

Park Presbyterian Church

July 29, 2021

Weekly Park Branches

This Week's Sermon

"My Favorite..."

Scriptures

[Ephesians 4:1-16](#)

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Dear friends in faith,

We are enjoying watching some of the Olympic Games this week, so far mostly gymnastics and swimming as we cut the cable cord a few years ago and don't get all of those channels that Comcast owns and controls the coverage on. I might have liked to watch the women's softball game or some of the more minor sports.

When Simone Biles stepped aside last night from competing I felt her pain while gaining a tremendous level of respect for her. We get so focused on winning, on who is the GOAT (greatest of all time), it seems that way too much of the world is trampled underfoot. Many moons ago, another network's wide world of sports show began with the slogan, "The thrill of victory, the agony of defeat!"

Yes, it was thrilling to see pictures of family & friends in an Alaskan watch party go bonkers when their girl won an unexpected gold in the pool. For me, it was equally moving to see the women's gymnastics team congratulating the Russian girls on their gold, after the team competition. I invite you to consider this as you read Ephesians 4:1-16 in preparation for worship this Sunday. Enjoy the games!

in the joy of our journeys, pastor bob

Sunday Worship as Park Apart

The live worship video will be available on Sunday at 11:00 am, and you can continue to find us anytime thereafter at <https://www.parkpres.org/swl-sunday-worship-live>. The bulletin for the service can also be found on the [Sunday Worship page](#) of our site. If you have announcements or prayer requests, please send them to Pastor Bob on Sunday morning via email: revgoossen@parkpres.org or call/text 724-464-4032.



Farewell Celebration for Pastor Bob

As Park Church prepares to welcome Pastor Todd, we must also prepare to say "good-bye" to Pastor Bob, whose last official day with us is Sunday, August 22. We all know how much the Goossens enjoy the outdoors, so we're bidding them "farewell"

with an outdoor event following the service. It will be a casual Sunday, so wear picnic clothes and your favorite sneakers! We'll be in the church parking lot and will have some seating at the tables in the pavilion, but we ask that you bring your lawn chair. Food and drinks will be provided. Please join us and let's send Pastor Bob and ChrisAnn off with a special Park good-bye and an invitation to visit us often!

The Membership Involvement Committee would like to have some idea of how many of you will be attending. Please fill out the form located at either sanctuary entrance and return it to the Office mailbox in the mailroom or the church office. We'll see you after church on August 22.

Kids' Cars Event During Beaver Car Cruise

On Saturday, August 7, from 11-3ish, Park Church will host a Kids' Cars craft in the pavilion during the Beaver Car Cruise. As an outreach event, this will be an opportunity for kids to create a cardboard box race car and then race it around a track in our parking lot. We'll need around 50 boxes, about 12" x 18" of any height. These will be pre-painted so that on Saturday they can be decorated as a race car and take a spin on the track!

Donations of boxes will be accepted through Wednesday August 4. To join the paint crew, contact Elliott Cramer (724-816-3923) or the church office (724-775-2936) and of course volunteers will be needed on Saturday. Come and share the love!



Church Open for the Car Cruise

Park Church will be open for the Beaver Car Cruise on August 7 from 11-5. We'll need hosts to monitor the facility as well as volunteers to pass out bottles of water. Donations of bottled water will be accepted through August 4. Volunteer sign-up sheets are in the Gathering Area or you can contact the church office or Roxanne Walker at rwalker@comcast.net or 412-418-6044.

Food Pantry Distribution Next Week

The next distribution for the Food Pantry will be Wednesday, August 4 from 4:00-6:00. There is no need to pack any boxes as we have about 40 or so packed. If you can help with distribution, please contact Ginny Flick, ginny.flick@gmail.com or 904-568-0761. Remember that we will begin our twice a month distribution beginning in August so there will also be a distribution on August 18.





Update from the Center

Greetings!

Here is a brief update on how your support and prayers are making a Kingdom impact in our community!

- Our golf outing was the largest (we sold out!) and most successful outing yet!
- We are in week 7 of our 9 weeks of summer camps, programs & trips- this summer we have had the opportunity to invest in and reach SO many kids with the love and truth of Christ! Our volunteer teams continue to grow, allowing us to impact even more lives.
- We are still in the interview process of a full-time program director and continue to receive applications.
- We were able to hire 2 of our student leaders to work at The Center this summer through a partnership with Job Training of Beaver County!
- We are partnering with Mt. Calvary Church on August 28 to host a back-to-school event. If you know of children in need of school supplies, please send them our way.
- Save the Date- our annual fundraising dinner will take place at The Lodge at Brady's Run on October 14, 2021.
- This summer we have partnered with dozens of organizations and churches. If your church is interested in sending volunteers or joining a work day, please let me know.

For more details, check out www.midland.center or our Facebook or Instagram pages @thecentermidland.

Again- thank you for all of the ways you partner with us to expand God's Kingdom in Midland!

Jen Miller, Executive Director

Back-to-School Backpack Project

The past school year is barely over and yet the Mission Commission is already making plans to partner with the Rochester Salvation Army to help provide for school children in the Rochester, Beaver, Conway and Freedom areas. The Salvation Army is organizing a Back-to-School Bash in August. This is designed to help parents get their children ready for the upcoming school year. On the day of the event, they will be providing backpacks (with supplies), haircuts, lunch, bounce house, socks, underwear, cotton candy and much more.



The Salvation Army reached out to Park Church to help the many younger and older students by providing a new backpack filled with the supplies needed to get the new school year off to a better start. These are the items suggested for filling up the backpacks: glue sticks, markers, pocket folders, colored pencils, #2 pencils, pink erasers, pencil case, notebooks, 1" binders, highlighters, pens, underwear and socks.

We are asking you to bring your donation of a brand new backpack filled with some of the necessary items above to get the area students excited and ready for the school year. You may bring the backpacks to the Gathering Area anytime before August 1st.

Thank you for your support of this worthwhile project.

Mission Commission



Thank you and Invitation from Tiger Pause

Thank you for your constant support. Our summer camp is coming to an end, and I would like to invite you to our concert at 2nd Baptist Church, 2322 10th Ave., Beaver Falls on July 30th from 11:00am -12:00 pm. Immediately afterward, there will be a cookout on our Splash Pad on 8th Ave. by the old Dairy Queen. We hope to see you there!

A graphic that says "HAPPY BIRTHDAY" in a playful, bubbly font. Each letter is a different color and has a pattern of small dots. The colors include shades of pink, purple, green, blue, and yellow.

Celebrating Birthdays this Week:

Anne Berenbrok

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