



PLAIN TALK



2013

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Psalm 150 is one of my favorite Psalms! It is just so wonderful and so joy-filled. It makes my heart fly when I read it and when I speak it. It is one of the shorter Psalms, and it was probably one that was sang as the people went into the temple to celebrate God's Presence among them. What do you think about this wonderful Psalm?

150 *Praise the Lord!*

*Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty firmament!
2 Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his exceeding greatness!*

*3 Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!*

*4 Praise him with timbrel and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!*

*5 Praise him with sounding cymbals;
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!*

*6 Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!*

This summer we are going to praise the Lord for His mighty acts through the Apostles, and on Sunday, June 30th we are going to celebrate the Lord in song. On June 30th it will be Hymn Sing Sunday, and we will sing our favorite hymns from the red and blue hymnals.

“What does this have to do with me?” you might ask... We need you to vote for your favorite hymns to be sung on June 30th. Yes, you got it...You get the chance to shape the worship service for June 30th by choosing the songs of your choice. Unfortunately, service is only an hour, so not all songs will be used. However, we will use all that we can to celebrate and worship our triune God.

Songs and music fill our lives with love and bring back memories of days gone by. So, get out those hymnals and search for your favorites and let us know what you want to hear on June 30th by sending your selections to Jodell at plains@zoominternet.net or to me at revkimberly@zoominternet.net or write them out and put them in the box in the narthex.

So, join us as we “*Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!*” Almighty God is truly glorified in the music and praise of his children!

Shalom!

Kimberly



Helping with Worship This Month

June 2 Youth Sunday

10:00 am Worship Service

June 9

10:00 am Worship Service
Heifer Party during Live BIG

June 16 ~ Heifer Sunday

10:00 am Worship Service
Coffee Connections

June 23

10:00 am Worship Service

June 30

10:00 am Worship Service

Worship Leaders

02 Youth Sunday
09 Frank Aloï
16 Ethan Leisie
23 Ron Carter
30 Tim Roscoe

Greeters

02 Jay & Bonnie Carmichael
09 Joann Bark & Denise K.
16 Steve & Dena Solman
23 Barb Ronksley & Frank L.
30 Frank & Tiffany Aloï

Nursery Workers

02 Melissa Holcomb
09 Cathy Stafford
16 Kathy & Ron Carter
23 Dena & Steve Solman
30 Julie Young

Elder of the Month

Tony Poleti

Deacon of the Month

Eunice Guenther



June 08 Dave Budney
June 14 Glenn Croft
June 18 Melissa Holcomb
June 20 Tara Lynn Bailey
June 25 Jack Bark & Armel Treese



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

- Jack Bark • Liz Dadey • John • LeeAnn • Wesley
- Ellen Elliott • Susan Budney • Linda Tessmer
- Armel and Jean Treese • Randall • Mike Potemra
- Melissa Holcomb's mom, Margie • Ron Coltenbaugh
- Missy Glass • Sherry Rogers • Alexandria

•For our friends who are in assisted living: Howard Reed, Marilyn Stamp, Bob Ronksley & Gibbie Sponsler



June 04 Dave & Terrie Budney
June 07 Bob & Sue Rectenwald
June 08 Ron & Meredith Cox
June 15 Larry & Janet Duncan
June 21 Ron & Wanda Rice
June 25 Tony & Jeanine Poleti

History Corner



(It is amazing how times have not changed as much as we may think they have.)

Session Minutes : Dec. 13, 1878

After a patient and thorough investigation, we do not find any foundation for the evil reports that have been circulated concerning Rev. xxx and Miss xxx and we still have confidence in the Christian integrity of both of them. Those simulating false reports on this have laid themselves to the census of the church and to severe punishment at the hands of civil law.

Just a reminder



JUNE - JULY- AUGUST at 10 AM
Begins June 2nd

Please note:

Session meeting: June 17 at 7pm

Deacon's meeting: June 19 at 7pm



Saddle up your horses – we've got a trail to blaze...

to the 2013 Vacation Bible School! Git along to Plains Church's VBS program, planned for the week of July 15th – 19th. Our theme is "SonWest Roundup, A Rip Roaring Good Time with Jesus!" – we'll ride the trail through the Old Testament stories of Moses. From heart-racin' Bible stories to the gitty up games (the games dude, Mr. Tim, has been talking about hog-tying kids ☺ heeheehee), we promise it'll be a hootin' and hollerin' great time! We're leadin' our buckaroos to a life with Jesus – please join us! Much more information will be sent along the Pony Express in the near future...keep a look out! If ya'll have questions, drop a line to Dena Solman (412-364-4144).

Happy trails to you!



If you have ever been frustrated with the state of your spiritual life. If you've ever wondered why spiritual growth seems to go so slowly. If you've ever wondered if real change is possible. If you've ever felt confused or stuck in your spiritual life...John Ortberg says that you are his kind of person . Join us as we study John Ortberg's "The Life You've Always Wanted." It is a 6 week class beginning Monday, June 10th at 7 pm in the basement.



Adults, Try something HOT this summer... Our Sizzling Seminars. It will be informal with a discussion about current topics chosen by the participants. These discussions will focus on the Christian point of view of the group on current events (political, world, local, PC(USA) and Presbytery etc). Steve's Youth can join us in the discussions. Children are welcome to have fellowship time while we talk. Discussion starts at 9:00 AM and will end at 9:45AM before the worship service. Begins June 9th.



Coffee Connections

June 16th

**Sponsored by the
Worship Committee**

CAMP LAMBEQ / WESTMINSTER HIGHLANDS

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE AVAILABLE

If you have a child who is interested in attending summer camp at either Camp Lambeq or Westminster Highlands, please contact our Church office for information. We have money in our Campers Fund to offer financial assistance to our young campers at Plains Church!

Help Needed:



The properties committee is looking for help with some summer projects that need to be done around the property. Please contact Rich or Jim if you can lend a hand or two to scrape paint on the outside windows and/or do playground repairs.

Thank You.



**June 2nd at
10am**

Plains Presbyterian Church

Session Highlights

April 2013

Session met on Monday, April 15, 2013. Below are some of the highlights of that meeting.

Minutes from the March 18, 2013 Session meeting were reviewed, and the Special Congregational Meeting Minutes for nominating the PNC were reviewed.

Communion by intinction for 25 people on Maundy Thursday. On Easter Sunday, 63 people took communion, 19 wine 44 juice.

Investments had a good quarter. \$1,000 was moved to the PNC fund this past month.

Rev. Kimberly presented a list of this past month's activities. One large focus was assembling the PNC and holding the special election for the PNC. Other items of interest:

- Successfully completed Financial Peace University Class
- Looking to offer a Women's Bible Study during the daytime in the Fall

Youth Sunday will be June 2, 2013.

Preliminary planning for an Adult Sunday School class throughout summer.

100 new pens have been delivered.

The roof is now totally repaired and paid for. The insurance money was received. Total roofing costs were \$39,661.70, the insurance paid \$36,736.50, leaving the church to pay the remainder of \$2,925.20.

Repairs made to Education Building entrance doors. Repairs to playground equipment – more to be done. Work underway on painting trim on Educational Building windows and also trim around the stained glass windows in the church.

Brush cut along driveway and shed. Began fill work and seeding on cemetery graves.

Carpeting the church will be around \$10,000 - \$12,000.

Session Retreat, at Beaver-Butler Presbytery office on Saturday, August 3rd, 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

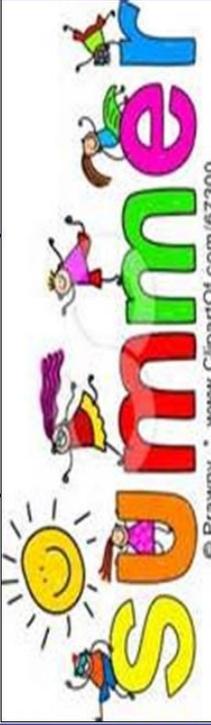
PNC Update –

- PNC met on April 7th with Alan Adams for training. Allan talked about the Church Information Form.
- PNC will be meeting every week if possible.
- Goal to generate CIF in the next two months.

Next Regular Session Meeting – May 13, 2013 at 7:00 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Timothy G. Roscoe
Clerk of Session

| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat | |
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| |  | JUNE 2013 | | | | | 1 |
| 2 9:00 am Sunday School **10:00 am Worship  | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | |
| 9 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Heifer party during Live Big | 10 7:00pm Bible Study | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | |
| 16 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Coffee Connections  | 17 7:00pm Session mtg. No Bible class | 18 | 19 7:00pm Deacon's mtg. | 20 | 21 | 22 | |
| 23 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship | 24 7:00 Bible Study class | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | |
| 30 9:00 am Sunday School 10:00 am Worship Hymn Sing |  | | | | |  | |

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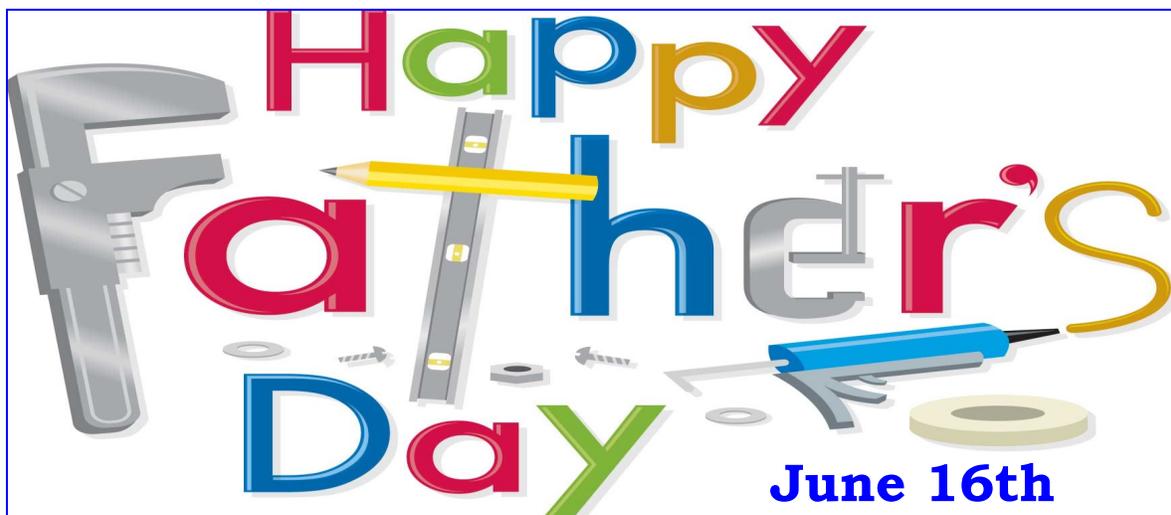
CNS News & Highlights

Cranberry Nursery School had a fabulous 2012-2013 school year! Both the nursery and Pre-K classes made new friends, learned new things and created new memories. Whether we were at X-Cel for Dad's day, at Plains for our Mother's Day Tea, at the Pittsburgh Children's Museum for the Pre-K field trip or at our neighborhood Giant Eagle learning about nutrition, it was an action-packed and fun-filled year which we will look back on with fondness. We were blessed with wonderful families who generously gave of their time and talents to help in so many ways. While it is always sad saying good-bye on graduation night, we are all looking forward, with great anticipation, to the fall and can't wait to meet new faces and start anew. Praise be to God!

*Congratulations to our friends at Plains and
CNS graduates:*

Lana & Lily!!!

Good luck in kindergarten.





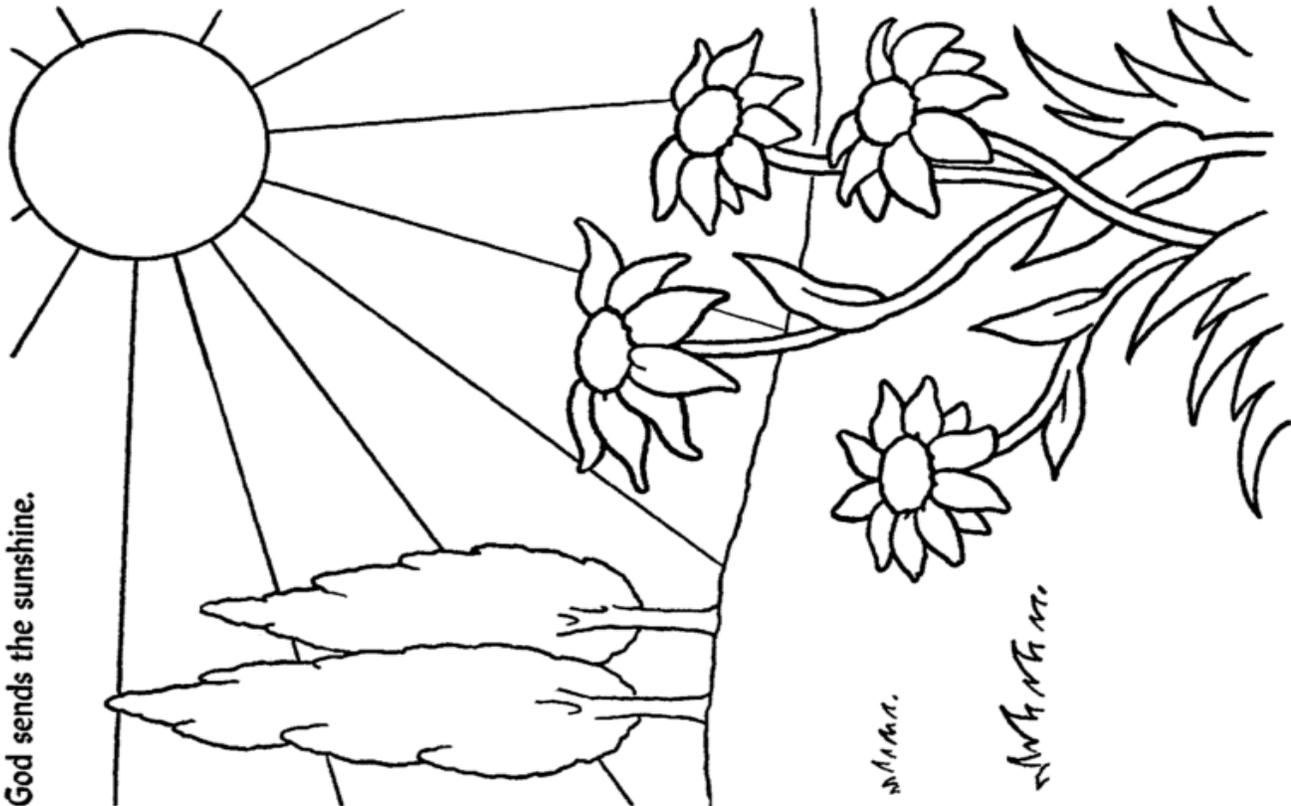
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OUR MISSION STATEMENT

“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.”



God sends the sunshine.