



***Jeri-Lynne's Jottings - Cancer***

Some of you may know that I am a trained Stephen Leader for Stephen Ministry. Stephen ministry is an organization that provides extensive training and resources for those who want to walk alongside others who are going through a life crisis. Those who are trained to in Stephen Ministry are called "Stephen Ministers". The training is lengthy and requires a commitment to serve as a Stephen minister for at least 2 years following the training. I do not want to go to great lengths explaining the ministry at this time but I would be happy to talk to anyone who is interested in hearing more.

Last year I received a letter from the Stephen Ministry program asking me to assist them finding cancer survivors of my congregation who might consider participating in the review of a new book that the founder, Kenneth C. Haugk, Ph.D., was writing to assist those who are battling cancer. One of our members decided to participate. That member was Ellie Butler.

Ellie was one of the 836 people who read the book from beginning to end after all the chapters were finished. On pg. viii of his new book "Cancer, Now What", Kenneth Haugk says "Their suggestions were invaluable and helped increase the overall usefulness of the book".

Ellie enjoyed this project as she battled her last months of cancer and felt very satisfied that she was able to contribute to this meaningful ministry. She told me that although she may not be quoted by name, there are parts of her in this book.

If you have a loved one, friend, or acquaintance that has just been diagnosed or is currently battling cancer, I commend this book to you. It is also a great resource and tool for those who care for or minister to those who have cancer.

To learn more about the book or Stephen Ministry go to:

[www.CancerNowWhat.org](http://www.CancerNowWhat.org)

[www.stephenministries.org](http://www.stephenministries.org)

In Christ's Service,  
Pastor Jeri-Lynne

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***16 Jesus said to her, 'Mary!' She turned and said to him in Hebrew, 'Rabbouni!' (which means Teacher). 17 Jesus said to her 'Do not hold on to me, because I have not yet ascended to the Father. But go to my brothers and say to them, "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." John 20:16-17 (NRSV)***

I simply love the words of Jesus to Mary in the last portion of verse 17 of John 20! "I am ascending to my Father and your Father, to my God and your God." What a beautiful Easter message for us today as well as for Mary and Jesus' followers long ago. Jesus chooses to identify himself with us as a part of the family! Jesus Christ has chosen to come to us, and in virtue of his total saving activity, living, dying, rising and ascending, makes us the sons and daughters of the Father and the people of God.

It is a great reward to be a part of the family of God. Families operate differently than the work place, school, etc...Robert De Moor tells a unique story of what family is about. He begins by exposing the unfairness of the parable of the vineyard workers in Matthew 20. Why should everyone get equal pay for unequal work? Then he recollects a story of his life.

In his family, back in Ontario, when the apples ripened, his mom would sit all seven of the kids down, dad included, with pans and paring knives until the mountain of fruit was reduced to neat rows of filled canning jars. She never bothered keeping track of how many they did, though the younger ones undoubtedly proved more of a nuisance than a help: cut fingers, squabbles over who got which pan, apple core fights. But when the job was done, the reward for everyone was the same: the largest chocolate dipped cone money could buy. A stickler might argue it wasn't quite fair since it was the older children who did most of the peeling of the apples. But he can't remember anyone complaining about it.

Just as De Moor's mother wants all her children to be rewarded equally as a part of the family, God wants all his children to enjoy the complete fullness of eternal life as his family. No true child of God wants it any other way.

Let us remember this Easter season how important it is to be a part of this particular family of God at Circleville Presbyterian, working in ministry together, reaping rewards together, and actively seeking to enlarge the family for God!

Hallelujah, Christ is risen, he is risen indeed!

Pastor Jeri-Lynne

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**MAY LUNCHEON AND BAKE SALE**

Presbyterian Women are sponsoring their 48TH ANNUAL MAY LUNCHEON and Bake sale. Join us in Campbell Hall Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> 2017 from 11:00 to 1:00. New casserole recipes and lots of homemade goodies! Invite your friends and family to share a fun lunch. See you there!

*Focus on.....*

## *Bill and Kay Fisher*

How often have you waved, smiled, and said, “Good morning” to a fellow parishioner without having a clue how similar your life and theirs had been? This thought came to me after I recently sat with Kay and Bill Fisher to get information for this article.

They grew up in a very small town, Tobias, NE and have known each other forever. Kay was in first grade and Bill in third when they started school in the same room together, however, their parents had been friends since they were born. Their school, like mine, housed all twelve grades (no kindergarten) in one building, but theirs was quite a bit smaller than mine. There were four in Bill’s graduating class and five in Kay’s.

Bill was a baseball player in high school and he confessed that Kay missed both her junior and senior proms because he was on the road for games during the spring months. He was also a star basketball player and she a cheerleader. In the last three years their school only lost four games. While my high school featured six-man football, their school had no football team.

Following high school Bill matriculated at the University of Nebraska and Kay went to Business School and then worked for the County Attorney until Bill graduated with a Degree in Mechanical Engineering. They were married, as was I, in August 1959 following his junior year. He had participated in R.O.T.C., so in 1960 they were off to Anniston, AL for military duty. It was there that they encountered culture shock. Not only language that sounded like it was from another planet, but also the racial divide designating female, male, and colored in the gas stations but also white, and black restrooms and drinking fountains elsewhere.

Kay was pregnant with Tim, their first child, when Bill was hired by DuPont and would soon be sent to Clinton, IA. Kay was in a quandary as to where she should live at the time: stay in AL where she knew and liked her doctor, or move back home with parents in Tobias. But it was a cousin who lived in Clinton who offered respite dwelling while Kay searched for a place of their own. Bill arrived one week before Tim was born.

When one is employed by DuPont one often becomes like a wandering Gypsy. They spent 14 years in Clinton, IA, two and one-half years in Buffalo, NY, two and one-half years in Wilmington, DE and then to Circleville where they have resided for 37 years.

They have three children: Tim lives in MD, Lori in Cincinnati, and Jeff in Canal Winchester. The children and all seven grandchildren have professional degrees. While in Wilmington, Kay could have gotten a professional chauffeur’s license driving the children to three different schools for classes and extracurricular activities.

In Tobias, NE there were three churches: a Roman Catholic, a Lutheran, and a Community Church, which is where they attended, received perfect-attendance pins, and were married by a clergy cousin on a sweltering August day in a building with no air-conditioning. In Clinton, IA they were members of a Congregational Church, as was I growing up, and they began their lives as Presbyterians when they were in Buffalo, NY. Kay was a Sunday school teacher in Clinton and a Deacon here. Now they are both Shepherds to local parishioners. Kay’s description of herself is “I’m an Indian, not a Chief” which is why you’ll find her helping with the Cookie Walk, the May Luncheon, the Trash to Treasure Sale, etc.

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Bill's personal hobby centers on following sports teams, both local and University of Nebraska primarily baseball. Kay enjoys gardening outside and inside and currently has eight Amaryllis in her house. She played and taught piano for 25+ years and chose to retire when Bill did. She also sewed most of her clothes and Lori's including round and square dance clothes. She also enjoys reading on her Kindle. They both are avid Bridge players; each belonging to two clubs while doting on their cat, Herbie, which was a birthday present for Bill and a Mother's Day present for Kay.

See what you can learn when you do more than wave and say, "Good morning"?

*Diane Berger*

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### **MISSION NEWS**

Mission increased its support to our PCUSA missionaries serving in Africa. Dr. Daniel and Elizabeth Turk help farmers in Madagascar learn improved agricultural practices and local communities to gain improved water and health systems. Pastor Catherine Day teaches English and how to implement Peace and Reconciliation programs at a seminary in Rawanda. Each will receive \$350 for the coming year. If you would like to donate to them through Personal Mission Giving, ask Clare Hall for the necessary information.

### **BRIDGES OUT OF POVERTY**

PICCA and United Way have partnered to increase understanding between those who need assistance and those who provide it or want to help in some way. They are offering a workshop to both inform and to provide a place for dialogue between agencies and interested members of the community.

Phase I, the introductory workshop, will be held at the Pickaway County Service Center, 2050 Stoneridge Drive, **from 8:30-4:00 on April 26<sup>th</sup>**. Cost to attend is \$10 and includes a continental breakfast and lunch.

A "Mission Connection" flyer about the Turks and their work is posted on the bulletin board near Campbell Hall. A flyer about the Bridges Out of Poverty workshop can also be found on the bulletin board. Contact Clare Hall if you have any questions about these opportunities to support God's work here and around the world.

As Pastor Jeri-Lynne has encouraged us to do, help shine a light in the darkness!

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### **EASTER SUNDAY**

Easter fun! Easter Sunday April 16, 2017. The morning will be full of food, fun and fellowship! We will start with worship at 9:00 in the sanctuary. DSF will provide Breakfast and an Egg Hunt to begin in Campbell Hall. The morning will conclude with traditional worship at 11:00. Special lessons, special people and a special message that you won't want to miss. Hope you will all be here!

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### **AROUND THE CROSS**

Around The Cross will go back to its regular time of 6:30 PM the third Friday of every month in April. We would like to invite all adults of the church to join us for good food and conversation and an occasional program. Bring a covered dish and your food service.

Dear friends in Christ,

As you know, our beloved and majestic pipe organ is in need of major repairs. Many of the leather valves that admit air to each individual pipe are deteriorating. We are fortunate in that this leather, part of the original installation in 1929, has lasted as long as it has. It is a testament to the excellent quality of the materials used to construct the organ.

An indication of failing leather is pipes that no longer sound. Currently, there are approximately 20 “dead” notes in the organ. Without the repairs, this problem will only worsen until the organ becomes unplayable.

Session has approved the repairs, which will begin right after Easter with the removal of the organ to the Bunn=Minnick Pipe Organ Co. in Columbus where the re-leathering work will be performed. The work is expected to be completed by early August. During this time the organ blower in the basement will also undergo major repairs.

The total cost of this work is \$85,000. It amounts to about \$50 per pipe. Approximately half of this amount is already either on hand or pledged. \$16,000 has already been paid to Bunn=Minnick with the signing of the contract. Session has determined that we need to raise an additional \$40,000 to fully fund the project and to provide money for routine organ maintenance.

So, at this time we are asking for your help in generating the funds we need to assure that our treasured pipe organ, considered by many to be one of the finest in Central Ohio, continues to provide meaningful worship music. Please prayerfully consider a generous gift on behalf of the church music program. Options include a lump sum payment, a pledge to be paid in increments comfortable to you, or you can “buy pipes,” as many as you can, at \$50 each. Please complete the pledge form below and return it to the church office. Our sincere thanks.

Jack Mader, organist and Myron Rorick, Session

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Total contribution \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Payable by (choose the option you desire)

Lump sum, payable by check or Push-Pay \_\_\_\_\_  
Monthly pledge \_\_\_\_\_  
I will “buy pipes” @ \$50 per pipe \_\_\_\_\_

## THANK YOU NOTES

My friends,  
I would like to thank all of you for all the cards and visits. They meant a lot to me.

Also, I want to thank Mollie and Charlie for the wonderful dinners. This means that we are a loving family. I would also like to thank Tom Dixon as he is a special friend and I would be lost without his caring for me.

I would be amiss if I didn't thank Doyle Painter as he would take me around to Krogers and doctors appointments.

This caring shows the Lord that binds us together as a family. Thanks to Jeri-Lynne for her words and prayers when I need to hear them.

Your friend always,  
Eugene H. Dowler

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Dear friends,  
Thank you so much for all the birthday cards, food, phone calls, and visits while under the weather with broken ribs. A special thanks goes to the Congregational Care Team. It is wonderful to know that so many people care. Thanks again,  
Doris Gillespie

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## REMINDER GRADUATION RECOGNITION

We will recognize all those who are graduating from high school, tech school, college, or university. Please let us know if you or someone in your family is graduating and what their plans are following graduation. We are very proud of all of our people who mark this milestone in their lives. **Names are needed by May 21 for the June/July issue of the Pres-Line.**

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## GUEST SPEAKER PALM SUNDAY

Palm Sunday, April 9, 2107 we will be blessed to hear Bryce Weibe, manager of Special Offerings office at the Church headquarters in Louisville, KY. He will share the impact of the One Great Hour of Sharing offering. He will share in both the 9:00 worship and 11:00 worship. See you there!

## ADDRESS AND EMAIL CHANGES

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*We offer our condolences to the family and friends.....*



...of Edith Downing who died in December, 2016. She was a former member.

...of Frank and Betty Estes who both died in January.

...of a niece of Jual Tucker who died in February, 2016.

...of Bobby Smith who died in February, 2016. This is an uncle of Rod Smith.

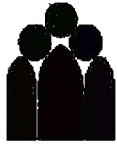
...of Ric Clapper who died in March, 2017. This is the brother of Margaret Parker.

## KROGER REWARDS

As a reminder the Kroger Rewards program to be used by our Music Department under the supervision of WMA requires enrollment or re-enrollment after April 1 (**no sooner**) to continue earning rewards during the coming year. Just visit [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com), click on “Columbus, OH” and click on “Enroll” to sign up for a Kroger.com account. To re-enroll, go to the website or Kroger.com and SIGN IN. Again, if you need assistance with this, Erin Spring will be available at coffee hour to assist you. Here are the instructions that were used previously.

### TO USE THE KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM (FOR NEW ACCOUNTS):

1. Register online at [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com)
2. Be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with your organization after you sign up.
3. If you do not yet have a Kroger Plus card, they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger.
4. Click on Sign In/Register
5. If you are a new online customer, click on SIGN UP TODAY in the ‘New Customer?’ box.
6. Sign up for a Kroger Rewards Account by entering zip code, clicking on favorite store, entering your email address and creating a password, agreeing to the terms and conditions
7. You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
8. Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
9. Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
10. Update or confirm your information.
11. Enter NPO number (#84819) or name of organization (PRESBYTERIAN CH. MUSIC PROG.), select organization from list and click on confirm.
12. To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see your organization’s name on the right side of your information page.
13. REMEMBER, purchases will not count for your group until after you register your card(s).
14. Do you use your phone number at the register? Call 877-576-7587 to get your Kroger Plus card number.
15. Then just swipe your registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to it when shopping and each purchase will yield rewards for Circleville Presbyterian in addition to the rewards you already receive!



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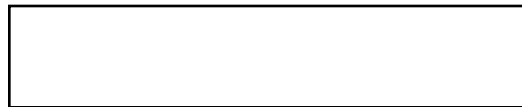
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*.....Looking ahead to June/July*

June	4	Pentecost
	11	Trinity Sunday
		Receive Confirmation Class
	25-29	Vacation Bible School (here)
July	4	Independence Day
	20	Deadline for Aug/Sept Pres-Line

