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June 2026

Its origin remains unclear, with various accounts being offered for the initial, first Memorial Day, which will be marked and celebrated on May 25th this year. I remember when it was termed Decoration Day, a day set aside to decorate the graves of those who had given their all in the cause of our nation. Graveyards suddenly would burst forth with color as people honored the final resting place of those who had died in the service of this country. But as the prophet Isaiah reminds us: "The grass withers and the flowers fall, because the breath of the Lord blows on them. Surely the people are grass." (40:7) It does not sound optimistic. But hear as the prophet continues: "The grass withers and the flowers fail, but the word of our God endures forever." Those words were a real testament of faith, as scholars attribute the words to the Isaiah prophet in the land of Babylon, where the Jews had been exiled in 586 BC. It was a particularly unsettling and upsetting time for the Jews. At the time they were a people who had lost their homeland, with little hope for a return. Exiled hundreds of miles from their homeland on the far side of the Fertile Crescent, still the Jews held onto their faith. It was challenging, to be sure, yet they met the challenge. It would take 70 years before the Jews were afforded the opportunity and encouraged to return to their homeland, which a goodly number did. The Jews would never enjoy anything resembling the power of Kings David and Solomon, but their faith sustained them throughout the long years until Jesus appeared on the scene to guide the people into a new a living relationship with God.

To be sure it was good for the Jews to remember, to remember the faith and courage of their forebears. It inspired them to make life better for themselves and future generations.

Our Decoration Day or, more often these days, Memorial Day reminds us to look back and take note of not only the strength and courage of previous generations of US citizens but to encourage and instill anew that courage within us. There will be pomp and pageantry marked on this Memorial Day—and that is appropriate. But even more appropriate it is for us to remember and dedicate ourselves anew to the grand adventures which have preceded us and enable us to enjoy the freedoms and good life of today. May our nation continue to be blessed even as it seeks to be a blessing to and for this world!! SGD!!

Pastor Keith Schmitt

Summer's on the Way!

June 7 - Communion

June 14 - Father's Day

June 21 - Coffee hour

June 30 - Hymn requests

Leaders

Session- meets the second Wednesday of the month, June 10th, at 7pm in the boardroom and on Zoom.

Blessing Boxes

During the month of June our Presbyterian Women will be accepting your Blessing Boxes, or bags of loose change. This collection is conducted in June and December, and is used to fund scholarships for our graduates and help with mission projects. In the past, we were able to replace our church dishwasher. We recently made a donation to the Wishing Tree project. Your coin collection may be given to Mary Lou Hand, or placed on our secretary Lesley's desk in the basket. We thank you for your help!

Flowers for the Chancel

Check your calendars and call Lesley in the office (856-547-5571) with the date and dedication you desire. Feel free to leave a message on the phone machine after hours. Cost will remain \$20 for each flower arrangement this year.

Worship and Music

Our new interim has now preached four Sundays. Communion was celebrated by intinction on 5/03/26, with 53 receiving. Mother's Day was celebrated 5/10 as part of the service with Ruth Gamble sharing roses and baby's breath with the moms and those who serve as moms to family members and the community.

Pastor Keith is part of the choir now and his voice is a welcome addition to our small, but always inspirational choir.

Betsy O'Hara

Zoom Links and Meeting IDs

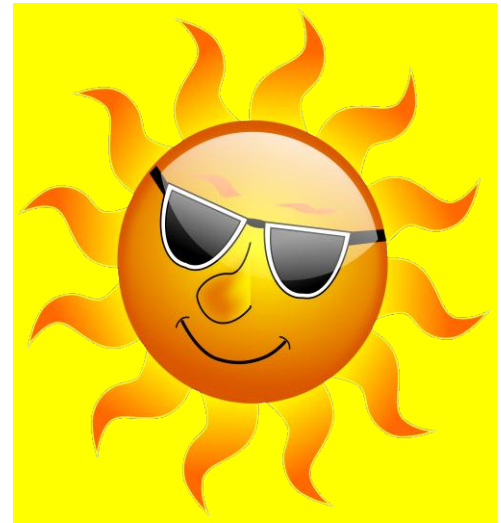
The **passcode** for Zoom will always be **Logan** with a capital "L"

Livestream on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=2G-il-p0wIw>

Men's Breakfast

Last one for the season! We will meet and eat in the Hoffman House, date to be determined. Please see David Hancock for more information. All men of the church are invited to attend.



Thrift Store

The Thrift Store will be open next month on Saturdays, June 6 and June 20 from 9am until noon. These will be our last two openings for this season so do your shopping on these two days or you'll have to wait until September to shop with us again.

On both openings days in June we'll be having our famous \$2.00 clothing bag sales! We provide the bags, you fill them up.

We can always use more workers on our very busy Saturday openings.

Set up day is every Tuesday 9am until noon and more help is always appreciated.

In His Name,
Sandy Bowen

Fourth of July Parade

If you are interested in marching in the 4th of July parade in Audubon, please email Mike Smith by June 8th. sadbassethound@gmail.com

Lois Circle

The Lois Women's Circle will meet on Tuesday, June 9 for their end of the year luncheon. All women of the church are welcome. Please contact Mary Lamey or Gladys Miller for details.

June Birthdays and Anniversaries

3 Ryan Latini

10 Phyllis Zettlemyer

12 Fred Wagner

26 Daniel Geissler

Al Murray

Fred and Lynne Wagner 

27 Brian Dunn

28 Bill Bowen

Dave and Cindee Nary 



Dad

He never looks for praises
He's never one to boast
He just goes on quietly working
For those he loves the most
His dreams are seldom spoken
His wants are very few
And most of the time his worries
Will go unspoken too
He's there...A firm foundation
Through all our storms of life
A sturdy hand to hold to
In times of stress and strife
A true friend we can turn to
When times are good or bad
One of our greatest blessings,
The man that we call Dad.

Happy Father's Day to all!

Mission Moments June 2024

Here we are...halfway through the year of 2026 or as we call it the month of June. Did you know that the month is named after Juno, the ancient Roman goddess of marriage and childbirth, which is why "June weddings" remain a beloved tradition.

When I think of weddings, one of the time-honored traditions that most couples still incorporate into their ceremony is when the bride appears with her proud father ready to walk her down the aisle. OK...internet history time (HA HA)...”the father walking down the aisle has its roots in arranged marriages, where the father gives his possession of bride to the groom. In it's earliest form, marriage was a business/political transaction and involved a dowry.”

Much has changed since arranged marriages were common and although I did not get married in June; I was fortunate enough to have my Dad walk me down the aisle even though I could tell he was a little uncomfortable doing so. Guess you had to know him to know that public displays of affection were not his thing.

He was also raised in a time when men were not aware of how important their own health was to their families and to themselves (or, don't complain..."it's not what a man would do".)

Thankfully, awareness of issues that can affect just men have changed dramatically thanks to Men's Health Network (<https://menshealthnetwork.org/>), the leading nonprofit organization in the field of men's health. Their goal is to help spread the message about the need to improve the health and wellbeing of men, boys and their families.

Look for offering envelopes in your bulletins in June to help support this worthy organization and thank you for your support.

MISSION UPDATES

April—One Great Hour of Sharing: Thank you for your generous donations! We raised \$367 which helps to improve the lives of the suffering and the vulnerable. Logan is proud to have supported this mission for so many years; which helps these three programs: Presbyterian Disaster Assistance, the Presbyterian Hunger Program, and Self-Development of People, each of them all working in different ways to serve individuals and communities in need.

SPECIAL THANKS

Corinne and Rich Latini—Ronald McDonald Aluminum Tabs: Their devotion to this mission which helps support the Ronald McDonald House in Camden, NJ spreads God’s love to so many people. Did you know that according to the “Pull for the House” campaign website (<https://rmhsnj.org/pull-for-the-house/>), it takes approximately 1,100 pop tabs to equal one pound and they typically receive between \$0.40 to \$0.50 per pound. This program brings in an average of \$3,000 each year helping to provide revenue that can assist families to afford rooms at the Ronald McDonald House.

Logan’s Thrift Store and Sandy Bowen: One of the greatest joys of attending Logan is that sharing our resources with each other and God’s world is evident not only in our material goods but also that our congregation continually reflects generosity not as a loss, but as an investment; one made directly with God Himself.

Donations of approximately 75 trial-size soaps, 33 body lotions, 2 body washes, 5 bath gels, 5 mouth washes, 33 conditioners, 44 shampoos, 30 facial wipes, and 2 toothpastes were donated to Joseph’s House in Camden, NJ; which is a low barrier homeless shelter solutions for people experiencing homelessness to gain stability and control of their lives.





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| SUNDAY | MONDAY | TUESDAY | WEDNESDAY | THURSDAY | FRIDAY | SATURDAY |
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| | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 Thrift Store 9 a.m. – noon |
| 7 <i>Communion</i> Choir 10:30 Worship 11:00 | 8 | 9 Thrift Store Workers 9:00 - noon | 10 <i>Session 7:00 pm</i> | 11 | 12 Cards | 13 |
| 14  Choir 10:30 Worship 11:00 | 15 | 16 Thrift Store Workers 9:00 - noon | 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 Thrift Store 9 a.m. – noon |
| 21 <i>Father's Day</i> Choir 10:30 Worship 11:00 <i>Coffee Hour</i> | 22 Deadline for Summer Newsletter Articles | 23 Thrift Store Workers 9:00 - noon | 24 | 25 | 26 Cards | 27 |
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