



What's Up Wickliffe!

JULY 2023

"It's Why You Do It"

The dime in the plate brought back memories as I puffed out my chest. The little coin was a testament of modeling, teaching and encouraging over generations. When my grandson, Benny, laid a second dime beside the first I almost reached out and took it back for him. His dad caught my eye and grinned.

"Generosity," he said.

Benny looked up first at his dad and then at me. He nodded and repeated, "generosity leads to joy."

I remember the first time my own father took me aside as he taught me how to do my paper route and collect from my customers. Charcoal skies clung to the crests of purple mountains as the rain poured down, threatening to soak my papers. "I think we should take the car," I said hopefully. He ran his finger and thumb over his mustache, buttoned up his shirt, and grabbed his rain slicker. "This route is yours, not mine," he said. "Grab your coat and hat, I'll hold the umbrella and you carry the papers."

I was like a drowned rat that collection day but the customers had been generous to me as they saw me shivering in the dampness. "Okay, let's count," dad said, after we'd made it safely home, changed and gathered at the dining room table.

My mother hovered over us, making it memorable with hot chocolate and two marshmallows floating on top. A freshly baked chocolate chip cookie rested nearby. "Okay, my special men, you are loved more than you can imagine. Keep your business special for the Lord." "Thank you, mother, for your kindness," dad had said. "We're going to learn an important lesson before we devour your love gift. Stretching yourself like this for us is more than we deserve."

My mouth watered and I'm sure my stomach rumbled as I rubbed my hands together in a warming exercise. "How long is the lesson?" I asked. "Depends on how well you learn it," Dad said. "First, you need to sort out all your money into piles and then count it. You need to record every penny you've collected. When you've done that, I'll show you step two."

My numb fingers somehow managed to sort and record while my distracted brain, due to the smell of hot chocolate and cookies, managed to count.

"How much of this money belongs to the paper company?" I unfolded the instruction paper I'd gotten in the mail. I pointed at the number.

"Count that out starting with the larger bills and set that aside in an envelope. Write down the amount on the collection sheet." I did as I was told. "Now, count out how much is left and divide it into ten equal piles."

It took a little longer to figure out exact piles but my little brain managed to recall enough of my numbers to do the job. The cookies were calling my name.

"Now, here is an envelope for the church," he said. "Put the first pile in this envelope and put it in the offering this Sunday." He waited while I set the coins aside. "Now, put the second pile in an envelope for the bank. We're going to save that and let it grow." I put the money in the bank envelope. "Now, the rest is yours to be generous with."

"Generous?" I asked.

"Yes, you can buy something you'd like or you can give it to someone who might need it or you can treat a friend with it. It's all God's but he gives you this much to enjoy."

I felt a surge of freedom and joy. "Jenny wants a puppy. Can I give her some to help buy her puppy?"

"You can do anything good and generous with that money from the work God gave you to do."

I grew up with that mindset and passed it on to my son who passed it on to his son. You rarely stop to realize how much one little lesson can bless the world. I saw my son bless missionaries, people on the street, single mothers, refugees and charities of all kinds.

"Why do you give?" I asked him one day while he was still a teen.

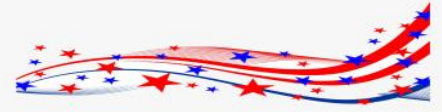
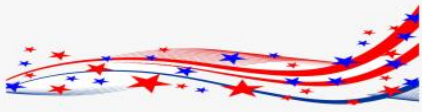
"Because generosity leads to joy," he said, smiling.

And now those same words had slipped out of his son's mouth. A father's instructions had been planted and reaped fruit. A mother's teaching had reached the heart of a little one and lasted. It's why you do it that matters.

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JULY SCHEDULE

- July 2 Fifth Sunday After Pentecost
- July 9 Sixth Sunday After Pentecost
- July 16 Seventh Sunday After Pentecost
♦ Needle's Eye Worship Service
- July 23 Eighth Sunday after Pentecost
- July 30 Ninth Sunday After Pentecost



Happy Birthday!

- July 1 Bill O'Hara
- July 9 Grace Leash
- July 10 Janet Walston
- July 13 Nancy O'Hara
- July 16 Melanie Duritza
- July 29 Gail Wayne

Happy Anniversary

- July 22 Clete & Patricia Morningstar
- July 27 Bill & Sandie Wayland

Church Office Hours:

Monday - 9:00am - 12:00pm

Tuesday - Closed

Wednesday - Closed

Thursday - 9:00am - 12:00pm

Friday - Closed

(Hours may vary. Please contact the office for an appointment if you need in the church)

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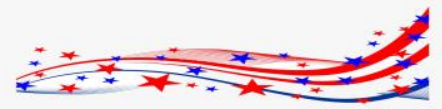
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Happy 4th of July!



NEEDLE'S EYE SERVICE

JULY 16, 2023



Emmeline Smith, Director of Needle's Eye Christian Counseling Center, is eagerly awaiting members of Wickliffe arriving for our Sunday Service there. Betty, Dennis, Jim, among other volunteers, are waiting to warmly welcome us on **Sunday, July 16, 2023.**

After our service, a lunch will be served to us! Last year, we had a delightful time during service and during lunch. We could not have had any warmer a visit! Music will be provided by Needle's Eye!!!

Please put this date on your calendar! We will meet in our church parking lot at 9:30 AM. We will turn left out of the parking lot onto Idlewood and left onto Raccoon Rd, and left onto Mahoning Ave. We will proceed on Mahoning Ave. down to the Orange Bridge. Right lane, right turn on to Oak Hill just before bridge. Straight up the hill, pass the historic cemetery on the right, pass the old South Side Hospital (now the Renaissance Building with Board of Elections). Straight on to corner of Kenmore Ave. and Needle's Eye is on the left. Turn into the parking lot in front of the building. You will see St. Patrick's Church catty-corner to Needle's Eye.

We had 20 members attend last summer. Let's see if more will come this year!!!

See you there on Sunday, July 16, 2023!

Donna Cooper, Debby Fabian, Janet Walston, Growth Committee

Needle's Eye Soup Ministry

Look for your initial and please give cans of soup, beans, or peanut butter! These donations are given to the elderly in our area who find their food supply very low at the end of the month. You can find the basket beside the Fellowship door.

Thank you for your generosity!
Donna Cooper

This month's initials are: M—O—P



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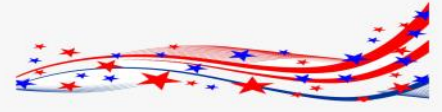
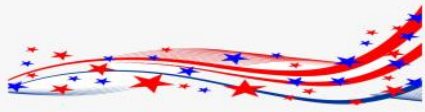
**PLEASE submit articles, stories, news, etc.,
to print in the Newsletter.**

The newsletters are only as good as the information
submitted to me by YOU, the congregation.
I welcome any and all submissions.

Thanks so much!...*Audrey Covault*



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2023 Per Capita is \$32.50. Per Capita information flyers are available at the church.



PLEASE REMEMBER TO CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE WHEN...

- ◆ A member of your family or a friend in the church, is admitted to the hospital,
- ◆ Your telephone number, address or e-mail address is changed (so that our records can be updated),
- ◆ A baby arrives in your family or in the family of another church member,
- ◆ A member of your family leaves home for college, the military or to establish a new residence,
- ◆ You feel the church can assist you or another member in any way.

Please pass this information on to anyone you know who has a cat or dog...

Do not use cocoa mulch in your yard. It has been proven that it makes pets severely ill and can be fatal!



REMINDER FROM JEFF

Jeff Bryant is still collecting **aluminum cans** this year for a project with the VFW called **"Cans for Vets"**. Please bring your cans to the church (garbage can is placed near the door) or set them by the garage for this very worthy cause. Jeff will be collecting the cans for the remainder of the year. Thank you in advance for your Christian generosity!



PLEASE NOTE: Sunday school has been suspended for the summer.

"POP TABS—Reminder"

This is a reminder that you take time to collect **Pop Tabs** for our **RONALD McDONALD HOUSE Outreach**. You will find the tall plastic container in the Narthex. Let's please see how fast we can fill the jug this time. Blessings to all for your support of this worthy cause!
~ Nancy O'Hara, Clerk of Session



Ronald McDonald House

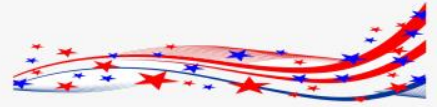
A PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice, we pray for the people of Ukraine today. We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons. We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them. We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions. Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them. We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.





Happy 4th of July!



PINEAPPLE MARINADE

- 1 Cup Pineapple Juice
- 1/3 Cup Brown Sugar
- 1/3 Cup Soy Sauce
- 1-2 Cloves of Garlic



Place all ingredients in a saucepan and heat over medium heat until just before the boiling point. Let cool.

Place 4 boneless chicken breasts in a bowl or a bag and pour the marinade mixture over them. Refrigerate 4-5 hours. Grill as per usual!

Submitted by Audrey Covault

**Want to submit a recipe for a future newsletter? We welcome your great ideas!
Just send an e-mail to wickliffepc@gmail.com**



WICKLIFFE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH ANNUAL PICNIC

Sunday, August 13, 2023

9:45 AM Arrival

Worship service will be held at the Park

Austintown Township Park /Stacey Pavilion

Can you believe it! It's almost time to get our picnic plates, silverware and cups in our car along with some lawn chairs! And don't forget your delicious food to contribute to hot dogs and drinks. The Renewal Trio will conduct a music service. Bring games if you wish to play afterwards. Sign up sheet for food will be available in the Narthex.

CONTEST: Who will wear the craziest socks and shorts?????

PRIZES: Who will be our judges?????


More to come about this WONDERFUL WICKLIFFE EVENT!!!!

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2 10:00 AM Worship Service 8:00 PM AA Mtg.	3 TLCC Closed Today Through July 7	4 	5 11:30 AM Goodtimers	6 5:45 PM Tops	7	8
9 10:00 AM Worship Service 8:00 PM AA Mtg.	10	11	12	13 5:45 PM Tops	14	15
16 Needle's Eye Worship Service 8:00 PM AA Mtg.	17	18	19	20 5:45 PM Tops	21	22
23 10:00 AM Worship Service 8:00 PM AA Mtg.	24 Newsletter Deadline	25	26	27 5:45 PM Tops	28	29
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