

General information

For Your Kids - Infant Nursery is caringly staffed for newborns to age 2 during the Sunday School hour and Worship hour. The toddler room is available for children ages 2 - 5 during the worship hour. Sunday School is offered for children ages 2 through grade 6 from 9:00 - 9:50 every Sunday morning. In addition, there is a worship time for kids ages 5 through 3rd grade! We meet on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month. It is a time for children to experience a "worship gathering" geared for their age group. We have a Bible story, singing, prayer and share time, and crafts.

Wednesday Night BLAST - BLAST meets at the Together Community Center. Registration opens at 6:45 pm, program starts promptly at 7 pm and ends at 8:30 pm. This year BLAST will maintain the same age groups (preschool, K-1, 2-3 & 4-5 grade) and will introduce some new elements. In addition to the teaching & snack time, there will be science lab & minute-to-win-it game time for kids to choose from.

Spotlight is a Middle School Ministry. In addition to Sunday School every Sunday, we provide Bible studies on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month from 7:00 - 8:30PM. We plan one social activity a month and service/mission projects throughout the year.

Sr High Student Group provides great teaching each Sunday at 9 AM and caring leaders for Wednesday nights (7:00-9:00 PM) include fun, small groups and missional activities.

Grace Groups are small groups (6-12 people) designed to provide the friendships needed to study, grow and connect on a deeper level. Everyone is encouraged to be a part of a Grace Group. There are groups for men and women and several other co-ed groups available. Please contact the church office at (717) 687-7971 if you are interested.

For Adults - Adult life stage groups average 15-40 people in attendance each Sunday and study a Bible-focused curriculum. They provide opportunities for socialization and friendship as well as service.

Sermon Notes

This Week

April 16, 2017

Tuesday, April 18

6:30 pm The Factory Ministries Spring Banquet

Wednesday, April 19

7:00 pm Sr High Student Group

Thursday, April 20

6:30 pm Coffee Shop Hop at Speckled Hen in Strasburg

Saturday, April 22

8 am - 1 pm Together Initiative Network Day of Caring - meet at the TCC, lunch will be provided

Announcements

Next Sunday, April 23, 9 am, all adults are invited to join us in the sanctuary to hear about some new ideas for adult connections and discipleship beginning this summer. Various GPC members will be presenting. Children and youth classes will meet as normal.

The 2017 Dominican Republic Team is hard at work preparing for our week of ministry with Makarios. We are also cooking up some delicious food for a lunch after church next Sun, April 23. Join us for a tasty meal and learn more about what our team will be doing in the DR. Sign-up at the welcome center today!

The Maine Team is making and selling whoopie pies to help fund their missions trip this summer. Pick-up dates are May 6 and 7 at GPC. Stop by the welcome center for more information or contact Kristen Gentzler, Laura McDonald or Linda Eby to order. Last day to order is Sunday, April 30.

Looking for a way to be involved with our summer missions teams this year? We are in need of several volunteers to transport our Asia and Dominican Republic missions teams to and from JFK airport in July. The dates we need drivers are July 7, 8, 15 and 17. If you're available, contact Jen Rogers.

The worship team is looking for new volunteers to join their team. They particularly need drummers, AV persons and sound technicians. If you are interested in serving in this ministry, please contact Patrick McKeone at patrickmckeone@gmail.com

Vacation Bible School is coming up in a few months! Dates are July 16-20 and our theme this year is "Make Fun Factory: Built for a Purpose." Classes will be available for age 3 through grade 5, 6:30-8:30 pm. Dinner will be served for volunteers and their families Mon - Thurs evening and nursery care will be provided. Questions? Contact Kristen Gentzler or Abby Tyrrell.

Family News

Congratulations to Bruce & Jolene Moyer who celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Sat, April 15.

Continue to pray for Dan Kauffman as he is home now, recovering from surgery.

We extend our sympathy to Delmar & Rita Wenger and family on the passing of Rita's father, Ralph E. Lentz, Sunday, April 9.

Looking Ahead

Sun, May 7 - Single Together, Dinner at Garfield's, 4:30 pm followed by a concert at Calvary Church

Sun, June 4 - Immersion Baptism Service, 6:30 pm in the Pequea Creek by the home of James & Corrie Eby

Sat, June 17 - Run Ride Walk at Intercourse Heritage Days

July 16-20 - Vacation Bible School

Financial News

	Weekly Need	Weekly Received	Year to Date
4-9-17			
General	\$6,448	\$5,453	\$3,516
Missions	\$1,924	\$1,445	\$8,217