

THE FAIRVIEW MESSENGER

FAIRVIEW EVANGELICAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

June 2016

From Pastor Mark

As you may know, at every Session meeting, we read a portion of Westminster Confession or the Shorter or Large Catechisms. Over the years we have worked through the Confession in its entirety and the Shorter Catechism. At the May Session meeting we read questions 137 - 139 regarding the seventh commandment. There are 196 questions total in the Larger Catechism.

One of the virtues of reading through the catechism in its entirety is that it can surprise us with new and unexpected insights. The seventh commandment is the prohibition against adultery. Question 139 asks "What particular sins does the seventh commandment forbid." What follows in answer are ten lines listing things that should be forbidden to Christian believers as part of our observance of the seventh commandment. The seventh commandment is a call to believers to keep their sexual house in order. Many of the listed prohibitions you would expect to read. However, one clause in the listing struck me so forcefully that I stopped reading the catechetical answer briefly. Among the things prohibited by the seventh commandment according to the catechism is "unnecessary delays in marrying." In this we find timely guidance for our day.

On one hand, the modern world does not lift up marriage as an important and valuable goal in life. The modern world "unnecessarily" delays marriage by placing other priorities in front of it. Many young people believe that they need to complete their education; purchase their first home; and be established in their career before they consider marriage. Many couples who do get engaged establish very long engagement periods before the wedding, often in order to save enough to pay for the wedding reception they hope to host. Many couples today also unnecessarily delay marriage by preferring to live together rather than marriage, often justifying doing so as "good preparation for marriage." It really is not, but that is a subject for another column.

I would encourage us to take the guidance of the catechism seriously. Where we have opportunity to interact with young people, let us lift up the value of marriage and encourage them to consider it sooner rather than later. Recently I was talking with a young man who was planning on moving in with his girlfriend. I encouraged them to consider instead the value of getting married, and not merely living together. I approached it with attitude of giving them another perspective. Much is gained spiritually with the upfront commitment of the marriage promises and vows. Much is gained spiritually in the whole process of engagement and wedding planning, the gathering of the two families to witness, affirm and support the newly married couple. And, much is gained spiritually in looking to marriage, and not merely living together. Marriage is lifelong. When we consider marrying someone, we ask questions then if we are simply considering them as a roommate. We ask, "Can I spend my life with this person?" "How

many children do we wish to have together?" "Do we share a common spiritual foundation, a shared faith?" These, and others, are important questions that, in considering marriage, we begin to ponder and think about.

Make it a goal to join me in looking for opportunities to speak favorably of the blessing of marriage with the young people with whom we interact.

See you in church on Sunday.

Pastor Mark



Children ages 5-10 are encouraged to join us for the most fun week of the summer.

The theme is Cave Quest: Following Jesus the Light of The World.

Registration is online at www.fairviewpc.org until June 10th and after that you can email Jo-Ellen Claphanson@wdclaphanson @verizon.net

We are asking the VBS kids to bring canned goods, one each day, to support the Salvation Army Food Bank at the Glenmoore Fire Hall. The food bank serves 60 families each week in the Glenmoore/Honeybrook/ Elverson area.

Please pray for good weather for VBS week and for all of the parents, children and young people involved in this effort to "go and make disciples for Christ."

Thank you,

Jo-Ellen Claphanson

Men's Bible Study

The Thursday Morning Men's Bible Study meets at 6:30 AM at the, Lionshare Diner which is off Route 100, between the Sunoco Gas Station and WAWA. All men are welcomed. Contact Roy Alder at (610) 458-0520 or radler@comcast.net if you have any questions.

Men's Fellowship

The Good Works Workday and Men's Fellowship Breakfast will be undergoing some changes this month.

We are looking at finishing and dedicating our current project in June. *Many hands are still needed to help finish*.

For our next home we expect to be working out of the St. Peter's warehouse on a home in the Northern Chester County area. It appears that their normal workday will be the *First Saturday of the month* rather than the Fourth.

It looks like we would start a new home in July, however, we don't know yet if the workday will be adjusted due to the July 4th Holiday weekend. So stay tuned for further announcements on this.

For questions and/or further details contact: Jim Palmer at 610-458-0898, Roy Adler at 610-416-5996 or Jay Hayes at 610-470-5473. Women and teens are also welcome to join us for the Good Works workday.



June 14



Women's Bible Studies

The Tuesday Morning, Bible Study. We have completed our Spring Semester and will resume in the Fall. Any questions please contact Bernie Hughes at smallvillemom@aol.com or 610-458-9726.

The Wednesday Evening Bible Study We have completed our Spring Semester and will resume in the Fall. For more information call Barb Finch at (610) 942-3735 or biblebarb1@verizon.net

The **Sunday Morning Small Groups**Have completed their studies for the
Spring and will resume in September.







Pastor

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> Nursery Attendant Nancy Finch



June 19



June 20



*Opportunities To Serve *

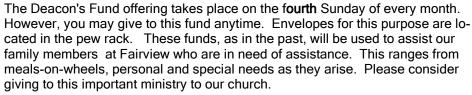
Bagel Sunday: If you are interested in becoming a sponsor for a Bagel Sunday, contact Christy Pomager on Sunday morning or email her at pomfam@comcat.net or call her at 610-469-6481.

Serving in the Church Nursery during Worship

We are in need of a few volunteers in the Church Nursery on Sunday mornings to help our Nursery Attendant, Nancy Finch with the children. If you are interested you can contact Christy Pomager at

pomfam@comcast.net or 619-469-6481. There is also a sign up genius available. https://m.signupgenius.com/#!/ showSignUp/5080548AAAD2AAB9-spring

Fairview Deacons





As of April 30, 2016 Total General Fund

Income \$ 88,899

Total General Fund

Expense: \$100,728

Difference \$ -11,829



Fairview EPC is partnering with The Salvation Army and Faith Alliance Church in Glenmoore and the Glenmoore In the Fire Hall to collect canned goods for families in need in the Glenmoore/Honey Brook/Elverson areas. They serve 60 families each week

The Salvation Army already came and picked up our first

full box of donations.

Please keep in mind this is an ongoing service event so please don't forget we need your donations.

Fairview VBS-2016 will be collecting also.

Any questions please email Jo-Ellen at wdclaphanson@verizon.net or see me in church.



Volunteers Needed**

The Honey Brook Food Pantry is in need of people to work to volunteer a few hours a month to help the elderly and ill folks to get the food to their cars and to help them make selections for their basket. Perhaps some people at Fairview have a few hours to help.

Churches are the support of successful food banks, financially, with food donations and with volunteer's time.

Contact information for the Honey Brook Food Pantry: Ken Ross, Director 610-291-0067 or kross1414@aol.com



John Miller 5/1 5/1 Mary Adams 5/3 Jeff Turner 5/6 Pat White 5/7 Frances Popioy 5/7 Nancy Hayes 5/7 Sue Schweppe 5/12 Bill Mecaughey 5/14 Frank Newby 5/15 Stephanie Palmer 5/23 Jay Hayes 5/29 Jerry Sheets 5/29 John Wallace 5/30 Evelyn Montgomery



5/7 Leona & Dale DeVore
5/8 Mark & Lois Ann Atkinson
5/12 Janet & John Campbell
5/15 Jerry & June Sheets
5/18 Ryan & Aimee Ludt
5/20 Beth & Matt Hartenstein
5/29 Bill & Evelyn Montgomery



On May 14th a memorial service was held at FEPC for Lewis Clayton Jr. Lewis was a FEPC member since 1939. He was laid to rest in Fairview's cemetery in the Krauser-Clayton Family plot.



Dennis Lesher

6/11 Cheryl Sauder Laura Yingst 6/11 Julie Dieffenbach 6/11 6/13 Chad Finch 6/13 **Brittany Leinhauser** Lindsay Wagner 6/13 Valerie Heimer 6/14 Al Seawell 6/17 Eric Newby 6/17 James D. Pomager 6/18 Benjamin Atkinson 6/18 6/20 **Kyle Turner** Megan Turner 6/20 Celia Weber 6/22 6/25 Leona Woodruff Jamie Fox 6/30

6/7



6/7 Anne & Sandy Fearnside
6/8 Bob & Florence Pyle
6/11 Bill & Jo-Ellen Claphanson
6/12 John & Linda Gyrath
6/15 Dennis & Joyce Lesher
6/16 Roy & Chris Adler
6/16 Matt & Angela Steiginga
6/17 Ray & Jacqueline Beiler
6/24 Philip & Brenda Sears III

Adrienne & Scott Boyance



6/3

We said farewell to Scott, Sue, Lauren & Jennifer Schweppe as they are making their move to Vermont this month.



Those with health concerns

Ashley Margetich, Frances Popjoy, Ray Beiler, Leona DeVore, Roberta Hitch, Hugh Weber

Those battling cancer

Chris Graf Grau, Sarah Jacob, and Kay Salinger, Bill Gagliardi, Tom Bobor, Wendy Hartman, Marilyn Bowling, Dottie Resetco, Harvey Roeder, Cheryl Sauder, Jane Schultz, Pam Brown, Nancy Hayes, Jack, Dean, Jen, Pat Bowie

Those serving our country

Jon Connell and Kyle Smith.



Prayer Request

If you have a prayer request you would like in the bulletin, contact **Jennifer MacMullin**<u>Office@Fairviewpc.org</u>
or
(610) 942-2640.

Prayer Chain

For the Prayer Chain only, contact **Barb Finch** <u>biblebarb1@verizon.net</u> or

or (610) 942-3735.

High School Graduates

Ronald Finch, West Chester East High School
He will be attending Automotive Training Center in Lionville for Collision Repair



Zachary Newby, Downingtown West High School He will be attending Temple University majoring in Sports Management

<u>William Schaffer</u>, Malvern Prep School He will be attending the University of Pennsylvania majoring in Business/Economics

<u>Lilly Streeter</u>, Downigtown East High School She will be attending Belmont University majoring in Music Business

Simeon Sutterfield, (Grandson of Pat White)
Spring-Ford Area Senior High School
He will be attending the University of South Carolina majoring in International Business

College Graduates

Luke Keeler, graduated from Immaculata University where he majored in Business Management

Eric Newby, graduated from Temple University where he majored in Media & Communications

<u>Rachel Shussett</u> (Granddaughter of Pat White), graduated from Westminster College where she majored in Public Relations. She plans to work for W5 Templates doing social media and digital marketing in Pittstburg, PA

<u>Kylie Streeter</u>, graduated from Kutztown University with a BFA in Studio Art and a double minor in Social Work and Art History





Ohio Teenager Wins PNG 2016 YN Scholarship

Spencer Kinkelaar, a 16-year old honor roll student from Morrow, Ohio who enjoys collecting Franklin half dollars and silver American Eagle coins, has been selected as this year's winner of the Professional Numismatists Guild (www.PNGdealers.org) Young Numismatist Scholarship.

The scholarship will cover airfare and tuition for him to attend a week-long session of the 2016 American Numismatic Association Summer Seminar (www.money.org/summer-seminar) in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Kinkelaar is one of triplet boys, and he credits his father with initially sparking an interest in coin collecting in all three boys.

"As a young child, I was always interested in numismatics. At a young age, my father showed me his collection, which he started as a child," Kinkelaar wrote in his application essay.

Last summer, while he and his family were preparing to move from Philadelphia to the Cincinnati area, he rediscovered his old coin collection in the closet.

"Remembering my past, I began to review my collection, excitedly noting my old pastime. I began to research collecting again and went to the bank to search half dollar rolls. Shortly afterwards, I joined the ANA as a YN." he wrote.

Kinkelaar said he was "quite surprised" when the PNG notified him about the scholarship award: "It was quite exciting that the PNG thought I'd be a good candidate to come out to Colorado Springs to learn about numismatics."

His father, Mark, happily responded, "It didn't surprise me too much. He's quite competitive and I was pleased to learn about it. I think he'll enjoy it. It's the kind of experience a young man needs."

"We appreciate what the PNG is doing and the opportunity for Spencer. It's a wonderful learning opportunity," stated Mark Kinkelaar who has enjoyed going to coin shows with him.

Spencer Kinkelaar will be a Junior this fall at Kings High School in Kings Mills, Ohio. His plans for college include studying economics and finance as an undergraduate, then attending business and law school for post-graduate degrees.

"When I learn about enthusiastic young numismatists, such as Spencer, I feel confident about the future of the hobby," said Dana Samuelson, PNG President. "The PNG is happy to provide young collectors with these annual scholarships so they can be part of the outstanding learning experience the ANA offers with its Summer Seminars programs."

The money to pay for the annual PNG YN Scholarship is administered from the PNG's Gerald Bauman Memorial Fund.

"Mr. Bauman served for many years as a prominent coin dealer with Manfra, Tordella & Brookes in New York City, and he was a mentor to some of today's outstanding numismatic professionals. After he died in 2001, the memorial fund was created as an on-going legacy to him and his mentoring," explained PNG Executive Director Robert Brueggeman.

The Professional Numismatists Guild is a nonprofit organization composed of many of the top rare coin and paper money dealers in the United States and seven other countries. PNG member-dealers must adhere to a strict Code of Ethics in the buying and selling of numismatic merchandise. For additional information, visit online at www.PNGdealers.org or call (951) 587-8300

FATHER'S FOOTSTEPS Make this keepsake to express love for your dad or another special man this Father's Day.

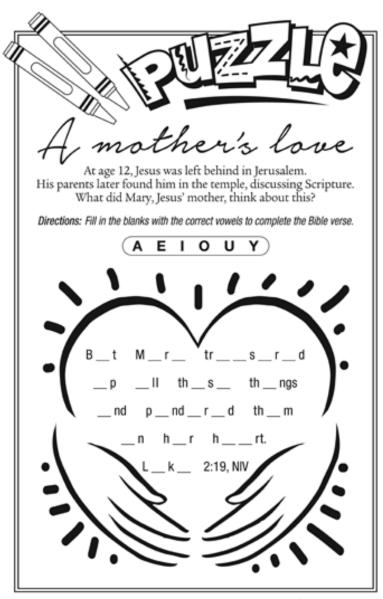
What you need:

- White construction paper (11" x 13" sheet)
- Pencil
- · Black permanent marker
- · Crayons or paint

What you do:

- In the center of the paper, trace your foot in pencil. Darken the outline with marker.
- Color or paint the footprint. Let it dry.
- Trace your father's foot (same one) on top of your footprint (with yours in the middle of his).
- Color or paint his footprint. Let it dry.
- Sign your names and the date at the bottom.

Fun & Games



Answer: But Mary treasured up all these things and pondered them in her heart. Luke 2:19, NIV



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Tuesday-Friday 9:00 AM- 1:00PM (610) 942-2640

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Information You Need To Know

- Bulletin news is to be at the office no later than Wednesday, noon.
- In the event of a Pastoral emergency and you are unable to reach anyone at the church office, Pastor Mark's cell phone number is (484) 798-4081.
- If you have a prayer concern on Sunday, any ruling Elder is available for prayer after Worship.
- Contact Nancy Hayes at (610) 380-8066 if you have questions about ordering Sanctuary flowers for Sunday.
- Text copies of Pastor Mark's Sermons are available in written form in the Church Foyer; by email from the Church Office; or on the Fairview Church Web Site to read (www.fairviewpc.org) or MP3 Version (www.cloudcloud.com/fairview-pres/sermons) to hear.
- Copies of Session Minutes are available through the Church Office. Contact the office for a hard copy or send an email (office@fairviewpc.org) for an electronic version.
- The church calendar is available on www.fairviewpc.org by scrolling down and clicking on "this week's events." To view the "whole" calendar, you can use the navigation at the top.
- If birthdays or anniversaries are not listed or listed incorrectly, please let Jenn MacMullin know.
- Flyers listing Counselors approved by FPC are in the foyer.
- Find us at Fairview Presbyterian Church and click "like" on FaceBook. Follow us on Twitter@FairviewEPC or at https://Twitter.com/FairviewEPC.
- If you are interested in learning more about the "Persecuted Church" check out these websites: http://www.persecution.org/ or http://www.opendoorsusa.org/.
- Extra copies of the current **Fairview Messenger** are found at the Welcome Desk. If you are not receiving a current newsletter, please let the person at the Welcome Desk or a greeter know.
- Donations of K-cups for the Keurig in the foyer are greatly appreciated. DECAF ones are really helpful.

The Deacon's Fund offering will take place the fourth Sunday of every month. Envelopes for this purpose are located in the pew racks . These funds, as in the past, will be used to assist our family members at FEPC who are in
members at FEPC who are in need of assistance. This ranges
for meals-on-wheels, personal
and special needs as they arise.

	Christine Adler, Moderator			
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L-Pe	Chris Adler	(610) 458-0520		
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Deacon Flock

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Fairview Evangelical Presbyterian Church's process of discipleship begins with weekly participation in worship; deepens through Small Group participation thereby strengthening families and increasing our understanding of the Bible; ongoing discipleship is revealed by serving all communities in Christ's name.