverbs 15: 1 - 15

Week of June 16: Psalms 70 – 72; Proverbs 15: 16 – 33

Week of June 23: Psalms 73 - 75; Proverbs 16: 1 - 16

Week of June 30: Psalms 76 – 77; Proverbs 16: 17 - 33

COLLECTION FOR PERRY COUNTY LITERACY COUNCIL: The Missions Committee is collecting for the Perry County Literacy Council from now until June 30th. They are in need of the following items: diapers, wipes, books, gently used toys and if possible Gift Cards for Food and Gas. There are bins in the Narthex. If donating Gift Cards please give these to Barb. As always please give as you are able and thank you in advance for your generosity.

<u>ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS SUNDAY JUNE 2ND:</u> Beth Humphrey and Sally Scruggs were blessed to travel to Utah for a week in April to serve as background extras for Season 5 of the series "The Chosen". This is the first-ever multi season TV program about the life of Jesus. They will be sharing their experience on Sunday June 2nd in the Adult Sunday School Classroom. You will not want to miss this experience.

This is a letter I received from Rumer's mother Jessica. The Mission Offering collected at Camp Firelight VBS will be for Rumer Bemesderfer. Her parent's are Eric and Jessica Bemesderfer, Rumer has 3 siblings they live in Mechanicsburg.

We have a beautiful 3-year-old daughter named Rumer. Rumer, who we lovingly call Rue, has been on a diagnosis journey since she existed – first medical professionals thinking she has cystic fibrosis, which moved to autism, then a terrible disease called Sanfillippo Syndrome, to Angelman Syndrome to her final and official diagnosis – Trip 12.

Trip 12 is a very new and rare genetic disorder. So far, only about 40 kids in the world have a version of this disorder. Medical professionals are still trying to determine what this means but Rumer is currently nonverbal, diagnosed with autism, has low muscle tone, vision loss, possible CVI (which is a brain damage), a seizure disorder, and many other things that we have not received an official diagnosis for yet. She also has distinct facial features that comes with this disorder including wide eyes and mouth, spaced out teeth and upturned nose. Other children with this disorder are wheel chair bound, have G tubes, epilepsy, many mood disorders, and other scary things that may be in our future but we take it one day at a time.

Rue relies on us for most everything, from going to daily therapies, putting on shoes, helping her down stairs, etc. She gets overwhelmed and breaks out into hives at very random sounds and experiences like the grocery store or deep voices. I have had to cut back on my business about 70% as she needs me all the time and we are paying out of pocket for all her therapies, as well as a special diet that she follows. We have been on a waitlist for over a year with CHOP waiting for help with her disorder.

Although her disorder sounds daunting, Rumer is also the most loving, beautiful, and joyous child I have ever met. She loves climbing (despite her low muscle tone!), music, her 3 older siblings, playing in water, and being with her family. When you are in her presence, you can just feel how big her heart is and how she does not have a mean bone in her body. She is the biggest blessing we did not know we needed in our lives and it is my biggest honor to be by her side through this life.

Thank you so much for taking the time to read about Rumer and I hope she can make you smile as much a she does us!

Here is what African delegates want the United Methodist Church, the people of Africa, and the rest of the world to know:

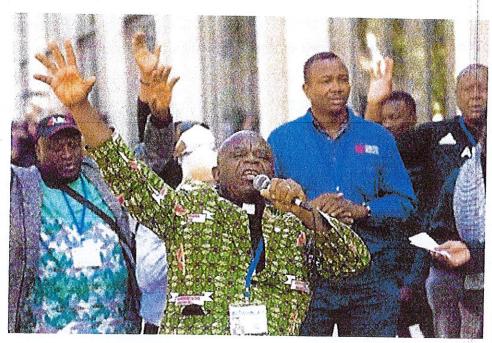
We speak as Africans, representing the majority of African delegates and, we believe, the vast majority of United Methodists in the thirty-five annual conferences in Africa.

We have loved The United Methodist Church. We have been grateful for The United Methodist Church. We have joyfully served The United Methodist Church. But now our hearts are troubled.

The postponed 2020 General Conference of The United Methodist Church has changed the United Methodist definition of marriage – not because the Bible has changed. But because western culture has changed. At this Conference The United Methodist Church has chosen to follow what pleases man instead of what pleases God.

Many African delegates are not here. They desired to be present and had planned to attend. But they were not invited by the Commission on General Conference in time to receive their visas. Over 70 of us from Africa are not present. That is roughly 25% of our delegates. Ten months ago we began sending letters and emails and making phone calls, alerting the Commission on General Conference and some of our bishops that there was a problem. Many of these communications never received a single response. It felt as if we were not valued or wanted.

At a past
General
Conference,
We Africans
Were told that
We spoke too
loudly and that
We should
close our
mouths. After
another
General



Conference a bishop said we Africans need to grow up and think for ourselves. At

this conference many of us were not even provided with the documents we needed to be present.

One mainstream UMC leader wrote that The United Methodist Church should be willing to lose Africa to fulfill its progressive agenda. It is hard for us to believe we are valued as true brothers and sisters within The United Methodist Church. It is difficult to trust that we are seen as equal partners.

The United Methodist Church has changed the definition of marriage. It now defines marriage differently from what God created it to be in the beginning (Genesis 2:18, 23-25). It has changed the definition of marriage from how Jesus described it in Matthew 19 as one man and one woman.

In Africa we do not believe we know better than Jesus. We do not believe we know better than God. We do not believe we know better than the Bible.

We must now return to Africa and tell our people that The General Conference did not listen to us, does not value us as partners, and is willing to lose us to pursue its liberal western agenda.

In his sermon to this General Conference, a UM bishop stated that if we cannot get on the UMC train and embrace its destination, we should leave. But what do we do when the train has run over us and left our hearts bleeding with sorrow and pain?

We want the UMC to hear. We want our people in Africa to hear. We want the world to hear. We do not accept a change in the definition of marriage, and we will never accept marriage as anything other than one man and one woman, no matter what the *Book of Discipline* says. We are devastated now to be part of a denomination that officially contradicts the Bible's teaching on marriage and sexual morality. We return to Africa with important decisions to make regarding the future.

Still, we go home full of hope, confident in Jesus, standing on the word of God, and determined to contend for the faith once and for all delivered to the saints. We return to Africa where the church is growing, nonbelievers are coming to faith and disciples are being made for the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. To God be the glory! Amen!



WHERE? - SNYDER'S CHURCH

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TIME - 8:45 - 11:30 Mon.-Thurs.

Friday Dismissal 12:00 noon

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2 years old through Completion of 9th grade



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Ask God to bless our follow up efforts & draw families to church	Praise God for sending Jesus, the king He promised that has saved us!	Pray that God continues to help participants follow Jesus, even when it's hard	Ask God to help children know His plan for them to know Jesus	Pray that children continue to increase in the knowledge of God's Word	Thank God for each child that attended & for allowing us a chance to minister to them	seeds sown during VBS would find their way to good soil
Thank God for the parents & guardians who brought their children to VBS	14 Ask God to bless the children that came this week and may seeds have been planted	Ask God to give energy to our VBS workers	Thank God for His gift of eternal life & the children who hear about it at VBS	Pray for the teachers to effectively communicate God's Word	Opening day of VBS to get kids excited about the gospel	Ask for safety & energy to those who will lead recreation time
Pray a blessing on all the snacks & those who will prepare them	7 Thank God for those who give their time & talents to serve	6 Pray for every song sung at VBS to demonstrate Biblical truth and wisdom	5 Thank God in advance for blessings & opportunities He will provide	4 Pray for the Holy Spirit to empower students to follow God's plan for their lives	3 Pray for the Gospel shared at VBS to pierce hearts	Pray for God to bless & equip our VBS workers
Pray for pre- registration for families to be drawn to VBS	May 31 Pray for VBS workers that are planning & preparing	May 30 Pray for God to be glorified & honored through every part of VBS	May 29 Thank God for the facility and the donated supplies	May 28 Thank God for those who give of their time & talents to serve	May 27 Pray for the teachers as they plan & prepare	May 26 Pray continually for our Pray continually for our Mission Offering this year is for Rumer Bernesderfer she is 3 years old – diagnosed - Trip 12
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