



WEST SHORE BAPTIST CHURCH

UPDATE

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FROM THE PASTOR



Nobody likes change. We like our routine because it gives us security in this fast changing culture. But that can also put us in to a rut. Someone said, “A rut is a grave with both ends knocked out.” I share this with you because there does come a time when changes need to be made in order for growth to take place. It starts with forward thinking. When those thoughts are reinforced enough, it turns into action. When action is reinforced enough it turns into a new behavior pattern. Thought – action – behavior pattern.

Growth requires change! As we look to the future, we need to look at what changes need to be made or we will be stuck in the same rut. The main purpose of the church is to be that “shining light” into the world and to reach people for Christ. That is to be our main focus! My question is: What are we doing to accomplish this purpose? When was the last time someone came to faith in Christ because of this ministry? Or are we here just to enjoy our cozy little group?

This will require a change in our thinking, in our programming, and even in our scheduling. To be honest, everything in our program is focused inward. Could that be one of the reasons why our ranks have dwindled? I challenge us to rethink our ministry and ask the Lord to lead us in making the necessary changes to make “the main thing, the main thing.”

Pastor Paul



*Teach us
your ways,
O Lord*

OCTOBER 2017
NEWSLETTER

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October 1, 2017

Business Meeting
Sunday,
October 15
10:00 a.m.
in the Sanctuary



A Message From the Diaconate

I love this time of year! Our church families return from vacations, the choirs are back rehearsing, the air is crisp and cool, and everyone is preparing for the holiday season. I have been planning all summer and looking forward to our special services at Thanksgiving and Christmas! After a summer of fun, people seem to be relaxed and ready to get back to their routines. But, when I think about beginning a new year, I ponder what we might do differently to keep things fresh. I know when I have the opportunity to try something new, it's exciting! Whether it's worship, missions, evangelism, teaching, or preaching, we shouldn't be routine. I think we need to do a better job at telling the world about the love of Jesus, and we need to tell the world about wonderful West Shore Baptist Church. We need to be the LIGHT in our community which God has called each one of us to be! I feel that God wants us to be extraordinary, not ordinary! To do this, we need much prayer and perseverance from every member, and we need to take a risk with new ways of doing things. Let's consider using ALL our gifts to win people to Christ!

I am so excited about the bright future of our church—are you? I am so thankful for WSBC. I'm thankful that God continues to bless me, and I want to be a blessing to others! I encourage you to check the bulletin for ways to share your God-given talents and to make a commitment by handing in your Christian Service Enlistment Form (coming in November) to say, "Yes, Lord, I will go into the world and make disciples!" Let's come together in unity and make a difference and change the world!

So, what are you going to do? This little light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine.
God Bless you!

Carol

Fall Back Into a Routine?

**By Deacon
Carol Saltzer**



From the Mission Board



2017 World Mission Offering



The 2017 World Mission Offering theme, **Discipleship: Come, Follow Me** (*Mark 1:17*), illustrates the many ways that International Ministries provides holistic discipleship through the work of our global servants and partners worldwide. It is our mission to follow Jesus just as the disciples did more than 2,000 years ago. This year we are highlighting our ministries in the areas of Conflict Transformation, Abolishing Slavery, and Economic and Community Development. Thanks to your partnership, together we are mobilizing local communities in the name of Jesus Christ to lighten the burden of poverty, encourage peaceful ways to live in diverse cultural contexts, and offer hope and dignity to the marginalized. The Mission Board has set a goal of **\$6,000** for the 2017 World Mission Offering and would encourage you to give as you are able. This year's World Mission Offering will continue to be received through **Sunday, October 29**. Envelopes for your gift may be found in your offering envelope box, as well as in the pew racks in the Sanctuary and Davidson Chapel. May God bless our giving to help people everywhere come to Christ, grow in their relationships with God, and change their worlds through the power of the Holy Spirit.



Christmas is about sharing the gift of God's Son, Jesus Christ, with the world. You can help share His love with needy children by taking part in Operation Christmas Child. An outreach program of Samaritan's Purse, OCC is working to share the Good News of Christ with children around the world. Your wrapped shoeboxes filled with gifts for boys or girls along with a check for **\$9** postage (enclosed in the designated envelope) may be placed in the narthex on or before **Sunday, November 19**. Candy and toothpaste can no longer be included in the boxes; however, there are Beanie Babies available in the red tub at the display which you can add to your box (1 per box), donated by the Fleming's daughter, Lori Smeal. Look for empty shoeboxes to fill at the Mission Table in the foyer. Share the gift of God's Son with children around the world!

Questions? Contact Linda Fleming at (717) 774-3044 or email her at walkingshoes0429@aol.com.



The Mission Board wishes to thank everyone who participated in the summer Food Drive this year. In all, **731 lbs.** of food was delivered to New Hope Ministries for their food pantry. Your generosity has helped countless families in our area. Thank you!



Birthdays:

- 4 Don Norris
- 5 Sue Sweigard
- 6 Elana Stine
- 7 Gary Stefanic
- 8 Ellen Boyd
- 11 Mckenzie Gifford
- 13 Richard Zulaica
- 15 Elaine Deimler
- 19 Dottie Lebo
- 23 Dawne Strock
- 24 Ida Rhone
- 27 Kristin Born
Linda Neubaum
- 28 Eric Born
Janet Howell
- 29 Tom Kennerly
Lindsay Neve



Anniversaries:

- 10 Bryan & Judy Spangler
- 16 Bob & Kristine Zoll
- 23 Wayne & Janet Howell
- 26 Frank & Dawne Strock
- 31 Judson & Judy Brouse



Childcare Schedule

| DATE | NURSERY 9:00 AM | NURSERY 10:30 AM |
|------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| October 1 | Patty McCown | Gayle Campbell Becky Gentzler |
| October 8 | Judy Brouse | Linda Fleming Lisa Fleming |
| October 15 | Kristin Born Cheryl Montgomery | Edie Kennerly Mary Hartman |
| October 22 | Jayne Metz Rose Sleboda | Dawne Strock |
| October 29 | Patty McCown | Gayle Campbell Becky Gentzler |

Note: Scheduled nursery workers and children's Sunday School teachers are asked to arrive in their designated rooms **10 minutes** ahead of schedule. If you are unable to make your assigned Sunday, please attempt to switch with another volunteer and let the church office know. Contact Dawne Strock, at 796-9257, if you are unable to meet your obligation.

Happenings and Highlights

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Advisory Council Meeting

The Advisory Council will meet on **Tuesday, October 3**, at 6:30 p.m. in Room G-2

Missions Board Meeting

The Missions Board will meet on **Monday, October 9**, at 6:30 p.m. in Room G-4.

Board of Trustees Meeting

The Board of Trustees will meet on **Monday, October 9**, at 6:30 p.m. in Room G-2.

Diaconate Board Meeting

The Diaconate Board will meet on **Tuesday, October 17**, at 6:45 p.m. in Room G-4.

Board of Christian Education Meeting

The Board of Christian Education will meet on **Tuesday, October 24**, at 6:30 p.m. in Room G-2.

Directory

UPDATE

Address Update:

Ellen Boyd
31 Edenvue Road
Isador Bldg. Rm 256
Elizabethtown, PA 17022

Faith In Action



The Faith in Action LIGHT Team will meet on **Tuesday, October 3**, at 9:00 a.m. to do general building and grounds maintenance. If you would like to join them, call Richard Zulaica: (717) 255-9085.



Deadline for November UPDATE

The deadline for the submission of articles and announcements for the November UPDATE is **Friday, October 20**. You may forward your input to Bonnie Prior via hard copy or by email to b.prior@wsbc.org.

Men's Breakfast Fellowship

The next meeting of the Men's Breakfast Fellowship will be at 8:00 a.m. on **Saturday, October 21**, at the Friendly's in Camp Hill. All men are invited!



Ladies Breakfast Fellowship

The next meeting of the Women's Breakfast Fellowship will be at 8:00 a.m. on **Saturday, October 21**, at the Friendly's in Camp Hill. All women are invited! Please sign up on your bulletin insert.



Happenings and Highlights



Prayer Meetings Continue On Wednesdays

You are invited and encouraged to come to Prayer Meetings at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in Davidson Chapel. Led by Pastor Thompson, these meetings are to pray for our Pastoral Search Committee and the next WSBC Pastor of God's choosing.

COLLEGE

WSBC's College Student Address

Allison Kennedy
103 Kenneth Avenue #3
Shippensburg, PA 17257

Attention

*The Third
Quarter Business Meeting
will be held on
Sunday, October 15
at
10:00 a.m. in the Sanctuary*

Deadline for 3rd Quarter Reports

Church officers and boards should submit their Third Quarter Reports to the church office no later than **Monday, October 9.**



A.B.W. Ministries "We Were Made To Thrive!" Women's Fall Gathering

The American Baptist Women of Harrisburg will be meeting on *Saturday, October 14*, for a day of inspiration and fellowship at First Baptist Church in Lancaster. The Rev. Lumi Nichols, pastor of First Baptist of Lancaster, who grew up in Romania, will share her amazing personal testimony. The Rev. Mary Lewis, pastor of Parkesburg Baptist Church, will speak on, "Under Construction: Ideas for Personal Restoration." Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. The program starts at 10:00 a.m. and concludes mid-afternoon. A lunch is provided for a cost of \$5.00. Registration is necessary. Please contact Gayle Campbell at (717) 774-4186 or gpcamp@verizon.net if you have questions or to make a reservation.

American Baptist
Women's
MINISTRIES



Men's Ministry

Men's Bible Fellowship—2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 5:45 p.m.

The Men's Bible Fellowship Group will resume meeting this fall beginning on *Wednesday, October 11*, at 5:45 p.m. in the Library. The meetings will be lead by Pastor Paul and are open to all men who wish to grow, serve, and reach others for Christ! Please sign up on your bulletin insert.

Happenings and Highlights



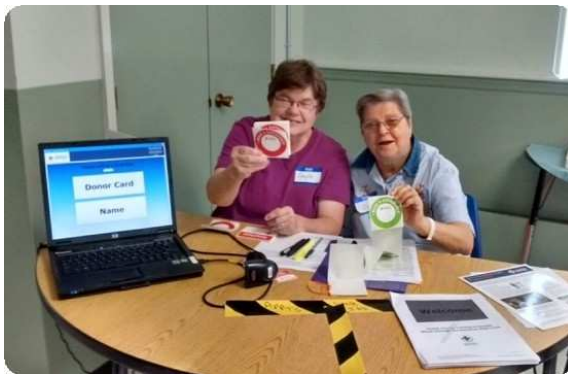
American Red Cross

Blood Drive at WSBC Friday, September 22, 2017

Sponsored by the Mission Board, WSBC was the location of a successful blood drive for the American Red Cross on *Friday, September 22, 2017*. Many thanks to all who helped with the blood drive!



Steve Campbell and Richard Zulaica



Gayle Campbell and Ida Rhone



Coming in November!

The Brulands' "Celebration of Ministry" Photo Album

A Photo Album of the festivities at Pastor Gary and Esther Bruland's "Celebration of Ministry" on June 25, 2017, will be available at the Welcome Center in November. Pick up your copy then, along with the November UPDATE newsletter!

Christian Service Enlistment



The 2018 Christian Service Enlistment Forms will be available in the November UPDATE newsletter and at the Welcome Centers. Everyone is asked to please fill out your form in response to the Lord's calling to serve with thanksgiving! During the worship services in November, a "Call of Response" will be offered. This is the time for you to bring your completed form to the Altar.

From the Christian Education Board



Children &
Youth Ministry
From Pastor Greg



This October 31st will mark the 500th anniversary of the Protestant Reformation. In the year 1517, sparked by Luther's Ninety-five Theses, a widespread theological reform began. As Christians, and especially as Baptists who fall under the 'Protestant' category, it is important for us to begin to understand some of the basic theological themes of the reformation. The five *Solas* (sola is Latin for "alone") characterize well the primary emphases of this theological reform. Allow me to briefly summarize these five doctrines and highlight some key differences with the Catholic Church.

1. *Sola Scriptura*, "Scripture Alone." – The Bible alone is the ultimate authority concerning everything on which it speaks. The Bible must be the metric by which we as Christians measure everything. This differs from the Catholic Church in that the Catholic Church holds to a trifold authority structure that places the Magisterium (the church's teaching authority) and tradition, in addition to Scripture, in the place of ultimate authority.
2. *Sola Gratia*, "Grace Alone." – Protestants argued that justification is brought about by the means of only God's grace. The sinner does nothing to deserve God's favor.
3. *Sola Fide*, "Faith Alone." – Sinners are justified (counted as righteous) only by faith in Christ, not by the works of the law. This differs from the teachings of the Catholic Church in that the Catholic Church views baptism, not faith, as the instrumental cause of justification.
4. *Solus Christus*, "In Christ Alone." – Salvation is found in Jesus Christ alone. Christ's substitutionary death atoned perfectly for sinners. If Christ has not been preached, the gospel has not been preached.
5. *Soli Deo Gloria*, "For the Glory of God Alone." – The chief end of all of this is the glory and praise of God. Salvation is a gift from God and it has been accomplished by God for His own glory.

These five essential doctrines are at the heart of the Protestant Reformation. However, many "Protestants," today, seem to have forgotten what they are protesting. These doctrines are not dry, boring concepts that ancient theologians argued over; they are the life-blood of every Christian breathing, whether they know it or not. They are age-old truths, ever new. They are rock-solid, life-giving constructs that rejuvenate and inspire the Christian spirit.

We would do well, here at West Shore Baptist Church, to immovably ground ourselves in these ancient biblical claims. A constant striving for the "new" and "improved," when it comes to theology, is a surefire way to end up in serious error. Rather, a humble submission to the old, yet God-breathed, Scripture and its unchanging, unrelenting truths is what will lead a Christian into maturity. In this case, "new" is never improved! Will you join me in abandoning the new and pursuing the old?

Soli Deo Gloria,

Associate Pastor Greg Kabakjian

October 2017

Calendar of Events

OCTOBER 2017

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|---|---|-----|-----|--|
| 1 9am - Christian Ed Classes 9am - Traditional Worship 10am - Children's Choir Practice 10am - Coffee Cafe 10:30am - Christian Ed Classes 10:30am - LifeHouse Worship 11:45am - LifeHouse Band 11:45am - Prayer LIGHT Team @ | 2 6:30pm - Ressler Small Group @ 7pm - Beacon Bell Ringers @ | 3 9am - Faith In Action 6:30pm - Advisory Council | 4 6:30pm - Prayer Meeting @ 7pm - Sunshine Singers | 5 | 6 | 7 |
| 8 9am - Christian Ed Classes 9am - Traditional Worship 10am - Children's Choir Practice 10am - Coffee Cafe 10:30am - Christian Ed Classes 10:30am - LifeHouse Worship 11:45am - LifeHouse Band 11:45am - Prayer LIGHT Team @ | 9 6:30pm - Board of Trustees Mtg 6:30pm - Mission Board Mtg @ 6:30pm - Ressler Small Group @ | 10 | 11 5:45pm - Men's Bible Fellowship 6:30pm - Prayer Meeting @ 7pm - Sunshine Singers  | 12 | 13 | 14 |
| 15 9am - Christian Ed Classes 9am - Traditional Worship @ 10am - 3rd Qtr. Business 10am - Children's Choir Practice 10:20am - Coffee Cafe @  10:30am - Christian Ed Classes 10:30am - LifeHouse Worship @ 11:45am - LifeHouse Band | 16 6:30pm - Ressler Small Group @ 7pm - Beacon Bell Ringers @ | 17 6:45pm - Diaconate Board Mtg @ | 18 2pm - Remembrance Service @ 6:30pm - Prayer Meeting @ 7pm - Sunshine Singers | 19 | 20 | 21 8am - Ladies Fellowship 8am - Men's Fellowship  |
| 22 9am - Christian Ed Classes 9am - Traditional Worship 10am - Children's Choir Practice 10am - Coffee Cafe 10:30am - Christian Ed Classes 10:30am - LifeHouse Worship 11:45am - LifeHouse Band 11:45am - Prayer LIGHT Team @ 6pm - Youth Group | 23 6:30pm - Ressler Small Group @ | 24 6:30pm - Chr. Ed Board Mtg @ | 25 5:45pm - Men's Bible Fellowship 6:30pm - Prayer Meeting @ 7pm - Sunshine Singers  | 26 | 27 | 28 |
| 29 9am - Christian Ed Classes 10am - Children's Choir Practice 10am - Coffee Cafe 10:30am - Unity Worship Service 11:45am - LifeHouse Band 11:45am - Prayer LIGHT Team @ 6pm - Youth Group  | 30 | 31 6:30pm - Advisory Council |  Meets weekly on Sundays 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. | 2 | 3 | 4 |



*West Shore Baptist Church
seeks to be a
L.I.G.H.T. to our Community by...*

Loving God in celebrative worship in order to *magnify* His wonderful name

Inviting Friends and sharing a caring witness as part of our life *mission*

Growing Together in uplifting fellowship encouraging faith and church *membership*

Helping Others and empowering growing disciples to engage in God-shaped *ministry*

Teaching Truth and equipping disciples to develop Christ-like spiritual *maturity*

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SUNDAY SERVICES:

Traditional Worship — 9:00 AM
Christian Education Hour — 9:00 AM
Coffee Café — 10:00 AM
LifeHouse Worship — 10:30 AM
Christian Education Hour — 10:30 AM

We're on the web!
Visit: www.wsbc.org