THE PLAIN TALK



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Too Much of a Good Thing.

In my last newsletter cover letter, I talked about how few television channels we got where I grew up. I remember channel 2, 4, 11 – maybe 13, and if you had a coat hanger bent in a circle shape, 53. All in glorious black and white!

Interestingly enough, I grew up very close to the channel 4 broadcast antenna. You could see it and it's flashing lights from our house. Now that may sound good, and for sure we received channel 4 without any issues, but it was such a strong signal that it didn't matter what channel you tuned to, you would always see a "ghost" of what was being broadcast on Channel 4. Channel 4 was too much of a good thing.

We had to have the TV repairman (remember those guys?) install a special "trap" on our TV to reduce the channel 4 signal so that we could watch the other channels. And once that was done, all was well.

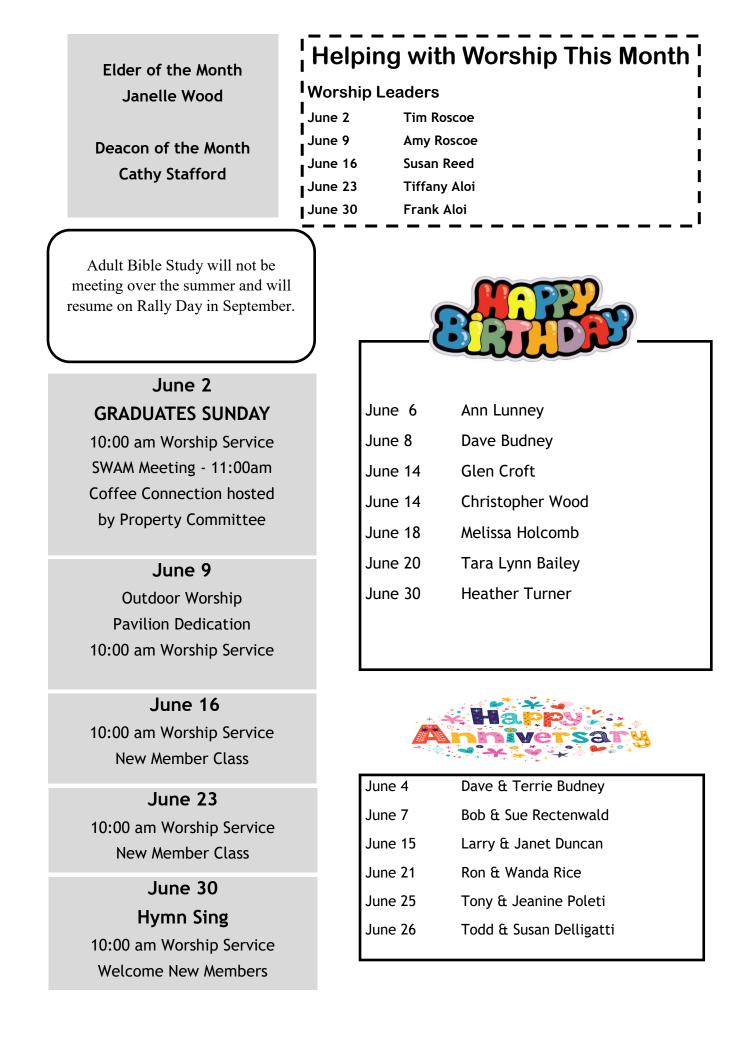
The good news is that we have a direct, strong signal with God. All of us do -24 hours a day -365 days a year from anywhere on Earth. I for sure don't know how it works, but God never seems to get overloaded with signals from all of us and is able to handle everything. He doesn't have a "trap" to filter anyone out. He loves us and is happy to hear from us. He wants to hear from us, and that makes me happy.

And He is available if we have a Joy or a Concern. It doesn't matter – He takes all callers. There is never a busy signal. Give your concerns to God and let Him work in his ways in his time frame. There is always a plan. We may not know the plan or understand the plan, but I have faith that God has a plan for you and for me.

Don't forget to thank God for the joys in your life – big and small – be a grateful Christian and love how He works in your life each and every day. Try to make God smile each day. I suspect He never gets tired of hearing too much of a good thing.

In Christ's Service Together,

Tim Roscoe



We rejoice in the ability we have as Christians to lift up our prayers and petitions, our joys and our concerns to God together.

(Please submit a new prayer card or contact the church office with any updates or to keep a name on the list.)

Announcements for the Bulletin or Newsletter? Please submit your announcements in advance to the church office. Weekly announcements need to be submitted before Wednesday afternoon. Office Hours: Monday, Wednesday, and Thursday 9am-1pm



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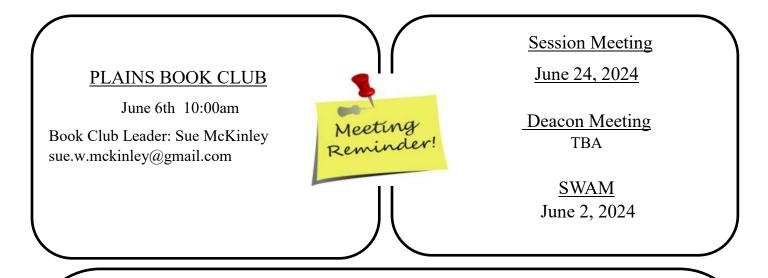


Please keep our Elders & Deacons in your prayers as they lead Plains into the future.

We also ask for prayers for the following :

- Corina Taylor
- Jenny Stafford
- Nancy Kathy Carter
- Betty Lehman
- Paul Ann Nutter
- Joann Bark
- Lisa Bender
- Pat Finlay
- Aunt Cornella Tiffany Aloi
- Bryce Tiffany Aloi
- Norah's father
- Residents of Houston, TX

Our friends who are in assisted living: Nancy Jones & Eileen Kaufman Please submit a new prayer card or contact the church office with any updates.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Summer Hours begin 10:00am for June, July and August

Sunday, June 2nd Graduates Sunday Coffee Connection hosted by Property Committee SWAM Meeting after worship

> <u>Thursday, June 6th</u> Book Club - 10:00am

NEW MEMBER CLASSES New Member Classes June 16th or June 23rd

Installment of New Members - Sunday, June 30th

ADULT BIBLE STUDY

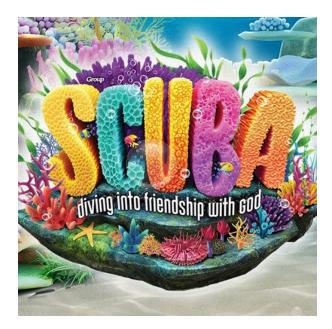
Adult Bible Study will not be meeting over the summer and will resume on Rally Day in September



Cranberry Nursery School has finished another fun school year. Twenty Eight students graduated and will be moving on to Kindergarten. The year went fast with lots of learning, crafts, parties, field trips, libraries and making new friends. It is an honor to help the children create of love of learning. We wish all of the members of Plains Presbyterian Church a happy and healthy summer!

Angela Kushner Director Cranberry Nursery School 724-538-8785





We're making plans for this summer's Vacation Bible School program at Plains Presbyterian Church, and we'd love to have your children join us! To be held **July 15th-July19th** this summer's VBS is "Scuba"

At Scuba VBS, kids dive deep into an amazing undersea adventure where they'll experience the

ever-flowing, never-ending love of God.

If your children (age 3 through grade 6) would like to join us for this fun-filled week, visit our website at www.plainschurch.com, scroll down the page and you'll find the VBS online registration form.

Online registration closes July 1st.

There is an option to purchase a shirt for \$7.50.

Registration is **online only**.

We hope to see you there!

Feel free to contact the church office at 724-538-8785 or email us directly at <u>plainsvbs@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

Blessings, Erika Selling and Janelle Wood

VBS Directors

PAVILION DEDICATION



OUTDOOR WORSHIP PAVILION DEDICATION JUNE 9, 2024 10:00am



Graduates Sunday 2024

<u>Sunday, June 2nd</u>

HIGH SCHOOL

Susan Roscoe Jacob Carter Madison Holcomb

<u>COLLEGE</u>

Steve Delligatti Rachel Kremmel





The Deacons of Plains Presbyterian Church have made a donation to "Operation Heal Our Patriot" in honor of all the men of our church.

This program helps to strengthen the marriages of wounded and injured members of the U.S. Military.

Plains Presbyterian Church Session Highlights April 2024

Session met on Monday, April 29, 2024 - Below are some of the highlights of that meeting.

Minutes from the March 25, 2024 Session meeting were presented and approved.

Communion served to 55 people on Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024.

CNS School is ramping down for the year. All is well.

Frank Aloi reviewed the financial performance for the month. Frank is combining accounts to reduce the size of the report.

Still looking for a part time bookkeeper.

Everything is fine with Deacons. They will be concentrating on Church World Service kits this year. No Strawberry Festival this year.

Greeters ministry will be starting in May. Pulpit is covered well for the next several months. June, July, and August will be summer worship hours with worship starting at 10:00 a.m.

Pavilion Dedication will be done in the near future.

We will be having communion with Rev. Tom Clyde. We will be having a cake on Pentecost.

Discussion of putting Seminary bound students into small churches to do internships. Frank can discuss our paths forward on Mother's Day.

Tiffany and Janelle reviewed the new proposed "Shepard's List". Discussed ways to reach out to people on the list that we haven't seen. Youth Sunday school will be on hiatus until we get some more youth.

Pavilion has been completed. We need to check into insurance on the new structure.

It was mentioned for prayer and consideration that if someone wants to take a seminary course, perhaps we should pay for part or all of it.

By consensus approved allowing for the craft fair on November 9, 2024, 8:00 am - 2:30 pm.

Frank Aloi distributed a chapter of a book about "Having Hope in the Church."

Next Regular Session Meeting will be May 13, 2024 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tim Roscoe Clerk of Session

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
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Worship - 10:00am Coffee Connection hosted by Property SWAM Meeting after worship				Book Club - 10:00am		
6	10	11	12	13	14	15
Pavilion Dedication Outdoor Worship 10:00am						
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
Father's Day Worship 10:00am New Member Classes						
23	24	25	26	27	28	29
Worship 10:00am New Member Classes	Session Meeting 7:00pm					
30 Welcome New Members Summer Hymns Worship 10:00am						

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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

"As disciples of Christ, we share the gospel with one another and the community.

We are committed to growth in the knowledge of Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit through worship, study, teaching, and fellowship."



