

Sunday, October 18, 2020

19th Sunday after Pentecost



Birthdays & Anniversaries

(Italics denotes missionaries)



Oct. 19 Jaylene Gsell, Kelly Leshner
Oct. 20 Delani Stitely
Oct. 21 Gunner Leshner, Lorri Willard

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SHOEBOX CAMPAIGN: We have begun our Shoebox campaign. If you are able to pack a Shoebox for Operation Christmas Child, please pick up materials this morning. **Collection day is November 15.**

FORT RITCHIE HALLOWEEN DRIVE THROUGH: The Fort Ritchie Community Center is hosting a Halloween Drive Through event for the Community on Saturday, Oct. 31, from 4:00 – 6:00 PM. We will be participating by greeting families and passing out candy to children. We are **looking for volunteers** to join us in this project. If you would like to **donate Candy** (individually wrapped) for this event, please bring that to the Church next Sunday.

SUNDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY: We have begun a **Bible Study time** Sunday mornings at 10:30, following our Worship Service. We meet in the Family Life Center. We are doing a study of some of the characters whose stories are recorded in the Bible. All are welcome.

WORSHIP WITH US: You have two options for joining us for Worship. You can join us ONLINE or IN PERSON. Our **Online** worship is on YouTube. You can find the weekly service at our YouTube channel anytime after noon on Saturdays. Our **In Person** worship is on Sunday morning at 9:30. We are practicing “safe social distance”. Please maintain safe distance from others who do not live in your household. We ask that you wear masks. Please avoid handshakes and hugs. Please use the hand sanitizer when you arrive and as you leave.

THURSDAY EVENING CONFERENCE CALL: We have a Prayer Gathering by telephone on Thursday evenings at 7:00 PM. This is a time to connect with friends and pray together. If you would like to participate in these Conference Calls, contact Pastor Mark or the Church office for the dial-in information.

Preparing for Next Week – October 18, 2020

The following Scriptures are intended for you to use as a part of your devotions this week. They will help you prepare for the sermon study next week. You can also find and read these Scriptures on the Church website: www.germantowncog.org.

Monday	Genesis 15:1-7	Friday	Ephesians 2;1-10
Tuesday	Genesis 18:1-15	Saturday	Galatians 3:1-14
Wednesday	Genesis 18:16-33	Sunday	Psalms 123
Thursday	Romans 4:1-25		

MISSION OF THE MONTH: Our Mission emphasis of the month is Bangladesh Medical Ministries. The Churches of God have been engaged in ministry in Bangladesh for over 100 years. Our ministry there includes Medical work which was started by Dr. Fidelia Gilbert. Every year during the month of October we receive a special offering in honor of Dr. Gilbert whose birthday was in October. The offering is designated to support the Medical Work in Bangladesh. If you would like to give a gift for the Dr. Gilbert Fund, place your gift in an envelope marked Dr. Gilbert Fund and put it in the offering plate any Sunday during the month of October.



HAGERSTOWN RESCUE MISSION: Our Church is responsible for leading the evening Chapel service at the Rescue Mission, this Wednesday, at 7:00 PM. Volunteers are needed to help serve the evening meal following the Chapel Service. (NOTE: Desserts are taken care of for this month!)

SHOE BOX PROCESSING TRIP: It is time for our Operation Christmas Child, Shoebox Campaign. We are trying to determine if it is safe or wise to take a group to Baltimore to work in the Processing Center. If we do decide to go, would you be interested in being a part of that team. There is a sign up sheet in the mail box area. Please sign up if you would like to be a part of that team.

TITHES AND OFFERINGS: Thank you for your faithful giving of Tithes and Offerings to support the ministry of our Church. God invites us to join Him in His work here in this world. His mission is to restore lost people to their place as His children. **Giving is one of the ways we can participate in His work.** The offering plates are at the rear of the Sanctuary. Please put your gifts in the plate as you arrive or as you leave.