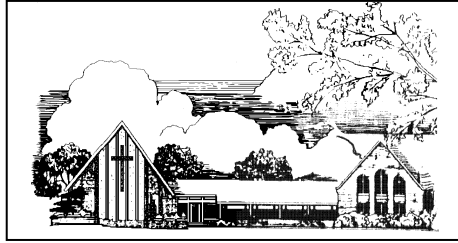


The Bacon Visitor



May 2022

Bacon Memorial Presbyterian Church
www.baconmemorial.org

Worship & Sunday School
Sundays at 10:30 am

Worship is streamed live on Facebook and posted
on our YouTube channel.

Weekly bulletin and Sermon available on our website.
Web page: www.baconmemorial.org

*If you would like a copy of the sermon sent to you weekly, please call the office (716-283-5744) to be added to our email
or mailing list.*

Office Hours
Mon., Wed., Fri. from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm

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✠ Pastor's Corner ✠

Lisa Giacomazza, CRE

“To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.”

Revelation 1:5b-6.

The lectionary takes us on a five-week journey through the Book of Revelation starting the Second Sunday of Easter through the Seventh Sunday. Chuck Swindol writes on his website... *The book of Revelation provides the clearest biblical portrait of the events of the tribulation, dealing with the specifics of that terrible time (chapters 4–18). The tribulation will be a time of judgment, a time when those left on the earth after the rapture will suffer deeply for their nonbelief. John pictured this judgment as a series of twenty-one events—inaugurated by the breaking of seven seals, the blowing of seven trumpets, and the pouring out of seven bowls. This grand judgment on the sinfulness of humanity shows the seriousness with which God views sin—payment will be exacted from those not covered by the blood of Jesus Christ. While Revelation offers many details on the tribulation—even if they are often couched in the mystery of symbolic language—it is the final four chapters that dictate the overall message of the book. Revelation 19–22 portrays Christ's future triumph over the forces of evil and His re-creation of the world for the redeemed. Ultimately, the book—and the world—end in a final victory for truth and goodness and beauty.*

I am excited and a bit intimidated with what lies ahead. I encourage you to read the scriptures throughout the coming weeks from our lectionary and see the “what’s next” for us this Easter season.

Easter is such a grand affair with all it’s pomp and celebration, isn’t it? I must admit it is indeed my favorite service – I’m a sucker for all those beautiful blooms and wonderful swags that adorn the cross. But much too soon, the blooms begin to wilt and we who were involved in the preparation are tired. And yet, another Sunday is coming and the gospel must continue to be preached. So how can we keep the joy and promise of Easter alive, week after week and not be dulled by the gloomy weather of late Spring, war that continues in Ukraine with no signs of stopping, prices rising daily on essentials, and COVID never seeming to take much of a break?

The text from Revelations quoted at the beginning of my article is spoken with bold confidence – not an ounce of doubt, because the writer knows how the script of this movie we call life, ends. We should live our Easter faith boldly because all of the struggles this life presents will pale in comparison to the banquet being prepared for us. Treat this life like your favorite movie with a sure and teary-eyes happy ending.



100TH Anniversary Event SAVE THE DATE – July 23, 2022

Join your brothers and sisters of faith for our 100th Anniversary celebration dinner on Saturday July 23rd at the Volare Lodge. Please reserve your spot by emailing secretary@baconmemorial.org.

We are looking for photos or any artifacts you may have that we can share at the celebration. Please let Irene Barry or Jeff Trethewey know if you have some items we can borrow for the event!

Coming soon – Bacon Memorial Anniversary shirts!

We will be celebrating **Music Sunday** on Sunday, May 15th. We will be blessed with the incredible musical talents of the trio that graced us last year. You won't want to miss this wonderful service filled with music to feed our souls!

We will also be doing a very special Children's Message during this service **blessing Teddy Bears** so please encourage your child to bring their favorite furry friend - Pastor Lisa will take time to explain baptism to the children as part of this special children's time.

May 14 City Wide Clean up 9-12 noon. We need workers to clean the grounds around the church and the alley. There is a sign-up sheet on the bulletin board in the Narthex.

Coffee Hour and Third Sunday Lunch - Bacon Memorial's Coffee Hour will be hosted by the Christian Ed. Committee for May. The Third Sunday Lunch will resume May 15th. Please join us. A sign-up sheet will be posted on the small bulletin board in the Narthex.

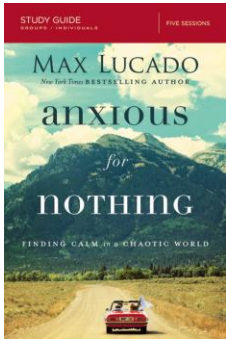
Bible Study - 6 Wednesday evenings beginning **June 18, 2022 at 6 pm**. We will be using the book "Anxious for Nothing" Study Guide by Max Lucado. A sign-up sheet is posted in the Narthex.

Scholarship fund

- * This scholarship fund shall be available for scholastic purposes to further academic training, either towards a degree or competency in any trade or vocation.
- * To establish this need the student (and parents) are asked to submit a written letter and application to the Session with a description of the course of study and a brief description of the student's aspirations.
- * Funds shall be granted to active members of Bacon Memorial Presbyterian Church who have enrolled in an accredited college, university, hospital, business or trade school. You must be a full or part time student.
- * Funds will be distributed once per calendar year, per student. The funds will be distributed based on the amount of funds available and the number of applicants per calendar year.

Contact the church office 716-283-5744 or

Clerk Carol Costantino 716-283-1589 for an application.



Five Week Bible Study – Anxious for Nothing

This five-week bible study will be lead by Pastor Lisa and starts on Wednesday, May 18th through Wednesday, June 15th. Each session will be from 6:00 – 8:00 pm at the church in the Solely Lounge.

Ever been tossed and turned by anxiety? If so, you aren't alone. In a given year, nearly fifty million Americans will feel the effects of a panic attack, pho-bias, or other anxiety disorders. In this five-session video Bible study, Max Lucado explores God's treatment plan for anxiety found in Philippians 4:4-8 and find a "peace that transcends all understanding." As you follow this prescription- celebrating God's goodness, asking for his help, leaving your concerns with him, and meditating on good things – you will experience God's peace. Please make sure you sign up on the sheet in the Narthex or email Cheryl at secretary@baconmemorial.org to ensure you reserve your spot! Study guides are available in the church office.



Is Security Detail your Forte?

We are establishing an Ad Hoc committee to review the security of our building to better protect our staff and congregants. If you would like to lend your expertise or know someone who might be able to assist us in looking at possible purchase of security cameras, training and education, and the overall safety of our campus, we would be so grateful to have their input. We intend to invite Sheriff Felicetti's security team to the church to assist us in this endeavor. If you are able to assist, please contact Ron Clements, our chair of Worship Committee – ronaldcllements@verizon.net.

May 15th is the Third Sunday in May and we will once again have the Third Sunday Luncheon hosted by the Christian Education committee. The Christian Ed. committee is very small and would like some help with coffee hours and the Third Sunday Lunch in May.

See Kathy Cecula 716-297-2419 if you are able and willing to help.

PayPal Option Available

If you prefer to give your offering through a secure electronic source, we accept **PayPal** payments. You can find the link on our webpage. You may enroll in an AutoPay option to make this even more convenient for you.

Bacon's Blessings

If you would like to receive notice (2-3 days beforehand) of Bacon's Blessings Giveaways, then please call Jeff 716-383-2333 with your landline phone number, cell phone number or email address so that we can send a text, or email, or give you a phone call.

Bacon Memorial's 100th Anniversary

As we prepare for our 100th Anniversary year we will be having members share their favorite Bacon Memories weekly during service. If interested in sharing your stories please see Jeff Trethewey 716-297-4189 to get on the schedule. Each month during 2022 we will have different photo albums out during fellowship after church service. A 100th Anniversary Dinner Dance

Celebration is being planned for July 23rd at the Volare Lodge, details to follow. Contact Mike 716-418-5832 or Irene Barry 716-957-8093. We are also working on 100th Anniversary Polos and Tee Shirts. Order forms will be available shortly.

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK! Please like and follow the Bacon Memorial Facebook page. Pastor Lisa will be posting regularly including parts of the sermon each week. We also include information on all the events taking place at or through Bacon so please join today! Please invite your family members, friends, neighbors to like us as well. Thank you!

Session Highlights from April 13,2022 meeting

- Session voted to resume the sacrament of Communion by intention and also the collection of offerings by ushers
- Session approved the 2022 budget
- New members were received on April 10, 2022
 - Samantha Barry
 - Susan Boorum
 - Christie Caldwell
 - Tammy Hall
 - Lori Mix
 - Vicki Porter

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Hundredth Anniversary Cook Book

We are still collecting your recipes for the 100th Anniversary Cook Book. Find those old recipes of your mother or grandmother. You may include an anecdote on how this recipe came to be or why it is your favorite. If you have already submitted a recipe but would like to add a short anecdote, you may send it to the church's email:

secretary@baconmemorial.org. Be sure recipe includes all ingredients and instructions. Also add names of contributors. This is open to all men and women who worship with us. Please submit all recipes, typed or hand written (preferably typed), in care of PW at Bacon Memorial. If you have any questions call Carol Costantino at 716-283-1589 or Fran Clements

716-283-9411. You can also mail to Bacon Memorial Presbyterian Church, 166 59th Street, NF, NY 14304, or email secretary@baconmemorial.org. Deadline for recipes is June 15, 2022. there is a sign-up sheet in the Narthex for pre-orders. If you are homebound or not attending worship, call Carol or Fran to pre-order.

Activities at Bacon in May 2022

- May 1** Worship with communion, Sunday School - 10:30 am
Mission committee meeting following worship
Crochet, knitting group - 3 pm
AA meeting – 7:30 pm
- May 5 National Day of Prayer**
- May 8** Worship, Sunday School - 10:30 am - Mother's Day
Crochet, knitting group - 3 pm
AA meeting – 7:30 pm
- May 11** Session meeting - 7 pm - in-person
- May 12** Membership and Evangelism meeting – 6 pm
- May 14** City Wide Clean up 9-12 noon. We need workers to clean the grounds around the church and the alley.
- May 15** Worship, Sunday School - 10:30 am
Annual Congregational meeting following worship
Third Sunday Lunch following worship
Crochet, knitting group - 3 pm
AA meeting – 7:30 pm
- May 17** Worship and Music committee meeting – 7:00 pm by Zoom
- May 18** Bible Study - 6 pm. Using the Max Lucado
“Anxious for Nothing” Study Guide.
- May 21** Presbyterian Men – 9:00 am on church lawn
with Sheriff Felicetti - all are welcome
- May 21** Presbyterian Women – 1:00 pm
- May 22** Worship, Sunday School - 10:30 am
Crochet, knitting group - 3 pm
AA meeting – 7:30 pm
- May 25** Bible Study - 6 pm. Using the Max Lucado
“Anxious for Nothing” Study Guide.
- May 29** Worship, Sunday School - 10:30 am
- **Fifth Sunday offering for Mission**
Crochet, knitting group - 3 pm
AA meeting – 7:30 pm
- May 30** Church closed for Memorial Day

May Birthdays

5/1 Chris Clark
5/1 Mathew Springer
5/4 Dwight Spencer
5/9 Cassidy Critelli
5/9 Karon Hubert
5/10 Ivy DePadre
5/11 Lois Liversidge
5/13 Lauren Logar
5/13 Lynn Pasek
5/16 Sandra Ishman
5/17 Kaden DePadre
5/17 Patricia (Lane) Chapman
5/18 Heidi Argona
5/20 Steven Logar
5/23 Riley MacKenzie
5/25 Peg Trethewey
5/29 Lenny Beck

May Anniversaries

5/23 Jamie and Thaniel Hewitt

Scripture Lessons for May 2022

May 1 3rd Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:1-6 (7-20) *and Ps. 30 or Isa. 61:1-3 and Ps. 90:13-17*

Rev. 5:11-14

John 21:1-19

May 8 4th Sunday of Easter

Acts 9:36-43 *and Ps. 23 or Isa. 53:1-6 and Ps. 114*

Rev. 7:9-17

John 10:22-30

May 15 5th Sunday of Easter

Acts 11:1-8 *and Ps. 148 or Lev. 19:9-18 and Ps. 24:1-6*

Rev. 21:1-6

John 13:31-35

May 22 6th Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:9-15 *and Ps. 67 or Deut. 43:1-12 and Ps. 109:21-31*

Rev. 21:10, 22-22:5

John 14:23-29 *or John 5:1-9*

May 26 Ascension of the Lord

Acts 1:1-11 *and Ps. 47 or Ps 93 or Dan. 7:9-14 and Ps. 113*

Eph. 1:15-23

Luke 24:44-53

May 29 7th Sunday of Easter

Acts 16:16-34 *and Ps. 97 or Kgs. 2:1-15 and Ps. 2*

Rev. 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21

John 17:20-26

Please Pray For:

Church Members

Billy Briggs
Karen Colton
Harold & Billie Cooper
Angela Gantt
Mary Ann Jamieson
Barbara MacDonald
Carol Ortt
Ruth Quinn
Judy Reese
Mary Lou Smythe

Serving our country

James Bak
Joseph Bak
Cameron Gee
Andrew LaFave
Ryan Sepe
Mathew Springer
Andrew Wilson

Jim Kwiatkowski
Stephanie Arcara and family
Greg Lowry
Valari
Dick Robins
Boyd Clark
Ashlee
Therese
Greg Smalko
Sue Enterline
Ed Supple
Peter McKinney
Amber
Marilyn N.
Charlotte

Prayers for all who have COVID
as well as staff and care givers
caring for a record number of
patients.



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