

Bermudian Church

*"enabling every person to experience the living Christ
in transforming ways"*

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October 25th, 2023 #1,008

We are So Small

Each morning I go out and feed our four horses grain and of late have begun to give them some hay as the grass is becoming more sparse. Typically, I am out there around 6:00, and over the past several weeks as the sunrise has kept moving later and later, it has been darker and darker.

Although I have looked up at the sky before, it has not been until recently that I have spent more time star gazing. There are only two constellations that I can pick out. One is Orion (pictured here) and the other is the big dipper. In the sky there are several much brighter lights, which I am assuming may be planets, but I'm not sure. Of course, from time to time there is a moving light that also has green and red flashes which is obviously a plane.



But as I spent time looking up at the sky over the past couple of mornings, while waiting for the horses to finish eating so I can put their bowls away, my thoughts took me to Psalm 8.

"¹ O LORD, our Lord, how majestic is your name in all the earth! You have set your glory above the heavens.

³ When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers, the moon and the stars, which you have set in place, ⁴ what is man that you are mindful of him, the son of man that you care for him? ⁵ You made him a little lower than the heavenly beings and crowned him with glory and honor."

It is estimated that our own Milky Way is home to around 300 billion stars. And there are other galaxies. And God created each one and God controls the movement of each one. And yet the psalmist proclaimed that God cares about each one of us. There are around 8.1 billion people on earth. And yet He cares for each one of us. He even knows the number of hairs on our heads. He loves each of us as if we were the only person on earth, the only person in this vast Milky Way, the only person in this vast universe. He desires a relationship with every single person. That just blows my mind when I consider that. We are an insignificant speck in all of His creation and yet He knows everything about us and cares for us.

And so, let us give thanks to God for His provision, His care, and His love.

In Christ Alone

Prayer & Praises

- Eileen Riddle – was at urgent care for intestinal issues. Please pray for healing.
- Terri Stambaugh requested prayer for Foy (Gumby) Stambaugh, her husband. Gumby has an appointment this week with the oncologist. Please pray that his cancer has responded to the treatment.
- Please pray for the Good family. All members are sick in one way or another.
- Please continue to pray for Victor Riddle's recovery from Covid.



Ongoing Health Concern Prayers

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| *Kathy McWilliams | *Sarah Sabold (Smeltzer) | *Ken Warren | *Mary Fisher |
| *Alyssa Leakway | *Gloria Gerber | *Missy Braden | *Bryce Baublitz |
| *Julie Waggoner | *Bill Barley | *Brandon Little | *Derek Meck |
| *Josh (Bonnie Tyson's Grandson) | *Ruth Cook | *Victor Riddle | *Mark Lipsitz |

Cancer Special Prayers

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| *Julia McCartney | *Greg & Sandy George | *Butch Warren's brother | *Chris Betts (Smeltzer friend) | | | | | | | |
| *Ted Erb (Traci Kauffman family) | *Kathy McWilliams brother-in-law Phillip (Ron Engle, friend) | *Sandy Harlacker | *Ellie Basko | *Mark Yonker | *Tom Kimmel | *Bob Kauffman's brother) | *Jean Beck | *Donald Moore | *Butch Warren | *Keith Kauffman (Kerry) |

CBC and CBC Region 3 Prayer Requests

Please pray for peace in Israel and protection of all human life. Pray for wisdom on the part of all world leaders to know how to respond and prevent escalation from Israel's neighbors.

Please pray for the following congregations and pastors:

- Kajito Cha Utakajo Congregation in Tanzania, Africa and Pastor Daniel Prosper Nzeleni
 - Karongi Congregation in Rwanda, Africa and Pastor Niyongira Leonard



DEDICATION OF THE OUTDOOR WORSHIP CENTER



On November 5, between our morning worship celebration and the Fall Congregational Business meeting, we will gather at the outdoor worship center for a prayer of the thanksgiving and dedication of this newly renovated area. We thank Landon Frantz and his crew for the work that was done to expand and refurbish this area for the glory of God.

Important Dates and INFORMATION

This week

Wednesday 10/25

- *Sisters Bible Study 9 am
- *Life Group 6:30 pm
- *Ladies Choir 7:45 pm
- *Men's Vocal Practice 7:45 pm

Saturday 10/28

- *Fall Festival 5-8 pm

Sunday 10/29

- *9 am Come Worship!

Next Week

Monday 10/30

- *Chosen 3 Knokey Group 6:30 pm

Wednesday 11/1

- *Life Group 6:30 pm

Thursday 11/2

- *Chosen 3 Bible Study 6:30 pm TGP

Friday 11/3

- *Newsletter Deadline 10:30 am

Sunday 11/5

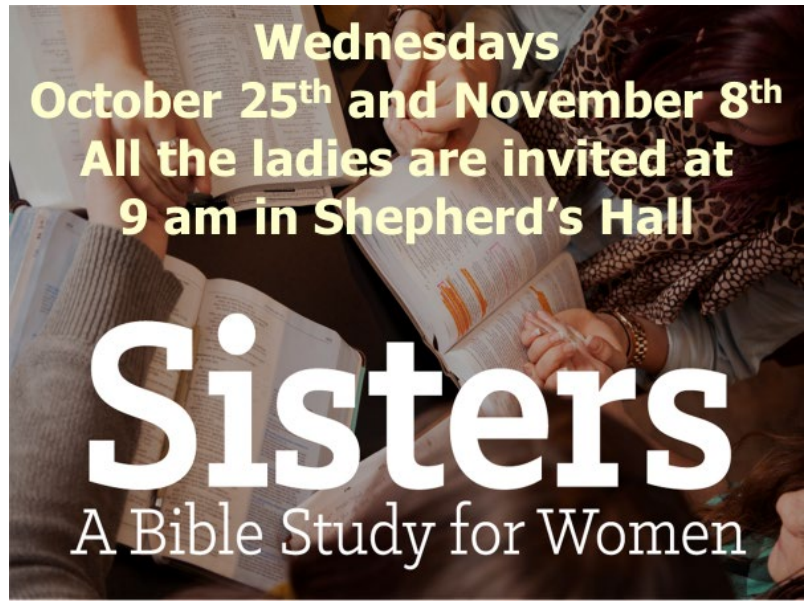
- *9 am Come Worship!
- *10 am Congregational Business Meeting

Monday 11/6

- *Newsletter prep

Tuesday 11/7

- *Newsletter Assembly
- *Women's Fellowship 6:30 pm



Wednesdays
October 25th and November 8th
All the ladies are invited at
9 am in Shepherd's Hall

Sisters

A Bible Study for Women



Prayer Shawl
Ministry

Next Meeting

Thursday, October 26th, 2023
10 am – 2 pm
There will be no prayer shawl
In November & December
See you in January
(weather permitting)



Sunday
November 5th, 2023

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING



FALL FEST
October 28th
5 pm to 8 pm
****Rain or Shine****
(Fire Pit if not raining)

Supplied by Witness: Hot Dogs & Rolls, Beverages, Chips, Cookies and Supplies for making S'mores (Weather Permitting)

Brought by Church Family: Hot or Cold Dish to share, Desserts and Long Forks for S'mores

BRING FAMILY & FRIENDS

GAMES / FOOD / FUN for ALL!



Widow and Widowers Luncheon

Sunday
November 12th
At Noon
At Dover Valley
Restaurant
Please See Nancy
Smith to RSVP



Season 3 of "The Chosen"
Thursday, November 2nd
(NOT meeting on the 26th)
The Gathering Place at 6:30 pm.

The CHOSEN

Dave Titzell is the facilitator.
Please contact Sue Deardorff with
questions.



Men's
Practice
October 25th
at 7:45 pm

Ladies Choir

Attention All Ladies

If you enjoy singing, consider
joining Ladies Choir.
New voices are welcome!

Practice will be on Wednesday evening,
October 25th & November 8th at 7:45
pm. See Betty Engle if you have
questions

A plate of breakfast food (scrambled eggs, bacon, and pancakes) on a wooden table.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

NEXT MEETING
3rd Saturday each month
November 18th, 7 am
Dover Valley Restaurant

WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Tuesday, November 7th
at 6:30 pm

October

27 - Joann Van Scyoc

A birthday cake with lit candles.

Happy Anniversary

October
26 - Paul & Lori Sunday