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Welcome JUNE

New month, new chapter,
new page and new wishes.
May the month give you
courage, strength, confidence,
patience, self-love & inner
peace. May every day in
June fill your days with
Hope, love, sunshine and
energy. Let there be joy,
fun and laughter.

An Unspoken Bible

His name is Bill. He has wild hair, wears a T-shirt with holes in it, jeans and no shoes. This was literally his wardrobe for his entire four years of college. He is brilliant. Kind of esoteric and very, very bright. He became a Christian recently while attending college.

Across the street from the campus is a well-dressed, very conservative Christian Church. One day Bill decides to go there. He walks in with no shoes, jeans, his T-shirt, and wild hair. The Church service has already started and so Bill starts down the aisle looking for a seat.

The Church is completely packed and he can't find a seat. By now people are really looking a bit uncomfortable, but no one says anything. Bill gets closer and closer and closer to the pulpit and, when he realizes there are no seats, he just squats down right on the carpet. (Although perfectly acceptable behavior at a college fellowship), trust me, this had never happened in this Church before!

By now the people are really uptight, and the tension in the air is thick. About this time, the minister realizes that from way at the back of the Church, an Elder is slowly making his way toward Bill.

Now the Elder is in his eighties, has silver-gray hair, and a three-piece suit. A godly Christian man, very elegant, very dignified, very courtly. He walks with a cane and, as he starts walking

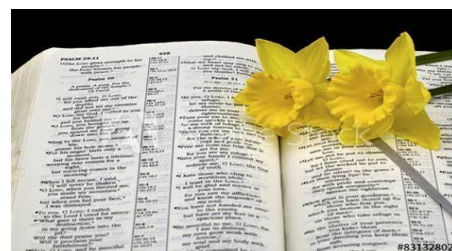
toward this boy, everyone is saying to themselves that you can't blame him for what he's going to do.

How can you expect a man of his age and of his background to understand some college kid on the floor? It takes a long time for the man to reach the boy. The Church is utterly silent except for the clicking of the man's cane.

All eyes are focused on him. You can't even hear anyone breathing. The minister can't even preach the sermon until the Elder does what he has to do. And now they see this elderly man drop his cane on the floor. With great difficulty he lowers himself and sits down next to Bill and worships with him so he won't be alone.

Everyone chokes up with emotion. When the minister gains control, he says, "What I'm about to preach, you will never remember. What you have just seen you will never forget. Be careful how you live. You may be the only Bible some people will ever read."

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*Amazing Bouquets**By Evelyn M. Shoots*

*Our Gold Spangled trees
Await the gentle breezes
And rejoice as it eases*

*This World of Wonders
Throughout lightning and thunders
Maybe scare numbers*

*Father holds the reigns
And guides as He explains why
So much fills the skies*

*HAVE YOU EVER SEEN
How EVEN creatures will sing
In their Happy-ing?*

*God plants the forests
As our Head Florist to thrill
We see Daffodils!*

*As Our Creator
Every day is Father's Day
As we praise and pray*



**June 5th
Pentecost
Communion Sunday**

Greeter: Everyone
Invocation & Call to Worship:
Rev. Peter Grinion
Scripture Reader: Steve Wenthe
Offertory Prayer: Kathy Gosnell
Fellowship: Laurie & Steve Wenthe

June 12th

Greeter: Everyone
Invocation & Call to Worship:
Rev. Peter Grinion
Scripture Reader: Anne Greco
Offertory Prayer: Valerie Bandemer
Fellowship: Roger Smith

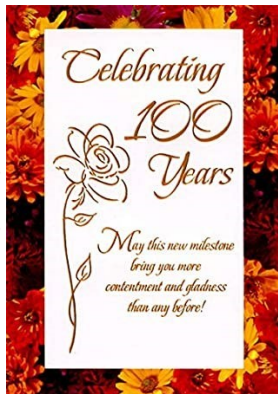
**June 19th
Father's Day**

Greeter: Everyone
Invocation & Call to Worship:
Rev. Peter Grinion
Scripture Reader: John Miller
Offertory Prayer: Laurie Wenthe
Fellowship: Rev. Peter Grinion

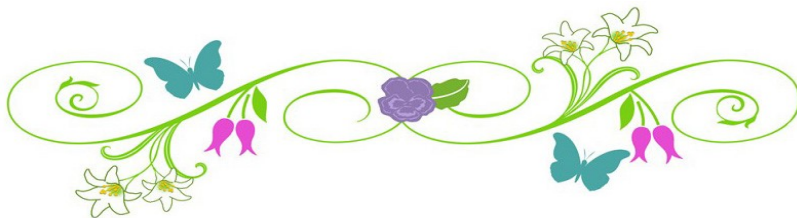
June 26th

Greeters: Everyone
Invocation & Call to Worship:
Rev. Peter Grinion
Scripture: Valerie Bandemer
Offertory Prayer: Connie Necaster/
Valerie Bandemer
Fellowship: Valerie Bandemer





June 2 this year was a special day for Marian Wenthe (Steve's Mom) and her family. She turned 100 that day. If you would like to send her a card, please mail it to Marian Wenthe, 295 Martin Road, West Henrietta, NY 14586. We believe she would enjoy a card shower of congratulations.



Kathy Gosnell and Josina McCarroll celebrated their birthdays together during Fellowship Time on May 15th.



Prayer Group
Saturdays at 9:00 AM

Choir Practice
Saturdays at 10:30 AM

Sunday Mornings
Choir Practice at 9:30 AM
Worship at 10:00 AM
Fellowship at 11:00 AM

Bible Study
Wednesdays at 10:00 AM

Pentecost
Sunday, June 5

Deacons Meeting
June 10 at 10:00 AM

Trustees Meeting
June 10 at 1:00 PM

Advisory Council Meeting
June 13 at 6:00 PM

**LINK deadline for July
June 18 ~ Joyce Shutts**

Father's Day
Sunday, June 19

Cabinet Meeting ~ TBA

June 6 ~ Carol Dubois
June 10 ~ Stacie Goff
June 11 ~ Elizabeth Hirschman
June 11 ~ Chris Pires
June 11 ~ Vi Oliphant-Smith
June 12 ~ Sally Kubica
June 15 ~ Stan Eney
June 20 ~ Bonnie Healy
June 21 ~ Dr. Leonard Smith
June 26 ~ Ken Goff
June 28 ~ Ashley Marie Dubois



Traditionally, our General Fund Income drops during the summer months. Please note, our General Fund Expenses remain fairly constant during those same months.

WHBC has been blessed with generous donations to our church building "needs" "Designated Purpose Funds" Line Items.

The following "Schedule C" Building-related Line Items information was presented to the WHBC Board of Trustees on May 13, 2022.

<u>No.</u>	<u>Line Item Name</u>	<u>Amount</u>	
12	Trustee's Fund	\$ 0.00	
14	Building Fund	\$ 8,665.99	
18	Kitchen Fund	\$ 1,011.71	
32	Parking Lot Fund	\$ 0.00	
40	Church Building Maintenance	\$ 0.00	
82	Steeple Fund	\$ 1,700.00	
86	Church Building Painting	\$ 1,900.00	1
90	Capital Improvement Fund	\$ 26,952.00	
96	Church Improvement Fund	\$ 23,075.00	
99	"Go Fund Me" Fund	\$ 1,784.34	2
	Total	\$ 65,089.04	

Notes:

1. "Craft Sale", \$620.75 money to be added
2. Additional \$1,595.00 expected by month-end



RHAFT food terminal needs to be replenished to allow for the needs of our community. Laurie & Steve Wenthe's food drive is continuing.

Please leave your food items on the island in the kitchen. They will collect and deliver them as they accumulate.

We are doing a monthly drop off, usually at the end of each month. Laurie Wenthe

Donations need to go to the Food Cupboard on Mondays between 9 & 12:00 noon.

Update on Items needed: Cold cereal and Hamburger Helper

Other suggestions:

Tuna Helper
Hearty Soups
Sm. instant rice cups/meals
Canned meats (Ham, chicken)
Plastic jars sauce
Puddings/jellos
Personal care items

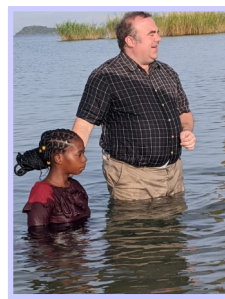


News from the Mission Field

I finally made it to Kigoma. Thank you for all your prayers. Please keep them coming.

I am so happy to announce the baptisms of Pagiell Evarist and Rehema Julias. This was a big day for them, but also for me because it was my first time baptizing. This was at Open Beach at Lake Tanganyika.

David and Michelle Heed



Kigoma is a city and lake port in northwestern Tanzania, on the northeastern shores of Lake Tanganyika and close to the border with Burundi and The Democratic Republic of the Congo.



LOVE REMAINS ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING – OFFERING IN JUNE

I Corinthians 13:13 “And now these three remain: faith, hope and love. But the greatest is LOVE.

The world has changed dramatically in the last 2 years: COVID-19 pandemic has affected every country and many have been devastated by the life-changes and loss of life and health.

LOVE DID INDEED RESPOND:

In 2020 AND 2021- A total of 244 grants- totaling \$795,250 were provided to 208 partners located in 30 states and 50 countries.

As you pray about sharing love this year many more will need help with the COVID-19 continuing pandemic. There have been many natural disasters and wildfires in the U.S. and Canada as well as Europe. Earthquakes, Hurricanes, Famines in Africa and South America, and of course Wars (especially in Ukraine).

There are too many needs to count, but we are called by God to love our neighbor and find ways to help them in times of suffering.

LOVE RESPONDS LOVE REBUILDS LOVE REMEMBERS

Yes, we are in the process of raising money to restore our church building and the need is large, but what about those brothers and sisters that have deeper needs to have food to survive, a place to sleep, a country to call home, freedom to live the life God gave them without fear and hate. PLEASE, PLEASE PRAY ABOUT HOW GOD IS CALLING YOU TO SHOW THAT LOVE REMAINS! May West Henrietta Baptist Church share God's Love abundantly through the One Great Hour of Sharing Offering in June.

With thanks and in prayer,
Your Mission Committee



"AND THEN MR. WILSON SLIPPED ON MY SKATEBOARD, AN' I TRIED TO HELP, BUT I STEPPED ON HIS FINGER....STOP ME IF I'M BORING YOU."

Daily Dependence

*Our Father which art in heaven, Hallowed by thy name.....
Give us day by day our daily bread.
Luke 11:2-3 KJV*

Are you a squirrel or a sparrow? Squirrels are the stockpilers, gathering enough nuts to last the winter, while sparrows are the scavengers, feasting each day on nature's provision. In human equivalents, squirrels are the bulk-food buyers and sparrows are the daily marketers. If we're thinking of our stomachs, either approach has its perks. But what about our spirits?

Second Corinthians 9:8 says, "God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work." It stands to reason that if God will richly provide material resources, He will richly meet spiritual needs as well. He is able to give us every last needed drop of power, joy, peace, faith.... But we cannot come to Him and expect a week's, month's, or year's worth of power, joy, peace, or faith at a time. D.L. Moody compared the Christian's need to manna: "I cannot but believe that the reason for the standard of Christian life being so low, is that we are living on stale manna.... The Israelites used to gather the manna fresh every day: they were not allowed to store it up."** How do we apply manna gathering to our lives? "If we would be strong and vigorous, we must go to God daily. A man can no more take in a supply of grace for the future than he can eat enough today to last him for the next six months, or take sufficient air into his lungs at once to sustain life for a week to come. We must draw upon God's boundless stores of grace for day to day, as we need it."**

It was this daily dependence on the Father that Jesus included in what we call the Lord's Prayer. He taught the crowds to come to God day by day for their needs.

And we can learn from the sparrow too. Jesus said, "Look at the birds of the air. They neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feed them. Are you not of more value than they?" (Matthew 6:26). God promises to care for us. Why not go to Him every day for every need?

*God, how often do I fill up on You then go for days on
My own, only to find I'm running on fumes?
I need You every single day! Amen.*

*D.L. Moody, The D.L. Moody Year Book: A Living Daily Message from the Words of D.L. Moody, comp. Emma Moody Fitt (New York: Fleming H. Revell Company, 1900), 170-71, <https://books.google.com/books?d=RQ6K388okAIC&dq>

**Ibid., 171.



Special Thanks

A special thank you to Valerie Bandemer for her faithfulness in taking care of our sign in front of the Church. The message you post encourages and lifts many spirits.

Struggling With the Problem of Evil

The presence of evil in the world is undeniable. While many philosophies and religions try to make sense of the world by denying its existence, the human experience quickly refutes their ideas. In other words, the preponderance of evidence shows that we are presently living in evil days. Evil is our turning away from our love of God and others toward selfish love of ourselves. Our society embodies evil, and propagates evil instead of rejecting it. On a personal, family and communal level we are constantly faced with evil. Let me explain two types of evil, and then focus on the latter.

Natural evil - This refers to natural disasters. Natural evil is that which causes pain and suffering to humanity, but which is not due to direct human involvement. Congenital diseases, tsunamis, earthquakes, floods, drought, and famine are all cases of natural evil. Moral evil – The primary focus of my sermon. There are two sources of moral evil at play in the world. There is a rebellious devil bent on destroying God's good purpose, and a fallen humanity that manifests in human activity, like murder, physical injury, rape, robbery, embezzlement, hatred, racism, etc.

FIRST: The Causes of Moral Evil

When people, created in the image of God, choose to act in defiance of God's law, the result is moral evil. God did not create moral evil; rather God created the possibility of evil. What do I mean by that? God loves humans so much that He gives to humans the wonderful gift of freewill (i.e., the ability to decide his/her course of action. That freedom to choose creates the possibility of evil, and, consequently, the suffering that results.

God created humans in His own image, capable of having and sustaining a personal relationship with Him. But to really be in His image, they have to be capable of freely loving Him and following His will without being forced. God allows free-will for human beings to sin or do the

morally right things. God allows free will because He has justice and judgment and rewards for the deeds and actions of all humankind.

SECOND: The Consequences of Evil

Evil manifests itself in pride, temptations, hatred, trouble, deceit, evil plot, lies, terroristic bombings, immorality, and solidarity with evil activities. Evil is embraced in society and personal lives because there is little or no fear of God. Let's look at innocent people being killed in what is called "soft target" shootings: school shootings, church shootings, concert shootings, movie theatre shootings, mall shootings, supermarket shootings, political meeting shootings, etc. On this Memorial Day weekend, we meet to praise God for our freedoms and to memorialize those veterans who have made the ultimate sacrifice for our country. But hadn't it been for evil, there would be no wars.

Today, thousands of Memorial services are held around our country and US territories to memorialize these dead veterans. On Monday millions will visit cemeteries to honor the dead. One of the big tragedies about those we memorialize this weekend, is that they left loved ones behind who probably are still mourning their lost, which includes spouses, children, siblings, friends and colleagues. They have left many relationships damaged for life. They have left much unfinished business in their families.

THIRD: The Cure for Evil.

Why should we believe in a God who allows children to be molested and murdered, and allows bloody warfare in His name? Don't blame God! The source of evil is not the devil, it is our own free will. People choose evil. The ultimate cure for evil is Jesus Christ, the Son of God. He is the Savior of the world. People are not ethically and morally pure by nature. We need to pray believing God for evil people to receive a new heart from God.

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Yes, we need to pray that the hearts of evil people may experience transformation and that they will begin to love what God loves.

Pray that they will receive a heart that fears and loves God and wants to do the things that bring honor and glory to God. We need to believe in the power of mass and personal evangelism. God has a plan to forgive humans of their evil ways, but how will they hear without those who will share with them the Good News of Salvation? (Romans 6:23).

To sum it up: We are called as Christians [Soldiers of the Cross] Engage in spiritual warfare—fight against the work of evil forces; battle with evil spirits or demons that intervenes in human affairs in various ways

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord, and in the power of his might. Put on the whole armor of God that you be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we wrestle not against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness in high places (Eph.6:10-12).

Thankfully, the Lord will deal with the evil and wicked ones and set this world right—the world will study/wage wars no more (Joel 3:10; Joel 4:10).

Thankfully, the Lord embraces the righteous and provides for them a light shining in the darkness, which illuminates the path of righteousness, and He provides for his people a fountain of life.

"Tis so sweet to trust in Jesus just to take Him at His word..."

Written by

Rev. Dr. Peter E. Grinion, Pastor



The U in JesUs

Before U were thought of or time had begun,
God had stuck U in the name of His Son.

And each time U pray, you'll see it's true,
You can't spell out JesUs and not include U.

You're a pretty big part of His wonderful name,
For U, he was born; that's why He came.

And His great love for U is the reason that he died,
It even takes U to spell crUcified.

Isn't it thrilling and splendidly grand,
He rose from the dead with U in His plan.

The stones split away, the gold trUmptet blew,
and this word resUrrections is spelled with a U.

When JesUs left the earth at His upward ascension,
He felt there was one thing He just had to mention.

"Go into the world and tell them it's true,
That I love them all-Just like I love U.

So many great people are spelled with a U,
Don't they have the right to know JesUs too?

It all depends now on what U will do,
He'd like them to know, but it all starts with U.

Will U pass it on?
JesUs Loves U!!!

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**Please submit:
your articles,
events and/or
calendar items
for July to
Joyce Shutts
by June 18th.**