

The Shepherd's Crook



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*From the
Pastor's
Desk*

Reflections on Rest –

Having just completed our first Summer Sabbath Experiment weekend, worshipping on Saturday and resting on Sunday, I want to encourage you to continue reflecting on the ways that God calls us to rest. I hope on Sunday that you were energized by time with people you love. As we continue with this experiment this summer here are some thoughts on rest and Sabbath for you to consider.

Peace and Blessings,

Bill

At least one day in every seven, pull off the road and park the car in the garage. Close the door to the toolshed and turn off the computer. Stay home, not because you are sick but because you are well. Talk someone you love into being well with you. Take a nap, a walk, an hour for lunch. Test the premise that you are worth more than you can produce – that even if you spent one whole day of being good for nothing you would still be precious in God's sight. And when you get anxious because you are convinced that this is not so – remember that your own conviction is not required. This is a commandment. Your worth has already been established, even when you are not working. The purpose of the commandment is to woo you to the same truth.

~ Barbara Brown Taylor

Sabbath is not primarily about us or how it benefits us; it is about God, and how God forms us. It is not, in the first place, about what we do or don't do; it is about God – completing and resting and blessing and sanctifying. These are all things that we don't know much about... But it does mean stopping and being quiet long enough to see – open-mouthed – with wonder – resurrection wonder... we cultivate the "fear of the Lord". Our souls are formed by what we cannot work up or take charge of. We respond and enter into what the resurrection of Jesus continues to do.

~ Eugene Peterson

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We meet dozens of people, have so many conversations. We do not feel how much energy we spend on each activity, because we imagine we will always have more energy at our disposal. This one little conversation. This one little extra phone call, this one quick meeting, what can it cost? ...But it does cost... it drains yet another drop of our life. Then, at the end of days, weeks, months, years, we collapse, we burn out, and cannot see where it happened. It happened in a thousand unconscious events, tasks and responsibilities that seemed easy and harmless on the surface, but that each one after the other used a small portion of our precious life. And so, we are given a commandment, which is actually a gift: "Remember the Sabbath".

~Wayne Mueller

LAY READERS FOR JULY

July 5	Mary McCarron
July 12	Janet Hartman
July 19	Teddie McConnell
July 25	Paul Grossman

ANOTHER VERY SUCCESSFUL VACATION BIBLE CAMP IS UNDERWAY!

Monday, June 29 was the start of our Vacation Bible Camp Week and we had close to 40 children raring to go! The counselors from Highlands Presbyterian Camp were here with us again with lots of fun activities planned for all the kids. VBC will run through Thursday, July 2. Then Thursday evening at 6:30 parents & kids are invited back to the sanctuary to see the video of what the kids did that week, see the crafts and eat ice cream!

What: Summer Saturday Worship

When: July 25th, August 22nd
Bring dinner for your family 5:00 p.m.
Worship 6:00 p.m.

Where: Shepherd's Hall

Who: **You!** Come join us as we rest together!





July:

- 01 Janet Hartman
- 02 Henry Heckart
- 03 Becky Brizzolara
- 04 Dee Warner
- 07 Steve Hammack
- 12 Kyle Feusner
- 14 Betty Feusner
- 15 Barb Mitchell
- 17 Kirstyn Rouse
- 22 Gayle Hoffman
- 26 Ardie Fowler
- 27 Mary Ann Hood
- 29 Mary McCarron
Michelle Watson

July 5 In honor of Jean Magee

July 12 Kyle & Betty Feusner's birthdays

July 19 Andy & Mary Kennedy's anniversary

July 26 OPEN

Arrangements are \$20 each. Please pay one week in advance so that we can order the flowers. Thank you!

If we have inadvertently missed your birthday, please notify the church office so we can update our records.

Our deepest sympathy to Don & Joan Moore on the recent death of Don's sister Janett Rafferty.



Choir News



Each second Sunday of the summer (July 12, August 9) members of the congregation are encouraged to come at 8:00 am

to rehearse with other members who happen to show up. That group of people, the **"Pick Up Choir"** will sing on those Sundays. The music will, obviously, be simple pieces, that can be learned quickly and successfully by just a few, or many, singers. Come join us!!

- Dick Schwartz
- Harmen van der Vegt
- Jerry & Jacque Noland
- Arden Cronn
- Bethany Speer
- Anthony Avina
- Carrie Boardman
- John Boardman
- Barb Haring
- Lori Boesl
- Daniel Leieritz
- Sue Coleman
- Betty Casady
- Tom McConnell
- Donna Cadwallader
- The Presbytery of Zimbabwe
- Our military men & women
- Clients of our Food Bank
- Clients of Growing Home



MISSION BARBECUE

The annual Mission Barbecue will be held on Saturday, Sept. 12, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Profits from this year's event will support Good Shepherd's Food Bank, Zimbabwe Mission Partnership and Highlands Camp. Each year we have both a live and a silent auction. This year we'd like to encourage you to be creative! Please think about a skill or talent YOU have (or that you recognize in one of your Good Shepherd friends!) or an activity you enjoy that you could offer as an "experience" for the Silent Auction. For example, last year Pastor Bill gave an evening of craft beer tasting/appetizers served at his home to the highest bidder. Maybe you make tasty jams and would offer a morning of jam-making in your kitchen. Perhaps you could offer a couple of hours of your "handyman" skills or a private art lesson (Jan promises to do this one!). Maybe you'd like to take someone out for a special "Tea Party". We'd still love to have special "things" for the auction but hope to also have some wonderful "experiences" for people to bid on.

GROWING HOME hosting will happen on Saturday, July 25. We will need people to bring food for the evening meal (before coming to the picnic-style supper at Good Shepherd for our second Saturday Sabbath service). The sign-up sheet will be in the narthex beginning July 5. Also, please note: there will be a Refresher Course for all dinner and overnight hosts on Tues. July 14, 7:00pm at Northglenn Methodist Church. If you host regularly or occasionally, or would consider doing so in the future, please plan to attend this special time to ask questions and learn from two Growing Home staff members. Interested? Please call Mary McCarron, 303-452-7729.

2CENTS-A-MEAL OFFERING on June 7 was \$65.00. The total amount collected for the first 6 months of 2015 was \$665.00. As you know, one-half of this goes to our food bank and one-half goes to the national Presbyterian Hunger Program.

FOOD BANK During May the Food Bank gave out 136 orders to 112 households serving 366 people. Items needed for the food bank for July are: Peanut butter, canned tuna, mac & cheese and bar soap. Please place items in the bench in the Narthex or bring to the Food Bank. Thank you for your continued support!

REPORT FROM THE ELEPHANT ROCK BIKE RIDE ON JUNE 7:

On Sunday, June 7 over 6,000 people rode anywhere from 8 miles to 100 miles in the 25th annual Subaru Elephant Rock Bike Ride near Castle Rock. Of those riders, 100 were riding for Team Zimbabwe. Team Zimbabwe was seen all over the Ride courses and was the topic of conversations across the Event. Thus, a few more people now know a bit more about the needs of orphan children living in poverty across the ocean in Zimbabwe. They know that we CAN make a difference, 1 child and 1 rider at a time! There was much interest from people who were drawn to our booth (out of curiosity and the beautiful jerseys!) who may want to ride for Team Zimbabwe in 2016! At last report, approximately \$43,000.00 was raised after Ride expenses were paid. \$780.00 of that was raised by the people who supported our 2 riders, Stephen Chappell and Michael Whitman. Many thanks to Stephen and Michael and to all of you who donated!!



CONGREGATIONAL LIFE

GARAGE SALE



The sale was held June 5-6, with sorting and pricing the whole week preceding. The sale was pretty much rained-out the middle of the morning on Friday, but we carried everything inside and kept going. A lot of the stuff was soaked. We carried it all back out on Saturday, and stayed rain-free until 1:45 when we were trying to box/bag up the “leftovers” to go onto the Salvation Army truck. Many, many people helped throughout the week, and all received thank-you notes.

New this year was the rental of a U-Haul truck by Fred Finke. He and Justin Diehl picked up and brought back 3 loads to the church.

We made approximately \$4,247 from the Garage and food sales, and another \$425 from the Bake Sale, for a total of approximately \$4,672.

Suggestions for next year:

Have the sale upstairs in Shepherds Hall. Set a date ASAP to reserve the room, so that even though the Hall may be rented in the future, we’ll have that WEEK reserved.

Sell books, CDs, DVDs, VHS, & puzzles in bulk. They just weren’t selling.

Furniture: NO couches/sleeper sofas accepted unless in pristine shape.

NO TVs, computers, printers.

Shoes and purses need to be priced MUCH less.

BEER, BIBLES, and BIG QUESTIONS

The second installment was held at Jim ‘n Nick’s BBQ in Northglenn on June 8. We had at least double the numbers from the May session. With the help of Pastor Bill as well


as Michael Whitman, we all had a lively discussion of “Hell.”

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sun. August 9: Outdoor worship at Woodglen/Brookshire park in Thornton.

Sun. October 4: Barn Party at Becky Carlisle’s place.


Marsha Morton, Congregational Life Elder



Vacation Time

Where do you like to go on vacation? Check out these places from the Bible. Use the Scripture verses below to find these places in the puzzle. (If a verse has more than one place, only one is in the puzzle. Figure out which one.) Circle each place in the puzzle.

Answers go: → ↓ ↘

	Genesis 2:15	Isaiah 23:1	Luke 24:13
	Genesis 11:9	Isaiah 23:2	John 2:1
	Genesis 35:1	Isaiah 23:3	Acts 8:5
	Exodus 13:18	Jonah 1:2	Acts 11:22
	Ruth 1:1	Matthew 3:6	Acts 17:16
	1 Kings 18:19	Matthew 4:18	Romans 1:15
	1 Chronicles 11:4	Matthew 26:36	

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July 2015



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Sat

<p>NOTE: Pastor Bill will be on vacation July 3 to July 8 and July 15 -22.</p>			<p>1 VBC 9 am–noon</p>	<p>2 VBC 9 am–noon</p>	<p>3 OFFICE and FOOD BANK CLOSED</p>	<p>4 Happy 4th  of July!</p>
<p>5 Communion Guest Preacher: Tom Ulrich</p>	6	7	8	9	10	11
<p>12 Pick -up Choir 8 a.m.</p>	13	<p>14 SH 6:30–8:30 pm (C i t y o f Northglenn)</p>	15	16	<p>17 FH Kitchen Reserved 9 am–2 pm (Robinson)</p>	<p>18 Jan Myers Pastel Workshop (FH) 9 am–noon</p>
<p>19 Guest Preacher: Diane Ritzdorf</p>	20	<p>21 NO Session Mtg.</p>	22	23	24	<p>25 Summer Sabbath Worship 6 pm W & M 7:15pm Growing Home</p>
<p>26 <u>NO WORSHIP</u></p>	27	<p>28 Church Women United (FH) 9 am–1 pm</p>	29	30	31	

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Adult Classes 10:15 a.m.
Summer Worship: 9 a.m.
Nursery provided all morning



The mission of Good Shepherd
Presbyterian Church as a Christian
community is to grow in faith through
worship, fellowship, and service
as we share the love of
Jesus Christ with
all people.



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