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PASTOR'S MESSAGE

"...He descended into Hell "I have received a few requests for clarification over what exactly this phrase means in the Apostles Creed. This phrase is, of course, about Jesus. We state we believe, Jesus was "...conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the virgin marry; suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into Hell; the third day he rose again from the dead and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty " If we grew up in the church we heard a lot about Jesus' birth. trial under Pilate. his resurrection and appearances to his followers and finally his ascension. What is this, "descended into Hell"? We may have heard it as many times as we have spoken the Apostles Creed but what does it mean?

I have heard a few interpretations, myself, over the years as to what it means. One preacher who was passionately talking about the suffering Christ endured for us spoke about how it meant he literally went to hell and suffered for us for three days. While I do not dispute Christ's love is great enough to have done this for us, it is not exactly a biblical concept. So what does the Bible say? What scriptural basis is there for Jesus "descending into hell"? The scriptural basis is from 1 Peter 3:18-21,"**18** For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, to bring you to God. He was put to death in the body but made alive in the Spirit. **19** After being made alive, he went and made proclamation to the imprisoned spirits **20** to those who were disobedient long ago when God waited patiently in the days of Noah while the ark was being built. In it only a few people, eight in all, were saved through water, **21** and this water symbolizes baptism that now saves you also—not the removal of dirt from the body but the pledge of a clear conscience toward God. It saves you by the resurrection of Jesus Christ,"

So what does this mean? Apparently, Jesus was busy between his death on Friday and his resurrection on Sunday. Peter tells us between his death and resurrection he went and preached to souls who had been bound since the days of Noah. What did he preach? We are not told. Since this is Jesus we are talking about, I assume he was preaching some message of salvation to them. What form this took and what it means is not clear. Paul does talk about the possibility of someone being dead in the body but alive in the Spirit. A possibility of not receiving a spiritual resurrected body but, nonetheless, being made alive in the Spirit.

Paul's aim for himself and us was not only to be made alive spiritually, but to also receive a resurrected body such as Jesus took up after his resurrection. He compared the difference between the two as one being "clothed" and one being "naked". Obviously,

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Receive your newsletter by email and in color, too. Call the office to find out how!

The Purpose of the First United Presbyterian Church is to:

Invite people to know and glorify God Grow together as followers of Christ Serve others through the power of the Holy Spirit being clothed is better, but being naked in heaven is still better than the alternative of not being in heaven.

Clear as mud right? The most basic way of thinking about it is; Jesus between his death and resurrection went into the spirit realm and saved some people who had been really naughty. How he did this and what form that salvation takes is not spelled out. This is one of many Biblical questions that if you ask, it keeps getting more and more complicated. This does not mean we should not ask, but we should never lose sight of the simple truth; Jesus Saves. He saves in this world and, apparently, can save in the spirit world as well. I find that very encouraging.

Peace in Christ,



please contact the

church office or one of the Deacons

Mark



Need a Ride to Church? Call Office



Freighter View Assisted Living 605 West Portage Avenue

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The Soo Chimes



Our Sunday Worship Service starts at 10:00 a.m. We hope to see you on Sunday!



John White, Marion Osborn, Shane Miller, Pat White, Kevin Tastor, Gina Gough, Dorothy Smart, Jim Schmidt, Jean Smith, Jane Kellan, Ruth Thesing, Judy Knutsen, Joyce Cross, Wendy (Menard) James,

William Kellan, Family of Michael Peller (Grandson of Marsha Cross), Margaret Vonderwerth & her family, and all members of missionaries and the U.S. Armed Forces.

Please keep us up to date on your prayer requests.



Your gift to help us feed our community is appreciated. FOOD PANTRY

The Food Pantry Envelopes are in the pews!! The goal is to raise \$3000 before fall by means of these envelopes. Then we will be able to continue the food pantry. Please put your donation in the envelope and put the envelope in the offering plate.

Thank you for your contributions!





OPE OUT OFFICE





(Grandson of Marsha Cross) 08/06/2016

Michael Peller



We look forward to the beginning of fall and all the activities that go along with it.

The food pantry has reached \$1300 of our \$3000 goal for reopening the weekly food pantry distribution. We are carefully reviewing options for food, whether the weekly pantry opens in September or January, with a possibility of hosting a Feeding America truck delivery to feed 200 people in the winter. An announcement will be posted in the

bulletin to alert you of our decision.

Meanwhile, the Deacons are hosting a Quilt Show - Quilts Have Stories, Too! as a fundraiser for Road to Recovery. It is a transportation service for patients who need to travel to Petoskey for cancer treatments. Several of our members have been volunteer drivers as well as riders. The show will be Friday, Sept. 16 from 4-7 pm, and Saturday, Sept. 17 from 10 am-4 pm. Entry is \$5 and lunch is available for \$7. There are more than 60 quilts signed up for viewing. There will also be a quilting workshop/demonstration.

Enjoy the cooler temperatures and everything that is autumn.

Jeanne Shibley, Deacon Chairperson





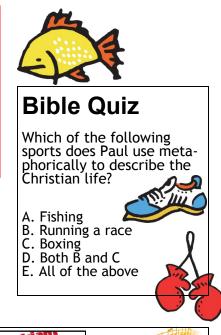




Session

September 18th

Pastor Mark is going to be starting up a new members class September 11th. If you have been wondering it is all about to be a Presbyterian and or would like to join our membership, please give Denise a call in the church office. All ages are encouraged to come to our new member class.





Our gratitude goes out to our guest musicians, Lisa Justin and Ardith Bawks. Thank you for sharing your musical talents with us during our August Worship Services.



SALE: We are selling 50 metal folding chairs for \$5.00 each. All of the sale items are located in the Social Hall, back by the Boy Scout room. The padded metal folding chairs **ARE NOT** for sale. We will be selling to Church members only until September 12th then to everyone. All proceeds will go to FUPC General Fund. PW will be downstairs after Church if you would like to look at these and/or purchase. Thank you.

					
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		Carolyn Shaw	09/12	Jennifer Lundstrom	09/22
SEPTEME	BER	Melissa Gabbard	09/15	Louis Weinrick	09/22
BIRTHDA	YS	David Pearce	09/15	Joanne Arbic	09/24
Denise Folkersma	09/02	Dennis Boogerd	09/16	Roberta Pearce	09/24
Ann Bourque	09/03	Richard Brawley	09/16	Susan Trombley	09/24
Joyce Cross	09/03	Shane Hill	09/16	Jaymie Guzzo	09/26
Eli Folkersma	09/06	Doreen Gordon	09/17	Fred Michels	09/26
Michael Lussier	09/07	Angela Gorsuch	09/17	Maggie Gazvoda	09/29

9/11 2001 9/11 2001 al-Qaeda hijacked 4 airlines and carried out suicide attacks against targets in the United	here in the United States, and shortly after takeoff they took over the planes and crashed into the south tower and Twin Towers, and Pentagon. One hundred and twenty five Pentagon lives were lost along with 67 crew members aboard the airplane.
States. I, like you will never forget where I was when the planes struck the Twin Towers of the World Trade Center, in New York city, and a 3rd plane struck the Pentagon in Washington, D.C. The 4th plane crashed in a field in Pennsylvania.	A 4th plane was hijacked about 40 minutes after leaving Newark International Airport in New Jersey. Since the plane had been delayed, passengers began to learn by cell phones, of the Twin Towers and Pentagon damage, and passengers entered the cockpit and used a fire extinguisher on the pilots and
These happenings defined the presidency of George W. Bush.	the plane flipped over killing all passengers and terrorists.
Three thousand deaths of innocent people and 400 police and firefighters died in the Twin Towers attack. This all began at 8:45 AM on September 11, 2001 on a clear Tuesday morning. An American Airlines Boeing 767 loaded with 20,000 gallons of jet fuel crashed into the north tower of the World Trade Center. The impact left a gaping burning hole near the 80th floor of the 110	For security reasons President Bush had been shuttled around the country was taken to the White House at 7 PM. At 9 PM President Bush was on TV to America explaining what had taken place during the day. Enduring Freedom was a part of his message and he promised to capture and kill Osama bin Laden in due time.
story skyscraper, instantly killing hundreds of people and trapping hundreds more. Then 18 minutes later a 2nd Boeing 767 crashed into the south tower near the 60th floor. A massive explosion followed, and we knew we	It wasn't until Barack Obama was in office that bin Laden was tracked down in Pakistan and was killed on May 11, 2001.
were under attack.	This proves our love for our country and the freedoms we continue to enjoy. We all can thank our military over and over again.
The terrorists were from Saudi Arabia and several other Arab nations. Osama bin Laden was head of this terrorist organization and he did not approve of our support of Israel and our involvement in the Persian Gulf War. Some of the terrorists had taken flying lesson	Don Myers, CRE

Answer for Page 4: D (See 1 Corinthians 9:24-27.)

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Rally Sunday September 11th FUPC Trustees



Come and join us for Sunday, September 11th for Rally Sunday!

We will be kicking off the Sunday School year!

And please feel welcome to stay after church and join us for lunch provided by the members of the FUPC Trustees.

Hope to see you all there!

BACKPACK BLESSING

Celebrating Back to School

SEPTEMBER 11, 2016

All the children are invited to bring their backpacks to church on September 11 during the 10:00 worship service. During worship our congregation will bless these backpacks as well as the students and teachers in our church.

WE ARE EXCITED FOR THE YEAR AND SO SHOULD YOU!

School Begins

The time has come to start a new year of youth group. High school is such an exciting and fun time in all of your lives. We hope you come to find that youth group is a safe and fun environment for you to grow in your faith, and the relationships with others. We look forward to seeing all of you this year!



SAVE THESE SUNDAY DATES SEPTEMBER 11 & 25 OCTOBER 9 & 23 NOVEMBER 13

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP

6:30 – 8:00 PM

All youth grades 9-12 are invited to join Chad, Denise, Mark and Melissa For our High School Youth Group. BRING A FRIEND!!!!!





After the summer break, the Choir will rejoin our Worship Service on Rally Sunday, September 11th.

Choir Rehearsals will resume on Wednesday, September 7, at 7 p.m.

New singers are welcome to come and join in.

Contact Kay Boyne for more information.

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord!"





NURSERY VOLUNTEERS We are working on revamping our nursery schedule. With many new little ones coming to church, we would like to give their parents a chance to here the sermon and participate in worship. If you would like to help out in any way with our nursery schedule, please see Melissa or Kaye.

Three Lakes Lay Academy Fall 2016 Class Offerings

Schedule:

All classes held at:

Thursdays from September 15 – November 17, 2016 Zion Evangelical Lutheran Church 950 Huron St, St. Ignace, MI 49781 906-643-7870

Each class is \$10 for the semester. Students may be required to purchase books. Scholarships are available. Classes are team taught by Presbyterian and Lutheran teachers.

Please pre-register at <u>davidvandam68@gmail.com</u> or <u>david.tielbar6@gmail.com</u> before September 7, 2016 to make sure you can get books by the first class!

For information please contact: Pastor David Tielbar at 906-643-7870, <u>david.tielbar6@gmail.com</u> or Rev. David Van Dam at 231-439-5069, <u>davidvandam68@gmail.com</u>



Annual Memorial and Dedication Service Sunday, October 16, 2016 During the 10:00 a.m. Worship Service. Candles will be lit in memory of church members and friends who have passed away during the past year. We will also dedicate new purchases from the Memorial Fund. Please call Sara Jones, 635-0740, or the church office, if you have any questions. Coffee hour will follow the service.

The Memorial Committee invites you to the

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QUILTS HAVE STORIES. TOO!



Quilt Show to benefit "Road to Recovery" \$5 Admission fee

Friday, September 16th

12:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, September 17th 10:00

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

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The Quilts will be displayed on the pews in the Sanctuary. We are looking for new, used, special occasion, and those that send most of their lives in a closet or under a bed, also bring those found at garage sales, flea markets or in a corner of a thrift store. That's a story! We would like your story as soon as possible.

We will also have wall space for wall hangers. Some quilts and wall hangings will be in the Social Hall. We will also have refreshments and a luncheon in the Social Hall. The luncheon be available for \$7.00 each and will consist of soup, salads, and desserts.

We invite everyone to come walk aisles and read the stories behind the quilts. You would also be helping support the "Road to Recovery" vans and deter bridge fare and gas. One or two vans travel to Petoskey five days a week, picking up our family member or friends from the Sault area making stops at all exits to St. Ignace. The van riders have wonderful friendship stories as they travel many miles together.

In August we will be in the Narthex for you to sign up for salads and desserts for the luncheon. Also we will need greeters and workers. Quilt Show

Hope to see you September 16th and 17th

QUILT SHOW LUNCHEON

A quilt show to benefit "Road to Recovery" will be held at our church Friday, September 16th and September Saturday, 17th. A luncheon will be offered. If vou are able to provide a salad or dessert for one of these days, please the sign sheet the on bulletin board across from the office or Sundays in the Narthex.

If you have questions, please contact Mary Stanaway at 647-6759 or Lois Hillock 635-0380.



The Textile Social Group has already begun to set their mission goal for 2017.

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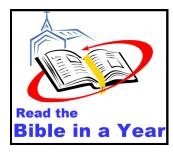
Road to Recovery

We have started lap quilts for

next season, among other items and we continue to accept denim and other fabric donations.

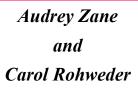
Anyone is welcome to stop in on Thursdays from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. beginning **October 6, 2016** with whatever textile activity they do.





1	John 9:1-23	2 Chronicles 6	Malachi 2:17-3:18
2	John 9:24-41	2 Chronicles 7	Malachi 4
3	John 10:1-21	2 Chronicles 8	Psalm 73
4	John 10:22-42	2 Chronicles 9	Psalm 74
5	John 11:1-27	2 Chronicles 10-11	Psalm 75
6	John 11:28-57	2 Chronicles 12-13	Psalm 76
7	John 12:1-26	2 Chronicles 14-15	Psalm 77
8	John 12:27-50	2 Chronicles 16-17	Psalm 78:1-20
9	John 13:1-20	2 Chronicles 18	Psalm 78:21-37
10	John 13:21-38	2 Chronicles 19	Psalm 78:38-55
11	John 14:1-14	2 Chronicles 20:1-21:1	Psalm 78:56-72
12	John 14:15-31	2 Chronicles 21:2-22:12	Psalm 79
13	John 15:1-16:4a	2 Chronicles 23	Psalm 80
14	John 16:4b-33	2 Chronicles 24	Psalm 81
15	John 17	2 Chronicles 25	Psalm 82
16	John 18:1-18	2 Chronicles 26	Psalm 83
17	John 18:19-38	2 Chronicles 27-28	Psalm 84
18	John 18:38b-19:16	2 Chronicles 29	Psalm 85
19	John 19:16-42	2 Chronicles 30	Psalm 86
20	John 20:1-18	2 Chronicles 31	Psalm 87
21	John 20:19-31	2 Chronicles 32	Psalm 88
22	John 21	2 Chronicles 33	Psalm 89:1-18
23	1 John 1	2 Chronicles 34	Psalm 89:19-37
24	1 John 2	2 Chronicles 35	Psalm 89:38-52
25	1 John 3	2 Chronicles 36	Psalm 90
26	1 John 4	Ezra 1-2	Psalm 91
27	1 John 5	Ezra 3-4	Psalm 92
28	2 John	Ezra 5-6	Psalm 93
29	3 John	Ezra 7-8	Psalm 94
30	Jude	Ezra 9-10	Psalm 95

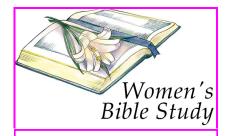






Men's Bible Study every Friday morning at 9:00 am. All men are welcome to join us!





Woman's Bible Study will resume studies on Wednesday, September 7th

Enjoy your summer!



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Mark your calendar our

Christmas Bazaar "An Old Fashion Country Christmas

will be held on November 5th.

We will be calling soon for helpers and donations.

We will greatly appreciate your help again this year.

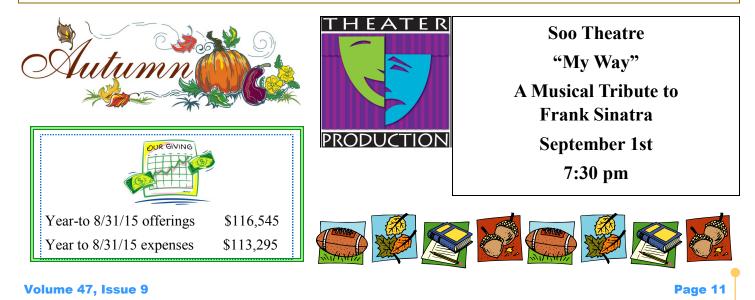
Thanks, PW



WANTED FAMILY PICTURES

It is the beginning of September and plans are already in place for the PW Annual Tea & Bazaar. We are looking for family photos to be used as tree decorations for this year's bazaar.

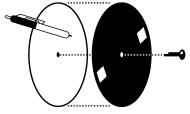
Please contact Ruth Wilson for more information.







This craft will remind you that God is always with you.



What you need:

- A large round bowl
- 2 large pieces of construction paper
- A pen
- Scissors
- A ruler
- A brad
- A Bible or search engine

What you do:

- 1. Turn the bowl upside down and trace around it on both pieces of paper.
- 2. Cut out the circles. Draw a dot in the center of each.
- 3. On one circle, trace and cut out two 2" squares opposite each other, with the dot in the middle.
- 4. Align the dots and place the brad through both circles.
- 5. In the space left by one square, write a fear you have. Then write a comforting Bible verse in the other square.
- 6. Rotate the circle to a new blank space, and write another fear and verse.



God always watches over us, during good times and bad.

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Directions: Connect the dots, according to the instructions below. Then use the resulting word to complete the Bible verse.

Start at 19. Draw from 19-18, 18-17. 47-62, 62-77. 22-21, 21-20. 50-51. 82-81, 81-80, 80-65, 65-50, 50-35, 35-20. 24-38, 38-53. 24-40, 40-55. 17-32. 47-48. 32-47. 26-41, 41-56, 56-71, 71-86. 56-57, 57-58. 55-54, 54-53, 53-68, 68-83. 55-70, 70-85. 58-43. 57-73, 73-88. 43-28, 28-27, 27-26.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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Early Social Hour (WR) Worship Service Sunday School Soup Kitchen	5 Office Closed Labor Day 7:00a ACT Study Grp 7:00a Boy Scout Meeting	6 9:00a—12:00p Food Pantry 12:00p AA Meeting (Lib)	7 9:30a Women's Bible Study 7:00p Choir Rehearsal	8 9:30a Circle 3 Meeting (WR) 12:00p AA Meeting (Lib)	9 Office Closed 9:00a Men's Study Grp	10 9:00a N.A. 7:00p A.A.
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Sunday Worship Schedule

Adult Sunday School 9:00 a.m. Worship Service 10:00 a.m. Sunday School (all grades) 10:00 a.m. **Church Staff** Rev. Mark Gabbard, Minister Don Myers, CRE Brenda Ransom, CRE Kay Boyne, Music Director Denise Goldade, Financial/Administrative Assistant Jesse Witte, Sexton

> Deadline for October issue: September 19th



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All Children are welcome to join our Worship Service, at 10:00 am., for a Children's Message.

Join Us & Bring a Friend!

Soup N' Sandwich after Worship Service