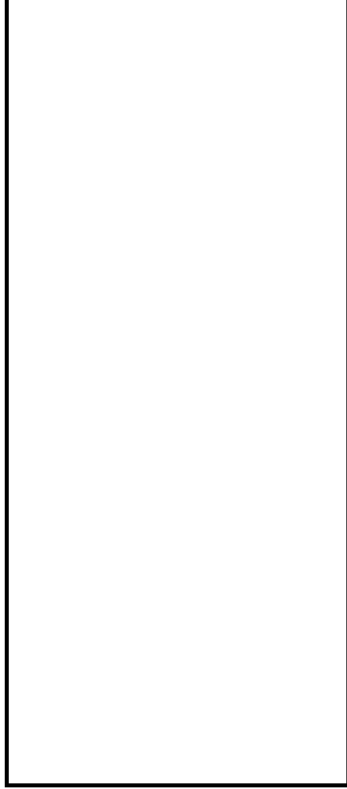




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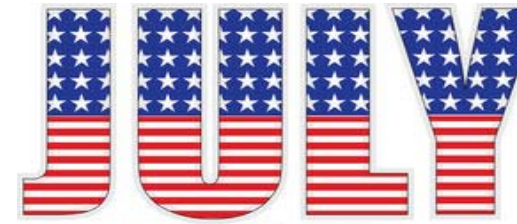
MESSAGE FROM REV. G. CARL MOORE

²⁴And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, ²⁵not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near. (Heb 10:24-25 ESV)

An early church leader named Cyprian once said, "No one can have God as his Father who does not have the church as his mother." Augustine also said, "Look, mother church is in labor; see, she is groaning in travail to give birth to you." In his book, *The Gift of Church*, (Zondervan 200, pp. 79-82), Jim Samra comments on these quotes:

The idea that the church is the mother of Christians was not only widely affirmed in the first few centuries of Christianity, it also found great traction among the Protestant Reformers. ... John Calvin [said], "May [Christians] be guided by her maternal care until they grow up to manhood, and, finally, attain the perfection of faith To those whom [God] is a Father, the church must also be a mother."

Cyprian, Augustine, Luther, and Calvin all agree: the church provides Christians with the nurture, guidance, and encouragement necessary for spiritual development—most often associated with the role of a mother.



Birthdays

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| 3 Cathy Thoburn | 18 Brian Gambos |
| 4 Audrey Kerr | 19 Raegan Murison |
| 4 Hannah Main | 19 Kylee Paris |
| 4 Barbara Wrkich | 19 Robert Smith |
| 5 Abigail Kinney | 25 Tamam Alkaed |
| 6 Toni Zajdowicz | 27 John Criss |
| 7 Dr. Thomas Brown | 27 Andrew Stewart |
| 8 Fred Huff, Sr. | 28 Ava Aftanas |
| 8 Etta Pyle | 28 Henry Vinco |
| 9 Joseph Re kai | 29 Franklin Merryman |
| 10 Paul Visyak | 30 Mary Alkaed |
| 11 Kim Criss | |
| 14 Ella Jane Burns | |

Anniversaries

- 2 Bob and Cindy Sagrilla
- 13 Dale and Eleanor Hewitt
- 27 Shannon and Jennifer Starr
- 29 Joseph and Debbie Grecco



Birthdays

- | | |
|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Richard Wyman | 16 Andrew Kinney |
| 8 Helen Unsold | 22 Wayne Hackathorne |
| 9 Suzie Rousey | 24 Robert Daily |
| 12 Howard Peterson, Jr. | 26 Eric Timmons |
| 15 Vincent Gambos | 27 Robert Main |
| 15 Rhonda Moore | 27 Philip Makari |
| 15 Janet Stukins | |

Anniversaries

- 5 Fred and Donna Huff, Sr.
- 6 Jeff and Kim Criss
- 9 Mark and Cynthia Bordash
- 11 George and Marge Allan
- 14 Tom and Tyra Timmons
- 16 Michael and Kylee Paris
- 21 William and Christy Paul
- 28 Pat and Leanne Pendleton

But where did these church fathers and Reformers get the idea that the church is our mother? They found it in the Bible To ask how the church is our mother is really to ask, "How does the church provide the nurture, care, and maturation for spiritual growth?"

God gives us the church to help us form our identity as Christians. The church helps us to endure suffering, bringing comfort and encouragement in difficult times. The church nourishes us with the Word and the Lord's Supper, provides godly examples for us to imitate, and disciplines us when we go astray. In addition, we grow and are transformed as Jesus is uniquely manifested in our worship assemblies. The church provides maternal care for us in all of these ways, helping us to grow to become more like Jesus.

Samara is correct. In fact, Hebrews 10:25 commands us not to forsake the assembly of God's people in worship together. Why? The "Day [is] drawing near." The "Day" is a reference to the time of Jesus' return. When Jesus returns the people of God must be ready. Just as the Israelites were commanded during the Passover to "gird up their loins," to make haste when God delivers them from Egyptian bondage, likewise God calls us to "gird up our loins," to make haste, to be awake and alert for we do not know the day or the hour of our Lord's return; but when He does return, we must be ready.

continued.....

How do we make haste? How do we prepare for the Day of the Lord? Regular worship is the biblical mandate and ordinary means of grace. Just as a mother nourishes her child with maternal care, likewise the church nourishes the children of God with maternal care through the means of regular worship attendance where the children of God feed upon both the Word and the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper.

We are coming up very soon on summer. During the summer let us not forsake to “meet together.” Even when you are away on vacation make it a habit to never take a vacation from God. (He never takes a vacation from you.) When you do worship, while away on vacation, I urge you to bring back a church bulletin. I enjoy seeing how other churches order their worship services.

In Christ,

Pastor *Carl*

AIM FUNDRAISING BANQUET MARCH 19, 2018



(Left/ Right) Starkdale members pictured above attended the 2018 AIM Fundraising Banquet: Janice Whitaker, Pat and Dave Daily, Betty Vujnovic, Wayne Hackathorne, Jane Gambos, Lori Kinney, and Carolyn Glaub. (Table 2) - not pictured are: Mary Beth Allan, Ed and Karen Hill, Rev. Carl Moore, Brad Moore, Joe and Peggy Re kai.

BOARD OF DEACONS' GREETING CARD MINISTRY:

Please visit the designated deacons' table in the fellowship hall to sign greeting cards which will be sent to various individuals in our congregation, appropriate to occasions as warranted. Please notify Betty Vujnovic (or any deacon) if you know of someone who would be blessed by receiving a greeting card from the church.



Our Sympathy is extended to the following families:

The family of Leah Ruth Mozingo Eft, in her death on February 6, 2018.

Dale and Pat Biesecker and their extended family in the death of Pat's father, James K. White, Sr., on March 28, 2018.

Joe and Linda Nocera and their extended family in the death of Linda's mother, Dolores "DeDe" Foley, on March 30, 2018.

Carol Oklok and her extended family in the death of her brother, Montford "Monty" Patton on March 31, 2018.

Henrietta Malesick and her extended family in the death of her brother, Frank DiPietro Sr., on April 3, 2018.

The family of Mary Lois Eft, in her death on May 14, 2018.



PICKINS FROM THE PURITANS

Humility is a Becoming Garment for God's Children

Let us carry ourselves as God's children in *humility*. 'Be ye clothed with humility' (1 Peter 5:5). It is a becoming garment. Let a child of God look at his face every morning in the glass of God's Word and see his sinful spots. This will make him walk humbly all the day after. God cannot endure to see his children grow proud. He suffers them to fall into sin, as he did Peter, that their plumes may fall, and that they may learn to go on lower ground. ~ [The Beatitudes](#)

By Thomas Watson



**STARKDALE YOUTH
AND
KIDS OF THE KINGDOM**
Special Mission Projects and Bible Lesson
REFRESHMENTS WILL BE PROVIDED

The Jr. High, and High School will meet separately
from the K-5th grade, (Kids of the Kingdom group).

NEXT MEETING IS JULY 8, 2018
5:00-6:00 PM

**CHRISTIAN EDUCATION
SUMMER SCHEDULE**

**Weekday classes led by Rev. Moore
Meet in Fellowship Hall**

10:00 a.m. Tuesday

6:00 p.m. Wednesday

**Sunday school classes will not meet during the summer
months of June, July, and August.**

**Rev. Moore's class, however, will continue to meet at
9:45 A.M. in the Adult Sunday School Room.**

flower donations of \$208.00, were also made. We collected supplies of dog and cat food, towels, blankets, and treats for the dog shelter.

Our season ended May 22, and with the observance of Memorial Day on May 28, we think of those we have lost over the years. We are saddened by the loss of our loved ones but are comforted knowing they are with our Lord. The total is 18 and they are: Ed, Rall, Emma, Bea, Hugh, Hank, Dorothy, Cliff, Conrad, Brian, Mary, John, Ingrid, Mary Jane, Mary Lou, Dolores, DeDe, and Mary Lois. They are all missed and will always be in our "Ring of Honor."

Every year for the past 20 years, we have "opening" and "closing" ceremonies, where we play and sing along to the recording "Take Me Out to the Ball Game" made for us by the "Four Friends" and Carolyn Glaub playing the piano.

All are invited on Tuesday at 6:00 P.M. September through May. We open with prayer, followed by "great" food and then it's "play ball." As always, there has been no increase in the price of a ticket. The ticket is free and the experience is "priceless!!"

Dart Baseball Family of Friends

DART BASEBALL



A LOOK BACK!

The ecumenical group that plays dart ball on Tuesday nights has had another wonderful year of fun and Christian fellowship.

We are about fun and games but we are serious about where our “Mission Money” goes. Through the generosity of the dart ball players, we have donated \$800.00, to local charities which include: Abigail’s Angels, Wintersville Good Neighbors, Urban Mission, Salvation Army and Jefferson County Dog Shelter. Memorial and



FLOCK TALK

Article is quoted from: Herald Star/Weirton Daily Times
THE ARCHIVE

“April 22, 2018 weekly look back at some of the images captured by our newspaper staff through the years.



The random photos shown here each week also will be posted on our Facebook pages. (Herald Star/Weirton Daily Times).

Help us identify some of the people or scenes depicted or feel free to leave a comment.”

Starkdale quickly identified these lovely ladies:

MARY COLEMAN AND MARY JANE RITSON - (GREATLY MISSED AT STARKDALE!)

Dear Friends,

Thank you for partnering with us and for your gift of \$1000.00. Because of partnerships like yours, not only are churches being planted around the globe, but believers are being discipled and nurtured to maturity. Thank you for partnering with us in your giving and prayers to see a thriving church for every people. You are appreciated!

Thank you for your gift. Robert and Terri Harmon

Larry M. Brown

President, Ethnos360

**KIDS OF THE KINGDOM
PAINT SUNCATCHERS FOR SHUT-INS**



MADDIE SHEARER AND HAYES MURISON



CHRISTOPHER AND DOMINIC
RENAUDO



CHASITY AND ALEXIS
ZIMMERMAN



HAYES AND GRANT MURISON



On May 10th, soup kitchen volunteers served a warm lunch to 73 people. The menu included spaghetti and meatballs, salad, and cakes from Two Ridges Presbyterian church. Volunteers were: Ella Jane Burns, Jo Copeland, Carol Oklok, Stu Stukins, and Pastor Carl.

**THE BULLETIN
THE BOARD**

DATES TO REMEMBER

June 4-8th (9-12:15 P.M.) Vacation Bible School - Splash Canyon.

June 10th (6:00 P.M.) Evening Worship Service, Music by Jonathan White, Rev. Moore, Preaching. Refreshments and time of fellowship following service.

June 24th (5:30 P.M.) Pot Luck in fellowship hall given by the deacons.. Bring a dish and enjoy!!

August 26th, Church picnic (11:00 A.M.) Serbian Picnic Grounds, Weirton. (bring a dish!)



We are in need of volunteers to host our fellowship hour. The 2018 fellowship calendar is displayed in the fellowship hall. If you wish to serve as a host or hostess, please choose a Sunday and register your name. It's easy, and the cost of the refreshments provided by you are covered by the church. If you have questions or desire more information, please speak with Pat Pendleton or Bob Archer. Thank you for helping with this important ministry designed to enhance our fellowship with one another and with our worship guests.

Please join us each week after the 11:00 a.m. Worship Service for a special time of fellowship and light refreshments.

Dear Friends at Starkdale Evangelical Presbyterian Church,
 It is with a grateful heart that I write this note. Thank you for your gift of \$2,500 on 04/27/18. Your gift came at just the right time as we have seen a significant increase in the number of people visiting the Urban Mission lately. Did you know that in the last few months we have served 107 adults and 29 children in our homeless shelter? This is not to mention the 193 NEW FAMILIES WHO RECENTLY VISITED OUR PANTRY. Your gift provides the means for the Urban Mission to provide for these needs and so much more. Thank you for your generosity.
 With gratitude , Rev. Ashlee Steel

GIFT FOR URBAN MISSION BEVERAGE BUGGY



RICK PATTERSON
 AND
 WAYNE HACKATHORN
 STARKDALE
 PRESBYTERIAN
 CHURCH

Beverage Buggy built and donated to Urban Mission by Rick Patterson and Wayne Hackathorne members of Starkdale Church.





Starkdale Church,

Your kind expression of Sympathy is deeply appreciated and gratefully acknowledged.

The family of Dolores J. "DeDe" Foley

I would like to thank everyone for their cards and prayers at the recent passing of my brother, Montford Patton. Also, to Rev. Moore for making the trip to offer his condolences. It is very comforting to be a part of the Starkdale Church family.

Carol Oklok

Dear Starkdale Presbyterian Church,

Gifts, such as yours, have incredible power in the kingdom of God. We know that everything ultimately comes from God. God gives good gifts and He uses people to accomplish His purposes in so many ways.

God works through people like you. He has made us a team working together to help women struggling with an unexpected pregnancy.

Thank you for being part of this team. We appreciate your gift of \$500.00 and know that every seed planted for life is God using all of us - together - to help change the world.

Yours in the service of life,

Victoria

Aim Women's Center

Dear pro-life prayer warriors at Starkdale Presbyterian Church,

Thank you for being a part of our 2018 Lenten 40 Days for Life in Pittsburgh. Because of your sacrifice, and the sacrifices of hundreds of faithful Christians from more than 80 churches/groups, we successfully kept the light of Christ burning brightly in front of Planned Parenthood for 40 days! We know of at least one life saved because of our witness, but we know that God uses our presence to save many more that we may never know about. Our theme was perseverance, and persevere we did! I thank God for His grace and protection, and I am grateful that you and your group faithfully answered His call. I hope you will join us again in the fall, from Sept. 26 - Nov. 4.

Your sister in Christ,

Nikki Bruni and the Pittsburgh 40 Days for Life team.

Dear Starkdale Church Family,

Thank you so much for all the lovely cards, your prayers and phone calls during my recent surgery.

Birney Wells

Dear Starkdale Church Friends,

Thank you for being a part of Mission Rejoice! Your time and dedication is greatly appreciated!

With Gratitude,

Your Friends at Urban Mission

July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 6p Property Mtg.	3 9am Chapel Prayer 10 am Bible Study	4 Happy 4th of July 6 pm Bible Study OFFICE CLOSED	5	6	7 9 am Quilters InC
8 COMMUNION 5-6:00 p.m. Youth and Kids of the Kingdom.	9 6:30p Administra- tion Mtg.	10 9 am Chapel Prayer 10 am Bible Study	11 6 pm Bible Study	12 9 am Soup Kitchen 6 pm Joint Session Mtg.	13	14
15 1:15 p.m. Carriage House	16	17 9 am Chapel Prayer 10 am Bible Study	18 6 pm Bible Study	19	20	21
22	23	24 9 am Chapel Prayer 10 am Bible Study	25 6 pm Bible Study	26	27	28
29	30 6:30p Outreach Mtg.	31 9 am Chapel Prayer 10 am Bible Study				

June 2018

	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2 9 am Quilters InC Grad Party 2-5 pm
3 Graduate Recognition. No Youth Group 12 pm Decorate VBS	4 9-12:15 pm VBS 6 pm Property Mtg	5 9-12:15 pm VBS	6 9-12:15 pm VBS	7 9 am Soup Kitchen 9-12:15 pm VBS	8 9-12 pm VBS 11:30pm VBS program	9
10 COMMUNION 6 PM EVENING SERVICE—MUSIC BY JONATHAN WHITE	11	12 9 am Chapel Prayer 10 am Bible Study	13 6 pm Bible Study	14 6 pm Session		16 2-5p Bridal Shower 11:00 a.m. - 8:00 p.m. Hometown Celebration at Ft. Steuben
17 FATHER'S DAY	18	19 9 am Chapel Prayer 10 am Bible Study	20 6 pm Bible Study	21	22	23
38th General Assembly, Hope Presbyterian Church Cordova, Tennessee						
24 5:30 P.M. pot luck dinner coordinated by the deacons.	25 6:30 pm Outreach Mtg	26 9 am Chapel Prayer 10 am Bible Study	27 6 pm Bible Study	28	29	30