



FIVE FORKS BIC CHURCH  
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**July 16, 2017**

A Growing Community of Disciple Makers  
 ~ *Worshipping God Wholeheartedly As A Way Of Life ~ Sharing The Good News Of Jesus Everywhere ~ Being Transformed Through the Word of God ~ Caring Compassionately For The Needs Of Others ~*

**SUNDAY MORNING SERVICES**  
 Traditional Service: 8:00 AM (Auditorium) & 11:00 AM (Chapel)  
 Contemporary Service: 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM (Auditorium)  
 Café: 7:00 AM – 11:00 AM  
 Sunday School for Children & Adults – 9:30 AM

**WEDNESDAY EVENING SERVICES (September – April)**  
 Bible Study 7:00 – 8:00 PM; Children & Youth 6:45 – 8:15 PM

**Halftime Report**

-By Pastor Bill

We're halfway through the year and so I thought it would be a good time to look back over the first 6 months of 2017 and address some of the positives and some of the concerns here at the halfway point.

A Positive

Two people were baptized in 2016. So far this year, 17 have been baptized with four more being baptized this weekend. 21 Baptisms is something to rejoice about...and we are!

A Concern

In 2016, our Sunday morning average attendance declined by 70. Though the rate of decline has slowed, our Sunday morning attendance continues to go down. This year our Sunday morning attendance has declined by 22. Last year at the end of June our average attendance for the year was 785. This year we stand at 763.

A Positive

At the halfway point of the year our giving has increased by \$12,272 over last year at this time.

A Positive

The change that was made in regards to each sermon series has met with positive feedback. This year, each pastor does an entire series of his own rather than have a different pastor preaching each week. There is more continuity within each series and the feedback we have received has been positive.

This Week at Five Forks

SUNDAY, JULY 16

- Prayer Hour...6:45am (C2)
- EXPRESS CAFE...7-11am

Morning Messages

**BAPTISM**

Aud. (8, 9:30, 11am) – Pastor Ray  
 Scripture: Judges 4 & 5

Chapel (11:00am) – Pastor Bill  
 Scripture: Genesis 45:1-8

MONDAY, JULY 17

- Men's Prayer Group...5:45-6:30am (Chapel)
- Parish Nurse...1-3pm
- VBS...6:30-8pm

TUESDAY, JULY 18

- Men's Prayer Group...6:30-7:30am (Chapel)
- VBS...6:30-8pm

WEDNESDAY, JULY 19

- VBS...6:30-8pm

THURSDAY, JULY 20

- Ladies Prayer Hour...6:30-7:30am (Chapel)
- VBS...6:30-8pm

FRIDAY, JULY 21

- VBS...6:30-8PM

SUNDAY, JULY 23

- Prayer Hour...6:45am (C2)
- Express Cafe...7-11am

Morning Messages

**MEMBERSHIP**

Aud. (8, 9:30, 11am) – Pastor Ray  
 Scripture: Judges 6 & 8

Chapel (11:00am) – Pastor Bill  
 Scripture: Genesis 50:15-21



## Halftime Report (continued from page 1)

### A Concern

Our search for a Youth Director continues. Because we have not yet filled this position, we have not been able to move Pastor Shaun into the vacancy created by Pastor Adam's departure last fall. Being short-staffed, we (the pastors) are concerned about whether we are giving the level of care that our lay leaders and congregation deserves.

### A Positive

The addition of Josh Roach to the staff has been helpful in a number of areas. Josh has been instrumental in bringing about numerous technical improvements in the area of worship. He has been intentional about giving people opportunities to become involved in Worship Ministry, and has provided valuable input to the pastors each week as sermons are prepared for the upcoming worship services. The learning curve continues for Josh and for us, but we are thankful for the contributions he has brought thus far.

### A Concern

Back in January at Annual Council, we acknowledged that our purpose as a church had become somewhat muddled and murky. What do we believe, why are we here, what are we about? I would think that from your perspective not much has changed. But I will say that your Church Board has been devoting a significant amount of time in working on defining what we believe and what we are about. This work will continue – with your involvement – throughout the rest of the year. In the meantime, let's look to grow in our awareness of His love for us, and share His love with others by caring for them and helping to meet their needs.

### A Positive

Here in 2017 two young women from our congregation have heard and responded to God's call to serve abroad. Hailee Martin is currently serving in Mozambique and Caitlin Recard will begin serving in Kenya in just a few weeks. We are thrilled to be able to partner with Hailee and Caitlin by providing prayer and financial support for the two of them.

*Surely there are other positive things that come to your mind, as well as other concerns. I would like to hear from you, so please take the time to email me Your Positives and Your Concerns from the first 6 months of 2017.*

Thanks for reading!

Pastor Bill



## Attendance

### ATTENDANCE (JULY 9)

#### **Sunday's Worship Total = 709**

8:00 Auditorium = 176

9:30 Auditorium = 307

11:00 Auditorium = 139

11:00 Chapel = 47

Bible Connection = 19

Nursery (9:30 & 11:00) = 21

#### **Total Sunday School = 247**

Adult Education Attendance = 96

Berean = 13

Golden Link = 46

Through the Bible = 22

The Christian Family Life Class = 0

8:00AM Café Class = 5

Alpha Omega Discussion = 6

Men's Resolution Class = 4

## Food Pantry

### "Item of the Month" for JULY:

#### Skillet Meals

(Hamburger/Tuna/Chicken Helper)

*Place donations in the orange tub in the lower lobby.*

## Operation

### Christmas Child

### "Item of the Month" for JULY:

Note pads, coloring books, activity pads, post-it notes, any school supply

*Place donations in the designated boxes in the lower and upper lobbies.*

**CHECK OUT THE**  
**CHURCH LIBRARY**  
 LOCATED IN THE MULTI-PURPOSE ROOM



Overcoming Loneliness  
 -by W. Leslie Carter+ (F-CAR)

An excellent book which looks at what loneliness is; the causes and consequences of loneliness; and how to overcome loneliness.

Medical Judgment & Fatal Trauma  
 -by Richard Mabry, M.D. (L-MAB)

The author, a retired physician, writes medical suspense with "heart," inter-woven with struggles of faith.



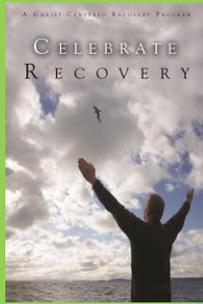
Let us pray:  
*Dear God,  
 please embrace  
 those who are  
 sick and  
 hurting today  
 and let them  
 feel the  
 warmth of Your  
 love. Amen!*

Marion Barnett  
 Ruth Gembe  
 Sonja Payne  
 Linda Umbrell  
 Gwyn Weaver



We would like to thank the church for all the support, cards, flowers, and pastoral help during the passing of our father/grandfather, Archie Flohr. Thanks again, Bill & Jamie Flohr

**Celebrate Recovery Update**



CR café time will now be at 6pm. Large group (7pm) and open share (8pm) times will remain the same.

Church Family,  
 A very belated thank-you to everyone who called, sent cards, and visited Larry after his car accident. We also thank the church for the planter sent to him as he convalesced. We are so thankful for our church family!  
 -Larry & Linda Pedersen

## 2017-18 Church Photo Directory Coming Soon!



One request that consistently comes our way is for a Church Photo Directory. Bonnie Branthaver – from within our congregation – has offered her time and talents to help make this happen. Here are some important details:

What? A Photo Directory that everyone from our church family will have the opportunity to participate in. Pictures will go onto our church website (but will only be accessible by using a church generated password).

When? Bonnie has set aside two weekends in August to take pictures. The first weekend is Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup> from 8am until 6pm and on Sunday August 6<sup>th</sup> from Noon until 6pm. The second weekend is Friday, August 18<sup>th</sup> from 8am until 4:30 and Saturday, August 19<sup>th</sup> from 8am until 6pm.

Where? The Multi-Purpose Room (Gym/Café)

How? You can set up an appointment to have your picture taken by emailing Bonnie: [cbbranthaver@comcast.net](mailto:cbbranthaver@comcast.net). Please type "CHURCH PICTURE" on the Subject Line. Or you can call Bonnie at 717-762-6355. Or simply see Bonnie here at the church.

Cost? There is no cost to you or to the church. Bonnie is willing to volunteer her time in order to make this happen. She is not a professional photographer but has taken pictures of our children for the Pinewood Car Derby and these turned out well. Her desire is to simply help us put a name to a face and by doing so help us get to know one another. Upon request, Bonnie will email you a copy of the picture that is taken of you (at no charge to you).

Other: As pictures are taken, they will be placed on the church website, and again, the photo directory will be password protected. A Photo Release Form must be signed in order before your picture can appear in the Directory.

You are free to submit a photo rather than have your picture taken, but the Photo Release Form will be placed in your mailbox (or emailed to you) and must be signed before the picture can be posted in the Directory.

A graphic for New Membership Sunday. It features a black rectangular box with a white church steeple icon at the top. Below the icon, the text "NEW MEMBERSHIP" is written in white, and "SUNDAY" is written in a larger, bold white font. The background of the graphic is a decorative border with teal and yellow floral patterns.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Five Forks Church, Pastor Bill would like to talk with you about this. We have set aside next Sunday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> to bring in new members and if you're interested or have any questions about church membership, contact Bill via email: [bill@ffbic.org](mailto:bill@ffbic.org).

## *School Supplies Needed*

As school children are enjoying their summer, we are looking ahead to school starting in August! We have had the opportunity to help low income families for the past 15+ years, but we could not have done it without the help of our friends in the community. Churches, businesses, and volunteers all work together to make this happen. Our goal is to provide the school supplies listed for each child's grade as well as a new school outfit including socks and underwear. Many families struggle to make ends meet without the added expenses of required school supplies.

Will you join us (Waynesboro Community Human Services) in this project by donating school supplies, clothing, underwear, and socks or monetary donations so that we may purchase these items? We would like to have donations by Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup> so that we can distribute them the week of August 14-18.

Please place donations in the designated box in the mailroom. Thanks so much for supporting our children in need.

### SUPPLIES NEEDED:

- Pencil Boxes
- Zippered pencil pouches
- 24-count #2 pencils
- 36-count #2 pencils
- 48-count #2 pencils
- 24-count crayons
- 8-count large crayons
- Highlighters – single and 4-count
- 4-count dry erase markers
- Block erasers
- Pencil top erasers
- Large Glue sticks
- Pocket folders with clasps
- Pocket folders without clasps
- Backpacks
- Lanyards
- Red pens
- 1-inch 3-ring binders
- 2-inch 3-ring binders
- Wide-ruled notebook paper
- Colored pencils
- Earbuds
- Underwear
- Socks
- New or gently used clothing – jeans, shorts, shirts, sweatshirts, sweaters, skirts, dresses
- Toiletries: Bars of soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste



### Please Note:

- No Permanent markers
- Lanyards are needed by all middle and high-schoolers
- All elementary schools ask for earbuds for all grades
- Dry erase markers tend to run out mid-distribution
- All students need backpacks

## Save The Date



Each year the Five Forks Church Auction has raised money to help pay down the mortgage. Since the mortgage has been paid off, the proceeds from this year's auction will go into the Building Fund, which includes the hope of a future Youth Center for our teens.

We are asking each member of our congregation to consider how you might be able to donate to the auction:

- You might be willing to purchase a new item or to make an item or food item to be auctioned off.
- You might be able to donate your services (i.e. babysitting, cleaning, oil changes, mowing, etc.)
- You might consider asking a business which you patronize to make a donation to the auction.

Here are some examples of items that have been donated in the past:

- Cord of Wood
- Beef to be Butchered
- Pumpkins
- Potted Flowers
- Gift Certificates
- Cake-a-Month
- Pie-a-Month
- A Meal
- Quilts
- Afghans
- Wooden Furniture
- A Picnic Table
- A Timeshare Condo or Cabin
- Event Tickets

As you can see, there are many creative options to choose from. *How could you use your talents or skills?*

If you have an item or service to donate to the auction, please complete the form that was placed in your mailbox this week and then place in Melissa Mitchell's mailbox.

## *Express Café July through August*



The Café continues to be a wonderful place for many to gather before or after the services on Sunday morning.

The Café continues to be a challenging ministry to staff, especially during the summer months.

Many of you are aware that once a month we run an Express Café with a limited menu and limited staff. Towards this end, for the months of July and August we will be offering the Express Café every Sunday, resuming the full menu on Sunday, September 10<sup>th</sup>.

If you are looking for a way to get connected here at Five Forks, the Café provides a great opportunity to work alongside and meet people in a relaxed atmosphere. Our volunteers choose how many Sundays per month they wish to serve, and which shift they prefer.

For example, here are the shifts our volunteers have to choose from:

Early morning: 8:45 to 9:25

Mid Shift: 10:15 -10:45

Clean Up/Tear Down: 11:00 to 11:30

If you are interested in serving or have any questions, please contact our Office Administrator Julie Tiedemann at 762-2991 or [office@ffbic.org](mailto:office@ffbic.org).

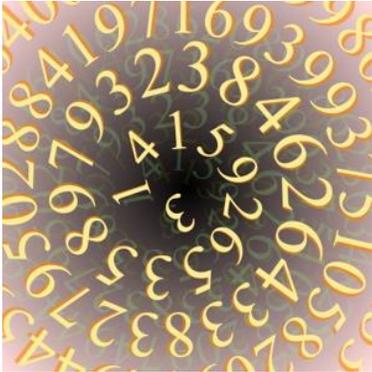
## *Five Forks Fellowship Upcoming Event*

Friday, August 4<sup>th</sup>...9:00 – 11:00am in the Chapel.

Peggy Ann Bradnick Jackson will be the speaker.



## Financial Update – June 2017



### GENERAL FUND

#### SUMMARY FOR THE MONTH

Balance June 1, 2017 - \$73,310.72

June Contributions = \$84,391.37

- June 4 = \$28,617
- June 11 = \$21,195
- June 18 = \$18,041
- June 25 = \$17,694

June Expenses = \$69,697.84

Balance June 30, 2017 = \$88,004.25

*Note: We continue to carry an unusually high balance (normal would be around \$20,000) due – in part – to the fact that we have budgeted for a staff position that has yet to be filled. This means expenses are coming in under expectation.*

#### SUMMARY FOR THE YEAR

Weekly goal = \$21, 211

Year-to-Date Goal = \$551,486

Year-to-Date Actual = \$548,684

Over/Under YTD Goal = -\$2,802

#### SPECIAL ACTIVITIES FUND

Balance June 1, 2017 = \$217,579.55

June Income = \$12,349.39

June Expenses = \$13,683.59

Balance June 30, 2017 = \$216,245.35

#### CONTINGENCY FUND

Balance June 30 = \$158,677.88

#### SPECIAL BENEVOLENT FUND

Balance January 1, 2017 = \$246,084.00

2017 Gains = \$19,647.79

## Roxbury Camp Meeting

August 4-13, 2017

This year "Stories" is the theme at Camp Meeting...Concerts by Justified Quartet (Saturday, August 12<sup>th</sup> at 1:30pm) and The Joneses (Sunday Aug. 6<sup>th</sup> at 2pm and Saturday, August 12 at 1:30pm)

Elective Seminars: "Identity in Christ"; "From Broken to Beautiful"; "What Repairing Streams Has Taught Me about Healing the Church"; "Faith is the Victory"

More information, details and schedules are available online at [www.roxburycamp.com](http://www.roxburycamp.com) or call 717-532-2208 or email Rachel Shetterly ([rachel.shetterly@comcast.net](mailto:rachel.shetterly@comcast.net)).



# Youth news

Below is a list of events and activities that the youth are assisting with, participating in or will be invited to be part of:

"You can find more information about our events, including permission slips, on the church website or join us on Facebook; our group name is; Five Forks BIC Youth Group, or see Pastor Shaun.

\*Please be aware that there is extra financial assistance available to any youth that may need it. Do not let money be the reason that you do not participate! (See Pastor Shaun)



[Baltimore O's & Inner Harbor](#) –Saturday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> (1pm – midnight) All 7-12th grade youth are invited to join us as we take a youth group road trip to the Baltimore Inner Harbor and O's game. You need to be at the church at 1:00pm for departure and we will head straight down to the Baltimore Inner Harbor. We will have a couple of hours to walk around and enjoy the sights, shops, and food at the harbor and then we will take a walk up to Camden Yards for the rest of the evening to watch the O's take on the Houston Astros. We plan to return to the church around midnight.

The cost for this event is \$10 plus any additional money you would like to bring for food, shopping or sightseeing at the harbor. Money and permission slip are due to Pastor Shaun by Sunday, July 16<sup>th</sup>!



CREATE our NEW YOUTH GROUP T-SHIRT - "Hey Five Forks Teens CREATE a T-shirt design that screams, WEAR ME". That's right, we need a new youth group T-shirt for this fall and we are inviting you (all teens) to get creative and submit your concept design for the 2017-2018 youth group t-shirt. Here's a little help to get you started on your design. We'd like "Five Forks Youth Group" somewhere on the T-shirt and we'd like a design that in some way incorporates our key youth group theme for the new school year. That theme will be "The Great

Adventure" emphasizing the idea that "The Christian life is all about going on a great adventure with the creator of the universe by your side!" Submissions can be hand drawn or digitally created, we'll take your concept design have it touched up by some professionals for the sake of quality printing. Also, keep your design a secret...don't let anybody else know which one is your design! All submissions must be completed and turned in to Pastor Shaun by Wednesday, August 23<sup>rd</sup>. The entire youth group will then be voting for our favorite design on Wednesday, August 30<sup>th</sup> at our annual tailgating party.



2017 Junior High Youth Group Informational Meeting – Sunday, August 13th (Noon – 1pm) - New to youth group? Got questions? All Jr. High teens (6th – 8th grade) and parents are invited to join us for an important informational meeting about youth group on Sunday,

August 13th (Noon – 1:30pm) in the Chapel! We will provide a light lunch and then spend some time talking about general youth ministry information, expectations, activities and how to get involved! We will also be talking about the transition of 6th graders into our youth ministry. The Five Forks youth group has always consisted of students in 7th – 12th grade, but that will be changing this fall as we will begin including 6th grade students in our youth ministry. Starting in August (August 23<sup>rd</sup> to be exact) 6th grade students at Five Forks will no longer be part of our children's program they will be joining the youth group. This is primarily because, as many of you are aware, the Waynesboro Middle school will be including 6th grade students in the Middle School this fall. Many of the other school districts in our surrounding area already have 6th grade students in their Junior High school (Greencastle, Chambersburg etc.) and many of the youth ministries in our area already include 6th grade students in youth ministry. Therefore, it seems to make sense that we should make this change as well. SO, if you are a Junior High teen or parent of a junior high teen please plan to be at this meeting! Any questions contact Pastor Shaun.