

YOUNG AT HEART RETREAT!

Camp isn't just for kids! The annual Young At Heart Retreat is Sept. 9-12 at the Brethren Retreat at Shipshewana Lake. Enjoy tasty meals, fun outings into Shipshewana, entertainment, not to mention three nights away from home! Registration is as low as \$143 a person, and forms are on the table beneath the mailboxes in the Fellowship Hall.

YOUTH GROUP STARTS SEPTEMBER 8TH!

Our Sunday night youth meetings kick off September 8th, from 6-8pm. Youth ages 6th grade to 12th grade welcome!

Note: There will be a PARENTS MEETING beginning at 7:30pm on the 8th to talk about the upcoming year. This will include a BBQ supper!

GOLF? SOITENLY!

BRETHREN RETREAT GOLF SCRAMBLE!

Saturday, September 28th at McCormick Creek Golf Course in Nappanee. Cost: \$85 per player or \$340 per foursome. Shotgun start at 9am. Talk to Pastor Jeff if you are interested or you know someone who might be!



BRING A FRIEND FOR FELLOWSHIP! - Vicki Miller invites everyone to a new Backyard Fellowship being hosted by her and Gregg at their house Saturday, September 14th, from 6-8pm, which will include food, games, and a message. Pray about a friend you can bring with you, then bring them along, (and a lawn chair to sit on!)

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Needed to make Budget each month in 2024: \$8,612
Given in September (as of 9/1): \$1,100 (Paraguay \$375)
2024 Budget giving needed (Jan-July): \$68,896
2024 Actual Budget giving (Jan-July): \$69,598
(\$702 over budget for the year)



September 8th, 2024

Today's Message:
Ouch, That Smarts!
2 Corinthians 12:1-10

9am– Sunday School
10:15am– Morning Worship

Pastor Jeff Estep

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Find us online at www.newparisfirst.com!

Calendar:

Sun., Sept. 8th– Youth Group, 6-8pm, (Parent Meeting 7:30pm)
Tues., Sept. 10th– Butterfly Mornings, 9:30am,
Ladies Cancer Support Group, 1:30pm
Sat., Sept. 14th– Backyard Fellowship @ Gregg & Vicki Miller's, 6pm

Upcoming Birthdays!!

Sun., Sept. 8th– Bev London Tues., Sept. 10th– Erin Fowler
Thurs., Sept. 19th– Ruby Thompson

Upcoming Anniversaries!!

Tues., Sept. 17th– Scott & Kari Miller

Prayer Concerns:

- Linda G.– home from hospital, recovering from pneumonia
- Willie– Comfort for the family of his friend Bruce, who passed away last week
- Josh– coworker Billy's cancer is miraculously in remission!
- Gracie– continued prayer as she is in therapy for broken hip
- Joyce– prayer for wisdom as she decides where to live
- Pray for Ryan Smith, diagnosed with liver cancer

Prayer Focus Youth Group begins tonight! Pray for our youth to grow in their relationship with God. Ask God to surround them with friends who will help draw them closer to Him. Pray for Pastor Jeff as he leads them with Jesus' grace, love, and gentleness.

**September 8th, 2024–
ORDER OF WORSHIP**

Prelude, Welcome and Announcements

Entering With Praise– The Worship Team

Morning Prayer

Scripture Reading– Galatians 2:19-21

“For through the law I died to the law so that I might live for God. I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me. The life I now live in the body, I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God, for if righteousness could be gained through the law, Christ died for nothing!”

Special Music– The Worship Team

Message– *Ouch, That Smarts!*
Pastor Jeff Estep

Responding with Worship– The Worship Team

Dismissal

If you have an offering to give this morning, please place it in the box at the back of the sanctuary.

Leading Worship Today– Willie Hostetler
Serving Today– Nursery– Eva Estep/Aubrey Lantz

Sermon Notes:

Whatever the “thorn in the flesh” for Paul was, it was serious and made life and ministry _____.

Our weakness has a _____, and God works it for our _____.

When we recognize our _____, and rejoice within it, God’s _____ takes over.



To hit the target, we must follow the example of Jesus, saying within hardship, “Not my will, but yours be done.” Lean on His grace; it never fails!

Daily Scripture Readings:

Sunday– 2 Corinthians 12:1-10 **Monday–** Philippians 2:5-11
Tuesday– Philippians 4:1-9 **Wednesday–** 2 Corinthians 12:1-10
Thursday– Luke 22:39-53cts 14:19-25 **Friday–** 1 Kings 22:1-40
Saturday– 2 Corinthians 12:1-10

Upcoming Sermons:

9/15- “What is Paul Afraid Of?”- 2 Corinthians 12:11-21 - Nearing the end of his letter to the Corinthians, only one thing keeps Paul up at night...

9/22- “Examine Yourselves”- 2 Corinthians 13:1-10– It’s one thing for others to point out your faults. It’s quite another to take an honest look at yourself and realize you’re out of God’s will.

PRAYER WARRIORS WANTED

With the start of a new school our youth need encouragement and support as they face their everyday challenges. Would you be willing to become Prayer Warrior for one of our youth through out this school year? If so let Bonnie R know.

