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## The Seeds of Love Are Small and Mighty

Dearly Beloved,

Bardstown Road Presbyterian Church is busy planting the seeds of love. In June we have gone to Buckhorn, and we have prepared a new home for a refugee family. In July we will participate in building a new Habitat for Humanity house and we will celebrate our children in Vacation Bible School. It has already been a wonderful summer and we are looking forward to more fellowship, work and laughter to come. We not only, "hammer out the love between our brothers and our sisters", we are play, weed, paint, trim, bend, lug, pour, carry swim, cook, eat, skip, fly, balance, hug, smile, plant, run, toss, tell, clean, scrub, laugh, sleep, read, stretch, drink, walk, drive, call, pray, hammer, ring and sing out the love between our bothers and our sisters all over this land! Take a look at our web page and our Facebook page for updates and photos.

We don't do any of this alone. We do it with many partners in ministry and love. Buckhorn was begun in 1902 as a school for the children of Appalachia and has developed into one of the premier places for crisis counseling for youth. Buckhorn does amazing things and BRPC has been a part of its mission for over 50 years. The founders of Buckhorn planted a seed which has grown and blossomed profusely and abundantly. BRPC's mission committee has set aside funds to act as "seed money" for Buckhorn's Nehemiah project. We are working on ways to inspire other congregations in Mid-Kentucky Presbytery and beyond to join us and make our contribution grow so that as in the parable of the mustard seed, all children can bask in its shade and enjoy the love God in Christ has to offer.

The new family that is coming to Louisville through KRM will be able to live in, "the house that love built." BRPC is joining First Presbyterian Church Shelbyville and First Christian Church Shelbyville in welcoming the Khai family to Louisville on June 27, 2018. Together we have scrubbed, cleaned, vacuumed, furnished and decorated a house on Woodlawn Ave to welcome the family. When it is stocked with food, it be a haven for this family who has fled Myanmar and has been living in a refugee camp in Kuala Lumpur for

welcome the family. When it is stocked with food, it will be ready to be a haven for the Khai family who fled Myanmar and has been living in a refugee camp in Kuala Lumpur for many years. We are looking forward to greeting this family of eight at the airport and sharing the love of God with them.

BRPC is a congregation that may be small but is mighty in vision and hope. BRPC sees itself as a caring community. As God's coworker and partner, BRPC works together for a healthy world in which the values of justice and togetherness nourish the spirit, respond to God's call, spread Christ's radical love for a just and peaceful world.

This outward focus is balanced by the congregation's appreciation of its many programs. The congregation enjoys the Worship Services with the beautiful music sung by the choir and the congregation. We demonstrate our love of each other in the many ways the BRPC cares for each member and in the ways we nurture our young disciples through our Nursery, Children's and Youth Groups. We enjoy the Newsletter and the way it communicates BRPC's activities to is many supporters. We revel in the Advent and Lenten Programs and Vacation Bible School. Mission Projects such as the Buckhorn trip, Project Warm, Habitat for Humanity, environmental stewardship and making our building available for outside groups are highly valued. We spread Christ's Love!

Let us continue to spread the Gospel! Let us continue to plant seeds of God's love.

Your fellow worker in Christ, Mary



**FINAL CALL FOR PERCEPT SURVEY**

We have appreciated the response received so far for turning in your Percept Survey. If you have not sent in yours, please mail it to the church or drop it off at the church office at your earliest convenience so that this information can be sent in and we can receive valuable feedback about our church and neighborhood.

The deadline for receiving the Percept Survey will be Sunday July 15.

Thank you for your participation. *Keith Clements*

*Esperance and Ori at Cedar Ridge Night Owl Camp*



**NEIGHBORFEST: Save the Date!**

The 10th Annual NeighborFest is Saturday, September 15 from 3 - 5 pm. There will be many of the old favorites, and some new attractions. If you would like to volunteer, we would love to see you. This is a joint effort with Deer Park Baptist Church and the Deer Park Neighborhood Association. It's a great time for everyone, and we definitely love volunteers. If you wish to help call the church office or Becky Shafer at 895-0095.

We will need volunteers to help set up, help with different activities, and clean up. Please be thinking about how you can volunteer! *Thanks, Becky*

**VIDEO CAMP JULY**

BRPC is providing building space for a Video Production Camp sponsored by HCM. It is a week long camp on how to write, record, edit, produce, and publish video productions for students entering the 6th through 9th grade.

The dates are: Monday July 9 through Friday July 13 from 9 am to 4pm.

**JOINT SERVICE FOR THE BRP CONGREGATION AT DEER PARK BAPTIST CHURCH on SUNDAY JULY 1 at 11:00 a.m.**

Pastor David Platt invited BRP to join in the service at Deer Park Baptist Church on Sunday July 1. David Platt and Rev. Mary Nebelsick will conduct the joint worship with Deer Park and BRP on Sunday July 1 at 11:00 a.m. Dr. Albin Whitworth and Jeanie Grosz are planning the music that will include a String Quartet from the Louisville Orchestra, an organist, a pianist and a choir! Please come to the celebration!

**JULY BIRTHDAYS**

Reana Waritay	1
Uyen Nguyen	2
Justin Nintije	3
Spencer Bilyeu	5
Tom Pope	6
Kathy Bean	7
Joan Wagner	8
Allen Purnell, Jr	9
Gail Henson	12
Tom Winnenberg	12
Jennie Guelda	14
Kanah Johnson	14
Jan Hofmann	16
Ivona Nijimbere	17
Chuck Tanner	17
Patty Fitzgerald	24
Louise Anderson	26
Karyn Hickey	27
Nanci Overstreet	30

**Bardstown Road Presbyterian Church Staff**

Rev. Mary C. Nebelsick	Transitional Pastor
Rev. Jim Brees	Pastoral Associate
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Siram Coalter	Director of Children's and Youth Ministry
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## JUNE 19, 2018 SESSION HIGHLIGHTS

- Four newly installed Elders were welcomed: Claire Detlets, John Elgin, Lester Gamble, Sarah Hageman. Jenny Guelda, Siram Coalter, Youth Director, and The Rev. Nathan Sautter, Commission on Ministry, Mid-Kentucky Presbytery, were guests.
- The Rev. Mary Nebelsick presented summary findings of Precept Study completed by members of the congregation. Of interest were findings that BRPC's main concerns are: racial ethnic prejudice, stress, social injustice, companionship, spiritual teaching and good church.
- The Rev. Nathan Sautter advised Session members on the process of creating Pastor Nominating Committee. The Session agreed to continue the discussion in after-church meetings on July 8 and 22, 2018 to clarify how to and when to proceed
- Agreement was established on the following ruling elder assignments: Clerk of Session – Lin Block-Coalter; Congregational Life Ministry Team: Linda Bowman and Mary Mpanje; Worship and Music Ministry Team: Jeanie Grosz, Carol Brees and Cathy Moss; Treasurer and Personnel Committee: Claire Detlefs; Building and Grounds: John Elgin and Lester Gamble; Christian Education Ministry Team: Sarah Hageman. Assignments are pending for Mission and Service Ministry Team and Finance and Stewardship. A proposal was made that the Treasurer, as well as, the Chairs of Finance and Stewardship, Personnel, Building and Grounds Ministry Teams work jointly to assure the administrative functions of the Support Commission.
- The membership of BRPC was 84 with the passing of Charlotte Wilson and Beatrice (Bunky) Mathis.
- For the month, the church's operating budget had receipts of \$11,694 with expenses of \$19,976. Year to date the income is \$90,075 with expenses of \$87,887, leaving a surplus of \$2,187.
- Motion is made and approved for the creation of an Outreach Team Ministry undertaking tasks relevant to creating community awareness and welcoming,
- Joint worship is scheduled with Deer Park Baptist for Sunday, July 1, 2018.
- Sacrament of Holy Baptism will be conducted on June 24, 2018 for Owen Kellgren, son of Samantha and Brent Kellgren.

## BRPC SPONSORS REFUGEES

BRPC will join with First Presbyterian Church Shelbyville and First Christian Church Shelbyville in sponsoring a refugee family under the auspices of KRM.



BRP will give monetary assistance as well as in-kind donations.

## PRESENTATION OF GIFTS AND POTLUCK FOR BRITTANY!





# BUCKHORN MISSION TRIP 2018

It has been 23 years that an intergenerational group has been visiting the Buckhorn Children's Center in the steamy summertime.

Those who participated were:

Pastor Mary, Jennie Guelda, Bill Bowman, Joe Anne Overstreet, Claire Detlefs, Rod Eslinger, Kanah Johnson, Evelyn Overstreet, Graham Overstreet, Seo Waritay, Stevenline Waritay





## DAY AND EVENING CIRCLES

The Presbyterian Women's Circles do not meet during the summer months. Please watch the August and September newsletters for Circle start-up information. Enjoy the summer.

## MISSION COMMITTEE NEWS

### Cedar Ridge Camp

Day camp is still available in July for children ages 7-13 at **Cedar Ridge Camp**, the camp and conference center of Mid-Kentucky Presbytery located right here in Louisville. Check out opportunities and **register** on the camp website, [www.cedarridgecamp.com](http://www.cedarridgecamp.com).

Presbyterians can save by using the coupon code "Presbyterian" when registering online. Also, Cedar Ridge Camp may still be able to offer scholarship help. Contact Alicia Bloos, 502-496-0345, or call camp, 502-267-5848, for more info. **Register today!** It's easy! Make a fun, rewarding, enriching experience part of your child's (or grandchild's) summer experience! By the way, BRP campers in June included **Ari and Maddie Vanamburgh**, and **Esperance Niyibitanga and Oriverye Ndizeye**. When you see them, ask about their experience!

## Highlands Community Ministries

### **Back to School program**

BRP will again be assisting the Highlands Community Ministries' Back to School program to provide school supplies for children in need. We have committed to provide **backpacks**. Now we need your help! During July, please purchase a backpack (or 2 or 3 or ...!) and place in the designated spot in the back of the sanctuary. Rumor has it that decent backpacks can be purchased at Walmart for around \$3 each. You may also make a monetary gift and we'll shop for you! Mark your check "HCM Back to School" on the memo line. HCM will be picking up the items during the week of July 30, so please give **monetary donations by July 15** and **purchased items by Sunday, July 29**. Thank you!

### **Summer Food Drive**

For the third year, HCM is making a special request for food donations, as the Dare-to-Care food bank is quickly depleted during the summer. Each congregation is asked to donate specific food items. For BRP, that item is **macaroni and cheese**. Donations may be placed in the rear of the sanctuary **by July 29** and will also be picked up during the week of July 30.

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## Personal Care Items Needed

HCM is also seeking donations of personal care items. Neighbors in need receive emergency food and financial assistance, but personal care items are often low in supply. The following new items are most needed:

- Bars of Soap
- Toothpaste
- Shampoo
- Toilet Paper
- Deodorant
- Laundry Detergent
- Shaving Cream + Razors

Donations may be placed in the designated spot in the rear of the sanctuary.

## HABITAT NEWS—July 28

A new Presbyterian Habitat house begins in July! It's been over 20 years that BRP has joined with other Presbyterian churches to fund and build a new home for a family in need. The family will buy the house over a period of 20 years, paying off a no-interest and no-profit mortgage. The family will also contribute 400 "sweat equity" hours to work on their own and others' houses.

BRP's first workday on the new house will be **Saturday, July 28**. We need to have volunteers come and work on a variety of construction jobs, and we also need volunteers who can prepare and bring lunch to the workers. The new house is located in the South End, just east of Southern Parkway.

The new homeowner will be Farhiyo Abdulle. Come out to meet him on July 28!

## NEXT MISSION COMMITTEE MEETING

New members are welcome—and needed! The next meeting will be **Tuesday, July 10 at 7:00 P.M. in the Club Room**. Please attend and see if this ministry is where God is calling you to serve. Anyone interested in our involvement with our community and the world is invited to join the conversation! Contact Laura Stone at [laura.stoney@yahoo.com](mailto:laura.stoney@yahoo.com) 387-3038 or Alicia Bloos, [alicia-bloos@hotmail.com](mailto:alicia-bloos@hotmail.com) or 454-5259, for more information.

## BRP FOOD PANTRY We always need bus tickets — —thank you for those you have already donated!

Please give to the **BRP food pantry** as you are able. We need items that will stand the test of time: tuna and chicken lunchables, beanie weenies, peanut butter crackers, cheese crackers, granola bars, etc. All items should be in a single package and not need refrigeration. *Thank you for your generosity!*

## WORSHIP ON JULY 29th BRPC

On Sunday, July 29th Bardstown Road Presbyterian Church and Immanuel United Church of Christ will joining together for a **combined Vacation Bible School worship service** hosted this year by IUCC at 11:00 a.m.



## VBS 2018

**Dates:** July 23-27 from

**9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**Ages:** 4 through 6th grade

**Location:** IUCC

Our joint VBS program with IUCC will take place the week of July 23-27. The program is open to children 4 years of age through 5th grade. The hours will be from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00p.m. Monday through Friday that week with a joint worship service at IUCC on July 29th. Kids go grab your megaphones, lace up those cleats, and tune up your instruments. As we fill up the offensive line, sideline, and drum line, our players, cheerleaders, and band members, we learn about how God has given us what we need for this game of life. Get up! Get ready! Game on!

Please mark your calendars and plan to be a part of this special time in the life of our church. Registration forms will be available in the church offices at BRP and IUCC.

*Molly Rapp & Samantha Barrett, Co-Directors VBS*



## REPORT OF CONGREGATIONAL LIFE TEAM June 18, 2018

Our committee consists of Shirley Shaw, Anne Teaford, Mary Mpanje, Anne Campbell, co-chair, Becky Shafer, Sue Blakeley, Lindsay Bilyeu, Linda Bowman, Co-chair. We meet the second Monday of each month at 6 pm .

The responsibilities of the Congregational Life Team are to give "aid and support" to friends, and congregants in time of joy, sadness, stress and illness.

We are also responsible for Congregational fellowship, such as after church dinners, Bardstown Road Aglow, Easter Breakfast in the Park, celebrations of new staff, and farewell to staff who leave.

We have been busy these last few months.

- In collaboration with the Education Team we ask for and received a great response for preparation of meal for the youth for All Day Church.
- We have started a monthly visitation program. We would welcome anyone who would like to join us in the effort. We gather at noon on the second Friday of the month for a quick sandwich and then go out two by two to pay visits to homebound and care facility residents members and friends
- We have responded to a number of requests for rides to the doctor, food during an illness or times of grief or stress.
- We have completed the task of defining the team's responsibilities as requested by the transitional pastor

How you can help?

- Share with anyone on the team and/or Mary Nebelsick if you know of people who might need the church's help.
- Step up when asked to provide a meal or provide transportation to doctor, hospital visitation.

Upcoming: (in the planning stage)

- We will start again to send birthday cards to members and friends in September.
- We are currently working on a way to stay in touch with our college students
- Re-activate the prayer chain as a way of getting word out when there is the need for prayers and help.
- Mark you calendars even into 2019...Fellowship dinner and discussions
- August 12, 2018; November 4, 2018; February 10, 2019; May 19, 2019.

# July 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1 Communion</b> 11:00 a.m. Joint Worship at Deer Park Baptist Church	<b>2</b> 7 pm Guitar Group Club room	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> 8 a.m.-Noon, Farmer's Market
<b>8</b> 10:30am Fellowship 11:00 a.m. Worship Rev.Nebelsick preaching	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b> 7 pm Mission Team Meeting Club room	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> 8 a.m.-Noon, Farmer's Market
<b>15</b> 10:30am Fellowship 11:00 a.m. Worship Rev.Nebelsick preaching	<b>16</b> 7pm Worship Team Meeting	<b>17</b> 7 pm Session Meeting	<b>18</b> 6pm Congregational Life Meeting	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> 8 a.m.-Noon, Farmer's Market
<b>22</b> 10:30 Fellowship time 11 a.m. Worship Rev. Donna Frischknecht Jackson preaching	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b> <i>Newsletter Deadline</i>	<b>28</b> 8 a.m.-Noon, Farmer's Market  8:30 a.m. Work on new Habitat House
<b>29</b> Worship at Immanuel United Church of Christ at 2300 Taylorsville Rd.	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 8 a.m.-Noon, Farmer's Market
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it will open the BRP website.  
For others, the web page is at  
[www.brpres.org](http://www.brpres.org)

#### MARK YOUR CALENDARS

<b>July 1</b>	<b>Joint service is at Deer Park Baptist Church with BRP at 11:00 a.m. with Dr. David Platt and Rev. Dr. Mary Nebelsick</b>	
July 8	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship time
	11:00 a.m.	Worship with Communion, Rev. Mary Nebelsick preaching
July 10	7:00 p.m.	Mission Team Meeting, Club Room
July 15	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship time
	11:00 a.m.	Worship, Rev. Mary Nebelsick preaching
July 16	7:00 p.m.	Worship Team Meeting
July 17	7:00 p.m.	Session Meeting
July 18	6:00 p.m.	Congregational Life Meeting
July 22	10:30 a.m.	Fellowship time
	11:00 a.m.	Worship, Rev. Donna Frischknecht Jackson preaching
July 23—27		Vacation Bible School at IUCC
July 27		<i>Newsletter deadline</i>
July 28	8:30 a.m.	Work on new Habitat house
July 29	11:00 a.m.	VBS Worship Service at IUCC