

THE PARK BENCH



This is the only fact that is true about every person on the face of the earth . . . every one of us was born to a mother. Perhaps science will one day get around that requirement, but for now, it is a universal truth. For human life to exist as part of god's creation, there must be mothers.

The impact of mothers effects more than just the giving of life. Mothers influence every aspect of our human existence -- from what we eat, to how we are educated, to the emotional support that we receive, to the actual physical development of our brains. In fact, an on-line search of popular and scientific literature on the importance of motherhood produced over 69 million results!

When it comes to our religious education, most of us received our introductions to God and Jesus via our mothers. It may have been the first story books read to us. It may have been the first songs we heard. Perhaps being taken to Sunday School was our first introduction into the broader world.

When God choose to gift his Son to mankind, he entrusted his Son to the care of a mother. Think of that. God entrusted his own Son to a mother. Not just for six months or a year, but for His entire life. Jesus had the care, love, and influence of his mother. We know from the Scriptures that Mary was with Jesus during his ministry and with him right up to the moment when he fulfilled the prophesies.

Like Jesus, we were entrusted to our mothers for life giving and care. Even if that time with our mothers was brief, we received their nurture and love. Thank you, mom, giving us your nurture and care. Thank you, God, for giving us our moms.

Yours in Jesus Christ,

Scott Cunningham



SUMMER HOURS will begin
on **June 2** with a **9:30 a.m.**
Worship Service and **no Sunday**
School. Those hours will
continue until **September 8.**

Worship Service Greeters for May

5 – Jon, Erin, Jack and Cate Meteny
12 – John and Debbie Moeller
19 – Amanda, Chris and Ben Carver
26 – Ann Dobson

WWW.ABCOPAD.ORG

This is our denomination's web
site. There you will find news
about our area churches and
around the region.

*Choir rehearsals are after the worship
service on Sundays. Anyone interested in
joining please stay after the service and
meet with Erik.*



- 1 **Doug Frazier**
- 4 **Tori Stewart (her 16th !)**
- 6 **Michael Mowod (his 15th !)**
- 6 **Rebecca English**
- 6 **Melissa English**
- 9 **Sandy McGinnis**
- 11 **RANDY & LAURIE DAUER**
- 16 **Shane and Cameron Cress**
- 18 **Sue Snyder and Sandy Major**
- 19 **Ann Dobson**
- 20 **Bodie Doria (his 2nd !)**
- 21 **RICK & LINDA RARAIGH**
- 22 **Dee Aiello**
- 25 **Linda Raraigh**
- 28 **KELLY & JEFF SEYBERT**
- 29 **Zach Seybert (his 11th !)**



Sunday, May 5th – Mother's Day

Sermon Title The Best Mom Ever!
Scripture Ephesians 6:1-3 and John 19:25-27

Yes, this sermon topic is about your mom (and my mom, and Jesus's mom). We will celebrate our mothers and learn lessons from the life of Mary.

Sunday, May 12th – Armed Forces Day

Sermon Title God and Politics
Scripture 1 Samuel 8:4-9

Politics and government are part of our human existence. When the people of Israel petitioned God to give them a king, they refused to listen to His answer. What did He say?

Sunday, May 19th

Don Smith will serve as our worship leader providing us with uplifting singing and an encouraging message. Come and be inspired.

Sunday, May 26th -- Memorial Day Weekend

Sermon Title You Have God Given Gifts
Scripture 1 Corinthians 12:1, 4-11

We all have a spiritual gift – at least one, and perhaps two or three or more. What are those gifts, and where do they come from? A more important question
. . . are you using yours?

Prayer Requests, Concerns and Praises:**April, 2019**

- ^ **Tom Beatty** continues to recover from a heart attack and surgery.
- ^ **Dan Douglass** is undergoing therapy as he recovers from back surgery and complications.
- ^ Ann Dobson asks for prayer for her neighbor, **Charlotte Hamm**, in her 80's, who has suffered a broken hip. Prayer for a complete recovery for her.
- ^ Prayer has been asked for **Kathy Rebolz**, as she has undergone hip surgery and is home recovering. She is a neighbor of the Merriman's, Flinchums and McEvoy/Jones' families.

Answered Prayer and Praise For: **Benjamin Carver and Patty Andries** who have joined our church family. Ben was baptized on Palm Sunday and Patty joined through a letter from her home church in Georgia. Welcome and God's blessings on these new additions to our church family. The families of **Sebastian Kearns and Caden Nichols** as they were dedicated to God during April. **Bethany and Mike Kearns, Christy and Clay Nichols**, along with grandparents, family and friends joined together to ask God's blessings on these little ones. Caden's loving grandparents are Paul and Cindy Merriman. Sebastian's proud grandparents are Doug and Pam Frazier.

Those Who Have Lost Loved Ones: **Mary Elizabeth (Bee), 98, Tom Myers' mom** who passed away peacefully in her sleep in Carmel, California. We received news that **Jean Willoughby's sister, Gwen Scharf**, passed away last Thursday. She was 87 and involved in the Pittsburgh Baptist Association.

Prayer for all the policemen, paramedics, firefighters, utility workers and first responders who are in danger as they are out there doing their job. Especially, **Shawn McNaughton** who is a member of this church family and a police officer in Cecil Township.

Continued Concern For: , The Cunningham family, Kathy Rebolz, Erik Kolodziej's mom, The Frazier Family, John Flinchum, Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Johnson, Larry Cusak and his wife Dolores, Karen Ott's father, Sandy Bennett, Anne and Charles Hercules, Jane Nagel, Dave Bell, Matthew Valente, The Scott family, George Kriever, Lois Titus, Lauren Slick, Mary Glassburn, Katie Jones, Edith Yockel, Christians around the world who are being persecuted.

Those With Cancer: Bill Smith, Tom Duffola, Matt O'Leary. Mary Ann Yoder.

Missionaries : Becky and Larry Stanton (Hungary); Peter and Sarah McCurdy (Dominican Republic / Cuba); Carol Sydnor (Nepal); Nora and Pieter Kalkman (Prague, Czech Republic), Brian and Lynette Smith & their boys (Haiti). Valerie and Aaron Osterbrock (East Malaysia), Ted Parks (Phoenix, AZ).

In Service of Our Country : **Lt. Colonel Doug Bauer**, his wife Hope and children, Walker & Mackenzie are in Virginia as Doug is now stationed at the Pentagon.

Job Description

Member of Church Staff

Role

The Member of Church Staff is called upon to fulfill a variety of roles within the church. These roles include the following:

- a. Plans, coordinates and teaches in the Christian Education program, including Sunday School, Bible Study, and Spiritual Formation for all age groups,
- b. Recruits, trains, resources and supports teachers and leaders for Sunday School and other Christian Educational and Formation ministries, including Baptist Youth Fellowship Counselors, chaperones, drivers, etc.
- c. Is responsible for organizing leadership of regular weekly meetings of children's program for Elementary School, Middle School, and High School aged programs, including special off-campus "fun trips".
- d. Attend Sunday worship at Franklin Park Baptist Church and encourages persons of student age to do likewise.
- e. Operates a Nursery program to include providing child care, organizing Nursery Volunteers.
- f. Assists with planning for church special event lunches and dinners.
- g. Operates, and trains others to operate as needed the church's sound and projection systems.
- h. Gain experience in developing reports for Church Council on operating budgets, and revenue & expenses.
- i. Attend regular Staff meetings, including monthly Church Council meetings.
- j. Keep congregation well informed about the church's educational ministries by using bulletin boards, the Sunday bulletin, the monthly newsletter, and the church website.
- k. Performs other duties as assigned by the Pastor and/or Church Council.

Location

The Franklin Park Baptist Church, affiliated with the American Baptist Churches, USA, is located in an attractive suburban community about 18 miles north of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, in the northwest corner of Allegheny County. It is part of the consolidated North Allegheny School District whose students consistently perform at the highest levels.

Qualifications & Characteristics

A Christian with a strong, demonstrated commitment to following Jesus Christ who is enthusiastic, energetic, and creative in Christian Education.

Possesses a genuine concern for all people, and capacity to relate with all people in a sensitive, respectful way.

A Bachelor's Degree is preferred, in Education, Biblical Studies, Liberal Arts, or a related field.

A current Driver's License.

Competent in use of basic computer software, including Word and Excel.

Capacity to work successfully as part of a ministry team with other staff members and elected lay ministry leaders.

Clearances

Provide Pennsylvania Child Abuse History Clearance, Pennsylvania Criminal Records Check for Employment, and Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) Criminal Background Check

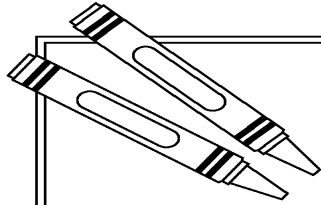
Compensation and Benefits

Annual salary of \$36,000, allowance for medical insurance, and four weeks of vacation.

Applications

Please send cover letter and resume to the following:

**Church Council
Franklin Park Baptist Church
2470 Nicholson Road
Sewickley, Pa 15143**



Just for **KIDS**

A legacy of faith

You're blessed when you have a mother, a grandmother or any relative or friend who passes down a strong faith to you. In the Bible, Timothy was influenced by his grandmother and mother.

Complete 2 Timothy 1:5 (NIV) below by filling in the blanks with the correct vowel.

VOWELS: 1 = a 2 = e 3 = i 4 = o 5 = u

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n ₄ w l ₃ v ₂ s ₃ n y ₄ ₅ ₁ ls ₄."

2 TIMOTHY 1:5 (NIV)

MAY, 2019

Answer: "I have been reminded of your sincere faith, which first lived in your grandmother Lois and in your mother Eunice and, I am persuaded, now lives in you also."

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Remember Our Shut-ins

Janet Tehois

Gloria Meinert

Eleanor Mooney

Shirley Wright

Jean Downing

Tom Beatty

Dan Douglass



The month of May we will be focusing on the

**ONE GREAT HOUR
OF SHARING OFFERING**

**The theme for this year's offering is
"More Than We Can Imagine"**

This theme reminds us that we are not alone in our imagining a better world for all God's children, for it is God's imagination that fuels and empowers ours! We can help through our gifts of treasure and talent, prayer and presence, we can make this world ever more like the way God would wish it, ever more the way that God would imagine it and seeking to better the lives of those who have been battered by circumstance.

Special envelopes will be in the pew racks throughout the month for your contribution. There will be emphasis on this offering with bulletin inserts and other inspirations during May as we are called to give to God's work and do more than we can think or even imagine. Please give generously.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

**Sunday, June 23 -Thursday, June 27
6:30 – 8:30 p.m.**

**Contact Erin Meteny to volunteer to
help that week or to register
your child / children
724.816.1450**



SUMMER CAMP

Camp Judson in Erie, PA is excited to begin their 70th Summer Camp season in reaching and growing young people for Jesus. Brochures are here to invite kids, teens and parents to register for summer camp at Camp Judson. 2019 theme is "Rock Solid" from Matthew 7:24 building a strong foundation. You can go to www.campjudson.com to register and to see all the opportunities they offer this summer for individuals and families.

NEW MEMBERS WELCOMED

Answered Prayer and Praise For : Ben Carver who was baptized at our service on Palm Sunday and **Patty Andries** by transfer of letter who were received into our church membership at that service. WELCOME !

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PATTY



Take a "Sentimental Journey" with the Cranberry Men's Chorus, as we...

Your favorite songs from the Big Band Era!
featuring performances from...

CC CRANBERRY MEN'S CHORUS

Plus:
TICKETY-BOO Trio
and CHAPTER QUARTETS

the **JAZZ** conspiracy

SATURDAY, MAY 4, 2019 • 6:30 p.m.

North Catholic High School
1617 Route 228
Cranberry Township, PA 16066

Tickets: \$12 Adult (\$15 at door)
\$5 Student
Cash • Check • PayPal • Credit Cards
Email: mlahr@keyenvir.com
Web: www.CranberryMensChorus.com

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We hope you're "In The Mood" for a great show!

Rev. Paul Aiello's Barbershop Chorus
Songs from the Big Band Era

Pre-performance tickets are available for \$12.00
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Contact : chapaiello@aol.com or 724.591-1849

Special dates

- National Day of Prayer, May 2, 2019
- Mother's Day, May 12, 2019
- Armed Forces Day, May 18, 2019
- Victoria Day (Canada), May 20, 2019
- Memorial Day, May 27, 2019
- Ascension, May 30, 2019