

# PLEASANT HILL

church of the brethren

*July/August 2016*

## Every Sunday:

- 8:00 AM: Contemporary Worship
- 9:15 AM: Sunday School for All Ages
- 10:30 AM: Traditional Worship

## Ministry Team:

Pastor: Robert Wolf

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8:00 AM–Noon

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## A Pleasant Summer

It is Saturday June 25 at 7:30pm and this author stands looking over an empty field at the Pleasant Hill Church grove. Not a remarkable scene, but what is remarkable is what led up to it. Many tents set up and taken down, cookies baked, drinks bought, lunches served, praise music sung, sermons given, grove building painted, and the inimitable Megatron stage driven in. Looking over the scene I cannot help but be filled with gratitude for God's provision and the tireless efforts of our church members to pack lunches, bring supplies, take tickets, and direct parking. There are many lessons learned about what works, what doesn't, and how much work is involved bringing an event like this to fruition.

And there are so many things to look forward to as the summer moves on. Celebrating our nation's independence, especially religious freedoms, on July 4. Pleasant Hill VBS the first week of August, and the all-church picnic Sunday August 7. Just before Pioneer Clubs resume in fall, the Ugandan Children's Choir will bless us with music Wednesday, September 7 and in addition to Theresa and I we will ask a couple generous homes to allow choir members to sleep overnight. And we cannot fail to mention the additional family time enjoyed because school is out for summer.

We can be so thankful that instead of resting on our Christian laurels, Pleasant Hill members are always looking for new ways to minister and reach out to the Johnstown community. God bless and continue enjoying this beautiful summer!

Pleasant Hill's  
Mission Statement:  
"Exalting Christ as a Bible-believing church for all people, sharing God's love through worship, study, evangelism, and service."

*Pastor Rob Wolf*

**OUR SHUT-INS****AT HOME:** Pauline Caton, Kathy Covalt, "Toots" Covalt, Anna Craft, Rose Kisel, Jean Snyder, Marilyn Stiffler**AMBER HILLS:** Fay Hunt**ARBUTUS MANOR:** Katty Miller, Gwen Swick**ATRIUM:** Ed Gilkey**AVITA SENIOR LIVING:** Forrest Rhodes**CAMBRIA CARE CENTER:** Lois Johns**LAUREL VIEW:** Virginia Rummel**NEXT COMMISSION & BOARD MEETING(S):**

Monday, July 11, 2016

**NEXT CONGREGATIONAL BUSINESS MEETING:**

Monday, July 25, 2016 – 7:00 PM

**NEXT DEACON MEETING:** Tues., September 6 – 6:30 PM**DEACON(S) FOR THE WEEK**

July 3: Patty Toth

July 10: Greg and Patty Blue

July 17: Terry and Bonnie Bouch

July 24: Jeff and Cindy Day

July 31: Len and Kathy Ferenchik

August 7: Sue Graham and Judy Bowser

August 14: Jack and Carol Harrison

August 21: Dan and Jamie Kiser

August 28: Jim and Marcia Metzgar

**10:30 AM ACOLYTES**

July 3: Cara and Wendy Bintrim

July 10: Brooklyn and Alexis McKendree

July 17: Sylvia Young and Wendy Bintrim

July 24: Brooklyn and Alexis McKendree

July 31: Ashley Rhodes and Kennedy Moore

**STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS**

Date	8:00 AM	Sunday School	10:30 AM	Offering
June 5	85	96	119	\$6,734
June 12	86	87	110	\$4,719
June 19	93	91	126	\$5,451
June 26	80	81	97	\$4,462

**JULY SHOEBOX DONATIONS** – children's clothing items**THANK YOU**

Thanks so much for all of the cards, calls, and kind words. We appreciate each and every one. Jerry & Doris Bassett

**SYMPATHY**

We offer our deepest sympathy to the family and friends of Dolores Saintz, who passed away on Friday, June 17, 2016.

**SHEETZ COUPON BOOKS AND EAT-N-PARK CARDS**

The Auxiliary of the Brethren Home is selling Sheetz coupon books and Eat-n-Park cards. We appreciate your support. Please contact April Mackell (536-1589) or Jean Rager (322-1158).

**CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR 2016 GRADUATES:**

Ahlia Harchick

Scott Rager

Katelynn Horner

Tiffany Tarbay

Mackenzie Roberts-Moore

Ashley Wallace

Austin Pudliner

Alisha Wehle

**GOD'S BLESSING**

NICK JOSEPH FABINA II was born on Tuesday, June 7, 2016. The proud parents are Nick and Lisa Fabina. Grandparents are Nicholas and Betty "Peanut" Fabina. The bassinet will be out through July 17 for you to donate baby items for the family.

**LIVING/MEMORIAL TRUST FUND**

Donations have been made in memory of Dolores Saintz, given by Dee Dee Davis and Ron & Janet Wallace.

A donation has been made in memory of Sister Dolores Saintz. This gift is given in gratitude by the Western Pennsylvania District CoB Leadership Team in loving memory of a servant of Jesus Christ. May the life and witness of Sister Dolores be a guide and support for each of us in the days ahead. May this gift be used to enhance the services of the Pleasant Hill CoB and beyond.

**FRESH AND REFRESH**

Pastor Rob is leading a Sunday School class for "recent" Christians looking to build their foundation deeper and "old" Christians hoping to renew their foundation. The class is studying Andy Stanley's "Starting Point" and meets in the basement of the parsonage.

**ANNUAL CONFERENCE**

Annual Conference will be held in Greensboro, NC this year, June 29 – July 3. Our delegates are Pastor Rob, Tammy Horner, and Sally Houghton. Ed Houghton is also attending. The business items are:

## Unfinished Business

- Vision of Ecumenism for the 21st Century
- Review and Evaluation
- Vitality and Viability

## New Business

- Query: Same Sex Weddings
- Query: On Earth Peace Reportability/Accountability to Annual Conference
- Query: Continuing the Study of Our Christian Responsibility to Care for God's Creation
- Query: Living Together as Christ Calls
- Query: Viability of On Earth Peace as an Agency of the Church of the Brethren

**WEST END FOOD PANTRY ONGOING DONATIONS**

Please place donated non-perishable items in the bin in the front of the fellowship hall (the curtain side).

**SUMMER COMMUNION**

We will include a simple bread and cup service during both of our morning worship services on Sunday, July 10.

### CONGREGATIONAL BUSINESS MEETING

Our quarterly congregational business meeting regularly held in July has been cancelled for 2016. The next congregational meeting will be held in October.

### BIBLE SCHOOL AND SUMMER PICNIC

This year's Vacation Bible School will be held Mon. through Fri., August 1-5, from 9AM to Noon each day. Preschool through 6th grade classes will be provided. Bible lessons, crafts, music, outdoor activities, and snacks are included each day. On Friday, lunch will be supplied as well. The theme for this year is "Deep Sea Discovery, God Is with Me Wherever I Go". The Bible School Program will take place Sun. morning, August 7, followed by the Summer Picnic in the church grove, where there will be food and activities for all ages.

### LOVE FEAST

The Deacons have begun planning for our fall Love Feast on Sunday, October 2. Over the next few months, Deacons will be soliciting guidance from the congregation to help in that planning process. Love Feast consists of three elements: the fellowship meal, feet washing or hand washing, and communion. We observe it twice a year (Maundy Thursday and on worldwide communion Sunday – the first Sunday of October). Please give thought to how Love Feast might be more meaningful for you.

### BOSCOVS

Camp Harmony is taking part in the Boscov's Friends Helping Friends promotion. For \$5, you can get a shopping pass worth up to 25% off almost everything in the store on Oct. 18th. The \$5 stays with camp, and the buyer gets the benefit of the discounted shopping... it's a win-win deal! If interested, see Ginny Babal.

### BRETHREN HOME "DIME-A-WEEK"

Dime-a-Week is now being collected by the churches in our district. Every little dime helps us to help our residents! You may give your donation (\$5.20 for the year) to April Mackell or Jean Rager. Thank you.

### REQUESTS FOR SONGS AT EITHER SERVICE

Please remember that you are welcome to make song requests for either of our morning worship services. Please write your praise song requests for the 8:00 service or your hymn requests for the 10:30 service on a slip of paper and place them in the offering plate.

### BRETHREN DISASTER MINISTRIES

Please consider giving a day or a week out of your busy schedules toward this ministry. Contact Herb Ewald at [hjewald@atlanticbb.net](mailto:hjewald@atlanticbb.net) or (814) 539-8530.

#### Day Trips to New Windsor

Aug. 11, 2016  
Aug. 29, 2016  
Oct. 06, 2016  
Oct. 25, 2016  
Dec. 08, 2016  
Dec. 20, 2016

#### Week Trips

Jul. 17-23 Colorado  
Sept. 18-24 Colorado  
Nov. 06-12 Project #2

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### HEADPHONES FOR HEARING IMPAIRED

Headphone stations are available in four separate pews on the outer sides of the sanctuary. Please look for the yellow labels marking these stations. If you need assistance, please let us know.

## It's *Messenger* Renewal Time!

The Church of the Brethren magazine, *Messenger*, is doing something new! The magazine has new online content, a new editorial team, new features including photo spreads, and a new two-page Newsline Digest for readers to share.

Subscribers still enjoy a 32-page colorful print magazine delivered to their mailboxes 10 times a year and the option of reading a digital version of their print magazine. The new *Messenger* website offers photo albums, online-only features, Bible studies, columns and opinion pieces, mini book reviews, and more.

You can subscribe or renew your membership through our church club and take advantage of discounted prices. Save even more with a two-year renewal. You can give a subscription as a gift. Just complete the information below and give the slip along with your payment to Debby Rager, the church's *Messenger* agent.

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**Due to Debby Rager by July 31, 2016.** Make check payable to Pleasant Hill Church of the Brethren.

- \_\_\_ New subscriber                      \$ 7.25
- \_\_\_ Renewal                                \$14.50 (one year),
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					1 Annual Conference in Greensboro, NC	2 Annual Conference in Greensboro, NC
3 Annual Conference in Greensboro, NC 8:00 AM Worship 8:15 Children's Church 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship	4	5 Volunteers to Camp Harmony	6 Volunteers to CoB Home 5-6 PM Prayer Group 6:00-7:30 PM Youth Small Group 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	7 Volunteers to West End Food Pantry	8	9
10 Summer Communion 8:00 AM Worship 8:15 Children's Church 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 10:45 Children's Church	11 6:30 PM Commission Meetings 7:00 PM Board Meeting	12 Volunteers to Camp Harmony	13 5-6 PM Prayer Group 6:00-7:30 PM Youth Small Group 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	14 Volunteers to West End Food Pantry	15	16
17 8:00 AM Worship 8:15 Children's Church 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 10:45 Children's Church	18	19 Volunteers to Camp Harmony	20 Volunteers to CoB Home 5-6 PM Prayer Group 6:00-7:30 PM Youth Small Group 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	21 Volunteers to West End Food Pantry	22	23
24 8:00 AM Worship 8:15 Children's Church 9:15 AM Sunday School 10:30 AM Worship 10:45 Children's Church	25	26 Volunteers to Camp Harmony	27 5-6 PM Prayer Group 6:00-7:30 PM Youth Small Group 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	28 Volunteers to West End Food Pantry	29	30
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# August 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2 Volunteers to Camp Harmony	3 Volunteers to CoB Home 5-6 PM Prayer Group 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	4 Volunteers to West End Food Pantry	5	6
	<b>VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL</b> <b>9:00 AM—Noon</b>					
7 9:00 AM Breakfast 9:30 AM VBS Slideshow in Sanctuary 10:00 AM Bible School Program 12:00 PM Lunch at Church Grove 1:00 PM Activities	8	9 Volunteers to Camp Harmony	10 5-6 PM Prayer Group 6:00-7:30 PM Youth Small Group 7:00 PM Praise Team Practice	11 Volunteers to West End Food Pantry	12	13
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## July Birthdays

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|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Taylor Harrison  | 11 Leighton Blue           | 23 Jean Brehm        |
| 2 Annice Allison   | 11 John Hobor              | 23 Ryan Pudliner     |
| 2 Marisa Hyland    | 12 Forrest Rhodes          | 24 Richard Oaks      |
| 2 John Kornprobst  | 12 Mackenzie Roberts-Moore | 24 Stephanie Natta   |
| 2 Parker Perrine   | 13 Joshua Fabina           | 24 Scott Swick       |
| 3 Ray Balog        | 13 Rick Perrine            | 25 Marlene Cameron   |
| 3 Rob Crynock      | 13 Jack Rager              | 25 Alyssa Rager      |
| 3 Glenda Snyder    | 14 Tim Sherer              | 26 Linda Rager       |
| 3 James Rager      | 15 Tiffany Salgado         | 26 Lewis White       |
| 4 Sarah McKendree  | 15 Sally Mackell           | 26 Anna Hegedus      |
| 6 Tanner Browning  | 15 Cindy Roberts           | 27 Matthew Brown     |
| 7 April Mackell    | 16 Joyce Harrison          | 27 Ray Oaks          |
| 7 Suzanne Strozak  | 16 Kevin Reighard          | 27 Darlene Thomas    |
| 7 Travis Burkett   | 17 Justine Marye           | 28 Ava Yingling      |
| 7 Alison Sehgal    | 18 Lindi Turgeon           | 29 Trudi Guizio      |
| 7 Elisa Charles    | 19 Jeff Carney             | 29 Richard Rager     |
| 9 Lydia Hyland     | 19 Derek Bouch             | 30 Donna Bowser      |
| 9 Asher Kosakowski | 19 Theresa Wolf            | 30 Brian Speicher    |
| 9 Dean Thomas      | 20 Gary Gaunt              | 30 Grace Owens       |
| 10 Lesha Foshee    | 20 Arlene Harrison         | 30 Colleen Cameron   |
| 10 Bryce Heider    | 20 Ruth Huet               | 31 Janice Demchak    |
| 10 Danielle Hobor  | 20 Nicole Piper            | 31 Nathaniel Denhard |
| 10 Amy Rager       | 21 Doug Harrison           | 31 Melissa Thomas    |
| 10 Emily Smith     | 21 Kloe Thomas             | 31 Adam Rhodes       |
| 11 Jody Berg       | 22 Connie Cernic           | 31 Lauren Williams   |
|                    | 22 Tom Sroka               |                      |

## Happy Anniversary!

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|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| 2 James and Theresa Rhodes    | 19 Byron and Janet Harrison         |
| 3 Frank and Mary Ober         | 21 Trevor and Melinda Anderson      |
| 5 Les and Loretta Brillhart   | 21 Kurtis and Stacy Roberts         |
| 5 Kevin and Maria Reighard    | 23 Joseph, Jr. and Michelle Metzgar |
| 8 Darren and Kim Thomas       | 23 David and Mindi Taylor           |
| 10 Dave and Diane Myers       | 24 Roger and Marcia Metzgar         |
| 10 Bob and Darlene Thomas     | 25 Carl and Joan Berg               |
| 13 Rick and Marlene Cameron   | 27 John and Heather Pudliner        |
| 13 Doug and Amy Swick         | 27 Gerald and Donna Smith           |
| 14 Charles and Renee Bell     | 28 Jeff and Cindy Day               |
| 14 Clay and Lauren Piper      | 29 Joshua and Elizabeth Fabina      |
| 15 William and Bernice Teeter | 29 Josh and Briana Day              |
| 17 John and Janet Pudliner    |                                     |

## August Birthdays

1 Craig Gaunt	11 Jennifer Conley	24 Lloyd Mackell, Jr.
1 Colleen Blue	11 Tabitha James	24 Gerald Bush
1 Avery Crynock	11 Reagan Oaks	24 Faith Thomas
2 Emily Allison	12 Felix Chamberlain	25 Jessie Rager
2 Brian Hess	12 Adele Mackell	25 Rick Rhodes
2 Richard Rhodes	12 Chaz Hegedus	25 Shirley Rager
3 Audrey Murray	13 Loren Berg	26 Tim Bintrim
3 Kathy Ferenchik	13 Noah Smith	26 Dee Dee Davis
4 Sarah Perrine	14 Ashley Wallace	26 Len Ferenchik
5 Colleen Gindlesperger	14 Tyler Mackell	26 Byron Reighard
5 Claudia Rager	14 Benessa Tarbay	26 Robin Rummel
6 Ian Carr	15 LeAnn Rudge	26 Karen Stem
6 Liz Fabina	16 Kira Heider	27 Gerald Smith
8 Bailey Smith	17 Mary Lou Antolik	27 Ryan Gaunt
9 Gerald Rhodes	18 Heather Antolik	28 Betty Fabina
9 Ed Jones	20 John Pudliner, Jr.	29 Janice Blue
10 Randy Rager	21 Mike Miller	29 Luke Denhard
10 Brock Rummel	21 Mike Rager	29 Richard Williams
11 Bonnie Plunkard	22 Heidi Owens	30 Linda Metzgar
11 Carl Berg	22 Tracy Oaks	31 Tim Clawson
11 Daisy Carney	23 Kayla Rager	31 Becky Lambie
11 Tom Harrison	23 Matt Bouch	31 Nick Fabina
	23 Wendy Rager	

## Happy Anniversary!

3 Roger and Donna Swick	19 Brian and Linda Speicher
4 Adam and Michele Ream	19 Tim and Cathy Jo Clawson
4 Donald and Shannon Perry	20 Scott and Marianne Roberts
4 Jeff and Sarah McKendree	21 Patrick and Jennifer Barron
5 Ron and Kathy Covalt	21 Ben and Jessica Murray
6 George and Kristy Meyer	21 Lewis and Mildred White
7 Jonathan and Stacy Serenko	23 Wayne and Tammie Potvin
11 Byron and Norma Reighard	26 Jeremy and Danielle Hobor
16 Lloyd, Jr. & Adele Mackell	27 Barry and Sandy Natta
16 Mike and Karen Miller	27 Cory and Alisha Demchak
16 Tom and Janet Leventry	28 Matt and Mindy Harrison
18 Danny and Jodi Rager	30 Robb and Pam Piper
19 Lee and Michele Oaks	30 Scott and Angela Swick