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**Statement of the Rt Rev'd John Bauerschmidt,  
Bishop of Tennessee, on violence in connection with  
the Islamic Center in Murfreesboro, Tennessee.**

Violence directed against Muslim places of worship in Middle Tennessee (such as acts apparently perpetrated in Murfreesboro in this past month) ought to be of grave concern to all in our community. They are of particular concern to members of the Episcopal Church.

We share with many people of different religious traditions, and other people of good will, a commitment made (in the words of our Episcopal Baptismal liturgy) to strive for justice and peace among all people, and to respect the dignity of every human being. Indiscriminate acts of violence are inherently unjust. These particular acts against places of worship erode the civil peace and undermine the social good in which all citizens participate. All of us are diminished and endangered by them.

Violence of this sort is also contrary to the fundamental commitments of Christians in particular. Again, our Baptismal liturgy calls us to seek and serve Christ in all persons, loving our neighbor as

ourselves. Our Lord Jesus Christ is clear in the Gospel of Luke, in the parable of the Good Samaritan (Luke 10:25-37), that the definition of our neighbor is inclusive rather than exclusive, and specifically includes those who might be counted as enemies. We are called to discern the presence of Christ in every member of the human community.

Finally, that same liturgy of Christian initiation commits us to proclaim by word and example the Good News of God in Christ. We will be unable to share our faith persuasively or gracefully when our neighbors feel threatened in their safety and wellbeing. Christian faith cannot be fruitful in an atmosphere of fear and intimidation.

I encourage all people of good will, and Christians in particular, to work for communities in which all our neighbors, including Muslims, feel both safe and at home.

*- Bishop John*

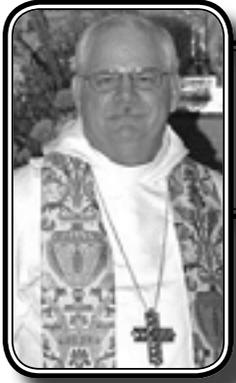
**So you liked Summer  
Breakfast at St. Paul's?**

*Then you will love  
what is coming!*

Beginning October 13, 2010, we will kick-off monthly "Second Wednesday Suppers" (the second Wednesday of each month). A nutritious meal will be served from 5pm until 7pm in the Parish Hall. The menu will be published each week in the parish

announcements and posted on the website. All you need to do is to make reservations for the number of folks attending by noon on the preceding Monday. To make reservations, simply go to St. Paul's website, email [joanibeckwith@comcast.net](mailto:joanibeckwith@comcast.net), or use the signup sheet in the Parish Hall. Please let us know if you are a vegetarian. The cost is minimal: \$3.00 per person (children five and under eat for a \$1.00) with a maximum family cost of \$12.00. If you have any questions or concerns please email Joani Beckwith or call her at 890-6333.





## From Polk+

# How Much Is Enough?

*The late Furman Stough, VIII Bishop of Alabama, was well known as a great churchman and stewardship leader and teacher. Bishop Stough was the principle designer of what is known as the "Alabama Plan," a theology of stewardship based on the concept of proportionate giving. The following article is an introduction to Bishop Stough's theology of stewardship. I was blessed to be mentored by Bishop Stough while serving in Alabama.*

### **Polk+**

I grew up in the Episcopal Church. In the congregation I attended, I recall that toward the end of the year a copy of the projected parish budget was published and then little boxes of envelopes appeared.

"What are they for?" I asked, and was told, "They are for your offering."

I noticed children put a coin in those little envelopes and adults put a one-dollar bill.

In quick succession three major events occurred in my life: I graduated from college, I went to work and I got married. It was a time of high motivation and optimism. I needed to do well, to be included. And, not least among these needs was being active in our local parish church.

I did not have to wait long. The Every Member Canvas chairman needed canvassers and asked if I would be interested. I leaped at the chance as a way to become more accepted in that community of faith.

"Come on by the Parish House about 2:00 Sunday afternoon," he said, "and you can pick up your cards." Promptly at 2:00 p.m. I arrived and was given the names of five persons to call on. The instruction I received was very simple: "Good luck!"

Full of enthusiasm, I approached the first home on my list. The man was cutting his grass so I waited at the edge of the street until he made the swing around my way.

I explained to him that I was from the parish, that I was

calling for the Every Member Canvass, and would he please make a pledge and sign his card. To my dismay, he said that he wasn't interested, and not only did he not turn the engine off the mower, he didn't even put it on idle!

My own quest for an understanding of Christian stewardship began at that point. Having grown up among Southern Baptists, I had heard of tithing, but knew nothing of it or why it was a part of the teaching of that church. All I knew was that they seemed to believe in stewardship. I was determined to research the Bible about it. Turning to the Old Testament, I found the first mention of the subject in Genesis with more in Leviticus and Deuteronomy. It states that annually the first tenth of the yield of your lands and your herds shall be given to the Lord. And it was a law.

I found that the New Testament teaching was different. At no point in the New Testament does Jesus impose the tithe as a law, but he asks for a total giving of our lives. He appeals not to the law but to our hearts. Jesus asks us to give and to share out of love.

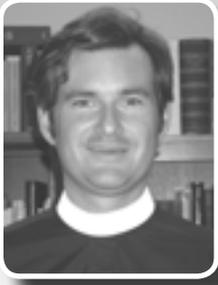
Following Jesus' teaching, Paul calls us from believing that we can save ourselves by works because we no longer live under law but under grace.

The stewardship of money was becoming clearer to me: I am to give and share myself and my possessions because I love God, and because all I have comes from God.

I am a steward—one who cares for and shares all of God's gifts. I remember thinking, "WOW!"

As this understanding of stewardship became clearer, it led me to ask, "How much am I to share?" Since all that I have comes from God, then am I to share 100 percent of my money? If I did that, I could not take care of my family. Then how much is enough? How much is God expecting me to share?

In attempting to answer that crucial question the apostle Paul came to my rescue! He knew we could not give or share 100% because of the imperfection of our human ➤



# Building, Mending and Deepening Our Marriages

“The best athletes spend hours being coached, practicing and perfecting their technique.

Regular checkups identify any problems, reduce the risk of breakdown and help a car run smoothly.

Creating a work of art takes time, effort and inspiration.

The greatest accomplishments in life take patience, training and the ability to overcome challenges.

It's the same with marriage. A strong, loving and lifelong relationship doesn't happen by chance. It takes effort and dedication to keep the fun and romance alive. And there is always more to learn to make even the happiest marriage better.”

These are the opening lines of the Alpha Marriage Course, a course being offered at St. Paul's this fall.

All of us know that strong marriages are the result of attention and dedication by both spouses; but how much time are we dedicating to strengthening our marriages? I know in our house, schedules fill-up quickly and it is easy to forget to take a time-out to focus on our marriage.

Because this is true for many of us, starting Sunday October 10th, St. Paul's will be offering the Alpha Marriage Course

at St. Paul's. The Marriage Course is for any couple wanting to invest in their relationship, whether you have been together 1 or 61 years and whether you have a strong relationship or are struggling.

The course will be held over seven sessions set in a special atmosphere. You will enjoy a catered candlelit meal from Demos' at a romantic table for two while listening to and engaging with practical video talks that are informative and fun.

Also, there is never any group work and you will never be asked to share anything about your relationship with anyone other than your spouse.

Polk and I are excited to facilitate this course and we ask you to join us. The course will be held for seven Sundays, starting on October 10th, from 5-7 P.M. Childcare will be available. Please contact or email the church office if you are interested in attending [frontoffice@stpaulsmboro.org](mailto:frontoffice@stpaulsmboro.org). There is a small cost of \$40.00 per couple to cover the discussion materials.

To learn more about the course join us in the Parish Hall on Sunday, October 3rd between the 8:45 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. services.

## ***HOW MUCH IS ENOUGH - continued***

nature, but we need some kind of norm or standard. Not a law, but a guide. What better standard could there be than the tithe!

To see the tithe as a standard instead of a law set me free.

The tithe as standard is something which I can freely accept for myself. I do this gladly, and understand that when I reach the point where a tenth of what I have is given away, I would seek to continue beyond that point. Best of all, I know my salvation does not hinge on my tithing or exceeding a tithe, or even giving less than a tithe!

How then does one begin? What I discovered was that you begin where you are. That meant simply to look at the portion that you were giving and to determine what percentage of your income that represented. In my case, it represented less than a tithe, and I devised a plan of percentage increases over

a number of years that would bring me to at least ten percent.

Since then my family and I have gone beyond that. This is called “proportionate giving,” using the tithe as a standard. It agrees with the teachings of scripture and with the history and experience of the Christian Church.

I found a real sense of freedom and less guilt about money. There is a blessedness in giving out of love. Above all I found that my decision about giving has everything to do with my commitment to Jesus as Lord of my life.

“Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.”—*II Cor. 9:7*

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# SENIOR WARDEN

Autumn is my favorite season of the year. I love the colorful leaves as they sprinkle the ground from the bouquet of trees, the distinct smells in the air, the chill of the morning, the beautiful mums. We celebrate our wedding anniversary, a few birthdays, and feel the spark of anticipation of the approaching holidays in the months to come. School is in session and our daily routines have returned to being more predictable.

I love autumn. But, for all the sweetness that it brings, there is a good measure of bitterness for our family, as well. We mark another year of the birthday of our son, Aidan, and later the anniversary of his passing. The emptiness his physical absence has left us with is something that we live with everyday, but the yearly markers can tighten the grip on our hearts and spirits that much more. We are by no means alone in our adversity. We all suffer trials and tribulations of this life. They may take the form of the death of a beloved family member or friend, a broken relationship or divorce, unemployment or economic hardship, addiction, illness, abuse or neglect, just to name a few. We all have our crosses to bear. No one's affliction or misfortune is any greater or lesser a degree than another's. It is all personal suffering. I recently read a book in which a character said that death is easy, but living (in this life) is hard. I can't disagree.

In the bitter-sweetness of autumn and other times of the year, we have found solace in interacting with our St. Paul's family; being surrounded by others who accept us and care for us. Some we've known for years and they have

lifted us up during our worst times and others we are still meeting, but to have the respite has been invaluable. How nice it was to attend the Fall Church picnic in September and spend an afternoon socializing and sharing a meal. Then we hosted the dinner we had auctioned for the Youth Auction. It was a pleasure to welcome those who generously purchased our meal and to share our home and ourselves with them. Ian looks forward to Men's Group every month. Callum enjoys Choristers. I have my small reunion group to meet with weekly that renews me and gives me proper perspective, again. And we look forward to the Progressive Dinner and the events surrounding Advent. There are always opportunities within our congregation that provide strength, feed one's soul with grace and remind us, through mere participation, that we are not alone.

Involve yourself. Whether it is by being a guest at the In-Home Gathering, which you will be invited to in the coming year to socialize and visit about parish life, playing in the Golf Scramble, signing up for the Women's Retreat, attending Pilgrimage or one of the Bible Study groups, volunteering with one of Outreach's many opportunities or attending a mid-week Healing service. Allow yourself to be nurtured, supported and encouraged through taking part and my hope for you is that you will know some of the relief from your difficulties, afflictions and distress that our family knows from ours.

Many blessings to you!

*Kristi Hay*

# STEWARDSHIP!

Jimmie Beasley is my name. My wife, Cheryl, and I have lived in Murfreesboro for a little more than four years and have been members of St. Paul's for about three of those years. We have been Episcopalians for MORE or LESS 30 years – MORE Cheryl, and LESS Jimmie.

The definitions of Christian Stewardship include RELATIONSHIPS and ASSOCIATIONS along with TIME, TALENT AND TREASURE. It took me years to realize the application of my TIME, TALENT, and TREASURE in all categories and situations yielded results equal to the quality of my RELATIONSHIPS and ASSOCIATIONS.

Finally, at 67 years of age, not exactly a quick study, I've placed my TIME, TALENT, TREASURE in the hands of Jesus Christ here in His Church, St. Paul's. The relationships formed here at St. Paul's are what brought me to these realizations. These relationships have inspired us to greater life in all our endeavors; even those outside our life at St. Paul's. Our investments in the life of St. Paul's is proving to be the most successful investment we have ever made. We believe it is the acts of Stewardship in this whole body of Christ that has improved our own Stewardship. And, it is in building these RELATIONSHIPS and the investment of our TIME, TALENT, TREASURE here at St. Paul's that improvement has followed in our faith and practice, our love for each other, our overall family dynamics, our employment and all other relationships.

I've learned that attending and watching at church is like watching a Nascar Race or a Titan's game. You are there, but you are not personally involved and have no control over the outcome. Fortunately, with those

two examples, the outcome won't have any impact on the quality of your life or the life of your family. You can have personal involvement in all the aspects of your life at St. Paul's and the outcome will surely have great impact on your life.

For thirty plus years, I delayed putting Christ first in the Stewardship of my life. No longer do I see requests for support as solicitations, but instead as invitations. Why? Because I now understand that the principles of TIME, TALENT, TREASURE that provide better health, housing, vehicles, education and all other aspects of life ARE the same principles Christ calls us to.

We are all uniquely made. Each of us, and our families, have unique needs that play a significant role in the allocation of our TIME, TALENT, TREASURE. Budgeting for life can be challenging, especially in a down economic time. The better we plan, the better our results can be. And, the tighter the controls we exercise, the more assets we can have to manage.

Invest in yourself and your family with complete premeditation. Want what is best for yourselves. Selfishly invest your TIME, TALENT and TREASURE in the RELATIONSHIPS and ASSOCIATIONS at St. Paul's and the selflessness that results will bring you great reward. Cheryl and I have found this to be evident daily. It is unfortunate for us that we did not make our investment sooner, but Praise God, we are so very glad to have finally been inspired to place our investment of TIME, TALENT and TREASURE here at St. Paul's.

Please prayerfully consider during our collective focus on Stewardship, your own TIME, TALENT, and TREASURE budget and stand back to enjoy the success God has in store for you and all of us at St. Paul's.

## ***Haiti Nutrition Center***

The walls are up. The roof (that St. Paul's paid for) is in progress. And by the time this newsletter gets to you, work on the well will have begun.

***Praise God!***



# THANKSGIVING CELEBRATION

Fall is a wonderful time of year to plan and establish priorities or it can be a time when we procrastinate until next year establishing the priorities we consider. One of the priorities I believe is essential for Christians is to truly be or become thankful people. We pray for healing, we pray for the alleviation of pain, we pray that our children will somehow make good choices, but rarely do we really concentrate on giving thanks to God for all that God has done and is doing for us.

Well, Thanksgiving Day gives us a first class opportunity to focus solely on being thankful to God for everything. We have the opportunity to come and worship at 10:30 a.m. and the total focus is on thanksgiving – for everything even life itself.

So, I invite you in the name of the Church to worship Thanksgiving Day making the day truly a day of Thanksgiving. Thanksgiving is a wonderful worship service and it puts the focus of the day exactly where it belongs.

We also invite you to join us for our annual Thanksgiving dinner immediately following the service. It is a dinner for families,

## 3rd Quarterly Food Drive

Many, many thanks to all who brought in donations for the quarterly food drive in August. This drive yielded a total of 877 food items and \$340 in cash donations. The Rutherford County Food Bank expressed great appreciation for St. Paul's participation and generosity. Thanks also go to the St. Paul's Boy Scouts for their help counting & loading food, and to Tom Collins and Fred Koehlein for making the delivery to the Food Bank.

## ANNUAL CRAFT AND BAKE SALE

Last year several people asked for a reminder in August that our Annual Craft & Bake sale is not far away. It will be Nov. 21st this year. If anyone needs help collecting items for their projects, let me know and I will ask others to help you collect what you need. Thank you! Alice Gibson at boro-sunshine@att.net.

## Vicar Visits To Come!

In an effort to promote good communication and maintain a dialogue with parishioners, a series of in-home, small-group meetings will be held over the next year or more. Every adult parishioner will be invited to attend, have a little wine and cheese, and visit with Polk and Colin about parish life. Be looking for your invitation to one of these informal get-togethers and plan to attend.

## Blessing of the Animals

Pets are an important part of many folks' lives. Next Sunday afternoon, plan to bring your pet, well controlled, to the courtyard at St. Paul's at 4:00pm for a blessing.

seniors, singles, and other friends. It is simply a parish family thanksgiving dinner.

The first of November a sign up sheet will be in the parish hall. You can assist with setup and takedown, and bring your favorite dishes to share. Turkeys, wine, vegetables, deserts, high carb, low carb, fat free or loaded with fat. And also please bring a smile and laughter. It will be a great day.

Remember come and worship our wonderful God at 10:30 a.m., Thursday, November 25th. Also please sign up and stay for our dinner celebration.

*God Bless You,*

**Gene & Janelee Wise**

## CURSILLO

**Dearest Friends,**

It is a privilege to serve our Lord and Savior together with you. We have accomplished much and will, prayerfully, continue to do so.

As our church family grows, in spirit and in number, it is vital that we explore and nurture the gifts and talents of our members. We are always in need of additional leaders to support those already in place. Cursillo is one of the tools we have used at St. Paul's to identify and empower Christian leadership.

The next Cursillo weekend is just a few weeks away, October 21-24. Several St. Paul's parishioners are on team: Jane Smith (Observing Lay Rector); Walter McVetty, Doug Gleaves, Drew Fedak, and Fr. Gene (Spiritual Director). We also have several from our church who are ready to make their weekend. And so, I'm asking the St. Paul's Cursillo community for some help.

First and foremost, please pray. Pray for the candidates, that God will be made known to them in new and exciting ways; pray for the team; and pray to be open to the possibility of sponsoring someone else to go.

Then, if you feel called to do so, contact me at joyce1010@bellsouth.net or call 631-2869. A list has been compiled of those from our parish who may be ready for the Cursillo experience. If you have someone in mind, or not, let's talk about it and we'll decide together how best to proceed.

Also, as with any organization, there is always a need for money. Perhaps you cannot or don't want to commit to sponsoring someone, but you would still like to support the Cursillo effort. The cost per person for a weekend is \$200, but any size contribution will be greatly appreciated. You may send a check, made out to Tennessee Episcopal Cursillo, to Registrar, 206 Haynes Haven Lane, Murfreesboro, TN 37129.

Thanks for your time and support in any form. We promise to continue using the Cursillo method to spread the good news!

**Joyce Adkins**

*Chair, Diocesan Cursillo Commission*

## ***The Angel Tree returns to St. Paul's . . . .***

. . . as the Parish, once again, has the joy of giving to the pre-school children (ages 3-5) at the Franklin Heights, Oakland and Mercury Court pre-schools served by Murfreesboro Family Services.

Your generosity in 2009, provided gifts for 115 children, which included articles of clothing, toys and games. The gifts will again be collected here at St. Paul's, and distributed by the teachers to the parents of the children attending each school. We are anticipating about the same number of children to participate in 2010.

Along with providing these gifts (some of which may be the only gifts these kids will receive); we will again provide the Christmas story by either Polk or Colin, and a visit with Santa and Mrs. Claus who will arrive on an antique fire truck – right to the door of their school! I saw those faces last year – it doesn't get any better than Santa on a fire truck!

There will be plenty of time to join in the party, help with the program and enjoy the event we'll create. However, first, we must begin the program with your prayerful consideration of how many Angels you and your family will share in the Joy of Christmas this year.

***For those who were not with us last year for this program, it goes like this:***

- *At the end of September, the committee provides the teachers with a form for each participating child's parent to fill out and turn in to us by the end of October.*
- *Beginning the first Sunday of November, a Christmas tree with the Angel's names and a corresponding number will be placed in the Narthex.*
- *The Committee is suggesting a minimum spending guideline of \$40 per Angel. More than one family can share an Angel if that enables your participation.*
- *Every Sunday until the first Sunday in December the committee will be set up in the Narthex to assist you in selecting an Angel from the tree and providing you with the form with the Angel's name on it.*
- *Also, on these same Sundays the committee will receive your wrapped and tagged gifts at the table in the Narthex.*
- *On December 13th, 14th and 15th, the gifts will be delivered to each of the schools along with the Christmas program. The selection of the date for each school will be worked out by the committee with the schools, and announced to the Parish for additional participation on those dates (more details in future communications).*
- *Photos and comments from the programs will be shared at the Angel Tree tables in the Narthex following their completion.*

Times are tough and it can be a struggle to balance all the needs and desires that surround the Christmas season. We hope you'll consider, prayerfully, including these children in your plans.

## ***Thanks***

Thanks from the family of Dorothy (Dot) Harrison for the manner in which the family of St. Paul's opened its arms to the large congregation on September 12th in celebrating Dot's life. It was indeed a heart-warming experience.

*Ken Sloan*

## TOO BUSY FOR GOD?

There are not many people who ever stop to think, "Where is God's place in my life?" With our coaches ordering us to be at every practice, going to meetings before and after school, and homework running our lives, how is it that we can never find room to take a few hours from our Sunday and step into His house? Why can't we make friends with people in our church, or why don't we frequent youth group activities? The most popular answer to these questions is usually, "I don't have time!"

Now, I'm sure there are many of you who are organized enough to deal with participating in sports or band, doing your homework, and going to church. But, there are the rest of us who put church aside. Sometimes, we don't realize the importance of worshipping God and how much it could help us with our everyday activities. If we did, going to church might prove to be more important to us. Nobody wants a load on his back that he can't carry. Balancing your life between family, school, sports, bands, clubs, and church is actually a manageable load. The keyword is *Balance*. Focusing only on making varsity soccer, going to the fitness room before and after school everyday, saving the homework until 9:00 P.M., and not spending quality time with the family is considered an uneven load. Where is God in that picture? If that were to be your life, you probably wouldn't have your church even in the smallest corner of your head. God is not a priority in that type of life.

So, how do we make room for God in our lives? Let me suggest a couple ways that might help. Picture your life as a dartboard, with God and church in the center of the target. Then picture everything else in your life (i.e. sports, work, school, clubs, homework) floating around the center. If you do this, you will soon start to see balance in your life. Another way that might help would be to wake up each Monday morning, after being in church and youth group the day before, and keep your life focused on going to church and youth group the following Sunday. In other words, make going to church and youth group gatherings a priority, and pencil your other weekly activities around it. This should be how your weekly planner works. By doing this, you will soon realize that you do indeed have time for God. You will have time to take a weekly journey to His house on Sunday mornings and evenings. You will have time to get involved with various church and youth group activities, like service projects and worship services. And you will start getting to know more people at church. Not only that, but you will most likely start feeling like a better person, helping you to succeed at even more things in your life.

Remember, all you need is a strong sense of balance, which starts with God, not the other way around.

## ST. PAUL'S STUDENT MINISTRIES

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## 2010 FALL RETREAT



**When:**  
October 22nd—24th

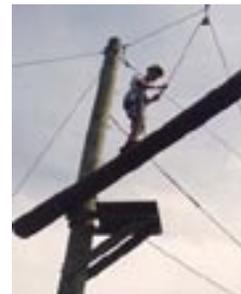
**Where:**  
New Frontiers in Dowelltown, TN

**What:**

An amazing weekend full of high-flying (and some low-flying) rope course challenges, camp fires, football, worship, devotionals and, most importantly, time to get away from life's distractions to reconnect with yourself, with friends from church, and with God!

**Registration Cost and Deadline:**  
October 10<sup>th</sup> - \$100

For more details and to register go to [www.stpaulsyouthonline.com](http://www.stpaulsyouthonline.com)  
(or contact Joshua Courtney at [youth@stpaulsmboro.org](mailto:youth@stpaulsmboro.org) or 893-3780)





# OCTOBER 2010

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p><b>Reminder:</b>            Oct. 13, 5:00 p.m. Second Wed. Supper            Oct. 17, UTO InGathering            Oct. 19, 6:00 p.m. Vestry Meeting            Oct. 21-24, Cursillo Weekend            Oct. 31st, 6:00 p.m. All Hallow's Eve Service at Evergreen Cemetery</p>						
<p><b>3 Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost</b>            7:30 - 8:45 &amp; 11:00 am HE            8:45 am Children's Church            9:45 am DOK Training            9:55 am Christian Ed./Cat.            5 pm Xperience/Youth            5 pm Animal Blessing 7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>4</b>            6 pm Pilgrimage            6 pm Scouts/Wolves Den 2            6:30 pm EIM            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>5</b>            9:30 am Staff Meeting            4 pm Dream Group            6 pm Long Term Planning Committee            6 pm Centering Prayer Group            7 pm Bible Study            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>6</b>            6:30 am Cursillo Reunion Group            7 am HE            9 am Bible Study            10:30 pm Knitting Group            Noon/Healing &amp; HE            4 pm Angel Tree Program            5 pm Weight Watchers            5 pm Chorister Rehearsal            6 pm EMR Committee Meeting            6 pm Outreach Meeting            6:15 pm Reunion Group Club            7 pm Canterbury Club            7 pm AA            7:15 pm Choir Reh.</p>	<p><b>7</b>            10 am Leticia Divina Prayer            6 pm Ladies Night Out            6 pm Men's Club            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>8</b>            6 pm AA Potluck</p>	<p><b>9</b>            3 pm Brownie Troop #583            7 pm AA</p>
<p><b>10 Twentieth Sunday after Pentecost</b>            7:30 - 8:45 &amp; 11:00 am HE            8:45 am Children's Church            9:45 am DOK Training            9:55 am Christian Ed./Cat.            5 pm Alpha Marriage Course            5 pm Xperience/Youth            6 pm Young Adult Ministry 7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>11</b>            6 pm Girl Scouts            6 pm Pilgrimage            6:30 pm EIM            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>12 Ministry Reports Due</b>            4 pm Dream Group            6 pm Centering Prayer Group            6 pm Long Term Planning Committee            6 pm Centering Prayer            6:30 pm Scouts/Weeblos Den 2            7 pm Bible Study            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>13</b>            6:30 am Cursillo Reunion Group            7 am HE            9 am Bible Study            10:30 pm Knitting Group            Noon/Healing &amp; HE            4 pm Angel Tree Program            5 pm Second Wed. Supper            5 pm Weight Watchers            5 pm Chorister Rehearsal            6 pm EMR Committee Meeting            6 pm Outreach Meeting            6:15 pm Reunion Group            7 pm AA, 7:15 pm Adult Choir</p>	<p><b>14</b>            10 am Leticia Divina Prayer            6:30 pm Scout Committee Meeting            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>15</b>            6 pm Parent's Night Out            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>16</b>            9 am DOK            6 pm AAPotluck</p>
<p><b>17 Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost</b>            UTO InGathering            7:30 - 8:45 &amp; 11:00 am HE            8:45 am Children's Church            9:45 am DOK Training            9:55 am Christian Ed./Cat.            5 pm Marriage Course            5 pm Xperience/Youth 7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>18</b>            6 pm Scouts/Wolves Den            6 pm Pilgrimage            6:30 pm EIM            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>19</b>            9:30 am Staff Meeting            4 pm Dream Group            6 pm Vestry Meeting            6 pm Centering Prayer Group            7 pm Bible Study            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>20</b>            6:30 am Cursillo Reunion Group            7 am HE            9 am Bible Study            10:30 pm Knitting Group            Noon/Healing &amp; HE            4 pm Angel Tree Program            5 pm Weight Watchers            5 pm Chorister Rehearsal            6 pm EMR Committee Meeting            6 pm Outreach Meeting            6:15 pm Reunion Group            7 pm AA, 7:15 pm Adult Choir</p>	<p><b>21 Cursillo Weekend</b>            10 am Leticia Divina Prayer            6 pm Scouts Pack 108 Wolf            6:30 pm Scouts/Bears            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>22 Cursillo Weekend</b>            Youth Fall Retreat            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>23 Cursillo Weekend</b>            Youth Fall Retreat            8:30 am Commission on Ministry            7 pm AA</p>
<p><b>24 Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost</b>            Cursillo Weekend            7:30 - 8:45 &amp; 11:00 am HE            8:45 am Children's Church            9:45 am DOK Training            9:55 am Christian Ed./Cat.            5 pm Xperience/Youth            5 pm Marriage Course 7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>25</b>            6 pm Girl Scouts            6 pm Pilgrimage            6:30 pm EIM            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>26</b>            4 pm Dream Group            6 pm Long Term Planning Committee            6 pm Centering Prayer            6:30 pm Scouts/Weeblos 2 Den            7 pm Bible Study            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>27</b>            6:30 am Cursillo Reunion Group            7 am HE            9 am Bible Study            10:30 pm Knitting Group            Noon/Healing &amp; HE            4 pm Angel Tree Program            5 pm Weight Watchers            5 pm Chorister Rehearsal            6 pm EMR Committee Meeting            6 pm Outreach Meeting            6:15 pm Reunion Group Club            7 pm AA, 7:15 pm Adult Choir</p>	<p><b>28</b>            10 am Leticia Divina Prayer            6 pm H.S. Night Out/Youth            6:30 pm Scouts Pack 108            6:30 pm Stephen Minister Peer Group            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>29</b>            Sweet Singer/Christ Church            7 pm AA</p>	<p><b>30</b>            8:30 a.m. Commission on Ministry            7 pm AA</p>
<p><b>31 Twenty-Third Sunday after Pentecost</b>            HALLOWEEN            7:30 - 8:45 &amp; 11:00 am HE            8:45 am Children's Church            9:45 am DOK Training            9:55 am Christian Ed./Cat.            5 pm Marriage Course            6 pm All Hallow's Eve Service/Adult Evergreen Com.</p>	<p><b>Oct. 31st Happy Halloween</b></p>					<p><b>and at 6:00 p.m. All Hallow's Eve Service At the Evergreen Cemetery</b></p>





David Hatfield .....10/01	Jeannie Roberts .....10/17
Gene Wise Jr .....10/02	Jordan Brown .....10/17
Jacob Brown .....10/02	Molly Bartsch .....10/17
Newton Molloy III .....10/04	Melanie Clayton .....10/18
Claire Bradford .....10/04	Erin Wilson .....10/18
Evan Willis III .....10/04	Virginia Tipps .....10/18
Gayle Boyd .....10/05	Joseph Garrison .....10/20
Terri Sterling .....10/05	Freda Kramer .....10/20
Luke Cassidy .....10/05	Laurette Hughes .....10/20
Janet Huntley .....10/06	Cathrine Gordon .....10/20
Shelby Sue Jacobs .....10/06	Helene Colvin .....10/21
RuthAnna Thomason .....10/07	Janice Stewart .....10/21
Margaret Huffman .....10/08	John Morris .....10/21
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Alice Gibson .....10/09	Brianna Phillips .....10/21
Fred Rogers .....10/10	Dale Tipps .....10/22
Joyce Adkins .....10/10	Timothy Seneker .....10/23
Stephanie Smith .....10/10	Paul Kelly .....10/24
Christopher Curtis .....10/11	Drew Fedak .....10/25
Jessica Beckwith .....10/12	Andrew Schneider .....10/25
John Worley Jr .....10/13	John Callow .....10/26
Connie Moffett .....10/13	Edward Arning II .....10/26
Tomasa Brito .....10/13	Wendi Watts .....10/26
Richard Arning .....10/13	Matthew Elrod-Erickson .....10/26
Charles Moudy .....10/14	James Calder .....10/28
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David Turner .....10/15	Elizabeth Bray .....10/29
Mamie Scott .....10/17	Frances (Libby) Jones .....10/29
Sue Koechlein .....10/17	Sandra Gleaves .....10/31

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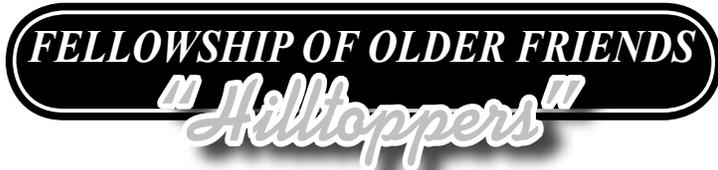
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Ah the Bible. Many words, right? And what a multiplicity of them and the thoughts they express.

But in the end, the Bible is like a favorite relative's attic—old, dusty, overlooked and studded with jewels—that takes on beautiful meaning now and again.

In that vein, try the Sermon on the Mount.

3 - Blessed are the poor in spirit, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 - Blessed are those who mourn, For they shall be comforted.

5 - Blessed are the meek, For they shall inherit the earth.

6 - Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they shall be filled.

7 - Blessed are the merciful, For they shall obtain mercy.

8 - Blessed are the pure in heart, For they shall see God.

9 - Blessed are the peacemakers, For they shall be called sons of God.

10 - Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, For theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 - Blessed are you when they revile and persecute you, and say all kinds of evil against you falsely for My sake.

12 - Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven, for so they persecuted the prophets who were before you.” – *Matthew 5*