



# PEACENOTES

## August



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Peace United Church of Christ, 37 East Swartzville Road, Denver, PA 17517

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### PASTOR'S PAGE

It is hard to believe that summer's end is just around the corner and we are beginning to look at what will be happening at Peace Church this Fall.

First things first. We usually begin our Fall Sunday School Season on the Sunday following Labor Day Weekend. This year we are making a bit of a change! This year, on the Sunday following Labor Day we will return to our Fall Schedule, but this year that particular Sunday will be designated as Faith and Fellowship Sunday!

Our Contemporary Service will begin at 8:30 and our Traditional Service at 10:30. Rather than having a 9:30 Sunday School Hour, we will have a time of fellowship and welcome.

We encourage people who attend our early service to stay just a little bit longer, gather in the fellowship hall for light refreshments and fellowship. At the same time we invite those who will be attending our later service to come a little bit early and gather in the fellowship hall for that same hour of fellowship.

We will be sending out an invitation to people who have recently visited and worshiped with us at Peace Church and an invitation to those folks who have followed us on Social Media. This will provide an opportunity for those attending different services to reconnect. And at the same time it will enable us to connect with

our neighbors who gather with us on that day.

All this will take place on the Second Sunday of September, which this year is September 11th – the 15th anniversary of 9/11.

So, at the appropriate times, we will take a moment to be in silence that we might remember the lives that were lost on that day – those who were in the Towers, the Pentagon and on flight 93. We will remember first responders. And we will take time to be in prayer recognizing that there have been so many other lives lost in the aftermath of that event – those who have served in our military and those who have experienced other terrorist attacks.

We will think about everything that has happened since 9/11 and we will join in prayer. Please join us for this special and significant day!

Pastor Bill



# Peace United Church of Christ

## Church Council Officers 2016

Chris Fitterling, *Council President*  
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### HEAD USHER

Mary Getz

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### ALTAR GUILD

Lillian Messner  
Nancy Reese

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### GREETERS

**August 7** Dan and Pat Hall  
**August 14** Jack and Mary Bernstel  
**August 21** Sheree Wolf  
**August 28** Ed and Sue McIlmoyle

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### ALTAR FLOWERS

**August 7** Dale and Donna Reinhart  
**August 14** Jim and Margaret Gress  
**August 21** Jack and Linda Long  
**August 28** Fred Stauffer and Randy Stauffer

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**The deadline for submitting articles for the September issue of Peace Notes is August 20th.**  
Please put your information in the hanging folder labeled "Peace Notes" located on the office desk or email it to: [secretary@peaceunitedchurch.org](mailto:secretary@peaceunitedchurch.org)

Thank you! This email address can also be used for information to be printed in the Sunday bulletin.

**August Birthdays**

- August 1** Ardel Garner  
Mardel Lausch
- August 2** Robert Freeman  
Doris Fultz  
Michael Youtz
- August 8** Barb Hoffert
- August 12** Eleanor Bailey
- August 13** Mary Jane Steely
- August 17** Linda Coventry  
Brian Strouse
- August 25** Arthur Gehman  
Teresa Youtz
- August 27** Melvin Gerhart
- August 28** Larry Fasnacht
- August 29** Lillian Messner  
Craig Bixler  
Ryan Hertzog
- August 30** Marian Gerhart
- August 31** Taylor Patterson

**\*\* Special Care and Concern Member**  
Please remember these members with a card that can be placed in the birthday box in the Narthex.

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**August Anniversaries**

- August 3** Keith and Barb Hoffert
- August 6** Tim and Kristine Butz
- August 10** Eric and Gerry Ann Flicker
- August 13** Duane and Yinell Good
- August 16** Greg and Kathy Strunk
- August 23** Ray and Carolyn Wolverton
- August 29** Kenneth and Helen Youndt

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Did we miss your birthday or anniversary this month? Was your information incorrect? If so, please send the correct information to [secretary@peaceunitedchurch.org](mailto:secretary@peaceunitedchurch.org) or place a note in the Peace Notes envelope on the desk in the office.

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thank you

Thanks to everyone for the cards received, upon the passing of my brother.

*Sue Fasnacht*

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There will no Peace Pantry for the summer months.

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**ALTAR GUILD**

The Altar Guild will be holding their annual meeting Monday August 8th, 2016 at 10:00 am in the church council room.

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**FAITH EXPLORATION  
August 21<sup>st</sup> at 6:30 pm**

Shirley Turner and (Precious) Taiwan Melindzisa will be with us to lead a discussion on the Teacher's Training Center in Kabwe, Zambia. Originally from Montana, Shirley Turner taught for four years at Cocalico High School before becoming a full time missionary in Zambia. Stationed in Kabwe, Zambia, she is the leader of the Teachers Training Center, where she leads the "college" classes to train teachers to work in the community schools. During her years at Cocalico, Shirley went on a missions trip to an orphanage in Swaziland where she was introduced to Taiwan. After reaching an age where she had to leave the orphanage, Shirley offered for Taiwan to come to live with her in Zambia and there began their unique friendship, the beginning of their own little family. Below is an excerpt of Taiwan's story below.

*I was born in Swaziland and at a very young age I lost my mother. A few years later my father also died. I grew up as a double orphan. I was blessed to be raised by loving parents and house mothers with amazing brothers and sisters at the Pasture Valley Children's Home.*

*Since a very young age, I have felt the desire to help children who have faced similar situations as I faced as a child: the loss of parents, abuse, neglect and poverty. God has touched my life in so many ways, I want to share His love, His hope, His healing with those unseen faces and unheard voices throughout Africa. There are many reasons why I want to climb, but the most important one is to see women and children coming to freedom out of the*

*chains that have been holding them back in their lives.*

*In 2014, I had the chance to climb Table Mountain in Cape Town South Africa. During that climb, I was really challenged by all the people from different countries that care so much about children and women in Africa that are in slavery. At that time the question that came to my mind was for me as an African, "What can I do also to join hands with these people raising funds in order to set the captives free?" I also learned that funds are not the only thing that can be offered, but prayer is an important contribution. While I continue to teach, I am setting aside a portion of my monthly food money, praying and training for the climb in Wyoming. I look forward to the opportunity to be a voice for the voiceless there by sharing the stories of my kids (students) and their families and climbing for them when I get there.*

Please join us as we have the incredible opportunity to hear from one of the teachers who has benefited from the Teacher's Training Center in Zambia. The Teacher's Training Center is the same program that both Gretchen and I had the opportunity to work with two years ago on our trip to Zambia. It is also the same program that we made our donations to for the Library in a Container project. Taiwan will offer a unique experience and point of view of the beautiful program we are supporting in Zambia.

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**PEACE UCC COUNCIL MEETING  
No Meeting in July**

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## August 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	<b>1</b> Acts of Love  <b>Marvin &amp; Cindy Oxenreider</b>	<b>2</b> 1 pm Bible Study  <b>Bruce &amp; Kathy Palsgrove</b>	<b>3</b> Acts of Love  <b>Dick &amp; Robi-nette Palsgrove</b>	<b>4</b> Acts of Love  <b>Art &amp; Karen Pannebecker</b>	<b>5</b>  <b>Ron &amp; Carol Parker</b>	<b>6</b>  <b>Lori Patterson</b>
<b>7</b> 9:00 am Contemporary Service 10:30 am Traditional Communion – both services  <b>Brent Porter</b>	<b>8</b> 10 am Altar Guild 5 pm Health and Welfare  <b>Ray &amp; Bobbie Kunkel</b>	<b>9</b> 1 pm Bible Study 6:30 pm Spiritual Council 7:00 Church Council  <b>Audrey Priga</b>	<b>10</b>  <b>Ben Priga</b>	<b>11</b>  <b>Steven &amp; Rebecca Priga</b>	<b>12</b>  <b>Nancy Reese</b>	<b>13</b>  <b>Dale &amp; Donna Reinhart</b>
<b>14</b> 9:00 am Contemporary Service 10:30 am Traditional  <b>Margaret Robinson</b>	<b>15</b>  <b>Clara Roland</b>	<b>16</b> 1 pm Bible Study  <b>Fred &amp; Sally Romich</b>	<b>17</b>  <b>Carol Sanders</b>	<b>18</b>  <b>Allen &amp; Cheryl Schlouch</b>	<b>19</b>  <b>Harvey &amp; Esther Schlouch</b>	<b>20</b>  <b>Dan Schweitzer</b>
<b>21</b> 9:00 am Contemporary Service 10:30 am Traditional 6:30 pm Faith Exploration - Taiwan speaking  <b>Dixie Schweitzer</b>	<b>22</b>  <b>Eric Schweitzer</b>	<b>23</b> 1 pm Bible Study  <b>Jane Schweitzer</b>	<b>24</b> 7 pm Marketing  <b>Richard &amp; Vickie Schweitzer</b>	<b>25</b> 5 pm Serve Community dinner  <b>Andrew &amp; Steph Shaha</b>	<b>26</b>  <b>Mary Shober</b>	<b>27</b>  <b>Keith &amp; Linda Shollenberger</b>
<b>28</b> 9:00 am Contemporary Service 10:30 am Traditional  <b>Ella Mae Shupp</b>	<b>29</b>  <b>Fred Stauffer</b>	<b>30</b> 1 pm Bible Study  <b>Randy Stauffer</b>	<b>31</b>  <b>Mary Jane Steely</b>			



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Return Service Requested

### **August Events**

**August 21<sup>st</sup> – Faith Exploration – 6:30 pm**

**August 25<sup>th</sup> – Community Dinner – 5:00 pm**

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Contemporary Service 9:00 a.m.  
Traditional Worship 10:30 a.m.

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