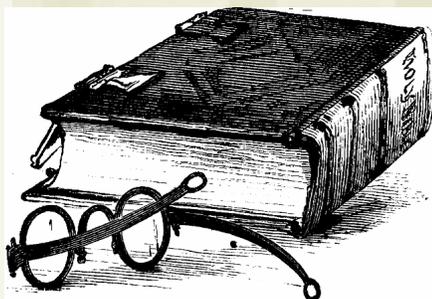


Some Words on Living Word

L I V I N G W O R D L U T H E R A N C H U R C H

P A S T O R A L P O N D E R I N G



Summer has arrived, people are planning picnics, weekends at camp, and summer vacation trips. So, it got me wondering ... Does God take a summer vacation? Well, 'yes' and 'no.'

We all know that God is 'on duty' 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year. As far as we know he created the world in six days, rested on the 7th day, and has been work-

ing ever since. But that's because God is God, he is not a human being like you and me. He doesn't need to sleep at night, or get away from it all to relax and recharge his battery – and thank God for that. Where would we be if God took a break and left us to our own devices? So, 'no,' God does not take a vacation.

On the other hand ... do you take a vacation? Then I guess I

need to change my answer to say 'yes,' God does take a vacation – because he has promised that he will always be with us. That means – no matter where we are; whether we are at home or on the road, in the back yard or on the beach ... he is there.

John Piper writes : God made summer as a foretaste of heaven, not a substitute. If the mailman brings you a love letter from your fiancé, don't fall in love with the mailman. That's what summer is: God's

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messenger with a sun-soaked, tree-green, flower-blooming, lake-glistening letter of love to show us what he is planning for us in the age to come – “No eye has seen, no ear has heard, no mind has conceived what God has prepared for those who love him” (1 Corinthians 2:9).

Summer is that foretaste of heaven – a time to get away from it all, relax, and recharge. So,

enjoy the summer, and fall in love with God all over again, as you take God with you on your vacation this summer.

Pastor Mark

P R A Y E R L I S T

Please continue to keep the following people in your prayers this month...

Arlene and Harry Foreback
Judy and Bob Hutcheson
Kenny and Sadie Koser
Evelyn Pague
Clay and Eleanor Stotler
Stan and Helen Goodrich



GUIDELINES FOR FUNERAL LUNCHEONS

- BY BETTY FILE

The purpose of the Funeral Luncheons is to provide a service to the grieving family whether they be a member or a non-member.

Woodmen of the World advises that the cost of the use of the building will be \$50.00 and the cost of using the kitchen appliances-range, refrigerator, and/or freezer is an additional \$25.00 for a total cost of \$75.00.

It was decided that we would serve ham, cheese, rolls, warm dishes-vegetables, potatoes, etc., as well as cold dishes-salads, desserts, coffee, tea and water. Donations

will be requested for these food items except for the ham and cheese which will be purchased by the church. Marsha Squires has volunteered to purchase the ham for us.

We have volunteers to set up, tear down and re-set, clean up as well as those who are willing to donate food items. If at all possible, if the Funeral is not held at Woodmen of the World and if Woodmen of the World has nothing scheduled, we will set up and decorate the tables the evening before the Funeral Luncheon. Should the Funeral be held at Woodmen of the World, we will set up after the service.

Should Woodmen of the World be unavailable, we will use District 16 Volunteer Fire Company, North Branch Road, Cumberland, MD.

Pastor Mark will be the liaison between the family and our team and he will call Betty or Earl File. The family will be told that we will serve a buffet style covered dish luncheon.

LWR QUILT MINISTRY AT LWL NEEDS YOUR HELP

LWL Quilters will begin meeting in September. Many of us have been busy cutting squares out of donated material this summer and we are anxious to begin the task of piecing and assembling quilts with them.

Before we meet in September, we are in need of the following items:

- 1) New or gently used **twin or full size flat** sheets for backing.
- 2) New or gently used **twin or full size** blankets.
- 3) New or gently used **full size** quilted mattress pads.
- 4) Batting that can be purchased in **(48"X 10 yd.)** rolls at JoAnn's fabric stores. (**most**

economical batting when purchased on sale or with a 50% off coupon.)

- 5) Crochet thread **size 3.**
- 6) All purpose sewing thread.
- 7) Yarn darning needles for sewing yarn.
- 8) Material for quilt squares. (Can be material from left over sewing scraps, curtains, table cloths, etc. (**Cotton preferred, no wool or scratchy material, and no patriotic or religious symbols.**)

Donations of gift certificates to either WalMart or JoAnn's fabric stores can also be used to purchase what we need to make these quilts.

We are very excited about this ministry and we hope you can support us by donating these items. Please put your donations in the plastic container marked **Quilt Ministry supplies** near the entrance.

Questions: contact Phyllis Alban at 347-947-7060 or by email at mpalban@frontiernet.net

Constitution Park Pavilion 6

Come for Worship, Lunch and Fun!

Andi Liller will have sign-up lists for what to bring.

Remember to bring your wrapped gifts for the auction, it was a lot of fun last year and we plan to continue it this year!





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Taking a Living Christ to a Dying World

July Events

Every Sunday: 9:00 AM—Bible Study

10:00 AM—Worship (Fellowship following service 1st and 3rd Sundays)

Sunday July 24: Council Meeting following worship

Sunday July 31: Church Picnic at Constitution Park - Pavilion 6. Watch for details to come...

August Events

Every Sunday: 9:00 AM—Bible Study

10:00 AM—Worship (Fellowship following service 1st and 3rd Sundays)

July Birthdays

6 - Kira Chaney
8 - Mark Dill
11 - Caitlin Squires
22 - Charles Sibley
24 - Stan Goodrich
25 - Chris McCabe
26 - Greg Lewis

August Birthdays

2 - Pat Rob
4 - Dave Snyder
9 - Janis Dobbins
15 - Hannah Eriksson
18 - Connor McCabe
19 - Brendon McCabe
19 - Trevor McCabe
27 - Wesley Weems
31 - Scott Chaney

July Anniversaries

9 - Raymond and Krista Hughes
12 - Bob and Rose Rank
15 - Bob and Kay Chaney
17 - Bill and Louise Gilpin

August Anniversaries

6 - Pat and Pete Rob
6 - Ken and Sue Winters
21 - Heather (Dill) and Dan Faust
23 - Scott and Diane Chaney
25 - Becky and John Rank