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United Methodist Church of Parsippany

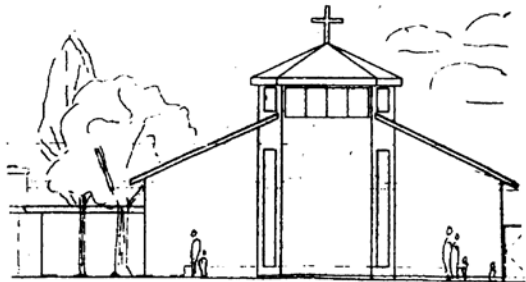
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Sunday Worship Celebration: 10:30 a.m.

In a hostile, hurting world we reach out to share kindness and laughter. Our spirituality is based on Jesus and his love and compassion. We provide a community of support and healing where all are welcomed and valued regardless of race, age, sexual orientation, disability, gender, or economic status. In a world where people feel they can love only those who are like themselves, we seek to celebrate the uniqueness of every human being.

"Making Room in the Circle"



OCTOBER 2012



ANNUAL HAPPY APPLE BAZAAR – Saturday, October 27th, 10 to 3

Start thinking now for the bazaar – we will need the following....

Workers for the bazaar – Workers will be needed for setting up on Friday night, and for the whole day the day of the bazaar – need people to help at booths, especially to give others a break during the day.

- Donate a **themed basket** for the silent auction. Speak to Monica Hawkins, Barb Bradley or Connie Keller if you have questions. Baskets need to be at the church the Sunday before the bazaar.

- Bring in **GOOD used toys**, stuffed animals, games any time before the bazaar for the toy booth.

- Bring in **GOOD used jewelry** - this needs to be delivered to the church as soon as you can. Any gold jewelry is appreciated – we have a good contact to sell gold through and this can be considered a donation to the church. Speak to Karen Wilk or Diane Anastasi – also needed are small JEWELRY BOXES

- Bring in **used books** - fiction only - any time before the bazaar

- Bring any **SMALL, NICE items for the garage sale** table. See Wes Sitgreaves.

- **Bake something tasty** for the bakery table – bring to church the morning of the bazaar

If you'd like to participate by either setting up on Friday afternoon or evening; helping out during the bazaar; or helping to clean up after the bazaar, please let us know! All willing hands are welcome! It's a fun day of service to your church and spending time with your church family.

Speak to Barb Bradley or Connie Keller if you have any questions



Our annual **Church Conference** will be held on **Monday, October 1st at 7:30 p.m.** Our district superintendent, Rev. Steve Bechtold will be on hand to lead us in worship together as we celebrate the ministry Christ has given us. Officers of the church will be elected. Every member of the church is encouraged to attend. The Staff-Parish Relations Committee will meet before hand at 6:30 with Rev. Bechtold.

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October 20th is our Annual Ham Dinner --- we'll need help to set up the night before and day of, and we will need serving and kitchen help the day of. Please see Connie Keller or Justin Cogan if you can assist --- and don't forget to come and eat! More info next month. Tickets will be available for sale and to sell.

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The **Watoto Children's Choir from Uganda** have been scheduled for an appearance at our church on **Wednesday, November 7th at 7:30 p.m.** Admission is free- A love offering will be taken to support their mission. Watoto Children's Choirs have traveled internationally since 1994 as advocates for the estimated 50 million children in Africa, orphaned as a result of HIV/AIDS, war, poverty and disease. You can see videos of their wonderful music of praise on

You Tube.

If you would like to help with the organization of the event, please speak to Bob Keller. The choir consists of 31 people; we are looking for homes to host 3-4 children and a chaperone on the night of the 7th. If you are interested in hosting, please speak to Amy Gripp or Bob Keller.

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Something New: Our church calendar is now available on the church's website.

If you are planning an event and need to book the church or a particular room, please check the calendar on the website, then call Gail Booth or Wes Sitgreaves to confirm availability and reserve your time. (Fred Coleman will also have a hard copy of the calendar here at the church that you can also check for date availability.

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"Living in the Light" sessions with Pastor Jeff continue informally throughout the summer on Wednesdays beginning promptly at 11 a.m. and ending precisely at 12 noon. Join us for spiritual conversation and guided meditation and prayer.



A sermon preached on August 26, 2012 based upon Ephesians 6:10 – 20.

Because I'm a pastor, I received an email this past week with a heading of, "Do Christians see the storm on the Horizon?" When I opened the email, it said simply "Study shows hostility toward Christians in America is growing." There was a link to an article which I clicked. It soon became clear that the term "study" was pretty misleading. The "study" wasn't done by any sort of independent, objective researcher; rather it was done by some conservative Christians who clearly have an axe to grind.

The email was from Donald Wildmon, who is a United Methodist Minister from Mississippi, as am I. In my mind, he has long since lost touch with the warm-hearted, welcoming love that is at the heart of what John Wesley started all those many years ago. Wildmon started an organization called The American Family Association that has it in for gays and other marginal groups in our society.

The email and the so-called "study" were essentially a call to arms. *Non-Christians are getting hostile to us so it's time to get hostile back before it's too late! It's us against them! It's time to do battle to take back America!*

Wildmon wants Christians to exercise our muscle in the political arena. A while back he endorsed Newt Gingrich who, in his opinion was the best candidate to lead America.

I wonder what Donald Wildmon would make of the story of Jesus when he's out in the wilderness and the devil offers him all the political power of this world, saying that he – the devil – possesses this sort of power, and it's his to give to whomever he pleases. What would he make of Jesus turning his offer down?

The passage we just heard from Paul's letter to the Ephesians is one that folks like Donald Wildmon love to quote. A surface reading of Paul's words might give the impression they fit nicely with Wildmon's point of view. *We're at war! It's time to put on the battle armor and take up a sword to fight back the enemy!*

But when we dig a little deeper, we see that's not what Paul is saying at all. If we back up to earlier in his letter Paul clearly states how he understands the Gospel.

In the worldview in which Paul grew up as a devout Jewish Pharisee, the human race was divided in two. On one side were Jews — God's chosen people — and on the other were the Gentiles, which meant everybody else. A great barrier stood between them, and with it, an unavoidable hostility, for in the mind of Jews, the Gentiles were an unclean people with whom they could never be close.

So when Paul speaks of the great mystery of the Gospel — the good news he has discovered in his encounter with Jesus, the messiah — he speaks of the amazing thing that Jesus accomplished on the cross in relationship to this long-standing division and hostility. Here's how he puts it in chapter two:

For he himself is our peace, who has made the two groups one and has destroyed the barrier, the dividing wall of hostility,¹⁵ by setting aside in his flesh the law with its



commands and regulations. His purpose was to create in himself one new humanity out of the two, thus making peace,¹⁶ and in one body to reconcile both of them to God through the cross by which he put to death their hostility. (2:14-16)

In other words, the hostility between Jews and Gentiles died with him on the cross. The endless war between Jews and Gentiles is over! It's a great mystery to Paul before which he stands in awe. Jews and Gentiles are now one. Jesus himself is our peace!

So when Paul gets to the last chapter of his letter and speaks about the need to **stand firm** and of the importance of putting on the whole armor of God, you realize he's not saying this as a battle cry to engage in a holy war against our enemies. Quite the contrary. The Gospel has made us peacemakers. We are called to announce to the world that the war is over. It's time to celebrate!

We're all one now. Stand firm in the peace God has made for us through Jesus. Don't give into the temptation to return to the old hostility.

Nowadays the ancient division between Jews and Gentiles that meant so much for Paul the former Jewish Pharisee doesn't mean much to us. But we still break the world up into us against them. The possibilities are endless. The cool kids vs. the nerds. Republicans vs. Democrats. The rich vs. the poor. Donald Wildmon and his friends want to divide the world up into Christians vs. Non-Christians. But if we get what Paul is telling us we can't buy into this.

Jesus' death on the cross ended such divisions. There's just one new humanity now of which we are all a part. Our job as Christians isn't to fan the old fires of hostility, but to announce to the world that the peace treaty has already been signed and sealed.

In the years following the end of World War II, Japanese soldiers would turn up hiding out on some island somewhere. They hadn't gotten the message that the war was over, and so when they would encounter people who weren't fellow Japanese soldiers, they assumed they were enemies and would fire their guns and rattle their sabers. It would take a while to get them to understand that they were fighting a war that had long been over.

It's like that with the Gospel. We have been made one. The dividing walls have come tumbling down. But we keep on hiding out with our old hostilities.

Paul goes on to say, "*For our struggle is not against enemies of blood and flesh, but against the ... the spiritual forces of evil.*" Which is to say, if we really **get** the Gospel, then no man or woman – no one made up of flesh and blood – can ever really be our enemy.

There is an enemy, but it's not one with flesh and blood. You can call it the devil, or you can simply call it the evil that seems so entrenched in this world, expressed in so many systems of domination that oppress and dehumanize people. Those flesh and blood folks who would do us harm have all been caught up in the great deceptions of the devil, who strives to keep us in a perpetual state of hostility. But they're not really the enemy.

Some people seem to get this instinctively. A photographer once took some extraordinary pictures of a confrontation that took place a few years back between a handful of Ku Klux Klan who were holding a rally on the streets of Ann Arbor, Michigan and the crowd of three hundred people who showed up to protest them. (*To see the pictures on line, enter Keshia Thomas and Mark Brunner.*) At one point a white man wearing confederate flags on his vest and T-shirt wanders off from the other Klansmen. The crowd of protestors converge on him. Keshia Thomas, a young black woman – only 18 years old was among the crowd. She asks the man, "What did I ever do to you?"

Someone in the crowd shoves the man, and he begins to retreat. The crowd, looking to express their rage, begins chasing him. Things quickly get out of control. The man is pushed to the ground, and the mob pounces, kicking and poking him with sticks. Appalled, Keshia throws herself over the fallen man, shielding him from the onslaught of blows descending from the angry crowd. One of the photographs taken at the rally shows the teenage girl actually cradling the man like a child — protecting a man whose racism was a threat to her self.

Afterwards, when asked why she had done what she did, she answered, “*You don’t beat a man up because he doesn’t believe the same things you do. He’s still somebody’s child.*” (Afterwards, a National Imperial Wizard of the KKK, Jeffrey Berry, 43 said to a reporter, speaking of Keshia, “*We bless her. If you get ahold of her, tell her that Jeff Berry thanks her.*”)

Paul was writing his letter from a prison cell in Rome. As the letter draws to a close, it’s touching the words he writes to his friends back in Ephesus. He’s told them to keep praying for all the saints. Now he adds: “*Pray also for me, so that when I speak, a message may be given to me to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel, for which I am which I am an ambassador in chains.*”

If you think about it, who’s Paul going to get a chance to preach to there in the prison? He would have preached to other prisoners. But since Paul was a Roman citizen he would have been kept separate from the commoners who were not citizens. He was also considered by the authorities to be a dangerous rabble-rouser, so in all likelihood they kept him fairly isolated from other prisoners.

So the primary people he has to preach the Gospel are.... the Roman guards. How is he going to *overcome the deep hostilities* that would have been knit into the context in which he finds himself... the hostility between *captor and captive*... the ancient hostility so commonly found between people of different *rac*es, different *cultures*, different *religions*?

It won’t be easy. So he asks in his letters for prayers — that he may be able to **stand firm in the Gospel of peace** when his captors mock him, or beat him, trying to provoke him into the old hostility.

As he’s wrapping up his letter, he looks up, and his eyes are drawn to the armor worn by his captors. He finds in the various pieces of the armor metaphors for what he needs to stand firm: The belt of truth, the breastplate of righteousness, sandals that will make him nimble as he proclaims the gospel of peace. He’ll need the shield of faith to extinguish all the flaming arrows of the evil one, and the helmet of salvation. His only offensive weapon he will need is the sword of the Spirit – the truth of the Gospel he proclaims with its potential to cut deep into human hearts.

And in his imagination, with the whole armor of God securely in place, Paul does stand firm in the peace that Christ has won.

Imagine how perplexed the captors must have been when, over time in such harsh and hostile circumstances, he maintained a demeanor of peace and calm. Their taunts and cruelties fail to provoke hostility in return. He is, as he writes elsewhere in his letter, “***so rooted and established in love.***”

Overtime their curiosity gets the better of them. They want to know what this man has that the other prisoners don’t, in fact, what, they themselves don’t have. Gradually the mocking disappears, and they allow themselves to be drawn into conversation by this peculiar man. He seems sincerely interested in them. He asks about their families — where they’ve come from. At one point he asks, “*So how was it you came to be a Roman soldier?*”

They share how, as was common in those days, they had enlisted in the hope of one day themselves becoming Roman citizens. For the guards, the great division that separated humanity was not that of Jews and Gentiles, but rather the one that divided the Roman Empire. There were citizens with certain rights and privileges – the insiders. And then there was everyone else.

Rome with all its tyrannical political and military power knew how to entice poor young men to serve their purposes in their armies of oppression. Hold up the carrot of citizenship, and they would enlist. It would take 25 long years of service to Caesar, however before they would be rewarded with the carrot of citizenship, finally moving from the outside to the inside.

Paul realizes his enemy wasn’t these flesh and blood soldiers standing before him. The real enemy is the evil power behind Rome that coerced people to succumb to their domination.

"You know," Paul tells them, "I'm a Roman citizen." This catches their attention. Somehow they'd missed this fact.

"Been one all my life. It's not all it's cracked up to be. A while back I was given a different sort of citizenship that is far more wonderful than the citizenship I have through Rome. In fact, if I were forced to choose between the two, I'd drop my Roman citizenship in instant. This one comes with such glorious riches."

"What are you talking about!?" they ask skeptically.

"The citizenship I'm talking about is in the household of God." And with that he proceeds to tell them about the amazing thing Jesus has accomplished in his death on the cross. "You don't have to wait for this citizenship. It's yours, right now, for the asking."

God is far more powerful than Caesar. And you are, amazing as it may seem, God's beloved child, invited to come inside of God's infinity circle of light. There are such riches of grace and love that have been opened up to you in Jesus. It's all you truly need. It's all you've ever needed.

In the kindness of Jesus,
Pastor Jeff

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Looking back...Pastor Jeff presented a wonderful program on the life of his Mom, up on the screen. What a smart and talented LADY she was. Thank you Jeff.

All women of the church are invited, and bring a friend.....



United Methodist
Women

Wed, October 3rd – 7:00 p.m.
Program: Rev. Lianne Finston
(who worshipped here some years ago)
Bring a Friend - All women invited
Refreshments - Come welcome Ref. Finston

Oct. 8 – Columbus Day (obs)
Oct. 20 – Ham Dinner

Oct. 27 – Happy Apple Bazaar
Oct 31 – Pie Day – Morris View N.H.
Oct. 31 – Halloween

Get well wishes to those of you who are ill, and
HAPPY BIRTHDAY to those of you celebrating this month with Diane Anastasi.

God Bless,
Doris Bradley

Prov. 17:17 "A friend loves at all times."

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A day time men's discussion group with Pastor Jeff is meeting on **Fridays at 1 p.m.** at the church. We listen to short audio tapes and discuss what we hear during the 90 minute sessions. Any men available in the day time are invited to join us.



If you would like to be involved as we devise plans for more frequent use of our new church kitchen in putting on church dinners for fellowship, outreach and fundraising, and haven't already spoken to Pastor Jeff (Thanks to the 25 of you who already have!), you are invited to do so.

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Anyone who is interested in serving from time to time as a *liturgist* in the Sunday worship service is invited to speak to Pastor Jeff.

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The **UMW** is selling **Food Gift Cards to benefit the General Budget** for ShopRite as an *ongoing Fund Raiser*. The church will receive 5% of all purchases (you buy \$100 of gift cards, the church gets \$5). Gift Cards are available in \$5, \$10, \$20, \$25, \$50 and \$100 denominations. Please see Betty Polen at the beginning of Coffee Hour if you would like to purchase ShopRite Gift Cards. Checks should be made payable to The United Methodist Women.

Thank you, The UMW

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A **small gathering of men** from our church meet together every Tuesday at 7:15 a.m. at the Empire Diner with Pastor Jeff for breakfast, conversation, and a concluding prayer. All men are welcome.

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FLOWERS FOR THE ALTAR ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS – If you want to remember or honor a special occasion in your life by putting flowers on the altar, please get in touch with Connie Keller. Flower arrangements are currently being purchased at Shop Rite for varying costs depending on what you want. You are certainly welcome at any time to place flowers on the altar. If you want an announcement in the bulletin, please call Connie

Keller or send her an email with the dedication. Contact information: Connie's cell: 973-568-5404: home: 973-887-4384: email: connie@mhmlender.com

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Anyone aware of a **Prayer Concern** is invited to contact Grace Agre at 539-3855 who will put the **Prayer Chain** into action. If Grace cannot be reached, please contact Pastor Jeff. If you would like to add your name to the people who receive the prayer chain, please speak to Betty Polen



Parsippany Food Pantry - Wes Sitgreaves has called to our attention the ongoing need of the Emergency Food Pantry in Parsippany in these difficult economic times. There are more and more families turning to the food pantry for help. You can bring your donations of non-perishable food items to the church any Sunday. Wes Stigreaves takes the food over as the bin gets filled up. Supermarket gift cards are also welcome - buy them from Betty Polen and raise money for the church at the same time!!! This is a very easy

way to give back to the less-fortunate in our own township.

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On September 9th Pastor Jeff challenged the children to go home and scavenge under the seat cushions in their homes and in their family's cars for change that had fallen there, and to bring it back the following Sunday. If we could raise \$20 we would be able to purchase a flock of baby chicks through Heifer International to give to a poor family in Tanzania who are accustomed to living on 50 cents a day. The chicks would grow up to lay eggs to sell or eat. And in the spirit of Heifer, the family would pass on some of the eggs to their neighbors, so it becomes a gift that keeps on giving. The following Sunday the children brought back a total of \$32.12! We're well on our way to sending not one flock, but two flocks of baby chicks to a family (and a whole village) that will be really blessed.



Consider becoming a part of one or more of our Musical Groups here at church:

Bell Choir – rehearses Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. If you are interested in joining us, please speak to Barb Bradley or Aimee Letsch - or just show up on Thursday and see what happens!

Choir – rehearses Thursdays at 7:45 p.m. We always have an "open robe" for anyone who loves to sing. We sing in 4-part harmony, so if you've sung in your high school chorus or any other equivalent, you have a great start! Speak to any choir member or Barb Bradley if you're interested.

Kids Bell Choir – rehearses every Sunday after worship. All children and youth in 3rd grade and up (including junior and senior high school) are welcome. Directed by Aimee Letsch (973-585-7634).



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR OCTOBER

Oct. 7th

Job 1:1;2:1-10
Hebrews 1:1-4;2:5-12
Mark 10:2-16

Oct. 14th

Job 23:1-9,16-17
Hebrews 4:12-16
Mark 10:17-31

Oct. 21st

Job 38:1-7
Hebrews 5:1-10
Mark 10:35-45

Oct. 28th

Job 42:1-6,10-17
Hebrews 7:23-28
Mark 10:46-52



3rd Linda Routhier
 6th Diane Anastasi
 8th June Schnetzer
 9th Jean Montecuollo
 9th Charles Nye
 10th Keith Hawkins
 10th Mae Lange
 11th Bert Morris
 14th Jahn Schnetzer

16th Mark Chauhan
 18th Donroy Gounaud
 19th Brenden Laux
 21st Gordon Routhier
 24th Carrie Correale
 25th Kathy Isaacks
 27th Jeanne Weintraub
 30th Alyssa Letsch

OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES

9th Gordon & Linda Routhier
 10th Kathy & Henry Isaacks
 19th Jim & Karen Steen



Sunday, October 21 is Laity Sunday, in which we emphasize the ministry of the laity. Lay people are everybody in the church who hasn't been ordained for a specialized ministry of word and sacrament, and in our church, if your names aren't Jeff Edwards or David Turner, then YOU ARE LAITY and you are called to ministry. If you would like to be involved in the worship that Sunday, please speak to either Bob Keller or Pastor Jeff.

On Tuesday, October 23rd our church will host a *Skyland District Resource Day*. From 9 a.m. through 3 p.m. clergy of our district will gather for a presentation by Rev. Steven Manskar on *"Intentional Discipleship."* Lay people are welcome at that time as well. Volunteers are needed to serve a catered meal to our guests at noon. From 7 to 9 p.m. Rev. Manskar will again make his presentation, primarily to laity from throughout our district. Please come out and welcome our guests and be blessed by the wisdom of our speaker!



*Installation of
Bishop John Schol*

Saturday, October 27, 2012 at 10am
Princeton University Chapel

Three new members were received on September 16th:



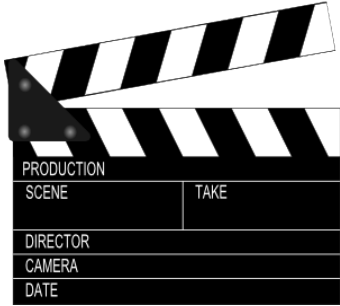
Betsy Adams was born in Milwaukee and raised in Wauwatosa, WI through junior high, at which point her family moved to Portage, WI. After college in La Cross, WI, Betsy worked in the small community of Hillsboro Wisconsin. There she met her husband Paul who was working as a veterinarian, and 28 years ago they were married. They first lived in Ohio where Paul got his masters, and then in Woodland, CA where he got his PhD, followed by Fargo,

ND for postdoctoral work. Afterwards they lived in Wisconsin and Connecticut before moving to New Jersey. Betsy and Paul have two adult daughters: Nicole, who lives in Ohio, and Paula, who lives in Pennsylvania and will be married next month to Peter Govey. Betsy has two brothers back in Wisconsin and a sister in Colorado. Having moved so often Betsy describes herself as a chameleon of sorts. After first getting married she worked for the United Way. Betsy holds a degree in Social Work with an emphasis in Medical Social Work. She worked as Director of Catholic Social Services in CA, in medical social work in Pediatric Oncology in ND, and as Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce in WI. In Connecticut in the town in which she lived Betsy was elected the Registrar of Voters for four years. She was hired by the state to teacher classes on new voting machine and was a justice of the peace. Betsy also led classes at Weight Watchers. Since moving to New Jersey Betsy designed and managed the

website of the church she and Paul previously attended. This past July Betsy organized a family reunion, and presently devotes her time to planning her daughter's wedding. Betsy enjoys making greeting cards, photography, swimming, gardening, computers and reading. The first time Paul and Betsy attended our church she was struck by the feeling of warmth and welcome she encountered here. She remembers how Lois and Hwa led them into the fellowship hall after the service, and the genuine feeling of warmth she found there was one she hadn't experienced since her days living in the Midwest. Betsy's wisdom to share with young people is this: The golden rule is important. "People may not remember how exactly how you treat them but they **will** remember how you made them feel." Betsy's birthday is September 9th.

Paul Adams was born in and raised in St. Louis in a family that consisted of his mother, father, brothers and sister, all of whom are still a part of his life. His wife Betsy's bio describes the details of where they have lived. Presently Paul is a research scientist for Merck Animal Health discovering new drugs to help animals. He enjoys gardening, watching sports, and doing home repairs and improvements. Paul appreciates the friendliness and caring he has experienced in our church, as well as the thought provoking sermons. His advice to young people would be to say "It's okay to question your faith and religious education. But don't give up on them or reject it outright. You'll find you need it." Paul's birthday is September 7th.

Anna Violet Christal was named after her paternal grandmother Anna Christal and her maternal grandmother Violet Smith. Her immediate family consists of her Mom (Muriel), her brothers Paul and Mark, and his sisters-in-law Kitty and Jennifer, her nieces Danielle and Shannon, and her nephew and Godson Michael. Anna was born in Morristown and grew up in Parsippany, where she met Barb Bradley in middle school. Apart for seven years spent living in Boston, Anna has lived her adult life living locally, and presently lives in Denville. She has had two different careers in the past; the first in banking and the second in the hotel industry. She currently works as the office manager for a holistic healing center in Boonton, but will start a new job next week working as a Supportive Housing Counselor with the Mental Health Association of Morris County. She loves spending time with family and friends, and going to the movies and Broadway shows. Anna enjoys a wide range of music, ranging from Andrea Bocelli to Michael Buble, Bon Jovi to Betty Buckley, Bruce Springsteen to Tony Bennett. She is looking forward to singing in our choir. She is grateful that our church has welcome her with open arms for almost forty years. She appreciates our community outreach, as well as the Happy Apple Bazaar and our dinners. The wisdom she would share with a young person would be to "believe in the grace and love of God as well as to love and believe in yourself. " Anna's birthday is March 18th.



On Tuesday, October 8th our church will host a viewing of a *new short documentary movie* entitled, *The Line*, at 8 p.m. Written and directed by Emmy Award-winning producer Linda Midgett, it chronicles the very *real* stories of four *real* people struggling with *real* poverty in America today. You'll meet a banker in the suburban Midwest who used to earn six-figures a year and now, after the economic collapse, must go to a food bank to feed his three kids; a fisherman on the Gulf Coast of Louisiana who has watched his livelihood and his culture wash away in the wake of Hurricane Katrina and a devastating off-shore oil spill; a blue collar guy in North Carolina who worked hard his whole life but lost his job, became homeless, and started over as a restaurant bus boy; and a single mom in Chicago who battles daily to ensure that her son is safe, healthy, and has the opportunity to go to college. The idea of the film is simple: People living in and struggling with poverty telling their own stories. They are beautiful, inspiring, challenging, and full of grace. In a word, their stories are powerful. The kind you never forget. The kind that make you not only feel something, but compel you to *do* something. The film is co-sponsored by Sojourners and World Vision, with generous support from Oxfam America, Bread for the World, and the Christian Community Development Association.



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