



Sunrise C.O.B. September Newsletter '09

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Please send newsletter submissions to Jeff Elliott at jumbo24@comcast.net or call at (540) 896-4861.

Crossroads Harvest Day:
 The CrossRoads (Brethren-Mennonite)

Heritage Center's annual Harvest Day will be held on **Saturday, September 26** from 10:00 A.M. to 3:00 P.M. Everyone is encouraged to attend! There will be many activities for the children as well as tours of the historical buildings on site.

They are also looking for volunteers to help with many of the activities in 2-2½ hour shifts. Examples of planned activities are arts and crafts, games, animal petting area and pancake-making. Please let Karen Hedrick (828-0101) know by **September 12** if you are interested in helping out in anyway.

Friendship House Meal:
 Sunrise Church will again be serving the **Friendship**

House meal at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church on **Thursday, September 24**. There is a need for food and servers. A sign-up sheet is in the Entryway. Contact Bonnie Swecker (830-7736) for additional information for questions. Thank you for your help in feeding those in need in our local community.

Crop Walk:
 The Harrisonburg **CROP Walk** will start at 2:30

P.M. on **Sunday, September 20**, at the Turner Pavilion (across from the Daily News Record. Last year the local CROP Walk raised \$1,741.47 for Patchwork Pantry and the same amount for the Salvation Army Food Bank. Contact Judy Phillippi (564-1907) for more information.

CROP Walks help to support the ministry of Church World Service, especially grassroots hunger-fighting development efforts in 80 counties. Additionally, 25% of what is raised is contributed to hunger-fighting programs in the local community.

Gifts/Interest Survey:
 The September 6th bulletin included a **Gifts/Interest Survey**. All members and friends of Sunrise Church are asked to mark the form so we can better know the best ways to involve you in the life of this congregation.. Please complete it by **September 20** and place it in the box at the back of the sanctuary. *Extra forms are on the table in the Entryway.*

A **Bible Study** will be starting on **Tuesday, September 15** at 9:30 A.M. in the church Fellowship Room. The group will be studying Max Lucado's book, *Come Thirsty*. Persons interested in joining this study are asked to contact Charlotte French (433-0874 or cafrench28@verizon.net) so she will know how many books to order.

Contact Sunrise C.O.B. at • (540) 434-1773 • or email us at jdglick@verizon.net

On the Worldwide Web at... www.SunriseCOB.org

Leadership Team - Mini Minutes:

September, 2009:

- Accepted the resignations of Judy Buskirk, Cathy Diehl and Adam Zirkle from the Leadership Team.
- Appointed Curtis Joiner as the new chair of the Stewardship Ministry Team and D.K. Bowman to chair the Worship and Education Ministry Team. Phil Stone, Jr. will chair the Leadership Team for the rest of the year as vice-chair.
- Heard that Vacation Bible School was a great success and will be planned for next summer.
- D. K. Bowman will serve as our representative to Brethren Woods.
- Heard that the Church Picnic will be held at Purcell Park, shelter #2 on September 20.
- Approved the use of our building on Monday nights, September through May, for the Men's Bible Study Fellowship group.
- Heard that we will have an Organ Dedication Concert on October 18 in the late afternoon. The artist will be Gary Lowe.
- Decided to stop the Planning Process with John Neff since the next step would involve a cost of \$7-8,000 for proposed floor plans and a drawing of remodeling ideas.
- Heard that Blanket Sunday will be held August 30 and that Judy Phillipi will head our involvement in the CROP walk on September 20.
- Heard that J.D. will be attending the General Assembly of the National Council of Churches and that Robert Alley will preach on November 15.
- Scheduled the fall Congregational Business Meeting for November 22 during the 11:00 Sunday School hour.
- The next Leadership Team meeting will be held September 14.

Blanket Sunday:

\$270 has been contributed to our annual **Blanket+** offering. This money is used by **Church World Service** to respond to disasters by providing shelter kits, tools, basic health care and sanitation, psychosocial care, wells and water systems in 80 countries and the United States. *If you have not yet done so, you can still donate to this worthy cause.* Make your check payable to *Church World Service* and either use one of the special envelopes on the table in the Entryway or place it in your regular offering envelope.

Hot Dog Stand:

Sunrise Church will be helping with the **Hot Dog Stand** (to benefit the camping program at Brethren Woods) at the Red Front Grocery Store on **Saturday, September 12**. We need volunteers from 9:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M.. A sign-up sheet is in the Entryway. Time slots are for two people for each two hour shift with three people to cover the 11:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M. shift. The last three hour shift is divided into two 1½ hour shifts. Contact Judy Ritchie (432-1910) if you are able to help.

Church Picnic:

Our annual **Church Picnic** will be held on **Sunday, September 20**, at **Shelter #2** (near Kids Castle) at **Purcell Park**. Gather at 4:45 P.M. (with the meal at 5:00). The Fellowship and Hospitality Team will provide table service and drinks. Please bring a covered dish or two (main dish, vegetable, salad, fruit and/or dessert) to share. Don't forget to bring a lawn chair and a friend or two as well.

Pastor's Preaching Schedule:

September 2009

September 6 • "With Eyes Wide Open"
· John 9:1-12

September 13 • "The Inside Out Faith"
· Mark 7:1-5, 14-23

September 20 • "Naming God"
· Exodus 3:1-15

September 27 • "So You Want to Be
Successful, Huh?"
· Mark 9:30-37
· Mark 10:35-45

Our Sunday School Teachers:

Thanks to the following who have agreed to teach in our **Sunday School** program beginning this month. (There will be a service of recognition and dedication for these persons during our morning worship on September 13.)

Nursery:	Judy Phillipi, Dorothy Dove, Joyce Hoover
Pre-school:	Kathryn Stone, Missy Elliott, Cara Joiner
K-Second Grade:	Jan Ritchie, Nancy Lantz, Cathy Diehl
Third-Fifth Grade:	Becky Glick, Sallie Garrison
Youth (Jr./Sr. High):	Christie Osborne
Young Adult Class:	Charlotte French
Faith in Life Class:	Phil Stone, Jr.
Friendship Class:	Bill Crist, Janet Lambert, Cheryl Plank

Directory Changes:

Please make the following changes in your Church Directory:

- Sam and Stephanie (Thoma) Funkhouser
302 Emmons Drive, 7-B
Princeton, NJ 08540
funkhoss@gmail.com
- Gene and Reba Wiseman
P. O. Box 986
Lake Alfred, FL 33850
- Lisa Milliken
200 Craigmore Drive
Harrisonburg, VA 22801
- Ted Grandle **438-8005**

Harvest Table:

Persons who have extra from their gardens are invited to bring it on Sunday mornings for the **Harvest Table** at the back of the sanctuary. Others are invited to take the produce in exchange for a donation which will be used to feed hungry persons.

Letters of Transfer:

Upon their requests, the following letters of transfer have been forwarded:

- **Clay and April Gordon** to the Summit Church of the Brethren
- **Mike Grubb** to the Elizabethtown (PA) Church of the Brethren
- **Diana Scharf** to the Wakeman's Grove Church of the Brethren
- **Adam and Kristi Zirkle** to the Wakeman's Grove Church of the Brethren

Organ Purchase:

At the **Yard and Bake Sale** in June, \$1,661 was made for the Organ Fund. In addition to the Yard Sale proceeds, designated donations and memorial monies have total \$25,945 toward the purchase of our **Rodgers organ**. *Thank you for your generosity!* \$7,840 is still needed to pay for the organ in full. Please clearly mark your gift for the "Organ Fund." A **Dedication Concert** for the organ is planned for late afternoon on **Sunday, October 18**.

If you are feeling down in the dumps, bored, overworked, underpaid, unappreciated or left-out, try this prescription for a cure—join the **Chancel Choir!!!** The first rehearsal will on **Wednesday, September 9**, at 7:15 P.M. in the Fellowship Room. Bring a friend or two and be ready to start feeling better soon. Questions? Call Becky Glick (828-1844).

September '09 Bulletin Board:

YOUNG ADULT CLASS:

The **Young Adult Sunday School Class** (post-high and up) will resume meeting (after a summer break) on **Sunday, September 13** in the designated upstairs room. We are looking forward to persons in this age group (both single and married) joining this group. The first meeting will be to decide what course of study the group wants to pursue. Come prepared to share, learn, grow and enjoy!!!

I'D LIKE TO BUY AN ENEMY

As part of their celebration of the **International Day of Prayer for Peace**, the **Bridgewater Church of the Brethren** invites you to a premier showing of *I'd Like to Buy an Enemy* on **Monday, September 21**, at 7:00 P.M. at the church at 420 College View Drive. This **Ted and Company Theater Works** production allows persons to laugh while raising important questions about our world today. The beautiful voices of the Russian Baptist youth choir will bring several songs for our listening ears.

A donation of \$5.00 is suggested to cover the cost of this special evening of drama and music. If you have questions, please feel free to contact Roma Jo Thompson, 540-515-3581 or e-mail at RThompson5@juno.com.

