New Horizons presbyterian Church

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June Newsletter



Important Dates

June 1	1st Sunday Concert Series
June 3	Room at the Inn
June 8	Pentecost
June 14	Flag Day
June 15	Trinity Sunday
June 15	Father's Day
June 17	Children's Feeding Program
June 21	First day of summer
June 24	"The Bible" movie series

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News' n Views

Seek ye the Lord, with heart mind and soul

Congratulations

Congratulations to the Pendo Presbyterian church that shares our building and to us for being selected by our Presbytery to write a short story about the Kenyan Well Project! As you may know, we just drilled the deep bore hole for water in April! We will be in the 2015 edition of the Presbyterian Mission Yearbook along with pictures and words written by Candy Parson and Pastor Isaac. This is a great story of success! The people of Rumuruti are now getting funds for an electric pump for the well. It is near the Thome Presbyterian Church on the fringe of the city. The Presbyterians brought water to the city!



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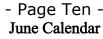
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Thank You

In May the members of New Horizons donated 12 boxes of personal hygiene, 1 box of office supplies, 15 bags of groceries and 12 bags of clothes to Isaiah 58 Ministries. Thank you to all who gave to this worthy cause.

Pastor Marsha's Hours:

Monday's Off Tuesday & Wednesday 9-4 Thursday & Fridays 9-2

Pastor's cell phone: (314) 604-2696 Pastor's email: pastor.nhpc@sbcglobal.net

From the Pastor

We had a follow up officer's retreat on Sat. May 17 starting with lunch together and then a time of follow up on items we discussed in February and an evaluation of our present ministry. This time together didn't have as many people there- about half of our officers were present, but we had a lot of good evaluation. One thing is distinct from our meeting last year: we had so many things going well that we hardly had room for them on the newsprint!

Here is a report to the whole church on what the officers have evaluated: (next time we may open this evaluation time to the whole church)

What is going well?

- New coffee pot (now with just one button to get the water hot and turn on all electricity to it)
- Communion in the pews is faster since we pass the bread and eat it and then pass the cup and hold it to take together.
- Outreach committee is out into the community
- Working with the School District is good
- Feeding people is good: Santa Anna Apartments and children this summer
- The pantry is going well: more money, volunteers and food for the increasing numbers of people to serve
- Coffee hour is better, more people staying
- Our children are involved in worship, we like that
- Worship is going well- people especially like casual worship in Jubilee Hall
- Faster tempo of music is appreciated
- Hospitality with visitors is going well, they are now frequent visitors
- Spiritual Formation Groups are good for faith development
- Kenyan Well Project hit water!
- Asante African Children's Choir (returning on Sat. Nov. 8 and we will house them 2 nights)
- Having Officer's Retreat to openly evaluate our ministry is good

What is not going so well?

- Refrigerator being left with food in it
- Kitchen committee defunct
- Room at the Inn may not be sustainable for much longer- needs review of our ministry and commitment in this area
- New Beginnings did not come up with big changes to our mission/ministry. Another view is that we are evolving and it has made a difference, it is just not abrupt.
- Some are resistant to change
- Our attendance numbers are not very high and our giving is down; we have taken out \$25,000 for normal expenses so far this year
- Toys are missing from Nursery- again

What do we need to start?

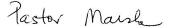
- Town Hall evaluation, not just the Officer's Retreat (more of these type meetings that are asking for feedback)
- To nominate leaders who are committed and responsible for the mission of this church and ready to work for that end
- Touch up and Repairs that still need to be done- how?
- Have a Creed/confession in the worship service when we have communion (This was left over from Feb and will be implemented ASAP).

From the Pastor continued

What do we need to Stop?

- Anonymous Complaints. If people have a concern they are welcome at committee or session meetings. We will not respond to anonymous complaints; we want to encourage accountability and transparence.
- Disruption during the worship service

Our Officers are working together to worship and serve the living Christ in this building and in the neighborhood. The good news is that we are now engaged with our neighbors and opportunities to serve are coming to us instead of us wondering why people don't just come to us to worship. That is a major change! It is exciting to work with you all and to plan our future together, to serve our neighbors knowing that we are helping to meet their needs, not ours..... And that there may be people who come along with us in that ministry when we are particular and specific and committed to that end. It is a joy to be here now. Thanks to God for all of you!



Free Movie Showing at New Horizons

We will be providing a free movie on "The Bible" at our church for four weeks this summer. This made for TV miniseries will be starting Tuesday June 24 from 1-2:30 pm in Fellowship Hall, in the basement of our church. We will provide refreshments and a place to view this inspiring movie that covers the stories of faith and courage from Genesis through Revelation. It will continue on consecutive Tuesdays at the same time: July 1, July 8, and July 15. Bring donations of diapers for the St. Louis Crisis Nursery if possible. Call 314-428-0841 for more information.

First Sunday's Concert Series

First Sunday Concert Series starts on Sunday June 1 at 3pm. This 1 and ½ hour concert will have two pianists who play meditative, healing music for the soul. Cost is a suggested donation of \$10, \$5 for seniors. See enlighenedpiano.org for more information about Richard Carr who is one of the pianists. Each month will have different performers. Light refreshments will be served at the break. Invite your neighbors!



Summer Feeding Program

Summer Feeding Program at Marion Elementary at Midland and Sims will start on Tuesday June 17. If you want to help or even think you might want to help, let Terri Fletcher know (428-3451) and show up at 10:30-12 noon to help out. We will feed kids, clean up afterwards, read to them or play games with them for a short while after they eat. We might have a large group, so if you can help, please come. We will feed them every Tuesday and Thursday for the summer. There is a chance that the last two weeks may be at our church due to cleaning schedules at the school.

May Session Highlights

Session met on May 14 and voted to create a task force to change the sanctuary so that seating can be flexible and the chancel area can be used for more purposes than only choir and worship. If you would like to serve on this task force which will be reporting to the session, see Pastor Marsha. So far we have Lucille Yamnitz, Peggy Lohnes and Linda Houston.

Session also voted to improve our Sound System! Money from the Memorial Fund will give us more amplifiers and wiring to our projector and other upgrades which will make hearing easier very soon.

Refrigerator Use

A group of women from our Officer's retreat on May 17 went downstairs after the meeting and cleaned out a lot of stuff that had been left in the refrigerator. Please do not leave any food there. It is there to be used for an event and not for leftovers! Just make it a practice to take home whatever is left over from food events. It will help us to keep it clean. Thanks!

Social Media

Our church has a Facebook page. If you have a Facebook account, like us (www.facebook.com/ NewHorizonsPCUSA). We send out weekly posts that might be informational to you. Pastor Marsha frequently highlights articles that might be interesting to read. It is a great way to share what is going on here. You might also check out our web page. We have made some changes to reflect who we are and all that is going on here. People frequently 'shop' online for churches before they come in person. Let Jeanette or Pastor Marsha know if we have missed anything.

Worship Changes

You may have noticed that we now have a large glass bowl that water is poured into after the Prayer of Confession in our worship service. It is a reminder of our baptism. Pastor Marsha pours the water and then says the Prayer of Affirmation of forgiveness of sins. Remembering our baptism is about our whole life as a Christfollower, not just the 'sin' part. We belong to God, no matter what. Our baptism is a sign of the covenant we or our parents make to journey with Christ our whole life long. It is a symbol of God's love for us, no matter what. Hopefully that message comes through each time the water is poured.

We also will be placing the cup and the plate on the communion table as a reminder of communion with God whether we have communion that Sunday or not. In this way we are reminded of this holy feeding that God does in the meal that we share once a month. God feeds us and is with us and empowers us to be as Christ to the world. These two changes are suggested by the PC/USA Office of Worship as ways of enriching worship and being more available to these means of grace.

The Worship Committee is planning another Casual Service on July 6 in Jubilee Hall. We will also have communion by intinction that day.

"Old" Sewing Room News

The old sewing room near the downstairs bathrooms will be undergoing changes in the near future. A plan is being made by a joint group from Pendo and New Horizons to create a children's room there. The Pendo's need for a place for their children to play launched us into this new partnership. Ideas will soon be shared, researched and brought to both congregations for funding. This room will be a safe place for all our children to play- with adult supervision of course.

Poet's Corner

Give Us Daily Awareness
By Helen Steiner Rice

On life's busy thoroughfares
We meet with angels unawares So, Father, make us kind and wise
So we may always recognize
The blessings that are ours to take
The friendships
that are ours to make
If we but open
our heart's door wide
To let the sunshine
of love inside.

Room at the Inn

On May 6 several 10 and 11 year old Girl Scouts and their leaders joined several members of New Horizons to host eight clients from RATI. The girls did ALL the clean-up after the meal. Ron Bickerstaff provided the entree. Barb Hause did the laundry. Alva Yamnitz used our van to transport our guests. Bill and Dee Rhinesmith stayed all night as "Innkeepers". Judy Doyle, as usual, served as hostess and made our guests feel at home. The next time we host RATI is Tuesday, June 3. Please Room At The Inn ioin us for sloppy Joes.

Doris Darr

Spiritual Formation Group

Spiritual Formation for those new to this practice, will begin on Thursday nights, starting June 19th from 6:30-8:30pm in Jubilee Hall. It will last 7 weeks and will end in a pilgrimage to a place of suffering. This can be a powerful experience and I encourage you to be a part of it. Pastor Marsha needs to know how many will be there by June 8th in order to get books ordered. No fee for the book. You will also need a journal and pen for each gathering.

Ritenour Co-Care

Ritenour Co-Care is a 501c3 non-profit that is evolving to care for our neighbors! We provide rent and utility assistance during the school year and oversee the food pantry. Our food pantry is bigger and better with more volunteers from lots of places and we are feeding around 700 people a month. We have 3 churches from Co-Care that will be feeding kids this summer either at their church or school. And we are doing a review of the operations of the food pantry with an eye to making it better. We have members from several churches and community organizations and businesses as part of our board and welcome anyone who is serious about caring for our community; those in the Ritenour School District. Meetings will be announced in our bulletins and newsletter and on the bulletin board for anyone who wants to help out. Pastor Marsha is the President of Ritenour Co-Care, so just ask if there is anything you want to know.

Ritenour Co-Care Food Pantry

"For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me,"

Matthew 25:35

Food Pantry Statistics for April

	April	2014 Year-to- Date	2013 Year-to- Date
People	675	2834	7054
Families	193	915	2541
Children	198	1015	2653
Adults	477	1919	4403

All donations made to Ritenour Co-Care Food Pantry are tax-deductible.

Faith Leaders Urge Support of Federal Minimum Wage Legislation

A group of religious leaders stressed the moral obligation to raise the federal minimum wage in an April 29 letter to Congress, describing increased wages as "indispensable to ensuring that no worker will suffer the indignity of poverty."

The letter was released the day before the Senate was to vote on increasing the federal minimum wage from \$7.25 an hour to \$10.10 an hour by 2016.

"We respect the dignity of our neighbors who toil under the yoke of today's unjust minimum wage, and we call on our elected leaders to ease their burden by making the minimum wage a family wage," said the letter, organized by public policy groups Interfaith Worker Justice and Faith in Public Life and signed by about 5,000 people including more than 30 prominent religious leaders known for their work on social issues. The minimum wage bill, introduced by Senator Tom Harkin, Democrat from Iowa, would increase the current \$7.25 hourly minimum wage in three steps, raising it to \$8.20 six months after enactment, \$9.15 after a year and \$10.10 a year after that. The minimum wage would then automatically increase annually with inflation.

If the bill passes both houses of Congress, it would give an automatic raise to an estimated 16.5 million workers, according to the Congressional Budget Office study issued in February.

Presbyterian Women



All women are invited to participate in the monthly meetings and Bible Studies of Presbyterian Women. Bring a sandwich and join us Tuesday, June 16, 2014 at noon.

Presbytery Leader Called

At the Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy meeting held on April 3rd, the Reverend Dr. Anita Hendrix was elected to serve as Executive Presbyter. She will assume her position on July 1st.

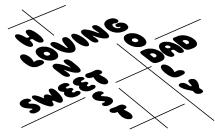
For the past five years she has served as Executive Presbyter for Riverside Presbytery located in Southern California. Her ministry has included organizational leadership, teaching and coaching practices that nurture personal devotion to Jesus Christ, congregational leadership, and capacity for mission. She stated that the vision of the Presbytery of Giddings-Lovejoy is to support and encourage "vibrant congregations and dynamic leaders. As the Presbytery Leader Nominating Committee and I conversed and prayed together, I developed a deep sense of God's call to this ministry, and look forward to service with you in nurturing, encouraging, and connecting worshipping communities in spiritual, relational and missional vitality".

April 2014 Finance Report

<u>APR 2014</u>	<u>Y.T.D.</u>
\$ 5,943.72	\$28,434.85
\$ 175.00	\$275.00
\$ 151.00	\$1,496.76
\$ 40.00	\$2,290.00
\$ 5,000.00	\$25,000.00
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A WORD COLLAGE FOR Create this artwork

Create this artwork to express your love and appreciation for your dad or another special man this Father's Day.



What you need:

- A white painting canvas, foam-core board or poster board
- Letter stickers (or foam letters and glue)

What you do:

- 1. Using the letters, spell out words that describe your dad's character (loving, honest, godly, etc.) and/or his titles (protector, provider, mentor, etc.).
- 2. Arrange words in a crossword style, both horizontally and vertically.
- 3. When you have a design you like, stick the words onto the blank canvas or board
- 4. Present the gift to your dad or another special man on Father's Day. He'll enjoy this reminder of your love and appreciation.



A FATHER'S LOVE

Psalm 103:13 (NIV) describes what God the Father feels toward "As a father has on his children, so the LORD has on those who fear him."				
Directions: Match the biblical children to their father, using the clues by the father's name. Then write the corresponding letter on the line to complete the Bible verse above.				
• Shem, Ham a • Solomon = 0 • Jonathan = I • Jesus = C	,,,			
God: Adam:	"This is my Son, whom I love; with him I am well pleased." God gave him another son because his older killed the younger.	<u></u>		
Noah:	His sons were blessed and told to multiply and replenish the earth.			
Abraham:	God promised he would be a father of many nations. The Jews and Arabs descended from these two sons.			
Isaac:	His older son sold his birthright, and his younger son tricked Isaac and received the blessings for the firstborn.			
Laban:	He had two daughters; the older was tender-eyed and theyounger very beautiful. Both married Jacob.			
Jacob:	Two wives and two handmaids gave him 12 sons and a daughter.			
Saul:	His son was David's best friend.			
David:	He had many children, but one was known for his wisdom,			

Answer: compassion

Bible Quiz

for having many wives and for building God's temple.

Zechariah: His son, a cousin to Jesus, was born to be a

messenger of repentance.

Which of the following is an accurate father-child match from Scripture?

- A. Saul and David
- B. Zechariah and Joseph
- C. Abram and Ishmael
- D. David and Boaz

Answer: C (See Genesis 16:15.)



- Lee Crisler by Linda Houston
- Millie Edwards by Lynn Kratz
- Faith Gillespie by Kathryn Byrd
- Tammy Hillebrand by Lore Bailey
- Erin Miller by Linda Houston
- Jean Pate by Fran Longcor
- Arline Roberts by Pat Rogers
- Elton Rogers by Pat Rogers
- Sara Seidler by Sy
- Elaine & Tom Shanahan by Linda Houston
- Jason Vanderheyden by Jan Reithmaier
- Al & Nancy Yamnitz by Alva Yamnitz
- Amanda & Michael Klein Jennifer Lohnes
- Shannon Turner by Diane Harmon
- Charles Kaiser Pat and Linda
- Jeff Johnson Peggy Lohnes
- Debbie Frazier Yvonne Frazier
- Mae Dixon Alva Yamnitz
- Marion Brewer
- Carla Highfill Ann Highfill
- Lisa M. by Ron Bickerstaff
- Sean, Jacki & Julianna Elizabeth Yamnitz - Alva Yamnitz
- Viola Sharp Alva Yamnitz
- Jack Folkerts Candy Parson
- Linda Spickler Terri Fletcher

June Anniversaries

06/03	Marsha Brown & Ron Bickerstaff
06/19	Al G. & Nancy Yamnitz
06/22	Jack & Dee Folkerts
06/23	John & Peggy Ball
06/24	Dean & Marcia Shrum
06/30	Tony & Steffanie Rockette



June Birthdays

06/03	Josh Lohnes
06/03	Francine Longcor
06/06	Dee Folkerts
06/14	Corey Frazier
06/15	Rose Wachira
06/16	Ruth Kaufman
06/20	Orlando Rivera
06/22	Cyndi Stull - Woollard
06/27	Tom Haill



Famous Presbyterians

Ralph Winter

Movie producer. Among the various ones he produced includes X-Men; Fantastic Four; and Star Trek

Newsletter Deadline

Newsletter articles for the June Issue should be submitted to **the office** by June 13, 2014.

June 2014

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