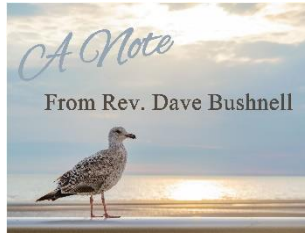


THE MUSTARD SEED



I am so looking forward to serving with you, August thru October, as Pastor Hein is on sabbatical. My first Sunday will be August 7th (the church picnic). My interim responsibilities will include leading worship and being available for pastoral emergencies. I will also be spending one morning a week at the church office (most often Tuesday) to prepare the Sunday bulletin. During Dwight's sabbatical time, I can be reached at my cell phone (717-371-2593).

I have asked Both Pastor Dwight and the Consistory for the privilege of leading a ten week adult elective called "Come Follow Me". It has been my major reading and writing project during the last few years. The material is in the format of a congregational weekend retreat but will be adapted as an elective format. The goal of the elective is both to "build up" the Body of Christ and to engage the church in meaningful environmental action. The plan is to meet in person for ten Sundays beginning on August 14th at 9 a.m. The format of each week will include my sharing a talk followed by small group sharing sessions. I will also be using film clips and internet resources from climate experts. The hope would be that participants would attend ALL the sessions. If that's not possible for someone, I do have the material for each session available so folks won't miss too much. I'm grateful that Melissa Kreider and Kristin Vines will be helping to recruit participants. My expectations for the size of the group is between 10-25 people. It would be especially great if some high school aged youth participate.

Over a year ago, I asked Darrell Woomer to read the material for the Come Follow Me retreat. He even made "proof reading" comments for me. His first suggestion to me was "It's a great retreat but you ought to share the material as an adult elective as well." I am so grateful for Darrell's reflections and his suggestions. COVID has limited the number of retreats I could lead.... some have had to be in a virtual format.

I'm looking forward to our time together.

Dave Bushnell



PACC will be holding a Blood Drive on Saturday, August 6th at the First United Methodist Church, 520 Birch St., Palmyra. Anyone interested and able to donate can **call 1-800-771-0059**. This drive is conducted by the Central Pennsylvania Blood Bank (CPBB) and the Texas Roadhouse will have steak coupons for all.



Our Annual Outdoor Service & Church Picnic will be held Sunday, Aug. 7 at 11 a.m. at the pavilion of the American Legion on Palmyra/ Campbelltown Rd. Rev. Dave Bushnell will lead the worship service followed by the picnic. Our Fellowship Team will be providing drinks, hot dogs & hamburger bar-b-que. We ask that those with last names from A-M to please bring a dessert and those with last names from N-Z to please bring a side dish. We ask that everyone bring their own plates, cups, eating utensils, etc. We're looking forward to a great time of fellowship at the picnic

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What are the dates for Pastor Dwight's sabbatical?

The sabbatical will begin Monday, August 1, 2022, and, as per his call contract, it will last 12 weeks. Pastor Dwight's first day back in the office will be Monday, October 24, 2022.

Who will be our pastor during Pastor's Dwight's sabbatical?

Rev. David Bushnell has been called to be our part-time pastor during this time. Rev. Bushnell will be in the office on Tues. morning each week, prepare and lead the Sunday services, and be available for pastoral care emergencies and funerals. Rev. Bushnell was Salem's sabbatical interim pastor in 2014. We're delighted he is able to return!

Who will provide other pastoral care during this time?

Volunteers from the congregation will do visits to our homebound members, as well as some hospital visits.

If I have a pastoral emergency or death in the family, how do I get in touch with Rev. Bushnell?

Rev. Bushnell may be contacted at 717- 371-2593. If you are unsure if you should call Rev. Bushnell, you may contact Pat Young in the church office at 717-838-4236.or Garrett Bear, Council President, at 717-422-7290

Will Pastor Dwight be in contact with the church during the sabbatical?

An important part of a sabbatical is to make a complete break from things. A plan is in place in the event of some extraordinary news that must be communicated to Pastor Dwight.

Will other ministries and activities continue?

Yes. All committees and ministries will be working and active throughout the sabbatical.

What will Pastor Dwight be doing during his sabbatical?

A general description of the planned content of the sabbatical was in the July church newsletter and is available at our website www.salemucccampbelltown.org If you have any questions about the sabbatical, please contact a member of the church Council.

When is Pastor Dwight's last Sunday at Salem before his sabbatical?

Pastor Dwight's last Sunday before his sabbatical begins will be July 31, 2022. Part of the service that day will include a brief "Service of Parting" where we will ask God's blessings on our time apart and for blessings of rest and renewal for Pastor Dwight and lift up our welcome of Rev. Bushnell.

Will we hear about the sabbatical when Pastor Dwight returns?

After Pastor Dwight returns from his sabbatical, we'll plan a fellowship time shortly thereafter to hear about his sabbatical experiences. He will also share things he's learned and studied during the sabbatical with our committees, the Council and in worship when it is relevant.

Who will handle questions about church life and activities?

You're welcome to talk to any member of Council or members of our many committees if you have specific questions about church life and activities at Salem. You may also call Pat Young, our church administrative assistant, in the office during her morning office hours which will remain the same during the sabbatical.



On Saturday 7/16/22 a group of 9 volunteers from Salem spent the morning at The Wittel Farm in Elizabethtown volunteering with The Wittel Farm Growing Project. The Wittel Farm is part of the Lutheran Camping Corporation. From the Wittel Farm website: "The Wittel Farm is a place for persons and groups seeking to deepen, enrich, and renew their relationship with God. The rural, humble setting of this working farm provides for those who retreat here to experience solitude, prayer, spiritual formation, community, and the study of scripture." It is an active farm that produces vegetables that are donated to people experiencing food insecurity throughout Lancaster County. The farm functions in partnership with the Hunger-Free Lancaster County organization for these food donation efforts. During our morning of volunteering, we harvested tomatoes, peppers, zucchini, and cucumbers; planted pumpkin seeds; and weeded a vegetable garden patch. The food harvested by our group was donated to the Manheim Central Food Pantry. For others who are interested in becoming involved with the Wittel Farm, there is more information on their website: <https://www.lutherancamping.org/the-wittel-farm/>



[The Wittel Farm - The Lutheran Camping Corporation of Central Pennsylvania](https://www.lutherancamping.org/the-wittel-farm/)

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www.lutherancamping.org

During the farming season, the Growing Project has volunteer opportunities every Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday. You can sign up to volunteer on the website. There is also an opportunity to become involved by collecting compostable waste from your household and donating to the farm's compost pile. There are also retreats and special events throughout the year. The farm hosts various retreats and special events throughout the year including harvest, Advent, and Lent events. That information is posted to the website once it is available.



Happy Birthday –
Alice Yeich will be celebrating her **100th birthday on August 17th.**

Cards may be sent to her at:
 150 Noble Lane, Bethany, OA 17432



Our Little Free Library which was opened in 2015 continues to be a very popular outreach in our community. Just a reminder that our Little Free Library is a catalyst for building community, inspiring readers, and expanding book access for all. Your support of the Little Free Library has touched many people not only in our local communities but also travelers who have stopped by to "take a book...share a book." Currently, we are in need of **children's books (picture and chapter)**. Please place donations for our library in the collection bin in the west foyer. Thank you very much as we continue to promote literacy and the goal that **Reading Changes Lives**.



The Book Club is scheduled to meet Monday, August 29 at 7 p.m., They will meet in person! Please bring a chair and if it's nice they will meet outside, but also bring your mask in case they are inside. They will discuss both the July book "Fire Keeper's Daughter" by Angeline Boulle and the August book "Mercy House" by Alena Dillon (Lebanon County Reads selection for 2022 <https://lclibs.org/lebcoreads/>. "Around the World in 80 Day" by Jules Verne if the book for September. If you have any questions, please contact Carin Kaag her e-mail is cas207@yahoo.com. Fire Keeper's Daughter is a YA novel, so feel free to invite the young people in your life to join them.



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United Church of Christ Homes thanks you for your gift of \$360 which was placed in their Benevolent Fund. Without congregations like ours, so many people would not be able to receive the assistance they need.



Summer — time to stand and stare
 What is this life if, full of care,
 We have no time to stand and stare.
 No time to stand beneath the boughs
 And stare as long as sheep or cows.
 No time to see, when woods we pass,
 Where squirrels hide their nuts in grass.
 No time to see, in broad daylight,
 Streams full of stars, like skies at night.
 No time to turn at Beauty's glance,
 And watch her feet, how they can dance.
 No time to wait till her mouth can
 Enrich that smile her eyes began.
 A poor life this if, full of care,
 We have no time to stand and stare.
 —"Leisure," W.H. Davies





Tuesday	August 2	National Night Out at the Palmyra Middle School 5-8 p.m.
Sunday	August 7	Annual Outdoor Service & Church Picnic at 11 a.m. American Legion Pavilion on Palmyra/Campbelltown
Sunday	August 14	“Come Follow Me” class led by Rev. Bushnell at 9 a.m. Worship at 10:30 a.m.
Sunday	August 21	“Come Follow Me” class led by Rev. Bushnell at 9 a.m. Worship at 10:30 a.m. with Communion
Tuesday	August 23	Worship & Music Committee 7 p.m.
Sunday	August 28	“Come Follow Me” class led by Rev. Bushnell at 9 a.m. Worship at 10:30 a.m. with Communion

**All Worship Services will also be livestreamed on Facebook Live and our web page
www.salemucccampbelltown.org*



	Karen Bell		2	David Kaag
1	Milesta Weidler		2	Fran Shepler
3	Katy Kauffman		7	Pat Steely
4	Donald H. Umberger		8	Bill Long
5	Abigail Aungst		9	Madelyn Miller
6	Matthew Waller		15	Aaron Albright
10	Melissa Gainer		15	Shirley Burkholder
11	Melissa Kreider		16	Jennifer Bear
13	Chessie Kauffman		16	Andrea Cooper
14	Samuel Weidler		19	Stephanie Borremans
16	James Flanagan		19	Lisa Burnett
17	Alice Yeich		19	Judy Miller
19	Jewel Gravely		19	Judy Miller
20	Skylar Thomas		23	Blaine Kerr
22	Carin Kaag		24	Corey Bear
23	Ashleigh Aungst		24	John Burnett
25	Kelly Smith		27	Gloria Garrett
25	Katie Umberger		30	Brandon Risser
26	Jeffrey Steely			



WORSHIP SCRIPTURES

August 7

Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 1:1,10-20
Psalm 33:12-22
Hebrews 11:1-3,8-16
Luke 12:32-40

August 14

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalm 80: 1-2,8-19
Hebrews 11:20-12:2
Luke 12:49-56

August 21

Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost

Isaiah 58:9b-14
Psalm 103:1-8
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17

August 28

Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Jerimiah 2:4-13
Psalm 81:1, 10-16
Hebrews 13:1-8,15-16
Luke 14:1,7-14

September 4

Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 18:1-11
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
Philemon 1:1-21
Luke 14:25-33

September 11

Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 4:11-13
Psalm 14
1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-10

September 18

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 8:18-9:1
Psalm 79:1-9
1 Timothy 2:1-7
Luke 16:1-13

August 28

Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Jeremiah 32:1-3a, ,6-15
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
1 Timothy 6:6-19
Luke 16:19-31

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SALEM COLLECTIONS -

The Caring Cupboard is a community food pantry, that has grown into a community necessity, that currently serves over 350 families living primarily in the Palmyra and Annville-Cleona School Districts. Product to be given to the Caring Cupboard may be placed on the designated shelves found at the end of the northwest hallway of Salem Church.

Community Aid (Missions Committee) is a nonprofit organization with the primary purpose of raising funds for distribution to local schools, churches synagogues, temples and nonprofit charitable organizations. A complete list of items accepted is on the west wing table. Our collection bin can be found in the rear of the Salem Church parking lot on Horseshoe Pike between the Campbelltown United Methodist Church and The Londonderry Inn. All donations must fit in the collection bin. Proceeds from our collection bin benefit the Caring Cupboard.

Pop Tab Collection Program (Matt Waller) Ronald McDonald House. The collection of aluminum beverage tabs began in 1996. The aluminum tabs are sold to a local recycling company; and their proceeds help with daily operating expenses at the Ronald McDonald House. The generous amount from the tabs collected has been very beneficial to the House and the families they serve. They are averaging \$1,000 monthly just from these tiny tabs. You can help raise money by pulling tabs from any aluminum container. Pop Tabs may be placed in the designated box on the shelf above the coat rack in the bell tower entrance.

Redner's Cash Register Receipts (Florence Umberger) By using the Save-A-Tape card you picked up at Customer Service Desk each time you purchase merchandise at Redner's Warehouse Markets, your receipt will be designated as a Save-A-Tape customer receipt. When you come to Salem Church, place your **entire register/sales receipt (DO NOT CUT!)** in the designated box on the shelf above the coat rack in the bell tower entrance. Salem Church will receive a check for 1% of the total amount of tapes submitted, excluding items controlled by the government, such as tax, milk and tobacco products.

Clothing Recycling We are again collecting old clothing for recycling. These should be clothes that are too worn to be passed along. No underwear. Simply place your worn-out clothes in the box in the west narthex and we will do the rest! (Clothing in good condition should be donated in the collection bin in our auxiliary parking lot.)



Can't pray? First rest!

Weariness can seriously hamper our attempts to pray, says Bonnie Gray, author of *Whispers of Rest*. "We are a generation who doesn't know how to express our souls to God, even though we drive ourselves exhausted, doing for Jesus." The solution, she says, is to stop and rest.

The stressed-out, despairing prophet in 1 Kings 19 is a prime example. "God knew Elijah needed physical rejuvenation first — in order to hear his gentle voice, whispering in a gentle breeze," Gray notes. Guarding against the depletion of spiritual, physical and emotional resources can improve our ability to hear God's voice, too. "When you find it's hard to pray, don't be afraid," says Gray. "You're standing at the very cusp of who God longs to connect with. The real you. Take the time to rest. You're worth it."