

# The Messenger

## From the Pastor's Desk: Seeking Prosperity

A few weeks ago, I struck-up a conversation with some church members about New Castle. We talked about its history, how things used to be and the way things are today.

I remember when I first arrived here in 2008 and I told people I moved here from Georgia. They looked at me like I was crazy. In those first few months I don't recall hearing one positive word about the community. If the residents couldn't say anything positive and didn't want to be here, why would anyone else want to be here?

For many of you, the New Castle of today is a far cry from the city

you remember. Jobs are scarce and resources are dwindling. The prosperity of the past seems to be just that: in the past. In some ways it is a foreign land; a place difficult to relate to and understand.

Churches finding themselves in foreign territory generally have one of two reactions: some become defensive. The walls go up and the church becomes a refuge from the world. Others assimilate; they become like the world around them.

When you read Jeremiah 29:4-8, you see that the Hebrews had been taken into exile to the land of Babylon and



they were facing these same two temptations. But the Lord intervened through Jeremiah. He told the people to continue to live their lives as they normally would: **“Build houses, plant gardens...seek the peace and prosperity of the city to which I have carried you. Pray to the Lord for it [the city], because if it prospers, you too will prosper.”**

The Lord tells us not to blend in or live as those around us, nor to wall ourselves off from the city. Instead, we should pray for the city's pros-

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### JULY SERMONS & WORSHIP:

- **July 6**  
*Romans 7:15-25*
- **July 13**  
*Romans 8:1-11*
- **July 20**  
*Matthew 13:24-30, 36-43*
- **July 27**  
*Matthew 13:44-52*

### AUGUST SERMONS & WORSHIP:

- **August 3**  
*Matthew 14:13-21*
- **August 10**  
*Matthew 14:22-33*
- **August 17**  
*Matthew 15:10-28*
- **August 24**  
*Matthew 16:13-20*
- **August 31**  
*Matthew 16:21-28*



## Church Office Memo

PLEASE NOTE: The Church Office will be **CLOSED** on Mon-

days during the month of August.

## Clen-Moore Graduates



### HIGH SCHOOL

#### Jessica Conrad

Graduated from Laurel High School. She will attend Cleveland State University to become a Physician's Assistant. She is the daughter of Rick & Jennifer Conrad; sisters are Jaymie and Janna Conrad; grandparents are John & Nancy Book; aunts and uncles include Dave & Shirley Book

and Bob & Amy Book; cousins are Katelyn & Joshua Book.

#### Sean Murphy

Graduated from New Castle High School. He will attend Notre Dame College to pursue a degree in Biochemistry. He is the son of Anita & Brian Murphy.

#### Thomas Funk

Graduated from Lawrence County Career & Technical Center with a focus in masonry. He is currently working for a local construction company. He is the son of Mr. & Mrs. Funk; his brother is Sean Funk.

### COLLEGE

#### Jordan Bender

Graduated from the University of Pittsburgh with a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Computational Linguistics with a Minor in Japanese. He is pursuing a Graduate Degree. He is the son of Jon & Tara Bender and the grandson of Cheryl Albert.

Clen-Moore extends its congratulations to all of its graduates!

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perity and work to make it a great place.

We are always tempted to move in one direction or the other. But the gospel calls us to a third option: to be an al-

ternative life-giving community. We don't assimilate nor do we wall ourselves off; we work for and pray for the prosperity of New Castle.

We must ask ourselves: How should the church begin to show the alternate way? How

can Clen-Moore work for the peace and prosperity of the community?

*Pastor Chris*

### Financial Snapshot *Year-to-Date May 2014*

	<i>Beginning Balance</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>	<i>Ending Balance</i>
<b>General Fund</b>	\$25,000	\$124,908	\$145,170	\$4,737
<b>Gen. Missions Fund</b>	\$19,162	\$19,267	\$26,017	\$12,411
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$44,162</b>	<b>\$144,176</b>	<b>\$171,188</b>	<b>\$17,149</b>

# YOUTH

## FlipSide & KFC

### JULY

- Sunday, July 13**  
 We will join Highland Presbyterian youth again for a cookout, bonfire, and games at the home of Don & Alma Thompson (1635 Pulaski Rd, Pulaski 16143). Meet at the church at 6:45PM or at the Thompson home at 7:30PM. Pick-up is at 10:30PM from the Thompson home or 11PM from the church.
- Wednesday, July 23 - Friday, July 25**  
 "His Hands" mission outreach to homes around Lawrence County. We will gather each day to go and serve the Lord by doing minor home repairs or yard work for those who cannot do for themselves. Lunch and snacks are provided each day. "His Hands" is open to those entering 6th grade or older.  
 \*\*Each day you attend, you can earn money off the cost of your Waldameer ticket in August: 25% for 1 day, 50% for 2 days, and 100% for all 3 days.
- Sunday, July 27**  
 Picnic and hike (or canoe trip?) on the Allegheny

River out of Emlenton, PA.

### AUGUST

- Sunday, August 3**  
*(tentative)*  
 Food preparation for "Feed My Sheep." This is a local ministry that feeds hungry people in New Castle three days a week and ministers to the families as they are able. We will meet at Clen-Moore to prepare food for their lunch on Tuesday, August 5. (We will **not** be serving as we will be at Waldameer Park that day.)
- Tuesday, August 5**  
 Waldameer Water & Amusement Park with Highland Presbyterian youth, all day. Cost is \$15 + spending money. Clen-Moore will provide dinner. Friends are welcome!
- Sunday, August 17**  
 Picnic, beach, and dinner at Beach 11 and the diner at Presque Isle. We'll leave immediately following church and come home around 7PM. Bring money for ice cream; Clen-Moore will provide dinner.

C.2G.S.

**Summer Study.** We will study the life and story of Mother Teresa entitled "Loving Jesus." In this, we will discover how



she takes her lifelong work of serving the poor and relates it to all those who suffer spiritually and physically, and how they need Jesus. This includes those in our own families, schools, and communities. Mother Teresa teaches us how to truly love Jesus.

## Baptism



The Sacrament of Infant Baptism was administered to Audrey Elizabeth Plyler, daughter of Seth & Christina Plyler, on June 1, 2014. Grandparents are Steve & Amy Plyler and Tom & Debbie Reynolds.

## Wedding Bells



Mathew Meyer and Gretchen Rapp were married on June 14 at Clen-Moore Presbyterian Church. Gretchen is a daughter of Tom & Joan Rapp. Grandparents are Bob & Minerva Rapp.

## Daily Bible Readings

### JULY

1. 2 Chron. 10, 11; 1 Kings 12:1-24
2. 1 Kings 12:25-14:20
3. 1 Kings 14:21-31; 2 Chron. 12; *Ephesians 1*; Prov. 17
4. 1 Kings 15:1-8; 2 Chron. 13:1-14:1; *Eph. 2*
5. 1 Kings 15:9-24; 2 Chron. 14:2-16:14
6. 1 Kings 15:25-17:24; *Eph. 3*
7. 1 Kings 18, 19
8. 1 Kings 20, 21
9. 2 Chron. 17; *Eph. 4:1-5:21*
10. 2 Chron. 18; 1 Kings 22:1-50
11. 2 Chron. 19:1-21:3; Ps. 20, 21
12. Ps. 33, 60; 1 Kings 22:51-53; 2 Kings 1; *Eph. 5:22-33*
13. 2 Kings 2, 3; *Eph. 6*

### June Mission Disbursements

**\$1,000** - Presbyterian Frontier Fellowship, M. Robison

**\$2,000** Salvation Army Lawrence County (mission gift)

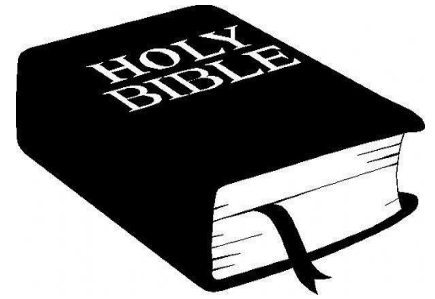
**\$1,000** - City Rescue Mission

**\$1,000** - Salvation Army (gift for children to go to summer camp)

14. 2 Kings 4, 5
15. 2 Kings 6:1-8:15
16. 2 Kings 8:16-29; 2 Chron. 21:4-22:9; Obadiah
17. 2 Kings 9, 10
18. *Colossians 1-4*
19. 2 Kings 11; 2 Chron. 22:10-23:21; *Philemon*
20. 2 Kings 12; 2 Chron. 24; Ps. 42, 43
21. Joel 1-3
22. 2 Kings 14:21-15:7; 2 Chron. 25
23. Jonah 1-4; Prov. 18
24. *Philippians 1-4*
25. 2 Kings 14:21-15:7; 2 Chron. 26; Prov. 19
26. Amos 1, 2; *1 Timothy 1*
27. Amos 3, 4; Ps. 44; *1 Tim. 2*
28. Amos 5, 6; *1 Tim 3*
29. Amos 7-9; *1 Tim. 4*
30. Isaiah 1, 2; Ps. 87; *1 Tim. 5:1-6:2*
31. Isa. 3, 4; *1 Tim. 6:3-21*

### AUGUST

1. *Titus 1-3*; Proverbs 20
2. *2 Timothy 1-4*
3. Isaiah 5, 6; Prov. 21
4. 2 Kings 15:8-31; Hosea 1-3
5. Hos. 4-7
6. Hos. 8-11
7. Hos. 12-14; Prov. 22
8. Ps. 78



9. 2 Kings 15:32-38; 2 Chron. 27; 2 Kings 16; 2 Chron. 28
10. Micah 1-3; Prov. 23:1-28
11. Mic. 4-7; Ps. 12, 87
12. Isa. 7:1-9:7; Ps. 2
13. Isa. 9:8-12:6
14. Isa. 13-16
15. Isa. 17-20; Prov. 23:29-35
16. Isa. 21-23
17. Isa. 24, 25; *Jude*
18. Isa. 26-28; *Hebrews 1*
19. Ps. 8, 22; *Heb. 2*
20. Isa. 29, 30; *Heb. 3*
21. Isa. 31, 32; *Heb. 4:1-5:10*
22. 2 Kings 17; Ps. 84; *Heb. 5:11-6:20*
23. Isa. 33-35; *Heb. 7, 8*
24. 2 Chron. 29-31
25. Ps. 74, 79, 83; *Heb. 9*
26. 2 Kings 18, 19; 2 Chron. 32:1-23
27. Ps. 59, 75; Isa. 36, 37
28. 2 Kings 20; 2 Chron. 32:24-33; Isa. 38, 39; Ps. 73
29. Isa. 40, 41; *Heb. 10:1-18*
30. Isa. 42, 43; *Heb. 10:19-39*
31. Isa. 44, 45; Prov. 24:1-22

## CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Chris Weichman, Pastor

Director of Youth & Family Ministry, Aaron Christy

Church Organist, Dr. Jane Karski

Director of Choirs, Kathryn Bressler-Mansell

Church Treasurer, Dennis Richards

Substitute Treasurer, Sharon Esposito

Church Secretary, Kathy Barkley

Nursery Care Provider, Anna Moore

Church Custodian, Charles Antonelli

Sunday Custodian, Clarence Jenkins

## THE SESSION

Rev. Chris Weichman, Moderator

Gail Keffer, Clerk of Session

2016

Clarence Jenkins

John Karmecy

Gail Keffer

Janice McConnell

2015

Sharon Esposito

John Meyers

Tom Rapp

Jim Reese

Bob Sholler

2014

Debbie Book

Beth DeVivo

Margie Kerr

Seth Plyler

## THE BOARD OF DEACONS

2016

Nancy Book

Jackie Bush

Gene DeCaprio

Brenda Matas

Eleanor McConahy

Anna Moore

2015

Evelyn Genkinger

Jen Hardisky

Sarah Plyler

John Purdy

Margie Tinstman

2014

Amy Ball

Beth Held

Cheryl Pilch

Rita Plyler

Bob Turner

## July Helpers

### Hospital Visitation:

6 Janice McConnell, Margie Kerr

13 Clarence Jenkins, John Karmecy

20 Gail Keffer, Seth Plyler

27 Sharon Esposito, Debbie Book

### Deacons of the Month:

Jackie Bush, Sarah Plyler

### Van Driver:

*If you need a ride to church during the month of July, please call the church office: (724) 654-6657*

## August Helpers

### Hospital Visitation:

3 Tom Rapp, Bob Sholler

10 John Meyers, Jim Reese

17 Beth DeVivo, Janice McConnell

24 Margie Kerr, Clarence Jenkins

### Deacons of the Month:

Jackie Bush

### Van Driver:

Dave Esposito  
(724) 654-7395

# July 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
		(AM) Healing Touch, Tri-M Classroom 9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park 7PM Building & Grounds, Parlor	5:30PM Healthy Eating Group, Youth Room		<b>FOURTH OF JULY</b>	
6	7	8	9	10	11	12
	5:45PM BBBS, Picnic at Massaro's	9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park				
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
6:45PM KFC & FlipSide, Picnic at Thompson's		(AM) Healing Touch, Tri-M Classroom 9:15AM BP Screening, Pearson Park 9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park	5:30PM Healthy Eating Group, Youth Room			
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
8:30AM Fellowship Breakfast & BP Screening	11AM BBBS, Kennywood Park	9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park	← KFC & FlipSide "His Hands" Ministry →			
27	28	29	30	31		
KFC & FlipSide, Trip to Allegheny River		9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park				

# August 2014

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
KFC & Flip-Side, "Feed My Sheep" Food Preparation	5:30PM BBBS, Living Treasures <b>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b>	(AM) Healing Touch, Tri-M Classroom KFC & FlipSide, Waldameer Park 9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park 7PM Building & Grounds, Parlor	5:30PM Healthy Eating Group, Youth Room			
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
	<i>Messenger</i> Deadline <b>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b>	9:15AM BP Screening, Pearson Park 9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park				
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
8:30AM Fellowship Breakfast & BP Screening KFC & Flip-Side, Presque Isle	4PM BBBS, PNC Park <b>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b>	(AM) Healing Touch, Tri-M Classroom 9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park	5:30PM Healthy Eating Group, Youth Room			
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30
/	5:45PM BBBS, Picnic at Mendenhall's <b>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</b>	9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park				

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## Health Ministry News

**Health Tip** for July & August:  
Drink plenty of fluids (even if  
not thirsty) to avoid dehydration;  
about 2-3 cups  
of fluid per  
hour,  
depending on  
temperature  
and activity.  
Avoid caffeine  
and alcohol.

A big **thank**  
you to all who completed the  
CPR/AED review course on  
June 4, 2014: Joanna Barr, John

Book, Nancy Book, Barbara  
Harper, Lois Henneman, Kathy  
Mansell, Tom Mansell,

Stephanie  
Parrott, and  
Nancy  
Wozniak. Our  
Instructor was  
Kathleen  
Rumbaugh of  
the American  
Heart  
Association.

*"Don't you know that your body  
is the temple of the Holy Spirit,  
who lives in you and who was  
given to you by God? You do not  
belong to yourselves, but to God."  
~ 1 Corinthians 6:19*

Have a happy, healthy summer!