



Vance Church Vacation Bible School for All Ages!

ADVANCE

NEWS

2021

Sunday, August 8, 2021 thru Tuesday, August 10, 2021 from 6-8pm all nights.

Taste and See that the Lord is Good! Come see how the Lord provides!

Games, fun, Bible stories, crafts and snacks for the kids. Dynamic Bible teachings for adults led by Jenn Lewis of the Vineyard Church. Nursery care available for infants.

> Day 1 will consider Manna in the wilderness. Day 2 will consider the feeding of the 5000. Day 3 know that Jesus is the bread of life.

Everybody will be gathering together in the "children's chapel" on the second floor of the C.E. Building at 6pm for our Opening Presentation.

Adults will gather at 6pm with the children and will meet in Potter chapel at 6:15.

BRING A FRIEND...OR TWO!



Jennifer Lewis Bio Jennifer Lewis, daughter of Jeanne Finstein grew up at Vance Church. She is a respected pastor at The Vineyard Church in Wheeling known for her dynamic, thoughtful Bible teaching . There will be NO August Session meeting so that the church elders can attend the Adult Bible School.





Sundays at 10am Communion Service First Sunday of the Month at 10am

> July Birthdays



- 03—Spencer Abraham
- 03—Jay Flanagan
- 05—Karyna Cain
- 06—K. Scott Winters 11—Crew Oliver
- 11—Crew Oliver 13—Michael Bush
- 13—Aslan Bermudez
- 13—Janet Hart
- 14—George Krelis
- 14—Jeremy McCamic
- 17—Danna Tyska
- 20—Cynthia Bougher
- 20—Allison Stradwick 21—Brooke Petticord
- 23—Jonathan Yohman
- 25—Lara Cline
- 31—Patti Hargleroad

Please contact the office if we missed your birthday.

VMPC: A Traditional Church with Spirit...



You're Invited to the <u>20th Anniversary</u> 9/11 Interfaith Service of Remembrance Sat. Sept. 11 at 7pm at Temple Shalom, 23 Bethany Pike. Let us stand together and resolve to work for a better tomorrow.



Sunday September 12, 2021 will be Homecoming Sunday, a day to mark the end of the summer and the beginning of an exciting church year.

Prior to worship, Sunday School for ALL AGES will begin at 9am in the Christian Education building.

Our 10am Worship Service will include Special Music and light refreshments served after in the Narthex.

This will also be the Sunday Kick-off for the public portion of the Let the Music Live Campaign.

<u>If you have never invited a friend to church before,</u> <u>this is the day to do it!</u>

Let the Music Live Campaign Kicks Off

You have probably heard excitement building for some time about Vance's upcoming *Let the Music Live Capital Campaign* to raise funds for an organ revitalization that will bring our instrument in the 21st century. We will repair some long overdue electrical problems, replace all the leathering in the organ and add digital features that will allow for more and greater sounds. We want this instrument to be available and well-loved and well-used by our next generation.

But, of course, none of this is possible without support from the members and friends of Vance Church. Yes, we need your financial support to make this campaign a success but this campaign is designed to do much, much more for you as an individual and for us as a congregation. Vance has really never really had serious, sustained conversations about the importance of stewardship in the life of Christians, and it's time for us to begin to have those.

Like with other spiritual disciplines, ie Bible reading, prayer, fasting, etc., faithfully engaging in the stewardship of life can transform a life and transformed lives transform congregations. This campaign should not only make us better stewards but also make us better Christians. BUT only if we all participate in it fully by giving financially, engaging in faithful stewardship, praying unceasingly, attending the campaign events, and inviting your friends and family to participate.

Very shortly you will all receive an invitation to the first event in the *Let the Music Live Campaign*, the Congregational Launch which will be held on August 26, 2021 from 6:00 -7:30 pm in the church fellowship hall. Dinner will be catered that night and a presentation will follow explaining further details of the campaign. Your job is to R.S.V.P. for this great event and come anticipating great things. Also the pastor would like to speak individually to as many of you as possible about the vision for this exciting time in our church so call and set up an appointment soon.

Vance Church is ready to *Let the Music Live* today and for the next generation. Don't miss this exciting opportunity.

...Serving the Greater Wheeling Community and Beyond



Once again the Deacons are collecting school supplies for our Partner in Education Woodsdale Elementary School all through the month of August. *Leave suggested donations from the list in the food pantry collection boxes.*

SCHOOL SUPPLY

Clorox wipes/Lysol spray Masks (disposable) Dry erase markers (expo) Plastic Sandwich baggies Tissues Glue Sticks (Elmer's) Highlighters Crayons (Crayola) Notebooks (1 & 3 subject) Pencils (pre-sharpened Ticonderoga) Scissors (Fiskars-blunt) Mark (Crayola) Plastic Folders



We spent nearly a month in a whirlwind during our Summer Mission assignment. With three students and three staff coming from out of town, we helped to host this compact group in our home city. "Mission Liberti" exposes students and staff to both the beauty and brokenness of Philadelphia. Our vision is to proclaim and demonstrate the gospel fullness of Jesus while loving God and people and stepping beyond our comfort zone.

To share the gospel with our words, we initiated conversations at Penn, with its many grad students, and at Drexel University, where students study year-round. This ended up being one of the highlights of the Summer Mission, as students were eager to talk with us and we very open to the idea that we all need someone to recue us. I pray this trend of spiritual thirst continues well into the next academic year.

To put things into action, we handed out food and prayed for those experiencing homelessness. We were blessed to participate in ministries like The Rock in Kensington, which helps people who are addicted to drugs. Admittedly, many of us felt uneasy when we first entered neighborhoods or showed up at an unfamiliar location with sights we did not understand; but it did not take long for us to be moved from fear to compassion as we know that each person we met was created as an image bearer of God.

As a result of this Summer Mission, the hearts of our students and staff (and our own as well!) were encouraged to see how God loves all people in all situations and circumstances. It is truly a blessing to serve God both in word and in deed.

Support our Missionaries!

If you'd like to give financial support to our missionaries, please follow these instructions:

- * Please make checks payable to "Cru"
- * DO NOT place any other information on the "pay to the order" line.
- * Also, please do not write on the memo line.
- * Please attach a note indicating which staff member or ministry the gift is intended for.
- Please also include the seven digit designation number. (Caleb and Claire Bermudez: 0559783)
- * Make sure the check is signed and dated.
- * <u>Mail to:</u> Cru

Attn: Contributions PO Box 628222 Orlando, FL 32862-8222 **Or visit www.cru.org using #0559783 and follow directions.** Feel free to contact us at our home in Philadelphia: Caleb and Claire Bermudez 835 Wilder Street, Philadelphia, PA 19147 Caleb.Bermudez@cru.org Claire.Bermudez@cru.org



Please remember the following members who are in need of special care. They are all going through unique journeys and need your prayers, cards/calls, and visits.

If you would like to inquire about a specific person's needs, please contact an Elder or Deacon or the Pastor.

If *any* information listed is incorrect, or you would like to add someone, please notify the church office *immediately*. 304-232-0980 office@vancechurch.org

Keeping in Touch

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Faith in Action Caregivers, Inc.Celebrity Clergy Ice Cream Scoopers Day August 14, 2021...12 PM-4 PM Kirke's - St. Clairsville

Every year Faith in Action, local clergy, and their parishioners enjoy ice cream. All proceeds from cones and cup sales go to Faith in Action. Come out and support Faith in Action and REV. ERICA HARLEY from 1-2pm while enjoying Kirke's Homemade Ice Cream!

