



CrossRoads

*Springfield Presbyterian
Church*

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

"In Jesus, the Victory Is Won"

June 18 - June 22

6:30 - 8:00 pm

We will be sharing God's word through a variety of Bible stories, crafts and fun activities.

See page 9 for the VBS Registration Form, or go to www.myvbs.org/spcregistration to register on line.



Summer Worship Hours Begin!

Summer Worship
hours begin on
Sunday, June 18.

Worship will start at
9:30 am
Fellowship 10:30 am



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Pastor's Page

Grace and Peace to you, in the name of our Lord, Jesus Christ!

"All were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability." [Acts 2:4]

While Easter and Christmas always get top billing as the most profound religious holidays on the liturgical calendar (as they should), I've always been quite partial to the Sunday of Pentecost as a powerful and important Sunday for the Christian Church. It is a Sunday in which we celebrate the beginnings of what we understand to be the early church, where the Holy Spirit comes upon the people of Christ. It is a beautiful reminder that the Lord remains with us, actively working and helping us to discern the ministry of Christ in the world, and that He never leaves us abandoned or orphan, but is constantly with us. What a gift, and what a celebration, to take this first Sunday of June to rejoice in the work of the Holy Spirit within us and in our world!

Throughout the month of June, we continue to witness to the work of the Spirit. We will be blessed in installing three elders on the day of Pentecost, an active sign of the Holy Spirit at work in our congregation. On our second Sunday of June, we will rejoice at the hard work of our graduates and those who teach our young people, another sign of the Spirit at work in the world. During the third week of the month, we will invite children from our congregation and the community to gather for Vacation Bible School, where we will see the Holy Spirit work among the youngest of our children, as they grow in faith and learn the love of the Lord.

This June, we celebrate in awe, the work of the Holy Spirit. This month, may you especially feel the Spirit, within you, around you, before you, behind you – in all aspects of your life and may we continue to praise God for the gift of His Spirit among us!

In Christ,
Pastor Becca

Session News

From Sharon Pappas - Clerk of Session

Our new AED (defibrillator) arrived and is to be installed in the hallway to the stairs in the Fellowship area. You can watch for an announcement about training dates.

An Ice Cream Social is planned for **June 11** following our recognition of the Sunday School program's students and teachers, and our graduates. You'll find information on our graduates further in the newsletter.

Session met May 19 with a full agenda for our busy church. Sue Holmes is to be installed as an elder to the class of 2019 serving with Tony Caviglia and Mark Kearney. Our thanks to them for agreeing to serve another term. Leah Halvorson rotates off this year after serving two terms and was glad to be part of the PNC and then on Session this first year with Pastor Becca. Connie Robinson, Bob Stepling and Charles Sperling complete their terms next year. Linda Black agreed to serve as Treasurer again this year as well. All have been so dedicated and faithful, and very much appreciated in putting us on solid ground. Couldn't do it without Pastor Becca.

This month we are happy to host four concerts in our Sanctuary plus having our choir, Aaron and Jennifer, Red Sea Parting and Presbytones play on Sundays. A special dedication of new cymbells given in honor of Sara Noyes was included on Mother's Day. We were also treated to the work of our youth on Youth Sunday. Many hands make all this possible and we are extremely grateful.

Ruth Gosnell Education Fund has awarded two loans to college students Tanisha Jensen and Brady Weller.

When the heart pine arrives and is installed, the restoration of our Narthex floor will be complete. Renovations to the side porch storage and bath area of the Manse/Office building begin in June. This is to make the bathroom a little more accessible and lend organization to the storage area.

A calendar planning meeting is scheduled for Sunday, **August 20**, right after church.



Next Session Meeting: August 27 after Worship



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We would like to thank everyone for all the prayers, cards and well wishes for Deb's mom's recovery. A special thank you to the Springfield Head Huggers for the incredibly beautiful prayer shawl that they made for her. It is on her bed every day and she cherishes it. Thank you so much for all the time and talents that went into making it. We would also like to thank Connie Robinson and Pastor Becca who directed all the youth group planned events and kept everything going for us.

With much love and appreciation, Deb & Charlie Sperling

- ~ Prayers for Sam Warfield who underwent hip replacement surgery.
- ~ Prayers for Jeannette Vasbinder who is at Transitions and Belle and Don who are traveling.
- ~ Prayers for traveling mercies and safety for all who are traveling this month.
- ~ Prayers for our graduates as we celebrate their achievements.
- ~ Prayers for the victims of the Manchester, UK attack, and all who suffer at the hands of violence.
- ~ Prayers for our national and world leaders, that they be led by the Holy Spirit to make decisions that reflect equality, peace and concern for all peoples in all places.
- ~ Prayers for *Living Faith Fellowship, Mt. Hebron, Mt. Paran, and New Life* from our Ministry Group.

Prayer Group Continues This Summer:

Springfield's caring prayer group will continue to meet throughout the summer on the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month. Our summer meeting time will be 10:00 am at the Manse. This group is open to all; you are encouraged to join us for one or more meetings this summer. We find peace in sharing our praises and concerns; our thanksgivings and burdens; our hopes and fears. Our faith deepens when we reflect on all of the answers to prayers and the presence of God in our lives. For more information, contact Sandy Newsome at sandy.newsome814@gmail.com.





COMMUNION

Servers

Sunday June 4 (Traditional)

1. Ron Holmes
2. Sue Holmes
3. Sharon Pappas
4. Barbara Nickell
5. Kay Freas

Headhuggers

Monday, 6/12 - 7:00 pm (Fellowship Rm)

Prayer Group

Tuesday, 6/13 & 6/27 - 10:00 am
(Manse)

Feed My Sheep Lunches

Monday, 6/19 - 9:30 am
(Wesley Freedom)

Mission Trip - Planning Meeting

Sunday, 6/4 - right after Worship

Church Cleaning:

6/2, 3 or 4 - Jim & Mary Rhodes

6/16, 17 or 18 - The Vasbinders

6/30, 7/1 or 7/2 - Lisa & Bob Rogers

Assisting on Sundays	6/4	6/11	6/18	6/25
Sunday Opener	Ron Holmes	Bob Rogers	Ed Newsome	Sandy Newsome
Ushers & Greeters	Sharon Pappas & Kay Freas	Jim & Mary Rhodes	Amy Vasbinder & Martha Streaker	Steve & Donna Mazer
Lay Leader	Barbara Cornell	Linda Black	Barbara Cornell	Max Carroll
Sunday School	Connie Robinson	Last Day of Sunday School	Enjoy the Summer!	Enjoy the Summer!
Fellowship				



From Linda Caviglia - Minister of Music

The Presbytones have finished their practices for this year after playing on Mother's Day and premiering our newest instruments. The new chimes and Cymbells were used and dedicated on the 14th with much pleasure! Thank you once again to the Noyes/Nickell families for their generous memorial donation for the purchase of these additional instruments! We remember Sara Noyes with each note played. A quick reminder that the 4th octave of bells which we have been using for years now, was purchased with a memorial donation from Kathy Russ in memory of her husband, Chuck.

These gifts are very special and will live on for *many* years! Our adult choir will be singing through June 11th before taking a summer break as well. We are looking forward to the break, but also to September when we will begin a new year. All who like to sing are welcome to join us then.

I'd like to thank Aaron Thacker, everyone in the choir and bell choir & in the congregation for all the love and support directed toward these music programs. Without your participation and encouragement, these groups would not be so amazing! I truly enjoy being a part of this church and all its wonderful music!

Summer Music:

As we do each summer, I'd like to encourage anyone who'd be interested in helping out with our summer music while our "regular" choirs take a break. If you're interested in singing/playing something for the offertory or some special music during one or more of the summer services, you are more than welcome. Beginner or advanced at what you do, all are welcome to make a musical offering. Please contact me (Linda) at cavig5@comcast.net if you'd like to find a week to contribute your music.

Our June Concert - Carroll County Ramblers

On **June 11** at 3:00 pm in our Sanctuary, get ready for a down-home bluegrass gathering. The well known Carroll County Ramblers will be our featured artist for the June concert. We always have a good time when they come, enjoying their toe-tapping music. Following the concert we will provide a reception that is well known (in this area anyway) for some really good dishes! Grab the kids and invite your neighbors to join us for a fun afternoon.

- ▶ See page 10 for our 2017-2018 Concert Year schedule announcement.

C.I.A. Community In Action

Community in Action (C.I.A.) POSITIVE CHANGE BEGINS WITH ACTION! C.I.A. is a group open to all religious and non-religious people as a means of providing the community with acts of kindness. We will be doing different activities throughout the school year to help people in our community who are in need. C.I.A. meets on the first and third Mondays from 4:30 - 6:00 pm during the school year. Watch for more info in the Fall!

Sunday School & Youth News

From Connie Robinson, Sunday School Coordinator

Sunday School Schedule:

June 4

Connie Robinson

June 11

Last day of Sunday School!

Graduate Recognition & Ice Cream Social



Ross Anderson (son of Kari and Carl Anderson) graduated from the Culinary Institute of America in Hyde Park, New York on April 13, 2017. He received an Associates Degree in Baking and Pastry Arts. He is currently living at home and working at Dandelion Bakery and Bistro in Glenelg, Maryland.

India Grey Oates (daughter of Beth and Tim Oates) is graduating from Century High School in the top 10% of her class. While there, she enjoyed playing piccolo in the marching band and flute in the band. In the Fall, she will attend St. Mary's College of Maryland, where she received a St. Mary's Academic Achievement scholarship. India will study Psychology, and plans to go on to law school.

Cindy (Caviglia) Lukyanenko (daughter of Linda and Tony Caviglia) and her husband Anton Lukyanenko are finishing up their postdoc positions (his at University of Michigan, and Cindy's at Penn State), and are excited to be moving down to northern Virginia (together!) later this summer. Anton will be starting as a tenure-track assistant professor in the Math Department at George Mason University, and Cindy will be looking for a job in the area.

Morgan Mazer (daughter of Donna and Steve Mazer) graduated from Virginia Tech this Spring with a Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Science. In July, she will be starting work as a Software Engineer for the National Security Agency.

Dylan Vasbinder (son of Amy Vasbinder and Omar Izaguirre) finished in Carroll Community in December 2016 and graduated May 22 2017 with an Associates Degree in Business Management. He belonged to Alpha Beta Gamma - International Business Honor Society. In the fall, Dylan will be going to Towson University to further his degree in Business Management and continues to work at Glory Days part time.

Gabriela Izaguirre (daughter of Omar Izaguirre and Amy Vasbinder) graduated from Liberty High School and was part of their ESOL program after coming to the US knowing no English. Because of her positive experience from learning English and seeing what an influence teachers have on the lives of children, Gaby has decided to continue her education in Education at Carroll. She has come a long way and is a hard worker, dedicated and responsible.

Others celebrating completion of studies are **Nicolas Caviglia, Cathy (Caviglia) White, Aaron Wise, and Kelsey Robinson.**



In Jesus, the Victory Is Won!

Because the victory is won,
every day is a day to celebrate!!

Come Celebrate With Us!!
(ages 4 – 12 years)

**Mighty Fortress Vacation Bible School is for
YOU!!!**

June 18 – June 22 6:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Springfield Presbyterian Church
7300 Spout Hill Road
Sykesville, MD 21784
(410) 795-6152

Child/Youth's Name _____

Parent/Guardian's Name _____

Address _____

Telephone # _____

Email Address _____

Emergency Contact Name _____

Emergency Contact # _____

Allergies, other important information _____

Child/Youth Date of Birth _____ Grade (2017-2018 school year) _____

May untagged VBS photos of your child appear on our church website/local newsletter? Yes _____ No _____

May your child apply a deet-free insect repellent, if necessary? Yes _____ No _____

Everyone is welcome to attend our non-denominational VBS. You do not need to belong to Springfield Presbyterian Church or have a religious affiliation. Complete the above form or register online at www.myvbs.org/spcregistration. We look forward to seeing you!

Springfield Cemetery – Memorial Day and More....

On Sunday, May 28th, Springfield Presbyterian Church members honored the memory of veterans resting in Springfield Cemetery by placing American flags at 112 gravesites. The cemetery is almost certainly home to more veterans whose status as such is not recorded in cemetery records: we also commemorate the sacrifice and willingness to serve of these unidentified individuals. We likewise remember those veterans from our own families who have gone on before us, wherever they may rest. Thank you to all who were able to take part in this solemn Memorial Day tribute.

The passing of Memorial Day seems an appropriate time to update the status of Springfield Cemetery's Veteran's Memorial Project, which actually began to take shape a couple of years ago under the hands of one of Springfield Presbyterian's former youth – Evan Stinson. A couple of SPC members inquired about the Memorial when they saw it during the placing of flags on May 28th. Under Evan's guidance, a group of Boy Scouts constructed a circular patio to eventually be encircled by an upper and a lower garden wall/knee wall (with openings on either side of the patio) and complemented by three flag poles and a garden area between the patio and the knee walls. This is not the reflection patio flanked by benches in the upper part of the Cemetery, but a separate patio lower in the Cemetery. As part of an Eagle Scout project led by another member of Evan's former troop, the knee walls were completed in 2016. A third scout is currently seeking approval to complete the final phase of the Memorial as his Eagle Project – installation of the flag poles and garden/landscaping – with final completion and dedication possibly by Memorial Day 2018, and no later than Memorial Day 2019. The flag poles would be used during interment services for veterans and on certain other occasions. As part of Eagle Scout requirements, the individual Boy Scouts who have led the various phases of the project raise all necessary funds for the project (related to proper site preparation, etc: Evan alone raised over \$1,100.00 in donations) and provide the needed labor. The paving stones and wall blocks used in the project were separately donated by their manufacturer, the E.P. Henry Co., under its "Heroscaping" program.

Although this is a Veteran's Memorial, one of the three marble plaques to be set into the knee walls (black marble with white lettering) will serve to remember all those who lie in unmarked graves in the cemetery. Apart from individuals listed in cemetery records whose graves were never marked, it is the Cemetery Board's understanding that there are some graves in one smaller area of the cemetery (that is designated not for sale) that were never recorded – possibly even to include graves of some slaves. The three plaques, which Tegeler Monument Co. graciously volunteered to donate and install when they first learned about the Memorial Project from members of the Cemetery Board, will read: "On Behalf Of A Grateful Nation..."; "In Honor Of All Who Have Valiantly Served"; and "This Garden In Memory Of Those Resting In Unmarked Graves". I would encourage everyone to take a ride through the Cemetery and see how nicely this Memorial is proceeding.

Springfield Cemetery Company

Although the current Springfield Cemetery Company (SCC) is an independent entity, the Cemetery was established by Springfield Presbyterian Church, and a connection between the Cemetery and the church continues to exist, as required by the SCC by-laws established at the time the Cemetery was "spun off." The by-laws stipulate that the SCC Board of Trustees consists of five members from the Springfield Church membership rolls and four members from the community who have some vested interest in the cemetery (e.g., have family members buried in the cemetery, own burial lots themselves, etc). The Board is currently in need of a church-member Trustee. If you think you might be interested and might have any questions, please speak with Bob Rogers or Ron Holmes. I don't want to presume to speak for Bob, but I do think he would agree with me when I say that serving in care of this humble and sacred resting place very often feels much more like a privilege than a chore.

Missions

Our Mission trip in 2017 will be in Baltimore through The Center, **July 30 through August 5**. Under their new guidelines, rising 7th graders and older may participate. Anyone interested in participating or who would like more information, please join us for a planning meeting on **June 4** right after worship, or contact Linda Black at 410-489-4902 or via email at lindajblack@gmail.com.

There is an opportunity to join with Wesley Freedom for a mission trip to West Virginia the **last week of June**, actually working through a local Presbyterian Church. They will take care of meal preparations so all you need to do is go. Costs will be covered. See Sharon Pappas if you are interested in a place with their team, or contact Sharon Feldman at

Announcing Concert Year 2017-2018

All concerts are on Sunday afternoons at 3:00 and will last approximately an hour and a half. Refreshments will follow each event.



August 13, 2017	Ronn McFarlane Lutenist
October 8, 2017	Wiswakarma Classical (strings/keyboard/vocal)
December 10, 2017	Baltimore Mandolin Orchestra Classical/traditional tunes
February 11, 2018	Aaron Thacker & other artist(s) TBD (piano/voice other)
April 15, 2018	Ken & Brad Kolodner "Old-time" music (fiddle/banjo/hammered dulcimer)
June 10, 2018	The Ukulele Brothers Baritone & Bass Ukulele, vocals Nostalgic tunes from the 20's thru the 50's

July/August CrossRoads Newsletter Deadline: July 16

Anyone can send an article, photo, or calendar information to be printed in the newsletter. Email the information before the deadline to: spc.office@verizon.net

NewsLetter
DEADLine



- 3 Esther Doyle**
- 7 Colin Grimsley**
- 13 Noella Izaguirre**
- 17 Alex McClung**
- 22 Tim Oates**
- 24 Leah Halvorson**
- 28 Margaret Carroll**
- 30 Diana Stepling**

June 4

Acts 2:1-21 or Numerals 11:24-30;
 Psalm 104:24-34, 35b;
 1 Corinthians 12:3b-13 or Acts 2:1-21;
 John 20:19-23 or John 7:37-39

June 11

Genesis 1:1-2;4a; Psalm 8; 2 Corinthians 13: 11-13; Matthew 28:16-20

June 18

Genesis 18:1-15 (21:1-7); Psalm 116:1-2, 12-1; Romans 5:1-8; Matthew 9:35-10:8 (9-23)

June 25

Genesis 21:8-21; Psalm 86:1-10, 16-17; Romans 6:1b-11; Matthew 10:24-39

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Worship Hours

10:30 am Worship & Sunday School

9:30 am Worship (starting 6/18)

10:30 am Fellowship

Pastor: Rev. Becca Crate

springfieldpastor@gmail.com

Clerk of Session: Sharon Pappas

Minister of Music: Linda Caviglia

Accompanist: Aaron Thacker

Organist: Jennifer Wise

Sunday School: Connie Robinson

Youth Group: Charles & Deb Sperling

Administrative Assistant: Donna Mazer



- 5 Charles & Elaine Cleland**
- 12 Don & Belle Vasbinder**
- 14 Tim & Esther Doyle**
- 27 Peter & Barbara Cornell**
- 29 Larry & Linda Black**
- 30 Davis & Martha Streaker**

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June 2017 News

*Springfield
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Our vision for the ministry is to be an open, flourishing, multigenerational congregation, where all can worship, study, and act to discern God's plan for us and our community. Valuing all people, we are committed to developing disciples and fostering stewardship.

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