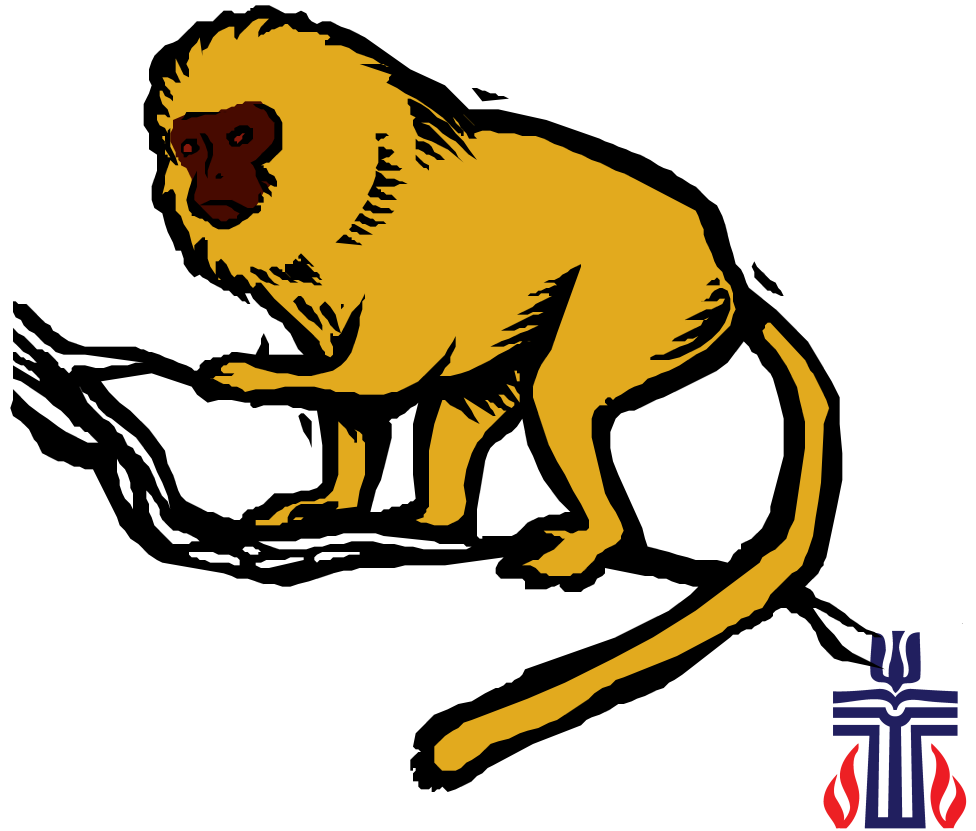


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Church Chat

October, 2010 in the year of our Lord, Jesus Christ



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Pastor's Note:

October, 2010

Dear Friends,

Did you know that for every article that is printed in National Geographic Magazine the photographer shoots about 400

rolls of film? That's over 4,000 images just to get the 30 or so needed for the article. That means that a photographer needs to risk taking pictures that don't come out the way he or she wants them to. That means a photographer must be willing to change lenses, re-focus, and re-shoot without worrying about making mistakes. That means a

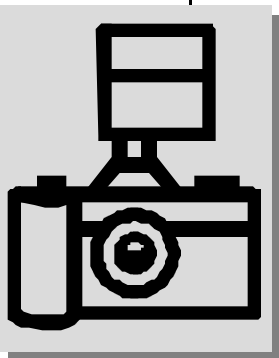
photographer can't lament the photographs that aren't perfect, but must reframe the subject and try again.

I learned this from a video called "Everyday Creativity" which is hosted by

photographer, Dewitt Jones. In "Everyday Creativity" Jones applies the concepts of creativity that he has learned from traveling the globe as a photographer to our everyday lives. He says that for him, creativity is about falling in love with the world and realizing that our world is one of abundance and not scarcity. Creativity is about seeing opportunities to transform the ordinary into the extraordinary. Creativity is a matter of perspective. If we change our lens or find a nother angle, we can reframe a problem as an opportunity and see change as full of possibilities. Jones says that creativity allows us to understand that life is not win/lose but win/learn and that there is often more than one right answer depending on where we are standing or what lens we are using.

What if we were to apply those 400 rolls

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of film to our work in the church? Would it give us permission to try new things? Would we be willing to risk failure knowing that we can learn from those pictures that don't turn out exactly right as we continue to seek the extraordinary? In a congregation, creativity is often about falling in love with God's vision of what the Church can be and trusting that there is an abundance of God's grace in our life together as we seek to be faithful to that vision.

Scripture tells us that anyone who is in Christ is a new creation. That means our God is a creating AND creative God. This transition to a new pastor has just begun and no one knows exactly how long it will be. But what we do know is that God—who created order out of chaos and breathed life into all things at the beginning of the world—will continue to form and shape this congregation in the months to come. Change isn't easy or fun, but it is what brings new angles and fresh perspectives (sort of like changing lenses). My prayer for Whitelick Presbyterian is that the Holy Spirit will open all of our hearts and eyes to see what God may be creating here.

In Christ,
Kim

Community Care Groups

Earlier this year Rev. Joy, Mary Mitchell and the deacons started working on forming small groups within our church family. We thought of lots of different ideas and finally settled on what we call "Community Care Groups". We have formed small groups based on geographic location. About a month ago you probably received a letter with a list of names. This

list is your Community Care Group. The other people in your group live near you. Each group has a coordinator and a deacon to help facilitate opportunities for folks to connect with one another. The Community Care Group in your area is whatever YOU choose to make it. You might want to call or send a card to other folks in your group. You may want to have a dinner at your home or a picnic at a park in your area. You could get-together with folks for coffee. You could have a bible study or prayer group. You might even have your own creative way of making connections with the people in your group. I encourage you to find at least one opportunity to make a connection with each person in your group. Let's see what happens if we each make an effort...

— Submitted by Mary Mitchell

Coffee Conversations:

October, 2010

Our History

Sunday, October 3: Recording our History - Cemetery Research

Using church records and the information gained from Saturday's onsite work, we will begin to compile a comprehensive sourcebook for our cemetery.

Sunday, October 10: History of Coins of the Bible

Widow's mite – was there really such a coin? This is your opportunity to find out more about coins from Biblical times. All

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Boulangier will be sharing his knowledge of coins and offer a hands-on chance to see and touch a part of our Biblical heritage.

Sunday, October 17: Our Faith History – Part One

What do Presbyterians Believe? How and when did the Presbyterian Church come into existence? Find out what they believe about God, sin and the Bible..



Sunday, October 24: Our Faith History – Part Two

How does the Holy Spirit affect our lives? What does salvation by grace mean? Have you heard about predestination? What are the sacraments? These are some of the questions that will be discussed.

Sunday, October 31: Oral History - Sharing Whitelick Presbyterian Church Memories

In these days of high tech communication we have access to news from around the world within seconds after it happens. The early history of our faith was passed down by word of mouth from generation to generation. Take time to come listen to White Lick Presbyterian Church's history as told by some of our members who have many wonderful memories to share.

— Submitted by Beth Harmon

Chili Weather on the way

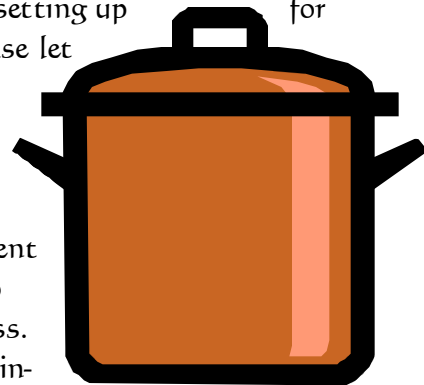
Yes, it is time to gear up for the annual "all you can eat Chili Supper" and bake sale hosted by the Presbyterian Women along with the help of many of you. Mark your calendars for Nov. 7, because you won't want to miss this fun and food filled event. Invite your friends, neighbors and relatives to come and enjoy the best chili they ever ate. (At least we think it is!)

There will also be many kinds of baked goods and other treats available for purchase.

Serving will begin at 4:00 p.m. and will end at 7:00 p.m. The prices for the "all you can eat chili", along with salads, crackers, drink and dessert is \$8.00 for adults, \$5.00 for children 5-12. Children 4 and under are free.

We are asking for volunteers to help set up (probably on Thursday night), to clear tables, wash dishes, serve drinks, prepare delicious culinary delights for desserts and for the bake sale, clean up afterwards and prepare the fellowship hall for classes on Sunday morning. If anyone is interested in coordinating and setting up for the bake sale, please let

Carol Johnson or Beth Harmon know. As you can see we need many people with different kinds of talents to make this a success.



More details and information will be available in a couple of weeks and there will be sign-up sheets available to schedule work times and donations.

This is a wonderful opportunity to get to know others within our church family. The money raised is used for such things as donations to Sheltering Wings, Get Real Youth Ministries and mission trip sponsor, Good News Mission, home church projects, and other needs within our church, including funding for trash pick-up.

Please join us for good food, fellowship and the opportunity to contribute your skills and talents to help make a difference in the lives of those in need within our community.

— Submitted by Beth Harmon

Whitelick 2010-2011 Youth Discipleship

The Youth Disciple Ministry Team (YDMT) spent many hours this past spring and summer evaluating the youth discipleship program offered at Whitelick. We started discussions with Rev. Joy last spring and have continued our discussions through the summer.

We discussed enhancements that would benefit both youth and adults. Below is an explanation of the challenge and the enhancement that has been made to the Whitelick youth discipleship program.

Other churches have successfully incorporated these enhancements into their youth program. We encourage parents to take advantage of these wonderful opportunities for the benefit of their children.

YDMT acknowledges parents know their children better than we do. These enhancements may not work for everyone. However, we strongly encourage parents to try them at least once.

1. Teachers have only 35 minutes to escort children to the classroom, get them settled and teach a lesson.

The Worship Ministry Team moved the placement of the children's story to earlier in the service as of September 19. This will give teachers 5-10 more minutes of teaching time.

2. Many families with children do not attend church on the 2nd Sunday of the month or only the parents attend.

Beginning Sunday, October 10, the children in grades 1 through 12 will leave the sanctuary after the children's story to attend youth worship in Fellowship Hall supervised by Melissa Bauzo and Beth

McGuire. Melissa and I will serve communion during the youth worship service. On future Sundays, the teens will be preparing and conducting youth worship under the supervision of Melissa Bauzo and Beth McGuire. The service will be about 20 minutes long.

There will be Sundays during the year in which the youth will attend worship in the sanctuary, such as World Communion on October 3, during Advent and Lent, and at other times.

3. Our youth need to be better educated on the purpose and meaning of worship and the special services throughout the liturgical calendar year.

Following the youth service on the second Sunday, there will small group discussions of what worship is, how we worship, the parts of worship, the liturgical calendar, communion, etc. Discussions will begin on Sunday, September 19.

We want the youth to experience all aspects of worship. By educating them about worship, prayer, music, the sacraments, etc. they will be better able to understand and appreciate worship in the sanctuary.

4. Bible verses and lessons do not take place at Whitelick until kindergarten.

As of Sunday, September 12, we offer a monthly Bible verse and activity page in the nursery for children age 2 through preschool. We will also be playing music on the CD player.

5. The pews in the Sanctuary are pretty full most Sundays during the school year. Once the children leave for class the sanctuary empties out. On some





Sundays it is hard to find a seat.

Beginning in October 10, as children enter the sanctuary, children, youth and teens will sit in the first two pews and on rugs on the floor on the organ side of the sanctuary with their classroom teachers. This will make the transition at the beginning and end of the children's story flow better and be less time consuming. It will also make it easier for adults to find seats in the sanctuary. This will be done every Sunday.

6. Parent of infants and young children often struggle with getting their child to the nursery, getting them settled and returning to the sanctuary without interrupting worship. This is often stressful for the parent, the child and for those worshiping in the sanctuary.

Beginning Sunday, October 1, parents are encouraged to take their infants through 3 year olds to the nursery before the 10:30 worship service begins. We have refreshed the nursery, added new toys, music and a lesson that will help this age group feel welcomed and comfortable staying in the nursery.

Sunday, September 19 is national Bless The Schools Sunday. We will also be kicking off the 2010-2011 youth discipleship program.

Lynn Turner and I want to thank all of the members of the YDMT, the Worship Ministry and Adult Discipleship Ministry Teams, the Cooper family, Sara Edwards, Myrene Platts and many other volunteers who helped clean, organize, donate materials, and prepare the church for the 2010-2011 youth discipleship program.

— Submitted by Beth McGuire

Our October Birthdays

- 3rd Amy Kiger
- 6th J.C. McCullough (6)
- 10th Kathryn Chambliss (17)
- 10th Carol Johnson
- 12th Stephanie Treadwell
- 13th David Halterman
- 13th Jacob Pruis
- 14th Taylor Buxton
- 16th Gerald George
- 17th Abbi Clissold
- 19th Delaney Watson (3)
- 27th Tom Harmon
- 28th Marnie Logan
- 28th Charles Viefhaus (7)
- 30th Christopher DiBenedetto (6)
- 30th April Lawson

After the 10:30 service on Oct. 18th, join us in our Wildwood Café. We'll sing "Happy Birthday" to all of us born in October!

Belated Happy Birthday to Rev. Kim Olson who began her journey on this planet on September 23!

— Submitted by Marilyn Binkley

Sunday October 3rd is World Communion Sunday

Presbyterians have celebrated World Communion Sunday since the mid-1930s. At that time North Americans were experiencing the economic upheaval of the Great Depression, and many were concerned about the instability in Europe and the possibility of another world war. A group of Presbyterian ministers met to pray and talk about the church's role in

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such a time. Rediscovering the unifying power of Christ in the Lord's Supper, they reaffirmed that in Christ all Christians are one, regardless of nationality, race, or ethnicity. From their meeting came the first World Communion Sunday in 1936. In the years that followed other denominations began to celebrate this special Sunday. So plan to join us October 3 as we share the Lord's Supper with our Christian family all around the world and as we receive the Presbyterian Peacemaking Offering!

— Submitted by Rev. Kim

Peacemaking Offering October 3rd

The Peacemaking Offering was created in 1980 to support the efforts of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) to live out a deeper commitment to peace-

making as part of our faithfulness to God. So this year is the Peacemaking Offering's 30th birthday!! This special offering supports the work of peacemaking both close to home and around the world. 25% of what is received remains with each congregation to support a ministry we choose. Another 25% remains with our presby-

tery and synod programs that promote peace and wholeness. The remaining 50% goes to our General Assembly to support the Presbyterian Peacemaking Program which helps people overseas as well as in this country. As we prepare to receive this offering on World Communion Sunday, let us all remember the peacemakers of years past — in our families, congregation, pres-

bytery, and beyond. And let's make this year a time to renew our commitment to peacemaking as disciples of Christ, who not only taught us the ways of peace but is our peace.

— Submitted by Rev. Kim

Recipes

Al and Mo Boulanger have graciously shared their recipes for the foods served during the August 8 Coffee Conversations and Sunday lunch. Enjoy

Pavlova is a meringue-based dessert named after the Russian ballet dancer Anna Pávlova. Colloquially referred to as "pav", it is a cake similar to meringue with a crispy crust and soft, light inner.

The dessert is believed to have been created to honor the dancer during or after one of her tours to Australia and New Zealand in the 1920s. Where it was created and the nationality of its creator has been a source of argument between the two nations for many years, but research indicates New Zealand as the source. There are records of Pavlova being made in Perth, Australia in 1935 and in New Zealand in 1929.

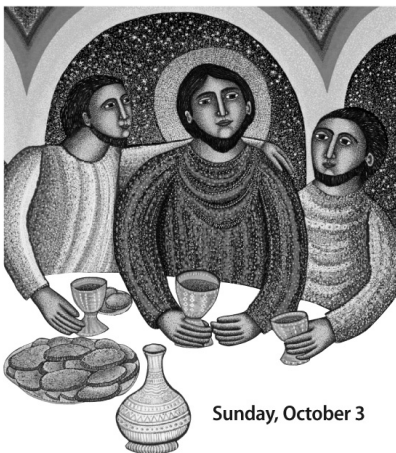
The dessert is a popular dish and an important part of the national cuisine of both countries, and is frequently served during celebratory or holiday meals such as Christmas lunch.

Recipe

- 1 ½ teaspoon vanilla extract
- ½ teaspoon cream of tartar or tsp white vinegar
- 1 ½ tablespoon cornstarch
- 1 ½ cups granulated sugar
- ¾ cup (6 oz) or 6 large egg whites

Preheat oven to 275°. Combine vanilla and vinegar. Mix cornstarch and sugar.

2010 PEACEMAKING OFFERING



Sunday, October 3

WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY

Celebrate Christ, Our Peace

Whisk egg whites on low then medium speed until soft peaks form. Slowly sprinkle the sugar/cornstarch mixture, then pour in the vanilla/vinegar. Whip until meringue is glossy and stiff peaks form (4 – 5 minutes). Reduce heat to 250°, cook 50 – 60 minutes.

Next month we hope to have room for Devonshire Tea and Scones.

Editor's Column:

By Jerry Bennett

I heard a minister on the radio today saying that we are a people of community. All people, not just this group or that group, but God created us not to be alone but to exist in community. I felt it was an interesting concept. Being unemployed recently I see first hand how working in community is beneficial and how being "out of the loop" is not. Societies are organized in a way that allows some to use their gifts so that others benefit and the individual is compensated according to his contribution. Philosophers have thought long and hard or ways to improve society, frequently with disastrous consequences.

So what does the Whitelick community expect from our communal organization, Whitelick Presbyterian Church.

First, let's count our blessings: Reverend Joy left us with an organization that was functioning well. We have people in place that are doing their jobs and, hopefully will continue. There is a cadre of leadership within the church, both currently serving or ready to resume or assume tasks as needed or called. We have a new choir director and have called an Interim Pastor and a Youth Pastor. Because Melissa was a Student Pastor serving under Pastor Joy's tutelage she also lends a sort of continuity to the process.

Things look pretty good from out in the pews. A little different, but good... so far. So what is it that a congregant needs be concerned about? What's next? There are some things that have been changed. Why was that done? Is it change for change sake or a true improvement? When a leader steps down (or on) there are bound to be some missteps, but better missteps than paralysis. I recall when the podium or lecture was moved from the left side to the center where it is now. Rev. Joy asked me how I liked the change. I told her that I notice that the preaching had shifted from the left to the center. I got a raised eyebrow and a uh-huh from her but we did not get into a political discussion. Imagine (or recall) how unsettling it was when we turned the sanctuary around front to back.

Each of us needs to do some self assessment and figure out if, or how, we can be involved. Maybe this is the time to re-take the spiritual gifts assessment. Find out why they are changing where the kids sit. Did you notice someone painted the Nursery? Stop in and have a look even if you don't have small children.

Folks, we are a community of believers. Get involved. Stay informed. Pray for the Church. Not just Whitelick but for all churches. Pray for people that you come in contact with that are in need. I started with a thought from a radio preacher; let me end with part of a radio praise song.

Shine

Make 'em wonder what you've got

Make 'em wish that they were not

On the outside looking bored

Shine

Let it shine before all men

Let 'em see good works and then

Let 'em glorify the Lord

— From Shine by the Newsboys

— JB

Whitelick Presbyterian CHURCH CALENDAR
(Note: New calendar items are in bold print.)
October 2010

Sunday Worship: All Sundays of Month:	8:30 am Worship (Holy Communion) 9:40-10:20 am Coffee Conversations 10:30 am Worship (Nursery available – Infants thru Pre-School) After Anthem: Early Elementary (kindergarten thru 3rd grade), Tweens (grades 4-7), Teens (grades 8-12) 11:45 am Fellowship Lunch
1 st Sunday of Month:	11:45 am Pitch-In Fellowship Lunch
2 nd Sunday of Month:	10:30 am Worship (Includes Holy Communion)
3 rd Sunday of Month:	11:30 am Birthday Sunday

Each Tuesday:	11:00 am Morning Prayers (Sanctuary)
Each Thursday:	7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir Rehearsal
15 th of Each Month:	Church Chat Deadline

Date(s)	Time	
Oct 2	9:00-12:00	Saturday Outdoor Workday
Oct 3	12:30-1:30 pm	Psalm 119 Bible Study
Oct 4	7:00 pm 7:00-9:00 pm	Akeba Council (M. Bryant) Ministry TEAMS: B&G, ADMT, YDMT, Fundraising
Oct 5	12:00-1:30 pm 7:00-9:00 pm	Fall Bible Study "Meeting the Spirit" Ministry TEAMS: (Finance, Stewardship)
Oct 6	9:00-4:00 7:00-8:30 pm	Acts 16:5 Final Training at New Hope in Fishers Fall Bible Study "Meeting The Spirit"
Oct 9	1:30 pm	Mission Ministry – meet at church to car pool to Good News Mission; serve dinner @ 2:30 pm
Oct 10	12:30-1:30 pm	Psalm 119 Bible Study
Oct 11	7:00-9:00 pm	Ministry TEAMS (Mission, Worship/Healing Prayer)
Oct 12	12:00-1:30 pm 7:00-9:00 pm	Fall Bible Study "Meeting The Spirit" Ministry TEAMS: (Deacons, TLC, Evangelism, Hospitality, Personnel)
Oct 13	7:00-8:30 pm	Fall Bible Study "Meeting The Spirit"
Oct 15	11:00 am	Brunch Bunch
Oct 17	12:30-1:30 pm	Psalm 119 Bible Study
Oct 18	7:00 pm	Presbyterian Women
Oct 19	12:00-1:30 pm 7:00 pm	Fall Bible Study "Moving The Spirit" Session Meeting
Oct 20	7:00-8:30 pm	Fall Bible Study "Meeting The Spirit"
Oct 25	7:00 pm	Ministry Team LEADERS (B&G, ADMT, YDMT, Fundraising, Mission, Worship/Healing Prayer)
Oct 26	12:00-1:30 pm 7:00 pm	Fall Bible Study "Meeting The Spirit" Ministry Team LEADERS (Deacons/TLC, Evangelism, Finance, Stewardship, Hospitality, P W, Personnel)
Oct 27	7:00-8:30 pm	Fall Bible Study "Meeting The Spirit"

Please see Worship Bulletins for updates and/or changes throughout the month.