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JULY THEMES:

- 7- 3 FREEDOM
- 7-10 UNDERSTANDING
- 7-17 UNITY
- 7-24 PAST & FUTURE
- 7-31 COMFORT

SERMON SERIES:

Sunday Morning:

Building Lasting

Relationships

Present Series:

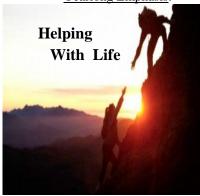
- 7 -- 3 Freedom Costs
- 7 10 Understanding
- 7 17 One Body
- 7 24 Making up for Past
- 7 31 Comforting Others

Sunday Evening:

Impacting Our Community

- 7 3 Taking One for the Team
- 7-10 Best Effort
- 7 17 Best Way
- 7 24 The Future
- 7 31 New Hope







Responsibilities & Rewards as Citizens

July 3rd we will spend time considering the tremendous cost of the freedom that we enjoy and the responsibilities that come with it.

There will be a special display in the auditorium that focuses on the history of our nation and the history of Pine Run Church of Christ. Children in morning worship will be shown the display and taught of how we came to be as a people. Emphasis on the sacrifices that were made will be shared.

The sermons in the morning and evening services will continue the focus of the cost of our freedoms, along with the responsibilities that we have. Each generation needs to embrace those responsibilities so that future generations can continue to enjoy the freedoms and blessings.





Harvest Begins

We have had one of the driest months of May and June and our lawns reflect that. Burning bans are being considered throughout our State. Gardeners have been busy trying to keep their crops watered. Now we begin to see the benefits of their diligence.

We'd like to remind our people that gardeners with excess produce will be bringing it to church to share with others who are unable to have a garden or need to supplement their food budget. We will have a basket in the back, along with some small bags, so that people can help themselves. This could also be an opportunity to share the blessings with your family and neighbors; sharing God's goodness and mercy with them.

Pray for this ministry to be a blessing and to bring people to a closer walk with Jesus!



Been a busy month for our prayer warriors. People being rushed to the hospitals, surgeries, tests, complications, family trials and more have kept prayers ascending to God's throne. Repeatedly, He has heard and answered our prayers. People coming through difficult times, people able to return home and/or to worship, provision, wisdom and guidance are many of the blessings He has bestowed.

We are reminded constantly of the need to continue to lift one another up in prayer throughout the recovery process. We remember the emotional turmoil that these people are going through, besides the physical challenges.

Encourage you to join us for our services and Bible studies as we grow in the bonds of fellowship and understanding how God can more effectively use us to encourage and comfort one another!



SPRUCING UP FOR 150TH!

Flowerbeds have been planted (thanks Mrs. Jones and youth!); flags have been replaced (and properly disposed of—thanks Steve LePeak and Larry Sandusky) and the wheelchair ramp repaired (thanks Deanna Jones for bringing it to our attention!).

Nearly 150 years of use (building is a couple years younger than the congregation) takes its' toll, but

everyone working together allows it to continue to be used as a beacon for the community!





This exciting and powerful book is our study on Sunday Mornings at 9:30. God promises to bless those that read this vital letter, and we invite you to share in that blessing. Encouragement and hope is provided in these pages that becomes valuable in the midst of trials. Make the extra effort and join us each week this summer for the message of victory that God has for you!



"I'm so glad I'm a part of the family of God..." that enjoys praising Him together, talking to Him and letting Him speak to us through His Word. Enjoy the relaxed atmosphere and the joy of finishing the day with God's children. There's no "extra charge"; it's all part of the benefits of being part of the family at Pine Run. Don't miss out on these blessings; there's room for all!



GOD'S WISDOM

Tuesdays 7:00 pm

Parenting and Living DONE RIGHT! Discover for yourself, the lessons from nearly 3,000 years ago that continue to apply today. Have your eyes opened to how far our society has strayed from solid principles for living and be warned of the danger that is in store, if we do not change course!

Are you the best: worker, spouse, parent, child, citizen and person you can be? What areas could be improved upon? How has the world "corrupted" your view? What will it take to get "back on track"?

Join us each week and get these answers and more as we study Proverbs!



Study & Pray

WEDNESDAYS 10:30 am

Faithful, ordinary people who were used by God to accomplish tremendous things. We saw this in our study of Esther and experienced it through answered prayer. Reap the blessings as we learn how to be more effective at comforting others, as we begin a study of the book of Job!



Wednesdays @ 7 pm

Try to imagine growing up in a society where the values of: self are exalted and absolutes discredited. Entertainment, school. and even the community display these values and it is all that you have ever known. Someone comes along a dozen or more years later and suggests that values of: selfcontrol, integrity, and acting in best interests of others (at your own expense) should be adopted instead. What would it take to get you to abandon what you have always known and accept such a radical adjustment?

Now you can begin to appreciate our teens trying to grasp the concepts in Proverbs. Hard Work, Obedience, self-control, and Righteousness run contrary to what the majority are telling them. Pray that our youth persevere in the study and allow god to help them experience a radical and superior way to live!

Teen
Training
Thursday
@ 2:00



THURSDAYS AT 2:00! That is not a typo! Out of school, having little to do all day, our teens were pleased to move to an afternoon gathering. Though outdoor weeding will be much

warmer, it gives more time for projects to be completed and then to "chill out" and enjoy! Plus, they then have the evening to enjoy when there are more options for their enjoyment!

Will be short handed a couple weeks in July as they head off to Senior High week of camp (July 10-15) and Junior High week of camp (July 24-29) at Rock Lake Christian Assembly!



Fifty years ago, it was hard to imagine congregations having the amount of problems that we are reading about in our Daily Bible Reading program. Sexual immorality, Christians fighting other Christians, pride, division over what men to follow, refusal to accept authority, denial of resurrection, greater emphasis on judgment of others and love, refusal to forgive; majority of these were difficult to picture. Now, we're not "shocked" to hear of multiple issues of these types. What can be done to change the course and direction of the church?

As we continue our reading in July, we will see how Paul sought to address these issues then and the principles still apply. He was not willing to accept that "times have changed", "that's just the way we are", or "there's no going back." Let's learn the lessons and be the light the world needs! http://pinerunchurch.org/reading-his-word.html

Check us out on Facebook!





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MISSION FOR THE MONTH: Great Lakes Christian College

As a Christian academic community, GLCC's task is to educate men and women for preaching and other ministry roles as well as for careers related to the church or other institutions in the public sector. In all instances, preparing students to be servant-leaders is central to the College's founding character, history, curriculum, and campus ethos.

Pray for the school as they devise a plan to bring income back in line with expenditures and prepare for another year of service!

<u>LEARN ALL ABOUT IT!</u> www.glcc.edu

Remember our Shut-ins

Larry French – Grand Blanc
Faye Sargent- Flint
Janice Weir- Frankenmuth

Remember our Service Personnel

Mathew Jennings

Board Meeting

July 17th following Morning Worship



Monday Night Christian Concerts

@ Clio Amphiteater

Gates open at pm; Concert @ 7pm No tickets needed; Free will offering will be received. (In case of rain, concert will be at Bethany Methodist Church!)

July 11: The Calvarymen

July 18th: The Sheldons

July 25th: The Forresters

Aug. 1: The Singing Vaughns

Aug. 8: The Thurstons

Aug. 15: The Rob Mills Family

Aug. 22: The Gospelmen

Aug. 29: 4 One Quartet

Sept. 5: No Concert

Sept. 12: Justified



Located in Vestaburg, MI

JULY 3 - 8 Junior High Canoe Trip 2

- Dean: Shelley Gilpin

*10 - 16 9 th -12th Grade Camp

- Dean: Matt Brooks

**17 - 22 All Girls (3rd -7 th Grade)

- Dean: Teresa Foust

17 - 22 Kayak Trip (9th -12th Grade)

- Dean: Shelly Gilpin

24 - 29 Back Pack Trip

(10th -12th Grade)

- Dean: Luke & Amy Essex

***24 - 29 Middle School Camp

(5th - 8 th Grades)

- Dean: Andrew Apps

24 - 29 All Girls Wilderness 2

Ages 15 - 20

- Dean: Shannon Shaw

31 – Aug. 5 Young Men's Camp

(4th -8 th grades)

- Dean: Josh Antonopulos

AUGUST 7 - 12 3 rd&4th Grade

- Dean: Jason Keller

8 - 12 5 th & 6th Grade Wilderness

- Dean: Adam Carver

26 - 28 Handi-Camp

- Dean: Mark Lovertt



Located in Columbiaville, MI

July 10-15

High School Camp

July 17-22

Junior High Camp High School Nature

July 24 – 26

1st – 4th Grade Half Week

July 24-29

 $4^{th} - 6^{th}$ Grade

1st - 4th Grade Full Week

Aug. 12 – 14

Princess Weekend

I*Savannah Littlejohn attending
**Izabell Lepeak attending
*** Skia Moore & Jaydin Moore
attending

Thanks to those who have helped support our Camper Fund!



150th Anniversary Celebration! Sept. 9, 10, 11, 2016

Still in the planning stages, so give your ideas to the board. We are continuing to pray for "Buddy" Lowell Mason who is having some health issues but is hoping to be able to join us for the weekend.

Volume 1 of our history is ALMOST complete. It consists of a Table of Contents, Maps and Historical Documents, stories and biographies of many of the people who were part of the congregation during the first 75 years. It is awaiting completion of an index; which will help those who are searching for specific people.

Volume 2 is underway and picks up with the "reorganization" of the church in 1941 to the present. It will be filled with pictures, listing of many of those involved in the church during the past 75 years, along with key events, news articles, historical documents and more!

Those who have pictures they would like included can contact Paul and he will get a copy made (original won't ever leave your possession!!). to include.

The history books will be valuable resources for those who wish to do genealogical research, gain insight into how we became what we are today, and those desiring to see how God has been at work in and through this congregation for 150 years!