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# THE CHIMES



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#### MESSAGE FROM REV. G. CARL MOORE

In his best-selling book, The Reason for God, Tim Keller, former pastor of Redeemer Presbyterian in Manhattan, shares a story of a woman in his congregation who was learning how the grace extended to us through Christ's work on the cross can actually be more challenging than religion. He writes:

"Some years ago I met with a woman who began coming to church at Redeemer and had never before heard a distinction drawn between the gospel and religion [i.e. the distinction between grace and what is often a worksbased righteousness]. She had always heard that God accepts us only if we are good enough. She said that the new message was scary. I asked why it was scary and she replied: If I was saved by my good works then there would be a limit to what God could ask of me or put me through. I would be like a taxpayer with "rights"—I would have done my duty and now I would deserve a certain quality of life. But if I am a sinner saved by grace—then there's nothing he cannot ask of me."



#### **Birthdays**

- 3 Karen Orwick
- 9 Dan E. Daily
- 9 Scott Murison
- 11 Miranda Parkinson
- 20 Lisa Busby
- 24 Jennifer Starr
- 26 Nancy Turkaly
- 28 Gary Wickham
- 29 William Ault

#### **Anniversaries**

- 8 Keith and Lori Kinney
- 13 Amjad and Tamam Alkaed
- 30 Fred and Imogene Louk
- 30 Steve and Karen Orwick



#### **Birthday**

1 Christy Paul 23 Linda Daily 2 Michael Paris 23 Birney Wells 8 Joseph Glaub 25 Pat Pendleton 8 William Reed 27 Pam Peterson 14 Faith Stewart 28 Hetty McClave

17 Henrietta Malesick

21 Donna Huff

#### **Anniversaries**

- 4 David and Nancy Turkaly
- 10 Brian and Jane Gambos
- 12 Gary and Jill Wickham
- 16 Michael and Leslie Aftanas
- 17 Paul and Lisa Busby
- 19 David and Patricia Daily

This distinction is not only helpful, but it's biblical: gospel (Christ's righteousness) and religion (self-righteousness). The gospel not only saves us, but it puts demands on us. The great Reformer, Martin Luther, experienced this gospel-driven demand from God. What was this demand? Luther said this:

"Take me, for example. I opposed indulgences and all papists, but never by force. I simply taught, preached, and wrote God's Word: otherwise I did nothing. And then, while I slept (cf. Mark 4:26-29) or drank Wittenberg beer with my friends, Philip and Amsdorf; the Word so greatly weakened the papacy that never a prince or emperor ever inflicted such losses upon it. I did nothing: the Word did everything. Had I desired to foment trouble.... I could have started such a little game at Worms that even the emperor wouldn't have been safe. But what would it have been? Mere fools play. I did nothing: I let the Word do it's work."

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The gospel-driven demand from God is the same for us as it was for Luther: preach and teach God's Word. We are to preach and teach it to our family, friends, coworkers, anyone with whom we come in contact. When we do this, we too are Reformers in our generation!

God Bless and thanks,

Pastor Carl



Dear Friends, Starkdale

Thank you for your thoughtful notes, kind words of encouragement, Pastor Carl's visit and most importantly your prayers for me. My surgery went very well and I am continuing to recover. It is great to be able to be back at church and to worship with all of you and have fellowship together once again.

In Christian love, *Tom Bullard* 

"Starkdale Church"

I want to thank Betty for starting such a nice idea to have everyone who wants to sign a card to the ill of the church, and which the people who receive have a great soothing feeling! Thank you.

My love, Jean Morelli



Our Sympathy is extended to the following families:

Bob and Linda Daily and their extended family in the death of Linda's brother, Richard Hardman, Sr. on July 13, 2018.

Stephan and Aimee Carroll and their extended family in the death of Aimee's grandmother, Helen Lawson, on August 23, 2018.

Dale Dinger and his extended family in the death of his wife, Susie Dinger, on September 9, 2018.

Steve Spurlock and his extended family in the death of his wife, Martha (Marti) Spurlock, on September 19, 2018.



## PICKINS FROM THE PURITANS

FOR THE PURITANS, THE GOD-CENTERED LIFE MEANT MAKING THE QUEST FOR SPIRITUAL AND MORAL HOLINESS THE GREAT BUSINESS OF LIFE.

—LELAND RYKEN

IT IS AN UNDOUBTED TRUTH THAT EVERY DOCTRINE THAT COMES FROM GOD LEADS TO GOD, AND THAT WHICH DOTH NOT TEND TO PROMOTE HOLINESS IS NOT OF GOD.

—GEORGE WHITEFIELD

WE MUST COME TO GOOD WORKS BY FAITH, NOT TO FAITH BY GOOD WORKS.

—GEORGE GURNALL



YOUTH & KIDS OF THE KINGDOM
BIBLE LESSON, CRAFTS & SNACKS

OCTOBER 14, 2018

5:00 - 6:00 P.M.

### CHRISTIAN EDUCATION FALL SCHEDULE

Weekday classes led by Rev. Moore Meet in Fellowship Hall

10:00 a.m. Tuesday 6:00 p.m. Wednesday

Sunday School Classes (9:45 A.M.)
The Bible From Scratch Class, led by Sandy Conrad meets in the Library.

K-5th Grade—meets in the children's classroom with Kathy Kramer and Janice Whitaker

The Jr. High and High School (6th through 12th grade) meet in Office Rm 200, with Carolyn Glaub leading.

Classes are for everyone! Nursery is also available for younger children during the Sunday morning classes.

Please join us. Coffee and donuts are also served.

### STARKDALE/LIGHTHOUSE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES WORSHIP SERVICE AND PICNIC AUGUST 26TH SERBIAN PICNIC GROUNDS IN WEIRTON



#### KIDS OF THE KINGDOM SEPTEMBER 9TH









#### FLOCK TALK

#### **Submitted by Pat Daily**

Starkdale church was well represented at the Jefferson County Fair by our young people.

Abigail Kinney, Abby Pendleton and Brock Pendleton all showing of their goats. Kayla Huff having the reserve champion market ducks. Oliva Huff having the grand champion market ducks.

If we missed anyone we are sorry, let us know and we will add your name.

Congratulations to all!!

#### **COOKIE ALERT!**

It may seem early to be thinking about the Christmas Holidays!!! However, by the time you get this Chimes, November will be just a month away. Cookies are needed for this year's Live Nativity, and we will be accepting cookies beginning in November. If you are able to donate a dozen or so, put them in the freezer marked "Live Nativity." It will be very greatly appreciated.

#### DART BASEBALL SEPTEMBER 11, 2018



**BREAKING NEWS!!** Another dart baseball season opened on September 11th. We always start with a prayer, followed with a covered dish dinner and then it's play ball!

All are invited to join us on Tuesday at 6:00 P.M. September through May. As always, you can't beat the price. The ticket is free, the experience is priceless.

Whatever you do, do it to the glory of God. Dart Baseball Family of Friends

#### 8TH LIVE NATIVITY SUNDAY DECEMBER 9TH



#### COME TO BETHLEHEM AND SEE!

Take time out of your busy holiday schedule to reflect on the TRUE meaning of Christmas. The Savior who is Christ The Lord. All ages will be blessed by the experience which reminds us that Jesus came as a babe in a manger. His name is called Emmanuel, which means God with us. The Live Nativity is arranged to present the Good News to all. It is a meaningful evangelism opportunity. Your whole family and your friends will be moved by the real Christmas story.

Presentations repeat at:

5:00, 5:30, 6:00, 6:30, 7:00 & 7:30 P.M.



Singing praises to our Lord

at the

21ST ANNUAL HYMNFEST

October 7, 2018

7:00 P.M.

STARKDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Enjoy beautiful music by:

Friends Choir

Heaven Scent Quartet

Majesty Quartet

Tom Graham

Starkdale Choir and others

Stephan Carroll, pianist/organist

A dessert reception will follow in Fellowship Hall.

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The soup kitchen served 69 people on August 9, 2018. The menu included pasta salad, applesauce and cookies from Two Ridges Presbyterian Church. Volunteers were: Ella Jane Burns, Jo Copeland, Carol Oklok and Stu Stukins.

On September 13th, soup kitchen volunteers served 60 people a warm lunch of baked chicken, scalloped potatoes and green beans. Cakes were provided by Two Ridges Presbyterian church. Volunteers were Ella Jane Burns, Rev. Carl Moore, Carol Oklok and Stu Stukins.



#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

October 7 World Wide Comunion Sunday

7:00 P.M. Hymnfest/Reception following

October 14 5:00-6:00 P.M. Youth & Kids of the Kingdom

October 20 Pig Roast pot luck. (time to be determined).

November 4 Turn clocks back.

November 22 Thanksgiving Day. (Office Closed)

October 28 Special Reformation Service & Fellowship Hr.

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#### Hello,

I would like to thank you for the school supplies that were donated to Wells Academy. The supplies will be put to good use.

Thanks, Tommy Rotsonis

To: The Outreach Committee:

Thank you for delivering the school supplies to our School on behalf of Dollar Tree. We appreciate all you do for the local community!

Thank you and God bless you!!

Lynette Gorman Principal West Elementary

Dear Starkdale Presbyterian,

Thank you so much for all of the school supplies you donated to the school! We are overjoyed by your kindness.

The Students and Staff of Karaffa Elementary School

On behalf of the Pediatric Cortical Visual Impairment Society (PCVI), I extend our warmest thanks for your donation to the Pediatric Cortical Visual Impairment Society on behalf of Olivia Ault. The

Dear Members of Starkdale Presbyterian Church,

generosity of donors like you allow the PCVI Society to do the important work of educating professionals and families about children with CVI.

Your \$1000 donation will help support the activities of PCVI which include education, research, and advocacy for children who experience CVI, the leading cause of visual impairment in children in developed countries. You are sincerely helping to improve the lives of children with CVI and, we are so very grateful. Thank you again, and keep in mind that the next American Conference on PCVI is scheduled for June 28-29, 2019 in Omaha, NE.

