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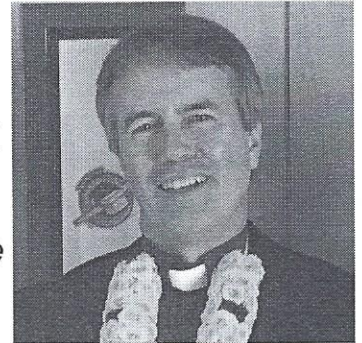
## CHUCK'S CHURCH CHAT

Saints,

Grace to you and peace...

In his novel, *Of Time and the River: A Legend of Man's Hunger in His Youth* Thomas Wolfe writes,

*"The ripe, the golden month has come again...Frost sharps the middle music of the seasons, and all things living on the earth turn home again... the fields are cut, the granaries are full, the bins are loaded to the brim with fatness, and from the cider-press the rich brown ooziings of the York Imperials run. The bee bores to the belly of the grape, the fly gets old and fat and blue, he buzzes loud, crawls slow, creeps heavily to death on sill and ceiling, the sun goes down in blood and pollen across the bronzed and mown fields of the old October."*



Last month my Dad and I took a drive in search of his grandparent's farm outside Franklinville, New Jersey where he had spent many a day roaming the fields of his youth. The old farmhouse where my Great Grandmom Nichols served him many a slice of warm apple pie was long gone, replaced by a modern two-story pseudo-log cabin surrounded by a watered, well-maintained green lawn, looking out of place, alone in a field no longer plowed and harrowed for crops. No recognizable trace of the Nichol's farm remained. Time can be a relentless, dispassionate assailant, leaving nothing more than thin fragments of memory in its wake, wafting like October leaves across the field.

But just a little further down the road we came upon another farm my Dad remembered from his youth where trees loaded with apples yet stretched back as far as we could see from the road. Years ago the orchard was also owned the Nichols family, my Dad's cousins, and we noticed a wiry, middle-aged man wearing a baseball hat walking briskly from his truck into a corrugated wagon shed. Pulling into the dirt driveway, under the limbs of a red maple, we wondered if this farm was somehow still in the family. I stopped the car alongside the shed and there in front of us we saw the name "NICHOLS" stenciled on a stack of gray wooden pallets!

To make a long story short we got out of the car, walked into the shed where we met our cousin Joseph Nichols for the first time. In true Southwest Jersey fashion he and Dad smiled and swapped stories about their respective time on the farm. Joe showed me a black and white photograph taken a hundred years ago of my great grandpop, standing proudly in the orchard before baskets filled to brim with what must have been a bountiful harvest! As I stared across the ages into his eyes the scent of ripe apples permeated the air around us. Cousin Joe told us the orchard is still going strong and that this year's crop

would be a good one. And in those moments, time itself took some time off, and generations of Nichols, of which I and my Dad are a part, all met there in the wagon shed to celebrate the harvest of 2019.

Perhaps more than any other month, October reminds us of the passing time, prompting both transition and reflection as the temperature drops, the hours of sunlight constrict, and the chirps of crickets are silenced as our lawns frost white. The falling leaves remind us of our mortality and for those outside the faith that can be terrifying! But for those who believe, October is merely another month that calls to mind our utter dependence on God, that the beauty of creation, even in it's descent into winter, yields an eternal truth- that no matter the season, love never dies.

Have a beautiful October,  
Rev

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# KEEP US IN YOUR PRAYERS



America  
Christians of India  
Marian Jones' List  
LuLu Kamenas  
NDUMC Missionaries  
Preston Family  
Boyce Family  
Fran Livecchia  
Our Schools

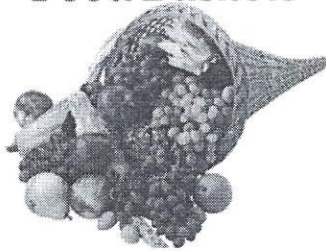
Convalescent Homes  
Allie Forbes  
Carney Family  
Mary Ellen Anglin  
Bub & Earlette Butterfield  
Coblentz Family  
Wounded Veterans  
Saturday Night Service  
Manny & Nora De La Paz

John Resch & Family  
Jean Fletcher & Family  
Brian & Alex  
Evelyn Millard  
Parkhill Family

**Pray for all those seeking employment, those affected by Natural Disasters, those suffering with addictions, those suffering from depression, those affected by acts of terrorism, all national leaders, all Servicemen and Women and all those serving at New Dover UMC.**

Any names that may have been left off are not intentional. We trust in God to know all our needs.

## *Thanksgiving Food Baskets*



**If you would like to sponsor a family for a Thanksgiving Food Basket, please fill out a form that can be found on the office door by November 3.**

## *SAVE THE DATES*

Oct 4-6	Ignite
Oct 13	Charge Conference
Nov 3	Hunger Walk
Nov 9	Lee Weaver Presentation
Nov 26	Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service
Dec 27	Sight & Sound



# SERMON OF THE MONTH

## "Sometimes I Turn, There's Someone There"

(Preached August 18, 2019)

Job 40:1-14

Hebrews 12:3-11

Saints, it seems lately that many members of our New Dover faith community have had to deal with more than their share of pain and suffering. I don't need to remind anyone here that grief and anguish are an ever present part of our lives, from the moment we squeeze out of the birth canal until our eyes close in death we have to deal with some form of pain and suffering to varying degrees each and every day of our lives. Pain and suffering that cause us to lose sleep can come in innumerable forms: from illness or injury to unexpected financial crises; from a family conflict to a dispute with a neighbor; from grief over the loss of a loved one, to anxiety over the loss of a job. Saints, as we know only too well, we live in a world where very bad things can happen to very good people.

There are those times in all of our lives when no matter how hard we try, we find no rhyme or reason when bad things happen to us, to someone we love, or to someone we know to be a compassionate, kind human being. Unable to come to terms with an incident such as this, we find ourselves asking that ultimate question: "*Why? Why God? How could this happen? What good could possibly come out of all this bad?*" And we pray and pray for healing, and we pray and pray for relief from the suffering, and we pray and pray for understanding and are confronted by the deafening silence of the Almighty. How can this be? Scripture tells us that the God who created the universe, watches over even the sparrow. If God cares for a common bird, certainly he hears our prayers, right? But why doesn't God do something?

One July day two years ago a group of Florida teenagers used their cellphones to video a man who was drowning. Five teenagers, ages 14 to 16, can be heard laughing as they record more than two minutes of the man struggling to stay afloat in a pond near his family's home.

The boys can be heard taunting the man, saying that he was going to die. "*Nobody's going to help you, you (stupid idiot). You shouldn't have got in there,*" one of the boys says. When Jamel Dunn, 31, slipped beneath the water, a voice can be heard saying "*he's dead*" and there is laughing. One of the teens then suggested calling police, but was dismissed by his friends.

When the event was brought to their attention, the state attorney's office said. "*Unfortunately, there is currently no statute in Florida law that compels an individual to render, request or seek aid for a person in distress.*"

When we hear a story of such callous neglect and disregard of human life we get sad and angry at the same time; how could those boys stand on the shore and do nothing, let alone taunt the person in distress? We utterly condemn the lack of action by the boys. But Saints, for many who have endured suffering and loss, this is their opinion of God.

Let me ask you something- when, in our eyes, God chooses to do nothing, is God not guilty of the sin of neglect? Doesn't God's apparent inaction nullify Jesus' words, "*Ask and it shall be given you,*" Was that precept from the Sermon on the Mount just a bad joke? For many who endure suffering or grief, or witness the same, it is far from a joke. It makes them bitter, so much so that like Job of old, they begin to question God; some may even lose their faith altogether. "*Why God? Why?*" they plead? Why was my loved one taken from me? Why do I have this affliction? Why do the innocent suffer?

Before we go further, please understand that the suffering I'm referring to is not the cause-effect variety. Some suffering is the consequence of our own doing: a smoker gets lung cancer; an embezzler ends up in jail; a murderer gets a sentence of life imprisonment. I'm not talking about such cause and effect suffering. Nor am I referring to those who endure hardship due to nobler means: a doctor fighting an Ebola outbreak or a missionary preaching the Gospel in dangerous places should expect to suffer. We can at least understand such suffering as that, because there's a definite cause-effect relationship going on. Other forms of suffering and hardship, though, seem to be completely disconnected to any rational cause. It is this so-called "indiscriminate suffering" that troubles us the most when it comes to matters of our faith. In our eyes there are many innocent, undeserving people who come into heartbreak and

hardship in the world: a family going to church on Sunday is killed in an auto-accident; a child contracts cancer; tens of thousands perish in a tsunami, and on and on. Why, why, why do things such as this happen? How can the God who professes to love every one of us so much, stand idly by while suffering and hardship strike again and again at God's children every day, year in year out? These questions, echoing down the millennia cannot be ignored, because to ignore them is to candy-coat our faith, and candy-coated faith can never stand up to the challenges of life.

You know what? The Bible doesn't candy-coat or shy away from the question of suffering, confronting it in a number of passages. In the letter to the Hebrews the suffering and persecution of the early Christians is described by the writer as the discipline of God, in the same vein as *"That which doesn't kill me makes me stronger."* Here suffering is a test of one's faith, therefore don't hide from it, experience it head on, and your faith will be fortified.

The great 20<sup>th</sup> century Christian writer, C.S. Lewis, in his lecture entitled "The Problem of Pain," wrote, *"We can ignore even pleasure. But pain insists upon being attended to. God whispers to us in our pleasures, speaks in our conscience, but shouts in our pains: it is His megaphone to rouse a deaf world...."*

Unlike C.S. Lewis or the writer of Hebrews, the Book of Job addresses suffering from a first-person perspective. Job is the one who has undergone all manner of loss and grief, and as anyone who has journeyed through the valley of deep suffering or grief will explain, you can try to describe your anguish, but unless the person you're talking to has had a similar experience, they'll never know; they'll never truly know.

Those of us called to be pastors, if we are true to our calling, cannot shy away from addressing the issue of indiscriminate suffering and death, because ignoring it, or worse, candy-coating it, especially in times such as these, would be not only irresponsible, it would demonstrate a weakness in my own faith. Yes, there are going to be some questions the answer to which we won't know until we've passed from this earth life, but to simply accept ignorance without at least confronting the issue is to give in too easily. And so, this morning I ask this question of God and at the same time place it before you as well: *Why do bad things happen to good people?* As with every question asked of God, we begin by examining the scriptures.

As I mentioned, the writer of Hebrews, echoed by C.S. Lewis, relates suffering to discipline, going so far as to ask his readers, the fledgling church, to *"Endure trials for the sake of discipline."* So that's it, huh? We are to endure suffering, for what? *"...for the sake of discipline?"* What the heck does that mean? Webster defines discipline as: *"Training that corrects, molds, or perfects the mental faculties or moral character."* The word in Greek for discipline is *paideia*, and it means *"an instruction which aims at the increase of virtue."* So what the writer of Hebrews is telling his readers is this: God employs the suffering and hardship of this world to mold us into the human beings we were created to be.

Our experience teaches us that there is wisdom in the words of Hebrews, does it not, for don't we often arise from our dark nights of the soul tougher and wiser than before the darkness fell? So there does seem to be some sort of cause and effect relationship here, but a question: is the writer of Hebrews implying that **God** brings suffering upon us in order to be better disciples? Is God the source of suffering? Is God, ultimately, to blame for suffering? Try telling that to a one whose mother or father is lying upon a bed of pain; tell it to a nurse in the Congo who has had infant after infant die in her arms of malaria and see what kind of response you will get. The writer of Hebrews states that God employs suffering to discipline us, but does that mean that God himself brings that suffering upon us? Hebrews never answers that question; for that we must turn to the book of Job.

As most of us know, Job's life embodied every type of suffering that a human could endure. Job who the story tells us, was *"blameless and upright, one who feared God and*

*turned away from evil..."* suddenly found himself beset by tragedy after tragedy. A man of great wealth and property, he lost everything in one day. Job's sons and daughters were dining together, when out of the blue arose a wind storm that caused the house to collapse, killing every one of them, and finally, Job himself was afflicted from head to toe with painful puss-filled sores that made his life a veritable living hell. His wife, who he probably thought he could count on for support, told him to simply curse God and die! But somehow Job not only lived on but remained faithful to his God, despite all that had happened to him. Although he maintained his integrity, he nevertheless raised the inevitable *"Why?"* question, and the remainder of the book is chock-full of a discussion taking place between Job and three of his friends, trying to figure out why people suffer, and what part, if any, God has to play in it. The argument sways back and forth, his friends believing that Job must have committed some great sin to bring on such a calamity, all the while Job maintaining that he was innocent of any wrongdoing. This goes on for 35 chapters before God finally has enough and dramatically breaks in to lecture Job from a swirling whirlwind. And so the answer

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given Job is the answer given us as well, and it is here that the issue of suffering is met head on by the very Creator of the universe.

God tells Job that it is beyond a mortal to comprehend the answer to a question such as that, because we know not the design for God's plan of Creation. *"Where were you when I laid the foundation of the earth?"* God asks. How can you blame Me for your suffering when you're incapable of understanding My motives, of contemplating the grand mystery of creation?

In other words, you'll never understand it, so stop blaming Me.

Now granted, this may sound to some of us like a divine cop out. Robert Frost, the American poet, stated as much in his comedic play, "A Masque of Reason." God pays a visit to Job and tells him, *"I've had you on my mind a thousand years to thank you someday for the way you helped me establish once for all the principle there's no connection man can reason out between his just deserts and what he gets... My thanks are to you for releasing me from moral bondage to the human race."* But later Job seems frustrated with God's reason for suffering- he presses on for a more satisfactory answer telling God, *"Such devilish ingenuity of torture did seem unlike You, and I tried to think the reason might have been some other person's. But there is nothing You are not behind. I did not ask then, but it seems as if now after all these years You might indulge me. 'Why did You hurt me so?' I am reduced to asking flatly for a reason — outright."* God hesitates then stammers, *"I'd tell you, Job..."* Job by this time is getting a little fed up- *"All right, don't tell me then if you don't want to. I don't want to know. But what is all this secrecy about? I fail to see what fun, what satisfaction a God can find in laughing at how badly men fumble at the possibilities when left to guess forever for themselves"*

So Saints, what do you think? Is God's answer to Job merely a means to avoid the question of suffering? On the surface it might seem so, but when we dig deeper we find that far from avoiding the question, God's answer actually cuts to the very heart of it. And at that heart what do we find? The key to the suffering puzzle depends not on some intellectual, theological analysis on the problem of suffering, but rather it's this- that no matter the pain, no matter the heartache, what's important is that we place our complete trust in God, rather than question God's motives. In other words, though we, like Job, have many questions about the seeming random nature of suffering, we can never allow the weight of our questions to supplant the faith we have in God. God asks us to believe in him no matter the questions that are left unanswered, no matter the chasm that exists between the mind of the creature and Creator.

Admittedly this is a very difficult thing for us to do. We are a people of inquiring minds, and inquiring minds want to know! We tend to raise our eyebrows and pull back when our questions go unanswered. We're uncomfortable living with mystery. If God is reluctant to fully divulge the reason there's suffering, how do we know this God can be trusted? Well, there is one event we can come back to again and again, and by so doing realize that despite the intense pain, overwhelming grief, and sense of abandonment, that often accompanies life, our God can indeed be trusted, and trusted fully. Saints, Jesus suffered through every one of these agonies, even unto death on a cross. Those looking on heard him cry out, *"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"* They must have wondered why God would let one so kind, so compassionate, so loving as Jesus suffer so. But in this case you see, God did provide an answer. On the morning of the third day, God provided an ultimate answer. On that day the answer emerged from the shadows of an unsealed tomb and limped on bloody, scarred feet into the dawn of a new age. And that walker invites each one of us to follow in his footsteps, to trust as he trusted, to live as he lived, to limp as he limped, to suffer as he suffered. To live a life of complete faith in God's grace and hope in God's promises, despite the questions that remain unanswered, the mysteries we may never solve.

For that is life, isn't it? A journey that takes us over sunlit hills and through darkened valleys. None of us, no matter our faith, no matter our goodness is immune to suffering and sadness, but that's okay. As long as we believe that even when we can't sense his presence, God is always near. That's what faith is all about is it not- belief in things unseen, unheard, unfelt..

And so I guess the bottom line on pain and suffering is this: we'll never fully understand why it exists, but despite such mystery, we need to trust in God, the same God who affirmed Jesus' life and teaching on that first Easter morning. Do that, and like Job, we will make it through to the end. Without faith pain and suffering can weaken and destroy us. But with faith, enduring pain suffering will strengthen

and inspire us. Faith is what gives us the courage to cast our fears aside and live out the Gospel.

I close with words of wisdom, not from Hebrews or Job, or Robert Frost, but from Bob Dylan, who in his song "Every Grain of Sand:"

*"I hear the ancient footsteps like the motion of the sea  
Sometimes I turn, there's someone there, other time it's only me..."*

That's it saints. That's life. They are the same footsteps that limped out of the tomb and out through the garden, glistening blood mixing with the Easter morning dew. Suffering, death, and resurrection made one in the journey. Sometimes in life we turn and God is there; other times it's just us. But through it all, we endure, we stagger on, and we triumph together.



ATTENTION ALL YOUTH FROM GRADES 6 - 12!!



IGNITE 2019  
OCTOBER 4-6  
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## UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

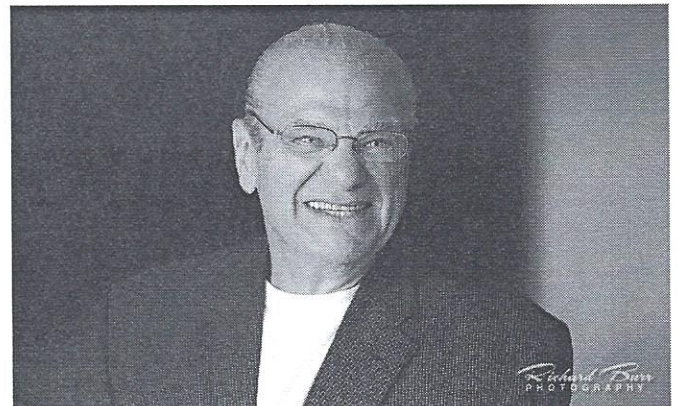
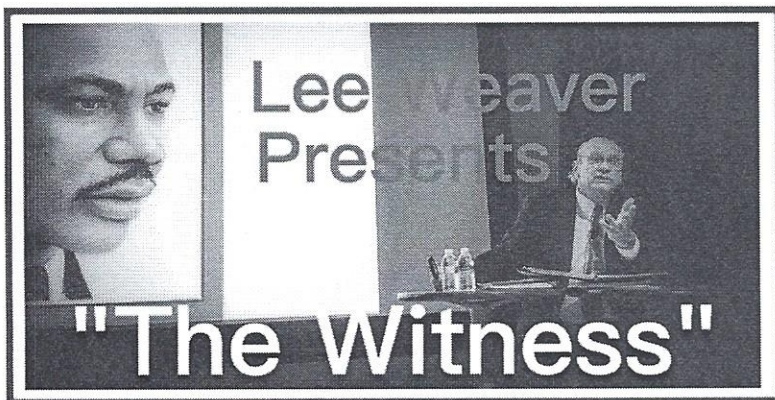
Our next meeting is October 9th at 6:30pm in Fellowship Hall. We will be presenting the 4th in a series of Growing Up outside the USA. Patrick Kingsly will tell us about growing up in India. Enjoy refreshments afterward. ALL women of the church are invited to attend.

The United Methodist Women are sponsoring a trip to Sight & Sound on Dec. 27, 2019, to see the Christmas Show, after which we will have a buffet style lunch at Shady Maple.

The cost of the trip is \$122.00 which includes the bus, driver's tip, **a center-orchestra seat** at Sight & Sound, and the luncheon at Shady Maple with gratuity. The bus will leave the New Dover UMC back parking lot promptly at 7:00 am and we should be back at the church between 6:30-7:00 pm.

A \$50.00 deposit will hold your seat and is due at this time. The balance of \$72.00 is due by Nov. 17, 2019. Checks should be made payable to **United Methodist Women**. There are special prices for children at Sight & Sound and the restaurant. Please see me for prices and age restrictions. No seats will be held without a deposit and are sold on a first come/first serve basis. We must sell at least 40 seats or the trip will be cancelled. There will be no refunds after final payment is made unless we have a waiting list.

Any questions on either event , please see Connie Thomas at church or call her at 732-287-2231.



Lee Weaver, a former pastor at New Dover UMC, will present his one man show, "The Witness" on November 9th.

It is the story of "Bo," a 69 year old former self-confessed racist, born and raised in St. Augustine, FL, who tells his story of the struggle for Civil Rights in America, particularly in St. Augustine.

We will have a potluck dinner at 5pm followed by the show.  
There will be a free will offering.

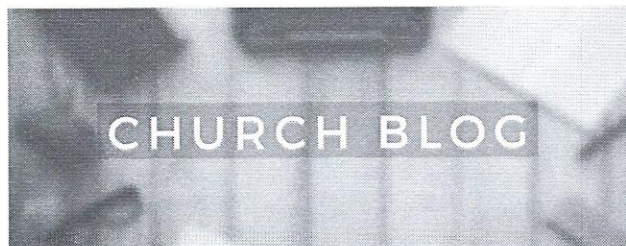


# MEMBERSHIP BLOG

We go back in time and begin our blog with August services. The hour continued to be led off with a hymn sing by request. Our choir was present for Communion Sunday, and sang "Show Them the Way to Jesus" for the anthem. The Scripture for the day was Mark 8:27-36. Rev. discussed the nature of secular bait and switch tactics as well as its use in Christianity. Many preach that money (and often prayer) will ease all troubles; these are the "wolves in sheep's clothing" that profane the Gospel. Jesus pulls no punches about what is expected of the faithful. Would we rather accept a watered down faith of inferior quality, or the real thing preached by Jesus? Holy Communion followed at the railings and the service ended with "Where He Leads Me." The following Saturday, Rev. spoke on narcissism, and the dichotomy of faith in God versus fear of death. We must trust in God rather than ourselves. The praise band was enhanced by a guest saxophonist (thank you John!). On Sunday the congregation was treated to a selection by the Filipino members of our church family-"God is Love"-sang in their native language. The Scriptures for the day were 1 Kings 17:17-25 and Luke 4:38-44. Our guest speaker was Deepika Srivastava from Vellore Christian Medical College in southern India. She talked about their humble beginnings 101 years ago and how much they have grown; they are now looking to partner with US churches and communities to support their efforts. Whenever even one person answers God's call, lives can be changed and physical and spiritual healing can take place. The world is our parish, and we are all connected through the work of Christ. Deepika was available during fellowship to answer questions; thank you for broadening our horizons! The next weekend our hymn sing included "Amazing Grace" and "Are Ye Able" to start things off. Our pastor provided the anthem, accompanying himself to Bob Dylan's "Every Grain of Sand". The Scriptures for the day were Job 40:1-14 and Hebrews 12:3-11. Rev. discussed the issue of suffering, our ability to live through hardship with spiritual discipline, and the need to be aware that we have a limited understanding of God's ways and purposes. The ending hymn, "We'll Understand it Better By and By" reinforced his comments. The next weekend our pastor was on vacation and Rev. Sutherland took the pulpit. The service included "My Tribute", the anthem sung by the Catherine & Alethea P., Mary Jane M. and Grace K.-great job ladies! The Scriptures for the day were Exodus 3:1-12 and Luke 4:16-20. Rev. Sutherland noted that we are often called to do things we feel unqualified for, which keeps us from following our calling. Yet we are in situations and places for a reason. Let's follow Him and connect with others who are hurting; where we lack, God will fill the void. Thank you Davidson for a great first Sunday sermon! The last day of August was auspicious, being the last Saturday performance of our current praise band, whose members went their separate ways after many years of being together. The Saturday service continues on, with new talent and direction. Thanks to all past band members, road crew and our loyal Saturday congregation for making it a joyful, unforgettable experience!

September services began on Labor Day weekend with Communion Sunday. Our Chancel Choir was present to sing the anthem and help us with the hymn sing. The Scripture for the day was Matthew 19:16-22. What is our level of commitment to our faith-are we truly willing to surrender all; and if we have all we want, are we content or do we continue to pursue more and judge ourselves by our possessions and accomplishments? This pursuit isolates us; let's concentrate on our relationships with each other, give up what we don't need, and pursue the Kingdom of God! Following Communion, the service closed with "I Surrender All". On the second weekend of September we had our final 9:30 service and hymn sing of the summer. Grace K. and Anita D. sang for the anthem. The Scriptures for the day were Jonah 2:1-10 and Mark 35-41. In the wake of Hurricane Dorian and its destruction, Rev. spoke about the storms in our lives. When we are in the eye, the calm, of life's storms, we need to use that time to focus and pray. Then when the storms come, we need to trust God to bring us through. Let's act like storm chasers, helping others to navigate their storms. Following the service, the congregation gathered again at Merrill Park for the annual picnic during the afternoon.

Finally, many of the congregation attended the August 17 funeral service of long-time member Joe Preston, who passed into glory on August 14, 2019. Joe was always there for his church family, quietly serving as needed and taking no credit for his work as God's servant. Our condolences to his family-we will miss you Joe! Also, sincere condolences to Jean Fletcher, who unexpectedly lost her husband Al in August. We always looked forward to seeing him on Christmas Eve, dressed to the nines with a cheerful smile for everyone. May he rest in eternal joy and peace.





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6 World Communion Sunday /Ignite 8:30 & 10:15 Worship 9:00 Adult Sunday School 10:00 Church School 11:30 Choir Practice 11:30 & 12:00 Handbell Practices 11:30-1:00 ADC Bible Study 5-6:30 Telugu Service	7 10:30 Hot Topics 7:00 Nurture Meeting	8 7:30-1:30 Flea Market 7:30 Scout Troop 44 (WH)	9 10:00 Prayer Fellowship 6-8 Karate 6:30 UMW	10 7:00 Hot Topics 7:30 AA	11 6-8 pm Girl Scouts Troop 80105	12 10:00 Karate (WH) 1:00-4:00 Kids for Christ 5:00 Praise Service 6:30-8 Telugu Service 7:30 AA & AI Anon
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## October Birthdays

- 1 *Nalini Dialle*
- 2 *Narasimha Cimala*  
*Charles Greve*
- 6 *Claudine De Simone*
- 7 *Lisa LaFauci-Gilmore*
- 8 *Edward Ladym*  
*Oliver Vyas*
- 9 *Anita De Simone*
- 10 *Patrick Kingsly*
- 11 *Subhas Budala*  
*Michael Lettieri*
- 12 *Kirsten Rodriguez*
- 13 *Chelsea Nyema*  
*Lynn Summers*
- 14 *Allison Crouse*  
*Marion Jones*  
*Lori Perrine*  
*Jessica Preston*
- 15 *Kyle Sanders*  
*William Sanders*
- 16 *Wilfredo Manglapus*  
*Tyler Rademacher*
- 17 *Anthony Sarno*
- 19 *Wilson Christian*
- 22 *Sunitha Thumma*
- 23 *Carla Maza*
- 24 *LuLu Kamenas*
- 27 *Rachel Aludino*  
*Sylvia Boyd*
- 28 *Susan Paserchia*
- 29 *Marilyn Kimball*  
*Melanie Maza*
- 30 *Anaiah Lewis*
- 31 *Victor Vilela*

## October Anniversaries

- 17 *Robert & Kyle Becker*
- 20 *Herb & Dianne Petersen*
- 21 *Jim & Peggy Silva*
- 23 *Frank & Mary Ann Pagano*
- 29 *Peter & Dawn Burnett*
- 30 *Anthony & Alyssa Sarno*
- 31 *Scott & Jennifer Fisher*

