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Note to the newsletter crew:
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Missing our monthly visits with each other! Hope you are all staying safe, sane, and healthy during this time ♥ ~Sandy

OUR VISION STATEMENT

United with Christ,
we are committed
to sharing the
transformative love
of God's
grace and peace
through service
to our neighbors.

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A NOTE FROM THE PASTOR



My Friends,

This going to be a long article. Grab a cool drink, a snack, and buckle your seatbelt.

A few months *before* the murder of George Floyd I started attending a Racial Sensitivity and Awareness program that is mandatory for all U.C.C. pastors every three years. This was not an easy program because it required that I look into the mirror and I didn't always like what I saw. Initially when I started to see what was in the mirror, I tried to minimize it. It was like noticing a blemish on the tip of your nose. "Oh, it's not THAT noticeable." Then you encounter someone who takes one look at you and says "OH MY! What is that on your face??!!" Yes, it is that noticeable and it is that unpleasant. You can deny it all you want but it's not going to go away unless you deal with it.

I'm not sure what term confronted me most harshly (there were others) but this is the one that I wrestled with the most — "White Privilege" — the concept that simply because of the color of my skin I had certain privileges in society that those with brown skin did not. I didn't want to listen to that. I had no problem acknowledging that I had privileges but I had always thought that I worked hard for them and therefore deserved them. These were some of my thoughts:

- My parents worked hard so I could grow up in a good community with good public schools.
- My parents also worked hard to give me the opportunity to go to college.

- My parents insisted that I work and contribute to the cost of college so that I wouldn't take it for granted.
- I worked hard at more part time minimum paying jobs than I care to count to get myself through college and theological school.
- I worked hard to buy my first car, no one gave it to me.
- While I thank God for every blessing that I have, I continue to work hard for everything that I have.
- Other than God's grace, no one ever *gave* me anything for *free*.

The list to justify my defensiveness was much longer than this, but you get the idea. It wasn't until I calmed down enough to listen to some characteristics that I understood what White Privilege is. Let me share some of them with you.

- I can if I wish arrange to be in the company of people of my race most of the time.
- I can avoid spending time with people whom I was trained to mistrust and who have learned to mistrust my kind or me.
- If I should need to move, I can be pretty sure of renting or purchasing housing in an area which I can afford and in which I would want to live.
- I can be pretty sure that my neighbors in such a location will be neutral or pleasant to me.
- I can go shopping alone most of the time, pretty well assured that I will not be followed or harassed.
- I can turn on the television or open to the front page of the paper and see people of my race widely represented.

- When I am told about our national heritage or about "civilization," I am shown that people of my color made it what it is.
- I can be sure that my children will be given curricular materials that testify to the existence of their race.
- If I want to, I can be pretty sure of finding a publisher for this piece on white privilege.
- I can be pretty sure of having my voice heard in a group in which I am the only member of my race.
- I can be casual about whether or not to listen to another person's voice in a group in which s/he is the only member of his/her race.
- I can go into a music shop and count on finding the music of my race represented, into a supermarket and find the staple foods which fit with my cultural traditions, into a hairdresser's shop and find someone who can cut my hair.
- Whether I use checks, credit cards or cash, I can count on my skin color not to work against the appearance of financial reliability.
- I can arrange to protect my children most of the time from people who might not like them.
- I do not have to educate my children to be aware of systemic racism for their own daily physical protection.
- I can be pretty sure that my children's teachers and employers will tolerate them if they fit school and workplace norms; my chief worries about them do not concern others' attitudes toward their race.
- I can talk with my mouth full and not have people put this down

to my color.

- I can swear, or dress in second hand clothes, or not answer letters, without having people attribute these choices to the bad morals, the poverty or the illiteracy of my race.
- I can speak in public to a powerful male group without putting my race on trial.
- I can do well in a challenging situation without being called a credit to my race.
- I am never asked to speak for all the people of my racial group.
- I can remain oblivious of the language and customs of persons of color who constitute the world's majority without feeling in my culture any penalty for such oblivion.
- I can criticize our government and talk about how much I fear its policies and behavior without being seen as a cultural outsider.
- I can be pretty sure that if I ask to talk to the "person in charge", I will be facing a person of my race.
- If a traffic cop pulls me over or if the IRS audits my tax return, I can be sure I haven't been singled out because of my race.
- I can easily buy posters, post-cards, picture books, greeting cards, dolls, toys and children's magazines featuring people of my race.
- I can go home from most meetings of organizations I belong to feeling somewhat tied in, rather than isolated, out-of-place, outnumbered, unheard, held at a distance or feared.
- I can be pretty sure that an argument with a colleague of an-

- other race is more likely to jeopardize her/his chances for advancement than to jeopardize mine.
- I can be pretty sure that if I argue for the promotion of a person of another race, or a program centering on race, this is not likely to cost me heavily within my present setting, even if my colleagues disagree with me.
- If I declare there is a racial issue at hand, or there isn't a racial issue at hand, my race will lend me more credibility for either position than a person of color will have.
- I can choose to ignore developments in minority writing and minority activist programs, or disparage them, or learn from them, but in any case, I can find ways to be more or less protected from negative consequences of any of these choices.
- My culture gives me little fear about ignoring the perspectives and powers of people of other races.
- I am not made acutely aware that my shape, bearing or body odor will be taken as a reflection on my race.
- I can worry about racism without being seen as self-interested or self-seeking.
- I can take a job with an affirmative action employer without having my co-workers on the job suspect that I got it because of my race.
- If my day, week or year is going badly, I need not ask of each negative episode or situation whether it had racial overtones.
- I can be pretty sure of finding people who would be willing to talk with me and advise me about my next steps, professionally.
- I can think over many options, social, political, imaginative or professional, without asking whether a person of my race would

- be accepted or allowed to do what I want to do.
- I can be late to a meeting without having the lateness reflect on my race.
- I can choose public accommodation without fearing that people of my race cannot get in or will be mistreated in the places I have chosen.
- I can be sure that if I need legal or medical help, my race will not work against me.
- I can arrange my activities so that I will never have to experience feelings of rejection owing to my race.
- If I have low credibility as a leader, I can be sure that my race is not the problem.
- I can easily find academic courses and institutions which give attention only to people of my race.
- I can expect figurative language and imagery in all of the arts to testify to experiences of my race.
- I can choose blemish cover or bandages in "flesh" color and have them more or less match my skin.
- I can travel alone or with my spouse without expecting embarrassment or hostility in those who deal with us.
- I have no difficulty finding neighborhoods where people approve of our household.
- My children are given texts and classes which implicitly support our kind of family unit and do not turn them against my choice of domestic partnership.
- I will feel welcomed and "normal" in the usual walks of public life, institutional and social.

After I read over that very long list several times I had to:

- 1. Admit that it was true of my life experience and
- 2. Acknowledge that while my "hard work" did *earn* some things for me it is the color of my skin alone that has *granted* me countless *privileges* that I get to enjoy that people with brown skin do not. I live with White Privilege.

If anything in this article makes you uncomfortable then good. It should. But it shouldn't make you feel guilty. Guilt is a worthless emotion and does not motivate anyone to change for the right reasons. But many times, it isn't until we are uncomfortable with the status quo that we are motivated to do anything to promote change. It's time to promote change for the sake of social justice for people of color and the church and people of faith should be in the driver's seat.

A logical question to ask when we see rioting is "Why are they doing that? What good is that going to accomplish?" Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. said that *A riot is the language of the unheard*. People are screaming to get our attention. They want us to understand White Privilege. People of color want us to understand the assumptive privilege that they don't get simply due to the color of their skin. I think we need to listen and understand and change.

I INTEND TO START A GROUP THAT WILL LISTEN! WILL YOU JOIN ME?

We don't have to wait until the building is fully open again. We can start this with Zoom. Please let me know if you are willing to go on this journey of listening with me.

Peace,
Castro Sum

Since the murder of George Floyd and the reaction to it I have been reminded of the words of the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr; *A riot is the language of the unheard*. If this is true, and I think it is, then I want to start listening and I invite you to listen with me.

To that end, I want to invite you to start an ongoing Sacred Conversation on Race and to willingly enter into the particular aspect of the conversation that focuses attention on White Privilege in its manifestations and impact.

I do not promise that this will be easy to discuss nor do I claim to be an expert but we have to start somewhere. If we do this right it will challenge basic assumptions about race that help white communities maintain a system of privilege that, while prevalent, often goes unnoticed by even the best-intentioned of white advocates for justice. Nonetheless, the work of sacred listening and conversation has the potential to deepen our awareness of how privilege is made manifest, and the commensurate work of unmasking and dismantling that privilege, is among the most important work we white leaders can commit to.

If you are like me, the first time I heard the term *White Privilege* I became angry and defensive. As of late, I have been able to listen to and understand my brothers and sisters whose skin is a different color than mine. I have much more to learn. Would you join me?

Sadly, we will have to start this conversation and our listening via Zoom as our building remains closed - but I don't want to

wait. At first I thought we would keep this to a 6 week program but I do not want to limit our sacred conversation. This conversation is likely to take on different forms but I doubt it will ever be complete. Join me Monday nights from 7:00 to 8:30 beginning July 13th. Please don't feel that you have to commit to each and every session. Participate as you can.

Are you in? Please be open to this challenge. Promise to come to these conversations with open hearts and open minds. Commit to new insights that will lead to new alignments. Let me know so I can be sure to send you a Zoom invite.

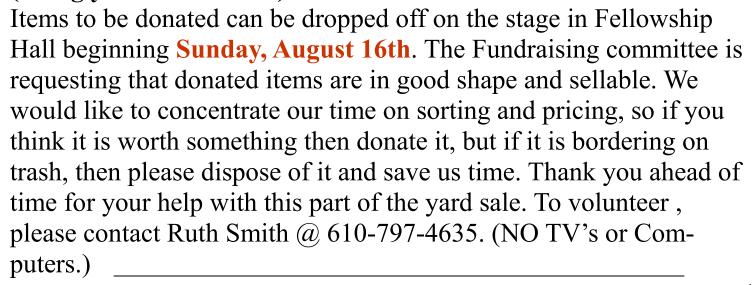
Pastor Bruce pastorbruce@faithchurchucc.org

Mark your calendars and start saving those "treasures"!

(Please take note...drop off date has changed.)

FALL YARD SALE!

Saturday, September 12th, 8 am—2 pm Vendors Welcome—\$10 space (Bring your own tables.)



News from Betty Lou's

Betty Lou's Pantry has had to modify our procedures during the COVID-19 pandemic. We no longer are a choice pantry, in which families shop our shelves as they would in a grocery store. All food is now pre-



packed by a volunteer group and shelved until it is needed for an allocation.

Our food distribution system has also changed in keeping with CDC guidelines and personal distancing regulations, families now line up in their cars at the pantry and after being registered simply open their vehicle trunks and the prepacked dry goods along with dairy, protein and personal hygiene items are placed in their cars. Also, the families are now permitted to visit the pantry twice a month instead of just once. The pantry serves between 120-140 families each month and extra food is given to homes that have school-aged children.

The pantry's food resources have been stretched to cover the extra demand. We have been without the added inventory from the cancelled Letter-Carrier Food Drive and the educational, fraternal and corporate donations we had received in the past. However, both the Center Valley and Coopersburg Post Offices are now accepting donations for BLP and the Southern Lehigh Library will soon be opening. That will certainly help us with restocking. Also, your donations are accepted at the pantry each <u>Wednesday between 9-10 am</u>.

Currently, the items most in need are:

Condensed Soup Hearty Soups Canned Pasta

Tuna Helper Canned Tomato Products Toilet Paper

Monetary donations can be given through Faith UCC.

November is Faith Church's month to volunteer to help with the distri-

bution of food to the BLP families. However, without any changes to the current conditions it is unclear if there will be a need for church volunteers as when BLP was a choice pantry. Please watch for updates concerning this matter. Even without the possible need for volunteers, every church is challenged to bring 100 bottles of detergent to Betty Lou's Pantry during their month of obligation. Please consider helping with this challenge.

Thank you for your continued support of Betty Lou's Pantry.

Mission News

As everyone knows, the Spring Bingo Fundraising event helps to support Mission's many activities throughout the year. Unfortunately, we all know that it was unable to happen this spring, leaving us concerned about meeting our yearly pledges.

Due in part to your generous donations, the Mission Team will be able to meet our pledges. We wish to thank you for your continued support to help our neighbors in need.

In the future you will be able to make donations to other missions such as One Great Hour of Sharing and The Samaritan Fund through Faith's online Tithely account.



Angel Mission Sunday

For those "Angels" that created their own mission please know that Angel Mission Sunday will be re-scheduled when church meets again. So, don't throw out your posters or delete your presentations. Your opportunity to share your mission will happen!

Haitian Family Beyond Borders Sponsorships



Please know that sponsors our have been extremely faithful keeping about their promise to support 7 Haitian families. As a matter of fact, we very much are ahead of our obligations. We have begun to receive

information about their progress. We have also received pictures so that we can connect an actual person/family to our donations. This also serves as a reminder to pray for the well-being of our families each day. Sponsors are receiving progress reports and pictures on their own families. Haiti is also challenged with the spread of COVID-19 and Beyond Borders is working to educate families on how to stay safe. We will keep you posted on the progress of our families.

Forget-Me-Nots

During these times of quarantine, it is very important to remember our Forget-Me-Nots who may not be able to receive any guests. Please send a card or give them a phone call just to let them know that their church family has not forgotten them.

We also included a list of those who regularly attend church when we gather but do not use or have access to computers. They, too, might enjoy a card or a call.

Forget-Me-Nots:

Robert Fosbenner

610-797-2984

800 Hausman Rd Apt 467

Allentown PA 18104

Grace Benner

1320 Mill Road

Quakertown PA 18951

Frank Styer

610-838-1188

2434 Forest Drive

Coopersburg PA 18036

Dorothy Miller

610-282-3807

c/o Jane Birks

2841 Whitemarsh Place

Macungie PA 18062

LaMar Beck

610-282-1456

6596 North Main Street

Coopersburg PA 18036

Mary & Patty Neely

610-282-4455

225 S. Main St

Coopersburg PA 18036

Shirley Baldwin

943 Long Street #110

Fountain Hill PA 18015

Virginia Haller

4851 Saucon Creek Rd, Rm 315

Center Valley, PA 18034

Timothy Holschwander

1050 Main St #13A

Hellertown PA 18055

Bebe Moyer

610-691-6068

624 S Bergen St

Fountain Hill PA 18015

Church Attendees:

LaVerna Diehl

610-282-3670

3417 Jacoby Road

Coopersburg, PA 18036

Shirley George

610-791-5226

5002 Rte 309, Lot 1125

Center Valley, PA 18034

Ruth Cressman

610-285-8474

800 Hausman Rd, Apt 380

Allentown, PA 18104

Evelyn Hovis

610-797-4349

4645 Lanark Rd

Center Valley, PA 18034

Bob Pierson

352-678-2148

5493 Chestnut hill Rd

Coopersburg, PA 18036

Anna Breisch

610-797-3329

4802 Aberdene St

Center Valley, PA 18036

Congratulations 2020 Graduates!

My apologies to the following graduates who were not included in last month's newsletter:)

Tyshonn Barone graduated from Southern Lehigh High School. He will be attending Northampton Community College in the fall.

Elise Schaffer graduated from Penn State University.

Katie Youngs graduated from Westchester University.

God's blessings to you all in your new endeavors!

FROM THE TREASURER— MAY FINANCIALS

	MAY	YTD
Receipts	\$21,587.08	\$107,297.81
Disbursements	\$21,580.99	\$105,007.95
	\$ 6.09	\$ 2,289.86

Thank you for your continued support during this time. To support the ministry of your church you can simply mail your gift to the church at 5992 Route 378, Center Valley, PA 18034 (please don't place it in the church mailbox) or use one of two online giving programs: Tithe.ly which is on our website or your own bank's bill pay. Your church depends upon your generous and faithful stewardship to maintain this ministry in whatever form it takes!

	Offering
5/3	\$ 425
5/10	\$ 4,845
5/17	\$ 740
5/24	\$ 1,225
5/31	\$4,055
Tithe.ly	\$ 2,451
Total	\$13,741

Puzzle Answers: wine, blind, storm, fish, water

2020 LAWN SCHEDULE

06/29/2020	NEED VOLUNTEERS	
07/06/2020	Brett Dill	610-351-0032
	Jack Maginn	610-533-3044
07/13/2020	Chuck Talboo	610-282-1552
	Randy Hughes	610-967-5061
07/20/2020	Kevin Long	610-751-4653
	NEED VOLUNTEER	
07/27/2020	Scott Christman	610-428-1182
	NEED VOLUNTEER	
08/03/2020	Brett Dill	610-351-0032
	Jack Maginn	610-533-3044
08/10/2020	Tom Hovis	610-282-3450
	George Rau	610-865-1448
08/17/2020	Terry Muth	484-894-4669
	Glenn Gunkle	610-838-1266
08/24/2020	Tom Herstine	610-797-7129
	NEED VOLUNTEER	
08/31/2020	Tim Hovis	484-223-9476
09/07/2020	Dwayne Schantz	610-797-4994
	Roger Erney	610-797-7227
09/14/2020	Bruce Torrence	610-282-4081
	Wes Koser	610-841-7077
09/21/2020	NEED VOLUNTEERS	
09/28/2020	Brian Bross	484-223-5171
10/05/2020	Tim Hovis	484-223-9476

Volunteers are needed throughout the summer. Please consider helping where you can. If you are interested in joining the crew, give Tim Hovis a call to see what is involved. 484-223-9476

From a church bulletin:

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Psalm 100 (to be read responsibly)

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We're glad they take such care with responsive readings.

Volunteers

The church building will continue to remain closed until we are clearly in the "Green Zone" and we have implemented a plan to keep everyone safe and healthy.

At that time, we will put together a volunteer schedule.

Thanks to all our volunteers who are willing to help out on Sunday mornings.

In order to keep Faith's Member & Friend Information up to date, please contact the church office or click <u>HERE</u> if there is a change to your:

- Home Address
- Email Address
- Phone Number

Thanks, Sandy



From the Secretary:

The **deadline** for **September Newsletter** articles and information is **August 10th**. Please email to faitchurchcv@gmail.com or place them in the Secretary's mailbox in the conference room or on her

To those of you who have sponsored and paid for altar flowers during this pandemic - please let us know how you would like to handle your payment:



- 1. Choose a future flower date? (July 12, 19, 26, or August 2)
- 2. Put your payment towards general fund offering?
- 3. Use your payment to purchase silk flower arrangements to be used during this time?
- 4. Receive a refund?

You can Email the church office or leave a message on the church phone. Thanks!



JULY & AUGUST BIBLE READINGS

July 1 Num. 22:41—23:12 Rom. 7:13–25 Matt. 21:33–46	July 8 Deut. 1:1–18 Rom. 9:1–18 Matt. 23:27–39	July 15 Josh. 3:1–13 Rom. 11:25–36 Matt. 25:31–46
July 2	July 9	July 16
Num. 23:11–26	Deut. 3:18–28	Josh. 3:14–4:7
Rom. 8:1–11	Rom. 9:19–33	Rom. 12:1–8
Matt. 22:1–14	Matt. 24:1–14	Matt. 26:1–16
July 3	July 10	July 17
Num. 24:1–13	Deut. 31:7–13, 24–32:4	Josh. 4:19–5:1, 10–15
Rom. 8:12–17	Rom. 10:1–13	Rom. 12:9–21
Matt. 22:15–22	Matt. 24:15–31	Matt. 26:17–25
July 4	July 11	July 18
Num. 24:12–25	Deut. 34:1–12	Josh. 6:1–14
Rom. 8:18–25	Rom. 10:14–21	Rom. 13:1–7
Matt. 22:23–40	Matt. 24:32–51	Matt. 26:26–35
July 5	July 12	July 19
Num. 27:12–23	Josh. 1:1–18	Josh. 6:15–27
Acts 19:11–20	Acts 21:3–15	Acts 22:30–23:11
Mark 1:14–20	Mark 1:21–27	Mark 2:1–12
July 6	July 13	July 20
Num. 32:1–6, 16–27	Josh. 2:1–14	Josh. 7:1–13
Rom. 8:26–30	Rom. 11:1–12	Rom. 13:8–14
Matt. 23:1–12	Matt. 25:1–13	Matt. 26:36–46
July 7	July 14	July 21
Num. 35:1–34	Josh. 2:15–24	Josh. 8:1–22
Rom. 8:31–39	Rom. 11:13–24	Rom. 14:1–12
Matt. 23:13–26	Matt. 25:14–30	Matt. 26:47–56



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July 22 Josh. 8:30–35 Rom. 14:13–23 Matt. 26:57–68	July 29 Judg. 3:12–30 Acts 1:1–14 Matt. 27:45–54	August 5 Judg. 7:19–8:12 Acts 3:12–26 John 1:29–42
July 23 Josh. 9:3–21 Rom. 15:1–13 Matt. 26:69–75	July 30 Judg. 4:4–23 Acts 1:15–26 Matt. 27:55–66	August 6 Judg. 8:22–35 Acts 4:1–12 John 1:43–51
July 24 Josh. 9:22–10:15 Rom. 15:14–24 Matt. 27:1–10	July 31 Judg. 5:1–18 Acts 2:1–21 Matt. 28:1–10	August 7 Judg. 9:1–16, 19–21 Acts 4:13–31 John 2:1–12
July 25 Josh. 23:1–16 Rom. 15:25–33 Matt. 27:11–23	August 1 Judg. 5:19–31 Acts 2:22–36 Matt. 28:11–20	August 8 Judg. 9:22–25, 50–57 Acts 4:32–5:11 John 2:13–25
July 26 Josh. 24:1–15 Acts 28:23–31 Mark 2:23–28	August 2 Judg. 6:1–24 2 Cor. 9:6–15 Mark 3:20–30	August 9 Judg. 11:1–11, 29–40 2 Cor. 11:21b–31 Mark 4:35–41

July 27

Josh. 24:16-33

Rom. 16:1–16

Matt. 27:24-31

July 28

Judg. 2:1-5, 11-23

Rom. 16:17-27

Matt. 27:32-44

August 3

Judg. 6:25-40

Acts 2:37–47

John 1:1-18

August 4

Judg. 7:1–18

Acts 3:1-11

John 1:19-28

August 10

Judg. 12:1-7

Acts 5:12-26

John 3:1-21

August 11

Judg. 13:1–15

Acts 5:27-42

John 3:22-36

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August 12 Judg. 13:15–24 Acts 6:1–15

John 4:1-26

August 13 Judg. 14:1–19 Acts 6:15–7:16

John 4:27-42

August 14 Judg. 14:20–15:20 Acts 7:17–29 John 4:43–54

August 15 Judg. 16:1–14 Acts 7:30–43 John 5:1–18

August 16 Judg. 16:15–31 2 Cor. 13:1–11 Mark 5:25–34

August 17 Judg. 17:1–13 Acts 7:44–8:1a John 5:19–29

August 18 Judg. 18:1–15 Acts 8:1–13 John 5:30–47 August 19 Judg. 18:16–31 Acts 8:14–25 John 6:1–15

August 20 Job 1:1–22 Acts 8:26–40 John 6:16–27

August 21 Job 2:1–13 Acts 9:1–9 John 6:27–40

August 22 Job 3:1–26 Acts 9:10–19a John 6:41–51

August 23 Job 4:1–6, 12–21 Rev. 4:1–11 Mark 6:1–6a

August 24 Job 4:1; 5:1–11, 17–21, 26–27 Acts 9:19b–31 John 6:52–59

August 25 Job 6:1–4, 8–15, 21 Acts 9:32–43 John 6:60–71 August 26 Job 6:1; 7:1–21 Acts 10:1–16 John 7:1–13

August 27 Job 8:1–10, 20–22 Acts 10:17–33 John 7:14–36

August 28 Job 9:1–15, 32–35 Acts 10:34–48 John 7:37–52

August 29 Job 9:1; 10:1–9, 16–22 Acts 11:1–18 John 8:12–20

August 30 Job. 11:1–9, 13–20 Rev. 5:1–14 Matt. 5:1–12

August 31 Job 12:1–6, 13–25 Acts 11:19–30 John 8:21–32



July & August Birthdays

JULY

- 01 Qiyi Zhu-Stoffey
- 06 Steve Mitchell
- 07 Bebe Moyer
- 09 LaMar Beck
- 11 Jillian Grammer
- 12 Amy Bittenbender Rachael Christman
- 13 Donna Schoenberger
- 14 Amanda Heineman
- 15 Jennifer Ferrara
- 16 Cheryl Bold Gracie Lender
- 17 Delores Castetter Tina Eaves
- 19 Nancy Marple
 Gwendolyn
 Zehnder
- 20 Bruce Torrence Matthew Long Anja Heineman
- 21 George Rau Charles Talboo
- 27 Kimberly Kernick Lily Adams

- 30 Raymond Horwath
- 31 Colleen Kandt

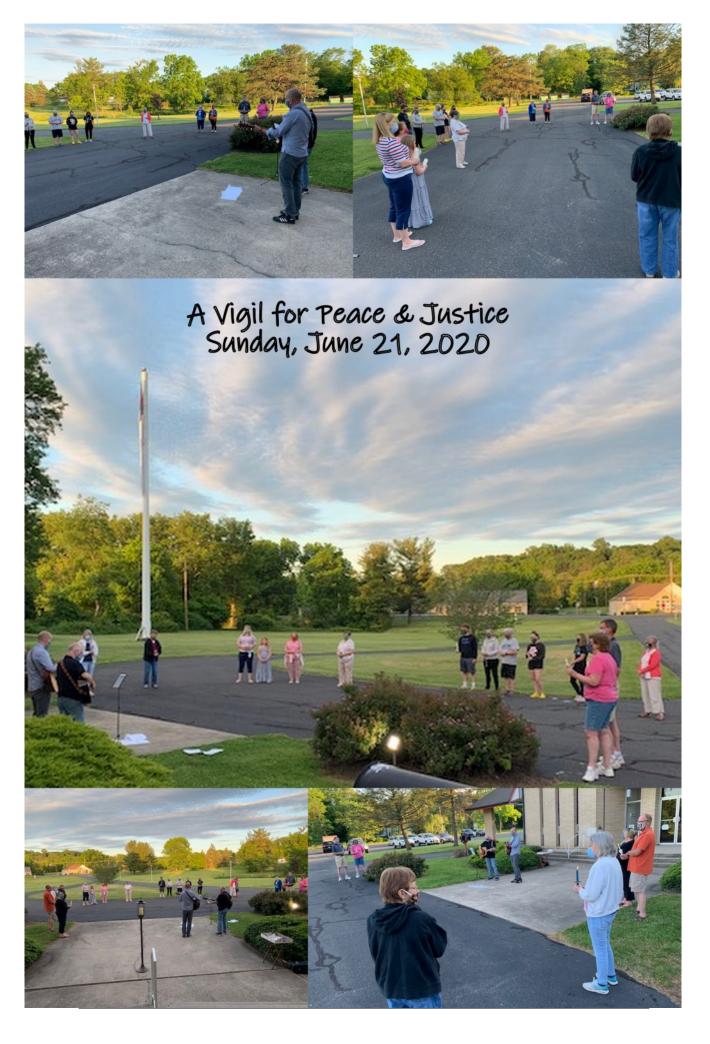
AUGUST

- 01 Kara Kernick
- 02 Robert Fosbenner
 Thomas Bley
 Robert Shelly
 Victoria Steele
 Sarah Berghold
 Bryce Bittenbender
- 03 Mark Keeler
- 04 Diane Neidermeier Elise Schaffer
- 05 Mitzie Foulke Jill Parry
- 07 Rachel Zehnder Tori Schoenberger
- 08 Richard Shelly
- 10 Donna Gunther
- 11 Traci Wasylkowski
- 12 Mikayla Farino McKayla Hughes
- 13 Noah Kandt
- 14 Brent Christman
- 16 Lee Kandt

- 17 Pastor Bruce Lily Maginn
- 19 Terry Muth
- 20 Grace Benner Stephen Hardy
- 21 Justin Zsido Trent Eaves Kylie Recke
- 22 Matthew Gumhold
- 27 Aaron Herndon
- 29 Lisa Schafer
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The gospels record Jesus' miracles, many of which involve water.

Directions: Using the illustrated equations, fill in the blanks to describe each miracle. Use the Bible references for help.

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	JOHN 2:1-11
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