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*May the God of hope fill you with joy and peace as we
 trust in Him for a New Year ahead!*



January, 2023

THE VISITOR



Matthew 14:20 was one of the Bible verses we saw about a year ago. I printed a good many. In worship we passed around a basket containing slips of paper, each with a single verse. These were our personal verses for the year.

If you guessed that Matthew 14:20 was my personal Scripture, you were correct!

Matthew 14:20: “And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over.”

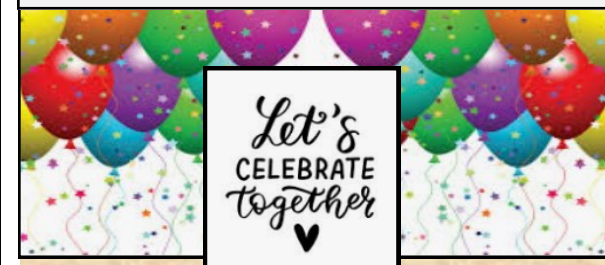
I read it daily because it was taped to my bedside desk, right by my pillow. Each morning and night I tried to soak it in. Well, most days, I read it. My memory had to get me by at times because the paper stayed attached to the desk when I traveled during the summer.

Looking at our past year at PCC through the lens of that verse I see two things. One, we enjoyed the food. PCC cooks produced chicken pies, soups, baked goods, salads, and pecan tarts. Some of that fed the community. Some of it fed us. All of it was good. And there was spiritual nourishment as well. Lots of it. The choir blessed us each Sunday. God fed us in worship, the Lord’s Supper, and Bible study. Both the soups and the Scriptures were filling. **“And they all ate and were satisfied.”** Indeed, regardless of whether it was the kitchen table or the communion table, we all came in need and left satisfied. God loves to feed his children.

Two, the verse ends with, **“And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over.”** When Jesus fed the multitudes, there was way more than enough. All throughout 2022, we received in abundance here. People came to worship and study. We grew and learned. PCC folks prayed and visited the homebound. And through it all God provided an abundance of grace as people generously shared their talents, time, and treasure.

What’s ahead in 2023? In his First Letter to the Corinthians, Paul wrote, **“But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him . . .”**

As we begin this new year, I wonder what Scripture verse God has prepared for you and for



**In celebration of our church family
 birthdays, we will have our
 Annual Birthday Luncheon on
 Sunday, January 29 following the
 11:00 am Worship Service.
 Lunch provided will consist of a
 salad bar, baked potato bar and of
 course, birthday cake for everyone!**



January Worship Schedule

Sunday, January 1	~	Rev. Rodney Stilwell
Sunday, January 8	~	Rev. Rodney Stilwell
Sunday, January 15	~	Rev. Rodney Stilwell
Sunday, January 22	~	Rev. Rodney Stilwell
Sunday, January 29	~	Rev. Rodney Stilwell

HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM YOUR PCC BOARD!

May the new year bring blessings and joys to you and your loved ones. The Board will meet on January 15, to continue discussions regarding short range and long range planning for the church. If you have suggestions or concerns for future planning, please let me know. Remember that church members may attend all Board Meetings. May God's love and grace guide you always. ~ Steve Clodfelter

2023
Happy New Year

Church Board
Meeting

January 15, 2022
2:30pm
Downstairs Fellowship
Hall

ELDERS
TEACHING • GUIDING • SERVING

Elder's Schedule
January - March, 2023

MONTH	LEADER	BACK-UP
January	Steve Clodfelter	Ruth Saalweachter
February	Lynda Bryant	Betty Simpson
March	Ken Davis	Tony Bryant

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



The Worship Committee is asking for volunteers to help prepare communion for the upcoming months beginning January - June, 2023. A sign-up sheet is located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance for your continued service. If you have any questions, please see Mrs. Lynda Bryant or

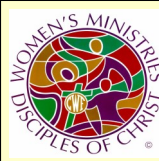


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Who Am I?



Can you guess who this little girl is? She loves Jesus with all her heart and wants to live and represent Him. She is so thankful for God allowing her life's path to cross with Pfafftown Christian Church. She loves each and every one of you so much. Answer can be found hidden somewhere within this newsletter... please look for an * and their name.)



CWF NEWS

CWF will meet on January 17th at 6:00 p.m. in the Downstairs Fellowship Hall. We will be discussing outreach plans for the upcoming months. Light refreshments will be served. During December we collected \$1,045 for the Senior Services Meals on Wheels Program. Thanks to everyone who participated in this outreach effort!



PCC will be faithfully supporting our local Crisis Control Ministry again in 2023. This ministry holds a special place in all our hearts here at PCC. Please see the 2023 Gift of the Month Guide. During the month of January, we will be collecting **boxed crackers**. Thank you to everyone for continuously giving to this ministry which provides hope and nutrition to those in need.



Come and join us for the next
Taste and See Luncheon
Wednesday, January 11 from
11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Notes From Tim

As we face the beginning of a new year, may we start with a fresh point of view to new experiences, memories and blessings. Having an opened mind and heart to wherever the Lord may take you, with full assurance and confidence that He is with you. (Matthew 28:19-20)

At the Service of Life and Celebration for our dear friend Pat Barber last week, along with a beautiful tribute to her through the sharing of God's Word, singing of several of her favorite hymns, and words of remembrance, her son David read the following poem that speaks so true to each of us as we begin the new year.

On the Wings of a Prayer

Just close your eyes and open your heart,
And feel your worries and cares depart.
Just yield yourself to the Father above,
And let him hold you secure in his love.

For life on earth grows more involved,
With endless problems that can't be solved,
But God only ask us to do our best,
Then he will take over and finish the rest.

So when you are tired, discouraged and blue,
There is always one door that is open to you,
And that is the door to *The House of Prayer*,
And you'll find God waiting to meet you there.
And *The House of Prayer* is no further away
Than the quiet spot where you kneel and pray.

For the heart is a temple when God is there
As we place ourselves in his loving care.
And he hears every prayer and answers each one
When we pray in His name - Thy will be done.
The burdens that seemed too heavy to bear
Are lifted away on the wings of a prayer.

-Author unknown

May we look to God for His love, blessings, and guidance as we begin our journey into the new year ahead. Grace and peace, *Tim*

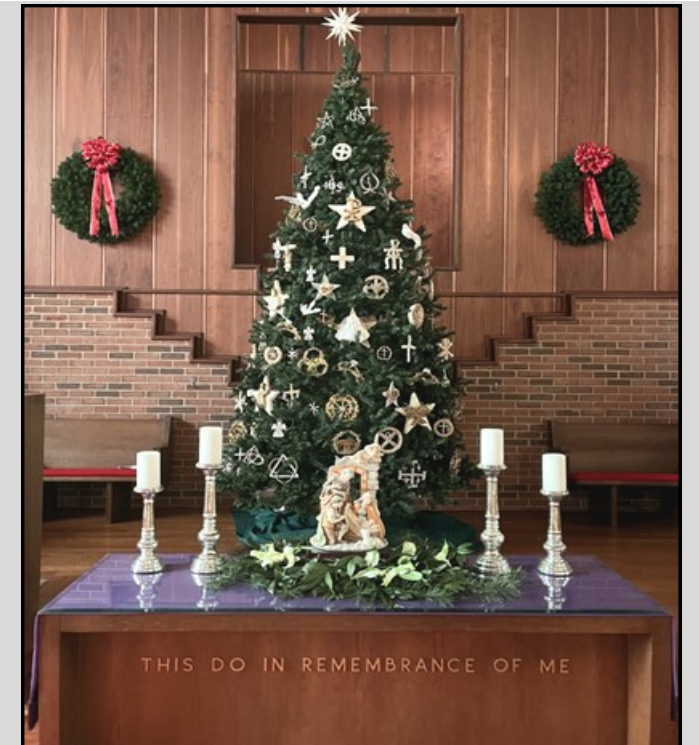
*In Loving Memory of
Mrs. Patricia Barber*

January 9, 1930 -
December 8, 2022



Thank You

Thank you to EVERYONE for your part in all our beautiful Christmas celebrations! The true meaning of Christmas and the loving, genuine heart of the PCC family could be felt by everyone. May we remember to hold tight to the meaning of Christmas and to the One who gives us hope and love all year long!



*I was glad when they said unto me,
let us go into the house of the Lord.
Psalms 122:1*