

Revelations

Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon ~ Pittsburgh, PA 15202

Youth Group to Share Experiences from New Orleans Mission Trip During 10:30 a.m. Worship Services in May

Are you curious about how your donations to the youth spring break mission trip were spent? Do you want to know what the youth did while in New Orleans? Or even more importantly, how their lives were changed by this experience?

Then come to the 10:30 a.m. worship services during the month of May when students from the trip will be sharing their own experiences.

Don't miss this chance to hear about their mission work. It's a great opportunity to put a face and a story to your giving dollars.

Who knows? Maybe you'll be the one to be inspired to participate in the next trip...



Youth on Mission in New Orleans (l-r): Michelle Siegreist, Katie Deverts, Nico Alfonso, Zach Jones, Laura Cranville, Sandy Stauffer, Casey Cunningham, Kirk Alfonso, Todd Tracy, Brad Horn and Allen Hart

Youth Group Sets a Strong Example for the Adults by Spending Their Spring Break on Mission in New Orleans

“Then the King will say, ‘I’m telling the solemn truth: Whenever you did one of these things to someone overlooked or ignored, that was me—you did it to me.’ (Matthew 25:40)

Eight students from CPCBA’s youth program spent their spring break helping the overlooked and ignored people affected by Hurricane Katrina. They

swung sledgehammers, ran jackhammers, moved mounds of dirt by the shovel-full, built a wheelchair ramp, and tore down walls for the people of a city still devastated by that awful storm.

These students gave us all a great example of what it means to live out our faith. When you see them thank them for continuing the mission of CPCBA.

Wonder What the New Orleans Experience Was Like for the Youth?

See page 5 for a special article written by Brad Horn, a junior at Avonworth High School detailing his experience while on this mission trip to New Orleans.



My View on Church Avenue

by Pastor Carol Divens Roth

Dear Friends,

The recent All-Church Retreat at Laurelville was an overwhelming success, judging from the evaluations. What rain? Just kidding. There was some rain but mostly there was fellowship and focus on the theme, *You CAN get there from here.*

Where is “there”? In one sense, “there” is the calling of a new pastor and that will certainly happen. However, what “there” really means is the future to which God calls the Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon.

Getting “there” means discerning the heart and mind of God. That’s the task of the whole congregation, not just the people who went on the retreat. It is accomplished through:

- ✠ Prayer
- ✠ Bible Study
- ✠ Liturgy
- ✠ Community
- ✠ Individual spiritual seeking

Prayer is opening up to God, a two way communication –laying bare your whole self and listening for what God is saying.

Bible Study –You can do this on your own, of course. There is also a group that meets on Wednesdays from 9-10 a.m. in the conference room. Sundays at 9:15 a.m., the Adult Sunday School opportunities include a study which parallels the same scripture that the children are studying (meets in the conference room) and Conversations with Woody Cunningham (in the chapel). Soon there will be fellowship groups which will include Bible study in the evening. Also, Revs. Henderson and Divens Roth will offer some evening courses on Jack Rogers’ book, *Jesus, the Bible, and Homosexuality*. Do you have other topics you think it would be important to explore? Talk with Carol, Jean, Melanie, or Todd.

Liturgy comes from a two Greek words which mean the work of the people. The prayers, hymns, music, and other words of worship are the liturgy. In the Presbyterian Church (USA), liturgy usually includes a Call to Worship which gathers us into the presence of the living God, the focus of our worship; Prayer of Confession which reminds us of how we break relationship with God; the Assurance of Pardon which

offers God’s great mercy; Scripture and Sermon which proclaim the good news of the gospel and God’s claim on our lives; a Declaration of Faith affirming what we believe; Prayers of the People and Lord’s Prayer, through which we approach God and pray to do God’s will; Offering, a thanksgiving to God for God’s wondrous gifts; and Benediction which sends us forth in response to good news and to thank God by serving. Our music is all of the above –prayer and praise, thanksgiving and supplication, and acknowledgement of the greatness of God. We bring our true selves to worship and our shaped by our encounter with God.

Community -- As St. Paul reminds us, the church is the body of Christ. He also tells us that each of us is given at least one (probably more) gift of the Holy Spirit which is meant to build up the body. That means every one of us is gifted. And each of us is an important part of the whole. The eye is not more important than the hand. As we live in Christian community with one another, we learn together a way of being in the world.

Individual Spiritual Seeking – Listening for the still, small voice of God AND looking for the Big Picture can take place in a myriad of ways. Suggestions will appear in a future Revelations. For now, try reading the CPCBA mission statement which appears in the newsletter each month. Ask God for today what you’re being called to focus on to carry out the mission.

Everyone is welcome on this journey. Traveling together, we’ll be “there” before you know it.

Shalom,

Carol Divens Roth

Summer Worship Hours to Begin Sunday, June 10

~ One Service at 10:00 a.m. ~

Beginning on Sunday June 10, the Sunday morning worship services will be combined into a single service at 10:00 a.m. for the summer months.

Sunday School classes for all ages will conclude on Sunday, May 20 and will resume on Kick-off Sunday, September 9.





by Deacon Austin DeSimone

The Deacon Flower Ministry... Know Anyone Who Would Enjoy Receiving This Gift?

It is springtime and, next to rain showers (OK, in Pittsburgh you have to include some snow and sleet as well) this time of year brings to mind flowers. At CPCBA, we have flowers on the altar no matter what the season. After the congregation enjoys them during Sunday worship, we want to be sure that these flowers are given to someone in our congregation or neighborhood who might benefit particularly from their bright and fragrant presence in their home or hospital room.

If you know of someone who you would like to share our flowers with, please contact one of our deacons, preferably a few days in advance. We will take care of delivering them to your designated recipient, or give them to you to deliver personally, whichever you prefer.

Also, if you know of anyone in our community who might benefit from a visit from a caring soul, or is in need of assistance whether it be spiritual or physical, please let us know so that we can reach out to them. Thank you, and may you all enjoy a blessed spring!



The F & E Committee Wants Your Gifts—

No, we are not talking about another stewardship campaign, but a different kind of campaign that is asking you to volunteer your very own special gifts and abilities that God gave you to serve Him. Everyone has unique talents and many ways to serve. The Fellowship and Evangelism committee is planning a few opportunities to contribute your spiritual gifts for the glory of God and your church.

Your assignment, dear CPCBA members, is not a “Mission Impossible” but a very *possible* way to reach out to our community to make Christ known. An **Evangelism Team** is being formed to develop strategies and implement actions to minister to our neighbors and friends and to invite and welcome them into our CPCBA church family.

Each of us has a role to play in evangelism but members of this Team could be the contact person to call a member who hasn’t been in church for a while, visit a new neighbor who has just moved in on their street or neighborhood to invite them to church or to a special program at the church. It would not require regular attendance at committee meetings but serving when called upon.

Adult Education Opportunities for May

All are welcome to join any one of our 3 adult education offerings. Signs in the Rostrevor entrance will help direct you to the room of your choice each Sunday.

Newspaper Fellowship continues as an informal group to read, discussion and pray over the days news.

Conversations with Mr. Cunningham. An hour of conversation, prayer & inspiration on a variety of topics.

May 5: Join us to continue the story of the resurrection—the miraculous and exciting story of Jesus’ appearances.

May 13: It’s Mother’s Day and what better day to consider the life of Mary, the mother of Jesus and discuss her life and her relationship to Jesus.

May 20 in Fellowship Hall:

Millenials: The Next Generation

Born from 1980 through 2000, they’re a generation nearly as large as the Baby Boom. They’re sociable, optimistic, civic-minded, inclusive, influential, and achievement-oriented, yet have a hard time managing stress. They have scheduled/structured lives and a great deal of parental involvement and advocacy. Get to know this generation of neighbors, new coworkers, children/grandchildren, and begin to seek insight on how to minister to them as part of the family of God.

Guest speaker **Dr. Mike Bridges** is the Associate Director of Assessment at the Eberly Center for Teaching Excellence and Adjunct in Psychology at CMU.

There is another way where you could use your talents that might be your calling. Have you ever visited a church in your travels and no one greeted you at the door? What was your impression of the church? CPCBA wants to become a more welcoming and hospitable church by having a team of greeters who are trained and equipped to do more than just say “hello” to worshipers. The greeters will be an integral part of the hospitality shown to members and to first-time worshipers. Greeters would serve on a rotating basis and would be scheduled at their convenience.

If you feel that God is calling you to serve Him on either of these Teams and you would like to know more about them, please contact Pastor Carol Divens Roth at 412-761-1233 or Nancy Hamilton at 724-935-1754 of the Fellowship and Evangelism Committee.

Peter 4:10 (Living Bible)

*“God has given each of you some special abilities;
be sure to use them to help each other,
passing on to others God’s many kinds of blessings.”*

Applications for France Scholarship Being Accepted Through May 7

A legacy of sharing and service to others continues with the awarding of the William and Virginia Denny France Scholarship to a student from the church pursuing post-high-school education.

The Scholarship was begun by Jane France and her husband, Chris Allison, in memory of Jane's parents. Elder William and Virginia Denny France were dedicated members of the Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon. Their faithful service will carry on through the Scholarship which enables students to pursue the learning that shapes lives and prepares them for their vocations that make a difference in the world.

The Scholarship is \$5,000 which can be used for tuition and books - as a lump sum or spread over five years. Applications have been mailed to students under the age of 25 who are about to graduate from high school or who are already pursuing a post-secondary degree or are enrolled in a proprietary school. If you know of someone who fulfills these criteria and who has not received an application, please contact the church office. Deadline for applications is May 7. (Previous recipients are not eligible.)

Some of the former criteria for the Scholarship have been revised, so previous applicants may want to consider applying again. Financial need and active participation in the ministry and mission of the church will be the strongest determinants for awarding the grant.

Thank you to Jane France and Chris Allison for their generous support of education for youth and sharing their heritage with the church family.

North Hills Youth Ministry Collecting Used Books Through May 4th Donations May Be Dropped Off at the Church

North Hills Youth Ministry Counseling Center is once again looking for your old books! It's almost time for their 32nd Annual Used Book Sale. If you haven't already brought down your old books to the church, there are only a couple days left. Books must be delivered by May 4th.

For those of you who volunteered last year, you remember all of the wonderful deals, and the fun and fellowship we had working for such a good cause. This year, we are in need of volunteers Monday, June 4th, from 4:30 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. Volunteer for either a half shift, (4:30 – 6:15 or 6:15 – 8:00) or the full shift. We hope to have all CPCBA members working that evening.

Please note that the book sale location has changed due to construction at the mall. The new location is the Clayton Center at Memorial Park Presbyterian Church in Allison Park. Please call or speak with Kate Colville (412) 486-2975 if interested, or sign up on the registration sheet in the narthex.

The Pastor of Visitation Continues to Ponder: How Prepared Are You?

Last month I gave you five suggestions for preparing for a death - your own or some one else's. That was Part I which included:

- Talk about funeral arrangements now.
- Make a will...or wills!
- Discuss plans with your church.
- Locate and store important papers.
- Use your current pastor.

Here are a few more suggestions to consider:

- Think a little about the memorial service.** Jot down favorite hymns or scripture passages or quotes. Dictating every detail may be problematic, but giving your family and pastor some sense of what had meaning to you in life is very helpful.
- Tend to your relationships.** Your connections with God, family and friends need constant nurture. If there's currently a mis-connect in your life, now is the time to do something about it. After you die, those disconnected people will have a really tough time grieving. Get back together now, even if you find it humbling.
- Share your faith.** Talk to your pastor about what you believe. If you've written something about your faith you'd like to have shared at your memorial service, make sure the church has a copy. And better yet, share it while you're alive with the people you love!
- Contact the pastor.** If hospice care begins for you, or when there is a terminal diagnosis, or when death is near, please make sure the pastor knows about it. Don't assume that someone else will let the pastor know. And feel free to contact the pastor day or night if you want to talk. Those talks before a death have become blessings in my memory - so helpful to me and, I hope, to the person who is dying.
- Keep in touch.** If you have a sick family member, or if you are ill, remember to call and email your friends. Some people find it hard to stay in touch with dying people because they don't know what to say. So you can say something, like, "Thanks for all the good times we had - thanks for being a friend - thanks for being a good daughter..." A good support system will help you through the darkest times.

Again, my offer holds for any of you. If you'd like me to visit to talk about any of these suggestions, please call. You best can reach me at home: 412-734-2263 or by email: jhhh21942@aol.com. Enjoy life!

Fondly, Jean

What Do You Call a High School Student Who Chooses to Spend Their Spring Break Trip Doing Hard Labor Every Day Instead of Relaxing at Home? IGNORANT?

See What High School Junior Brad Horn Has To Say About That...

Ignorance—The dictionary states that the word ignorance means, the condition of being unaware, or uninformed. If that is the case then I can assure you that most of us youth headed on the New Orleans trip were very ignorant. We all knew the situation and the plight of the people was bad from the little we had seen on the news, but we had no idea how bad.

This begins me on my little tale of the eleven souls who braved the red-eye flights, the confusing New Orleans road system (which by the way makes me have a new respect for PENNDOT), and the bad one-liners around every corner. These eleven people consisted of eight youth: Nico Alfonso, Brad Horn, Allen Hart, Katie Deverts, Michelle Siegrest, Laura Cranville, Zach Jones, and Lancelot—whoops—I mean Casey Cunningham. Accompanied by their fearless leaders, Todd Tracy, Kirk Alfonso, and Sandy Stauffer, these eleven souls set off into the heart of disaster to try to do their part to resurrect a once proud and noble city.

While we were down there our home became the Woodland Presbyterian Church, a pretty nice place overall (hey it had A/C who's complaining) with some great food prepared daily by a wonderful cooking staff. From here we were sent out determined to do good for the community. The first day we were supposed to work, all of us were very eager to go to places like the ninth ward or somewhere in East New Orleans where the area was the hardest hit. However our dreams were shattered when we were given the assignment of going to a pretty much intact Presbyterian office away from any major damage. This feeling of worthlessness continued until we got to our destination and realized the full scale of what we were doing.

What we hadn't realized was that the building we were working on was the headquarters for all of the relief run through Presbyterian churches in the area. So we set out to do the impossible...build a parking lot. Now I don't mean just bring in some gravel to a nice level backyard—oh no—this yard was a disaster area. You see, the office had bought a neighboring house that they were going to house volunteers in and they needed a parking lot. Now the backyard to this place had two really nice old garage foundations sticking out and a great concrete patio stretching across it, a few rusty poles here and there, and some wonderful concrete steps leading to nowhere. On top of all of this, we were required to build a wheelchair ramp.

All of this concrete meant only one thing: the youth of your church got to use a jackhammer (that's right I said it, *a jackhammer*). Three long days in the hot Southern sun we toiled away destroying concrete, leveling the yard, and building this wheelchair ramp. Finally on the third day we had completed our task, a perfectly level yard ready for some gravel and a really nice wheelchair ramp.



The satisfaction that filled our hearts was an amazing feeling. To think that a bunch of kids made something great happen. Finishing in three days also left us available to gut a house and get that touching experience that occurs when you see a person throwing their whole material life away because of some horrible force of nature.

We eventually got to see the ninth ward and the horrors of seeing whole neighborhoods wiped away, and ultimately flying home Friday night, I saw that all of the ignorance that had filled us before was gone, it had been replaced by a look of understanding.

Children's Sunday, May 20th



Children's Sunday will celebrate the **end of the Sunday School year** as well as the gift of all of our wonderful (and plentiful) children. Our children will do their very best to show you how they have grown in knowledge and spirit this year.

Let them touch your heart and share their joy in worship.

Join us at 10:30 a.m. for this wonderful time. We will also take this opportunity to recognize those who have helped us along the way. If you have been a teacher for our children this year, won't you join us? We want to thank you for the difference you have made in sharing your gifts with our children.

HOLD THE DATE

Join the Herd for our Vacation Bible "Stampede" for the whole family during the evenings of July 23-27.

At "Avalanche Ranch," we'll take a wild ride through God's word together. The whole family will hunker down for vittles at 6:00 p.m. There's a crew for every age, and we'll mosey on home to hit the hay by 8:00 p.m.



**Women's Retreat to Be Held Saturday May 12
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Masonic Village**

Good Grief and Beyond is the theme of the CPCBA Women's Retreat to be held on Saturday, May 12 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Masonic Village. This will be an event for all women of the church, dealing with the issues of loss, grief and healing. Our interim pastor, Rev. Carol Divens Roth will be the leader.



The retreat will be held in the Assembly Room at Masonic Village, Sewickley and all women residents there, which includes many of our members, will be invited, too. It's a perfect opportunity to "get away" to a location convenient to so many. A boxed lunch will be served. In addition to the presentations and group discussion, the retreat will conclude with Communion.

Look for a bulletin insert with information on signing up. Deadline for reservations is Sunday May, 6. For reservations use the bulletin insert or call Kim Cuneo at (412)766-3332 or e-mail kimcuneo@aol.com.

Wooden Ladder Preschool Currently Enrolling Students for 2007-2008 School Year

The Wooden Ladder Preschool, a program of the Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon, is now enrolling students for the 2007-2008 school year.

Wooden Ladder Preschool enrolls children ages 18 months to 5 years in the following classes:

- Wooden Ladder Tots 18-24 months
- Wooden Ladder 1 24-36 months
- Wooden Ladder 2 3-4 years
- Wooden Ladder 3 4-5 years

Please contact Louise Sonnet, Center Director at 412-761-9195 for more information.



**Sunday, June 3 Is an Exciting Day at CPCBA!
~ Bring Your Neighbor To Church Day
~ Music Appreciation Day
~ Strawberry Festival Fellowship Hour**

June 3 will be a very special Sunday! It is designated as "Bring Your Neighbor to Church" and will include a special Music Extravaganza during worship and a Strawberry Festival after the service.

You will be receiving information about this in the mail in May but mark it on your calendar and start inviting neighbors and friends to join you on that day.



**New Dunamis Fellowship Group To Meet
Friday, June 15 at 7:00 p.m.**



Dunamis (DOO-na-mis) is the Greek word for power and where we get words like "dynamic" and "dynamo." It is also the new name of the fellowship and study group formally known as Wineskins.

The idea behind Dunamis is dinner, in which the hosts provide the main course and the other attendees fill in with sides and dessert and a previously read study is discussed.

An exploratory Dunamis is happening on Friday, June 15 at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Doug and Mary Louise Fowkes. The study will be based on an article in the October 2006 Time Magazine entitled, *When Not Seeing is Believing* by Andrew Sullivan. A copy will be sent to those who are interested in attending that evening.

All are welcome; a more formal structure of the program will be discussed at that time. If you have any questions or want to attend please email Doug and Mary Louise @ mlf1@verizon.net. Come and be part of a dynamic evening.

**Upcoming Craft and Scrapbooking Session!
Next Class on Saturday, May 19th from 4:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m.
—Come and work on your Prayer Shawls!**

Join us for 'Finish a Project Night' on Saturday, May 19th from 4:00-11:00 p.m. Craft, Scrapbook, Knit, Needlepoint, Read, Write, Sort Pictures, Clean Out Your Purse, Do Your Bills, Play Cards, bring whatever project you've been putting off! Come and work on your Prayer Shawls! Or just come and chat. Join us in Fellowship Hall for a night of fellowship and fun.

Feel free to bring guests! You don't have to come for the entire time, come for one hour or seven hours! Please RSVP to Susan Houser at 412-732-9599 or gandycat@comcast.net It is optional to bring an appetizer or dessert to share, soda will be provided.

Also, if you will be there at dinnertime, you can pack your own 'supper' or order take out with the group. If you have a talent you'd be willing to share for a 'beginner's class', please contact Susan so you can be added to the schedule! Look for more dates over the summer!



In May, the Congregation Is Encouraged to "Sing to the Lord a New Song"

Come learn a new hymn each Sunday!

-by David Anderson

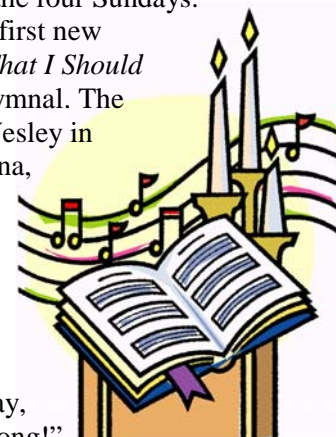
Pastor Jean Henderson often begins a church service with, "This is the day the Lord hath made, let us rejoice and be glad in it." In Jean's case, I believe this quote from the Psalms is central to her theological outlook. For many of us, I wonder if these words haven't become a sort of politically correct "churchspeak." The verse rolls off our tongues quite easily and we even feel good when we say it. But how often do we take the time to reflect on the power it takes to actually make a day, or to rejoice in the love it takes to give it to us, while instead mindlessly repeating the sentiment hoping that the opening hymn is one we know.

"Sing to the Lord a new song" is another of these verses we've all memorized. Like the previous example, it too rolls off the tongue quite easily and we feel good when we say it. The problem is, we like saying it, we just don't like doing it. We tend to treat hymns like that old flannel shirt that wives throw away and husbands retrieve from trash cans on trash night. No new shirt could ever match the comfort of that old shirt. No new hymn could ever match the comfortable feeling that we enjoy when we sing *Amazing Grace*, *A Mighty Fortress Is Our God*, *The Church's One Foundation*, and *Holy, Holy, Holy*. It puzzles me that we never have a negative response to scripture we have just heard for the first time.

During the month of May we, as a congregation, will learn a new hymn on each of the four Sundays. For you self-starter types, the first new hymn will be *And Can It Be That I Should Gain?* which is #260 in our hymnal. The text was written by Charles Wesley in 1738 and the hymn tune, *Sagina*, was written in 1825 by Thomas Campbell.

How can a hymn that old be a "new song" you ask. If you don't know it, it's a new song!

So come to worship in May, and "Sing to the Lord a new song!"



Financial Summary Through March 31, 2007

-by Ross Dillon, Stewardship & Finance Committee Chair

	Actual	Budget	Difference
Income	\$ 96,881	\$122,830	\$ (25,949)
Expense	113,548	122,560	(9,012)
Difference	\$ <u>(16,667)</u>	\$ <u>(270)</u>	

Total pledges and contributions received thru March 31 are \$93,075. The corresponding number for March 31 last year was \$95,233. Expenses year to date are \$113,548 versus \$107,996 at this time last year. Let's all keep our pledges up.

Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon Directory

- Interim Pastor..... Carol Divens Roth
- Pastor of Visitation..... Jean H. Henderson
- Christian Education Director..... Melanie Hughes-Holcomb
- Director of Youth & Young Adult Ministries..... Todd Tracy
- Director of Music/Choir Director..... David Anderson
- Associate Music Director/Organist..... Barbara McKelway
- Administrative Assistant..... Mary Susan Anderson
- Hostess..... Claire Wilwohl
- Maintenance Manager..... Don Evanochko
- Clerk of Session..... Peter Herchenroether
- Treasurer..... Barbara Barcousky
- Trustees, President..... Doug Simmons
- Deacons, Chair..... Kerry Crilley
- Junior Church, Coordinator..... Jan Davis
- Wooden Ladder Preschool..... Brenda Mellon
- Financial Secretaries:..... John Ferguson
- Royce Rice
- Deb Sadowski
- Dick Schneider
- Web Masters..... Susan and Marty Houser

Committee Chairs:

- Christian Education.....Clair Cranville
- Fellowship & Evangelism.....Nancy Hamilton
- Nominating Committee.....Jennifer Knuth
- Outreach.....Judy Hay
- Property.....Andy Kolenda
- Stewardship & Finance.....Ross Dillon
- Worship.....June Weletz

Deacon Comfort and Joy Contacts

(for meal assistance, transportation, grief support, etc.)
Patti Timpani (412-766-1645) or Mary Witul (412-734-2772)

Deacons Visitation Ministry

Frank Somerville at 412-931-6584

(Please help the Deacons share the concern of our community by letting us know whether you, or a friend or family member, would welcome a visit. Requests can be made to any Deacon.)

Church Office Hours are Monday-Friday—9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

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Chapel is open daily from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm for prayer and meditation.

**Community Presbyterian
Church of Ben Avon
Mission Statement:**

Community Presbyterian Church of Ben Avon aspires to a greater service of God through a ministry mindful of the needs of our congregants, neighbors and, through the Presbyterian Church (USA), the world community.

We actively bind together this community of Jesus Christ through warm fellowship, inspiring worship, nurture, learning and a long, rich tradition.

We are led by the Holy Spirit to use our abundant blessings and diverse talents progressively for evangelism, discipleship, stewardship and mission.

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"The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. Amen." Revelation 22:21



The Youth Need Your Help to Fund Their Summer Trips

A POEM FOR INSPIRATION

- by Youth Director, Todd Tracy

When the days become longer and classes are through,
Whatever are youth group kids to do?
I have an idea, we'll give it a try—
We can take them to camp to pass the days by.

The Great Escape in Wisconsin for the middle school;
It will be a great time or even be "cool."
The High School to serve and help those in need,
To live out their faith and work on their creed.

There'll be games and lessons, and plenty of food,
And maybe some sleep to keep us in a good mood.
We will learn lots of stuff about ourselves and our friends,
But most importantly our faith in Christ will we mend.

How will we get there, with no money at all?
Hey, now is YOUR chance to answer your call.
Support the youth in every way—
For their summer trip, you can help them to pay

You Can Purchase a

Piece of the Road

And...



Help the Youth get to their summer destinations

There are three ways you can participate—you can buy:



A Piece of the Road for \$10

A Rest Stop for \$30

A State Line for \$50

The Sale will be Held

May 20 and 27

Following the worship service
in the Narthex



All Money will go directly to the Youth's trips.