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August 1st!

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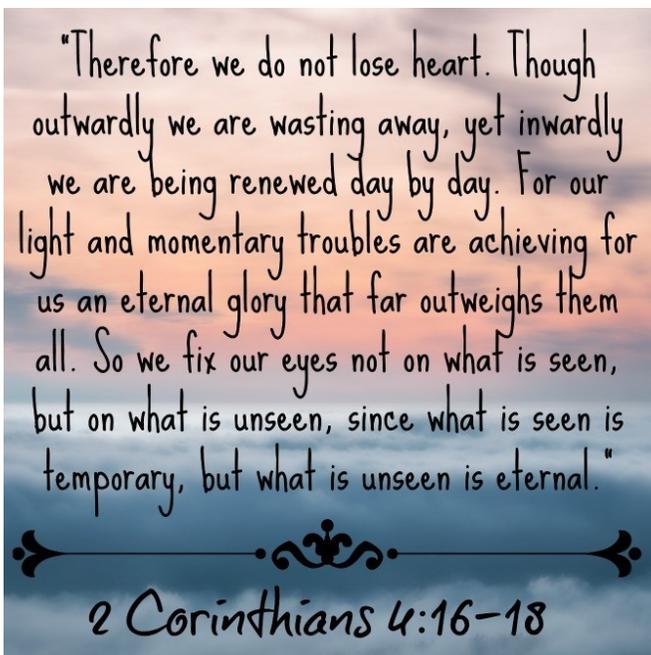
Handbell Concert  
August 1st too!

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**Thoughts from Rev. Scott McGinnis...**



Please read the verse to the left...

*"...lose heart."* Possibly heard as, *"Let's throw in the towel."* *"I give up."* *"I've stopped trying, it's over."*

Is there a possibility that "losing heart" is the biggest risk we face when fighting the good fight for the full and good life we desire? When I think of the lives of friends and family, I think the worst thing that can happen to them is for them to "lose heart." Whether it's them losing the ability to enjoy the good in life or whether it's losing the ability to fight for the good in life, it's tragic when we see someone "lose heart". Because while life isn't easy, it's worth fighting for.

How do we then "not lose heart" as the Apostle Paul exhorts us?

**"We fix our eyes on \_\_\_\_\_,"**  
I'll let you go back up and read Paul's exhortation again.

**"We fix our eyes on \_\_\_\_\_,"**  
(Please fill in Paul's answer.)

Paul is reminding us to remember our hope and remember the good in store for us. In Jesus, we win! This hope is real, but it sometimes seems that few have found it. So make note now, who do you know that has this pervasive hope? There are plenty of examples in Scripture that are there for us to read and learn from. There are also, very likely, a few folks you know who can be this encouragement to you during this season of life.

We can learn how to "not lose heart" from others along the way. Find someone who walks with God. Find someone who has walked with God through many seasons and has come through with heart. Find someone who has reconnected with their heart and so knows the

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way back from losing heart to finding ones heart again. You might ask them a hundred questions or you might watch how they live with and cared for their heart.

John Eldredge writes on this topic of heart in his book *Waking the Dead*. He writes about caring for our hearts. Here it is.

### ***Caring for our own hearts isn't selfishness; it's how we begin to love.***

*Yes, we care for our hearts for the sake of others. Does that sound like a contradiction? Not at all. What will you bring to others if your heart is empty, dried up, pinned down? Love is the point. And you can't love without your heart, and you can't love well unless your heart is well.*

*When it comes to the whole subject of loving others, you must know this: how you handle your own heart is how you will handle theirs. This is the wisdom behind Jesus' urging us to love others as we love ourselves (Mark 12:31). "A horrible command," as C. S. Lewis points out, "if the self were simply to be hated." If you dismiss your heart, you will end up dismissing theirs. If you expect perfection of your heart, you will raise that same standard for them. If you manage your heart for efficiency and performance, that is what you'll pressure them to be.*

*"But," you protest, "I have lots of grace for other people. I'm just hard on myself." I tried the same excuse for years. It doesn't work. Even though we may try to be merciful toward others while we neglect or beat up ourselves, they can see how we treat our own hearts, and they will always feel the treatment will be the same for them. They are right. Eventually, inevitably, we will treat them poorly too.*

As we approach the Fall season and the new things we will begin, I encourage you to put ***caring for your heart*** on your To Do List, before those many activities begin. You will surely need your heart for them.



## **Cruisers' News**

Cruisers & Friends,

Please mark your calendar for two opportunities to come together and visit ... briefly or linger!

#1 -Next Sunday, August 1st immediately following the church service...we will have a **car parade to honor DUANE GRAHAM on the occasion of his 90th birthday!!!**  
**See Details on the next page!**

#2 - On Sunday late afternoon/evening, **Aug 15th, at 5pm come to Fellowship Hall for a Cruiser and Friends Ice Cream Sundae Sunday!** toppings will be provided. If you want to share a cake, cookies or pie... that would be welcomed! No program ... no business ... just visiting!

~ Donna



## Prairie Bronze Handbell Ensemble

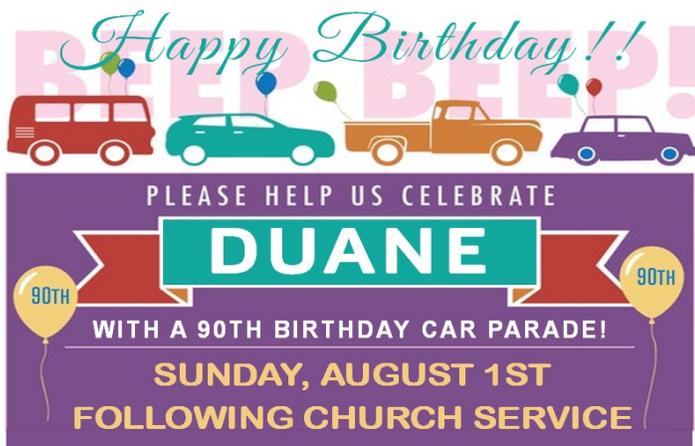


(left to right) Janelle Flory Schrock, Katie Lewis Githring, Darlene Buller, Mary Schmidt, Gregg Dick, Vada Snider (director), Kent Dick, Martha Urruh Szambecki, Brenda Turner, Jenny Royston Switzer, Marcia Brubaker. Ringers not available for photo: Marty Warkentine and Cindy Penner. Additional musicians: Nancy Johnson, violin; Lois Harder, soprano; Madeline Crawford, mezzo soprano and cello.

## Prairie Bronze Handbell Ensemble Concert

Sunday, August 1st, 3:00 pm  
First Presbyterian Church

Please join us for an  
afternoon of joyful music!



### Here are the details!

We will leave the church parking lot as soon as we can after the benediction and drive east on Broadway to the Manor. We will turn into the Manor Apartments parking lot just past the cul-de-sac driveway where Duane lives.

Duane will be out on his back deck for us to Honk and Greet him. If you want to drop off a card or visit for a bit, go ahead and park in the apartment complex lot.

Duane will likely have some family there as they have planned a Saturday celebration and some of the family will still be there while others will be returning to their homes about this time!

One of his daughters is excited a few church friends want to celebrate her dad! **There will not be refreshments provided.**

Just honk your horn, drop off a card, show him your sign, and say or sing...

**Happy 90th Birthday Duane!**

# 60 Years of LOVE

On September 1st, 2021  
Paul and Rojean DuBois  
will celebrate their  
60th Wedding Anniversary!

Where there is love,  
There is the blessing of God. . .  
Where there is joy,  
There is the presence of God. . .  
Where there is peace,  
There is the grace of God.

May God Bless You Always!



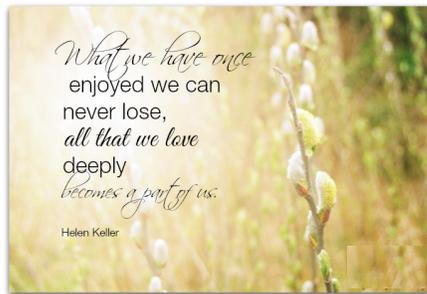
## We Fondly Remember Joan Gilmore...

Joan A. Gilmore 84, died July 20, 2021 at Comfort Care Home in Newton. She was born March 2, 1937 in Newton, Kansas to Tom and Edna (Frances) Abplanalp. On May 31, 1958 she married Paul Gilmore at Burns, Kansas and he preceded her in death on September 26, 1991.

Joan was a member of the First Presbyterian Church in Newton and worked as a Lab Technician at both Axtell and Bethel clinics.

She was known for her loving, kind, loyal and intelligent spirit. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother and friend to many. In addition to her love of family you could find Joan at local thrift shops, working on family genealogy or taking walks around the neighborhood. She also enjoyed learning new things and being around pets and animals.

Joan is survived by her children Susan Gifford, Thomas Gilmore and Sarah Miller; her sister Linda Strasser, niece Cathy Eaves 4 grandchildren and 6 great grandchildren.



She is preceded in death by her parents, husband Paul, and sister Thelma Gabel.

Graveside service was Friday, July 23, 2021 at Pleasant Center Cemetery in Rural Burns, Kansas. Memorial donations may be made to Caring Hands Humane Society in care of Petersen Funeral Home.



**Joan A. Gilmore**

*Photo from the 2000 FPC Directory*

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## We were honored to participate in the service of Dale Perkins...

Our Christian sympathy is extended to the family of Dale Perkins which include members Carol (John) Higgs and Scott (Addie) Perkins.



*In Memory*

### **IN MEMORY OF DALE EUGENE PERKINS**

**DATE OF BIRTH**  
5 May 1929 ~ Newton, Kansas

**DATE OF DEATH**  
1 July 2021 ~ Newton, Kansas

**FUNERAL SERVICES**  
10:00 A.M., Wednesday, 7 July 2021  
First Presbyterian Church  
Newton, Kansas

**OFFICIATING**  
Rev. Jim Anderson and Rev. Scott McGinnis

**ORGANIST** ~ Helen Wild

**VOCALIST** ~ Mike Flavin  
"On Eagle's Wings"

**VIOLIN** ~ Lillyan Higgs  
"Amazing Grace"

**BAGPIPES** ~ Darrell Graves  
"Going Home"

**SPECIAL MUSIC**  
"Shine Your Light" by Robbie Robertson  
"Go Rest High On That Mountain" by Vince Gill

**INTERMENT**  
Greenwood Cemetery  
Newton, Kansas

### **"TAPS"**

*Day is done, Gone the sun,  
From the lake, From the hill,  
From the sky.  
All is well, Safely rest,  
God is nigh.*

### **HONORARY CASKET BEARERS**

Clayton Sadowski ~ Wayne Porter  
Roger Fleming ~ Rick Schill  
Dennis Siemens  
And All Past & Present  
Members of Newton Fire/EMS

### **ACTIVE CASKET BEARERS**

Bob Hiebert ~ Jim Rostetter  
Rod Wedel ~ Jim Jackson  
Randy McBee ~ Dean Davis  
Steve Brackeen ~ Phil Baldwin

### **MILITARY HONORS**

Ft. Riley Honor Guard  
Hillsboro American Legion

### **MEMORIAL FUND**

Newton Fire Antique Firetruck Fund  
United Church of Christ  
Kansas Honor Flight  
Good Shepherd Hospice

Family and Friends are invited for a luncheon immediately following the interment at The American Legion, 400 South Spencer



## PRAYERS & PRAISES

Please pray for relief from trials along with prayers of thanksgiving for blessings.

Greg Schmidt

Rhonda Tillberg

The family of Dale Perkins  
(Carol (John) Higgs' &  
Scott (Addie) Perkins' father)

Bill Humphrey

Laura McKaig  
(Donna (Jim) Anderson's mother)

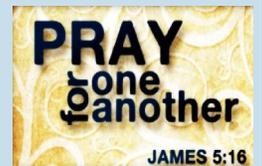
Elizabeth Anderson  
(Jim & Donna Anderson's daughter)

Ben and parents Troy & Kari  
(Friends of Nate & Julie Regier)

Craig Steffen & wife Janice  
(Julie (Nate) Regier's brother-in-law & sister)

Vicky Schroeder  
(Friend of Sandy Larson)

If you have a prayer request or want to become a member of the prayer chain, please contact Rojean DuBois at 316-772-8128.



### Ken and Marlene Harvey are moving!

Their new address is:

117 C Jones Street  
El Dorado, KS 67075

They have also shared their phone number:  
316-600-5050



*Blessings to Ken & Marlene as they move to their new home!*

## AUGUST DEACONS REQUESTS FOR THE SALVATION ARMY FOOD PANTRY

- Ramen Noodles • Canned soups (any kind) •
- Peanut Butter • Jelly • Hamburger Helper •
- Microwavable and Boxed Macaroni and Cheese •

When you're shopping, please pick up these items for our neighbors in need.

*The need is great right now.*

*Also, please remember them in prayer.*

*Thank you!*





*Congratulations  
Ashley & Levi!*

### Levi Cheyney (son of Ron & Carol) is marrying Ashley Martin on July 31st!

Lets celebrate their marriage by sending cards of blessings, love, and congratulations to the couple!

Their address is:

**Levi & Ashley Cheyney  
3821 NW 61st St  
Oklahoma City, OK 73112**



Ashley and Levi's registry can be found at [www.theknot.com/us/ashley-martin-and-levi-cheyney-jul-2021/registry](http://www.theknot.com/us/ashley-martin-and-levi-cheyney-jul-2021/registry).



## FROM THE NURTURE TEAM

The Nurture team is getting busy with planning Sunday school classes and looking for teachers for this next school year. If you would like to teach please let Mary McGehee know. We have 3 classes of kids and an Adult class. The ages for the kids are: 3 – 6 year old's, 2<sup>nd</sup> – 5<sup>th</sup> grade and 6<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup> grade. We have some wonderful kids in our church family. All of the materials would be ready to go for you to teach. All you really have to do is read over the lesson so you know what you are doing. For the adult class we are still working on what to do, but we really want to get an adult class together. I pray you will pray over this opportunity and teach a class. Thank you.

## CELEBRATING NEW MEMBERS

As you know we brought in 7 new members on June 13<sup>th</sup>. Here are a few pictures taken at the luncheon in their honor! We had a fun time learning more about each other. If you see them, remember to welcome them!



Left to Right: Kayden Watson, Julie Robinson, Jenna Robinson, Jacklyn Giles, Major Giles, Cooper Perkins, & Abby Allmon

## SUMMER DAZE "Rising Above the Creek" CHRISTIAN CONCERT

"The weather was perfect, the music was great and you couldn't have asked for a better day for the event!" this was the sentiment of the attendees at the FPC sponsored Christian Concert on Sunday, August 11, 2021.

While the crowd was not huge, the Presbyterian Women and Outreach team felt like it was a success!

Lets get the word out and look forward to next year!





# PRESBYTERIAN WOMEN

## Working for Justice & Peace Calendar August 2021

- 6 Hiroshima Day
- 9 International Day of the World's Indigenous People
- 15 Day of Prayer for the Peaceful Reunification of the Korean Peninsula
- 19 World Humanitarian Day
- 22 Public Education Sunday

Neither Presbyterian Women Coordinating Team nor PW Circle will be meeting in August.

Note: The start time of each meeting has been changed from 9:15 am to 10:00 am.

Join us for a  
*Couples Bridal Shower*  
honoring

*Rachelle McGehee*  
&  
*Matthew Trzok*

on  
*August 28th, 2021*  
*10:30am*  
*First Presbyterian Church*

Registered at Amazon Wedding Registry  
and Crate&Barrel

Wedding Website:  
[www.theknot.com/us/rachelle-mcgehee-and-matthew-trzok-dec-2021](http://www.theknot.com/us/rachelle-mcgehee-and-matthew-trzok-dec-2021)

September  
Newsletter  
Deadline  
Friday,  
August  
20th

**S.C.O.T.S.**  
(Serving Christ & Others Through Stitches)  
**will meet September 21<sup>st</sup> from 9:30am to Noon!**

Our S.C.O.T.S group is still on summer vacation right now but are excited to getting back to meeting in the Fall!  
*We could use a supply of fabric for projects. If you or anyone you know would like to donate some, we would certainly not say no to be gifted with it.*

We are not an exclusive group and if you have that time slot open, please join us! We meet monthly and sometimes have 'sewing at home' projects to work on.

For more information, please call Carol Heinel, 316-283-8328.



# BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY & FRIENDS!

August 1 - Duane Graham (90th!),  
Lauren Hiebert  
August 4 - Angela Altum,  
Josh Weldon,  
Brent & Kelli Glann,  
Ken & Marlene Harvey  
August 7 - Judy Calbert  
August 8 - Gary Hunter,  
Caleb Weldon  
August 10 - Kathy Nye,  
John & Pat Morton,  
Lenny & Helen Wild  
August 12 - Mel McAnulty,  
Matt Darrow  
August 14 - Kay Enz,  
Addison Laswell, Lenny Wild

August 15 - Barbara Adee  
August 16 - Mark & Jenny Gihring  
August 17 - Sandi Johnston  
August 20 - Phil Anderson,  
Lindsay Schmidt  
August 22 -  
Steve & Susan Tangeman  
August 23 - Jamie Welfelt  
August 26 - Dean Allmon  
August 29 - Greg McGehee  
August 31 - Mike & Kay Enz,  
Mel & Donna McAnulty,  
Greg & Mary McGehee,  
Ken Schlup

*God's Blessings for  
Joyous Celebrations!*

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## CHURCH OFFICERS & EMPLOYEES

### ELDERS

Class of 2021: Rojean DuBois, Mel McAnulty, Nate Regier

Class of 2022: Kay Enz, John Higgs, Pam Trussell

Class of 2023: Susan Brack, Mike Enz, Jeraldine Smith

### DEACONS

Class of 2021: Angela Altum, LaDonna Schmidt, Greg Schmidt, Joan Stretcher, Lenny Wild

Class of 2022: Paula Anderson, Kelli Glann, Bill Humphrey, Jennifer Switzer

Class of 2023: Tricia Brothers, Beth Darrow, Alisa Dinneen, Jerry Krehbiel

### PERMANENT ENDOWMENT FUND BOARD MEMBERS

Class of 2021: Ron Cheyney, Brent Glann

Class of 2022: Keven Hiebert, Larry Trussell

Class of 2023: Mel McAnulty

*The 2021-2022 Presbyterian Planning  
Calendars can now be pre-ordered.  
The calendars will be around \$10 each.  
Please let Tricia know  
if you would like one ASAP!  
Email her at [newtonfpc@gmail.com](mailto:newtonfpc@gmail.com)!*

*Rev. Scott McGinnis, Pastor • Marsha Swander, Treasurer • Rojean DuBois, Clerk of Session  
Tricia Brothers, Admin. Office Mgr. • Mary McGehee, Children & Youth Director • Tony Martinez, Custodian  
Vada Snider, Choir & Bell Director • Helen Wild, Organist & Accompanist • Kelli Glann, Organist*



# JUMP! on in



The summer has flown by. School will start back up in a couple of weeks. I thought we would start back on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. We will go from 1:00 – 3:00 PM. We will be discussing what we did in the summer. What did you get to do this summer that you couldn't do last summer due to COVID-19? We will also talk about somethings that happened in our community this past summer. We will be going back to our lessons on: How to talk and listen to God, plus then how can we follow out His plan. I look forward to seeing you all on the 22<sup>nd</sup>. Good luck with your first days of school.  
Yours in Christ: Mary



Can you believe that summer is almost over and you are going back to school? I pray you all had a great summer. We will start

meeting again on August 22<sup>nd</sup>, from after church to 1:00 PM. We will begin our time together eating lunch. Then we will catch up with each other by saying what we did for the summer. We will have an object lesson on God's Faithfulness. I am looking forward to seeing you all on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. Good luck on your first days of school.  
Yours in Christ: Mary



## GRAND SLAM FOR HARVEST OF LOVE

First I want to thank you for all your support for this project. You all were so generous. Here are the results:

First Place: American League

Second Place: Watching a Movie

Third Place: National League

**We raised a total of over \$498.00!!**

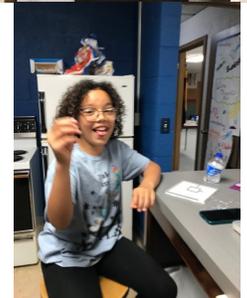
**I would say that was a Grand Slam for the Harvest of Love!**

Thank you again! Mary and the Kids

## WONDER WEDNESDAYS June – July 2021



I had so much fun this summer with Wonder Wednesdays. On any given week I had 4-10 kids there. It was a time for getting to know each other better, play games, eat snacks and do crafts. I am so glad whatever kids could join us came with such enthusiasm. (Sometimes so much this Director got tired!!) I have attached some pictures of us doing lots of things. I pray we will be able to do it again in the summer of 2022. Mary



*Worship Teams*  
*March 2021—August 2021*  
1st Sunday

Organist - Helen Wild

Ushers/ Lenny Wild and Jerry Krehbiel

Lay Reader - Sean Tomlinson

2nd Sunday

Organist - Kelli Glann

Ushers - Becky Cooper and Pam Trussell

Lay Reader - Brent Glann

3rd Sunday

Organist - Kelli Glann

Ushers - David, Judy and Jamie Welfelt

Lay Reader - Sandy Larson

4th Sunday

Organist - Helen Wild

Ushers - John & Joan Stretcher

Lay Reader - John Higgs

5th Sunday

Organist - Helen Wild

Ushers - Alisa and Evan Dinneen

Lay Reader - Debra Hiebert

Livestream/Audio Team

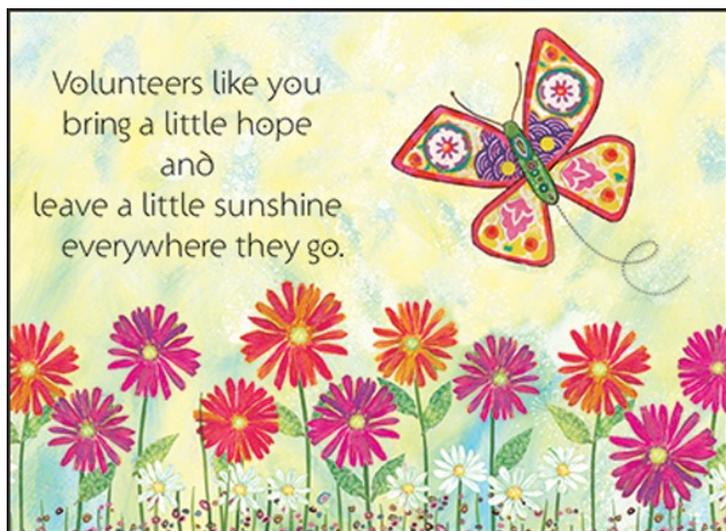
Larry & Pam Trussell, Mike Enz,  
 Steve Tangeman & Jerry Krehbiel

Usher Substitutes:

Susie Tangeman, Rita Allmon  
 John & Joan Stretcher, Mike Enz

Lay Reader Substitutes:

Debra Hiebert, Mark Gihring,  
 Tricia Brothers, Greg McGehee



Volunteers like you  
 bring a little hope  
 and  
 leave a little sunshine  
 everywhere they go.

**Worship Teams**

**September 2021—February 2022**

1st Sunday

Organist Helen Wild

Greeter Marilyn Sjogren

Ushers Susan Wyman and Carolyn Adams

Lay Reader Rojean DuBois

Livestream TBD

Audio Steve Tangeman

2nd Sunday

Organist Kelli Glann

Greeter Libby Trussell

Ushers Ron & Carol Cheyney

Lay Reader Mel McAnulty

Livestream TBD

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