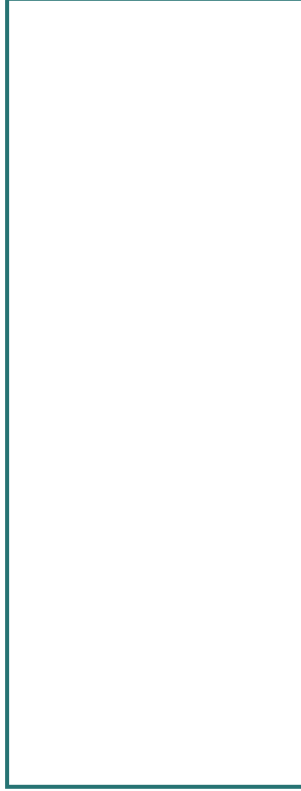


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THE CHIMES

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**The heavens declare the glory of God;
the skies proclaim the work of his hands.**

**Day after day they pour forth speech;
night after night they reveal knowledge.**

**They have no speech, they use no words;
no sound is heard from them.**

**Yet their voice goes out into all the earth,
their words to the ends of the world.**

A Message from the Pastor

Dear Starkdale Family (Members, Worship Guests, and Friends),

We are now very close to the time my work at Starkdale comes to an end (July 30th). But this doesn't mean that our ministry (yours and mine) would stop. Ministry in Christ's name continues regardless. We are commissioned by our Savior and Lord to keep on learning the Bible, gathering for worship, sharing the Gospel, reaching out to the needy with God's love, and practicing hospitality. No true believer in Christ may retire from working for the Lord no matter how busy, aged, or disabled. Personally, I would still seek ministerial opportunities that the Lord may provide for me. I ask you to pray about that, as I will pray for you and your service role at Starkdale. God willing, as I prepare for such opportunities, the Lord may lead me to have a part-time position with a struggling church; write a book or two; begin some kind of mission work (such as organizing Bible Study groups, starting a new church for beginners (like the ABC church) that I have been envisioning for years). Also, a Hospice staff position, a hospital chaplain, and an Interim pastoral work through our Presbytery, are among what I am presently considering.

Yet, regardless of what I would be doing, I wish to promise you the following:

I would keep Starkdale's future ministry in my prayers daily. Vickey has promised several of you that she would do the same. In fact, we have been doing so on a regular basis since we moved to Steubenville, and daily, since I announced my retirement. We are sure that God has great things in store for Starkdale. You will remain

LEADERSHIP SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS TO BEGIN THIS SUMMER

An ongoing leadership Sunday School class will begin in June and will be held in the adult Sunday School Classroom from 9:30-10:30 A.M. The class will be taught by four Ruling Elders: Jeanne Cox, Jane Gambos, Carolyn Glaub, and Janice Whitaker. Why did we join the EPC? How did we choose this denomination? What is reformed theology? What is the government of the church and how does it affect the officers and church members? The class is for all in the congregation who may be led to learn the answers for these questions and more. Active, soon-to-be, and past elders and deacons are urged to join us since "once a church officer, always a church officer and leader." According to God's Word, church leadership must be biblically sound and doctrinally convinced and uncompromising if the church is to be true to the faith. In order to keep the church healthy, the EPC requires those who are elected officers to be educated in these topics, and requires Session to facilitate the Biblical education of the congregation. We will begin the study with Michael Horton's thought-provoking book: *Putting Amazing Back into Grace*. If you do not already own the book, the cost will be \$10 to purchase one. Please sign the sheet in the narthex or on the hallway table if you would like a book ordered for the class. If you are unable to cover the cost of the book and would like to participate, please contact the church office.

OUR SYMPATHY is extended to:

The family of Edith J. DeNicola, in her death on May 14th.

GRIEF SUPPORT

Due to summer plans and vacations, the Grief Support Group study has been canceled. The next meeting will begin after Labor Day.

SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

The 8:30 A.M. and 11:00 A.M. Worship Services will continue through the summer in order to keep both options available.

A SUMMER SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS FOR

GRADES 1-6 will be taught by Miss CarolynLee Barrett, June through August from 9:30-10:30 A.M. in the classroom on the 3rd floor. Children will study the Bible using a curriculum covering Exodus through Ruth.

dearest to our hearts (every one of you).

I would be available to Starkdale from time to time, but only by invitation from the new pastor and the session.

Whether it is to participate in a funeral, perform a wedding, lead a study, or fill the pulpit, the pastor through the session, not individuals, must issue the invitation. I do this out of respect for your new pastor and the leadership of your elders. Needless to say that this is the way it is done. Often, it is wise not to involve former pastors in the work of the church, so the new pastor may have the opportunity to bond with the congregation.

I would consider joining in your celebrations and special events as often as I am able. But please understand two things: A) when I find it difficult to join you on a certain occasion, it is not for any reason other than the circumstances and/or my new obligations. B) Sometimes, former pastors are uncomfortable visiting with their former congregations for fear of being “caught in the middle” so to speak as church members share about new church problems. Also, the new pastor is often uncomfortable when the church is frequently visited by former pastors. New pastors may be hindered from following their own style of ministry if the former “influence” is still present among the congregation.

I would not turn anyone who is a member of the Starkdale church away from joining any community group of people I may lead in teaching the scriptures. Here, I request that you may not let your participation in my ministry substitute for your membership and services at Starkdale. Starkdale is where you have been called to serve and to grow in the Lord. Come and learn, but then return

to Starkdale and fulfill your Christian obligations to it. I would rejoice with you, upon hearing of great things that may be happening in your ministry. There is no room in my heart for jealousy or envy. This is so because Jesus Christ is the one who uses us all in accordance to our gifts and for his glory.

I would, if it is God's will for us to move to another state in the future, keep in touch with you and visit from time to time. I have a great desire to know what your children and grandchildren, whom I now know by name, have done with their lives under God's blessings and protection. Also, I will follow your news through your website, the Chimes, and articles in your local newspaper.

I would be more than delighted to correspond with you VIA email over biblical matters. Emails that pertain to one's spiritual life would have my full attention.

I would, to the end of my life, even on my death bed, recall Starkdale to mind and reminisce over how much you have meant to Vickey and me and how sincere and genuine your friendship has been to us. Starkdale came to our lives in the right time. Two churches, prior to coming to Steubenville, made me doubt if church structures (what people call 'organized religion') was from God. God showed me through you that the structure of the church is never the problem, but the people who abuse the structure are. I was truly blessed to have Starkdale as my new church family. It brought hope to Vickey and me at a time when we needed divine assurance.

I would promote the ministry of Starkdale in my meetings with community people and gatherings of which I am ei-

June Leadership Duties

Elders on Duty

Tom Brown
Jeanne Cox
Carolyn Glaub
Esther Harris

Deacons on Duty

Rick Carver
Kelly Dopp
Michael Paris

Nursery Helpers

7 Ruth Carson
14 Donna/Miranda Parkinson
21 Lisa Busby

Rev. Dr. Philip Makari

Senior Pastor

Rev. Bobbyjon Bauman

Assoc. Pastor of Youth
& Young Families

Rev. Tom Bullard

DART BASEBALL

Another season of dart baseball has ended, and it's hard to realize we've been playing for approximately 16 years. Time does fly when you're having fun!

We have a mission basket, and anyone wishing to make a donation may do so. Through the generosity of the dart baseball players, we have given \$1050.00 to local charities during this 2014-2015 season.

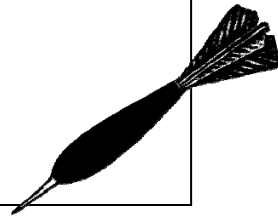
Our season ended on May 19th, and with Memorial Day being observed on the 25th, we think of those we lost over the years. We are saddened with the losses of our loved ones but take comfort knowing they are with the Lord. Their names are Ed, Rall, Emma, Bea, Hugh, Hank, Dorothy, Cliff, Conrad, and Brian. You are all missed, and will always be in our *Ring of Honor*.

All are invited to join us on Tuesday nights at 6:00 P.M. September through May. We open with a prayer followed with good food, and then it's, "Play ball!"

As always, there has been no increase in the price of a ticket. The ticket is free; the experience is priceless.

God Bless,

Dart Baseball Family of Friends



ther a member or a leader. I truly believe that the Evangelical Presbyterian forum is the most reliable Christian source for sound doctrine, faithful ministry, and strong status against cultural heresies. While other denominations may compromise with the truth of the scriptures in order to win the crowds (which is not happening no matter how much they try to please the culture), the EPC will never fall in that trap. The EPC has been successful for decades in keeping the "wolves," i.e. "false teachers" from coming into their sheepfold. It is not by accident that Starkdale is doing well. Wherever the Spirit of God is, God's word is taught and proclaimed, the people are unified and cared for, and community youth is a major focus of ministry, the church is bound to be blessed by God. I know that Starkdale will continue to do precisely that.

As you can see, I can't say enough about how attached I am to you and how much I love you.

My song from now on is "I Left My Heart at 4600 Sunset Blvd."

LOVE IN CHRIST,

Philip Makari



Upcoming Events:

June 14 Pirates vs. Phillies game — end of the year celebration! Leave the church at 12:15 and return at 4:45. Cost \$15 per person for ticket. We will car pool and use church van.

June 20 Hometown Days Celebration/Dean Martin Festival “Hometown Talent”—Music Fest that I’m putting together which will have the following groups playing... The Allegheny Angels, the Crossroads Youth Praise Team, Elisha Fletcher, Frankie Russell, Autumn Duckworth, Broken Arrow, Leah (Bowman) and the PULSE stomp dance team from New Life Church Weirton. 11-3:30 PM Free of charge. Will take place at the Fort Amphitheatre

June 27th Victory In the Ville – All Day Christian Festival. 11 A.M.-6 P.M. at Brentwood UM Church (148 Stephens St., Winterville). Music including a concert by the Allegheny Angels at 11:15. Food, inflatables and more! Free of charge.

Blessings! Pastor Bobbyjon
Associate Pastor for Youth and Young Families



ALLEGHENY ANGELS

Birthdays

- 1 Richard Wyman
- 4 Tyler Clevenger
- 6 Kayla Huff
- 8 Lydia Moore
- 8 Helen Unsold
- 9 Suzie Rousey
- 12 Howard Peterson, Jr.
- 14 Tammy Barilla
- 14 Pam Shimon
- 15 Janet Stukins
- 16 Andrew Kinney
- 22 Wayne Hackathorne
- 24 Robert Daily
- 27 Philip Makari

Anniversaries

- 1 Carl & Debra Grimm
- 5 Fred & Donna Huff, Sr.
- 6 Jeff & Kim Criss
- 9 Mark & Cynthia Bordash
- 10 Rick & Melanie Carver
- 11 George & Marge Allan
- 11 Frank & Judy Merryman
- 14 Tom & Tyra Timmons
- 16 Michael & Kylee Paris
- 17 Paul & Dolores Visyak
- 19 Michael & Margaret Saunders
- 21 William & Christy Paul
- 23 John & Dolores (DeDe) Foley

JUNE



HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

A FATHER IS . . .
A FATHER IS A SOURCE OF STRENGTH,
A TEACHER AND A GUIDE,
THE ONE HIS FAMILY LOOKS UP TO
WITH LOVING TRUST AND PRIDE...
A FATHER IS A HELPER
WITH A WILLING HAND TO LEND,
A PARTNER, AN ADVISER,
AND THE FINEST KIND OF FRIEND.

AUTHOR UNKNOWN

LISTEN, MY SONS, TO A FATHER'S INSTRUCTION; PAY
ATTENTION AND GAIN UNDERSTANDING.

PROVERBS 4:1



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

JUNE 8-12th

9 A.M. - 12:15 P.M.

PRE-K THROUGH 6TH GRADE

KIDS ROCK

The Kids Rock children's ministry end of year celebration was held at Glo Putt golf at the Steubenville Mall and pizza afterwards. It was a great time with kids and parents too. Thank you to all the parents and grandparents who participated each week and faithfully brought your children. We hope to see you all next year as we are already making plans to add new events and make next year with Kids Rock a special time for our children and those in the community. Please be thinking of that very special friend you would like to invite. Thanks again.

Blessings, Janice Whitaker

IN THE MAIL



Dear Starkdale Youth Group & Church Family,

Thank you so much for throwing us a shower in Hunter's honor. We really appreciate it as well as all of your thoughts and prayers.

We love you all!!

Michael, Kylee, and Hunter Paris

Dear Church Family,

Thank you for the prayers, cards, and phone calls during my heart surgery and recovery. I can't begin to tell you how much your thoughtfulness meant to me.

Sincerely,

Carole Coffman

Pinwheel Tree of Hope

Our congregation collected many items for the Neighborhood House Day Care during April-Child Abuse Awareness month.

As a result of your generosity, the Outreach Committee delivered 16 packages of diapers, 29 packages of wipes, 12 packages of paper towels, 9 packages of tissue paper, 24 books, 6 puzzles, 2 activity books, 13 cans of soup, 14 cans of fruits and vegetables, 5 packages of popcorn, 5 packages of pretzels, 8 packages of cookies, 5 large packages of Goldfish crackers, and 9 small packages of Goldfish crackers.

The Neighborhood House staff was very grateful for the gifts of supplies.

Thank you for caring for the children at the Neighborhood House Day Care.



OUTREACH

THE CARE CORPS, a group of Starkdale members who are offering to help those in need, is asking for your help in contacting individuals, couples or families who are members of our church and may need a helping hand. The group will be happy to provide services of visiting, shopping, transporting to appointments, reading, cooking or helping in other ways needed or requested. Please let us know if you or a loved one could use help with these daily needs by calling Peggy Rekai at 264-0591 or the church office.

SOUP KITCHEN

On May 14th, Soup Kitchen volunteers, Ella Jane Burns, John Criss, Jo Copeland, Robbie France, and Stu Stukins served 91 people a tasty meal of chicken pot pies, applesauce, and cakes from Two Ridges Presbyterian Church.

Dear Starkdale Church Pastors and Members,

God bless you all for allowing your church to be used for the spaghetti dinner as a fundraiser for us. Thank you for your loyal support and the many of you who helped provide and serve the dinner.

In His Holy Name,

Bill & Molly McGovern

Dear Starkdale Members,

Thank you so much for your contribution. Your generosity is so appreciated. Every item donated was needed and always in demand. We spend a great deal of our time and funding to keep our children clean and fed properly. It's our mission and you made our job a little easier.

Marie Zumpano
Neighborhood House
Day Care



June 2015

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 6 pm Property Mtg. 6:15 pm Cub Scouts 7 pm Worship Mtg. 7:30 pm Boy Scouts	2 10 am Bible Study	3 6 pm Bible Study	4 9 am - 3 pm Trash to Treasure Sale	5	6 9 am Quilters InC
7	8 9 am VBS 6:15 pm Cub Scouts 7 pm Administration Mtg. 7:30 pm Boy Scouts	9 9 am—12:15 pm VBS	10 9 am --12:15 pm VBS 6 pm Bible Study	11 9 am— 2:15 pm VBS 9 am Soup Kitchen 6:30 PM Session Mtg.	12 9 am —12:15 pm VBS	13 .
14 Communion 12:15 pm Deacon Mtg. 12:15 Pirates Game Flag Day	15 6:15 pm Cub Scouts 7:30 pm Boy Scouts	16 10 am Bible Study	17 6 pm Bible Study	18	19	20 11 am - 4 pm Hometown Celebration Hometown Talent @ Fort Steuben Amphitheater
21 1:15 pm Carriage House First Day of Summer Father's Day	22 6:15 pm Cub Scouts 6:30 pm Outreach Mtg. 7:30 pm Boy Scouts	23 10 am Bible Study GA	24 6 pm Bible Study CHIMES MAIL GA	25 GA	26 GA	27 11 am Victory in the Ville GA
28	29 6:15 pm Cub Scouts 7:30 pm Boy Scouts	30 10 am Bible Study				GA=General Assembly