



The Mini-Monthly STEEPLE

Leicester Evangelical
Presbyterian Church

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www.seekinggodtogether.com
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LEPC NEWS

Witness:

School Supplies: The Witness Division is accepting school supply donations for those who do not have the means to purchase their own. LEPC donations will be for grades 1-3 at York Central School. Please refer to the YCS Supply List to the right).

A collection box is located on a table in Fellowship Hall. Please be in prayer about supporting this charitable opportunity.

A deadline to be announced.

Dresses for Missions: Any and all who are interested in helping make dresses for missions are invited to join us at church Friday, August 4th when we will be cutting and sewing.

If you sew, please bring your machine. If you don't sew, you can help by measuring and cutting. Please bring bias tape.

The church will be open from 9:30 am until 4 pm. Come for the whole day or for part of it. We had great fun the last time we did this.

Contact me with questions.

Carol Griffen

Property:

Estimates are still be sought for furnace replacement, driveway sealing, and pillar painting.

A sign up calendar for mowing is on the table next to the Memorial Case in the sanctuary.

Please consider taking a nice relaxing ride around the church property. The Cub Cadet lawn tractor is very comfortable and easy to operate.

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2017-2018 York Central School Elementary Supply List

Kindergarten - 3rd Grade

Due to being a latex free school, we have asked for specific brands that do not contain latex. Thank you for your understanding!

- 24 Count CRAYOLA Crayons
- Crayola Washable Markers
- Paper Mate American Classic HB #2 Pencils (12 pack)
- Colored pencils 12 set
- Pencils
- Red Pens for self-editing
- Fine Line Colored Markers (8 pack)
- Papermate American Classic HB#2 Pencils (12 pack)
 - Washable Crayola washable broad line markers
 - Washable Crayola washable thin line markers
 - Pack of expo dry erase markers (4 pack)
- Fine Line Black Sharpie
- Sanford Magic Rub Eraser
- Dry Erase Assorted Markers (4 pack)
- Expo Dry Erase markers (4 pack)
- Large Solid Glue Sticks (Elmer's, Crayola, Avery, 3M)
- Packages Expo Fine Tip Dry Erase markers (4 pack)
- Vinyl folders with 2 pockets and three prongs (1 green, 1 blue)
- Vinyl folders with 2 pockets and 3 prongs (1 red, 1 blue, 1 green)
- Blue Plastic 2 Pocket Folder
- Package of wide ruled lined paper
- Spiral notes books (wide ruled)
- Mead black and white wide ruled composition book 1½" binder, three ring with inside pockets and clear outside pockets (white)
- 1½ inch white three ring binder with inside pockets and a clear outside cover that kids can slip a sheet of paper into.
- Mead black and white wide ruled composition book
- Box Wegmans or Ziploc bags (gallon, quart and snack size)
- Sanford Magic Rub erasers
- Packs of large glue sticks
- Large Box of Kleenex (No Aloe)
- Pair of Fiskars scissors
- Lip Balm (the room gets very dry with the heater blowing in the room)
- Tub of Baby Wipes
- Clorox Wipes
- Folders with pockets (blue, yellow and green)
- Inch binder with clear view
- Plastic container for supplies - pencil box size: 8 5/8" x 5 3/4" x 2 ½ "
- Set of head phones to be kept at school
- Post It Note Squares - yellow

Lists according to grades are available at the YCS web page:
<https://www.yorkcsd.org/Page/1373>



200th Year Anniversary Verse:

*Because of the Lord's great love
we are not consumed,
for his compassions never fail.
They are new every morning;
great is your faithfulness.*
Lamentations 3:22-23 NIV



Tuesday Women's Bible Study

meets at Carol Griffen's house at 2 p.m., unless otherwise announced at Sunday worship.

All **M**en are invited to join the Saturday Men's Group that usually meets in Fellowship Hall at 7 a.m.

Stewardship:

Financial Report:
200th Anniversary Celebration
June 25, 2017

Received: Session	\$ 500.00
Donations::Congregation	<u>50.00</u>
Total Budget	\$ 550.00

Expenses:

Memorial Fund

Return address labels	\$ 8.84
Stock image file	12.00
Invitation postcards	46.51
Outdoor banner	131.99
Bookmarks	45.31
Letterhead	6.99
Anniversary Booklets	131.63
Organist	80.00
Barbershop Chorus	35.00
Mt Morris Shopper ad	<u>98.00</u>

Sub Total Expenses \$ 596.27

Expenses:

Doorkeepers

Ice cream, toppings	\$ <u>36.63</u>
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Total Cost \$ 632.90

Christian Ed:

The Berean's Class is currently facilitated by a volunteer from one of those who attend. One doesn't need to facilitate to be a part of this, so please come and grow with us.

Worship:

Come. Worship with one voice!
Romans 15:5-7 - *May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore welcome one another as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.*

Session:

The next regular meeting of Session will held on August 27th following worship. Meetings are always open to anyone who would like to observe.

This would be an opportunity for any member who feels the Lord's prompting to possibly accepting a leadership calling at LEPC.



<http://www.jackgraham.org>

Subject: God uses the hard times and the pain and suffering in your life to strengthen you and to help you grow.

For I consider that the sufferings of this present time are not worth comparing with the glory that is to be revealed to us.
Romans 8:18

At what times in your life have you felt the closest to God? When did you experience your greatest spiritual growth? I'm going to venture a guess and say that it was not during a happy or easy time in your life! You see, God uses trials in our lives. They have a specific purpose and are permitted by him.

Now, this might make you think, "That's not fair. Why did that trial have to happen to me?" That's a normal response. But here's the deal. The trials and tests in our lives have an important purpose. They make us stronger and keenly aware of the fact

that God is with us.

Just think of the physical testing and trials that athletes must put themselves through. Their training can be excruciating. They have to tear down muscle tissue to build it up.

And what is true for athletes physically is even truer for you and me spiritually. You see, God uses the hard times and the pain and suffering in our lives to strengthen us and to help us grow.

I know you have had tough and painful life experiences. Perhaps even ones that you thought you wouldn't survive. But think about this: God saw you through! You came through the other side and you are stronger for it.

Don't ask God for times of smooth sailing and success. Instead, ask him to help you to trust him in every challenge of your life. Ask him to help you recognize his mercy and comfort. And ask him to help you grow so that with each blast of life's furnace, you are being refined for eternity.

God uses the hard times and the pain and suffering in your life to strengthen you and to help you grow.

Embrace the Race God Gives You

Excerpt from an article on July 28, 2017
by Staff writer, desiringGod.org

You have a race to run. It's a race you've been given, not one you've chosen....

1. Learn from great runners.

You are running a unique race, but not an unprecedented race. No one has experienced exactly what you have, but many have experienced the same emotions, temptations, and various other challenges common to man (1 Corinthians 10:13). That's why the Bible includes a "great cloud" of examples of faithful race-running.

If you want to run well, study other runners. Hebrews 11 provides a helpful starter list, but it is by no means exhaustive. Study the great faith-runners. Examine all aspects of their courses. God did far more abundantly than all they asked or thought (Ephesians 3:20). He will do more for you, too, if you run faithfully.

For several other tips on how to run your race well go to:
<http://www.desiringgod.org/articles/embrace-the-race-god-gives-you>



“Not So Sour”

July 27, 2017

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Luke 19:5-10 - *And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, “Zacchaeus, hurry and come down, for I must stay at your house today.” So he hurried and came down and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it, they all grumbled, “He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner.” And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, “Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor. And if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it four-fold.” And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man came to seek and to save the lost.”*

Years ago, or so I’ve been told, a farmer encouraged his neighbor to try his apples.

Without even giving the invitation a second thought, the friend, always quickly, and most definitely, declined. Eventually, the farmer, who by now had a bruised ego, asked, “Look, what’s the problem? I keep inviting and you keep turning me down. Man, you could at least try a taste, couldn’t you?”

His friend countered with a small confession. He said, “I don’t want to taste your apples, because the truth is I have already done so. On more than one occasion, I have picked one of your apples which looked especially tasty. Without exception, the tartness puckered my mouth.”

“And just where in my orchard did you get those apples?” the farmer inquired.

“Always from the trees which grow along the road. Yes, sir, those apples are just about the most sour thing I have ever tried.”

Now it was time for the farmer to make a confession of his own. “Well, that explains it,” he said. “Those trees were planted to keep thieves away. But, I tell you this: if you come to the middle of my orchard, you will find things taste differently there.”

And that story, my friends, is my gift to you.

Remember it, practice telling it, because the day is going to come when you will be given the opportunity to share it. That day will be when the Lord places into your charge the soul of a person who has had a brief taste of the church and found it wasn’t to his taste.

The reality is this: if a person has only seen what Christianity offers from the other side of the fence, or from the road, its offerings may indeed seem bitter. To the sampler the music might seem ponderous, the great wooden doors foreboding, and the liturgy a thing of intense mystery. He may interpret people’s shyness as being cold and judgmental and their failure to say hello as being downright, well, downright sour.

That is the way it can be when you stand on the outside and just do a bit of sampling.

But if an individual comes into the orchard and tries again he will find things to be quite different.

In short, the nearer a sinful soul is brought to the Savior, the sweeter will be the joy He is given. That’s the truth Zacchaeus was given the day the Savior came for dinner. From a distance Jesus may have been an interesting curiosity, but up close the Christ became the one Person who could bring salvation to that

publican’s home.

And, my friends, it’s no different today for the person who is brought close to his Savior.

THE PRAYER: Dear Lord, there are many people out there who have been put off by what they feel is the Christian church. Bring them close to Jesus so they may appreciate the salvation Jesus has won for them at the cost of His own life. In the Redeemer’s Name I ask it. Amen.

In Christ I remain His servant
and yours,

Pastor Ken Klaus
Speaker Emeritus of The
Lutheran Hour
Lutheran Hour Ministries

Man - The Dwelling Place of God

by A.W. Toser

(April 21, 1897 – May 12, 1963)

Excerpt from Chapter 31 **THE CHURCH CAN NOT DIE**

....We are in real need of a reformation that will lead to revival among the churches, but the church is not dead, neither is it dying. The church can not die.

A local church can die. This happens when all the old saints in a given place fall asleep and no young saints arise to take their place. Sometimes under these circumstances the congregation ceases to be a church, or there is no congregation left and the doors of the chapel are nailed shut. But such a condition, however deplorable, should not discourage us. The true church is the repository of the life of God among men, and if in one place the frail vessels fail, that life will break out somewhere else.

Of this we may be sure.

People in Prayer:

Please remember to keep your designated person during your prayer time.



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is published monthly
when there isn't a quarterly edition.

Our purpose is to proclaim that Jesus is Lord, and He is moving among his people here in Leicester.

Our intent is to keep the readers informed of local events.

A full Steeple edition will still be published quarterly.

For submissions or comments contact: Leo Richardson, Editor at 382-3153 or grichardson001@rochester.rr.com

Please keep any announcements faith related or community based, brief and to the point. Thank you.



*Search me, O God,
and know my heart;
try me, and know
my concerns,
and see if there
is any rebellious way
in me, and lead me
in the ancient way.*

Psalm 139:23, 24 *mev*

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200th
Anniversary
Jesus Called Through All Generations

L-r: Cora Starr and Francis Weaver
The Church was beneficiary of the land that is now Starr Park
and the home that is next to the church, from these 2 generous ladies.

Scripture Postcards are available at LEPC.



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LEPC's Edunations Child

Margret Conteh is 10 years old and lives in Sierra Leone where the Presbytery of the Alleghenies reaches out with Gospel in several villages. Margret attends the Mayatta Hope Academy in Makump.

Please remember her in your prayers and in your giving to the Missions Fund.



Margret Conteh

World Vision

GERMIAS

*Please keep
LEPC's HopeChild
in your prayers.*

*"I have come that
they may have life
and have it abundantly."*

John 10:10



Please remember him in your prayers and in your giving to the HopeChild Offering on the second Sunday of each month.