



The Grapevine

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower."

John 15:1

Calendar for April 30-May 15

Sunday, April 30

9:30 a.m. **Worship**

9:45 a.m. Education

10:45 a.m. Adult Forum—God's Good Creation

Tuesday, May 2

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. Zumba Class

Wednesday, May 3

9:30 a.m. GIFT (Growing In Faith Together)

6:30 p.m. Confirmation Class

7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Thursday, May 4

7:00 p.m. Ministry in a Changing World

Sunday, May 7

9:30 a.m. **Worship**—Communion

10:30 a.m. Sandwiches for 363

10:45 a.m. Adult Forum—Rich Swartwood

Monday, May 8

7:00 p.m. Session Meeting

Tuesday, May 9

12:30 p.m. Staff Meeting

6:30 p.m. Zumba

Wednesday, May 10

9:30 a.m. GIFT (Growing In Faith Together)

12:00 p.m. GRAPEVINE DEADLINE

6:00 p.m. Deacon's Meeting

6:30 p.m. Youth Group

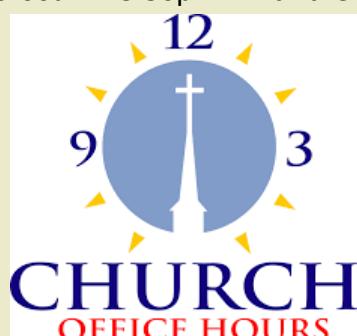
7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal

Sunday, May 14

9:30 a.m. Worship

9:45 a.m. Education

Church Office: Welcome to Karen Kenzie as our Office Manager. Currently, until June 2nd, the office hours will be 9:00a.m.-3:30p.m. with the office closed from noon -12:30p.m. Then, starting June 5th-September 1st our summer hours will be 9:00a.m.-1:00p.m.



From: Rev. Anne Fisher, Transitional Pastor



Eastertide Easter is not a roving holiday in the Spring but an entire season. Too often the trumpets and alleluias disappear after Easter Day. What if we continue to celebrate Easter for five additional Sundays that lead us to Pentecost? My husband, Gregg Dana, while one of the Pastors at Wildwood Presbyterian Church in

Illinois, instigated an Eastertide movement. He first formed a committee (so Presbyterian of him!). He recruited artists, writers and others who showed interest and set about to enhance worship each Sunday in Eastertide. Each week they focused on one of Jesus' appearances to his friends and disciples. The time between Christ's resurrection and his Ascension into heaven is a transitional time. It moved the disciples from followers to leaders; students to teachers. In these times of Jesus appearing, he helps them understand and empowers them with the Spirit. As a result, Jesus does not stay as a local phenomenon but is the center of a movement that continues for millennia. Over the next five Sundays, can we feel and catch the Eastertide Spirit?

Blessings,
Anne

Big Thank you!! - I would like to thank Anne, the Personnel Committee and the entire congregation for my wonderful retirement send-off on April 23. Your kind words and cards meant so much to me. As I start my next chapter, I will always look back fondly on the 17+ years I spent as PPC's Office Manager. Thank you for sharing your lives with me.

Peace and joy to all of you,
Mari

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Thank you for all who supported last Sunday's Deacon Auction. It was a great day and we raised the following:

- 1) Youth Mission Trip \$153 through the lunch donations
- 2) Deacon's Fund \$472.50 through the Bake Sale
- 3) Building payments \$4605



Thank you for all the work, donations and support!

See you at 10:00! Anne



Mark Your Calendar

» UPCOMING EVENTS

PPC's Annual Church Picnic is on Sunday, July 16! This is the weekend after the youth return from their Mission Trip to South Dakota. We'll hear about their experience and celebrate their work! More details to come as we get closer!

Plan to attend the All Church Retreat at Clearwater Forest October 13-15 As our Calendars fill up, set aside this weekend for building up yourself in renewal, reflection and being in God's beautiful nature.

On **Sunday, May 7** we will be making sandwiches for



363 Days immediately following the worship service. Let's see if we can break our record!



Katie Larson and Janet Menary are making a new hands banner to include all current PPC members. The last banner was completed over 10 years ago.

Please add your hand to the new banner. We will have supplies available for you to make your fabric hand in the art room after church on Sunday, May 7. Thank You!



Rummage Sale

The Church Rummage Sale is set for June 24. Now is the time to clean out those closets and bring items for the sale. (they will be stored in the Middle

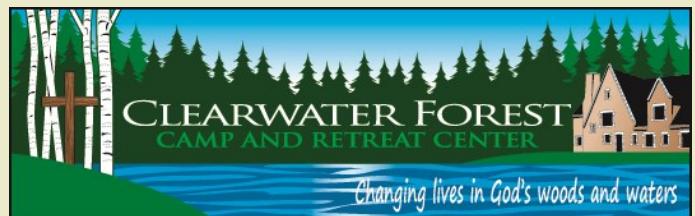
School Rooms.) Proceeds of the Sale will go toward Presbyterian Missions. If you can help please contact, Karen Ess.



Youth Update

- Matt Spoden
Children and Youth Ministry Intern

The youth have been busy this month between Easter celebration, baking cookies, and going laser tagging at Whirlyball! May is shaping up to be a great time with the confirmation students being confirmed at the end of the month, and other events such as our tradition of "ice-blocking"! The youth would also like to thank the congregation for the continual support you have provided so that the youth can go on the mission trip this summer. If you have any questions about the youth program, or would like to get involved please email Matt at mspoden@plymouthpc.org



On May 7 Rich Swartwood, CEO of Clearwater Forest Camp, will be joining us for worship and will be available to talk and meet with members who have questions regarding Camping and camp Programs at Clearwater Forest. Clearwater Forest has been an influencing factor on many of our member's life concerning their Spiritual growth.



"Can you raise
your hand?"

Then, like the old
Army Sargent

says, you are on the crew to clean the church. Come one, come all on **Saturday, May 20th at 9:00a.m. to 1:00 p.m.**, (windows, pews, carpet storage room).

Building and Grounds, Rick Ackerman