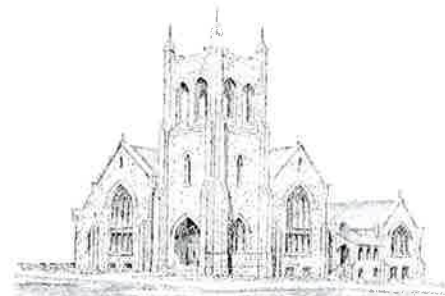


Sharing the

GOOD NEWS



September, 2022

St. Paul's United Church of Christ

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT ST. PAUL'S UCC

Welcome Sunday Celebration: Growing in God's Love!

Join us on Sunday, September 11th at 9 am in Fellowship Hall for ***Welcome Sunday***. ***Welcome Sunday*** is the day we celebrate our Christian Education Ministries and rally together at the beginning of a new year to praise our Lord and together learn more about our God.

This year's ***Welcome Sunday*** might look and feel a bit different. We are hoping for a "revival" of sorts as we highlight and share what a wonderful opportunity it is to take an active role in Christian Education at St. Paul's. Students entering 2nd grade will be presented with Bibles. Immediately following the worship service, there will a pancake breakfast. A free will offering will be collected.

Sunday School

The first day of Sunday School classes for all ages (age 3 – adult) will be Sunday, October 2nd.



August 28th – Back to School Bash, 6:30-8:00 pm

Sept. 25th – church clean-up (indoor and out) with pizza, 6 pm start time

October 30th – regular meeting (6:30- 8:00 pm) with intentional planning for a spaghetti dinner in November

Spaghetti Dinner – early November

More information about each event or gathering will be communicated as they draw closer.

Care Packages

We would like to continue our care package ministry in the 2022-2023 school year. If you know of someone in college or the military who would appreciate receiving occasional mail and care packages from St. Paul's congregation, please provide their name and address to Nancy Ziegenfuss by September 6th!

~ Letter from the Pastor ~

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Tuesday 9-12 Noon

Pastor's Day Off: Friday

Pastor Vacation Days in

September:

Sept 19th – Sept 25th.

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Mon. & Wed. 9-2 in office;

Tues. & Thurs. remote work

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**Weekly Hybrid Worship:
In-Person, and Livestream ~
IMPORTANT:
10:15 am worship begins
September 18th!**

As a new school year begins, whether that be pre-school or college, there is excitement and anticipation of a year filled with many learning opportunities and participation in many activities and special events. We will host our annual **Welcome Sunday Celebration** on Sunday, September 11th and return to our 10:15 a.m. worship time on September 18th. However, pay attention now, Sunday School classes will not resume until Sunday, October 2nd, at 9:00 a.m. which is also World Communion Sunday. You will learn more about our Sunday School "**revival**" during the **Welcome Sunday Celebration!** A few details can be found on the front page of our September newsletter featuring Christian Education at St. Paul's UCC!

Like the beginning of any new school year, I think this is an exciting time of year for our church and Christian Education Ministry Team. However, a new school year can also be stressful on students and teachers especially if they are students entering a new school or a teacher is entering their classroom for the first time with their students. Church life can feel stressful, too, this time of year. Who will be available to teach Sunday School this year? How will Sunday School classrooms be organized? We have a 2023 Confirmation Class that has been formed, but we need to be creative in how we schedule classes as our young families have many schedules they are balancing as a school year begins. And budget talks will be upon us soon! Important financial decisions are before us!

Below is a picture of the Grand Opening of "The Little Garden Library" that was held on Sunday, August 21st, immediately following our morning worship service. Why did I choose to have this picture appear here as I talk with you about beginning our Fall church schedule and the many practical tasks that are before us? I know we all pray for growth of "physical numbers," but first and foremost is the importance of growing in God's love! I am hopeful that this little outdoor library will not only give us another opportunity to support literacy overall in our community, but to also make our Bible stories of faith available to those persons that stop by – young or old – to check out the free books offered with the Little Free Library non-profit concept of: "take a book - leave a book."

These little things may seem insignificant, but I'm still convinced that when Jesus in the great commission said, "*go and make disciples of all nations,*" He was sending us out to plant seeds of His Good News! He was sending us out with seeds of His love and mercy and grace to share with the nations, with our friends, with our family, with our neighbors, with our community. Church life may be changing, but His message of love doesn't change as He calls us all to grow in His love!

In His Grace, *Pastor Trudy*

**SHARING LIFE'S JOURNEY
BY BUILDING OUR RELATIONSHIPS
WITH JESUS AND EACH OTHER!**



Sunday's in September



Welcome

- **Sunday, September 4, Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
 - Worship, 9:00 am. in Sanctuary
 - Scriptures: Jeremiah 18:1-11
Psalm 139:1-6, 13-18
Philemon 1-21
Luke 14:24-33
 - Theme: "A New Identity"
 - Lemonade in the Shade

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- **Sunday, September 11, Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
 - Worship, 9:00 am. in the Fellowship Hall!
 - Scriptures: Jeremiah 4:11-12, 22-28
Psalm 14
1 Timothy 1:12-17
Luke 15:1-10
 - *Welcome Sunday Celebration!*
 - Pancake Breakfast will follow Worship in Fellowship Hall following the service.
 - Theme: "Growing in God's Love"

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- **Sunday, September 18, Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
 - Sunday School, 9 am.
 - Worship, 10:15 am. in Sanctuary (Notice worship time)
 - Scriptures: Jeremiah 8:18-9:1
Psalm 79:1-9
1 Timothy 2:1-7
Luke 16:1-13
 - Coffee, Cookies and Conversation
 - Theme: "Prayerful Living"



*Joyful Noise
Offering*

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- **Sunday, September 25, Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost**
 - Sunday School, 9 am.
 - Worship, 10:15 am. in Sanctuary
 - Scriptures: Jeremiah 32:1-3a, 6-15
Psalm 91:1-6, 14-16
1 Timothy 6:6-19
Luke 16:19-31
 - Coffee, Cookies and Conversation
 - Theme: "New Directions"
 - Guest speaker: Jeremiah Link (pastor's vacation Sunday).

OPP**Building**

- Dennis Hurchalla
- Paul Koehler
- Aaron Clark
- Jim Chrastina
- Kevin Irving
- Clarence Runkle
- Terry Weikel
- Neil Clark

Christian Outreach**Mission****Growth & Hospitality**

- Scott Huff
- Arlene Peters
- Donna Huff
- Rick Moyer
- Nancy Moyer

Reach Out and Touch/Christmas Family

- Aaron Clark
- Sam Clark
- Brenda Clark

Community Dinners (Roast Beef/Potpie)

- Marie Runkle
- Arlene Peters
- Holly Jacoby
- Karen Weikel
- Gerry Milkowich
- Donna Huff
- Nancy Moyer
- Lucy Chrastina
- Jerry Fosbenner
- Terry Weikel

Funeral

- Arlene Peters
- Marie Runkle
- Karen Weikel
- Gerry Milkowich
- Donna Huff
- Jerry Fosbenner
- Nancy Moyer

Literacy Mission

- Kate Clark

St. Paul's UCC Ministry Teams**Love in Action**

- Karen Weikel
- Aaron Clark
- Brenda Clark
- Chris Fosbenner

Life of the Church**Music & Worship**

- Brenda Clark
- Debbie Koehler
- Mary Beth Baringer

Altar Guild

- Lucille Moore
- Debbie Koehler
- Gerry Milkowich
- Robin Frank
- Arlene Peters
- Karen Weikel

CGC

- Paul Koehler
- Scott Huff
- Jim Chrastina
- Sam Clark
- Donna Huff

Jim Frantz Award

- Scott Huff
- Donna Huff
- Rick Moyer

Scholarship

- Scott Huff
- Aaron Clark
- Donna Huff
- Rick Moyer
- Mary Beth Baringer

Christian Education

- Nancy Ziegenfuss
- Holly Weideman
- Rick Moyer
- Kate Clark
- Marty Milkowich
- Patti Steich

Spiritual Life

- Mary Zeigenfuss
- Donna Huff
- Janet Dunlap
- Nancy Booz
- Jerry Fosbenner

Living Museum

- Karen Weikel
- Aaron Clark
- Jim Chrastina

Operations**Finance**

- Jim Chrastina
- Marie Runkle
- Jeffrey Moyer

Personnel

- Jim Chrastina
- Emily Stokes
- Rick Moyer
- Terry Weikel
- Neil Clark
- Kate Clark
- Aaron Clark

Technology

- Jim Chrastina
- Sam Clark
- Aaron Clark
- Preston Ziegenfuss
- Marcus Mikowich
- Brandon Barndt

Endowment

- Aaron Clark
- Dennis Hurchalla
- Neil Clark
- Debbie Koehler
- Rick Moyer
- Terry Weikel

Safety and Security

- Sam Clark
- Alex Potoczny

***Please review this ministry team list. Are you listed on the correct team? Is your name missing? Please contact:**

pastortrudy@stpaulsucc.net

with any needed changes.

Thank you!

9-1-2022



Camp Sonshine “HayDay” Summary

by Nancy Ziegenfuss, CE Director

“Our Lord Jesus Christ has made us friends with God.” Romans 5:11

Thirteen children on Friday evening and fourteen children on Saturday evening from St. Paul’s and the community participated in **Camp Sonshine’s HayDay** weekend evening camp program on July 29th and 30th. At **Camp Sonshine HayDay**, the kids learned how to grow in friendship with Jesus and that Jesus always loves us! He’s my friend!

At **Camp Sonshine**, we supported a mission through Samaritan’s Purse. The money we collected will be used to purchase baby chicks for disadvantaged families around the world. In the gospel of Luke, Jesus compares His love for His people to the care of a hen for the baby chicks under its wing. “How often would I have gathered your children together as a hen gathers her brood?” (Luke 3L34, ESV) For families that struggle to put food on the table, a gift of fluffy chicks from Samaritan’s Purse is a tangible display of the Savior’s love. Families who receive these chicks are also taught to care for the animals and harvest the eggs, which are a valuable source of nutrients and income. Just \$14 supplied a dozen chicks, a coop, and basic veterinary care. An offering was collected on Friday night, Saturday night, and at Sunday morning worship. From the children who attended **Camp Sonshine** and the generous members of St. Paul’s, we collected \$499 which will allow us to purchase 35 ½ dozen chicks!! I continue to be blown away by the outpouring of support from this congregation. Anytime a need is lifted up, the people of St. Paul’s respond greatly.

Thank you to all the members of the congregation who donated hamburger and hotdog buns, baked cupcakes, and donated craft supplies for **Camp Sonshine**. The weekend event wouldn’t have been possible without your help and support. A special thank you to those who donated via the Vacation Bible School Offering Envelopes included in your giving envelopes. A total of \$445 came in. Thank you for your generous outpouring of love! This money, plus an additional \$152 collected in a free will offering at the evening meals, was a tremendous help in keeping the actual cost of **Camp Sonshine** down.

Eight children from St. Paul’s attended **Camp Sonshine**. Hadley Clark, Maxwell Fernandez, Ella Ferris, Surrey Link, Knox Link, Sailor Link, Jaxon Moyer, and Simon Ziegenfuss were among the 13 or 14 children each evening. Five additional friends, neighbors, and relatives of the St. Paul’s children also attended.

14 people staffed **Camp Sonshine**. My deepest thanks to the people from St. Paul’s who donated their time, love, and talents as volunteers leading up to and during the **Camp Sonshine** weekend: Aaron Clark, Kate Clark, Brandon Barndt, Jerry Fosbenner, Tessa Hawkins, Jackie Kemmerer, Lori Milkowich, Marty Milkowich, McKenna Milkowich, Holly Weideman, Marlena Weideman, Jocelyn Ziegenfuss, Pastor Trudy, and Nancy Ziegenfuss. I appreciate everyone who helped in a variety of ways.

Eight people planned, prepared, and served the meals both evenings at **Camp Sonshine**. Thank you to: Brandon Barndt, Brenda Clark, Neil Clark, Sam Clark, Kevin Irving, Debbie Koehler, Paul Koehler, and Arlene Peters. Eight others planned, prepared, and transformed St. Paul’s into a fun, friendly farm. Thanks goes to: Aaron Clark, Kate Clark, Megan Ferris, Jerry Fosbenner, Stacey Moyer, Patti Steich, Jocelyn Ziegenfuss, and Nancy Ziegenfuss. Special thanks to Kevin Irving for helping construct the silo.

Thank you to all who helped decorate, those who helped relocate decorations in preparation for the **HayDay** Celebration worship service, and those who helped undecorate.

Camp Sonshine is an awesome opportunity to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with children while they’re eager and impressionable. **Camp Sonshine** is a high energy weekend full of fun, excitement, and sharing God’s love. Please consider taking part in **Camp Sonshine** next summer. Join in the fun with the children of St. Paul’s!



Praise The Lord!
Sing to the Lord a new song.
Sing His praises in the assembly of the faithful.
-Psalm 149 vs. 1, NLT

The exact start date of the choir season is up in the air due to a possible international business trip I may be taking. Tentatively, weekly Wednesday night (7 pm) choir rehearsals start on September 14th, however this may be delayed until early October if I end up traveling late in September. I will make sure announcements are made as appropriate in either case. New voices are always needed and welcome! No experience necessary! We rehearse for about an hour and it is a fun time of singing, learning and fellowship. As I have mentioned several times over the past couple of years, please consider joining us even if you can't commit to every week or the entire season. As much as possible, I try to make our rehearsal schedules accommodating to our modern hectic lives. If you have requests for the choir, whether it be an old favorite or something new you have heard that you like, please let me know and I will see if we can sing it. Priority is given to requests from choir members; hopefully that will motivate YOU to join us. Come make a joyful noise with us. ~ *Chris Ziegenfuss, Choir Director*



FISH BACKPACK COLLECTION 2022



As you can see, delivery was made to FISH of 48 filled backpacks, 24 Elementary & 24 Secondary, for distribution to students for the upcoming school year. I'm still receiving sponsorships at this time of the newsletter printing, but am able to advise to date that funds have been collected to cover 30 out of the 48 backpacks. I am hoping for additional sponsorships to come in by the end of August and will have final numbers for next month's newsletter.

Another great response from our St. Paul's members and I thank you gratefully again for your support and prayers for this need in our community. Additional thank you's go out to my helpers...Kevin & Trudy for receiving all the boxes from Amazon and getting them to church till needed, Neil & Kevin for moving the boxes into and setting up the room for packing, Trudy for getting the A/C on prior to our unpacking of boxes and packing of backpacks, Robin Frank & Debbie Koehler for unpacking and sorting supplies and then packing the backpacks, and Neil & Sam for delivery to FISH...it takes a village and St. Paul's is an awesome village!

St. Paul's UCC Confirmation Class of 2023

The 2023 Confirmation Class has been formed at St. Paul's UCC. The members of the Confirmation Class of 2023 are: Evan Hendricks, Amelia Moyer, Lucas Moyer, and Marlana Weideman. A schedule of confirmation classes will be prepared as soon as extra school activity schedules/dates are shared with the class members by their respective leaders. Pastor Trudy will meet with the Confirmands, their parents, and mentors prior to the beginning of classes in October in order to review and sign the Confirmation Covenant; to distribute and review the "Requirements of Confirmation Class" and the "Schedule of Classes." There will also be a dedication of the confirmation class during one of our morning worship service's this Fall. In our faith tradition, the Rite of Confirmation gives our young people focused study time as they affirm the baptismal vows that their parents took for them when they were baptized as infants. All classes are not structured the same. There will be in-person class time, there will be short written assignments, tours of the church and discussion around the significance of symbols in the church, the movie "Jesus" will be viewed with discussion time following the movie when we move into the Church Season of Lent. The confirmation class will also have opportunity to participate in the life of the church as an acolyte, or greeter, or lay reader, or in another capacity of church leadership. We look forward to another year of sharing in our journey of faith with the 2023 Confirmation Class!



Shirley Marie Delikat was baptized during the morning worship service on July 17th, 2022. Congratulations Shirley!!!



Our Church Family



1st – Hope Seiler
 3rd – Kathryn Clark
 – Dylan Ferris
 – Bonnie Hayden
 6th – Wm. Hart Rufe, III.
 7th – George Schmidt, Jr.
 8th – Jenessa Bergey
 – James Chrastina
 – Christopher Ferris
 – Lauren Hendricks
 – Matthew Milkowich
 – Linda Sweigart
 9th – Karen Nace
 12th – Ella Ferris



14th – Gregory Landis
 – Arlene Peters
 15th – Michael Milkowich
 – Clarence Runkle
 16th – Jean Houpert
 – Rowyn Wells
 17th – Megan Ferris
 18th – Roy Roth

19th – Lucy Chrastina
 – Maria Long
 21st – Melinda Cardacin
 – Julius Hayden, IV.
 23rd – Nancy Booz
 24th – Jacoby Bergey
 – John Roush
 – Braylon Stokes
 25th – Joy Fulp
 – Angela Kelly
 – Tracy Molettiere
 26th – Evelyn Derstine
 28th – Donna Huff





... **The Summer Lunch Program for FISH for 2022** is now in the books! Thank you to all who contributed items and funds for this program. I was able to deliver 15 filled bags to FISH along with monetary donations for them to use to assist in feeding the kids who were home for the summer and needing lunches. Every little bit makes a difference and all that you do for FISH makes a difference to so many families...thank you!~ *Brenda Clark*

... **Phoebe Ministries** Today, Phoebe has one more reason to be grateful—you!! Thank you so much for your congregation's generous gift to those we serve. We know there are lots of worthy causes to support these days; we are so very grateful that you chose ours. Your donation of \$120 was received on July 22, 2022 will help provide care and activities to our residents because you share our values and support our mission. Kind regards, *Stacey L. Prohaska, Executive Director of Philanthropy*



... **SAVE THE DATE ~ 2022 Pennridge CROP Walk** is October 9th, 2022. There will be more info in the October Newsletter. If you want more info, or want to register, you can go to <http://www.crophungerwalk.org/perkasie>. Please help stop hunger in our neighborhood and around the world. *Robyn Frank*



Volunteer Opportunities

◆ **BULLETIN and ALTAR FLOWER** charts have openings:

Bulletin chart openings include:

September 4th / September 11th / September 18th
September 25th

Altar Flower chart openings include:

September 11th / September 18th



Bulletins



Penridge FISH Current Needs 9/2022

Canned Meats-*Spam, Canned Ham, Beef Stew

Meal Helpers-hamburger, tuns, rice, pasta

Boxed Mashed Potatoes

White Rice

*Canned Soups

*Alfredo Sauce

*Canned Spinach

*Canned Vegetables

*Canned Beets

Applesauce

Oatmeal

Misc. Nuts (pistachios, walnuts, pecans)

Coffee

Cooking Oil

Grated Cheese (shelf stable Parmesan, 3 cheese)

*Mayonnaise

Ketchup/Mustard

*Bar Soap

*Diapers 3T, 4T, 5T, 6T

*Toothpaste/*Toothbrushes

*Facial Tissue

*Paper Towels

*Laundry Detergent

*Shampoo/Conditioner

Razors

Apples, Oranges, Onions and Potatoes- take directly to FISH after purchase

*items are out completely or almost out

Hours: Mon/Wed 3:00-5:00pm

800 W. Chestnut St. PO Box 9 Perkaspie, PA

Thurs 6:00-8:00pm

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Fri/Sat 9:00-11:00am

Canned Chicken

Shelf Stable Meals-Hormel Compleats

Brown Rice

Bagged Dried Beans

*Spaghetti

*Canned Sardines

*Canned Pineapple

Pickles

*Jelly

Hot Chocolate

Iced Tea Mix

*Sugar/*Flour

*Salad Dressing

Salt and Pepper

*Diapers Size 5, 6, 7/Trainers, Pull-Ups

Toilet Paper

*Dish Soap



What's Cooking at St. Paul's

RECIPE FOR: Creamy Grape Salad

FROM: Fay Gable

This salad was served at the pot luck luncheon at Perkaspie Park on August 15, 2022.

Serves: 21-24

1 pkg. (8 oz.) cream cheese

1 cup sour cream

1/3 cup sugar

2 teaspoons vanilla extract

2 pounds seedless yellow grapes

2 pounds seedless red grapes

3 tablespoons brown sugar

3 tablespoons of chopped pecans (optional)

Directions:

1. In a large bowl, beat the cream cheese, sour cream, sugar, and vanilla until blended. Add grapes and toss to coat.
2. Transfer to a serving bowl. Cover and refrigerate until serving.
3. Sprinkle with brown sugar (and optional pecans) before serving.



Kid's Page 'for any age'



A full Quiver

Our heavenly Father loves families and has a special purpose for each generation.

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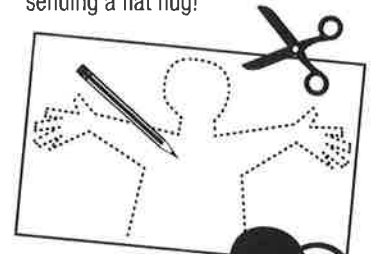
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born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.

PSALM 127:4-5, NIV

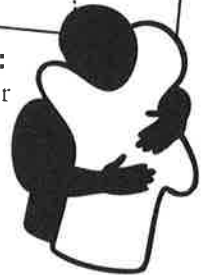
Envelope EMBRACE

Show long-distance love to grandparents and other relatives by sending a flat hug!



What you need:

- Craft paper
- Pencil
- Scissors
- Markers
- Envelope



What you do:

1. Roll out some craft paper (long enough to spread your arms across it).
2. Lie down on your back on the paper, with arms outstretched. Have someone trace around your arms, hands and head with a pencil.
3. Cut out the outline of your hug.
4. Draw your face and features on the paper. Use markers to color your hug to look like yourself. Write a note on the back.
5. Fold up and mail your two-dimensional hug to a loved one.

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by all these lovely **TOKENS**
September DAYS ARE HERE.
WITH SUMMER'S BEST OF weather
AND **autumn's**
best of cheer.

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p><i>We return to our 10:15 a.m. worship time on September 18th; Sunday School will not begin until October 2nd.</i></p>						
<p>4 Hybrid Worship: <i>In Person & Livestream,</i> 9:00 am in Sanctuary <i>Lemonade on the Lawn</i></p>	<p>5 AA Noon LABOR DAY!</p>	<p>6 AA Noon • Prayer Shawl, 1-3 pm.</p>	7	8	9	<p>3 <i>Memorial Service for Bill "Doc" Lyons at Community at Rockhill, 10 am</i></p>
<p>11 Hybrid Worship: <i>In Person & Livestream,</i> 9:00 am in Sanctuary WELCOME SUNDAY <i>Pancake Breakfast</i></p>	<p>12 AA Noon • Growth & Hospitality, 1:30 pm • Bells, 7 pm</p>	<p>13 AA Noon • Consistory, 7 pm</p>	<p>14 • Tentatively begins: Choir, 7 pm</p>	<p>15 • Christian Ed. Mtg, 6:30 pm</p>	16	17
<p>18 Hybrid Worship: <i>In Person & Livestream,</i> 10:15 am <i>Joyful Noise Offering</i> CCC</p>	<p>19 AA Noon • Bells, 7 pm</p>	<p>20 AA Noon • Prayer Shawl, 1-3 pm.</p>	21 • Choir, 7 pm	22	23	24
<p>————— PASTOR TRUDY IS ON VACATION, SEPT 19TH THRU SEPT. 25TH —————</p>						
<p>25 Hybrid Worship: <i>In Person & Livestream,</i> 10:15 am</p>	<p>26 AA Noon • Bells, 7 pm</p>	<p>27 AA Noon</p>	28 • Choir, 7 pm	29	30	
<p>Pastor: Vacation Sunday</p>						

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Return Service Requested

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Time-Sensitive Materials

Mailed: 08-31-22



September 5



September 11



*Joyful Noise
Offering*

September 18