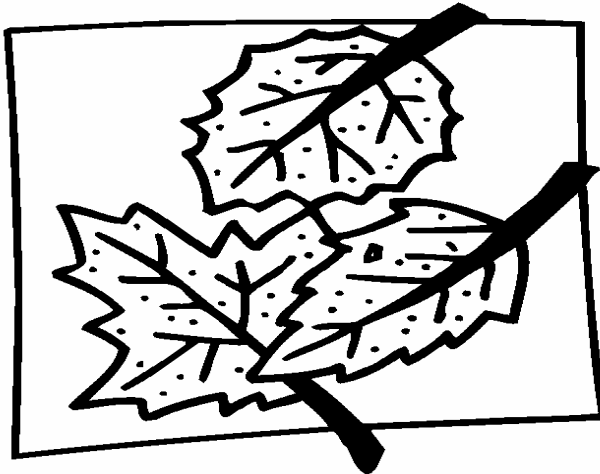
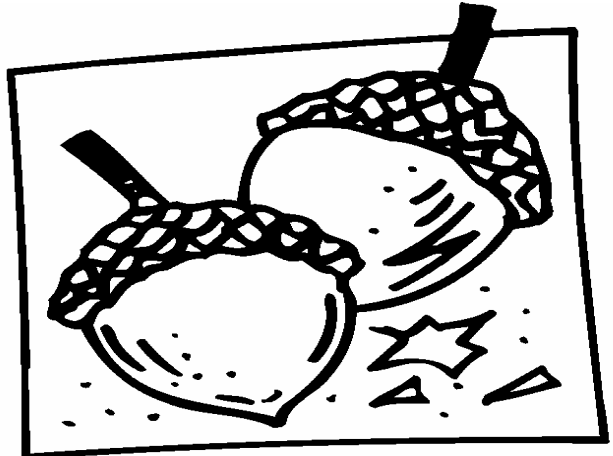
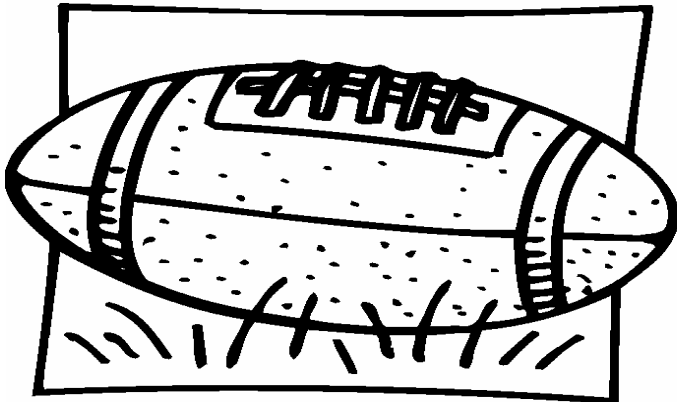


Perspective



September

Creating Circles of Care

Karen Lutz passed a book onto me a new book by Craig Rennebohm, a United Church of Christ minister who has had a grace-filled ministry supporting homeless individuals struggling with mental illness. *Souls in the Hands of a Tender God: Stories of the Search for Home and Healing on the Streets* (Boston: Beacon Press, 2008) is a stunning series of stories that chart Rennebohm's journey over the years with individuals through the mental health system toward stability in their communities.

Rennebohm worked in partnership with Dick Lutz among many others in his long ministry, and so it is an interesting read for me just on that level. But there are two other dynamics that caught my attention as I've read the book that I want to share with you.

First of all is *love*. There is such a fullness of love that washes over the language of the story—clearly a reflection of a quality of life and understanding that fills this pastor's work that grace and peace are regular results. As I read the book, I found comfort in the tenderness that he brings to each of the individuals whose stories he tells.

In one of the early chapters he tells the story of Mary whom he first encounters at the intersection of Fourth and Pike downtown. She was huddled back against a large blue mailbox at the curb and surrounded by two black plastic trash bags which served, he came to understand, as a type of barrier to keep people away. "If people approached her, she turned away. Now and then a Good Samaritan offered her food or money or tried to engage her in conversation, but she always turned away" (47). Rennebohm tells the story of how he found a gentle opening by which he could ever-so-slowly engage her and ultimately befriend her over a period of months and ultimately get her into an apartment of her own.

"In companionship, the Spirit moves to support the healing and growth of the soul," writes the author. "Sharing the human journey together is vital in everyone's life, but it is especially crucial in the life of persons beset by illness, hardship, grief, or tragedy... Companionship is the vehicle through which God heals. Through companionship, the gifts of the Spirit are made real."

Secondly, I was struck that much of Rennebohm's ministry had to do with creating circles of care. "The work of healing and recovery is not left to us alone ... Care and support of a person with serious mental illness hangs on the cooperation of a community of people, a *circle of care* that brings together people of different skills who can share the tasks of caring" (99-100).

Although Rennebohm is working with people who have significant mental illness, as I read this, I was struck by how true it is for all of us—a testament to the role of the body of Christ in which each of us bring different gifts. When we companion those experiencing great difficulty whether in marriages that are struggling, or relationships that are threatened, we do well to find ways to create broader circles of care that strengthen the web that is our life together. We need each other and the unique gifts that we bring if we are to be together in strength and wholeness.

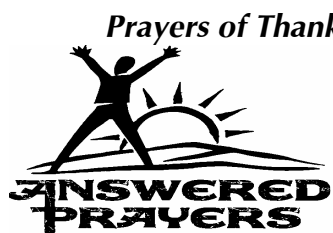
This process of companioning one another, creating circles of care is anything but efficient. But that's not what relationships are about anyway, are they? They are about love, about finding home in ourselves as we find it in one another. They are about life lived fully and joyfully. They are about salvation.

Grace & Peace,



NEWS OF OUR CHURCH FAMILY

ST. ANDREW PRAYERS



Thanks to our St. Andrew Village
From **Laurie Rossnagel**:

This summer, members of SAPC reached out to an 11-year old girl from Belarus who spoke no English. Under the "For the Children" organization, the Rossnagel family hosted Natasha Kryseeva for 6 weeks. Natasha and 85 other children came to Washington for a respite from the low level radiation left from the 1986 Chernobyl nuclear accident, build up their immune systems, and get dental care.

While here, Natasha benefited from the generosity of many, including St. Andy's Gals, The Deacons, Mary Jo and Kami, and Forrester. Patti and Alexi took her shopping; Karen L and Jan bought meds for the family, Craig and Marie took her to Kent Cornucopia Days; Karen M painted figurines with her, Barb and Patti showed her around Hazen HS; Midge and Marlynne played board games (Yahtzee was a favorite); Lainey took her swimming; Platins had a play date; Rachel Phillips donated clothes; and Cory taught her about American movies and much more. Vacation Bible School welcomed her, as did the Arise volunteers, and the youth with an outing to Southcenter. Special thanks to Briana who stepped up the first day; Maggie who repeatedly helped both Natasha and me figure things out and was a great course of support; and Mary Jo and Kelly who made it possible for me to work throughout the 6 weeks.

The larger community helped too. Two Fairwood dentists donated extensive dental care to Natasha: she got 7 cavities filled by Dr. Carmelia Espahbod and 2 root canals by Dr. Andrew Johnson. Dr. Espahbod, who speaks many languages, including Russian, went above and beyond – translating, helping with cultural differences, spending extra time reassuring Natasha who was used to dentistry without anesthesia. The Highlands Community Church and Viktor with the Light of the World Church provided a Sunday School class in Russian that Natasha loved. Yelena and Michelle Simontov helped from the very first weekend with translating, coaching me on Russian customs, and taking her to a variety of places.

My apologies to anyone I missed and my heartfelt thanks to everyone who helped.

Jan Tessin-Thuline reported that Doc's eye surgery was apparently successful and not as complex as the doctors had first thought. Doc says that he is seeing better out of that eye with each passing day. Thanks be to God!

Pattie Holt informs us that Bonney thinks that her surgery went well and that she is looking forward to being back at the keyboard in the sanctuary as soon as possible.

Karen Mullen celebrated the fact that her daughter-in-law will be running another 100-mile race.

Carolyn Cox gave thanks for the second surgery for her son-in-law, Rick Rinehart, that went well.

Continued Prayers for:

Karen Lutz asked for prayers for her mom, Dorothy Stonehocker, because her "spells" seem to be returning, and she does not want to go back on the medication she has been taking because of the side affects. Prayers are also

requested for Derek Lutz and for all teachers beginning another school year as well as for Peter Lutz. Peter will be traveling to Slovenia to present a paper at a conference. As his job is ending in October, please pray that he may find employment and perhaps something closer to home.



Patti Warden asked for continued prayers for her son, Maser Brown. Maser's latest skin graft check-up was a bit disappointing, and she is hoping that he will be able to avoid further surgery.

Lois Summers announced the closure of OEC, after 38 years of service to the community. Six employees will lose their jobs, three of whom are single moms. Please pray for them as well as the more than 8,000 people who were assisted by OEC last year. Prayers of thanks for all the good work that OEC has provided and the support it received from many of us of SAPC.

Mary Schott asked for prayers for Christine Thompson formerly the Nursery Coordinator of SAPC. She has a growth on her knee that may be cancerous.

Diane Schott who lost her long-time companion cat recently.

Marjorie Hover asked for prayers for Clarence whose health seems to be declining.

Maggie McAdams asked for prayers for two other youth ministers and their programs. The Rainier Beach Presbyterian group has reached out to some kinds from Burundi, and has a special program for them. St. Matthew's

Lutheran Church has both morning and after-school programs in which many children are involved.

Let us continue to pray for world peace, the victims and families of areas of natural disasters, the sick and shut-ins, the lonely-fearful-helpless and most vulnerable. Prayers are requested for military personnel around the world. Let us pray for those with leadership responsibilities here at SAPC, the local community, regional and national levels of the Church. May they be guided through their faith and love of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

LORD IN YOUR MERCY
HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

BIBLE QUIZ



What was God's plan for Adam In the Garden of Eden?

- A. To till it and keep it.
- B. To manage the animals
- C. To enjoy its beauty and the food all about him
- D. To fill it with people

(Answer: Found on page 5; see Genesis 2:15, NRSV).

"More tears are shed
over answered prayers
than unanswered ones."

St. Teresa of Avita

IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH



Let no one feel like a stranger here. We all have the same creator, who loves each of us unconditionally. Welcome, children of God! Greet one another joyfully:

- Sept. 07** **23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Christian Education Week Begins
 1st Sunday of the regular hours of service
 -Worship begins at 10:30 a.m.
 -Sunday School Kick-Off, 9:30 a.m.

 - Sept. 14** **24th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Theological Education
 -Sunday School & CE Classes, 9:30 a.m.
 -Worship Services, 10:30 a.m.

 - Sept. 21** **25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
International Day of Peace

 - Sept. 28** **26th Sunday in Ordinary Time**
Evangelism
-
- Special Dates:** **Labor Day, Sept. 1, 2008**
National Grandparents Day, Sept. 7
Patriot Day, Sept. 11
 (Remembrance of Sept. 11)
National Hispanic Heritage Month
 (Sept. 15-Oct. 15)
First Day of Autumn, Sept. 22

A Prayer for Perspective
 (Written for use during the Jewish New Year (9/30-10/01))

Eternal God! Grant us gratitude enough to look backward and be thankful;
Courage enough to look forward and be hopeful;
Faith enough to look upward and be humble;
Kindness enough to look outward and be helpful. Amen.

Celebrate Labor Day

Labor Day, first celebrated in 1882, provides a day of rest for working Americans, showing their importance to the country's well-being.

Christians see work as a gift and command from God. Adam was put in the Garden to "till it and keep it" (Genesis 2:15, NRSV), Even Jesus chose workers to help carry out his mission.

Rest is just as significant as work. God commanded us to rest one day each week (Exodus 20:10). The Sabbath is a time for worship, family activities, renewal, and recuperation.

Labor Day is a reminder to be grateful for the creativity, ingenuity, minds and muscle power of countless workers - all gifts of God. That's worth setting aside a day to appreciate.

Advantages of Joining the Choir

1. You never have to worry about what to wear.
2. You have excellent seats and are assured a reserved seat for Christmas and Easter.
3. From your advantageous seat, you can smile at, gawk at, ignore and otherwise enjoy the rest of the people in the con-gregation.
4. The pastor is nearly always looking the other way.
5. You're in a wonderful spot to see new members.
6. The cost for all these benefits? Just one evening a week.
7. O, yes, one more reason to join the choir; You're a leader in the worship experience.

FROM PAGE 4
ANSWER TO BIBLE QUIZ: A

An Introduction to Julie Kae Sigars

Getting to know you, getting to know all about you...♪♪

I am most excited to begin a new adventure with you, my sisters and brothers of St. Andrew Presbyterian Church. As I learn your stories, I thought it might be a good idea to share a bit of mine.

Let's start at the very beginning; a very good place to start...♪♪

I was born on a Sunday evening. My mother was at church that morning. Two weeks later, we were both back at Wynnwood Presbyterian Church in Dallas, Texas. That was in 1955. Well, maybe we don't have to go back that far...But I will say that the music program at my church was outstanding. I still remember choral techniques that Mrs. Mansolo taught us in the children's choir. And singing was always a big part of worship. The louder the better. (Beauty of singing was something I did not discover until much later...I actually had a principal at my elementary school ask my mother if hurt me to sing that way...)

How can I hope to make you understand, why I do what I do. Why I must travel to a distant land, far from the home I love...♪♪

In high school, I sang one of the daughters in **Fiddler on the Roof**, and I was hooked. I eventually went to the University of North Texas, earning a Bachelors in Music Education. But my love was performing. I traveled to Alaska singing top forty music for the USO, I sang a couple of world premieres (one musical, one opera), and sang the lead in the operas at the School of Music for the last four years I was there. It was very exciting. I was also a teaching fellow there while working on my master's degree. I finished my masters at Northern Arizona University where I met my husband Chuck, singing dinner theatre! After graduation, we decided to head for the beautiful Pacific Northwest, where Chuck had friends working in theatre. After being here for a little while, an accompanist I sang with asked me to sing at her church during the summer. I did, and wept as we sang through this liturgy that was so much a part of my youth. Like many young people of my time, church became secondary during college. Suddenly, it became a core value for me again. But as an adult, I began to really explore just what it was that was calling me.

I'm just a Broadway baby...♪♪

Well, not really Broadway, but I did do a lot of performing for about 15 years. It was a lot of fun and I really enjoyed it. There came a time when I took a choir director position at my church (Mukilteo Presbyterian) and I went to a PAM (Presbyterian Association of Musicians) conference to get more "tools for the trade." Little did I know how life-changing this would be! I took a class in worship and theology, and THIS WAS IT! I was astounded to learn that: THE THINGS WE DO IN WORSHIP ACTUALLY MEAN SOMETHING! This may sound silly to you, but I never even thought about the elements of worship and how they form the faith. My pastor shared in my excitement when I returned home and encouraged me to go to seminary. Lucky for me, Seattle University was beginning their School of Theology and Ministry with an Ecumenical dimension. SIGN ME UP!

When the children are asleep I'll dream of you...♪♪

By this time, I had built the music program at my church from a single adult choir to a fully graded program with choirs for K-2, 3rd-5th, Youth choir, bell choir, coordinated with a Praise band, and a large

adult choir that sang with members of the Everett Symphony for the annual Christmas concert. AND Chuck and I had two children, Beth who is now 23 and living in Boston, and our son John who is eighteen.

I was very lucky to be able to attend SU in that they are one of the few seminaries in the country that require multiple courses in liturgy and worship. As internships called, I left my position at Mukilteo and served Everett

First Presbyterian and did a chaplaincy at Everett Providence hospital. I was approved for ordination pending call in 2003 and served as music director and youth coordinator at Cascade View Presbyterian Church until this past January.

Shelter me O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life...♪♪

I have spent the last few years **waiting** for a call...**waiting** to become. I have discerned that I am called to be who I am, which is a pastoral presence and musician, serving the body of Christ, gently leading through the liturgy that gathers us, that forms us, that gives us courage, that sends us out to serve the poor. I am now discovering that this also has connections with my deacon ordination: to be aware of the assembly, our own struggles that we bring, how we can bring the world to the church and send the church out to the world in service. I have been a consultant with churches in the area who are exploring music and worship and this has been very exciting for me. I have had the opportunity to share these gifts in national conferences and hope to continue doing so. I continue to be amazed at how the Holy Spirit works in our lives, preparing us for those steps we find we must take to serve God. The living word that is Christ gives such "flesh and bone" to our work, insisting on contact with the hurting world that needs the good news along with bread and refreshing water.

Won't you let me be your servant, let me be as Christ to you. Pray that I may have the grace to let you be my servant too...♪♪

This is just a bit of my story. We have already begun a journey together. I am waiting to hear **your** stories as we travel along the road that awaits us.

SAPC Welcomes Julie Kae Sigars

In July, 2008, St. Andrew Presbyterian Church welcomed Julie Kae Sigars into its Music Ministry program as Music Coordinator. She was no stranger having visited the Church on several occasions in the previous months. Julie was recruited by a Search Team appointed by the Personnel Committee, Operations Department, and brings to fruition the end of a long search process of several years. She begins a new chapter in the life of the Church on September 1, 2008.

The Search Team was co-chaired by the Acting Choir Director, Elder Stan Hastings and Elder Alma-jean Marion. Other team members were Roger Paulsen, Patti Warden, Carolyn Cox, and Sue Patterson. This Team deserves our thanks and appreciation for the many hours, meetings, and commitment to the process of recruitment. Thank you all!

Through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Julie comes to assist the Church in bringing glory to God through music, both vocal and instrumental, by encouraging a diversity of musical expression that matches the diversity of our congregation and celebrates the diversity of the church universal. Through her leadership we hope to identify and develop the many resources within the congregation and help the membership to worship God and minister to each other as well as to persons outside our membership

Youth Plans for 2008 – 2009

Youth Ministry at St Andrew is guided in its work by the promises we make at baptism:

“ To nurture and love [our children], and to assist them to be faithful disciples¹

This work is carried out in countless informal and nurturing relationships and then more formally in Sunday School, Worship, Mission, Cub Scouts, and youth group.

Our regular youth group meetings will start again September 20, 2008. In the spring of 2008 we held a focus group to elicit the input of parents and kids on their expectations for youth group. With this input in mind the following guidelines have been adopted for 2008 – 2009.

Objectives

1. To provide a safe, inviting nurturing environment for youth grades 6 to 12
2. To be with each other as we recognize and celebrate the presence of God in each other and in the world around us.
3. To be aware of and celebrate our place within the wider St Andrew community.

Youth Group M.O.

1. We meet regularly at St Andrew Presbyterian Church on Saturdays at 5.30pm.
2. Occasionally we will meet elsewhere and at different times in order that we might participate in certain activities.
3. At least once a month we will have “Hang Out” time. This will involve playing games at St Andrew, cooking a meal and having some structured talk time, sometimes as a large group, sometimes in smaller groups.
4. Other times we will participate in activities together with some talk/catch up time afterwards.

What’s God got to do with it?

1. Our formal and informal conversation will be guided by the question, “How is God at work here and how are we called to respond?”
2. Sometimes the question will be explicit as we talk about current issues; what’s happening in our lives; and the activities we take part in.
3. Other times the question will be implicit, to be caught, and perhaps talked about later, as we care for each other; as we support each other through tough times; as we celebrate each others joys; as we think about how to treat each other; as we do mission and become involved at church; as we experience art, music, play, the outdoor, etc....

How to keep up with our plans

We will use the St Andrew website to keep you up to date. Log on to find all you need to know whether you are a youth, parent, supervisor, visitor or if you just want to see what we are up to?

Questions?

Contact Maggie on (425) 226 5547 or (425) 238 7915 or magsmcdams@msn.com

¹ *Holy Baptism and Services for the Renewal of Baptism*. Office of Worship PC(USA)

Perspective Highlights - Joint Meeting of the Elders, Deacons, and Staff –by Jo Ann Peck, Clerk of Session



The elders, deacons, and staff met at Jo Ann and Andy Peck's house on Monday night, August 11th for a dinner meeting. The annual joint meeting is a requirement of the Book of Order of the Presbyterian Church. Its goal is to have the elders and deacons "confer on matters of common interest." (Book of Order G-6.0405)

The question for discussion was, "When you think about the spiritual life of the congregation, what specific things do we need to spend our time doing in the coming year?"

Briefly, the following items were suggested/discussed:

1. Increase giving of ourselves to others, as a means of growing in our own faith.
2. Continue to enhance our music program.
3. Examine the current style of worship and evaluate its successes and weaknesses. Listen to concerns and try to achieve a balance of how we're "doing church" and how we used to "do church."
4. Invite others to join us.
5. Have some reconciliation with those who feel alienated from the church. Express concern for people when they drop out of activities.
6. Survey the membership to find out what kinds of programs each age group is interested in having, as well as how they would like to contribute to the congregation.
7. Follow up with visitors who come for 1 or 2 months and then quit coming.

8. Increase adult participation with the Youth Program.
9. As leaders, remember to model a good means of communication, talking directly to people when issues arise.
10. There is a need for more Bible study.

It was noted that the Ministry Team is discussing appropriate times for offering Bible studies and that an Outreach Committee that is planning to present some ideas to session at their next meeting that cover some of the other issues.

The 2007-2008 Annual Report is Published



Each year the committees of St. Andrew prepare an Annual Report. Its purpose is to summarize the life of the church for the past fiscal year. It contains a note from the pastor, a summary of changes to the church roles, and a report from each of the departments of Session, from the Deacons, and from St. Andy's Gals.

Some copies of the report are available on the table at the back of the sanctuary. I'm also trying to get it on-line at the St. Andrew Website – standrewpc.org – so people can read it on-line and save paper!

If you have any questions about items within the report, please contact one of the names associated with that portion of the report. I would also be happy to try to answer any questions.



Cemetery Plots for Sale

There are still Cemetery plots located at Greenwood Cemetery available for sale. Please Contact Gary Glasscock (425) 271-0638 for More information.

OEC Closed

Please do not leave donations in the Supply room. OEC Operational Emergency Center is closed.

Your volunteer hours, funding, and support at OEC over the years are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Church Email Address

SAPC no longer uses AOL for the Church Office. Emails for the Church Office may be sent to kim@standrewpc.org. See the website for links. Thanks.

Was That A Compliment?

After a worship service, a pastor was greeting people at the front door. A woman shook his hand vigorously and said, "That was a very helpful sermon. You know, you ought to have your sermons put in a book."

"Thank you!" answered the pastor.
"Maybe my wife will have some of them

published after I'm dead." "Well," responded the elderly saint, "the sooner the better."

STARS

(St. Andrew Retirees/Seniors)

STARS members and friends of St. Andrew are invited to participate in fun and fellowship. Guests are always welcome. We will begin scheduling our speakers and programs on Thursday, September 4 at our first potluck so come with ideas to share.

11:30 a.m.

**Bring salad, side dish or dessert
main course provided**

Without you, STARS is missing someone important!

--Midge Lopez

Service Opportunities

Needed Now

Four more **Sunday School Teachers** are needed. Over the last few years there has been a trio system enabling the assignment of three teachers per class. If you sign up then you would be part of a team of three. You would lead one week (with the back up of an assistant), assist the next and then have a week off and so on. Contact: Patti Holt (425) 430-8200

Youth Group Supervisors are needed. It is a SAPC policy to have at least two adults present at youth events. If you would be willing to help supervise youth groups in the coming year that would be a significant contribution to the Youth Ministry of the Church. Youth nights will continue by your help. Our kids will have the opportunity to develop relationships with others. Contact: Maggie McAdams: (425) 226-8688

Do you have a burning desire to connect with our younger members, but would like to avoid a significant commitment? Well then, **Discovery Leader** may be your calling! The commitment is only once every six weeks, (depending on how many sign up): some curriculum guidelines and materials will be provided. Contact: Lainey Sickinger (425) 917-0341.

It would be nice to have a list of non-currently serving elders who would be available to occasionally attend Seattle Presbytery meetings as the **Delegates from SAPC**. Presbytery meets the 2nd Tuesday of the months of January, March, May, July, September, and November. The meetings begin at 5:00 p.m. and end around 9 or 9:30 p.m. Please contact Jo Ann Peck, Clerk of Session: (425) 228-7395.

The Nursery Guild is looking for 12 volunteers to provide **supplemental care** for the youngest members of SAPC on Sunday mornings during worship. Contact: Dana Holstine (425) 228-2913.

Fringe Benefits

Can faithfully attending worship raise your income? MIT economist Jonathan Gruber thinks so. In a study, he found that income increases by 10% when people double their church attendance. Gruber proposes these possible reasons:

- Churchgoers join in fellowship with one another, resulting in social and job networking.
- They support one another during losses and setbacks. Such encouragement helps people do their best in all of life's endeavors.
- Churchgoers tend to be less stressed by everyday life, enabling them to work creatively and be more productive

Boosting one's bank account isn't the reason most people go to church, of course. But it's interesting to note that worshipers reap both spiritual and earthly rewards.

Listening

Listening is an act of love in which we not only give, but receive, says Craig Rennebohm in his book *Souls in the Hands of a Tender God* (78):

"How do we listen effectively, so that we truly connect, truly share, and truly learn from the other person? Here are seven principles that can help us get there:

1. Listening is a deep gift. Learn to listen without commenting or advising, and make sure to honor pauses and silence.
2. Listen for the feelings and themes of life that are being shared.
3. Listen not just to the other person, but also to yourself.
4. Take care when responding, and invite the other person to elaborate.
5. Listen (a) over time and (b) in the context of community; there is always more to be revealed.
6. Listen for faith, the words of hope, healing, growth, and potential.
7. Listen for the story of the soul—for how the pieces fit together, for where and how the individual story is part of the larger and greater story, for wholeness.

FALL CLEAN-UP

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH

9:00 AM – 1:00 PM

Mark your calendars now; this is a family affair. Let's prepare our grounds for winter and continue to preserve and nurture one of God's gifts to us – this land and property.



ANNIVERSARIES IN SEPTEMBER:

September 04	Dennis & Kathy Crawford
September 08	Ted & Shirley Elder
September 10	Rob & Kimberly Behymer
September 10	Scott & Barbara Anderson
September 12	Ray & Julie Johnson
September 14	Andy & Lezle Resor
September 14	Roger & Judy Paulsen
September 26	Obie & Helene Tate
September 28	Ed & Kim Ellenberg

CONGRATULATIONS!

BIRTHDAYS IN SEPTEMBER:

September 02	Barbara Anderson	September 22	Kaitlyn Schott
September 02	Brenden Campbell	September 23	Dave Schott
September 02	Patty Seek	September 25	Dorothy Stonehocker
September 03	Gini Rudolph	September 26	Marjorie Hover
September 05	Bob Newell	September 27	Sherril Balken
September 09	Cameron Delfin	September 27	Stefanie Jones
September 09	Amy Allenberg	September 28	Andy Resor
September 09	Sharon Griffith	September 30	Charlie Thomas
September 09	Blanche Schott		
September 12	Thomas Holt		
September 13	Chris Thomas		
September 13	Christopher Thomas		
September 14	Madeline Bufort		
September 14	Larry Schott		
September 15	Nickolas Platin		
September 16	Ken Campbell		
September 18	Ian Thomas		
September 19	Lezle Resor		
September 22	Tony Parise		

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

OUR HOUSE

This craft is a reminder of the blessing of your family and what you and your family should do for God.

What you need:

- 8 1/2" x 11" cardstock
- Markers or crayons
- A photograph of each person in your family that you can cut apart
- Scissors
- Glue stick
- A hanging picture frame that holds an 8 1/2" x 11" photo (optional)

What you do:

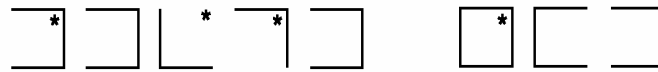
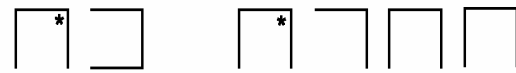
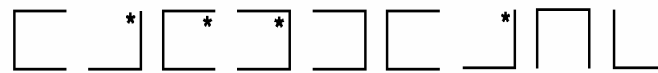
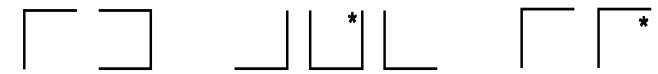
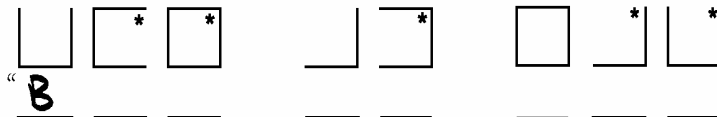
- Draw a colorful picture of the outside of your house. Remember to add a door and windows.
- Decide where you want each person's photo to go. Cut out a whole body (if you want someone to stand on the front porch, for example) or just cut out a face (if you want someone to be looking out a window).
- Use the glue stick to glue the cut-out photos onto your drawing.
- Write out Joshua 24:15b, NIV: "But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."
- To frame your picture, have an adult help you. If you don't have a frame, display your house on a refrigerator or bulletin board for everyone to see.



As for our family...

With school starting, schedules are getting busy again. Sometimes you might feel like you're going in too many directions and forgetting what's really important. Use the key below to remind you of where your family's real focus should always be.

	A	B	D	O*	N*	R*
KEY:	E	F	H	S*	T*	U*
	I	L	M	V*	W*	Y*



JOSHUA 24:15B

Answer: "But as for me and my household, we will serve the LORD."

HERE I AM, LORD

By Alma-jean Marion

"Here I am, Lord, is it I Lord? I have heard you calling in the night. I will go, Lord, if you need me, I will hold Your people in my heart."

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GREETINGS MY SISTERS & BROTHERS IN CHRIST!

Welcome back from the rest and repair season called Summer. I greet you enthusiastically for the promise of the new Season of Autumn and Fall. It is one of my most favorite times of the year. It feels so progressive as we return to the mind-set of getting back to work. Academia is in the air as students get back in school. It's an exciting time of the year to come together again and in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

As you read your Perspective you can see that SAPC is in full swing, fully staffed and energetic to meet the challenges of the season. There is something here for everyone, and there is room still to grow. So, come on in – welcome!

As leaves fall and flowers wither, we move forward in faith continuing to learn, share, and love one another. As you serve God here at SAPC and in the Community please remember to share news of your activities and plans in the Perspective. What you have to say is what makes it worth reading. It is one of several ways we communicate.



Tell your stories in the Perspective and keep our readers informed. Contribute to the content by providing us with feature stories, news of your family members and friends, plans that are in progress by church groups in which you are involved, and experiences you are having in your spiritual journey.

If you have something share,
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