

TODAY'S USHERS are Dave Galer, Jerry Rupert, Becky Wieder, and Betsy Davis. The ushers on September 14 will be Eleanor Weinstein, Lavita Golightly, Jerry Rupert, and Frank Johnston. On September 21, Laura Mann, Mike Edstrom, and John & Kathy Shue will usher.

PLEASE JOIN US IN SCHULENBERG HALL for refreshments following worship. If you would like to bring refreshments for the fellowship time following worship, please sign up on the list on the bulletin board in Schulenberg Hall.

TODAY'S FLOWERS are given to the honor and glory of God by Mike & Debbie Edstrom in celebration of their wedding anniversary and by the Baker family in celebration of Kalon Baker's birthday.

THE GREEN PLANTS IN THE SANCTUARY for the month of September are given to the honor and glory of God by Cynthia Rogan in celebration of Andrea's birthday; by the Bishop's in celebration of Bob's BIG birthday; and by Anna Baker in celebration of her birthday and the birthdays of her son Billie Baker and daughter Linda Rasbury.

KCM HAS REQUESTED canned fruit and 8oz. cans of tomato sauce for the month of September

The first two Sundays of September, the 7th & 14th, from 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m. in the sanctuary, DR. WINDHAM WILL BE CONDUCTING A CLASS CALLED AN INTRODUCTION TO THE LORD'S SUPPER FOR BAPTIZED CHILDREN, AGES 5 TO 8, AND THEIR PARENTS. This is in compliance with the Book of Order (W-4.2002.) The two classes are sequential; i.e., the second class will build upon material covered in the first. The purpose of the classes is to give the children some understanding of the theological meaning of the sacrament and also the ways in which one receives the sacrament. We ask that at least one of the parents attend the classes with each child. We will recognize the children of the class during our worship service on World Communion Sunday, October 5th.

THE SESSION HAS CALLED A CONGREGATIONAL MEETING for September 14 for the purpose of receiving a slate of candidates for the Session Class of 2011 from the Nominating Committee. The floor will be open for nominations provided the nominees have previously agreed to serve if elected.

THE NEW HOPE CHILD DEVELOPMENT CENTER WILL START THEIR ANNUAL FALL FUNDRAISER September 15. Florence Roth will be taking orders for candles in Schulenberg Hall after church on September 14 & 21. Please help support our CDC.

A TEAM FROM NEW HOPE will be participating in THE SUSAN G. KOMEN HOUSTON RACE FOR THE CURE on Saturday, October 4 to raise money to fight breast cancer. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to participate. There are

categories for runners, walkers and folks who would just like to donate money to the cause. The easiest way to register or donate is to go to our church web site (www.newhopepckaty.org). On the home page near the bottom is a sentence about the race. If you click where it says here, the link will take you right to the Race for the Cure home page. Follow the directions to join the team or to make a donation. Our team name is New Hope. For more information, contact Terry Owens or Becky Wieder.

SAVE THE DATE for a Special Event: The annual FOCUS CONFERENCE at Northwoods Presbyterian Church on Saturday October 4, 2008. The Rev. Dr. Tom Long, author of *Testimony: Talking Ourselves into Being Christian*, is the keynote speaker and will offer class for pastors; Rev. Jack Haberer, current editor of *Presbyterian Outlook*, and Joan Gray, past Moderator of the General Assembly, are just two of a fantastic line-up of outstanding speakers. Information booklets and registration information will be out later this summer, but don't wait! Save the date and plan to make a day to nurture your spirit, enliven your faith, and recommit to ministry. Registration fee will be \$30 if paid before 9/15. After 9/15 it will be \$35. More information can be found at focushouston.org.

NEW HOPE IS PLANNING A YARD SALE ON October 11. Please start saving items so this can be a really big sale. Also, it would be helpful if you could save grocery bags and hangers. We will start accepting items to be sorted and priced starting on Monday, October 6 and will need a lot of volunteers for this function. Our Men's Group, the Holy Smokers, will be holding a BBQ in conjunction with the garage sale! Terry Owens is planning a blood drive and Helen Galer is looking into the possibility of holding a Health Fair with flu shots on this day as well. Helen Rupert is heading up the yard sale portion of this fund raising effort along with Janet Rainey, Laura Mann and Jo Ann Franklin. Sign-up sheets are now posted on the bulletin board if you are interested in helping.

PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Illness: Leonard Abbott, Rev. Nancy Profit, Atha Dimon, Thelma Day (Ron Day's mother), Lynn Fant, Brandon Boudin, Barry Krueger's grandson, Zane Lee DeLozier, Sean Culp (the Perkins' friend), Maurice Picheloup (Debbie Weldon's grandfather), Chris van Dijk, (Gordon's dad). Sharon Gruitza (M.J. Selle's sister), John Fry, M.J. Selle's brother Bob Pratt, Sean Baker's uncle, Blaine Baker, Earl Reaves (Cynthia Rogan's father), Judy Potts' niece, LeAnn Valdez, Suzanne Geil (Belinda's daughter-in-law's mom.), Martha Kitchens, and Sharla Spence.
Service and Support Personnel in Iraq: Grant Montgomery, Danny Jones, Joey Galvan, Brian Burnett, Paul Johnson, and Andrew Allen.