

May 27, 2018

## NEW SERMON SERIES

Next Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, we will begin a sermon series we have called: "Hearing God Together". If we ask someone about how they experience God, most of us will respond with information we know about God. For example, we might say we believe God is loving. God is just. God is powerful. But if pressed with the question, "How have you experienced God this past week?" It is often more difficult to respond. I don't believe it is because we have not experienced God, but rather because, for many people, their faith journey is mostly, and usually described by their knowledge of God.

And yet we say, "God is personal and wants a personal relationship with us." He wants us to know Him, not just know about Him. And when we do experience God we often expect it to be an individual experience with God that we then keep to ourselves.

Much of what we know and believe about God has been revealed to us in the scriptures in accounts of various people's experiences with God that have been shared, first by word of mouth and then written down. These are the bible stories we know and love.

Without diminishing the importance of the knowledge we have of God, we would like to explore ways we can become more keenly aware of our experiences of God. One significant way is to learn to hear God. We are familiar with the phrase in scripture: "The Lord spoke to..." Many of us long for "a word from the Lord" to help us make decisions. Hopefully, in this series, we will learn some ways to hear God.

And just as the stories of old have been shared with us, as a means of increasing our faith, we want to learn to share our stories with each other, stories of what we hear from God. So towards the conclusion of the series, we will be giving you an opportunity to learn to hear God in a smaller more intimate gathering of people – intentionally gathered to care for one another.

-Pastor Ray

## CHURCH PICNIC – JUNE 3<sup>RD</sup>

(The café will be closed that Sunday in order to have things ready for the picnic)

Tables will be set up in the café and the Hospitality Committee will begin serving lunch around 11:30am and will continue to serve until 1:00pm.

The menu includes pulled pork, steamers, mac & cheese, walking taco bar, chips, drinks & ice cream sundae bar for dessert.

There will be a number of activities for children including Bounce House, Face-painting, Chalk Art, Balloon Art, and more...

Bring a lawn chair and eat/sit outside if it's pleasant. We will have a tent set up for an eating/sitting section in the back courtyard for those who prefer the great outdoors! We will also have tables and chairs set up in the gym. Our hope is that not everyone will come at once (i.e. 11:30), but will arrive at various points throughout the 1 ½ hour serving time to avoid long lines and allow seating for those who choose to remain indoors.

## THIS WEEK AT FIVE FORKS

Sunday, May 27	Prayer Hour...6:45am (C2) EXPRESS Café (7-11am) Morning Messages: Aud. (8:00, 9:30 & 11:00m) – Pastor Ray – Scripture: Genesis 27 & 22-32 Chapel (11:00am) – Pastor Brian – Scripture: II Kings 2
Monday, May 28	Men's Prayer Group...5:45am (Chapel)
Tuesday, May 29	Men's Prayer Group...6:30am (Chapel) Celebrate Recovery...6pm- café; 7pm- large group meeting, 8pm –open share
Wednesday, May 30	No Services – Summer Break
Thursday, May 31	Ladies Prayer Hour...6:30-7:30am (Chapel)
Friday, June 1	Five Forks Fellowship...9am (Chapel) VBS Prayer Hour...6pm (Chapel)
Sunday, June 3	Morning Messages: Aud. (8:00, 9:30 & 11:00m) – Pastor Ray – Scripture: Luke 24 Chapel (11:00am) – Pastor Shaun – Scripture: I Corinthians 13 & various Proverbs

## VBS 2018 – SHIPWRECKED – RESCUED BY JESUS

June 10-14

Children ages 3 (by January 1, 2018) thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade (completed).  
All preschoolers must be bathroom independent.

Register online at <http://www.ffbic.org/vacation-bible-school/>

Everyone is invited to the VBS Prayer Gathering on Friday, June 1<sup>st</sup> beginning at 6:00pm. We will join for worship in the Chapel, then divide into prayer groups throughout the grounds and church and come back together in the chapel to share communion with Pastor Jim leading us in this special time of adoration to our Heavenly Father.  
*Hope to see you there!!*

## LEGO CAMP

July 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>

Registration will open on Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>.

We will be opening the camp to 48 students who have completed grades 1-5. There will be 24 students selected for the AM class (9:00am – 12:00pm) and 24 students for the PM class (1:00 – 4:00pm). If a student attended last year's camp, they would not be eligible for this year's camp.

Our daily objective for each small group of students is that they will build and program a moving WeDo Lego Model. In order to do these objectives, students will be required to use reading, math, computer, and engineer/design skills. Students will work with a partner and learn basic skills about technology and engineering that will prepare them for a future transition into other STEM activities. Lego Camp is being offered to students who will commit to attending the program every day from July 9-13. Parents or guardians are responsible for providing transportation to and from Five Forks Church.

## **CRAFT CAMP**

July 30 – Aug. 3... 9:15am – 12:30pm

Children who have completed grades 1-5

Registration will open Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup>

We are in need of youth and adult volunteers. If you would like to help or have questions, please contact Jacki Hord at [kjmhord@gmail.com](mailto:kjmhord@gmail.com) or stop by the Children's Information Desk on Sunday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>.

## **ELO TURKEY SHOOT**

Saturday, June 9<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>... 5:00 P.M.  
10748 Wayne Hwy. Waynesboro, PA

Ages 10 and up

\*15 years old and under must be accompanied by an adult

- Free Admission & Food
- Prizes for each round
- No Worked Guns/No .640 Choke or Larger

Must Pre-Register at [www.eloutdoors.com](http://www.eloutdoors.com)

## **WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY**

We express our heartfelt sympathy to Dave Oberholzer and family with the passing of his wife, Karen Oberholzer on May 20, 2018.

We express our heartfelt sympathy to Sanford Smith with the passing of his father, Sanford Smith on May 23, 2018.

## **THANK YOU!**

To Our Church Family,

We are so grateful for a caring church family. We would like to take this time to thank everyone for their support and prayers. And a special thanks to the moving team. With Joe weak from having cancer treatments and his mother having double knee surgery and not able to drive or stand for long periods, it was a great blessing to have so much help. Your continuing prayers and support will be greatly appreciated as Joe underwent surgery to remove the tumors on Monday, May 21. He will be expected to remain in the hospital for about four days without complications. Thank you again and God bless our wonderful church family.

Sincerely,

Joe & Tammy Stricker

To Our Five Forks Church Family,

Thank you for the beautiful vase of flowers and all the prayers that you sent to me when I was in the hospital.

-Jackie Izer

## **HEALING PRAYERS FOR YOU**

(Those who have been hospitalized or underwent surgery/procedures this week)

Joe Stricker

## FOOD PANTRY MAY "ITEM OF THE MONTH"

Canned Vegetables

*(Place donations in the orange container in the lower lobby.)*

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD "ITEM OF THE MONTH"

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

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

## ATTENDANCE

Sunday, May 27	Sunday's Worship Total = 668 8:00 Auditorium = 122 9:30 Auditorium = 280 11:00 Auditorium = 138 11:00 Chapel = 68 Bible Connection = 10 Nursery (9:30 & 11:00) = 18 ELO Hike = 32
	Total Sunday School = 224
	Wednesday Evening (May 23) = 53 youth event

## STUDENT MINISTRY HAPPENINGS – Kenton Hock, director ([kenton@ffbic.org](mailto:kenton@ffbic.org))

### RoadTrip to Summer – May 30... 7pm

Do you love the bus? Do you love friends? Do you love the pool? Music? Yard Games? Whatever it is, this evening is for you! We will be meeting at church at 6:30pm to 8:30pm and loading up the bus to travel around and end up at the Bumbaugh's house, where we can swim and parents will be able to pick students up there. If you need his address, ask Kenton or Chris! Permission slips are required!

### Pool Parties

Throughout the month of June, we will be having pool parties at the Bumbaugh's house! This is a great time to fellowship together! Talk to Kenton or Chris for his address and come ready to swim and hang out at fires and eat ice cream!

### Chambersburg Project

Do like to serve those around you? If so, Chambersburg Project is July 8th-13th! We will be serving those in Franklin County that are living in need! If you would like to sign up to go, pick up a packet at the Youth Booth! Parents, if you want to serve, let Kenton Hock know and we will get you an adult volunteer form. Permission forms and payment are due May 27th!

### Orioles Game

This summer we will be going to an Orioles game! Grab a permission slip and come on out! We will be meeting at church at 2:00pm on July 27th! We will take the bus down to Baltimore and watch the game as well as a great Fireworks Show! We will return around 12:30am. The cost for this event is \$10 and don't forget some money for food.