

# THE REPORTER

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## ONE VOICE

*What we do for ourselves dies with us. What we do for others and the world remains and is immortal. Albert Pines*

PUCC has been generous in supporting the four special offerings of the UCC and in giving to Our Church's Wider Mission – and we have certificates to prove it. ☺ Clearly our offerings make a difference in the work of the Penn Central Conference and of the wider church.

There may not be any hard statistical data but a great deal of anecdotal data tell us people are very attracted to individuals and organizations that are busy serving others. That is especially true of churches that work hard to meet the needs of people in their own neighborhoods. Being aware of this, the Stewardship and Finance Ministry Team reminded the Consistory of some of the ways we are trying to stay current with PUCC's operational requirements as well as with the benevolence commitments we have made.

- The campaign to raise \$40,000 to help us catch up with overdue bills was launched in June; and, those pledges need to be received by August 1.
- We have also applied for a loan from the UCC Cornerstone Fund that, if granted, will help us deal with the shortfall created by the loss of the charter school from the CMC and will have to be paid back with interest.
- E-giving is going to be strongly encouraged making it easier for people to honor their commitments to Penbrook's ministry and mission even when they are unable to be in church.
- Each member will receive a statement of their giving every six months.

- We will be encouraged to donate spare change on a regular basis; and, how we do that will be announced in advance of any collection.
- Our **monthly mission offerings** for the remainder of 2018 will be:
  - July** – UCC ONA Coalition. This will benefit both the Conference ONA Ministry and the national UCC ONA Coalition that relies on donations for all of its operating income.
  - August** – UCC Homes (half to Bethany Children’s Home and half to senior UCC Homes)
  - September** – Pucc members in need
  - October** – Neighbors in Need
  - November** – Thanksgiving offering
  - December** – UCC Christmas Fund

Our giving in support of all the mission and ministry work of Penbrook UCC bears witness to our commitment to be used by God to be a healing and reconciling presence in our community. It also is our generous and grateful response to the grace and mercy with which our own lives, both individually and corporately, have been blessed by our God.

May God continue to bless you and Pucc as we journey together.

Abundant joy!

*Rev. Karin*

## **NEXT COMMUNION**

We will have the pleasure of celebrating Communion at Penbrook Church on July 1st. Please plan to join your brothers and sisters in Christ at the Lord’s Table on this occasion.

## **MISSION SUNDAY**

Our third Sunday second-mile offering will be for UCC ONA Coalition.

## **LECTIONARY READINGS FOR JULY**

**Sixth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**July 1, 2018**

2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27

Psalm 130

or

Wisdom of Solomon 1:13-15, 2:23-24 or Lamentations 3:22-33

Psalm 30

2 Corinthians 8:7-15  
Mark 5:21-43

**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost  
July 8, 2018**

2 Samuel 5:1-5,9-10  
Psalm 48  
or  
Ezekiel 2:1-5  
Psalm 123  
2 Corinthians 12:2-10  
Mark 6:1-13

**Eighth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 15, 2018**

2 Samuel 6:1-5, 12b-19  
Psalm 24  
or  
Amos 7:7-15  
Psalm 85:8-13  
Ephesians 1:3-14  
Mark 6:14-29

**Ninth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 22, 2018**

2 Samuel 7:1-14a  
Psalm 89:20-37  
or  
Jeremiah 23:1-6  
Psalm 23  
Ephesians 2:11-22  
Mark 6:30-34,53-56

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost  
July 29, 2018**

2 Samuel 11:1-15  
Psalm 14  
or  
2 Kings 4:42-44  
Psalm 145:10-18  
Ephesians 3:14-21  
John 6:1-21

## PENBROOK UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST CONSISTORY MINUTES JUNE 13, 2018

**Present:** Ann Bailey, Becky Boone, Sharon Bosworth, Ruth Dunnewold, Linda Grier, Rick Heiss, Sarah Kempf, Bill MacClinchy, Rita Oberman, Karin Stork-Whitson, James Wheeler, Robin Wheeler

Rev. Karin opened the meeting with a reading and prayer.

**In our prayers:** Walda Ansel, Ann Bailey, Betty Bell, Sally Garber, Tammy Brehm, Betty Nye, Diane, Keith and Torrie Weinhold, Luke Ansel, Eleanor Seaman (Diane's mom), Sarah Clark, Pam Chestney, Lisa Puliti, Dick Stokes, Elinor Dunnewold, Cindy Mikesell

**Consistory Minutes:** The minutes from the June 13 Consistory meeting were approved on a motion by Robin Wheeler, seconded by Sarah Kempf.

**Financial Reports:** The May financial reports were approved on a motion by Sharon Bosworth, seconded by Linda Grier. Robin Wheeler reported a balance of \$147.17 in the memorial fund.

**Manna Food Pantry:** Sarah Kempf submitted written reports for Consistory. She sent letters to area churches on Monday, June 11 seeking an individual to serve as coordinator/administrator for Manna. Sarah will serve in this capacity in the meantime. She will make arrangements to receive free frozen meats from Weis Markets offered through Bethany Church of the Nazarene in Linglestown. Sarah noted that the Pantry will now be closed on fifth Thursdays when they come up on the calendar. Rick Heiss reported good financial news for Manna, including the receipt of a foster youth summer grant.

**Pastor's Report:** Rev. Karin circulated information about how her time was spent during the period between May 9 and June 13, 2018.

Rev. Karin's new email address (currently incorrect in the bulletin) is [kswucc99@gmail.com](mailto:kswucc99@gmail.com).

An Interreligious Forum (IRF) Harmony Walk will take place in Harrisburg on Sunday, September 16, 2018.

Rev. Karin noted that ushers need to be organized into two teams to alternate on a monthly basis. The ushers need to be well versed in active killer preparedness and willing to find their own substitutes if unable to serve. Each team should possess or have access to a church key.

**Heeding God's Call** will conduct a **Gun Violence Awareness** rally, an interfaith effort to eliminate the illegal use of guns and gun violence, on Sunday, June 24 from 3 -5 p.m. On Sunday, May 27 at 2:30 p.m., young people created at least 50 signs for this event. Setup of the memorial T-shirt display is scheduled for Friday, June 22, at 3:00 p.m. at Temple Beth El in Harrisburg; takedown of the same will take place on Friday, June 29 at 3:00 p.m.

Rev. Karin will be away on two Sundays, July 8 and 15. There will be a hymn sing on July 8. Suggestions offered for a substitute preacher for July 15 were Dale Mease and Rick Heiss. Rev. Karin will invite Jonathan Morgan to bring the message on the 15<sup>th</sup>.

## BUSINESS

**Ruth Dunnewold:** Ruth will be on vacation from June 21 to July 5.

Consistory reviewed church calendar events for the months June and July at the request of George Long, church administrative assistant. As a reminder, those interested will meet at the church at 9:00 a.m. on Saturday, July 21 to travel to Caledonia State Park for a creek walk and picnic lunch.

**Fundraising:** There was a good return from the sale of Mr. Sticky buns, and blueberry sales have brought in a “ton of money.” Those who purchase blueberries from the blueberry sale may pick them up between 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. on Friday, July 6. The 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee will be selling R & K subs (order date July 15 for delivery on July 25 at 5:00 p.m.). Linda Grier circulated order forms for subs to Consistory members. A mobile car wash at a local business was suggested as a potential youth activity.

**Linda Grier:** Sunday, July 29, “messy Sunday,” will feature breakfast worship at 10:00, worship at 10:30 and hands-on clay activities led by Robin Wheeler. Participants will create keepsakes to serve as ornaments or to hang on necklace chains, in anticipation of the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

Sunday, September 30 is the date for the 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary kick-off catered dinner from 5 to 7 p.m. A caterer has been procured, and Bill MacClinchy was asked to create tickets (\$25 per person; children under five years of age free).

On Sunday, October 7, Rev. Dr. Monica Dawkins Smith, PCC Conference Minister/President, will preach.

Linda has volunteered to supervise activities at the CMC gym for Penbrook youth ages 8 to 15 on Friday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. during the summer. Eventually she would like to extend the program to several nights a week. She will ask Ernest Grier, David Wilson and a Penbrook police officer for assistance with this venture. Bill MacClinchy made a motion to approve the CMC program for Penbrook youth proposed by Linda, and James Wheeler seconded the motion.

**Stewardship and Finance:** Rick Heiss reported on the committee’s discussions. He reported that pledges for the money to be raised for a \$40,000 Emergency Fund are to be received by August 1. He noted that that e-giving will be more strongly emphasized, 6-month reports on pledge payments will be supplied, and the donation of spare change will be encouraged (via either piggy bank or “noisy offering” collection at worship).

### Mission offerings:

June - Thanksgiving in June

July – UCC ONA Coalition. It would be beneficial to obtain Andy Lang, Executive Director, to provide a “moment of information.”

August – UCC Homes (half to Bethany Children’s Home and half to senior UCC Homes)

September – PUCG members in need  
October – Neighbors in Need  
November – Thanksgiving offering  
December – UCC Christmas Fund

Linda Grier adjourned the meeting with a prayer.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, July 11 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,  
Rita Oberman, Consistory Secretary

### **MANNA FOOD PANTRY**

A Ministry Partnership between Penbrook United Church of Christ  
& Penbrook Church of God

We are still looking for someone to be the Coordinator for Manna.  
If any of you would like to help with the Coordinator position, or writing of grants please let me know. You can email me at: [manna.foodpantry@gmail.com](mailto:manna.foodpantry@gmail.com).

God Bless all of you for your kindness and your help, Manna would not be where it is without your help.

Thank you from the bottom of my heart,  
Sarah Kempf, Administrator

### **PASTORAL SEARCH COMMITTEE**

July Reporter Update

Greetings from your Pastoral Search Committee. The committee consists of the following members:

Tita Domingos  
Kim Evanoff  
Olivia Grier  
Richard Heiss-Chaplain  
Linda Houseal  
David Salapa-Chair

We have received a total of eighteen ministerial profiles so far and have conducted six interviews. We will next determine which of the candidates we want to interview a second time.

After we interview some of the candidates a second time, we will determine which of those candidates we wish to observe conduct a worship service. After we observe the candidates, we will select one of those candidates to be our pastor. Once the Pastoral Search Committee selects a candidate and consistory approves that selection, we will provide information on the successful candidate.

As we move into this next phase of the pastoral search process, please continue to hold the members of the Pastoral Search Committee in your prayers.

## **PRAYER REQUESTS**

Walda Ansel, Ann Bailey, Betty Bell, Sally Garber, Keith Weinhold, Tammy Brehm, Torrie Weinhold, Sarah Clark, Peter Camacci (friends of Carol Proper), Cleat & Mickey Roberts, Ethan Dixon, Marcia Johnson (friends of Rev. K). Brian Kahler, Judy Lender. Judy Wagner's sister-in-law, Liz Wagner. Betty Nye's life-long friend, Linda Pifer. Ronnie Allen (Gail Mahoney). Ben Hardy (Becky Boone). Judy Wagner recently asked prayers for Linda Deon. Nancy Peck, Sandy Allen. Joanne Heil (Ann Bailey). Elinore Seaman (Diane Weinhold). Mary Sherk. Paxton Grace (Ann Bailey), Henry Haine (India Garnett), Dick Stokes, Cindy Mikesel. Anita and Donald Dearing (Sharon Bosworth).

## **STICKY BUNS SALE NOW THROUGH JULY 5<sup>th</sup>**

They are back! Mr. Sticky has been making homemade sticky buns for over ten years and folks who enjoy them tell us they are not only delicious but downright addictive. Mr. Sticky's sticky buns are made fresh daily from a secret recipe. They contain no preservatives and are picked up from the bakery the day they are made, therefore prompt delivery is a must. We will take orders until Sunday July 1st, our order will be called in on July 5th, and we will have them at the church for pick-up and delivery on Thursday July 12th. They are sold in singles or six packs, order forms are available in the church office or online in our Facebook group. Orders and payment can be turned in to the office or given to Robin Wheeler

## **PENBROOK SCHOOL REUNION**

Penbrook School Reunion for all students who attended Penbrook School is planned for Sunday, September 16, 2018. Mark your calendar. Details to follow. For info. Call 717-469-4156 or 717-540-7955

## **THANK YOU! THANK YOU! THANK YOU!**

It wouldn't have been as wonderful without y'all!

TO: Sharon Bosworth, Olivia Grier & friends, Bob Lane, Carol Proper and Judy Wagner for making 150 sandwiches for the Poor People's Campaign the first three Mondays in June.

TO: Bill MacClincy and Carol Proper for making cookies for the guests at the Gay Rodeo on June 21 – 24.

TO: Alyssa Flickinger, James Grier, Olivia Grier and for helping set up the memorial to the victims of gun violence at Temple Beth El for Heeding God's Call Gun Violence Awareness March and Rally on Sunday, June 24. And to Alyssa, Becky, Dana, Lorna and Olivia for participating in the Rally.

TO: Mike Proper for facilitating the Active Shooter Preparedness session with Sgt. Tienter

PUCC WORSHIP VOLUNTEERS FOR JULY, 2018

<p><i>Communion Sunday 7/1/2018</i></p>	<p><b>Liturgist:</b> <b>Greeter:</b> Lorna Owens <b>Acolyte:</b> <b>Children's Time:</b> <b>Head Usher:</b></p>
<p><i>Hymn Sing Sunday 7/8/2018</i></p>	<p><b>Liturgist:</b> Ruth Dunnewold <b>Greeter:</b> <b>Acolyte:</b> Ann Bailey <b>Children's Time:</b> <b>Head Usher:</b></p>
<p><i>Sunday 7/15/2018</i></p>	<p><b>Liturgist:</b> Amber Mann <b>Greeter:</b> <b>Acolyte:</b> <b>Children's Time:</b> <b>Head Usher:</b></p>
<p><i>Sunday 7/22/2018</i></p>	<p><b>Liturgist:</b> Ann Bailey <b>Greeter:</b> Lorna Owens <b>Acolyte:</b> <b>Children's Time:</b> Rev. Karin <b>Head Usher:</b></p>
<p><i>Messy Church Sunday 7/29/2018 Breakfast at 10 am</i></p>	<p><i>See sign up sheet</i></p>



**JULY 2018**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
BNE = Bhutnese Nepali Evangelical Church NA = Narcotics Anonymous	(ASSR) = Adult Sunday School Room (DSS) = Downstairs Sunday School Rooms	(FH) = Fellowship Hall (RR) = Ross Room	(OC) = Off Campus (TBD) = To Be Determined			
<b>1</b> 9:15 am: Sunday School 10:00 am: BNE Church (FH) 10:30 am: Worship (ASSR)	<b>2</b> 7:00 pm 125th Anniversary Committee (RR)	<b>3</b> 10:30 am: Manna Bread Delivery 7:00 pm: Manna Board (ASSR)	<b>4</b> 4TH OF JULY	<b>5</b> 9:30 am: Manna Preparation 6:00 pm: Manna Food Pantry (FH)	<b>6</b> 9:30 am: Manna Preparation 11:00 am: Blueberry Delivery (FH)	<b>7</b> 9:00 am: BNE (FH)
<b>8</b> 9:15 am: Sunday School 10:00 am: BNE Church (FH) 10:30 am: Worship	<b>9</b> 4:00 pm: Delta (FH) 7:00 pm 125th Anniversary Committee (RR)	<b>10</b> 10:30 am: Manna Bread Delivery 7:00 pm: Meditation (RR) 7:00 pm: IRF (TBD)	<b>11</b> 7:00 pm: Consistory (ASSR) 7:00 pm: NA (FH)	<b>12</b> 9:30 am: Manna Preparation 6:00 pm: Manna Food Pantry (FH)	<b>13</b> 9:30 am: Manna Preparation	<b>14</b> 9:00 am: BNE (FH) (TBD) BASEBALL GAME
<b>15</b> 9:15 am: Sunday School 10:00 am: BNE Church (FH) 10:30 am: Worship R&K Sub Orders Due	<b>16</b> 7:00 pm 125th Anniversary Committee (RR)	<b>17</b> 10:30 am: Manna Bread Delivery 7:00 pm: Meditation (RR)	<b>18</b> 7:00 pm: NA (FH)	<b>19</b> 9:30 am: Manna Preparation 6:00 pm: Manna Food Pantry (FH)	<b>20</b> 9:30 am: Manna Preparation	<b>21</b> 9:00 am: BNE (FH) 9:00 am: Caledonia State Park Saturday 6:00 pm: Drum Circle (FH &RR)
<b>22</b> 9:15 am: Sunday School 10:00 am: BNE Church (FH) 10:30 am: Worship	<b>23</b> 7:00 pm 125th Anniversary Committee (RR)	<b>24</b> 10:30 am: Manna Bread Delivery 7:00 pm: Meditation (RR)	<b>25</b> Reporter Articles Due 7:00 pm: NA (FH) R&K Subs Delivered	<b>26</b> 9:30 am: Manna Preparation 6:00 pm: Manna Food Pantry (FH)	<b>27</b> 9:30 am: Manna Preparation 8:00 pm: Voices United Concert (Market Square Presbyterian Church)	<b>28</b> 9:00 am: BNE (FH) 9:00 am: Harrisburg Pride Festival
<b>29</b> 9:15 am: Sunday School 10:00 am: BNE Church (FH) 10:00 am: Breakfast and Messy Church	<b>30</b> 7:00 pm 125th Anniversary Committee (RR)	<b>31</b> 10:30 am: Manna Bread Delivery 7:00 pm: Meditation (RR)				

## FACTS AND FIGURES

### MAY 2018

General Fund	May	YTD
Offering Envelopes	\$10,595.00	\$49,455.00
Budgeted Amount	\$11,385.00	\$59,771.00
Surplus (Deficit)	(\$790.00)	(\$10,316.00)

### May Mission:

Strengthen the Church \$505.00

### CONSISTORY MINUTES

A complete set of Consistory minutes can be found in this issue of the Reporter and posted on the church bulletin board

### MEMBERS ASSISTANCE FUND

### SECOND CENTURY BRICKS

Lorna Owens for Father's Day in memory of her father Julian U. Devera and her husband Maxwell, Jr

### MEMORIAL BRICK FUND

## STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS

Interim Minister: Rev. Dr. Karin Stork-Whitson  
 Music Director: Brian Johnson  
 Organist: Rita Oberman  
 Bell Choir Director: Ruth Dunnewold  
 Office Staff: George Long and Sharon Bosworth  
 CMC Building Manager: Lisa Puliti  
 Manna Food Pantry Director:  
 Penbrook Learning Center Director: Deanna Hobbs  
 Web Administrator: George Long

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS AND CONTACT

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### AUGUST NEWSLETTER

Articles for the August Reporter are due to the church office by **JULY 25**. Please keep this in mind when submitting articles that are date sensitive. Thank you for your cooperation. Articles should be e-mailed to: [office@penbrookucc.org](mailto:office@penbrookucc.org)

### MEMBER ASSISTANCE FUND

The Church maintains a fund for members and friends of the congregation who need temporary financial assistance. There are basic needs for gas and food. If you have a need for this kind of assistance, we encourage you to talk to Sarah Kempf, phone and email are in directory. The fund is getting low again, so please continue to give to this important fund.

### ALTAR COMMITTEE

The altar committee needs more people to join us, (Men or Women). Please call the Church office and leave your name and phone number and I will get in touch with you. Thank you, Linda Grier.

## HOUSE BOUND

- **Walda Ansel**, Church of God Home, Personal Care Unit, Rm 223, 801 N Hanover St, Carlisle, PA 17013
- **Dorothy Baker**, Moravian Manor Lititz, 300 W. Lemon St., Rm 246D-HCW, Lititz, PA 17543
- **Marge Lippert**, 1020 N. Union Street, Room 135A, Frey Village, Middletown, PA, 17057
- **Bill Oberholtzer**, 45 Conestoga Drive, Lititz, PA, 17543, Phone #(717) 581-3372
- **Mary Sherk**, 4700 Oakhurst Blvd., Apt 202, Kindered Place. Harrisburg, PA 17110
- **Peggy Stellfox**, Room 235, Frey Village, 1020 N. Union St. Middletown, PA 17057
- **Jeannetta (Jeannie) Wagner**, Frey Village, Phoenix Unit, Room 220, 1020 North Union Street, Middletown, PA 17057

## JULY BIRTHDAYS



We would like to extend a very happy birthday to everyone celebrating in July.

Carl Filson	2 July
Andrea Laudermilch	2 July
Shelly Brooks	4 July
Briana Startzman	7 July
Judy Wagner	8 July
Donna Bauserman	12 July
Catharine Wagner	14 July
Louise Stauffer	16 July
Emily Hindershot	18 July
Alex Domingos	23 July
James Hindershot	24 July
Mackenzie Weinhold	24 July
Dante Carr	25 July
Gianni Carr	25 July
Joseph Hindershot	26 July
Dotty Smith	26 July
Donald Kline	27 July
Lee Hoke	30 July
Rita Oberman	31 July

Note: A complete list by Month is in the Church Directory.

## June Gift of Music

WORSHIP MUSIC 6-24-2018

<https://youtu.be/iAlzy4kXYmA>

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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Penbrook United Church of Christ is an accepting, caring, and nurturing community gathering to worship God and welcoming all persons in their journey on the spiritual path.

As faithful stewards, we follow the model of Jesus Christ through loving service to the local community and to the larger world.

We strive in all aspects of our life as a congregation to be a people of courage and a people of peace.