



Ashland Church News

OCTOBER 2013

But as for you, continue in what you have learned and firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it, and how from childhood you have known the sacred writings that are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. ~2 Timothy 3:14-17

A new Adult Bible Study is starting in October. It will take place on the second Sunday of the month during Sunday School Hour (10-10:50) in the "Sewing Room" of the Fellowship Hall. Meeting on the Second Sunday allows us time to gather for Christian Education where Sunday School teachers can rotate and Choir is off because of special music. The Senior High Sunday School class will also be joining us.

We will be meeting to study and discuss "The Awakening of Hope" by Jonathan Wilson-Hartgrove and Shane Claborne. Each month we will watch a 15 minute video and engage in 30 minutes of discussion and scripture study. NO PREPARATION IS NEEDED!!!

Here is an excerpt from the description of the video series:

"A revival is stirring in North America by people who've surrendered their whole lives to the Spirit, Christians committed to transforming themselves and the world around them. This movement marks a shift in the way people are engaging faith. This new generation doesn't think from belief to action but rather from action to reflection on beliefs, tending to care more about what faith does than what it tells us to believe.

But faithful action is always inspired and sustained by the basic truths. As Christians, we have a rich tradition of passing our faith from one generation to the next through teaching, discipleship, and sharing life. According to the authors, we need to carry on this tradition today, teaching Biblical truths and celebrating those who've passed their faith to the next generation.

The Awakening of Hope re-presents Christian faith by beginning with stories of faithful witness and asking, Why? Why do Christians eat together? Why do we fast? Why would we rather die than kill? These are the questions that help us see why creation and the fall, covenant and community, ethics and evangelism matter.

This Study is a contemporary catechism, celebrating lives and stories that wouldn't make sense if the gospel were not true. And then going one step further, this project shares the good news of Jesus and the way of life that he makes possible."

Mark your Calendars- October 13, November 10, January 12, February 9, March 9, and April 13. (no meetings in December or May)

I hope to see everyone there.

Thanks,
Shannon



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The Rev. Shannon Meacham ~ Pastor
Rob Kelly ~ Director of Contemporary Music and Creative Arts
Katie Cashin ~ Director of Christian Education
Yeri Jang ~ Organist/Choir Director
Cathie Lansdell ~ Pre-school Director

Women's FELLOWSHIP (Presbyterian) WOMEN

CELEBRATING PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

Best Book Club EVER!!

If you are an Ashland Presbyterian Church woman, you are invited to our Bible Study/Fellowship the 2nd Monday, September through May, at 12:30 p.m. The APC Presbyterian Women support the washing/social mission contributions sent to Cabaiguan, Cuba, the Prayer Shawl Ministry, Sarah's Hope, etc. etc. Share this fellowship with APC women and enjoy the 2013-14 Bible Study, *An Abiding Hope—The Presence of God in Exodus and Deuteronomy*, Contact Susan Williams, Moderator, at 410-785-6955, for additional information. On the Calendar for Presbyterian Women:

Monday, October 14, 2013, *An Abiding Hope—The Presence of God in Exodus and Deuteronomy*, Lesson 2, Bible Study for 2013-14 at the home of Kathy Nicht.



The Deacons are requesting **VOLUNTEERS** to step-up and sign up to host coffee hours and special church family fellowship events through the end of this year. A fellowship calendar and sign up sheet will be placed on the hall table. Folks are encouraged to get creative and take charge of events that **THEY** want to see happen. Some events have already been scheduled, but the rest of the calendar will remain blank until dates are

reserved and task teams formed. Got questions? Feel free to contact JoAnn Ruther at 443-212-5161 or jruther47@gmail.com.

Dear Ashland Family,

Your thoughtfulness and care for me when I had my operation was wonderful. Thank you for the many get-well cards and visits. The food you fixed for me was delicious. You make my heart smile!!

*Love,
Betty Wirtz*



by Rob Kelly

Bela Fleck is unquestionably one of the greatest banjo players of all time. His latest recording is a deep dive into new areas of exploration. "Impostor" is a concerto for banjo and orchestra, performed with the Nashville Symphony Orchestra led by Giancarlo Guerrero (recorded at the Schermerhorn Symphony Center in Nashville). The string quartet Brooklyn Rider joins Bela on the other featured piece, Night Flight Over Water. Although some classical heads have criticized this work for lack of melodic solo development, I have grown quite fond and consider it as listenable as it is innovative. The Impostor was released 8/11/13 on Mercury Classics. <http://belafleck.com>

Ashland's Kids Corner

We're so excited to be back in the swing of things and looking forward to the activities we have on the calendar for October! Here's what's coming up:

October 13: Kids' Club & Youth Group, 4:30-7:30 pm

October 20: Race for the Cure (Sign up in the hallway!), 8:30-10

October 27: Pumpkin Carving in the fellowship hall, 9:30-11 a.m. (no regular Sunday School) & Youth will help lead worship at 11!

In celebration of World Communion Sunday on October 6 here is short meal-time prayer that your family can try out in English and Spanish:

*Christ, our bread of life, come, bless this meal.
Cristo, nuestro pan de vida, ven, bendice esta comida.*

Katie Cashin
Director of Christian Education



Our orientations for the preschool have been held and it seems, so far, that the children are arriving with eagerness and there have not been too many criers. Some of the moms had a hard time separating but the children seem pretty settled. We will see what happens when the kids are left for more than a short time. As the children settle into a new routine, they will learn about school, making friends, and following school rules. They will also talk about apples, orchards and will learn all about themselves. The teachers will help them record all their favorite colors, foods and activities in their "All About Me" books.

The classes are pretty full with the exception of the CC2s. Unfortunately, that program is one of our big money makers. We're hoping some more children will come our way and that soon that class will fill.

Our Innisbrook Fundraiser has begun. Once again we are selling wrapping paper and other gift items hoping to replenish our playground fund. If anyone is interested in purchasing any products, please check with the preschool office and we will provide you with a catalog and order information.

As the fall season unfolds, we look forward to seeing it through the eyes of the children. We will investigate, explore and appreciate the beauty of the changes that occur.

Mission—*"I have given you an example to follow. Do as I have done to you."* John 13: 15

Last year we experienced a new medium in music, THE STEEL PANDEMIC BAND. This group created quite a bit of interest and will return on October 13th for the 11:00a.m. service. The band was formed by Doris Reinhardt after she retired from teaching steel drums for eight years at Stoneleigh Elementary School. She still had a great interest in working with the "pans" as they call them and thus the band was named The Steel Pandemic Band. Many members of the group are from the Susquehanna Symphony and a few others were already playing the "pans".



The performers are:

Lead: Carol Thompson, Barbara Bair, Lauri Stephen, Angela Kirchner; **Double Second:** Bruce Kovacs, Fiona Sparks; **Guitar:** Marsha Roach, Allan Andreyckak; **Bass:** Dolly Reinhardt.

Looking Ahead: Sunday, Nov.10th; The County Council Blue Grass Band
 Sunday, Dec. 22nd; Jim Wharton and Brass Reflections

If anyone would like to sponsor a performer or group in honor/memory of someone please speak to Peg Paterson.

INTRODUCING THE ASHLAND ARCHIVES!



Our 140-year-old Ashland Church now has an "official" volunteer historian and I am she! Other members have assumed this role at significant milestones of the church's history, and their work is greatly valued as a starting point for establishment of our historical collection. My goal is to develop an organized and searchable collection of historical photographs, reminiscences, memorabilia, newsletters, published accounts, and biographies of ministers and members related to Ashland Church and Cemetery, to be called the "Ashland Archives." My hope is that the archives will be a dynamic, growing, and ongoing asset to the church, as a source of congregational memories and a link between generations. The collection will be as electronic as possible, for ease of use and management now and in order to safe-guard it over the years to come.

I have spent my efforts thus far on 1) further researching the founding of Ashland Church, its early history, ministers and published newspaper accounts of church activities, and 2) reviewing and scanning the photographs and memorabilia that have been previously collected.

I would now like to ask for YOUR HELP! To be comprehensive, our archives must involve the whole congregation through their input of memories, photographs, etc. I would greatly appreciate your submittal of any old photographs or written memories of church activities, ministers, or whatever sticks in your mind (even humorous recollections). I will not need to keep your submittals permanently. I will scan them for the archives and return them to you. Please leave items for me in the church office in an envelope labeled "Ashland Archives" with your name on it. If submitting photographs, please try to date it for me, and identify the event and any people in the photo.

Thank you for your future submittals and support!
Kathy Aspden, 410-561-0881
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Please mark your calendars for Saturday, December 7, 2013 from noon until 2:00 p.m. for our Ladies' Tea and Ornament Exchange. We are very excited that this year's event will be held at Broadmead! A delicious lunch will be catered by Broadmead's Executive Chef in the beautiful, serene parlor of the historic Holly House with the always-fun ornament exchange to follow. The approximate cost will be \$20.00 per person. A sign-up sheet and more details will follow as the date draws closer. Please see Julee Ward or Bonnie Cox if you have any questions. We hope you can join us!

ASHLAND YOUTH 2014 RETREATS AND MISSION TRIPS

The Pittsburgh Project Service Camp July 14-18



From the Pittsburgh Project website:

In the summer, we pull out the stops to make a week of service meaningful, memorable and fun. About 280 participants each week converge in Pittsburgh to join in our work, building servant leaders and upholding the dignity of vulnerable homeowners.

Cost*: \$290/youth- Registration by October 27, 2013



River Valley Ranch Winter Meltdown January 10-12

From the River Valley Ranch website:

Winter Meltdown is your time to challenge yourself, go crazy and have fun or just chill out around a fire and make new friends. Our goal is to provide a place free from the distractions of everyday life, where students and leaders can focus on God and build meaningful relationships with each other.

Cost*: \$120/per youth - Registration due January 1, 2014

**Ashland will provide youth with fundraising opportunities to defray the cost of both events.*

If you have questions or would like to register for a trip please contact Katie: KatieCashin@gmail.com

...FELLOWSHIP UPDATE



| DAY | DATE | TIME | FUNCTION | LOCATION |
|--------|-----------|---------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Sunday | Oct. 27th | 9:30—11:00 am | Pumpkin Carving | Fellowship Hall |



2013 Coffee Hour Assignments

October 13—Women's Group

November 10—Stewardship Committee

December 15—Family Christmas Potluck Luncheon

ROAD CLOSURES

We will be having one service on Sunday, October 20th at 11:00 a.m. due to the Komen Race for the Cure. Please allow extra time to get to church this morning due to all the lane closures.

Road closures are as follows:

- Shawan Road at York Road: no traffic will be permitted to travel westbound on Shawan Road after 6 a.m. At 7:30 a.m. all southbound traffic on York Road will only be allowed to go onto the Giant parking lot.
- Shawan Road at the entrance to the Hunt Valley Towne Centre (east entrance, across from Verizon): no traffic will be permitted to exit the Towne Centre parking lot after 6 a.m.
- Shawan Road at main entrance to Hunt Valley Towne Centre (near light rail): no traffic will be permitted to exit the Towne Centre parking lot after 6 a.m. Once the end of the race is on Schilling Road, eastbound Shawan Road will be opened.
- Shawan Road at McCormick Road: no traffic will be permitted to enter Shawan Road from McCormick Road Pedestrians will be assisted in crossing. All eastbound traffic on Shawan Road from N/B I-83 will be directed to turn left onto McCormick Road Traffic from S/B I-83 entering eastbound Shawan Road will be directed to turn left onto International Drive.
- McCormick Road at International Circle: traffic will be directed from eastbound International Circle left on McCormick Road No traffic will be permitted to turn right onto McCormick Road toward Shawan Road
- Westbound Shawan Road ramp to northbound I-83: pedestrians will be assisted along Shawan Road
- Westbound Shawan Road at ramp from northbound I-83: pedestrians will be assisted along Shawan Road
- Westbound Shawan Road at ramp to southbound I-83: pedestrians will be assisted along Shawan Road
- Eastbound Shawan Road at ramp to northbound I-83: pedestrians will be assisted along Shawan Road
- Eastbound Shawan Road at ramp from southbound I-83: pedestrians will be assisted along Shawan Road
- McCormick Road at Schilling Circle: at 6 a.m. no vehicles will be permitted to travel N/B on McCormick Road. At 7:30 a.m. no vehicles will be permitted on Schilling Road and McCormick Road. All vehicles coming out of Schilling Circle will be directed to go southbound on McCormick Road

ASHLAND CHURCH FAMILY CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAYS

- 10/2 *Katie Cashin*
- 10/3 *Carl Schleunes*
- 10/4 *Pat Morgan*
- 10/8 *Melissa Florendo*
- 10/20 *Melissa Cole*
- 10/22 *Will Meacham*
- 10/23 *Laura Baldwin*
Annette Merrill
Neil Ruther
- 10/25 *Gavin Fausnaugh*
- 10/26 *Johnna Suter*
- 10/27 *Tom Grubb*
- 10/28 *Maggie Meacham*
Steve Miller
JoAnn Ruther

ANNIVERSARIES

- 10/12 *Nancy & Charles Stickles*
- 10/14 *Mary & Bill McDonald*
- 10/18 *Carol & John Walter*
- 10/25 *Jeanette & Ron Baldwin*

Do we have YOUR family's important dates to share and celebrate? Have we made any mistakes? Please contact the Church Office at 410-527-1844, or office@ashlandpc.org with additions and/or corrections for the database.

ASSIGNMENTS

HELP MAKE CHURCH HAPPEN!
Volunteer *today* for one of these essential jobs!

We Need:

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- O**
- U**

LITURGISTS – lead the printed Call to Worship, read the First Scripture Lesson, receive the Offering and pray the Prayer of Dedication

USHERS – prepare and restore sanctuary before and after worship. Insure that other assignments are covered. Assist with seating, distribution of prayer cards and any other needs of the congregation. CONTACT: **Carla Ulgen or Jacquie Sasser**

GREETERS – cheerfully greet worshippers and hand-out bulletins, introduce themselves to visitors and give them a Welcome Packet.

VAN DRIVERS – pick-up and return worshippers from Broadmead Retirement Community. Training required. CONTACT: **Bill Kobokovich**

| COMMUNION | LITURGISTS 11:00 am | USHERS | VAN DRIVERS |
|-----------|---------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| | 10/6 | 10/6 Amy & Pat Rudai | 10/6 Kim Bednarik |
| | 10/13 | 10/13 Amy & Chad Cavolo | 10/13 Will Meacham |
| | 10/20 | 10/20 Julee Ward | 10/20 Bill Kobokovich |
| | 10/27 | 10/27 Julee Ward | 10/27 Bob Hensley |

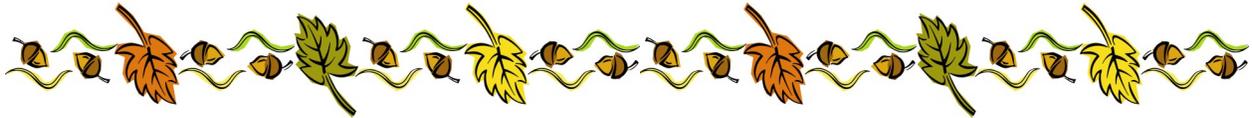
Lectionary Texts for OCTOBER

October 6th Lam. 1:1-6; Lam 3:9-26 or Psalm 137; 2 Tim. 1:1-14; **Luke 17:5-10**

October 13th **Jer. 29:1, 4-7**; Psalm 66:1-12; 2 Tim. 2:8-15; Luke 17:11-19

October 20th Jer. 31:27-34; Psalm 119:97-104; 2 Tim. 3:14-4:5; Luke 18:1-8

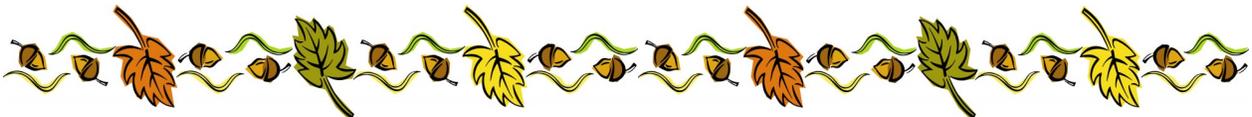
October 27th Joel 2:23-32; Psalm 65; 2 Tim. 4:6-8, 16-18; **Luke 18:9-14**



*DON'T FORGET
YOU CAN RECEIVE THE CHURCH NEWSLETTER
ON-LINE!*



If you would like to receive the monthly newsletter electronically please sign up in the church hall.



Ashland Church Office Hours **410-527-1844**

Rev. Shannon Meacham *Pastor* Schedule will be posted weekly in the Bulletin. You are always welcome to drop by the office, but please call ahead if you want to schedule a specific time.

Katie Cashin *Director of Christian Education* Katie's office hours will be posted weekly in the bulletin.

Debbie Pfeifer *Office Manager* Mon, Wed, and Fri.— 9:30 a.m. 2:30 p.m.

Make sure you check out the Ashland Church website www.ashlandpc.org



*Early Worship 9:00 am
 Christian Education Classes 10:00 am
 Worship 11:00 am*

| <u>SUNDAY</u> | <u>MONDAY</u> | <u>TUESDAY</u> | <u>WEDNESDAY</u> | <u>THURSDAY</u> | <u>FRIDAY</u> | <u>SATURDAY</u> |
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| | | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 6 20th Sun after Pentecost  WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY | 7 Project Linus 9:30 a.m. | 8 Session Mtg 6:30 p.m. | 9 | 10 | 11 Madelaine Franzone Memorial Service 4:30 p.m. | 12 |
| 13 21st Sun After Pentecost 2nd Sunday Adult Bible Study 2nd Sunday Special Music Pandemic Steel Band Coffee Hour—Noon sponsored by the Women's Group Kid's Club—4:30 p.m.—6:30 p.m. Youth Group—5:30 p.m.—7:30 p.m. | 14 Women's Group 12:30 p.m. | 15 Committee Night 6:30 p.m. | 16 NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER DEADLINE | 17 | 18 | 19 |
| 20 22nd Sun After Pentecost One Service—11 a.m. RACE FOR THE CURE (Not) Vespers Service 6:45 p.m. Dinner 6:15 p.m. | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 25 | 26 Sarah's Hope 2-5 pm |
| 27 23rd Sun After Pentecost PUMPKIN CARVING 9:30 a.m.—11:00 a.m.  CONGREGATIONAL MEETING | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | | |

WEEKLY EVENTS ... Wednesdays
 Thursdays

Alcoholics Anonymous Meeting 8:30 pm
 Contemporary Worship Practice 6:30pm
 Chancel Choir—8:00 p.m.

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CONGREGATIONAL MEETING...

There will be an important meeting of the congregation in the sanctuary immediately following the 11:00 a.m. service on Sunday, October 27th. The purposes of the meeting are:

- ♦ To sustain the session's recommendation of the budget**
- ♦ Approve Pastor Shannon's Terms of Call**

All members on the active roll are urged to attend. Everyone else is welcomed as always to stay and see how we do things at Ashland Church, and to learn more about our plans for the future.