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From the Pastor's Desk

September 2021

September is upon us already! Where did the Summer go? Many schools have already been open for two weeks and people are still worried about new varieties of COVID. Will we ever be back to normal, or the new normal, or what ever lies ahead?

John Lennon once said, "Life is what happens when you're busy making other plans." This is so true. There are times when we are so busy worrying about the future, planning the future, and waiting for the future to come, that we completely forget about the present and the little things in life that matter. With all the worry that we seem to have we must not lose sight of the now, those who care for us and for whom we care. We cannot get lost in our fears and assumptions about what may happen next but, rather, enjoy the moments that we do have, that we are experiencing now.

Remember Jesus' words in Matthew 6:34, "Therefore, stop worrying about tomorrow, because tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own." This saying is in the negative - each day has enough trouble of its own - but really each day also has enough joy of its own if we will only take the time to see it. In any event, Jesus tells us not to worry about tomorrow but focus on today. Of course we must do some planning but we cannot let tomorrow get the better of us and spoil all our wonderful todays.

I hope September will be filled with lots of wonderful todays. It certainly will be at Baust Church. We all will look forward to seeing you there.

Have a great September!

Pastor Jeff and Cathy

Greetings Fellow Families & Friends,

Hope everyone is enjoying the summer and has been able to get away this summer even if only for a day.

We had an August meeting but nothing new to report. The leak in the basement bathroom of the church has been repaired.

We continue to get quotes for other repairs. There should be more to report after our Sept. meeting.

Sandra Stonesifer, Consistory President



What's the Pastor Reading Now?

The book I enjoyed for this time is a rather oldie but a goodie entitled, "*The Physician*" by Noah Gordon. It was published in 1989 and recommended to me by another oldie but goodie, Bick Bickerton. It is an epic novel set, initially, in 11th century England but the protagonist, Rob Cole, a Christian, who later takes the pseudonym Jesse Ben Benjamin, a Jew, journeys to Persia to study medicine under the great Ibn Sina, a Muslim.

As one might imagine there are all sorts of problems encountered by Rob on this epic journey, not the least of which are cultural and religious differences that almost get him killed many times over. Rob knows what he wants - to be a great physician - and that is the basic story line.

Although this work is an historic novel, it lands more on the novel side than the historic. In fact, only two characters were actual people and they are the two great Persian physicians, Ibn Sina and al-Juzjani. The reason I am recommending this 762 page story is that it is a page-turner, a movie based on it was released in 2013, and, most importantly, it does make one consider how religion has both helped and hindered the practice of medicine and how we have viewed and treated people different from ourselves throughout the centuries.

Gordon does a great job of portraying the three great monotheistic faiths and their encounters with one another in the 11th century CE. He must have done countless hours of research to pull all this information together so that is a plus on the history side.

One last warning, this novel should be rated somewhere between R and NC-17. There is violence and some other adult situations, all of which were most certainly part of the societies that existed at the time. If you have a little extra time this September this book will fill it.



- Those who helped with or gave donations for the luncheon after the funeral service for Norma Smith.
- To Nicole, Chris and Seth Overholtzer for spending several days in the intense heat taking down the broken branches on the trees around the parsonage and church. They cleaned up the debris and hauled 2 loads to the brush pile at the landfill.

Fundraising

By the time you are reading this, our Antique Car & Tractor Show & Peach Festival will be over. Our next fundraiser will be the Fall Tea on Saturday, October 2. See the attached flier for additional information. Our Roast Pork Dinner will be on Saturday, November 6. Reserve the date now.



MONTH OF July, 2021

Income:	\$ 8,315.65
Expenses:	\$ 9,074.83
Balance:	\$ (759.18)

YEAR TO DATE

\$ 94,823.19
\$ 67,007.78
\$27,815.41

Capital Fund

2020 Carryover:		\$34,784.51
2021 Donation/Fundraiser	\$ 200.00	\$16,658.24
Transfer from Mem. Fund	\$	\$ 0
Expenditures:	\$	\$10,844.21
Remaining Balance:	\$ 200.00	\$40,598.54

Memorial Funds

Begin. Balance 01/01/21		\$55,775.09
2021 Donations:	\$110.00	\$ 335.00
Transfer to Capital Fund	\$	\$ 2,318.24
Balance:	\$110.00	\$53,791.85

2021 Mission Trip

Fund Carryover from 2020

Donations & Fundraisers:	\$	\$ 2,500.56
Trip Expenses:	\$	\$ 0
Balance:	\$	\$2,500.56

SOCK Designated Funds

Beginning Balance 1-1-21		\$ 775.02
Income 2021	\$	\$ 1,576.00
School donations	\$	\$ 0
Balance:	\$1,576.00	\$ 2,351.02

General Fund income includes \$20,000 inherited Funds

*Carolyn Dutterer,
Treasurer*

Building Rental

We are ready to rent our buildings to those who are looking for a building **to accommodate small groups. All groups will be following the CDC guidelines regarding COVID. They can contact the secretary at whsowlalum64@yahoo.com for rates and a copy of the rental agreement.**



**Choir Rehearsals
Resume**

Beth Brandenburg is calling out to all choir members to announce that rehearsals will be September 9, at 7 p.m. in the sanctuary.

Fellowship Luncheon:



On Sunday, August 1, 2021, Emmanuel Baust UCC resumed it's First Sunday After Church Lunches. As previously noted, two of our favorite places (Buttersburg Inn and Uncle Matty's) are not open on Sundays for the foreseeable future, so we tried out a new place, The Flood Zone Marketplace & Brewery. All attendees enjoyed it so much, that we decided to return there for our next First Sunday After Church Lunch on Sunday, September 5. They open at noon on Sundays. The Flood Zone Marketplace & Brewery is located at 50 N. Main Street in Union Bridge. Their website is FloodzoneBrewery.com.

We will be doing our Fall Tea, as you can see by the attached flyer, and will be accepting donations to create the treats.

If you wish to donate baking supplies, or just a monetary donation towards supplies, let me know by email or a call. I can give suggestions for supplies, about 3 weeks out.

You will need to leave the donations in the Parish Hall kitchen or refrigerator by Wednesday, September 29th, so we have plenty of time to shop and prepare on Thursday and Friday.



The congregation extends its heartfelt sympathies to the family and friends of Dotty Waddell who passed away on August 3rd. Dotty and her family were long-time members of EBUCC.



SEPTEMBER



- 1 – Gloria Oxley
- 4 – Jim Myers
- 8 – Jim Craig
- 19 – Chris Overholtzer
- 19 – Alice Eccleston
- 22 - Allison Kim
- 22 – Amber Seibel

- 23 – Jane Rodkey
- 23 – Camron Derr
- 24 – Corey Wilt
- 24 – Meredith Paulsen
- 27 – Kathy Caprarola
- 29 – Cathy Dull

- 1 - Lois & Bick Bickerton
- 6 - Jonathan & Chrissy Killmon
- 8 – Samantha & Brett Spalding
- 18 – Adam & Katie Brower
- 21 – Nicole & Chris Overholtzer
- 29 – Cris & Jeff Hevner

ARTICLES FOR THE OCTOBER 2021 NEWSLETTER ARE DUE TO HELEN MILLER BY SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 19th.

FROM THE EDITOR

I will be having surgery on August 23 and do not how long I will be unable to work. Please continue to forward all information to: whsowlalum64@yahoo.com Jen Garner will be filling in for me during my absence. **Helen Miller**



EMMANUEL (BAUST) UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST
FALL TEA

2950 Old Taneytown Road

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Date: Saturday, October 2, 2021

Two Seatings: 11:00 AM and 1:30 PM

Take out reservations also available.

Menu includes: Hot Tea, Apple Cider
 Chilled soup, Salad
 Scones
 Finger Sandwiches
 Assorted Sweets

Price: ages 12 and up—\$20

Ages 5 to 11—\$10

For reservations please call (410) 756-4152 and leave a message or email o3in4dy@yahoo.com. Space limited, reserve early. Reservations are due by Tuesday, September 28th. Requests received after this date will be honored if space is available. Contact Cindy Osborne at the phone number or email address shown above for take out details.

Make us aware of dietary restrictions at time of reservation.