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## SENIOR PASTOR'S MESSAGE



Greetings friends in Christ,

What is the one variable consistent in our every day lives? The answer is change. No matter where you go or what you do, be prepared to change. Today's world is changing all around us every day.

A good portion of my adult life was spent programming computers to make business run smoother while improving the bottom line. My work world was in a state of constant change. As soon as I could learn the newest hardware and software, a new generation of each was doing away with what I had just mastered. It was a constant learning process. Change was very normal in my world.

The medical field has had its share of rampant change during my lifetime. You don't need to think hard or look too far to notice how the miracles of medicine continue to be upgrade or replaced.

I believe most homes in this country are very different today than what they were a few years ago. Look at how you prepare your food, clean your clothing and home, spend your leisure time. All a bit different than in years past. No doubt, change is all around us.

Then I see the societal changes; many not for the better. People seem to caring much more about their own needs than the needs of others around them. Our current economic problems have produced more who need, at the same time society is less willing to help others. I hear many blaming others; especially the government. The blame game continues as we move on with our own lives.

At this point I'm sure some of you are thinking, this isn't a very uplifting article. You might be right if it weren't for the fact there is one thing that stays the same and will never change; the love of God for everyone. God hears our prayers and pleads for his help. God is always with us.

*"He will respond to the prayer of the destitute; he will not despise their plea"*  
Psalm 102:7 NIV.

Thank God, God is always with us ... no matter what, no matter where or when ... God will always be with us and through all generations. No change here - God shall endure forever.

Blessings,

*Pastor Glenn*

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## ASSISTANT MODERATOR'S MESSAGE

Assistant  
Moderator's  
Message



Hello and welcome to June, summer time, and hopefully it finds you well and safe. We are looking forward to everyone getting closer now that the Council voted to lift the COVID-19 restrictions per the CDC and the Governor. Masks and hand sanitizing are voluntary on all Church property. I am thankful to have such a great and caring staff and church family working together to unite people with the light. Remember last year at this time we persevered and had services on line and we had a message we could use to help us see the light. Continue to help the body as you have, and blessings always for all of you for a safe June. *Joe Thompson, Assistant Moderator*

## FOOD BASKET SUNDAY

Communion Sundays are designated as “Fill the Food Basket” Sunday. As a reminder, June 6th is our next collection day. Over 23bags of food were collected last month which benefited Halifax Urban Ministries. Thanks to Chuck Konopsky and Mary Anne Stewart for loading and delivering the food. If we all bring a food donation, we will fill the basket each month. Please be generous and make sure all donations have NOT passed their expiration dates (clearly marked on all cans, boxes, and containers).



## SECOND THURSDAY FELLOWSHIP



POUCC has a wonderful monthly Fellowship Dinner in the Jim Reed Room. Entertainment follows the monthly dinners.

*Our Next Dinner is Thursday, June 10th. It's a Pot Luck!  
See the sign-up sheet circulated at Worship Services.*

## THE GIFT AND THRIFT STORE

I can't believe May is coming to a close and the Store has been doing great! The BIG 50% Off Sale on April 30th was a huge success. Sales to date are \$21,000 which is of a great help to the Church. God Bless and thanks to all of our volunteers for their time and talent. Thanks to the congregation and the community for all the wonderful donations, and of course thanks to the patrons who continue to support the Store.

*Bob Gaither, Manager*



Happy Father's Day!

**REMEMBER  
DAD ON  
JUNE 20TH!**

## OPERATION'S & FINANCE TEAM



Here at POUCC we have every right to be proud of our church. It is very functional, adaptable to difference needs and offers room to add-on if we find growth opportunities. This didn't happen overnight but was something started when the church was first planned on vacant land and added to over the past 40 years as the church grew and changed. Historically many, many hours have been dedicated to making the right decisions for our church in every aspect of its existence. There is no accounting for the untold volunteer hours invested in making our church what it is today. This is an ongoing process. For the future, others will be tasked with making decisions. Some much tougher than others and some very easy but all with the purpose of making sure that our church is here for everyone's needs. Interestingly, I went on the Internet and did a simple search using the words "Maintaining a church". The information was overwhelming and endless but I saw something very simple and I want to share it here with you now. How do you maintain a church?

Here are some key ways to keep your church in the best shape possible:

1. **Take a preventative approach to maintenance.** ... Check! *Yes, we are doing this now.*
2. **Look for ways to increase energy efficiency.** ... Check! *Yes, we have done this and are watching it every day.*
3. **Develop a cleaning and landscaping schedule.** ... Check! *Yes, we did this and are keeping it going.*
4. **Don't overlook the importance of carpet care.** ... Check! *Yes, we are fortunate that the sanctuary is tiled and the Jim Reed Building has excellent quality carpet that can be taken care of easily.*
5. **Get the community involved in facility maintenance.**... *At one time, we scheduled church work days at least twice a year, then once a year and now none a year. We would like to see more participation but it is understandable why we must now rely on professional assistance for this work. Some of us can still do a little if we pace ourselves but that is not enough. It would be really nice if we could still task church membership to get most things done and even though mentally many of us still want to pitch in the reality is that physically those days are gone.*

So, other than gaining new younger members full of energy (Best solution), the next best thing is to contribute to the "**Spring into Life**" campaign. Make a donation or ongoing donations. Tell others. All the funds go toward maintaining our church.

Thank you to all members and friends!

Submitted by, *Bob Brewster, Chair Operations Team (Art Horton, Harold Kransi & Trey Thompson)*

### Financial Update

Operational Budget as 4/30/2021



	ACTUAL	YTD ACTUAL	YTD BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
	<u>April 2021</u>	<u>April 2021</u>	<u>April 2021</u>	<u>April 2021</u>
<b>Income</b>	\$ 14,079.05	\$ 50,711.71	\$ 44,838.68	\$ 5,873.03
<b>Expenses</b>	<b><u>\$ 14,464.81</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 57,688.38</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 56,439.03</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 1,249.35</u></b>
<b>Net</b>	<b><u>\$( 385.76)</u></b>	<b><u>\$( 6,976.67)</u></b>	<b><u>\$(11,600.35)</u></b>	<b><u>\$ 4,623.68</u></b>

The April loss of \$385.76 does not account for the \$2,206.41 income that was generated from the Thrift Store Big Sale on April 30th. For booking purposes that amount will be posted as May income because our week-ending dates are always on a Sunday. With that being said we still have a good month for which we are very grateful. Thanks you to all our great Thrift Store team and all our church members. With God's blessings, Respectfully Submitted, *Barbara Horton, Treasurer*

Happy Birthday!



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS\*

Diane Kirlin	6/1
Bob Gaither	6/2
Ruth Brewster	
Delana Pack	
Madison Hobson	6/8
Trey Thompson	
Barbara Boon	
Pam Protko	6/13
Jewel Carter	6/16
Carole Crippen	6/18
Susan Bussard	6/19
Bill Greiff	6/21
Charlie Baskin	
Bill Ebbert	6/22
Jimmy Goodman	6/25
Sean Senko	6/29

## JUNE ANNIVERSARIES\*

Dr. Ted & Cheri Yaeger, Jr.	6/07/1987
Bill & Doreen Wheeler	6/24/1972
Art & Barbara Horton	6/28/1975



## PRAYER REQUESTS\*

Corinne & Jim Anderson	Friends of Sheila Fisher
Jordan Armbruster	Friend of POUCC
Charlie & Molly Baskin	Members of POUCC
Denise Brewster	Daughter-in-Law of the Brewster's
Beth & Chris Brown	Daughter & Son-in-Law of Sheila Fisher
Betty & Hank Clausen	Friends of POUCC
Linda Cochrane	Friend of Sheila Fisher
Karen Coffey	Family of Sandy Kransi
Mike Conti	Friend of the Kransi's
Alice Lynn Feldman	Member of POUCC
George Franklin	Friend of the Gaither Family
Debbie Geosits	Sister of Pastor Glenn
Tony Grover	Friend of Sharon Williamson
John Hamer	Friend of the Horton's
F/F of Laura Haney	Friend of Janna & Joe Thompson
Shawn Hansen	Friend of POUCC
Joan Harvey	Friend of POUCC
Pvt. Jack & Lisa Hearten	Family of Kay Schweitzer
Chuck Henderson	Friend of POUCC
Elmer Hodges	Friend of POUCC
Susan Jones	Sister-in-Law of Bonnie Morisset
Roger Kobert	Friend of Sheila Fisher
Linda & Vaughn Long	Friends of Sheila Fisher
Harry & Jim Manchester	Family of Sheila Fisher
Lorraine Miklos	Friend of Sheila Fisher
Tonya Montisano & Family	Friends of POUCC
Leslie Neese	Friend of the Stewart Family
Archie & David Pickels	Brothers of Bonnie Morisset
Bruce Roberts	Brother of Sandy Kransi
F/F of Carol Rogers	Member of POUCC
Kay Schweitzer	Member of POUCC
John Sedgwick	Friend of Sheila Fisher
Craig Smith	Friend of Sharon Williamson
Joe Vogel	Friend of the Kransi Family
Caroline Wallace	Family member of Sheila Fisher
Lowin Willoughby	Friend of Sharon Williamson
Viola Wears & Boy	Friends of POUCC
Rita Wrenn	Friend of POUCC

### In Care Facilities

June Ferreri	Member of POUCC (Care Center, PA)
Margie Hoebing	Friend of POUCC (Care Center, PO)
Marge Monat	Member of POUCC (Care Center, DB)
Eloise Wottke	Friend of POUCC (Care Center, WI)
Beverly Woodacre	Member of POUCC (Care Center, NY)

### Special Needs

Victims of the Caronavirus and Those on the Front Line Fighting the Virus  
 All of Our Military, Veterans & Their Families  
 Those Fighting Terrorism Worldwide  
 First Responders Everywhere

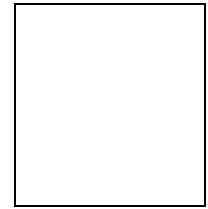
**Note: \*Please contact the church office to update our records if we missed your special date, or with your Prayer Concerns 788-0920.**

# POUCC June 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1	2	3	4	5
6 <b>Communion Sunday</b> 8:45 & 10:45 am  <b>Adult Discussion &amp; CPT</b> 9:45 am	7	8	9 <b>Palmetto House</b> 5:30 pm	10 <b>Fellowship Dinner</b> 6:00 pm	11	12
13 <b>Contemporary</b> 8:45 am <b>Adult Discussion &amp; CPT</b> 9:45 am <b>Traditional</b> 10:45 am	14	15	16	17	18	19 <b>Council Meeting</b> 10:00 am
20 <b>Contemporary</b> 8:45 am <b>Adult Discussion &amp; CPT</b> 9:45 am <b>Traditional</b> 10:45 am	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 <b>Contemporary</b> 8:45 am <b>Adult Discussion &amp; CPT</b> 9:45 am <b>Traditional</b> 10:45 am	28	29	30			

*Thrift Store Hours: M-F 9 am – 3 pm, Sat. 9 – Noon*  
*Church Office Hours: M-F, 9 am - 1 pm,*

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**Office Hours**

9:00 AM—1:00 PM

Monday—Friday

**Thrift Store Hours**

9:00 AM—3:00 PM

Monday—Friday

9:00 AM—Noon

Saturday

**Sunday Worship**

8:45 AM & 10:45 AM

**Adult Discussion**

9:45 AM



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