

**GREETERS FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 15<sup>th</sup> Scott & Andra Kisner

**ACOLYTE FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 15<sup>th</sup> Emma Kisner

**NURSERY FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 15<sup>th</sup> Liz Myers & Wesley Cox

**JUNIOR CHURCH FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 15<sup>th</sup> Marianne Derenberger

**CHILDREN'S MESSAGE FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 15<sup>th</sup> Jenny Cartwright

**WORSHIP LEADER FOR NEXT WEEK:**

May 15<sup>th</sup>

**FLOWERS:** Today our beautiful flowers are given by Jeremy & Marianne Derenberger in celebration of Grant's birthday and to honor all of the mothers.

**BIRTHDAY AND ANNIVERSARY WISHES**

A special and heartfelt congratulations goes out to all those with Birthdays and Anniversaries this week.

- May 9 Sarah Blair
- 10 Trevor Dyce
- 11 Nancy Venard  
Grant Derenberger
- 12 John Billman
- 13 Michael Perkins  
Brayden Carver

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

May 8, 2016

Mother's Day

**HAPPENINGS THIS COMING WEEK**

- Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>
  - Mother's Day
  - 8:30 am Teen Bells
  - 9:00 am Teen Choir
  - 9:15 am Adult Sunday School
  - 9:30 am Children's Sunday School
  - 10:30 am Worship Service
  - 6-8 pm Youth Group
- Monday, May 9<sup>th</sup>
  - 4 pm Prayer Walk, Bike Path
  - \*weather permitting
- Tuesday, May 10<sup>th</sup>
  - 6:00 pm TOPS
  - 6:00 pm Session Meeting
  - 7:15 pm Adult Choir
- Saturday, May 14<sup>th</sup>
- Sunday, May 15<sup>th</sup>
  - Youth Group/Drive-In Movie
  - Senior Sunday
  - 8:30 am Teen Bells
  - 9:00 am Teen Choir
  - 9:15 am Adult Sunday School
  - 9:30 am Children's Sunday School
  - 10:30 am Worship Service
  - 11:30 am Party in the Parking Lot

**Office hours & Contacts**

Pastor Kevin's hours are Monday - Thursday 9am to 5pm.  
 Pastor Kevin's e-mail address is [pastorkevin@thejpc.org](mailto:pastorkevin@thejpc.org)  
 Marie's hours are Monday-Friday from 9am to Noon.  
 Our phone number is 967-7541  
 Our e-mail is [johnstownpres@gmail.com](mailto:johnstownpres@gmail.com)  
 Prayer chain e-mail is [JPCPrayerRequest@hotmail.com](mailto:JPCPrayerRequest@hotmail.com)  
 Web site: [www.thejpc.org](http://www.thejpc.org)



### **Circle I – Elizabeth Circle**

The women are planning to eat out for lunch for their May meeting on the 18<sup>th</sup>. They will be going to the South Side Diner in Mount Vernon. This will be the last meeting until September.

The women plan on meeting in the parking lot at the church at 12:30 pm. Any lady who is interested in going for lunch is welcome to come. You may call Norma Johnson for more details if you are interested or just meet us in the church parking lot on May 18<sup>th</sup>.



### **Summer Special Music**

If you are interested in providing special music for the summer, there is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board outside the office. You can lead a hymn sing, play an instrument, sing by yourself or with a group, or whatever strikes your fancy! It's always nice to hear and see all of the talent in the church! If you have questions, please see Katie Miller.



### **YOUNG-AT-HEART GOES TO COSI**

On Friday, May 13 we will go to COSI and view the IMAX film JERUSALEM at 11:00 AM. The film will last 45 minutes and the senior cost is \$6 (for a group of 15 or more). You will need to give Ann your ticket money before we leave the church. We will leave the church parking lot at 10:00 AM. Parking is \$5 at COSI. After the film we will enjoy lunch at the FLORENTINE Restaurant on W. Broad St. Please let Ann or Dick know by Sunday, May 8 if you plan to attend and if you are available to drive.

### **Thank You Notes**

Dear Johnstown Presbyterian Church Family,

Thank you so much for the beautiful Spring Bouquet. It sure is pretty and I enjoy and appreciate it very much. Thanks also for your love and support. I feel it every day.

You are the Best!  
Lots of Hugs,  
Kaye



Thank you for 98 boxes of gelatin and 82 boxes of pudding for the Johnstown-Northridge Area Food Pantry. We care in a big way to fulfill a need. The Food Pantry considers JPC their BFF!

It is time once again to renew or start your participation in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. The Kroger Community Rewards program donates a portion of its proceeds to the Presbyterian Church of Johnstown based on your purchases at Kroger. After you enroll, all you have to do is use your Kroger Plus card when you checkout at the store. Please consider supporting your church through this generous program.

### **TO USE THE KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS PROGRAM:**

- Simply encourage your members to register online at [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com)
- Be sure to have your Kroger Plus card handy and register your card with your organization after you sign up.
- If a member does not yet have a Kroger Plus card, please let them know that they are available at the customer service desk at any Kroger.
- Click on Sign In/Register
- Most participants are new online customers, so they must click on SIGN UP TODAY in the 'New Customer?' box.
- 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
- You will then get a message to check your email inbox and click on the link within the body of the email.
- Click on My Account and use your email address and password to proceed to the next step.
- Click on Edit Kroger Community Rewards information and input your Kroger Plus card number.
- Update or confirm your information.
- Enter NPO number (81872) or name of organization, select organization from list and click on confirm.
- To verify you are enrolled correctly, you will see your organization's name on the right side of your information page.
- REMEMBER, purchases will not count for your group until after your member(s) register their card(s).
- Do you use your phone number at the register? Call 877-576-7587 to get your Kroger Plus card number.
- Members must swipe their registered Kroger Plus card or use the phone number that is related to their registered Kroger Plus card when shopping for each purchase to count.

Scott Lockwood, 740-967-3487, can help you with registering in the Kroger Community Rewards Program.

**SERMON NOTES** – “Finding Freedom: Repairing Relationships”  
Matthew 18:21-35 (NIV)

*“Blessed are the merciful,  
for they will be shown mercy.”  
– Matthew 5:7*

Forgiveness Is...

1. Vital to Our Freedom

*“In anger his master handed him over to the jailers to be tortured, until he should pay back all he owed.” (v 34)*

2. Unconditional & Conditional

*“But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.” (Ephesians 2:4-5, NIV)*

3. Complex

*“You intended to harm me, but God intended it for good to accomplish what is now being done, the saving of many lives. So then, don't be afraid. I will provide for you and your children.” And he reassured them and spoke kindly to them.” (Genesis 50:20-21, NIV)*

**Prayer Concerns**  
**May 5, 2016**  
**JPCPrayerRequest@hotmail.com**

**Continued Prayers**

- Our governmental leaders
- ISIS terror attacks

**Praises**

- Victoria Boals, New Albany High School student, was inducted into the National Honor Society! She still has trouble with her eye and trouble with her right side. She attended prom and had a good time. At one time she was considered terminal with brain cancer.

**Healing**

- Scott Lockwood is having gall bladder surgery May 6.
- Sam Maynard, Dianne Alexander's brother is in rehabilitation at Villa Angela Nursing Home, Columbus, because of severe injuries suffered after being run over by a truck.
- Shalon Pardee has tonsils tonsillitis.
- Rhoden family in Pike County who lost 8 members of its extended family.
- Betty Johnson, Aletha Irwin's mother, was hospitalized because of a fall. No broken hip.

**Cancer**

- Julie Hover, June Muller's sister, has been diagnosed with colon cancer. She will have chemo and radiation treatments plus surgery over the next 6-8 months.
- Caroline Mitchell, 2-year-old granddaughter of Barb and Bill Mitchell, will be treated for leukemia for up to two years.
- Lea Ann Snyder, friend of Roger & Donna Hines, Barbara & Bill Mitchell, and Phyllis Kraner, has cancer throughout her body.
- Cathy Wine, Alice Main's cousin, being treated for colon cancer.
- Dana Logan, acquaintance of Kaye Cook, has Stage 4 lung cancer. She is now with Hospice Care.
- Maelee Leonard, daughter of a co-worker of Katie Almendinger, who is only 1 year old, had surgery late in January to remove 4 lymph nodes. The results are that one of the lymph nodes showed a very aggressive form of cancer. Her mother Macee is trying to finish her first quarter of nursing school at the same time.

- Aly Cline, friend of Katie Miller, has been diagnosed with more than 15 tumors that surround the nerves in her lower back. The iron level in her blood is improving and she will have a biopsy on the tumors in contemplation of surgery.
- Susan Cline, Aly's mother, is recovering from the November surgery to remove a brain tumor. She will need to undergo lots of neurological physical therapy to regain her balance and strength.
- Larry Combs, Dani Cox's cousin, has cancer throughout his body.
- Isadora (Izzy) Campbell, a five-year-old friend of Katie Miller, has stage 2 ganglioneuroblastoma. She will only have to give blood and get some scans (MRI and MIBG) every three months for the next couple of years. She is back in school and resuming some extra-curricular activities.
- Brad Zipf, father of a Northridge cheerleader has stage 4 colorectal cancer. This was added by Hazel Almendinger.
- Brian Fisher, friend of Katie and Mark Miller, had surgery to remove an adrenal gland in November and once again declared free of his cancer. He went back for a scan a April 11 and he has three small spots on his lungs which are too small for surgery or radiation. He is back on his IV and oral chemo periodically.
- Dianna Carlson, Maxine's granddaughter, who lives in Chicago, has been diagnosed with cancerous nodules on her thyroid.
- Stephanie Adams, friend of Crissy Willeke, diagnosed with leukemia April 8.
- Carol Stires, friend of Hazel Almendinger, has been fighting cancer for five years.

### Long Term Illnesses or Disabilities

- Emma Kisner has been having absence seizures. Pray she will soon outgrow them.
- Don Orr has breathing and swallowing problems.
- Maxine Pardee has myasthenia gravis and extreme pain.
- Rev. Edward Carlson, Maxine Pardee's son-in-law, has ongoing medical issues.
- Ed Carlson, the younger, Maxine Pardee's grandson, has Marfan Syndrome, a rare genetic condition affecting the heart and breathing.
- Brian Eckstein, Brandon and Adam Eckstein's father has ongoing serious issues.
- Bill Kraner, Phyllis' husband, has ongoing health problems.
- Marjorie Stires, Hazel Almendinger's friend, has health issues.
- Margie Wheaton, Betty Ford's daughter, is in a nursing facility in Newark because of her Parkinson's disease. The disease is advancing.

### Those Shut in or Confined to their Homes

- Roy H. Sarbaugh, Carol Hoff's father
- Alice Neibarger, New Albany Gardens and Care Center, Columbus, OH 43230.
- Lawrence Bishop at Sharonbrooke Sr. Living Center, 920 Sharon Valley Road, Newark, OH 43055
- Ellen Howell, Hazel Almendinger's sister, is house bound. She is in pain management for spinal stenosis.
- Cecil and Maryann Grimes, brother and sister-in-law to Maxine Pardee, Cecil has worsening Alzheimer's and Maryann has a lung condition. Cecil is recovering from a fall.
- Rev. Tom Jackman, former minister of the Johnstown Presbyterian church in the late 60's and early 70's, 200 Cottage Dr. Apt 302, Palmyra Pa. 17078-3608

### Deaths

- Roy Hilderman passed away peacefully May 5, 2016. Funeral arrangements are pending.
- Henry Webster died April 27. Henry was 14 years old and is the son of Mark Miller's friend Bill. He has been on our prayer list since May, 2015. He had been having seizures and had been operated on for a brain tumor at that time. In September, 2015 we reported that the tumor had shrunk and he would continue chemo for several months. In December, 2015 he had an unknown infection. As of February, 2016 he was not in school.
- Shelly Lynn (Harris) Ward, 43, of Cheyenne, Wyoming passed away peacefully in her home April 25th due to a sudden cardiac event from a congenital heart defect. She is the daughter of Linda and Carl Harris and a graduate of Johnstown High School.

### Weekly Tithes and Offerings -May 1, 2016

	<u>Received</u> <u>Last Week</u>	<u>Needed</u> <u>For Week</u>
Current (Operating) Fund	\$8,057	\$3,775
Building Loan Fund	\$363	\$683
	<u>Received</u> <u>For Month</u>	<u>Needed</u> <u>For Month</u>
Current (Operating) Fund	\$8,057	\$16,360
Building Loan Fund	\$363	\$2,957