Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green

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SUNDAY SPIRE

Bloomfield Presbyterian Church on the Green THE LORD'S DAY September 9, 2018

WELCOME EVERYONE

Visitors may pick up THE SPIRE which tells you about our monthly ministries. We are a praying congregation. If you would like to share your joys and concerns, please fill out the prayer request form and hand it to an usher.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Laurie Schuemann, Shereen James, Frank Truncali, Rev. Dr. Paul Boger, Rev. Rick Sommers

CHAPEL FLOWERS

The flowers in the Chapel today are given by the Board of Deacons in loving memory of Doris M. Murray.

CHILDREN AND THE LORD'S SUPPER

Attention Parents: Are you wondering what to tell your child when the Communion bread and cups are distributed during today's service? In the Presbyterian Church (USA), "baptized children who are being nurtured in the significance of the Lord's Supper" are welcome to participate in the meal. This is your decision, based on whether you feel your child is ready to participate with age-appropriate understanding. Please note: we serve grape juice and not wine. We hold the bread until all are served and then we all eat together. We drink the juice when we are served.

SPECIAL OFFERING

Our special offing today is our annual Per Capita Offering. This year, the Per Capita amount is \$30 per member.

OUR GUEST PREACHER

Today we welcome the Rev. Leslie Vogel, to our pulpit. Rev. Vogel serves as PC(USA) Mission Co-Worker in Guatemala and Mexico. She has been in the U.S. over the summer to serve as a Mission Advisory Delegate at the General Assembly and to speak to presbyteries and congregations about her ministry.

BIBLE PALOOZA IS BACK!

Q: What is mission?

A: If you don't go, you won't know.

"Here I Am, Lord," is the mission focus of our 2018-2019 Bible Palooza events. Children and youth of all ages are invited to the next Bible Palooza, Sunday, September 30, Noon-3:00PM. Activities include lunch, music, games, Bible exploration, and fun, fun, fun! Sign-up today. High School youth are invited to participate as helpers.

SUNDAY MORNING ADULT EDUCATION

Our Sunday morning adult education class on the Heidelberg Catechism will begin again next Sunday, September 16. We meet Sunday mornings at 9:45 in the parlor (first floor of the education building). We will start with question 56 "What do you believe concerning the forgiveness of sins?" Everybody is invited, whether you want to attend consistently or occasionally. If you have any questions or want your own copy of the catechism, please talk to Glenn Maciag.

BOOK GROUP

Our new book group year will begin TOMORROW, September 10. We meet on the second Monday of the month at 7:30 PM in the education building. During this program year we will be reading, The Cross: God's Way of Salvation by Martyn Lloyd-Jones (1899-1981). This book contains a collection of sermons Lloyd-Jones preached on the cross. We will discuss chapter 1 "The Wondrous Cross" on September 10. For more

information or to get a copy of the book, please talk to Glenn Maciag. Everybody is invited!!

BIBLES ONLY PLEASE

As you may have noticed, all the pew racks on the back of the pews have been repaired or replaced with many thanks to Manny Rodriguez. We believe much of the damage has been caused by the bigger and heavier hymnals so we are asking that only Bibles be put in the racks and the hymnals be placed neatly in the pews. We thank you for your cooperation. Concerns or questions about anything, see any member of the Buildings and Grounds Committee.

TAKE THE BIBLE MEMORY VERSE CHALLENGE

Last year many of you participated in the Bible Bookworm Challenge and together we read over 2,000 Bible selections to help our very hungry Bible Bookworm grow. This year, the Education Team invites you to sign up for the Bible Memory Verse Challenge:

Learn one Bible Verse by heart each week for twelve weeks. Check in each week to recite your memory verse.

Add a heart with your name on it to the Bible display.

Our goal is to add 500 hearts, representing 500 memory verses, by December2! If we reach our goal, we'll get a "heart of gold." Sign up today!

THIS WEEK

Date	Time	Event	Location
Sept. 9	Noon	Deacon's Meeting	Parlor
Sept. 10	7:30pm	Book Group	History Room
Sept. 11	7:30pm	Buildings and Grounds	Parlor
Sept. 12	7:30pm	Prayer Triplets	History Room
Sept. 13	7:30pm	Choir Rehearsal	The Chapel
Sept. 16	9:45am	Adult Education Class	Parlor
Sept. 16	10:45am	Worship Service	The Chapel