

June 1, 2012



The Caller

I shared with the youth at the Junior High Retreat that Jesus was relatively old (30) in his day when he called his disciples who were probably in their mid-teens. In Jesus' day that was the time when people were supposed to get married, learn a trade, and start contributing to adult life. Those who dropped their nets and carpentry tools and followed this itinerant Rabbi for three years had it pretty good.

The remarkable thing was that in just three years, Jesus, who saw something in these teenaged men, was able to train them and turn them loose to start remaking the world.

Last Wednesday's edition of the *Star* featured two articles about the work of four CCPC teenagers. One story you have probably heard about. The second I just learned about when I saw it in the paper. They are both good news stories.

The first article focused on the Mission Trip to Port-au-Prince, Haiti in August 2011 that was led by Marilee Neff. Marilee was joined by Sarah Rogel (who graduates this week from Bowie High School), Chris Leaman (who graduates from Arundel High School this week) and Daniel Casto (who volunteers with our Youth Ministry). This team visited orphan children whose community was devastated by the 2010 earthquake and while there, hosted a summer bible camp that attracted 200 kids.

On the flip side of the page was a note about Langmia Fonjoe (a DeMatha Junior) who started a foundation with his cousin to

help people in Cameroon. The foundation was formed to help students at Bali Community College by sending school supplies and helping struggling students with tuition.

I think Jesus is proud of the work and service of these young people. When you ask any of them about what they gave of themselves, they would be quick to say they got lot more back in return. In his well known prayer, St. Francis asked God to "make me an instrument of Thy peace; where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy...for it is in giving that we receive, and in receiving we attain eternal life."

On June 10th we commemorate Youth Sunday by celebrating the gifts and service of our talented youth. From the above accounts we know they are already out doing the Lord's work.

Grace and peace,

James Brassard

Worship Notes

June 3rd: The annual worship service led by our Presbyterian Women. This year's speaker is Roxanne Johnson who organizes our Christmas Families program and is part of our Honduras Living Water of the World Mission Team. The PWOC will present the Sue Cobb Memorial Scholarship award.

June 10th: Youth Sunday. We will hear from four of our nine graduating seniors. This year Confirmation class will make their confession of faith and Emily Sherrick will be baptized.



June Sunday Calendar

Sunday, June 3, 2012

PWOC Sunday
 9:15 AM Choir Practice -- Choir Room
 10:00 AM Worship with Communion -- Sanctuary
 11:15 AM Habitat for Humanity Meeting -- Conference Room
 11:30 AM Reiki Shares -- CE Bldg
 3:00 PM Suzuki Violin Recital -- Sanctuary
 4:00 PM Suzuki Violin Recital Reception -- Atrium
 5:00 PM Youth Group -- Sr High Room
 7:00 PM Prayer/Study Group -- Member's Home

Sunday, June 17, 2012

Father's Day
 Service of Installation/Ordination of Elders and Deacons
 9:15 AM Choir Practice -- Choir Room
 10:00 AM Worship -- Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Connect: Sr High
 11:00 AM Golden Team Meeting -- Conference Room

Sunday, June 10, 2012

Youth Sunday and Senior Recognition
 9:15 AM Choir Practice -- Choir Room
 10:00 AM Worship with Youth Confirmation -- Sanctuary
 1:00 PM Youth Group Outing -- Wimbish Beach House
 3:00 PM Grovehurst Music Center -- Sanctuary and Atrium
 6:30 PM Discovery Circle -- Parlor

Sunday, June 24, 2012

Blitz Build -- West Virginia
 9:15 AM Choir Practice -- Choir Room
 10:00 AM Worship -- Sanctuary
 10:00 AM Sunday Morning Connect: Sr High
 11:00 AM Fire Drill -- CCPC
 5:00 PM Youth Group -- Sr High Room

Buildings and Grounds News

Now that the roof has been replaced, the Buildings and Grounds Committee plans to replace the damaged ceiling tiles in the hallways in Dodds Hall and the Sanctuary. We ordered new ceiling tiles, which recently arrived. We plan to replace only the stained tiles in the Sanctuary. However, in Dodds Hall we will replace all of the tiles because of the age and discoloration of the existing ones. The committee is trying to reduce costs by handling projects such as this that do not require a professional contractor. We have scheduled a work day for Saturday, June 9th starting at 8:00 AM. Volunteers are needed — no skills required. Please see the sign up sheet in the atrium. If we have a good turnout it should only take a couple hours to complete the work. We also will need a few extra step ladders that day.

Paul Sell

Directory Updates Coming July 1st

Our directory is designed so that we can update it easily. Each year we update the roster of names and addresses. This year, we are going to update the roster **and** pictures. If you would like to update your picture — or if you don't currently have a picture in the directory, you have **three** options listed below. *Please send to Margaret by Sunday, June 17th.*

- ❖ You can send Margaret Hallau an electronic picture in jpeg format
- ❖ Give Margaret a picture to scan (it will be returned)
- ❖ Sign up in the Atrium to have a new picture taken before or after church

You do **not** have to update your picture because we can use the picture in the current directory. We want to have as many pictures of our worshippers (adults, youth, and kids) as possible so please be sure that you take advantage of one of these options if we don't currently have a picture of you!

The new rosters and pictures will be distributed on July 1st. You can send electronic pictures to Margaret at ccpcpa@verizon.net and put your pictures to be scanned in her mailbox in the office or give them to her. Any questions, please see Margaret.

Thank you!

Dear Friends,

I wanted to let you know that I no longer collect postage stamps and wanted to thank you for your kind contributions of them over the years.

Also, thank you so much for the birthday announcement this past Sunday. It touched my heart.

Many Blessings,

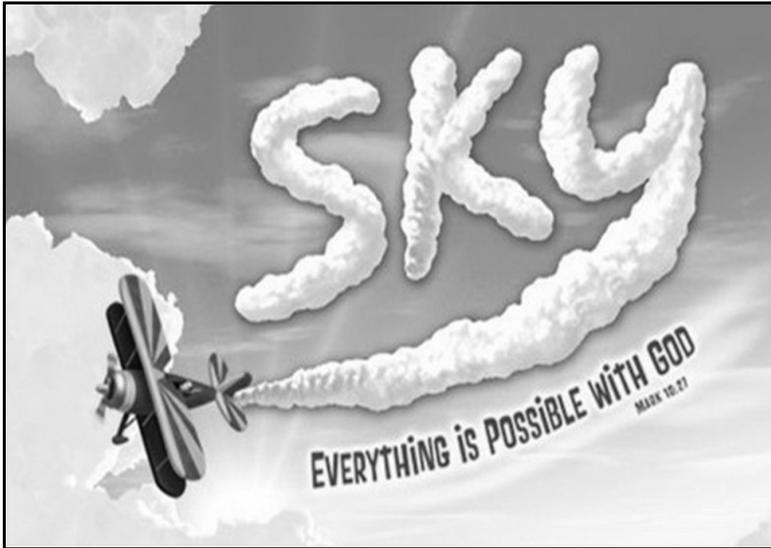
Jane Sumner



50th Anniversary MEETING TIME CHANGE

Since we are now going into our Summer schedule with one service Sunday's, please note that the Golden Team meetings originally scheduled for 2 PM will now be held immediately following the service.

The Golden team meets on the third Sunday of every month immediately following Sunday service.



Vacation Bible School!

July 9-13, 5-8 PM

WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

VBS is our biggest outreach of the year and we can't do it without you! Volunteers are needed for our crafts, snacks, and games stations. We also need helpers for the check-in table. If you are able to help in any way, please email Rebecca Coleman at ccpckids@gmail.com. Thank you!

Haiti Mission Trip Inspires Bowie High Graduate

Staff Writerby Virginia Terhune vterhune@gazette.net

Sara Ann Rogle, 17, who graduated from Bowie High School today, said she has long wanted to be a teacher. But after visiting Haiti last summer on a mission trip, the Bowie resident said she realized more than ever how much she wants to work with young children. "Their faces lit up, and they were smiling and jumping around," she said.

Rogle visited the capital, Port-au-Prince, during an August 2011 trip organized by Marilee Neff, youth coordinator at Bowie's Christian Community Presbyterian Church, which Rogle attends.

"They were so glad we were there and to have fun with us," said Rogle, who worked with as many as 200 children along with Neff and friends Christopher Leaman of Crofton and Daniel Casto of Bowie, who also went on the trip.

The group worked with another American church to visit orphaned children who had survived the 2010 earthquake that devastated the Caribbean nation and also host a summer Bible school in a church building in the capital. "We took along boxes of toys, crayons and coloring books that we had collected," said Rogle, who added she had done some babysitting but until then had not worked with large groups of children, and especially in a foreign country still struggling to recover from a disaster.

"I saw more of what I see in her," said Casto, who has known Rogle for about five years. "She's very caring. At first she was hesitant, but once she got out there, she didn't want to stop helping." Neff said Rogle quickly became fast friends with a little girl with learning and physical disabilities. "The little one wanted to be with her the whole time," said Neff, who said word about the visiting Americans also spread among the other children in the area. The number of children at the Bible school grew from 80 on the first day, to 150 the second to 200 the third, Neff said.

"She played and interacted with them and they would come up and hug her," said Neff, who added that Rogle had a knack for connecting with children. Rogle strikes the same balance in her singing in the madrigal choir at Bowie High, which Rogle has directed several times, said choir director Janna Ryon. "She's most definitely suited to be a teacher," said Ryon. "She's sweet and friendly, but she also knows how to take charge. She has a good way of instructing. She's a natural leader."

Rogle said she plans to study elementary and special education at Towson University starting in the fall, and she also said she wants to revisit Haiti at some point. "It's still in very bad shape, but the people have so much hope," she said.

Thank You!

I would like to thank the families of Children's and Youth ministries along with my dear friends and family for a wonderful appreciation night.

The kind words spoken will never be forgotten and will help me continue to fight for continued healing and good health.

I also want to thank those who have anonymously given contributions for my health care. Not having to make decisions on whether to continue treatment or how to pay for treatment is a huge stress relief.

John and I take pride in being able to support and provide for our family. However, receiving these gifts are truly answered prayers. Thank you.

Marilee Neff and Family

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Session Highlights

Six new adult members were received by the Session on May 14th. Please welcome Jil Carroll, Stephanie Gilliam, Ryan and Irene Remley, Emelie Rubin, and Pasheka Sesay.

The Session welcomed and received into membership three youth Confirmands on May 14th. They are: James Coleman, Victoria Ilko, and Emily Sherrick. They will be introduced to the congregation on Youth Sunday, June 10th.

Thank you to Carrie Ahearn, Mary Lou Chappell, Johnny Guy, Matt Kaye, and Jim Woods for their willingness to be installed as Elders for the term of 2012-2015.

Thank you to Sue Evans, Judyann Feinstein and Astrid Jonas to be installed as Deacons and to Kerryaine Hiller and Tamara Kaye to be ordained as Deacons for the term of 2012-2015. Installation means someone has previously served and Ordination means it is the first time to serve the church as an Elder or Deacon.

Find your niche at CCPC!

There are several opportunities at CCPC to grow in mind, body, and spirit. Adult Christian Education classes are intended for all age groups. If there is a topic you would like to explore, contact Priscilla Bouic. Visit Imagine Yoga and Wellness or contact Ann Evankovich or Linda Miller for yoga classes or a monthly Reiki healing on Sunday afternoon or participate in a meditation circle. CCPC also has a softball team. Visit Rev. Brassard's Monday Morning Lectionary. If you want to know about the Tuesday morning Health and Healing class and healing service contact Doris Kobe. Ask Doris about the women's Sunday evening prayer study group. In addition, CCPC has three book clubs and eight monthly Presbyterian women's study and social groups.



If you no longer want *The Caller* delivered to your home and/or prefer to receive it online, please contact Robin at the church office. The next Caller will be sent out around June 15th. Please have all articles in by 9 AM on Tuesday, June 12th. If you need assistance, please feel free to call the office. Thank you!

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