



PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF DEEP RUN

October 2017
Deep Runner



“Let us run with perseverance the race marked out for us. Let us fix our eyes on Jesus, the author and perfecter of our faith.” Hebrews 12:1-2



Sailing with the Spirit

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From the Pastor

Sailing with the Spirit

This summer Abby, Alexander and I spent a week at her family's lake cottage on Clark Lake, located in the Irish Hills of southern Michigan. I used the week out of the office as a week of continuing education to do some intentional worship planning. During the day, I buckled down, and with my laptop turned on and my "*Interpreters Bible Commentaries*" scattered about on a table, I planned out scripture passages and sermon themes to get us through Pentecost in May of 2018. During the evenings, we enjoyed family time or visited with friends.

As I sat on the porch working, I often found myself gazing out the window, watching the speedboats and jet skis, the pontoons, the kayaks and canoes, all enjoying time out on the lake. One afternoon, as I was gazing out the window, I noticed a sailboat out on the water. In the midst of the noise and the wakes from all the other watercraft, this sailboat sailed so peacefully across the lake. I was mesmerized just watching this sailboat. It was fascinating watching the sailor pull different ropes to adjust the sails in order to catch the wind. It wasn't a particularly windy day, but that sailor must have known what they were doing because that little sailboat just flew across the lake.

Watching that sailboat in the midst of all the other boats reminded me of a book that I read called, *Sailboat Church: Helping Your Church Rethink Its Mission and Practice* by Rev. Joan Gray. The book got me to thinking about Deep Run, and my role as your new pastor. I was called to Deep Run, in large part, to help Deep Run discern the best ways to reach out and minister to and with younger families. I believe this book can help us as we discern the ways that God is calling us to fulfill that mission.

In the book, Rev. Gray claims that most churches are either rowboat churches or sailboat churches. She says, "Rowboat churches depend largely on human effort. When budgets shrink and membership declines, rowboat churches frantically row harder against a current, often frustrated and disappointed at their efforts. Sailboat churches, on the other hand, take up the oars, hoist sails, and rely on the Holy Spirit to guide them." Are we a rowboat church, tirelessly working and at risk of being disappointed in our efforts? Or, are we a sailboat church, ready to hoist the sails so that we might catch the Holy Spirit and move in the direction that God wants us to go?

Together with the Adult Education Team, I am asking our entire church to join together, starting on October 8th, in a short six-week commitment to reading the book, *Sailboat Church*. Additionally, we are asking each person to consider joining one of our *Sailboat Church* Discussion Groups. Each week you will be encouraged to read just two short chapters, and then meet for one hour with your group to discern together the movement of the Holy Spirit. Groups will meet on Sunday mornings, before and after worship, on Monday evenings at 7:00 PM, and on Wednesday mornings during WOW. This book study will truly help us as a church to discern together the future mission and ministry we engage in, so, if you want your voice to be heard in this process, then consider joining one of our discussion groups. You can sign up by calling or e-mailing Bess in the front office.

On Sunday, October 8th, I will also be kicking off a short six-week sermon series titled, "Sailing with the Spirit." During this sermon series, I will be encouraging Deep Run to think about what kind of church Deep Run has been in the past, and what kind of church we'd like to be moving forward. I don't know about you, but I can feel the Holy Spirit moving here at Deep Run. If we put down the oars and hoist the sails, then there is no doubt that the Holy Spirit will take us toward God's future for our church. God has great things in store for Deep Run. God's dreams for Deep Run are bigger than our own. I believe that "by the power at work within us...God is able to accomplish abundantly far more than all we can ask or imagine." (Ephesians 3:20)

Peace, Love and God Bless,
Pastor Kris

Deacon's Corner

We continue to ask the congregation to keep the following people in their prayers. Their concerns are ongoing and will not be listed in the weekly worship bulletin. We will keep the Sunday list for acute concerns.



Frank & Rosemary Blow	Betty Parker
May Clark	Jean Pritchard
Jean David	Bob Whitehead
Alva Funk	Chuck & Joanne Yeastedt
Chuck Griffith	Bea Waite

Deep Run Family News

Deaths

Ruth Shelton on August 24, 2017
Bill Lutterer on September 20, 2017

Organ Dedication Concert

ALL ARE INVITED to our inaugural organ recital for the new Rodgers Artist 579 Organ.



October 8, 2017
2:00 PM
Sanctuary of the
Presbyterian Church of
Deep Run

Internationally renowned organist Dan Miller will offer selections along with our own organist, Betty Trapp, and other members of the congregation.

If you need transportation to and from the concert, please contact the church office at 215-249-3689 or call Rick Kempes at 215-340-1122.

Please join us as we celebrate the Worship of God in the Deep Run community.

Reception to Follow the Concert in Hoopes Hall

College Student Addresses

Please make sure the church office has your student's current address. The church would like to keep in touch and SALT will be sending a goodie box this month.



Deacon Sponsored Blood Drive Friday, October 13th from 2 to 7 PM Hoopes Hall



Children's Ministry News

Sunday School Update

Thank you to all the church members who are currently working with our young people and to those who helped make Kickoff Sunday memorable. We currently have two classes: one for students who are 3 years old through first grade and the other for second through fifth grade. Our new curriculum is published by Spark House Learning and follows the lectionary.

Our second annual Apple Festival for Sunday School students is coming up on October 15th. All Sunday School students as well as youth interested in helping out are invited to meet in the kitchen beginning at 9:00 AM to create apple treats for the entire congregation as well as to explore our weekly lesson.

This special day is also Bring-A-Friend Sunday for our Sunday School students. Members of the Deep Run Presbyterian Nursery School will also be invited to attend. Please be on the lookout for new faces and welcome these special guests! All families are invited to continue in fellowship by meeting at AGA Farms following the service.

We are always looking to add to our group of teachers willing to work with Sunday School students. Please consider joining us, and feel free to contact Hannah Thomas if interested!



Attention parents and guardians of our Sunday School and Nursery children! We will be using Seesaw to communicate special events, updates and pictures with you throughout the year. Seesaw is an app for any smart device and can also be found on the web. Each family will have their own folder and is private only with your log-in! You can even have grandparents, aunts/uncles and special friends view your folder to share the happenings here at church! Directions are available from Sunday School volunteers. Please sign up as soon as possible!! If you have any questions, please contact Deacon Erin Reichert. Thank you for your support!

Men's Ministry

God and The Game: Monday Night Football and The Fellowship of Men

A new small group opportunity for men who are seeking the fellowship of other guys and a deeper connection with God. You don't have to be a football enthusiast to join this group; you simply have to enjoy watching the game and the camaraderie of other guys. Participants will enjoy watching the first half of the Monday Night Football game together. Then, at half time, group members will engage in a short devotion led by Pastor Kris. After the half time devotion participants are free to leave. This group will meet each Monday of October starting at the 8:30PM kick off.

Trunk-or-Treat

Trunk-or-Treat is a safe alternative to traditional Halloween festivities that encourages participation from the whole church body.



Picture our parking lot filled with cars, vans, trucks, and other vehicles, each decorated in a variety of fun themes. Then imagine the trunks filled with treats. That's where the name "Trunk-or-Treat" comes from.

You are invited to this fun family event on Saturday, October 28th from 2:00 – 4:00 PM, where you can plan how to decorate the trunk of your vehicle and possibly win one of our great giveaways. How? A prize will be yours if your vehicle gets the most votes from the kids who come through our Trunk-or-Treat event.

This is a great event to reach out to our Nursery School and our neighborhood. Come and enjoy a family safe time trunk-or-treating as the parking lot is roped off, freeing kids and families to skip or stroll from car to car, collecting candy trunk to trunk, all the while being loved on by our church family.

SALT (Seasoned Adults Learning Together)

October 19th at Noon
NOTE: CHANGE OF DATE

We gathered back together after our summer break for another picnic. All the dishes were delicious and no one went home hungry. We also learned about Lexophilia – one who loves words! An example: How does Moses make tea? Hebrews it!

At our October 19th lunch, we will again fill shoe boxes with items our college students always need. A letter written by Pastor Kris will be included in each box signed by all attending SALT members to let these young people know they are not forgotten.



Soup will be provided by Joan Dahl, Tam Larson, Janet Pagenkemper, and Evelyn Tregaskis. Bread will be provided by Sharon Thompson and Doris Reith. We'll enjoy desserts provided by Sam Brubaker, Alice Reed, and Janice Thomas.

Kitchen Capers Update

As October makes its debut, there is no slowing down activities in the church kitchen and Hoopes Hall. The summer went by soooooo quickly that I didn't even have a chance to



complain about hot weather! At any rate, the kitchen area is remaining extremely clean and well-polished, thanks mainly to two reasons: firstly, everyone seems to be getting better acquainted with the kitchen and the location of where things belong after an event. Secondly, we are blessed with "Becky" our very conscientious cleaning lady who loves to make everything 'sparkle' not only in the kitchen but through the entire church! Becky has really lessened some of the routine cleaning chores for the kitchen committee and we ALL are thankful for that! If you aren't yet familiar with the kitchen and the routines, they are easy to learn and you can get some on the job training from some great mentors when you volunteer for helping with Community Dinners, Aid for Friends packing up of meals and even joining the coffee hour volunteers. Fantastic friendships and great conversations can occur in the kitchen. Come join in!

Speaking of **COFFEE HOUR** – here is the listing of your host and hostesses for October.

October 1 - Patti Skow
October 8 – Zach Johnson
October 15- Maggie Argue
October 22– Tam Larson
October 29 – Tam Larson

I am thankful for all interest, support and help being shared in our church kitchen.

Blessings,
Tam Larson

Mission

CROP Walk

Take a hike for hunger during the 34th annual Pennridge CROP Walk for the Hungry, Sunday, October 8th. Registration for the five-mile route begins at 12:30 PM at St. Andrew's Lutheran Church, 20 Dill Ave., Perkasié. The Walk, held rain or shine, begins at 1:15 PM. Registration for the shorter "Golden Mile" route begins at 12:30 PM at the Sellersville scout cabin in Lenape Park. Bring canned goods to donate to the Pennridge FISH food pantry. Twenty-five per cent of all proceeds go to Pennridge FISH for local hunger use. The remaining funds will be used by Church World Service and its partner agencies for hunger and disaster relief in the US and globally.

See Carol Schmitt for a sponsor form. For more information, visit www.crophungerwalk.org/perkasiepa or contact Mary Long at maryflong@hotmail.com.

Church World Service Emergency Cleanup Buckets

The Mission Committee is organizing a day for families and volunteers to assemble their own cleanup bucket on Friday, October 20th to support hurricane relief in the southern U.S. The Mission Committee is requesting monetary donations for items to be sorted and prepared for assembly on October 20th. Each emergency bucket with complete supplies is valued at \$80. Mission has elected to collect monetary donations to ensure entire buckets are fully supplied without receiving more than one type of donated item. Stay tuned for more information during service announcements and information in the bulletins in the following weeks.

Questions can be sent to Zack or Karen Johnson on the Mission Committee.

Mission Trip?

We're looking for teenagers/adults wanting to go on a mission trip. The location has not been determined and will be based on interest of those involved. We are looking towards an April date in 2018.

No experience/skills necessary!

Please contact Carol Schmitt or Karen Johnson by end of October with your interest. You are not signing up for anything, just showing an interest to generate a discussion.

If you prefer to email, please email Karen Johnson.

Aid for Friends

The next Aid for Friends meal assembly will be October 8th. Potluck donations will be greatly appreciated.

Anna Straw Initiative

Family Education, an ongoing program offered in three two-hour sessions, is held at 7:00 PM on the first three Monday evenings of the month in the Red School House. The focus is on addiction as a disease, family impact, rehab and developing a support network. Attend to receive the handbook by registering at 1-800-221-6333.

The **Parent/Family Support Group on Addiction** meets the first and third Wednesday evenings each month at 7:00 PM in the Red School House. Parents share experiences, offer support and hope to others in dealing with loved ones' addiction. Matt @ batchof5@yahoo.com.

Volunteer Opportunity

We will be looking for 10-12 volunteers to work at the Habitat for Humanity ReStore in Chalfont on Saturday, November 11th. Jobs will include stocking shelves, helping customers, unloading trucks, pricing and organizing items and more. More information to come as we get closer, but please mark the date if you can help. Any questions- see Eric Power or Erin Reichert.

From the Nursery School

As school begins, we have been very lucky to have such beautiful weather. The children of the nursery school have enjoyed swinging, sliding, climbing and running on the playground.



This year we welcomed three classes of three-year-olds, three classes of four-year-olds, in addition to a class of 4+ children, and various enrichment classes. Our mommy and me toddler classes are also in full swing. Our brand-new pre-toddler class has also begun.

Our classrooms are alive with sounds of happy playing. The students have been adjusting to new routines and have already begun learning to write their names, identifying letters, and counting.

In early October, all of our classes will get a chance to meet a real fireman and take a ride on a fire truck. Our 4+ class will be taking a "Look and Listen" walk at Peace Valley Park and our four-year-olds will visit Peddler's Village to view the scarecrows!

The nursery school is having a Yankee Candle sale to support our parent club activities. If you are interested in purchasing candles, please stop by the nursery school or the church office for order forms.

300th Anniversary of the Presbytery of Philadelphia

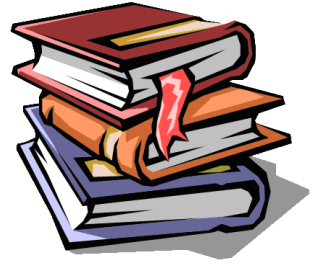
The Presbyterian Church of Deep Run is invited to join in a special worship and fellowship event on Saturday, October 7th from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM to celebrate the 300th Anniversary of the Presbytery of Philadelphia.

We are encouraging our entire congregation to consider participating as we represent Deep Run at this special occasion. The event will take place at Enon Tabernacle in Philadelphia. We will organize a carpool for those interested in attending. We plan to meet here at Deep Run at 8:30 AM. Then, we will carpool to the event. We plan to return to Deep Run around 3:00 PM.

Please e-mail or call Bess in the church office if you plan to attend. Even if you would like to drive yourself, please let Bess know so that we can get an accurate count of how many will attend from Deep Run.

Deep Readers

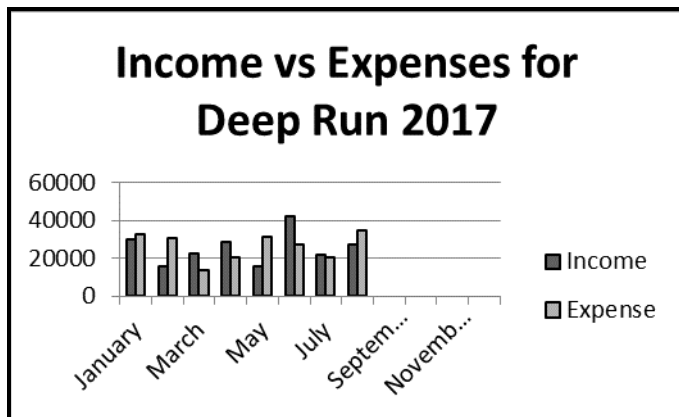
Deep Readers will meet on Monday, November 13th in the library at noon. Our November selection is *On Living* by Kerry Egan.



Kerry Egan is a hospice chaplain and a graduate of Harvard Divinity School. Kerry writes about her experiences listening to the stories of those who are coming to terms with their life stories. It is a profoundly compassionate book filled with “the work of finding and making meaning of one’s life.”

Please join us and bring a bag lunch. All are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Maureen Kosa.

Financial Report



**FORWARD IN FAITH
WITH CHRIST**

January – August, 2017				
	Actual	Budget	\$ Over Budget	% of Budget
Pledges	\$ 170,060.00	\$ 180,780.00	\$ (10,720.00)	94%
Non-Pledges	\$ 8,736.00	\$ 6,666.64	\$ 2,069.36	131%
Plate	\$ 4,097.40	\$ 4,000.00	\$ 97.40	102%
Sunday School	\$ 103.50	\$ 83.28	\$ 20.22	124%
Apportionment	\$ 2,345.80	\$ 4,576.00	\$ (2,230.20)	51%
Offering	\$ 185,342.70	\$ 196,105.92	\$ (10,763.22)	95%

Ushers' Schedule

Usher Coordinator – Joanna McCormick

*If you are unable to usher as scheduled below,
kindly find your own replacement.*

October 2017 - 9:30 AM

October 1

Pat Edwards
Rob Penhallow
Jeff Schmitt*
Meg Sellers-Bruch

October 8

Rick Kempes
Evelyn Tregaskis
Ken Walters*
Phyllis Warnick

October 15

Mai Cole
Barbara Poole
Tim Poole*
Linda Wolfinger

October 22

Bill Goble
Margie Mosher*
Kim Musser
Mike Musser

October 29

Mai Cole
Chris Nichols
Irene Roberts
Jack Roberts*

November - 9:30 AM

November 5

Carol Blair
Pat Edwards
Phil Edwards*
Ross Painter

November 12

Matt Bailor*
Mai Cole
Carol Schmitt
Jay Smith

November 19

Brian Buchanan
Doris Buchanan
Karen Johnson
Zack Johnson*

November 26

Mai Cole
Sandy Fickes
Rod MacIntyre
Janet Pagenkemper*

* Lead Usher

Nursery Schedule

Nursery Coordinator
Kim Bailor



October 2017 - 9:30 AM

October 1 The Mill Family
October 8 Kim Bailor, Margie Mosher
October 15 Zack Johnson, Erin Reichert
October 22 Lynne Hager, Carol Loughridge
October 29 The Matt Edwards Family

November 2017 - 9:30 AM

November 5 Pam Lewis, Deb Walters
November 12 Carol Loughridge, Dot Tenley
November 19 Kim Bailor, **Volunteer Needed**
November 26 The Wert Family

Please sign up on the calendar (starting with November) on the bulletin board downstairs based on your availability. All volunteers must have clearances on file or can see me for details on how to obtain one. Thank you for watching after our little angels!

If you have any conflicts, feel free to switch with another church member, or let Kim Bailor know.

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Perkasie, PA 18944
RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED



Happy Birthday Wishes October

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|----|---|----|--|
| 1 | Kenny Metalsky | 18 | Eric Power |
| 2 | Avery Grosse | 21 | Anne Turner |
| 5 | Mai Cole, Julia Stilwell | 22 | Bill Tregaskis |
| 6 | Mackenzie DeLawter | 23 | Debbie Scarlett Foster |
| 7 | Carter Larson | 24 | Melissa Pfistner, Gabi Wert |
| 10 | Arjun Kempe, Betty Trapp | 26 | Richard Brown |
| 11 | Dot Tenley | 28 | Joanna McCormick |
| 14 | Jean David, Nathan Kleppinger,
Meg Magovern | 29 | Cesia Wert |
| 15 | Kristin Kleppinger | 30 | Andy Schmitt, Steve Tenley,
Joanne Yeastedt |
| 16 | Nick Stilwell | | |
| 17 | Gavin Mill, Jill Scheetz,
Evelyn Tregaskis, Zach Wagenmann | | |