



Voices of Faith

From Deb's Desk

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People have been congratulating me on my upcoming retirement and it's fun to hear the word, Congratulations. But, wow — there's a whole lot to do!

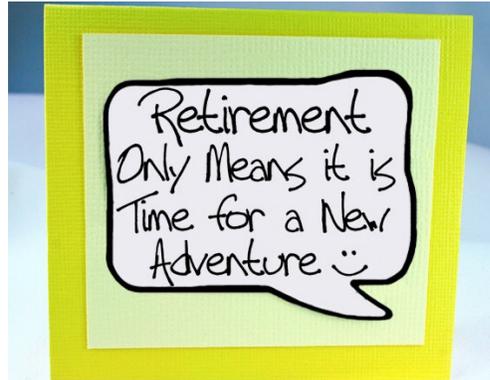
There's cleaning out the office — haven't even started though I've thought about what I want, what I don't want, what to toss or give to the rummage sale or sell myself (lots of books — if you're interested).

There's all the financial stuff with social security and board of pensions and then there's Medicare supplement insurance and everything crazy that goes with that stuff.

There's the questions of "what are you going to do when you retire?" and "why?" and "Won't you be bored?" and "Will you miss us?"

So...I can answer those questions: I am planning on substitute

teaching as much as



possible (physically and emotionally) in elementary school — preferably kindergarten through 2nd grade.

I feel that God is calling me out of full time parish ministry and into new opportunities — substitute teaching being one of perhaps many other options.

No, no boredom. I have too many books to read, chores to do, closets to clean.

Absolutely, you will be missed. I've shared your sorrows and joys, heart aches and pitter-pattings to just walk

away. You will all go with me in my heart and in my head. Just as I still miss folks in my first church, my second church, both colleges, and everything in between, you will be missed and remembered.

I am confident that the Commission on Ministry will work with the Session to find a suitable interim and then at the right time, you will elect a pastor nominating committee to find the right person to be your pastor. It's a good time, that interim period, to really take stock, to make tough decisions, and to look ahead to what you want this congregation to be and do. I hope you will use it well!

We need to let that Wild Goose Spirit guide us, honk at us, and lead us forward.

A Busy October



A busy October is in store for us at Faith. The first Sunday of October, October 1st, is **World Communion Sunday** and we will receive the Peace and Global Witness Offering (see article elsewhere).

The Deacons will hold their **Spaghetti Supper** on Saturday, October 7, 4:30–7 pm. The cost is \$10 for those over 10; \$5 for those 4-10 and free for those under 4. Remember, it’s all you can eat and the proceeds fund the Deacons’ mission projects throughout the year.

The following Friday and Saturday, October 13 and 14, we will hold our semi-annual **Rummage Sale** from 8 am

until 2 pm each day. Ellie Birch is once again heading up the sale. Your help is deeply appreciated. This sale helps to support our annual budget. The Deacons will also be hosting a **bake sale!**

On Sunday, October 15, we will hold our fall **Faith-in-Action** Sunday. We will begin at 9 am at the church with the opening of worship and then move out into our community to serve, returning to the church for the conclusion of worship at 11:30 am. There is no Sunday school that day and we hope all will join us in this great opportunity.

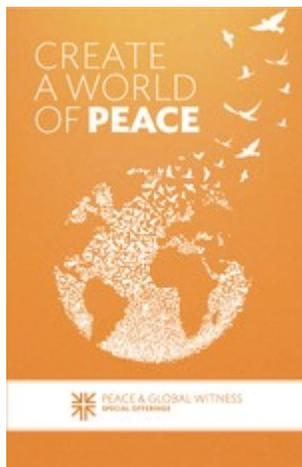
Following our Faith-in-Action morning, the Worship and Spiritual

Nurture Committee hopes you will join them at **Cousins Subs** on Highway 100 and Drexel (7700 S. Lover’s Lane) for their fund raiser. Cousins donates 15% of their sales between 11 am and 2 pm to the committee and the committee then uses this income for special worship item: banners, music, etc.

Throughout the month, we will be highlighting stewardship and its importance in our lives. Our **Commitment Sunday** (see article elsewhere) will be on Sunday, October 29, which is also Reformation Day. We are planning a celebration of the 500th anniversary of the Reformation.

You won’t want to miss all of the excitement.

Peace and Global Witness Offering



The letter to the Ephesians tells us that Jesus came to proclaim a universal peace. While the earthly ministry of Jesus occurred in a specific age and place, the peace he shared is limited by neither time nor geography. As followers of Christ, our call to work for peace begins

in our own neighborhoods and extends to the ends of the earth. It is a demanding call, but one that Presbyterians at all levels of the church are seeking to follow.

The Peace & Global Witness Offering supports the holistic and wide-ranging witness of the

whole church.

Twenty-five percent (25%) of this offering stays with us to enable us to support peace and witness needs here at home.

We hope you will give generously as the offering is received on Sunday, October 1.

School Supplies — THANK YOU!!

Many school supplies were received for Pleasant View School — like 430 pencils, 2275 individual pieces of notebook paper, 25 pair of scissors, 75 folders, 110 pens of various colors, 35 dry erase markers, 51 glue sticks, 20 boxes of crayons, 10 boxes of colored pencils, 18 boxes of markers, 28 rulers, plus 20

composition notebooks, 25 spiral notebooks, tissues, napkins, Zip-lock bags, disinfectant wipes, and notebooks. Plus glue, index cards, and other miscellaneous school supplies. So, THANK YOU!!

These supplies were taken to Pleasant View prior to the start of school so students without needed supplies



could have them ready for the first day.

Your generous contributions are deeply appreciated.

Celebrate 500th Anniversary of the Reformation

On October 31, 1517, Martin Luther nailed his 95 Theses on the door of the Wittenberg, Germany church, calling the Roman Catholic Church to reform. His major gripe was the sale of indulgences — meaning you could purchase forgiveness from all of your sins — re-

gardless of what they were.

It seems that Luther saw the Church benefiting from these sales and using the proceeds to build St. Peter's in Rome.

On Sunday, October 29, we will commemorate the beginning of the

Reformation during worship.

You can find more information at this website: presbyterianmission.org/story/resources-celebration-500th-anniversary-reformation

A great article is at <http://bit.ly/2xKUQuJ>



Live Simply — Stewardship Theme

During the month of October you will be hearing about our Stewardship Theme: Live Simply. Throughout the Sundays of October we will be talking about ways we are to live simply and how

God encourages us to do so.

Commitment Sunday will be held on October 29.

Watch for bulletin inserts and other information and let's all

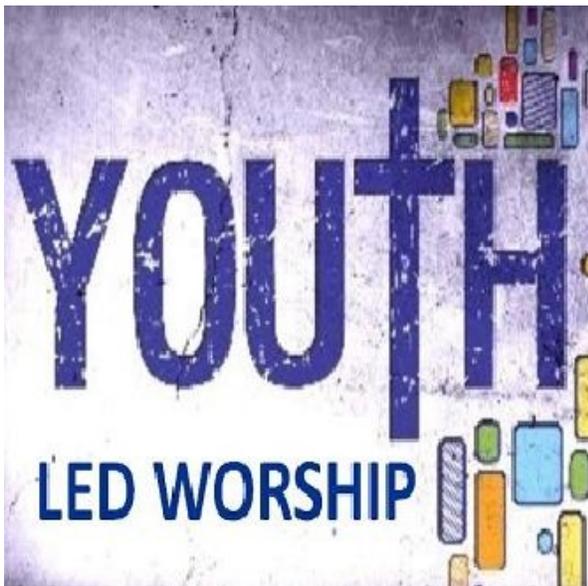
learn to live simply in God's world.



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Youth to Lead Worship on October 22



Our youth group will be leading our worship on Sunday, October 22 and we encourage you all to be present as this great group of young people "take over" worship for the day.

Christian education elder member and youth advisor, Rich Hudy, is working with the youth in putting this service together. I'm told there may even be magic!