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God's Plan For You: Will You Go? Carissa Mayec

God has a plan and special purpose for your life. Although sometimes it can be difficult to see where this plan will lead, and we may stumble in being able to fully trust God without knowledge of what's coming, it is important to remain steadfast in believing that purpose for you. You will be the most content, full of joy, and complete when you hold onto His promises and allow him to mold your future. For it is only possible to have rich spiritual blessings when one's life is centered on God's plan.

"...Look, as the clay is in the potter's hand, so are you in My hand..." (Jer 18:3-6)

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you a hope and a future." (Jer 29:11)

As God has already decided who, what, where, when, and why, it is our duty and our privilege to sit back and allow God's hand in our lives. When you trust Him, things work according to His will and good, saving you from outside forces you may not even know of. It is important to cast your thoughts, desires, needs, and even wants onto Him. However, He knows what is best for our lives. Sometimes, God allows things outside of His greater plan for us to happen that will teach us lessons - lessons of faith, lessons of life, lessons of understanding. Because we do have free will, He allows us to make decisions that do not always align with His will for us, but then we must face the consequences. Our best bet at a fulfilled life is walking beside Christ daily.

Yes, we all will slip up from time to time, but remember to repent and walk on into His plan. My prayer for you this August is to allow God's hand in your life. Have a wonderful end of summer!

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AND MORE!

Stepping Into Our Church History: THE COMMUNION TABLE

Our church celebrates the sacrament of Communion on the first Sunday of every month, except during the season of Lent. The communion table is set in the front of the church. On it are the Chalice, the cups of grape juice (representing the Blood of Christ), and the pans of bread (representing the Body of Christ). The Communion celebrant speaks to the congregation and then begins the symbolic ritual to prepare for the sharing of Communion. Each movement madeby the celebrant to the Chalice is symbolic and reminds us of the sacrifice that Jesus bore for the redemption of our sins. This article details each movement and its symbolic meaning as we prepare our hearts and minds for Communion.

On top of the Chalice and the Chalice Veil is a **Burse**. This burse is like a square purse or holder that contains small linen corporals, which can be used to clean a spill or wipe the lips of the celebrant. This is lifted off and set aside. Covering the entire Chalice and other items is the **Chalice Veil**. This veil reminds us of the veil in the Temple that was split in two when Jesus died on the cross. As the celebrant carefully lifts the veil off the Chalice, it symbolizes that we can now approach the altar as unworthy sinners and enter into union with God.

The next item that the celebrant lifts is the **Pall**, which is a linen square covering a stiff cardboard support. The pall symbolizes the small cloth that covered the face of Jesus when He was placed in the tomb.

Under the pall is a round metal plate which holds the large primary communion host, called the **Paten**. It symbolizes the large round stone rolled in front of the tomb of Christ. It is at this point that the celebrant holds up the host and breaks the bread as Jesus did at the Last Supper, informing the disciples that the body of Christ would soon be broken for all mankind.

The Chalice is now open and exposed. The Chalice sits on a larger white linen square on the communion table, called a **Corporal**. This symbolizes the winding cloth or shroud that covered the body of Jesus when He was placed in the tomb.

The final action of the celebrant is to lift the Chalice off the corporal and hold it for all the church to see. The Chalice holds the grape juice to symbolize the Blood of Christ, which was shed for us. This action was initially performed at the Last Supper to help the disciples comprehend what was about to take place. They were told to repeat this breaking of bread and drinking of the cup so that future generations would never forget the entrance into a New Testament between God and man.

The table is a sacred place where we again take into our beings this sacrament of Communion. Let each of us fully thank God for this privilege and honor to humbly join into the Body of Christ.







BURSE

VEIL

PALL







CHALICE

The Chest and The Need

During offering times, The Chest is opened. All monies dropped into The Chest are used for restoration projects in the temple. God's house is God's house, and excellence is required.

Six month total (Nov-April): \$14,607.07 The total collected for May: \$1,891.00 The total collected for June: \$1,160 The total collected for July: \$1,756.95



There are large projects set for the near and distant future requiring large expenditures. These include a new heating system, tuck-pointing the exterior and unique repairs in the boiler room ceiling. Thank you for all your gifts and continued support. The need is great and your faithful giving preserves the Temple for future generations.

When the shoes from the Shoe Collection are shipped, that money will also be deposited into the Chest for restoration. Thank you for supporting the upkeep!!

Shoe Drive

In a month, we have now reached over 70 bags of shoes! Our initial goal is 100 bags. Then, all bags of 25 pairs of shoes receive additional bonus rewards for collecting them. August will be a good month, as one of our partner churches is holding a yard sale and donates all shoes to our Shoe Drive.

In past years, this has amounted to over 200 pairs!

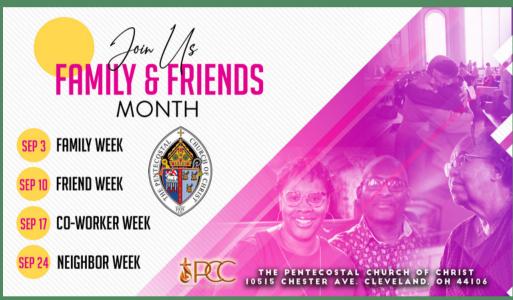
Please continue to bring in the footwear from men, women, boys, and girls and take them to the Mezzanine level for processing. Thank you. Your donations MATTER!

A special loving thanks to Sister Elizabeth Levert, who has worked faithfully to process the shoes that come in each week.

TEMPLE OBSERVATIONS

Upcoming Events and Important Announcements-August 2023







Back-to-School Supply Drive

On Saturday, August 26,2023, PCC Next Gen will sponsor a Back-to-School event at the church. Backpacks filled with school supplies will be available for students in pre-school through high school. Community resources will also be available. Please support this event by donating back to school supplies. There are bins located in the Hall of Pastors designated for school supply donations.

Family & Friends Month

September is Family & Friends Month. As a member of pCC, you can participate by bringing guests to church each week as follow:

Sept 3: Family

Sept 10: Friends

Sept. 17: Coworkers

Sept. 24: Neighbors

Women of G.R.A.C.E Women's Retreat

Women of G.R.A.C.E!! The next fellowship will be a Women's Camping Retreat taking place September 7-9, 2023 at The Retreat at Sandusky, 2214 Cleveland Rd W, Sandusky, OH 44870. The camping retreat will kick-off on Thursday evening with a cook-out and fellowship activities. Then on Friday morning, breakfast will be served. The day will continue with enriching sessions and demonstrations that will be sure to help your personal growth as well as help you grow closer to God. The retreat will close on Saturday with a time of reflection and encouragement. The camping retreat is \$200/per person and includes the registration fee, 2-night accommodations, dinner each night, breakfast on Friday and Saturday morning, and lunch options on Friday. You can register by going to www.pcccleveland.org or by seeing a member of the registration team in the Hall of Pastors after service. Space is very limited so register today! Registration is non-refundable and non-transferrable.

7 Inspirational Scriptures for August

~Luke 6:27-28 KJV

27 But I say unto you which hear, Love your enemies, do good to them which hate you,28 bless them that curse you, and pray for them which despitefully use you.

~Ephesians 3:20-21 KJV

20 Now unto him that is able to do exceeding abundantly above all that we ask or think, according to the power that worketh in us, 21 unto him be glory in the church by Christ Jesus throughout all ages, world without end. Amen.

~Jeremiah 29:13 KJV

13 And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart.

~Luke 1:37 KJV

37 For with God nothing shall be impossible.

~Psalm 119:105 KJV

105 Thy word is a lamp unto my feet, And a light unto my path.

~1 Thessalonians 5:11 NLT

11 See that no one pays back evil for evil, but always try to do good to each other and to all people.

~James 5:16 NLT

16 Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The earnest prayer of a righteous person had great power and produces wonderful results.

Prayer Corner

Mother Clarice Craig-Mavec

Dear Lord, God of all creation, You are perfect, sovereign, loving, compassionate, and good! Thank You that Your Word is Truth! You guide us towards living abundantly through our words that echo what You say. We believe and embrace that we are fearfully and wonderfully made, the head and not the tail, more than a conqueror and every other proclamation You have spoken over us. Please help us, Your people, to practice speaking life by the Holy Spirit in us. Thank You, Father. In the name of Jesus. Amen 🙏

For prayer requests or praise reports, please email Sister Brianna Smith at brianna.smith2696@gmail.com

Fitness & Nutrition

Pampered Chef -Rumae Watkins-Clark (Independent Consultant)

"Pampered Chef is a multinational multi-level marketing company that offers a line of kitchen tools, food products, and cookbooks for preparing food in the home." - via Google

Phone: 216.256.3610

Email: roomawe@gmail.com

USANA- Darran Blount (USANA Affiliate)

"USANA is internationally recognized for high-quality, science-based nutritional supplements, healthy foods, personal care products, and skincare products."

Phone: 216.339.1407

Website: http://2610690.usana.com/

Banking and Finances

Primerica- Barbara Jackson

For over 40 years, this financial services company has offered assistance with insurance, investments and other financial needs.

Phone: 216.397. 3144

Email: bjackson.xlsa5@primerica.com

Be Your Own Bank-Lila Starr Gordon

The greatest economic empowerment in the world.

Phone: 216.401.9783

Email: lilasgordon1@gmail.com

American National- Regina Lewis

"American National offers personalized insurance coverage for life, home, business, auto and much more."

Phone: 216.253.4879

Email: regina.lewis@american-national.com

Healthcare and Social Assistance

Care After Pandemic Virus Resources LLC-Danita C. Craven-Davis

Specializing in Home Health, this private agency offers CPR & First Aid training.

Phone: 216609.5630

Email: dirtyred07@icloud.com

Torre Says Real Estate Agency-Torre Escott

Home-buying made simple Phone: 216.200.6930

Business Corner

Do you have a small business that you'd like us to promote? Contact Brianna Smith (brianna.smith2696@gmail.com) or Carissa Mavec (cnmavec@gmail.com) to be included in next month's issue.

Gigis Home Childcare- Jodie Clark

Childcare services offering full-time and part-time childcare and babysitting for infants and toddlers.

Phone: 440.673.8788

Instagram: @jojoschildcare_

ACN-Lila Starr Gordon

Residential & Business Services

Phone: 216.401.9783

Email: lilasgordon1@gmail.com

Fashion and Beauty

Mary Kay- Josephine Redrick (Independent Beauty Consultant)

Cosmetics and skincare products

Phone: 216.406.5488

Email: redrickjojo@gmail.com

Diary of Queen Esther- Shelena Racquel (Style Consultant)

Homemade salts, body butter & fashion collection

Phone 216.990.3841

Website: www.diaryofqueenesther.com

Marketing and Communications

Now U See iT- Dante Alston

Marketing, Branding, Consulting

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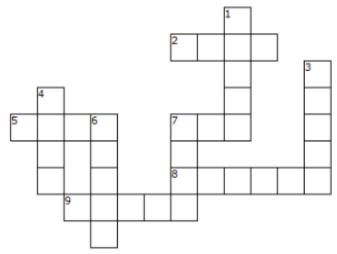
Looking for an activity to keep your little one busy during church, but still learn God's word? Have them complete the following educational activities.

The Ten Commandments

And God spoke all these words: "I am the LORD your God, who brought you out of Egypt, out of the land of slavery. "You shall have no other gods before me." Exodus 20:1-3

Based on Exodus 20:1-17 (NIV)





ACROSS

- You shall not make for yourself an _____. (a false god)
- You shall have no other _____ before me.
- You shall ____ commit adultery.
- 8. You shall not _____. (kill)
- You shall not give _____ testimony against your neighbor. (untrue)

DOWN

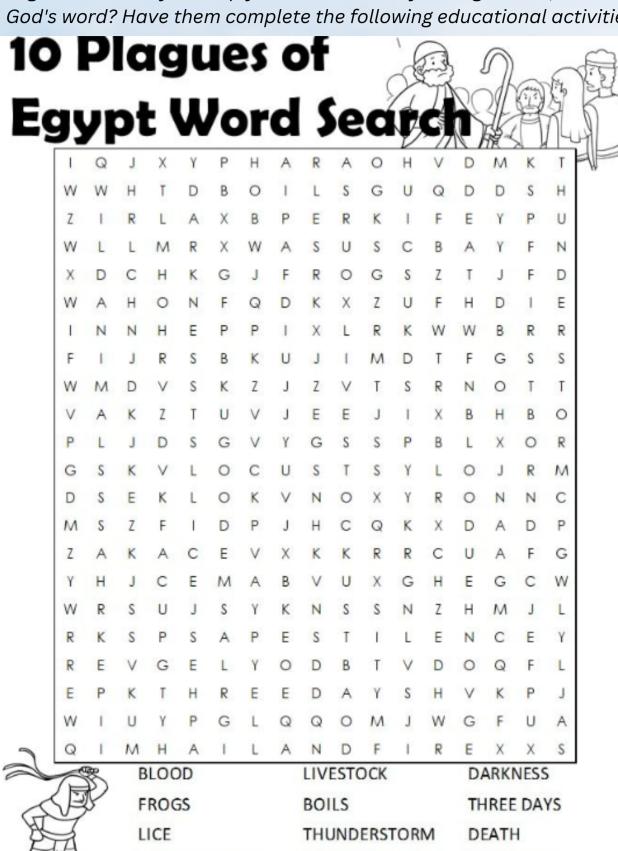
- You shall not _____. (to want something that belongs to another)
- your father and your mother.
- Remember the Sabbath day by keeping it ______.
- You shall not _____. (to take what does not belong to you)
- You shall not misuse the _____ of the LORD your God.

FALSE	IDOL	STEAL	HONOR	MURDER
NAME	COVET	HOLY	NOT	GODS

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HAIL AND FIRE

LOCUSTS

FIRSTBORN

PHARAOH

WILD ANIMALS

PESTILENCE

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Wishing a happy birthday to all of those celebrating throughout the month of August.

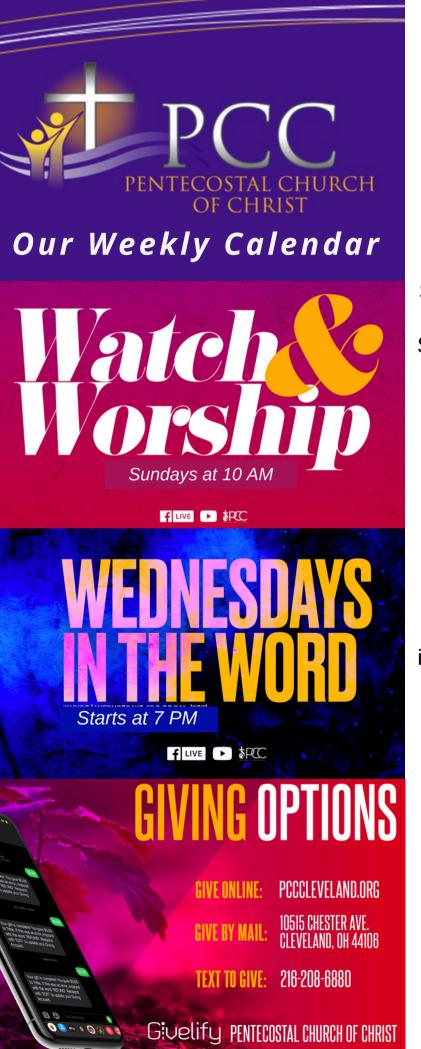
Those celebrating include: **Pastor Lillian Hanna Joe Caldwell Lisa Fomby** Samone Glover **Rhonda Harrell Darryl Jackson Jasmine Johnson Valerie Lindsey** Willie Catherine McCann **Monica McConnell Mary Palmore Josephine Redrick Judge Michael Ryan Robin Ryan Christine Shields**





And a very Happy Belated Birthday...

...to Mother Lelia Braxton, who celebrated 96 years of life on July 30th! She celebrated this blessing with her children and four generations of grandchildren. She is grateful, thankful, and truly blessed that God has allowed her this exceptional favor! She continues to pray for her family, church, community, and for the world with grace and love.



Weekly Prayer Times

Monday Evenings- 7PM Wednesday Mornings- 7AM 1st Saturday of each month- 12PM

Conference Call Number 516-597-9820

For more information, contact: Sister Phorfina Wade (Call Moderator), Elder Dyna Richardson (Prayer Lead Scheduler), or Overseer Dennis Grant.

Mid-Week Bible Study

Wednesday Evenings - 7PM For the month of August, all bible study teachings will be online until September.

Music Ministry Rehearsal

Thursday Evenings - 7PM
We are asking for those who are interested in participating with the music ministry to join in for weekly rehearsals.
We are hoping to rebuild the choir and praise team to enrich our worship experience on Sunday mornings.

The Doorkeepers Ministry

Every first Saturday morning - 9:30AM For those who are interested in joining the Usher's Board, you may speak to Sister Sonia Stinson.