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Enrichment, Education and Extending Our Hands”*

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Adult Sunday School 9:15a  
Worship Service - 10:30a  
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Youth Group Sundays: 12-TBD



The  
Sacrament of Holy Communion  
will be celebrated  
on  
**Sunday June 1, 2014**

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**DO SOMETHING**  
**Stay-Mission 2014**  
**July 5<sup>th</sup>-12<sup>th</sup>**

Pastor Jan is organizing our mission experience here at Venice this year. We have extended invitations to the youth in Grand Rapids, Michigan as well as Shandon Congregational and St. Luke Presbyterian in Middletown to join our group for a mission experience here at home.

Visiting youth, as well as our own, will be invited to stay in the Annex and help with VBS each morning. In the afternoon we will serve at sites and return for worship/fun in the evenings. This allows busy youth to attend when they can.

Rev. Baynai from John Knox Presbyterian suggested that we consider an every other year experience for our groups.

The cost per participant is only \$60 (\$10 per day!).

Please pray for the Nerve to Serve Retreat and this Mission Experience. Thank you for your continued financial support of this growing ministry with youth 5<sup>th</sup> grade through 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

If you wish to donate a meal for us, just let Pastor Jan know in late June.



Be sure to join us for Vacation Bible School the week of July 7-11 From 9:00—11:45 am. You can pre-register on line at [www.thevenicechurch.com](http://www.thevenicechurch.com) or call the church office at 738-1317 for more information. Volunteers are still needed, call Gayla Young at 738-3708, if you are able to donate some time that week. It is a rewarding week of spreading God's love to the children of the community!

**VBS STORYTELLER DECORATIONS NEEDED:**

*Pastor Jan needs:*  
100 flicker lights, 2 white flat sheets, 2 beige flat sheets, 2 bright colored flat sheets, 3 small plastic trees, 100 brown paper lunch bags.  
*Thanks for any assistance.*

# Nerve 2 Serve Retreat



June 19-22nd  
Red River Gorge : Kentucky

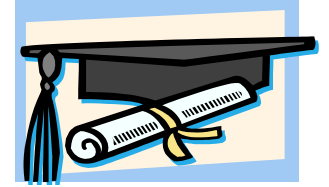
- ◆ Spacious cabin for Bible studies and sleep.
- ◆ Hiking trips to Creation Falls and Natural Bridge.
- ◆ Clean-up day at Miguel's Campsite
- ◆ Kids entering 6<sup>th</sup> to graduating seniors.
  
- ◆ ARE YOU GOING?      HERE'S WHAT TO DO:
- ◆ Email: [james.dillaman@gmail.com](mailto:james.dillaman@gmail.com)
  
- ◆ Tell James names and ages of kids going.
- ◆ Fill out permission slip and return by June 1st.



Dear Friends,

*You Are Cordially Invited  
To The Birthday Party  
10:30 am on June 8*

PENTECOST  
2014 Graduate Recognition



The month of June links the ending of our Spring celebrations with the message of God's never-ending gift of His Spirit. We gather on June 15 for Father's Day and slow down the pace for the summer. To remember how to "BE" the church in the resurrection life, N.T. Wright, in his wonderful book *Surprised By Hope*, described our role in God's plan this way:

But what we can and must do in the present, if we are obedient to the gospel, if we are following Jesus, and if we are indwelt, energized, and directed by the Spirit, is to build *for* the kingdom. This brings us back to I Corinthians 15:58 once more: what you do in the Lord *is not in vain*. You are not oiling the wheels of a machine that's about to roll over a cliff. You are not restoring a great painting that's shortly going to be thrown on the fire. You are not planting roses in a garden that's about to be dug up for a building site. You are—strange though it may seem, almost as hard to believe as the resurrection itself—accomplishing something that will become in due course part of God's new world. Every act of love, gratitude, and kindness; every work of art or music inspired by the love of God and delight in the beauty of his creation; every minute spent teaching a severely handicapped child to read or to walk; every act of care and nurture, of comfort and support, for one's fellow human beings and for that matter one's fellow nonhuman creatures; and of course every prayer, all-Spirit-led teaching, every deed that spreads the gospel, builds up the church, embraces and embodies holiness rather than corruption, and makes the name of Jesus honored in the world—all of this will find its way, through the resurrecting power of God, into the new creation that God will one day make. That is the logic of the mission of God.

The warmer weather of summer allow us the opportunity to share the Good News of the Gospel, to witness through VBS, to maintain our presence in worship and in our giving, and reach across our boundaries to invite others to join our family. Jesus commands us to make disciples. What better time than now?

*How, then, can they call on the one they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the one of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"* Romans 10: 14-15

Embrace Summer and Our Mission Opportunities!

In Christ,  
Pastor Jan

## COFFEE BREAK STUDY: CHASE

Thursdays 10:00 am

Jennie Allen introduces her study:

David was a wild, passionate warrior king, whose own messy story I had heard and whose psalms I had read a thousand times, but when I began to look a bit more closely at the life of this man, something about the way he related to God just wrecked me. His view of God was so big. David actually believed God was real and he lived like it. He chased after God's heart (Acts 13:22). And I think as a generation of women, we are longing to do the same. We want to believe God is real and to live like it. We are tired of chasing everything else under the sun. We are tired of chasing wind (Ecclesiastes 1:14). We want to chase Him.

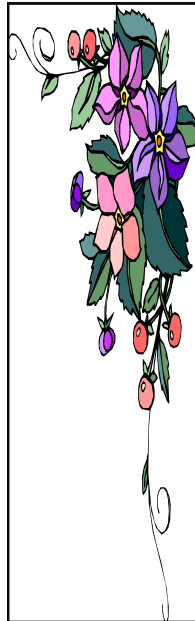
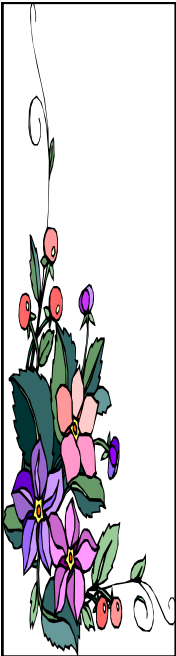
June 5: Courage  
June 12: Obedience  
June 19: Belief  
June 26: Repentance

July 3: Off for holiday  
July 10: Off for VBS  
July 17: Surrender  
July 24: Chased Down

Coffee Break will pause after July 24 and return Sept. 18

### Flower Chart

*Are you celebrating a special occasion this year? Do you have a special Birthday, Anniversary, Graduation or Wedding coming up? Are you celebrating those occasions with flowers? If so, why not let those flowers serve a double duty? Sign up on our Flower Chart, which is located on the first floor bulletin board. Mark down your intention to donate flowers on the closest Sunday to your event. Make sure you mark down the occasion you are celebrating and who you are honoring as well as your name. This will then appear in the Sunday bulletin that week. There are many Sundays open for flowers this year. If you have a "green thumb" and would just like to donate flowers, that is also very welcome. If you have any questions, please call the church office.*



Dear God,

Watch over the congregation of Venice Presbyterian; let them feel your love and guidance. Protect them, nurture them and let them always remember that they live in the house of the Lord.

It is an honor and privilege to pray for you.

In Christ's name and love,

Beth Dieter  
Lakeside Presbyterian Church  
Lakeside, Ky.

My Prayer for you is wisdom, compassion and love for your pastors. Trust, faith, and love for your congregation. Openness, friendliness, and happiness for your community. May you be touched by God's love, and be blessed by His goodness and love.

May you gain insight and faith from His word, and with each other grow strong in faith.  
Amen.

Peace,

Tracy  
Lakeside Presbyterian Church

Dear Friends,

Thanks so very much for all you did for me and my family during my recent surgery and recovery. The food, the flowers, the phone calls, the cards, and all the well wishes helped us through a bump in the road. It is truly awesome and amazing to see God's work through all of you. We have a blessed congregation.  
With much Love,

Dave and Sue Toler



Attention:  
Volunteers needed to help serve meals at the Community Meal Center in Hamilton the 4th Friday in AUGUST, OCTOBER, and DECEMBER.

Sign up on yellow sheet on bulletin board downstairs.... WE NEED YOU!



Thank You to the congregation for their support of the food pantry. We were able to help 12 families at Easter. The food pantry is in need of meat meals and peanut butter. God Bless!

Our preschool program is on summer break. For registration information, please contact our office in the following ways: 513-738-0158, [vpcpreschool@fuse.net](mailto:vpcpreschool@fuse.net), [www.venicepreschool.com](http://www.venicepreschool.com). Have a great summer!



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|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 4- Sally Schwoeppe                    | 15 - Vern Tragesser                 |
| 6 - Grace Asher                       | 16 - <i>Jim and Jane Springer</i>   |
| Gary McBreen                          | 17 - Jenny Young                    |
| 7 - Genevra Butterfield               | 18 - <i>Mike and Debra Schwab</i>   |
| Gina Stitsinger                       | 19 - <i>Dennis and Barb Ross</i>    |
| 10 - <i>Bill and Ruth Osborn</i>      | 21 - Steve Maynard                  |
| 11 - Adam Schwoeppe                   | 22 - Curtis Reppart                 |
| 12 - <i>Matt and Kara Brandenburg</i> | 23 - <i>Curt and Carole Reppart</i> |
| 13 - Keith Eby                        | 30 - Judy Bohne                     |



## Venice Presbyterian



We invite you to  
**DONATE & SHOP**  
Our Rummage Sale  
Saturday,  
**JUNE 28** from 8-3

*Many treasures and deals!*

Donated items can be brought to the church:

<b>Sun</b>	<b>June 22</b>	<b>9a-12p</b>
<b>Mon-Thur.</b>	<b>June 23-26,</b>	<b>9-11a &amp; 6-8p</b>
<b>Fri</b>	<b>June 27</b>	<b>9a-7p</b>

Notes: No items will be accepted the day of the sale!  
No adult clothing please.