



THE PLEASANT TRAVELER


Pleasant Chapel U.M. Church
0880 E 1100N, Roanoke IN 46783
Sunday School 9:00am

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Worship Service 10:00 am

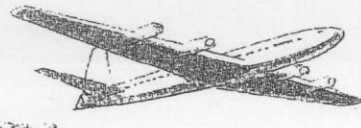
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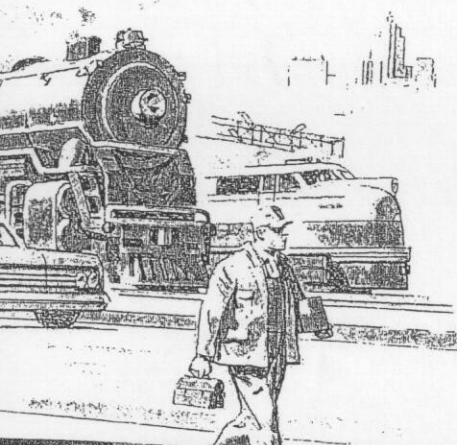
America The Beautiful



O beautiful for spacious skies,
For amber waves of grain,
For purple mountain majesties
Above the fruited plain!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!







O beautiful for pilgrim feet,
Whose stern, impassioned stress
A thoroughfare for freedom beat
Across the wilderness!
America! America!
God mend thine every flaw,
Confirm thy soul in self-control,
Thy liberty in law!



O beautiful for patriot dream
That sees beyond the years
Thine alabaster cities gleam
Undimmed by human tears!
America! America!
God shed His grace on thee
And crown thy good with brotherhood
From sea to shining sea!

Katharine Lee Bates





Once again I am amazed at Pleasant Chapel. I had the privilege to help with this year's VBS. There were nearly 35 children that participated in the program and 17 came to

Sunday's worship to sing some of the songs they learned during the week.



There is a rich history to this church's vacation Bible school program. For a relatively small congregation, to be able to draw so many children is remarkable. It is great to consider that through this church, many young people in our community will learn about God and that there is a lot of fun and joy on the journey as followers of Jesus Christ. And for some, this is their introduction to him and to our faith. How awesome that is to know that God's kingdom is growing with these children!



What amazes me too is how well the week went. There were little snags or problems and each day ran very smoothly. But I know that this simply doesn't just happen. It is very evident that there is careful planning and organization to pull something like this off. This is a testament to the dedication of so many people in this congregation who are committed to Christ, VBS, and their ministry.

Several Sundays ago, I mentioned how I see the "fruits of the Spirit" in so many of the people here as well as how this congregation functions as a whole. These fruits were demonstrated again during VBS. The organizers, teachers, and helpers just "naturally" worked together for a successful week. I believe that God is working those fruits in you in ways that you then "naturally" do what you do so well here. You love, are joyful, peaceful, patient, kind, good, gentle, faithful and self controlled.



Thank you to all of those who made VBS a great success and keep up the wonderful work Pleasant Chapel!

Joel

CALENDAR

July 3 - Bible Study at Parsons at 6:30.
July 4 - Independence Day
July 10 - Bible Study at Parsons at 6:30.
July 12 - United Methodist Women at 7:00 pm. at Jill Law's home.
July 17 - Bible Study at Parsons at 6:30.
July 24 - Bible Study at Parsons at 6:30.
July 31 - Bible Study at Parsons at 6:30.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congratulations to Elizabeth Stocker on her graduation from Carroll High School in Ft. Wayne. You are a special young lady, Elizabeth. Best wishes from your Pleasant Chapel Church family in the future. A graduation party will be held for Elizabeth on Saturday, June 24 at John and Betty Roger's home from 1:00 to 4:00 pm. All of our Pleasant Chapel Church family is invited.

Child-Care is now being provided during the worship service each Sunday for children up to and including first grade. Also, if anyone is interested in helping with the children on any Sunday, please talk to Cory Ayers.

Mission Offering - Special offerings for missions from Pleasant Chapel for the months of July, August and September are Habitat for Humanity, Indiana Children's Home and UMCOR (United Methodist Committee on Relief). When giving for these missions please write "Missions" in the memo on your check or on the outside of the church envelope. Make checks payable to Pleasant Chapel United Methodist Church.

Congratulations to all 4-H members participating in the 4-H Fair this year. Best wishes for top honors.

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QUOTES

"Prayer is asking for rain. Faith is carrying an umbrella."

"Prayer is a little bit like eating salted peanuts; the more you do it, the more you want to do it."

BIBLE TRIVIA

What two brothers were apostles and were dubbed "Sons of Thunder" by Jesus? (James & John)

Jesus had four brothers (Matthew 13). Name them!
(James, Joseph, Simon, and Judas)

UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

The Pleasant Chapel UMW met on Wednesday, June 14 at 1:00 pm. at the church. President Jill Law opened the meeting by reading a devotion from the Mission Messenger.

Roll call was answered by each one telling "her favorite time in the month of June". Minutes were read and approved.

Correspondence: Notes were received from Carolann Sherbahn and also Betty Hollenbaugh thanking the ladies for visiting them each one this Spring.

Treasurer's report was given.

U. S. Missions: Prayers for those involved in the shootings at Alexandria, VA. today. Foreign missions: Prayers for those in the high-rise building fire in London, England.

Officers's reports: Spiritual Growth: Cynthia Chesterman - had fleece blanket squares with fringed edges to tie together to make a blanket for anyone in need. The ladies worked on knotting the fringes.

Cards & Flowers: Nancy - had cards for us to sign to send to shut-ins and for anniverseries this month.

Offerings were taken.

Program: Joann presented "Mother's in Action" from the Program Book.

Cynthia served delicious refreshments to seven ladies.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL REPORT

Vacation Bible School was held here at Pleasant Chapel on June 5 through June 9. We had an enrollment of 34 boys and girls and an average attendance of 30.

The theme of our Bible School was "Hero Central" Discover Your Strength in God. We had lessons from the Old Testament and the New Testament, which included lessons on: God's Heroes have Heart, have Courage, have Wisdom, have Hope and have Power.

Julie Wegmann, Ann Henline and Cindy Fairchild taught the 3, 4 and 5 year class; Ellen Colclessner and Seth Johnson taught the Kindergarten and first grade class; Jill Law and Josie McClure taught the second and third grade class; Renee Hicks, Madie Hicks and Pastor Joel taught the fourth, fifth and sixth grade class. Heather Parsons led the children in music; Joyce Hand, Sarah Johnson Cynthia Chesterman and Cindy Fairchild led the children in crafts. Dalen Johnson took care of the bookwork and served each class snacks each day. The offerings brought by the boys and girls are being donated to the Roanoke Food Pantry and the World Vision Child in Bolivia that Pleasant Chapel supports. The offerings totaled \$131.95. A big thank you to all that donated money, cookies and other items. Thanks to John and Betty Rogers for picking up the pizzas for our lunch "party" on Friday and to those that paid for the pizzas. Thank you again to each one that helped in any way.



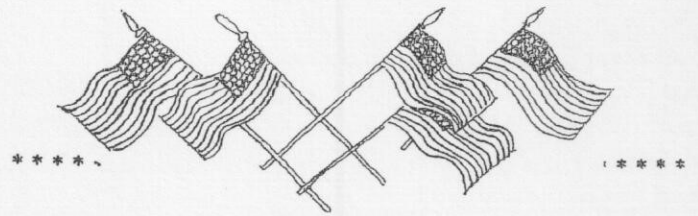


JULY BIRTHDAYS

- 1 - Mary Brewer
- 2 - Candy Raichart
- Jocelyn Sherbahn
- 5 - Jessica Sherbahn
- 6 - Nancy Buckingham
- Joe Rogers
- 8 - Greg Rupert
- Leona Bear
- 9 - Conner Hicks
- Sue Law
- Randy Dinius
- 10 - Susan Lahr
- 12 - Fran Morris
- 13 - Gina Fairchild
- 14 - Linda Smith
- Phil Colclessers
- 15 - Deborah Hunter
- 18 - Jim Chesterman
- Eli MacDonald
- 20 - Janell Simons
- 24 - Lindsey Johnson
- 25 - Rev. Rhett Butler
- Tom Lickey
- Jeremy Rogers
- 27 - Tammy Schacht
- 29 - Ella Fairchild

JULY ANNIVERSARIES

- 6 - Rev. Rex & Kathy Charles
- 10 - Dan & Karen Sherbahn
- 12 - Tom & Kelly Nei
- 20 - Tony & Renee Hicks



JULY GREETERS

- 2 - Roger & Ellen
- 9 - Joyce & Lindsey, Audree,
Addy & Jayma
- 16 - Jim & Barb
- 23 - Sarah & Candy
- 30 - Cindy & Vicki

JULY ACCOLYTES

- 2 - Hands
- 9 - Colclessers
- 16 - Pauls
- 23 - Amicks
- 30 - Hands

Please remember to sign up to help

with childrens church. There is a clipboard

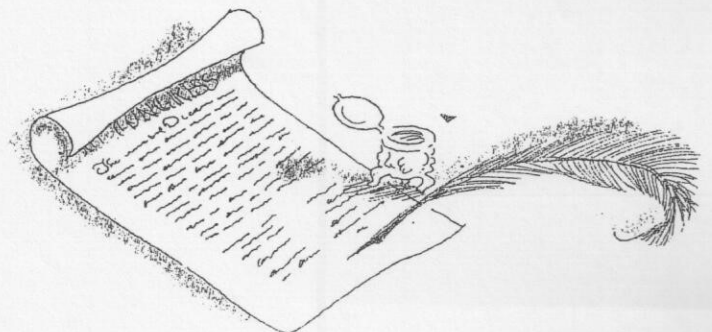
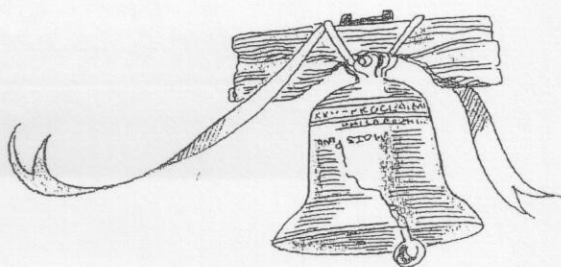
on the snack table.

AUGUST GREETERS

- 6 - Jim & Cynthia
- 13 - Dale & Sue
- 20 - Tammy S. & Julie
- 27 - Dale & Sue

AUGUST ACCOLYTES

- 6 - Colclessers
- 13 - Pauls
- 20 - Amicks
- 27 - Hands



**PLEASANT CHAPEL
OFFERING & EXPENSE REPORT
MAY 2017**

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------|
| 2016 OPENING CHECKING BALANCE | \$9,095.94 |
| TRANSFERS FROM SAVINGS | \$0.00 |
| TRANSFERS TO SAVINGS | \$8,000.00 |
| CHURCH OFFERING | \$33,952.06 |
| COMMUNITY AID OFFERING | \$0.00 |
| SPECIAL OFFERINGS | \$1,710.00 |
| ONE GREAT HOUR OF SHARING | \$0.00 |
| VBS OFFERING | \$100.00 |
| BIRTHDAY OFFERING | \$8.00 |
| TRAVELLER OFFERING | \$25.00 |
| MEMORIAL OFFERING | \$0.00 |
| TOTAL OFFERINGS | \$35,795.06 |
| AVERAGE WEEKLY OFFERING | \$1,789.75 |
| NEEDED EACH WEEK | \$935.00 |
| OVERAGE OR DEFICIT | \$854.75 |

| | 2017 ACTUAL | 2017 BUDGET | PERCENT SPENT | DOLLARS REMAINING |
|----------------------------|----------------|----------------|------------------|----------------------|
| SPECIALS PAID TO IC | \$305.00 | \$1,810.00 | 16.85% | \$1,505.00 |
| TITHE/APPORTIONMENTS | \$3,742.46 | \$7,000.00 | 53.46% | \$3,257.54 |
| ASS. CHURCHES-BIBLES | \$0.00 | \$200.00 | 0.00% | \$200.00 |
| BIBLE SCHOOL SUPPLIES | \$209.15 | \$500.00 | 41.83% | \$290.85 |
| CUSTODIAN | \$875.00 | \$2,100.00 | 41.67% | \$1,225.00 |
| GUEST MINISTER | \$200.00 | \$600.00 | 33.33% | \$400.00 |
| INSURANCE PROPERTY | \$3,387.00 | \$3,500.00 | 96.77% | \$113.00 |
| MISCELLANEOUS | \$147.83 | \$500.00 | 29.57% | \$352.17 |
| OFFICE SUPPLIES | \$208.99 | \$500.00 | 41.80% | \$291.01 |
| PASTOR'S COMPENSATION | \$ 6,720.21 | \$16,000.00 | 42.00% | \$9,279.79 |
| PASTOR'S EXPENSES | \$ 407.88 | \$2,000.00 | 20.39% | \$1,592.12 |
| PLEASANT CHAPEL FOUND./Tru | \$0.00 | \$0.00 | 0.00% | \$0.00 |
| SOCIAL SECURITY | \$1,534.81 | \$700.00 | 219.26% | (\$834.81) |
| SUNDAY SCHOOL SUPPLIES | \$227.68 | \$950.00 | 23.97% | \$722.32 |
| WORSHIP/EVANG. COMMITTEE | \$197.52 | \$450.00 | 43.89% | \$252.48 |
| CHILDREN'S COMMITTEE | \$0.00 | \$100.00 | 0.00% | \$100.00 |
| NON UMC Charities | \$805.00 | \$0.00 | 0.00% | (\$805.00) |
| UMW | \$25.00 | \$25.00 | 100.00% | \$0.00 |
| CHURCH LIGHTS | \$788.00 | \$2,500.00 | 31.52% | \$1,712.00 |
| CHURCH FUEL | \$2,074.90 | \$6,000.00 | 34.58% | \$3,925.10 |
| TELEPHONE | \$292.10 | \$850.00 | 34.36% | \$557.90 |
| KAREN'S CHRISTMAS FUND | \$0.00 | \$442.00 | 0.00% | \$442.00 |
| UM MISSIONS | \$0.00 | \$1,000.00 | 0.00% | \$1,000.00 |
| COMMUNITY AID FUND | \$0.00 | \$300.00 | 0.00% | \$300.00 |
| SCHOLARSHIPS | \$325.00 | \$600.00 | 54.17% | \$275.00 |
| | \$22,473.53 | \$48,627.00 | 46.22% | \$26,153.47 |

AVERAGE WEEKLY EXPENSES \$1,123.68 \$935.00

WEEK 20

BALANCE AS OF MAY 31, 2017 \$12,574.47
SAVINGS ACCOUNT AS OF MAY 31, 2017 \$48,069.37
SAVINGS ACCOUNT AS OF DEC. 31, 2016 \$40,053.24

JOHN ROGERS, TREASURER

PASTOR'S COMPENSATION BREAKDOWN

HOUSING ALLOWANCE \$ - Pretax
GROSS WAGES \$ 6,720.21
TOTAL COMPENSATION \$ 6,720.21

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SECOND TUESDAY PICNICS

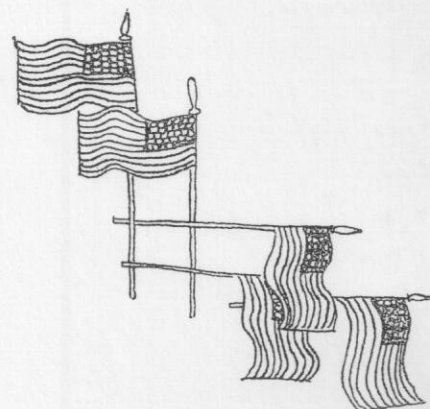
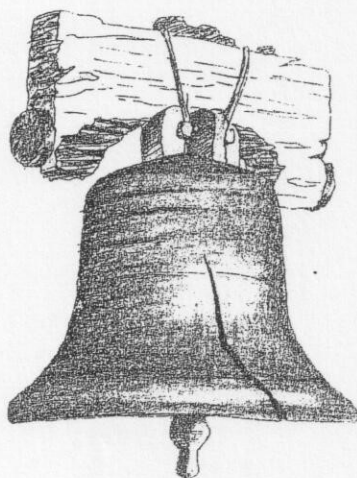
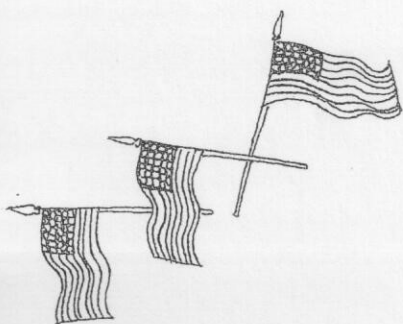
JUNE 13

JULY 11

5:30 – 6:30 pm

AUGUST 8

Join us for a free picnic meal including hot dogs & hamburgers at the BRETHREN CHURCH the second Tuesday of each summer month.



The Lord's Baseball

Bob was caught up in the spirit where he and the Lord stood by to observe a baseball game. The Lord's team was playing Satan's team. The Lord's team was at bat, the score was tied zero to zero, and it was the bottom of the 9th inning with two outs.

They continued to watch as a batter stepped up to the plate whose name was Love. Love swung at the first pitch and hit a single, because Love never fails.

The next batter was named Faith, who also got a single because Faith works with Love.

The next batter up was named Godly wisdom. Satan wound up and threw the first pitch; Godly Wisdom looked it over and let it pass, because Godly Wisdom does not swing at Satan's pitches. Ball one. Three more pitches and Godly Wisdom walked, because Godly wisdom never swings at Satan's throws.

The bases were loaded.

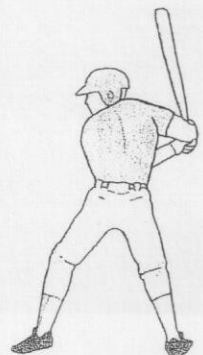
The Lord then turned to Bob and told him He was now going to bring in His star player. Up to the plate stepped Grace. Bob said he sure did not look like much! Satan's whole team relaxed when they saw Grace. Thinking he had won the game, Satan wound up and fired his first pitch. To the shock of everyone, Grace hit the ball harder than anyone had ever seen.

But Satan was not worried; his center fielder, the Prince of the air, let very few get by. He went up for the ball, but it went right through his glove, hit him on the head and sent him crashing on the ground; then it continued over the fence for a home run! The Lord's team won.

The Lord then asked Bob if he knew why Love, Faith, and Godly Wisdom could get on base but could not win the game. Bob answered that he did not know why. The Lord explained, "If your love, faith and wisdom had won the game you would think you had done it by yourself. Love, faith and wisdom will get you on base, but only My grace can get you home. My grace is the one thing Satan cannot stop."



Whose Team are you on?



chocolate marshmallow meltaways

prep: 20 min. bake: 10 min./batch + cooling
yield: 3 dozen

Kids are thrilled to find a marshmallow hidden under the cocoa frosting. I enjoyed these as a child, and now my own family loves them, too.

—JOANNA SWARTLEY, HARRISONBURG, VIRGINIA

DOUGH:

- 1/2 cup butter-flavored shortening
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1/4 cup 2% milk
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- 1-3/4 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup baking cocoa
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 18 large marshmallows, halved

FROSTING:

- 3 tablespoons butter, softened
- 3 cups confectioners' sugar
- 3 tablespoons baking cocoa
- 1/8 teaspoon salt
- 4 to 6 tablespoons 2% milk

1 In a large bowl, cream shortening and sugar until light and fluffy. Beat in the egg, milk and vanilla. Combine the flour, cocoa, salt and baking soda; gradually add to creamed mixture and mix well.



chocolate marshmallow meltaways

2 Drop the dough by tablespoonfuls 2 in. apart onto ungreased baking sheets. Bake at 350° for 8 minutes. Press a marshmallow half cut side down onto each cookie; bake 2 minutes longer. Remove the cookies to wire racks to cool completely.

3 In a small bowl, beat butter, confectioners' sugar, cocoa and salt until smooth. Add enough milk to achieve a spreading consistency. Frost cookies.

triple-chocolate brownie cookies

prep: 25 min. + chilling bake: 10 min./batch + cooling
yield: 6 dozen

Our family of chocolate lovers gets triply excited when these cookies come out of the oven. They have the texture and taste of fudge brownies, and the chocolate chip-based drizzle makes them look so tempting.

—LINDA ROBINSON, NEW BRAUNFELS, TEXAS

- 4 ounces unsweetened chocolate, chopped
- 3/4 cup butter, cubed
- 4 eggs
- 2 cups sugar
- 1-1/2 cups all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup baking cocoa
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1/2 teaspoon salt
- 2 cups (12 ounces) semisweet chocolate chips, divided
- 2 teaspoons shortening

1 In a microwave, melt unsweetened chocolate and butter; stir until smooth. Cool slightly.

2 In a large bowl, beat the eggs and sugar. Stir in chocolate mixture. Combine the flour, cocoa, baking powder and salt; gradually add to chocolate mixture and mix well. Stir in 1-1/2 cups chocolate chips. Cover and refrigerate for 2 hours or until easy to handle.

3 Drop by tablespoonfuls 2 in. apart onto greased baking sheets. Bake at 350° for 7-9 minutes or until edges are set and tops are slightly cracked. Cool the cookies for 2 minutes; remove from pans to wire racks to cool completely.

4 In a microwave, melt remaining chips and shortening; stir until smooth. Drizzle over cookies. Let stand for 30 minutes or until chocolate is set.



Freedom Is Not Free

I watched the flag pass by one day, it fluttered in the breeze,

A young man in uniform saluted it, and then he stood at ease.

I looked at him in uniform – so young, so tall, so proud,

With hair cut square and eyes alert, he'd stand out in the crowd.

I thought how many men like him had fallen through the years?

How many died on foreign soil?

How many mothers' tears?

How many pilots' planes shot down?

How many died at sea?

How many foxholes were soldiers' graves?

No, freedom is not free.

I heard the sound of taps one night, when everything was still.

I listened to the bugler play and felt a sudden chill.

I wondered just how many times that taps had meant "Amen"

When a flag had draped a coffin of a brother or a friend.

I thought of all the children, of mothers and the wives

Of fathers, sons and husbands, with interrupted lives.

I thought about a graveyard at the bottom of the sea,

Of unmarked graves in Arlington.

No, freedom is not free.

