

Stone Chippings

This month will mark another transition in the life of Old Stone Presbyterian Church- the retirement of Richard Tincher. Richard has been such a consistent, strong presence at Old Stone for more than a decade.

There are many things that mark his time with Old Stone, none more than the spirit which he brought with him- one of joy, willingness, and persistence. Each time you ask Richard to do something, he simply says yes and gets it done, no small thing in church with our size physical plant. He's consistent and reliable. And... he whistles. Richard, as he works, walks throughout the church building whistling hymn tunes. That's a small thing that isn't a small thing, because more than once I've found myself in the midst of a serious pastoral situation and the words of a hymn will travel through my brain, a hymn I will eventually realize that Richard was whistling earlier in the day, reminding me of who and Whose I am:

“What a Friend We Have in Jesus, take it To the Lord in Prayer.”

Or

“So I'll cherish the old rugged cross till my trophies at last I lay down.”

Or “

Our God, our help in ages past, our hope for years to come.

Be thou our guard while troubles last, and our eternal home.”

You may notice that you haven't heard anything about a reception or special event to honor his work with us. Richard is both private and humble. It was his request that we not make a fuss, and we will honor that. But, there will be some time in an upcoming worship service when I will share some of the things we have done to celebrate his work with Old Stone in ways that are more in line with who he is and what he wants. While we will miss him, we are so pleased that Richard finally gets the chance to relax a little and travel with Bernice and his family. Congratulations Richard!

And, you may be wondering, who will our next property manager/custodian be? Just this week we have hired JR Sims to fill that position. He will be working with Richard for two weeks starting on May 14, and then he will take over when Richard departs on May 25. I hope you will soon get to meet him and I look forward to telling you more about him in future editions of the Stone Chippings.

Peace,
Rev. Anna



On the first Sunday of each month we invite any child or youth who has a birthday in that month to bring coins to place in the birthday bank during the Time for the Young Church—one coin per year. When the bank is full it is emptied and the proceeds are donated to mission. **Happy birthday!**

May 1 Frances Layton, Alice Lafollette
May 4 Bill Satterfield
May 6 Sara Irons
May 10 Janice Milam
May 12 Grace Coffindaffer
May 15 Dee Brown
May 20 Sandi Hofmann, Sam Christie
May 24 Kathy Snyder
May 29 Debbie Taylor, Tom Campbell

May 3 Amelia Monti
May 5 Herb Montgomery
May 7 Michael Meadows
May 11 Lyn MacCorkle
May 14 Gail Marshall, Becky Kelso
May 16 Carson Banton, Tate Hudson
May 21 Jacquelyn Marshall
May 25 Victoria Monti

Davis Stuart Linen Drive:

The spring linen drive for Davis Stuart campus continues this month. A collection basket has been placed in the Education Building entrance, but is in need of some filling! Davis Stuart is in critical need of linens for new residents as they arrive on campus. The following donations are being accepted: new or gently used towels/wash clothes; new twin bed sheets and pillowcases; new pillows and twin-sized bed-in-a-bag (available at Walmart). Laundry detergent is also needed. If you wish to make a cash contribution towards this effort, please talk with Grace Coffindaffer or Amy Brown.

McCormick House Graduation/Promotion Party:

The women of Old Stone will be hosting an end of school year party for the young ladies at McCormick House. We will be sharing a meal, conversation and encouragement. Date is to TBD. If you are interested in joining in on the fun, please contact Molly Hileman or Dawn Huffman.

Mom's CAFE Brunch:

All women of the church are encouraged to attend the Mom's CAFE (Come and Feel Encouraged) ministry's end of year brunch on Friday, May 18th from 9-11 am. This will be held in Fellowship Hall. Please join us for a wonderful opportunity to better understand this outreach ministry and meet the 20 plus women in our community that it serves. Please contact Amy Brown if you wish to attend.

Youth Sunday - Our middle and high school students truly blessed us with a meaningful worship service on April 22nd, reminding us yet again that they are not the church of tomorrow...they are the church of today. Our seniors, Anna Ahern, John Hofmann and Hallie Nemcik have provided solid leadership throughout the years, and it shows.



Flowers

If you would like to dedicate sanctuary flowers, there are many Sundays available. The cost is \$35.00 made payable to Presbyterian Women. Call the church office to reserve a date and share what you'd like the bulletin dedication to say.

Presbyterian Women's Council will meet on Tuesday, May 1 at 12:00 noon for a covered dish luncheon in the activities room.

Presbyterian Women's November Circle Meetings, Wednesday – May 9

Afternoon Circle will meet at 12:00 p.m. at Shirley Runyon's home for a covered dish luncheon.

Evening Circle will meet at 7:00 p.m. in the Hayes Room with Jewell Dolan, hostess.



2018 Birthday Offering of Presbyterian Women—May 6, 2018, Followed by Fellowship Time Hosted by Presbyterian Women

The Birthday Offering of Presbyterian Women celebrates and continues Presbyterian Women's history of mission giving. Since 1922, when women were asked to support Miss Dowd's School for Girls in Japan through a contribution of one penny for each year of life, Presbyterian Women have helped fund mission projects that improve the lives of women and children around the world. While the annual projects and penny donations have changed, Presbyterian Women's commitment to improving the lives of women and children has not. May 6 is the date selected to receive donations during morning worship to support three projects that address the critical need for shelter and hospitality in the areas they serve. The projects that inspire this year's theme, "Welcome to This Place", include:

Village of Grace Center for Physical and Spiritual Health, Tegucigalpa, Honduras—a retreat center managed by Presbyterian women in Honduras. **The Dwelling Place**, Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minnesota—provides for the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of women and their children following their escape from a violent partner. **Cottage Village**, Cottage Grove, Oregon—a tiny-house community for low income residents. Thank you for being a part of this!



Greetings from the Sunday School Class led by Chuck Lewis.

Our theme in May is "Give Praise to God". Featured scriptures come from Exodus, 2Corinthians, Leviticus, Psalms, and Hebrews.

Background scriptures come from Matthew, Proverbs, Revelation, Philippians, Acts, and Galatians. One of our goals is to help you better understand the Bible and how it relates to and enhances your daily living. Come learn with us on Sundays at 10:00 a.m. in the Conference Room.



The practice of prayer with children

March 21, 2018 by The Presbyterian Outlook

<http://pres-outlook.org/2018/03/the-practice-of-prayer-with-children/>

**The Presbyterian Outlook graciously allowed us to reprint
this article in our newsletter,
both the emailed and print versions.**

We are not, however, allowed to re-post the article on our website.

If you would like to read this article, you can find it here:

- 1) <http://pres-outlook.org/2018/03/the-practice-of-prayer-with-children/>
- 2) you can pick up a print copy at the church
- 3) or you can get in touch and we will email it to you directly.

Hotdog Luncheon - May 20th

PYC will provide hotdogs, fixings and sides immediately following worship. All donations will support the high school mission trip to Houston, Texas this July. Come for the hotdogs and stay for the ice cream!

VBS - June 3rd – 7th - Babylon – Daniel’s Courage in Captivity

We will meet each evening from 6:00-8:00 to explore Babylon, where Daniel showed great courage in captivity! This amazing experience will help kids explore ancient Babylon through the eyes of Daniel and his friends. Participants won’t just hear about God’s love; they will see it, touch it, sing it and taste it! Save the date and watch for registration forms to become available!

Preschool Enrollment is now open!

For the very first time in our more than 50 years of providing early education for our community, Old Stone Preschool will have 3 designated classes! We are creating developmentally appropriate classrooms for two, three and four-year olds! Call the church office for more information and don’t forget to spread the word around town.

Logos Program - A special thank you goes out to all of our Logos participants and their families for a job well done on the Moses story. Our elementary students remind us how to relax and have fun, as well how to worship outside of the sanctuary in nontraditional ways. We also are super thankful for our Fellowship Committee and their hard work providing meals for our programming.

Pancake Supper
Sponsored by:
Davis Stuart
Culinary Arts Program

Wednesday, May 9th

Homemade Maple Syrup tapped from Davis Stuart trees | 5-7 P.M. Old Stone Presbyterian Church

Donations Accepted

MENU
Pancakes
Eggs
Sausage
Homemade Maple Syrup

Thank you For Your Support

The poster features a central image of a stack of pancakes on a plate with a glass of orange juice and a sausage link. The background is a blue and white checkered pattern.

Find the most up-to-date calendar at www.oldstonechurchwv.com

May 2018 (Eastern Time)

Old Stone Presbyterian Church

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
29	30	1	2	3	4	5
		10 am - Bulletin Deadline 12 pm - Presbyterian	7 am - Men's Breakfast 10 am - Chapel, Preschool 2 pm - Comfort Care 3 pm - APS Office Hours 6 pm - Session Meeting	5 pm - Food Locker Board 6 pm - Preschool Open		11 am - Reception/Visitation
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
10 am - Sunday School 11 am - Worship 5:30 pm - PYC	10 am - APS Office Hours 3 pm - APS Office Hours 5 pm - Choir Supper, men of 7 pm - Choir Practice	10 am - Bulletin Deadline	10 am - Chapel, Preschool 12 pm - PW Circle @ Shirley 3 pm - APS Office Hours 7 pm - PW Circle		12 pm - Staff Lunch for	
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
10 am - Sunday School 11 am - Worship	10 am - APS Office Hours 3 pm - APS Office Hours 7 pm - Choir Practice	10 am - Bulletin Deadline	10 am - Chapel, Preschool 3 pm - APS Office Hours 6 pm - Committee Night	10 am - Preschool Year-End		9 am - Choir Retreat
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
10 am - Newsletter 10 am - Sunday School 11 am - Worship 5:30 pm - PYC	10 am - APS Office Hours 3 pm - APS Office Hours 7 pm - Choir Practice	10 am - Bulletin Deadline	3 pm - APS Office Hours			
27	28	29	30	31	1	2
10 am - Sunday School 11 am - Worship 5:30 pm - PYC	Office Closed - Memorial 10 am - No APS Office 3 pm - No APS Office Hours 7 pm - Choir Practice	10 am - Bulletin Deadline	1:30 pm - Staff Meeting 3 pm - APS Office Hours			