

Make a joyful noise unto the LORD, all ye lands. Serve the LORD with gladness: come before his presence with singing.

Know ye that the LORD he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.

Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name. For the LORD is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations. Psalm 100

This is the day which the Lord has made. Worship is our opportunity to be glad and rejoice in the Lord's house on the Lord's Day. We come as the children of God, knowing that we are welcomed here where all are meant to be one in the Lord. Let us lay down our burdens and rejoice in the Lord for the Lord is good, the Source of love.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **September 19** - 7:30 PM - Zone Rally at Rockwood
- **September 22** -First Day of Autumn
7-9 PM - Sunday School Seminar with Brian and Cheri Spangler speaking.
See the flyer on the bulletin board in the foyer.
- **September 26** - 6:30 PM -Family night
- **DATE CHANGE -October 4** - Noon - Church Picnic
- **September 29-October 1** - A roofing crew headed by Pastor Ken Sickler will be removing shingles and reroofing the north side of the church roof. Volunteers are needed for ground clean-up as well as the actual roofing, or you could bring in food for the crew which will be staying here overnights.
- **Sunday morning, October 19** - FRIEND DAY Service and Noon Fellowship Dinner



SPECIAL OFFERING REPORT

From our treasurer:

With last Sunday's offering of \$225.73, we have a balance in our Building Fund of \$3,261.34. \$700 has been designated for parsonage floors which leaves \$2,561.34 for work on the roof and any other needs.

- Merylin Ellis

(Last year's roofing cost for the south side plus porch roof was \$2246.38.)

Thank you for your sacrificial giving!

SERVICES — SUNDAY: Sunday School 10:00 AM, Morning Worship 11:00 AM, Cobleskill 4:00 PM, Evening 7:00 PM — WEDNESDAY: Midweek Service 7:00 PM — FRIDAY: Women's Meeting 10:00 AM

PRAYER REQUESTS

- This week remember to pray for our sister church (Rocky Grove) in **Franklin, Pennsylvania**. The pastor is Paul Baker. Pray especially that God will comfort those mourning the death of Andrew Slozat, who had pastored the church for 44+ years.
- Physical Needs -
 - Let's be faithful to pray for **Robert Stoughton** (recovery from open heart surgery), **Kendall Straight** (serious infection), **Pastor Dixon, Nadine Hughes** (terminally ill), **Judy Fay, Howard Mickle** (and Bonita), **Rosemary Snyder, Cathy Posson, Brian Wardlaw, Tim Murphy, Greg Bidwell, Brian Edwards, Roger Ellers, Noel Scott, Mark Vosburgh, Robert Ford, Don Elmore, Lillian Jamison, Jean Ford, Bob Zeh,** and **Kathy Moltzen**.
- Recent requests from our Cobleskill church include **Caroline, Ralph Parry, Kathleen, Leo, Bruce, Judy, Sharon, Genevieve,** and **Amy**.
- Continue to pray for:
 - Our **young people** in college, especially Lyndsay France, Seth and Isaac Owens. Pray for God's power for their lives. Pray for Keith Posson, who may have to leave school to go back to active military duty.
 - The village of **Middleburgh**, that we will reach people with hungry hearts and have fruitful results in our ministry.
 - Our service personnel, especially **Ryan Mills, Wesley Lum, Jacob Eggleston** and **Donnie Gray** (in Iraq), **Anthony & Joyce Willey** (Italy), **Charles Laraway** (Afghanistan), **Eric Wells** (flight school), and **Brian Sickler**.
 - The upcoming elections; our country, and our President and government leaders, that they may make Godly choices.
- Please let us know of anyone who is ill, facing a time of hospitalization, or would like a home visit.

Suggested Daily Scripture Reading

	<i>Sunday</i>	<i>Monday</i>	<i>Tuesday</i>	<i>Wednesday</i>
OT	Isaiah 15:1-18:7	Isaiah 19:1-21:17	Isaiah 22:1-24:23	Isaiah 25:1-28:13
NT	Galatians 1:1-24	Galatians 2:1-16	Galatians 2:17-3:9	Galatians 3:10-22
PSA	Psalms 58:1-11	Psalms 59:1-17	Psalms 60:1-12	Psalms 61:1-8
PROV	Proverbs 14	Proverbs 15	Proverbs 16	Proverbs 17
	<i>Thursday</i>	<i>Friday</i>	<i>Saturday</i>	
	Isaiah 28:14-30:11	Isaiah 30:12-33:9	Isaiah 33:10-36:22	
	Galatians 3:23-4:31	Galatians 5:1-12	Galatians 5:13-26	
	Psalms 62:1-12	Psalms 63:1-11	Psalms 64:1-10	
	Proverbs 18	Proverbs 19	Proverbs 20	

After a young man graduated from college in June 2003, an acquaintance came across a poem the graduate had written but to which he would not sign his name. It is a poem about friendship and the graduate's negligence in sustaining a significant friendship. Most of us can identify with the message of the poem:

Around the corner

Around the corner I have a friend,
In this great city that has no end.
Yet the days go by and weeks rush on,
And before I know it, a year is gone.
And I never see my old friend's face
For life is a swift and terrible race.
He knows I like him just as well,
As in the days when I rang his bell,
And he rang mine but we were younger then,
And now we are busy, tired men,
Tired of playing a foolish game,
Tired of trying to make a name.
"Tomorrow," I say, "I will call on Jim
Just to show that I'm thinking of him."
But tomorrow comes and tomorrow goes,
And distance between us grows and grows,
Around the corner, yet miles away.
"Here's a telegram, Sir." "Jim died today."
And that's what we get and deserve in the end —
Around the corner, a vanished friend.

—Anonymous



FRIEND DAY

October 19, 2008

Be a true friend!

1. Pray
2. Prepare
3. Put effort into the friendship
4. Invite personally (face to face)