

Park Presbyterian Church

May 28, 2020

Announcements

This Weeks Sermon

“Spirit Struck”
Rev. Bob Goossen

Scriptures

[Acts 2:1-21](#)

Contact Us

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724-775-2936



Dear Park Church Family & Friends,

Growing up in a Mennonite church we did not have a strong sense of the liturgical season. While we did Advent candles and Christmas, as well as Holy week and Easter, I have no strong memories of Ash Wednesday, Lent or Pentecost. I do not think our pastors were lectionary-based preachers, although I remember one series of sermons based on favorite hymns. Their four-part singing was and is deeply spiritual. Dancing in the aisles, raising hands in praise or prayer or other physically demonstrative acts of worship were absent. Maybe that's why it was a pretty easy transition for me to join God's frozen chosen at First Presbyterian in Wellington.

All this to wonder together, what do we expect on Pentecost? Perhaps a song about our spirituality, a more dramatic reading of scripture? Surely not pulpit pounding fire and brimstone! We want the Spirit, but in our own way. In a way we can manage and are comfortable with, can contain. The Spirit of the Lord cannot, will not, be contained! When we open ourselves to the fullness of God's Spirit amazing things begin to happen. Young women see visions, old men dream dreams...

Wondering what Sunday will bring, Pastor Bob

Sunday Worship as Park Apart

You can continue to find us on Sunday at 10, or anytime thereafter at <https://www.parkpres.org/swl-sunday-worship-live>. The bulletin for the service can be found on the [Sunday Worship page](#) of our site.

As a reminder, that our worship service is recorded on Thursday to allow time for to produce the video and set it up on the web page. If you have announcements or prayer requests, please have them to Pastor Bob by Thursday at 9 a.m. email: revgoossen@parkpres.org or call/text 724-464-4032.

Pentecost Offering

THE PENTECOST OFFERING HELPS OUR YOUTH BEGIN LIFE WITH A STRONG START—A SOLID FOUNDATION OF FAITH FORMED IN THE FIRST THIRD OF LIFE, FROM CHILDHOOD THROUGH YOUNG ADULTHOOD.

Each year on Pentecost Sunday, we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birthday of the church. The Holy Spirit remains with us still, connecting us with the church of the past, continuing to inspire the church of today, and pointing us to the church of the future. Each year, this celebration is marked by receiving the Pentecost Offering which nurtures the faith of those who are the church to come — children, youth, and young adults.

Psalms 71 testifies that a foundation of faith established during childhood helps ensure lifelong faith and service. The patterns and lessons established during these formative years continue to bear fruit throughout a person's life. By giving to the Pentecost Offering, your congregation participates in helping our children, youth, and young adults grow up to proclaim with the Psalmist, "O God, from my youth you have taught me, and I still proclaim your wondrous deeds."

- 40% of the Pentecost Offering remains with your congregation to support ministries with children and youth in your church and local community;
- 25% supports ministries with youth, ages 12–18, and those called to accompany them.
- 25% goes to Young Adult Volunteer (YAV) experience.
- 10% supports the "Educate a Child, Transform the World" national initiative

Donations to the Pentecost offering will be received through the month of June.

Pop-up Pantry



WE ARE SERVING OUR NEIGHBOR. The Mission Committee would like to thank everyone who gave and is giving to the Food Pantry. Vanport Presbyterian Church has come along to help us, their help is greatly appreciated. We have a great group of people who are volunteering their time, talents and money to help our neighbors. The pantry is stocked daily by this group of people with Mission funds along with donations. We are spending one hundred dollars a day and that is not keeping up with the demand. This includes the items left by good Samaritans. You can be very proud that Park is stepping up and reaching out to our neighbors during this unprecedented time. Please pray for this local mission. You can always donate non-perishable food items, personal hygiene items and Toilet paper. We have shoppers who are willing to go and purchase items and stock them. Park has a new link coming to our web page for on line giving. Check it out at www.parkpres.org.

Remember when doing your weekly shopping for your home to pick up a few extra items – Shopping + 1!!

We Need a Truck!!

The Food Pantry needs your help if you have a truck or trailer. We have partnered with the Center in Midland and they have included us in their Food distribution network! We would need you to pick up 15 boxes from the Center on Tuesdays and bring them to the Pavilion and set them on the tables. If we get enough help we can rotate the responsibility. This is truly a Park led local ministry. Please consider helping. Call the church office 724-775-2936.



Thank You, The Mission Commission
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Financial Update



During this time of social distancing and the need for streaming of our Church services please remember to mail in your pledges and support. The Church's missions and bills do not take time off during this out break. Please fill out your giving envelopes and giving donations to Park Church. Please fill out your giving contributions with your name, envelope number, where you would like it placed, example: (the chiller, normal pledge or another specific area) and then check amount. Thank You!! Then please place in the mail to:

Park Presbyterian Church, Attention: Financial Administrator, 275 Commerce St., Beaver, Pa 15009

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance

Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, supported by our One Great Hour of Sharing is awarding grants to assist with aid and relief work across the United States. Much of this aid is in support of the most marginalized. Read more here presbyterianmission.org/story/presbyterian-disaster-assistance-approves-more-than-1-1-million-in-covid-19-grants/



**PRESBYTERIAN
DISASTER
ASSISTANCE**

OUT OF CHAOS, HOPE

Park Preschool

Our preschool year has come to a close. Even though things ended a bit differently than what we had expected, the students have proven to be so resilient and flexible. Over the past two months, we have met online as a class to continue our learning activities as best as we could. We sang, we danced, we learned new letters, we read new books, and we shared fun things from our homes. Mrs. Berenbrok continues to care for Sheldon the turtle at home and says that he is growing and happy. We know he's enjoying his summer vacation with the Berenbroks! In reflection of this past school year, we know that God's love has shown brightly from our church to these students. We greatly appreciate all of your love and continued support! Please keep our little ones and their families in your thoughts and prayers as they continue to navigate these uncommon times.



Thank you so much!

Blessings & Love,

Amanda Cypher and Anne Berenbrok

Emails and Phishing



Electronic communications can sometimes go awry. The email gremlin runs off into the wide world of the internet with a message that never gets delivered. Or, an email comes in but goes into spam, when it usually has been going into your inbox. We've had that happen with a few items from Pastor Bob recently. First check you spam and see that your program recognizes these emails as legitimate. There doesn't seem to be an explanation for why this has happened. If you or yours feel that you aren't getting the weekly news or special prayer requests, please give us a call or email. If we don't respond to the email be sure and call the office at 724.775.2936 M-Th, 9-1.

Phishing is the art of casting about on the internet for someone who will respond to an illegitimate email. Recently one of our staff received an email supposedly from Pastor Bob. It was a very odd request. Pastor Bob will not be sending you odd requests, filled with poor grammar asking you to respond Only and Quickly by email. Always check these type of emails to make certain the senders email is correct. Also take time to call or text to cross check. Then discard the email without any sense of guilt. Be careful, be wise, be safe.

Park Helpers

We have some individuals who are willing to do a grocery run or a pharmacy pick-up. I've also heard of a few young adults with some pent-up energy who might come by and rake a yard or do a little outside work. Contact Matt Stewart, Elliott Cramer or Pastor Bob and we'll try to connect you. Always remembering, safety first.

Cloth Face Masks

Hand crafted cloth face masks are back in stock! You'll find them inside the 3rd St door when Pastor Bob is in or if you have a key.

**HAPPY
BIRTHDAY**

Celebrating Birthdays this Week:

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| Joy Gifford | 28 |
| Jack Vaughn | 28 |
| Sam O'Neill | 30 |
| Chuck Snitger | 31 |
| Sharon Schaller | June 3 |