

# The Messenger

## From the Pastor's Desk: Summer Reading

Summer is the time when the pace of life slows a bit. It is a time to catch-up and relax. One of the things I do is put together a summer reading list. The last time I shared a Summer reading list was 2008. So what follows is a list of books that I have read or reread several times, most of which revolve around faith and the life of the church. They are not difficult reads, but they will challenge how you think about the church in the world today.

The first is one I read about every other year: **The Body** by John Chuck Colson. This was first published in 1992 and is



still relevant today. Alternating between inspiring stories and insightful analysis, Colson wrestles with tough questions troubling the church in the world

**Mere Discipleship: Radical Christianity in a Rebellious**

**World** is written by Lee Camp. As one reviewer wrote, "Camp insists that we wrestle with uncomfortable and impolite questions, daring to ask what everyday life might look like if Christians pledged allegiance to God's in-breaking kingdom rather than the kingdoms of this world. The book is challenging yet accessible.

**The Present Future: Six tough Questions for the Church** wrestles with the six most important new realities



the church must address, including: recapturing the spirit of Christianity and replacing "church growth" with a wider vision of kingdom growth; developing disciples instead of church members; fostering the rise of new leadership, focusing on spiritual formation rather than church programs and shifting from prediction and planning to preparation for the challenges of an uncertain world. It sounds heavy, but it is an easy read.

The next book points to churches that are responding to these questions. **Treasure in Clay Jars** looks at nine very different churches and how they faithfully responded to their

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### JUNE SERMONS & WORSHIP:

- **June 7**  
*Communion*  
*1 Samuel 15:22-23*
- **June 14**  
*1 John 2:15-17*
- **June 21**  
*Genesis 32:22-26, 30*
- **June 28**  
*Luke 10:38-42*

## Opening Doors

On May 31, 2015, we formally dedicated the new church entrance and interior renovations to the glory and service of God. We have returned to our updated Sanctuary with joy and a desire to praise God from whom all blessings flow.

While the construction is nearly at an end, for Clen-Moore this is just the beginning of a new era of service, outreach, and community building. We look forward to seeing the ways God may use us



and use this new space to glorify His name and share His love with our community.

*To God be the glory,  
great things He has done!*



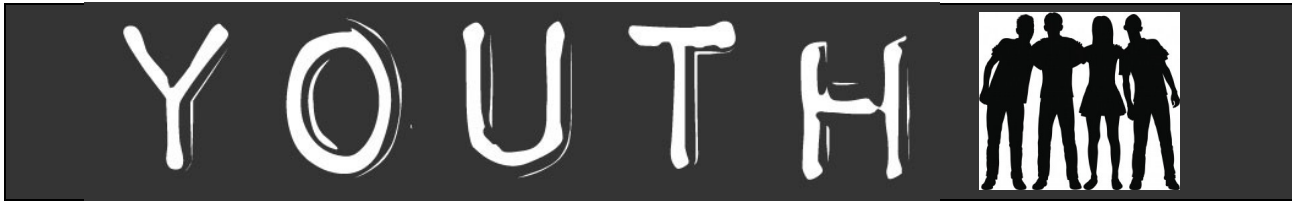
**May 17, 2015 - The first worship service in the updated Sanctuary.**



**Pastor Chris gives the Children's Message while seated on the new risers.**

### Financial Snapshot *Year-to-Date: April 2015*

	<i>Beginning Balance</i>	<i>Receipts</i>	<i>Disbursements</i>	<i>Ending Balance</i>
<b>General Fund</b>	\$25,186	\$95,819	\$119,453	\$1,552
<b>Gen. Missions Fund</b>	\$18,950	\$13,258	\$18,252	\$13,956
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$44,137</b>	<b>\$109,078</b>	<b>\$137,706</b>	<b>\$15,509</b>



### **K.F.C. & FlipSide Youth Group**

**Sunday, June 14** - "GO KARTS and WINGS" We will meet at the church at 2:30 PM and travel to Hermitage for Go-Karts. We'll finish with a wing-ding dinner at The Lube, returning to the church by 7:30 PM. Cost is \$10 per person.

**Sunday, June 28** -

**Wednesday, July 1** - Youth Mission Trip to Flemington, W.V. working with the Light

of Life Church to help them prepare to host a mission team from World Vision of well over 100 people. More detailed information will be shared during a Moment For Mission, including the trip participants. *"As the Father has sent me, so I am sending you all."* ~ John 20:21.

**C.2G.S. (Connect, Grow, Go, Serve) Jr/Sr. High Sunday School** - Throughout the summer we will continue to study the Holy Bi-

ble, looking at various passages and themes, focusing on how the New Testament interprets and fulfills the Old Testament. i.e. - God's Covenant Faithfulness, The New Israel, Salvation History, Prophet/Priest/King, Exodus and the Return of the Exiles, Morality & Ethics, etc...

### **Coming Soon**

Our new Youth room in the former Coffeehouse!!

## **VBS 2015**

VBS arrives this month!  
Don't miss it:

**June 15-19**  
**6:00 - 8:00 p.m.**

This year's theme is "Shine." Children ages 4 through entering 6th grade will learn to cast their crowns at the feet of the Lord and to give Him glory!

### **Registration**

Parents/guardians can register children online at [NewCastleVBS.org](http://NewCastleVBS.org) or by filling out a registration form located in the new Welcome Center.

### **Picnic**

Everyone is invited to our family picnic on the last day of VBS (Friday, June 19). Come and experience some of the fun we've had all week!

### **Donation Requests**

If you are so inclined, we would appreciate donations of the following items:

- Small pretzels
- Cheez-its
- Teddy Grahams
- Fruit Chews
- Animal Crackers
- M&Ms
- Snack Bags of Chips/



Pretzels

- Watermelon
- Hot Dogs
- Hot Dog Buns

### **Expanding Partnership**

The VBS Committee is glad to announce that Third Presbyterian has joined our partnership in a support role, alongside First, Northminster, and Shenango Presbyterian churches.

## Health Ministry

### Dates to Remember:

**June 16** -Blood Pressure Screening, PrimeTimer's Meeting: 9AM at Pearson Park

**June 21** - Blood Pressure Screening, Clen-Moore Fellowship Breakfast: 8:30AM in Fellowship Hall

### Health Tips for Better Sleep

#### MY PHONE V. MY SLEEP

Of the 20 good sleep habits published recently, one of the most important and easiest to do is to shut off all electronics at least one hour before sleep. This especially means cell phones, which nearly two thirds of people ages 18-64 have within reach while in bed. Here are

a few reasons why and what you can do instead.

#### HOW SCREENS HURT YOUR SLEEP

1. Blue light - lowers melatonin, a sleep-inducing hormone.
2. Stimulation - TV, games, scrolling through social media all cause our minds to remain alert, rather than calming them before sleep.
3. Stress - watching TV, playing games, etc. raises our stress levels, instead of creating relaxing thoughts before sleep.

#### WHAT YOU CAN DO INSTEAD

1. Read a book.



2. Jot down your thoughts on paper.
3. Take a shower/bath.
4. Resist the urge to snack at least two hours before bed.

(Ref: Harvard Medical School, Harvard Health Letter, April 2015)

*"The Lord will keep you from all harm - he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going, both now and forevermore." ~ Psalm 121:7-8*



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changing neighborhoods and realities of life. These congregations are "clay jars;" that is, none of them are perfect, but each carries in its witness a remarkable treasure that points to God's power and to God's purposes in the

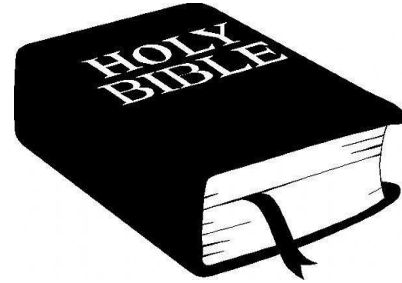
world. The book highlights eight patterns these churches share that help to reshape their communities.

If you are looking to read something in a specific area, please ask and I will be happy to help you find a good read for the summer.

*Pastor Chris*

## Daily Bible Readings

1. 1 Chron. 26, 27
2. 1 Kings 1:1-27, Ps 69, 70, 71
3. 1 Kings 1:28-53; 1 Chron. 28:1-29:25; Psalm 72
4. Song of Solomon 1-8
5. Ps. 45; 1 Kings 2:1-12; 2 Sam 23:1-7; 1 Chron. 29:26-30; 1 Kings 2:13-46
6. 2 Chron. 1:1-13; 1 Kings 3; Ps. 1, Proverbs 1
7. Prov. 2-4
8. Prov. 5, 6; Ps. 37
9. Prov. 7-9
10. 1 Kings 4; Prov. 10; Ps. 90
11. 1 Kings 5; 2 Chron. 2; *Romans 1*
12. Prov. 11; Ps. 14, 53; *Rom. 2*
13. 1 Kings 6; 2 Chron. 3; *Rom. 3*
14. Kings 7:1-12; Prov. 12; *Rom. 4*
15. 1 Kings 7:13-51; 2 Chron. 4:1-5; *Rom. 5*
16. 1 Kings 8:1-21; 2 Chron. 5:2-6:11; *Rom. 6*
17. 1 Kings 8:22-61; 2 Chron. 6:12-42; Ps. 132
18. 1 Kings 8:62-9:9; 2 Chron. 7; Ps. 92, 93; *Rom. 7*
19. Ps. 94, 95, 96, 29; *Rom. 8*
20. Ps. 97, 98, 99, 100; *Rom. 9*
21. 1 Kings 9:10-28; 2 Chron. 8; *Rom. 10*
22. 1 Kings 10:1-25; 2 Chron. 9:1-28; *Rom. 11*
23. 1 Kings 10:26-29; 2 Chron. 1:14-17; 1 Kings 11:1-13; Ps 45, 72; *Rom. 12*
24. Ecclesiastes 1, 2; Prov. 13:1-12; *Rom. 13*
25. Ecc. 3, 4; Prov. 13:13-25; *Rom. 14*
26. Ecc. 5, 6; *Rom. 15*
27. Ecc. 7, 8; *Rom. 16*
28. Ecc. 9, 10; Prov. 14
29. Ecc. 11, 12; Prov. 15
30. 1 Kings 11:14-40; 2 Chron. 9:29-31; Prov. 16



## In Memoriam

- Shirley L. Grieve - May 6, 2015.
- William O'Brien - May 14, 2015.



## Baptism

Allison Janae Van Horn, daughter of David & Alycia Van Horn, was baptized on May 17, 2015. Grandparents are David & Barbara Van Horn and Rosalyn Hoffman.



## May Mission Disbursements

**\$5,000** - City Rescue Mission

## CHURCH STAFF

The Rev. Chris Weichman, Pastor  
 Aaron Christy, Director of Youth & Family Ministry  
 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, Christina Plyler  
 Church Custodian, Charles Antonelli  
 Sunday Custodian, Clarence Jenkins

## THE SESSION

Rev. Chris Weichman, *Moderator*

Gail Keffer, *Clerk of Session*

### 2017

Debbie Book  
 Jen Conrad  
 Tom Mansell  
 Don Nicolls  
 Seth Plyler

### 2016

Clarence Jenkins  
 John Karmecy  
 Gail Keffer  
 Janice McConnell  
 Nancy Natale

### 2015

Sharon Esposito  
 John Meyers  
 Tom Rapp  
 Jim Reese  
 Bob Sholler

## THE BOARD OF DEACONS

### 2017

Bob Davies  
 Sandy Kelty  
 Cheryl Pilch  
 Barb Richards  
 Bob Turner, *Moderator*

### 2016

Nancy Book  
 Jackie Bush  
 Gene DeCaprio  
 Brenda Matas  
 Eleanor McConahy

### 2015

Evelyn Genkinger  
 Jen Hardisky  
 Sarah Plyler  
 John Purdy  
 Margie Tinstman

## Messenger Memo

The deadline to submit articles for the July/August *Messenger* is Monday, June 8.

Sign up to receive *The Messenger* via email; go to [ClenMoore.org/newsletter](http://ClenMoore.org/newsletter).



## June Helpers

### Hospital Visitation Elders

7 Seth Plyler, Sharon Esposito

14 Debbie Book, Tom Rapp

21 Bob Sholler, John Meyers

28 Jim Reese, Nancy Natale

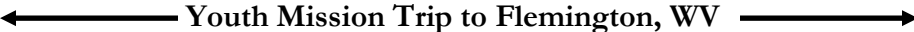
### Deacon of the Month

Cheryl Pilch

### Van Driver

Dave Esposito  
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# June 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
	5:45PM BBBS, Fellowship Hall	9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park 7PM Building & Grounds, Parlor		6PM Christian Ed., Library 6:30 PM Choir Picnic, Book Home		
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>COMMUNION SUNDAY</b> 10:30AM Worship	<i>Messenger</i> Deadline	9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park 6PM Deacons Picnic 6PM Mission & Evangelism, Conf. Room 7PM Stewardship & Finance, Library				
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
10:30AM Worship 2:30-7:30PM KFC/FlipSide Go Kart & Wings Night	5:45PM BBBS, Fellowship Hall 6-8PM VBS, New Castle Christian Academy	9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park 6-8PM VBS, New Castle Christian Academy 7PM Session, Parlor	6-8PM VBS, New Castle Christian Academy	6-8PM VBS, New Castle Christian Academy	6-8PM VBS Family Picnic, New Castle Christian Academy	
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
<b>FATHER'S DAY</b> 8:30AM Fellowship Breakfast & BP Screening 10:30AM Worship		9AM BP Screening, Pearson Park 9:30AM Prime Timers, Pearson Park				
28	29	30				
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## VBS 2015

**WHEN:** June 15 - 19,  
6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

**WHERE:** New Castle  
Christian Academy

**WHO:** Children ages 4  
through entering 6th  
grade

**COST:** Free!



Register online at  
[NewCastleVBS.org](http://NewCastleVBS.org)

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