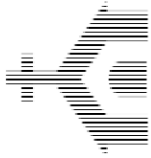




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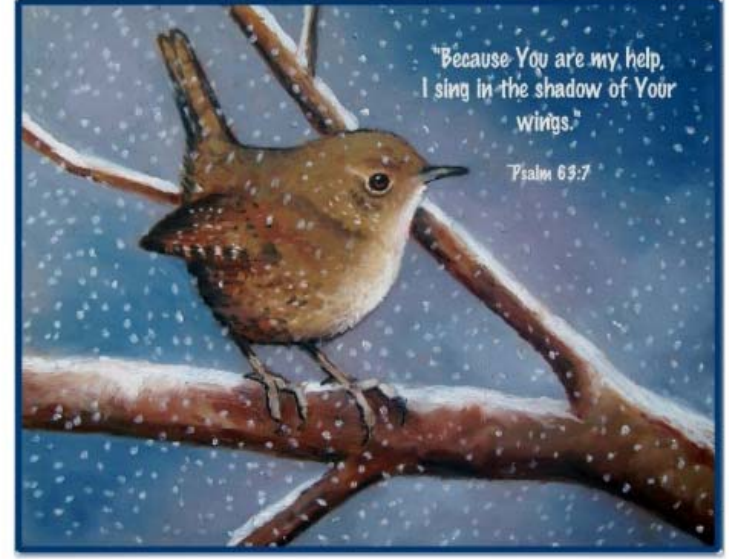
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THE CHIMES



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MESSAGE FROM REV. CARL MOORE

*Every good gift and every perfect gift is from above,
coming down from the Father of lights with whom
there is no variation or shadow due to change.*

(James 1:17 ESV)

In 1900 a Japanese writer named Natsume Soseki visited England for the first time. While he was there he was surprised to discover that few of the locals appreciated or even noticed all of the beauty that he saw. Soseki was so captivated by the snow that he invited some friends over for a "snow-viewing," but they just laughed at him. When he told another group that the Japanese are deeply emotional about the moon, they looked at him with confusion. Then Soseki told the following story:

One day, when [my host] and I took a walk in the garden, I noted that the paths between the rows of trees were all thickly covered with [beautiful] moss. I offered a compliment, saying that these paths had magnificently acquired a look of age. Whereupon my host replied that he soon intended to get a gardener to scrape all this [ugly] moss away.

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STARKDALE'S MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to glorify God and share his love for all humanity by proclaiming and celebrating salvation through Christ's life, death, and resurrection; growing in discipleship through the teachings of the Bible; and serving the needs of all people.

NOVEMBER

November Anniversaries

- 7 Tom and Jeanne Cox**
- 8 Keith and Lori Kinney**
- 30 Fred and Imogene Louk**
- 30 Karen and Steve Orwick**

November Birthdays

- 1 Melissa Williams**
- 2 Mary Lois Eft**
- 3 Karen Orwick**
- 9 Scott Murison**
- 10 Fred Huff Jr.**
- 11 Miranda Parkinson**
- 11 Jacalynn Zrinyi**
- 18 Jennifer Board**
- 20 Lisa Busby**
- 24 Jennifer Starr**
- 26 Nancy Turkaly**
- 28 Gary Wickham**
- 30 Karen Jarrett**

Soseki's surprise—that is his discovery that few locals in England during the turn of the Century and at the end of the Victorian era, appreciated or took notice of the beauty around them—reminds me of a Chinese proverb: “If you want to know about water don't ask a fish.” The point of the proverb (and Soseki's experience), is that too often we take too much for granted. We take too much for granted because we don't stop and reflect and give thanks for what's right before our eyes. When was the last time you or I were thankful for something as simple as a bright sunny day? As James says, all good gifts come down from God, especially the gift of light. As a pastor, I am thankful for the churches I have served. As your newly elected pastor, I am truly grateful and honored to serve you.

This month when we say grace over our Thanksgiving meal, may we thank God first and foremost for things we take for granted. May we thank God for life and light, for family and friends, for faith, for work and relaxation—all for the glory of God and our satisfaction in Him.

Soli Deo Gloria

Pastor Carl



**6th Annual
Live Nativity
Starkdale Presbyterian Church**

**Sunday, December 11th
5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, 7:00, 7:30**



True Meaning of Christmas



THE VISYAK FAMILY



**Bob Burns with Ashley Steele
Executive Director, Urban Mission**

A check for \$909, raised by the Hymnfest, was presented to Urban Mission of Steubenville.

HYMNFEST OCTOBER 2, 2016



A great big thank you to all who made this event a huge success. What an evening of praising our Lord in song.



Honoring Paul Visyak was so very special. Paul was the one who started the Hymnfest over 19 years ago and is so deserving to have honors bestowed upon him. We thank you Paul for all you have done.

We look forward to Hymnfest 2017, and seeing all of you once again for a night of Christian Fellowship.

Bob Burns

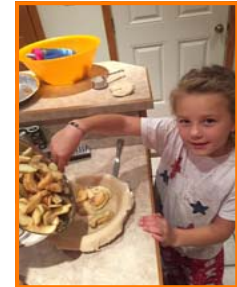


FLOCK TALK



Kayla Huff
Jefferson
County Fair
August 28, 2016

Amelia "Mimi" Ault
Pie Making
3rd Place Winner
Apple Stirrin' Time
Unionport, Ohio



WELCOME!

We were delighted to receive Amjad and Tamam Alkaed, and Scott and LeDawn Kosek as new members on September 4, 2016.



On behalf of the Visyak family, we would like to extend our sincere thanks and appreciation for all of the people who made this year's Hymn-fest a reality. Special thanks to Bob Burns for pulling it all together one more time and to all who answered his call. Also, to the wonderful women that made the refreshments and fellowship hall so beautiful. This meant so much to our dad because we know that his greatest love is music. Thanks to all who made that night possible and memorable.

God Bless,
The Visyak Family

Dear Starkdale Church Family,

We thank you so much for your prayers and kindness as Chris recovered from surgery. We thank you for your thoughtful cards and phone calls. Most of all, thank you for the generous gift basket!

Much Love,
Kelly, Chris, Beckett & Casher Dopp

November Ministry Duties

Deacons

Nov. 6th Fellowship Hour - Toni Zajdowicz

6 Bob Daily, Kelly Dopp
13 Bob Daily Kelly Dopp
20 Bob Daily, Kelly Dopp
27 Bob Daily, Kelly Dopp

Nursery

6 Lisa Busby
13 Ella Jane Burns
20 Mary Louise Morgan
27 Courtnie Bube

Elder Duty Committees

Christian Education and Worship
Tom Brown, Jeanne Cox,
Carolyn Glaub, Esther Harris, and Janice
Whitaker



**Please don't
your clocks**

**forget to set
back at 2 A.M.**

Sunday November 2nd.



SYMPATHY

Our sympathy is extended to the following families:

Fred and Donna Huff, Sr. and their extended families, in the death of Donna's mother, Anamae Zamborsky, on October 4, 2016.

Jeffrey and Kathy Gilkey and their extended families, in the death of Kathy's mother, Mary Ann Wagner, on October 10, 2016.

The family of Mary E. Hathaway, in her death on October 12, 2016.

Brian and Jane Gambos, in the death of Jane's Uncle Pete Vein on October 20, 2016.



PASTORAL CARE AND VISITATION

Dear Friends,

The book, ***Roses in December-Comfort for the Grieving Heart*** by Marilyn Willett Heavilin, was given to me by a church member. For anyone who has lost a loved one (especially a child), or has experienced loss of any kind, this book could be very helpful. The book touched me deeply as the author shares her own story of the loss of her three sons. ***Roses in December*** helped me to consider my own losses in new ways. Heavilin shares many ideas of how to be helpful to those who are grieving. First, be sensitive and try to take your lead from what the grieving person says. Sometimes all you can say is "I love you," "I am praying for you," or "I am here for you." Second, the family that has lost never forgets their loved one. Therefore, it is good to talk about the loved one. People who have lost someone want to hear and remember the stories, the good times, and the special memories that you remember about their loved one. Third, holidays, birthdays and anniversaries are hard for those who have gone through a loss. It is good to remember these days with a card, a call, or a visit. Fourth, be a good friend in anyway you can. The Apostle Paul often ends his epistles mentioning his friends and how important they are to him. Being a friend and letting them know you care can bring great comfort to the one grieving, because after a loss one may feel so very alone. Fifth, continue to pray for them as the weeks, months and years go by. The loss, the grief, and the pain may slowly diminish but it never goes away entirely.

I highly recommend this book to you. It can be ordered online or at the Christian bookstore.

Roses in December-Comfort for the Grieving Heart

By Marilyn Willett Heavilin
Harvest House 1987

Peace in Christ,
Pastor Tom Bullard

OUTREACH



The Soup Kitchen volunteers served a hot lunch to 52 people on September 8th. The menu consisted of chicken noodle soup, hot dogs and cake for dessert. The volunteers were Ella Jane Burns, Joan Copeland, John Criss, Robbie France, Walter Mallory and Stu Stukins.

On October 13th, a hot lunch of spaghetti, tossed salad, bread, and cake (furnished by Two Ridge church) was served to 65. Volunteers were Jo Copeland, John Criss, Robbie France, Joyce Palmer, and Irwin (Stu) Stukins.

LIVE NATIVITY REFRESHMENTS



Cookies are needed for the event. If you are able to donate a dozen or so, please write "Live Nativity" on the container and put them in the church's freezer. It will be greatly appreciated.

STARKDALE YOUTH FELLOWSHIP HOUR - SEPT. 18, 2016



Thank you to our youth for serving and helping clean up after the fellowship time. A special thanks to all the parents for being here and making such delicious food. Many in the congregation have expressed their thanks to each of you for the extra work making this a special day for all.

Please contact Janice Whitaker or Jeanne Cox, at the church office if you are interested in helping with future youth ministry projects.

A PICTURE IS WORTH A THOUSAND WORDS!

RALLY DAY SEPTEMBER 25TH

A big thank you to our children, parents, and teachers for making Rally Day very special!



THE NOAH PROJECT

EACH SUNDAY 9:30-10:30 AM

Kindergarten through 5th grade teachers this year are Jeanne Cox, Esther Harris, Cindy McMasters, Janice Whitaker, and Toni Zajdowicz. The Jr. High, High School class is taught by Rev. Carl Moore. We begin each Sunday in the Sanctuary for a brief opening of prayer and songs, then dismissed to individual classes.

Janice Whitaker

Christian Education Chair





**JODY
GLAUB**



**BOB
BURNS**



November 2016

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 10am Bible Study (upstairs) 10:30 JCRTA 6p Dart Baseball	2 5pm Women's Prayer Group 6p Bible Study 7:15p Choir practice	3	4	5 9am Quilters InC
6 <i>Daylight Savings</i> 	7 6p Property Mtg. 6:15p Cub Scouts 7p Worship Mtg. 7:30p Boy Scouts	8 10am Bible Study 6p Dart Baseball	9 6p Bible Study 7:15p Choir practice	10 9am Soup Kitchen 6p Joint Session Mtg.	11	12
13 Communion	14 6p Admin. Mtg. 6:15p Cub Scouts 7:30p Boy Scouts	15 10 am Bible Study 11:30am Presbyterian Women- Mtg & lunch 6p Dart Baseball	16 6p Bible Study 7:15p Choir practice	17	18	19
20 1:15p Carriage House	21 6:15p Cub Scouts 7:30p Boy Scouts	22 10 am Bible Study 6p Dart Baseball	23 6p Bible Study 7:15p Choir practice	24 Office Closed 	25	26 9am Deacons prepare church for Advent
27 First Sunday In Advent	28 6:15p Cub Scouts 6:30p Outreach Mtg 7:30p Boy Scouts	29 10 am Bible Study 6p Dart Baseball	30 CHIMES MAIL 6p Bible Study 7:15p Choir practice			