

**TODAY'S MINISTER:** Rev. Susan Smith  
**TODAY'S WORSHIP LEADER:** Chris Blair  
**TODAY'S GREETERS:** Marie, Phoebe, & Charlie Richards  
**TODAY'S ACOLYTE:** Phoebe Richards  
**TODAY'S NURSERY:** Marilyn LeClair  
Marianne Derenberger

Last Week's Attendance  
Worship Service: 136  
Sunday-School: 39

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#### **About Our Faith**

**We believe Jesus is Alive** and invites everyone into a personal, growing relationship with God. This relationship is the path to living faith, spiritual rebirth, and life-changing experiences of God's love.

**The Bible Is God's Word** and sets the standard for what we believe, what we teach, and how we should live.

**The Christian Life depends on community** so we gather as a church to share real life, joys and burdens. Jesus teaches that our love for each other will show the world that he really is who he claims to be.

**Faith shows through our actions.** Every believer, regardless of background, gender, age, or ability has unique gifts and opportunities to show the goodness of God, and we endeavor to learn together how to find our gifts, apply them in life, walking together to bring joy to the world.

# **The Presbyterian Church of Johnstown**



**A Family Of Faith Reaching Out In Love  
To Others Around Us**

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# Presbyterian Church Of Johnstown

May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013      Mother's Day      10:30 am

No Matter Who You Are; No Matter Where You Are On Life's Journey; You Are Welcome Here. We pray you can experience the love and peace of God through your worship with us today. **Allow your focus to become worshipful when the organ bells ring**, let your focus change to worship, and let your heart soar in anticipation of our encounter with the living Savior.

**INTROIT**    Junior & Cherub Choirs      "Praise Him, All Ye Little Children"

**PRELUDE**      "A Mother's Day Bouquet"

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**      Chris Blair

**RECOGNITION OF 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS**      Andy Wahlenmaier

**CALL TO WORSHIP**      Chris Blair

Leader: Praise God, who has raised Jesus Christ to reign in power!

**People: Praise God, who sends the Spirit to empower the church.**

Leader: Praise God with trumpet sound; praise God with flute and harp!

**People: Praise God with timbrel and dance; praise God with strings and pipes!**

**All: Let everything that breathes praise God!**

**GREET ONE ANOTHER**

**OPENING HYMN #322**      "When Morning Gilds the Skies"

**\*OPENING PRAYER**      Rev. Smith

O Source of all living things, we praise you for the power of recurring re-creation of life we see around us, and for the timeless resurrection of Jesus our Christ. May these signs inspire us to manifest your presence in our relationships and actions that those cries of joy first heard on Easter morning may echo through the centuries to our time and place. Amen.

**"SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL"**      see insert

## PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Gracious God, you encourage us with your love, bringing new life out of death. We confess that we need your life-giving power in our lives and our relationships. We have hurt others and been hurt by them. We are often angry or afraid. We are not sure when to assert our needs and when to care for others' needs. We continue to live in ways which do not lead to peace and justice. Forgive us, O God. Pour your Spirit of wisdom and healing upon us, that by our lives and our loving, we may glorify you, through Jesus Christ the Risen One. Amen.

## ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Leader: Sisters and brothers, those who are divided Christ has made one. He has broken down the barriers of separation by his death and has built us up into one body with God. Live as a people reconciled in Christ and trust in the good news!

**People: In Christ we are forgiven, loved, and freed.**

**GLORIA PATRI #142**

**"JESUS, NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES"**      see insert

## OFFERING

Offertory      Joy Ringers      "Simple Gifts"  
\*Doxology  
Prayer of Dedication

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE**      Barbara Derenburger

**ANTHEM**      Junior Choir      "Mama, A Rainbow"

## PASTORAL PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER

**FIRST SCRIPTURE LESSON**      Psalm 67      Chris Blair

**TEXT**      Acts 16:16-34      Rev. Smith

**MORNING MESSAGE**      "The Puzzle of Freedom"

**\*CLOSING HYMN #238**      "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"

## \*BENEDICTION

**\*POSTLUDE**      "March Funebre"

**GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 19<sup>th</sup>

**ACOLYTE FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 19<sup>th</sup> Wesley Cox

**NURSERY FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 19<sup>th</sup>

**JR. CHURCH FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 19<sup>th</sup> There is no Jr. Church today.

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGES FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 19<sup>th</sup> Pastor Oluf

**WORSHIP LEADER FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 19<sup>th</sup> Karen Blair

**FLOWERS:**

Today's beautiful flowers were given by Dick & Ann Moseley in memory of their mothers.

**BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY WISHES**

A special and heartfelt congratulations goes out to all those with Birthdays and Anniversaries this week.

<b>Today!!!</b>	12	John Billman
	13	Michael Perkins Stephanie Mack
	17	Marilyn Parker Janna Mast Betty Kongshaug

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

May 12<sup>th</sup>, 2013  
Happy Mother's Day!!!

**HAPPENINGS THIS COMING WEEK**

Sunday, May 12 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am Sunday-School 10:30am Worship Service 5:30pm PNC
Monday, May 13 <sup>th</sup>	4pm Prayer Walk, Bike Path *weather permitting
Tuesday, May 14 <sup>th</sup>	9am Bible Study 1pm Tabitha Sewing Circle 5:30pm TOPS
Wednesday, May 15 <sup>th</sup>	1:00pm Elizabeth Circle @ Hot Spot
Sunday, May 19 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am Sunday-School Graduation 10:30am Worship Service & Senior Sunday 5:30pm PNC

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**Pastor Oluf will be out of the office until May 14<sup>th</sup>.**

**The office will open from 11-2 on Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup>.**

## **6<sup>TH</sup> Grade Recognition**

Joy Ringers and Junior Choir would like to recognize Victor Shilling as our only 6th grader who is graduating from our musical groups. His kindness and talent, plus his very special enthusiasm, have added a great deal to our choirs. Thank you, Victor!"

## **Our Handbells Need Your Help!**

Our 3-octave set of Schulmerich handbells were purchased almost forty years ago, in February of 1974. The bells and cases cost \$1,820 and were given by Ardis Leiby as the Bessie McCord Memorial Handbells. Since that time, most of our youth have enjoyed serving our congregation by playing these bells during worship services.

The handbells were refurbished this spring for about \$200 by the donated labor of Melanie Main & Jane Muller under the direction of Jane Irvine, a handbell maintenance technician and friend of the Mullers. At that time, Ms. Irvine examined our cases and advised us to purchase new ones, as the current cases are so worn that they are not sufficiently protecting the bells. The cases have also become increasingly difficult to close because the hinges no longer hold the tops of the cases "square" to the bottoms.

We need to purchase three new cases to store our handbells. The cost of these cases is about \$1,300 plus shipping. Would you consider helping us raise the necessary funds? If you can help, please write a check to the Presbyterian Church of Johnstown, note that it is for "Handbell Cases" and place it in Jane Muller's mailbox in the office. We would be thrilled to be able to celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the bells with new cases! We will be sure to let everyone know when we have raised enough money, and we would also like to be able to acknowledge all of our generous donors when we celebrate the anniversary next year.

Questions? Jane Muller can be reached at 967-7391 or [jane@mullerpipeorgan.com](mailto:jane@mullerpipeorgan.com)

## **Sunday-School Graduation**

Sunday May 19th at 9:15 am is Sunday school graduation day. The children will receive their certificates, pins, and Bibles and then we will enjoy a light breakfast in the fellowship hall.

## **Your Support Is Needed For the Building Expansion Fund**

The Building Expansion Fund was established to provide the monies to expand our beautiful sanctuary and is now being used to pay off our long-term loan from the Presbyterian Church. Approximately, \$3,000 is needed each month to make our loan payments. Over the past 3 months, our income to this fund has been only half of what is needed. We need your continued support to keep our loan in good standing.

Scott Lockwood

To forgive or be forgiven eliminates the impact of the past on the future.

## **Hearing Assist Devices Available**

Having trouble hearing during the worship service? We have hearing assist devices available to make you worship more enjoyable. Simply ask for one from the sound system



operator.

## **Senior Sunday**

Sunday, May 19th during the worship hour will be High school Senior Sunday. Plan to join us as we celebrate the accomplishments of our graduates. A reception is being planned following worship hour. More details coming soon. Be sure to check out the special bulletin board in the hall dedicated just to the Seniors. Be sure to bring your camera! This is a very large Senior class!!

\*\*Please note: There will be no Jr. Church on Sunday May 19. This will allow everyone to enjoy Senior Sunday.

## **All Creatures 4-H Box City**

May 17th on the town square 6pm to 10 am Saturday. Please visit some of our fellow members as they spend the night in a box to raise awareness about homelessness and to contribute to the Johnstown Food Pantry. There will be a performance by the band Focus. Drawing for our Hog Raffle is at 7:30 p.m. with 35% of the proceeds to benefit the food pantry as well.

## **LOST AND FOUND**

The lost and found is overflowing with items. Please take a look. The lost and found is on our children's coat rack in the front entryway.

## GRADUATION PARTIES



Church Family-

Please join us to celebrate Keymell's graduation on Saturday, June 1 at 4:00 pm, Booher Residence 3555 Beech Road in Johnstown.  
-The Cartwrights

The Alexander's would like to invite our church family to join us in celebrating Austin's achievements at his graduation open house on June 2<sup>nd</sup> beginning at 6:00pm at the Alexander residence, 4200 Hardscrabble Road, Alexandria, Ohio 43001 740-924-4911.

There will be an open house graduation party for Justin Mooney on Friday, May 24<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-9:00 pm at 8853 Windy Hollow ("Old Tech Lake"), located at SR 310 and 37. Please join us!

Please join us to celebrate Kaitlin "Katie" Almendinger's graduation from Johnstown High School. We will be holding an open house June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 12-3 at our home, 5623 Caswell Rd, Johnstown.  
Erich & Carrie Almendinger

Please join us for Daniel Mark's graduation celebration June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 2:00-5:00. We will have an open house at our home, 5003 Caswell Rd, Johnstown.

Daniel & Kris Almendinger

Dawn Rae, Rich, John and Penny would like to invite our church family to Riley's graduation party on June 1<sup>st</sup>. at 1:00 to 4:00 at Old Tech Lake at the corner of St. Rt. 37 and Windy Hollow.

## Praise Music

### "SOMETHING BEAUTIFUL"

Something beautiful, something good  
All my confusion He understood  
All I had to offer Him was brokenness and strife  
But He made something beautiful of my life.

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### "JESUS, NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES"

Jesus, Name Above All Names, Beautiful Savior, Glorious Lord.  
Emmanuel, God is with Us, Blessed Redeemer, Living Word.

Jesus, our Intercessor, Promised Messiah, Bread of Life. The Giver of Living Water, Mighty Baptizer, Son of God.

## **Prayer Concerns**

### **5-8-2013**

#### **Praises**

- Amy Joyce. (Sister of Katie Miller's sister-in-law) in remission from cancer.
- Three women liberated from 10 years' captivity in Cleveland
- Graduating seniors.

#### **Continued Prayers**

- The new minister who will be receiving the call
- Our Governmental Leaders
- Jim Frazier who is in the hospital. Brain bleed, giving him a stroke and affecting his vision.
- Don Hollis, Johnstown resident. Diagnosed with liver cancer. Pray for strength and healing.
- Jane Pelkey Burton, breast cancer recuperating from double mastectomy
- Lynda Perry, Paul Dorsey's daughter, has a throat condition.

#### **Cancer**

- Colton Zigo, Northridge Senior. Second round of chemotherapy. Pray for success and his healing.
- Carl, Roger, Kathy (Susie Speck's cousins)
- Amy Williams (Charlie Parker's daughter)
- Betty Scully (friend of the Weaver's)
- Carol Stires (friend of Hazel Almendinger) underwent breast removal surgery. She is getting along OK.
- Jim Weeks, (friend of Alice Main.) Bladder cancer
- Barb Thompson, underwent surgery , doing better
- Wendy Short, cancerous tumors are shrinking.
- Ken Scott, (father of Crissy Willeke)
- Barb Gualtieri (niece of Norma Clark) liver cancer
- Betty Scully taking treatments (friend of the Weaver's)
- Frances "Sis" Wolfe has breast cancer

#### **Healing**

- Dolly Orr's Aunt Opal, aged 85.
- Maxine Pardee.
- Norma Duncan.
- Marilyn LeClair, severe back pain.
- Scott Lockwood, pray for his continued healing.
- Betty Ford, recovering from hip replacement.
- Joan and Gene Shellenbarger —poor health
- Ron Goodman, latter stages of Parkinson's disease (brother-in-law to Jane Muller)
- Steve Miles (friend of the Almendinger's) is staying with sister after cancer has returned. Pray for his healing.
- Gary Weaver (Ken Weaver's brother)
- Jane (Aunt of Susie Speck) stroke and failing heart
- Daniel Thompson—in therapy.
- Margaret and Tom Jolley
- Maryann Grimes (sister-in-law to Maxine Pardee) lung condition
- Ron Schultz (Suzy Sayer's father)
- Phil Gordon (friend of Maxine Pardee) who may have to have is leg amputated.

#### **Those shut in or confined to their homes**

- Roy H. Sarbaugh (Carol Hoff's father)
- Alice Neibarger
- Ellen Howell. (Hazel Almendinger's sister) is house bound. She is in pain management.
- Katherine Kissel (Jamie Pardee's grandmother)

#### **Military Personnel**

- U.S. Navy Petty Officer, Sean Tolliver