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From the Pastor's Desk...

After a big event of the church, one question keeps coming back to my mind.

"Will they come back to this church?" How can we draw people into our church?"

Well, it is the work of the Holy Spirit! God will give us a revival.

All of us believe it, too, Then, What are our responses to it?

I ran across one article from Pastor Rick Warren, Saddleback Church. This article helps us what to do after big church events. The title of the article is "5 Reasons People Come Back to Your Church." Here is the summary of the article.

People came back after the big day, and they've continued to come back after our big days. Why will people come back to your church a big day? Here are four key reasons.

- You've shown them you love them. People will return when they know you care about them.
 Greet them. Remember as many names as you can. Don't forget about touch, either. For many people, the only loving touch they'll get all week is a hug at your church.
- You have collected contact information. Use commitment cards. These cards allow guests to
 respond to the message and include a place where they can give us their contact information. Use
 the information they provide to follow up about baptism, small groups, ministry opportunities,
 and so on.
- You've reached out to them after they attended. It's not enough to just have contact information.
 You need to use it! Send greeting letters out to your guests. Keep it warm and personal and use the letter to help people get connected to small groups, membership class, ministries, and so on.
- 4. You've got them in a small group or connected them to a ministry. People come back when they make a friend and get a responsibility. It's hard to feel connected in any group bigger than about 20, so you need to get guests involved in smaller groups. You'll want to have a list readily available of open small groups. People don't need much experience at your church to pass out bulletins or hand someone a donut. Have a list ready for guests of volunteer opportunities anyone can do.

Therefore, show, reach out and connect people to our wonderful ministry at the West Milford Presbyterian Church. Getting people through the front door of our church on a big event is just the first step. Next, work to get them to come back to our church, so you can get them connected to Christ.

Justin Choi



Happy Fourth of July



Office will be closed on Thursday July 4th

> Session September 9th 7:30pm

Farmer's Market Every Wednesday 3:00 -7:00pm



Deacon's Meeting Sept. 7th 12:30pm



Food Pantry July 6th & August 3rd 11am- 12:30pm

Church Picnic September 15th Mark your calendar

VBS July 8th - 12th 6:00 - 8:30 WA Meeting Sept 8th 11:15am

Choir Practice will start up again on Sunday Mornings

September 8th 2019 9:30 practice before Worship 11:15 After Worship



We are always looking for new voices to join us. Please consider adding your voice to our wonderful choir. Rally Day September 8th Come One Come All!





Check out our Calendar..... Go to our website.

www.wmpchurch.org then go to about our
ministry tab and you will find the calendar link.

July 2019 Worship Opportunities

Sunday, July 7th: Communion

8:30am Early Worship 10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour

Sunday, July 14th:

8:30am Early Worship 10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour

Sunday, July 21st:

8:30am Early Worship

10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour

Sunday, July 28th:

8:30am Early Worship

10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour

August 2019

Sunday, Aug 4th: Communion

8:30am Early Worship

10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour

Sunday, Aug 11th:

8:30am Early Worship

10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour

Sunday, Aug 18th:

B:30am Early Worship

10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour

Sunday, Aug 25th:

8:30am Early Worship 10:00am Worship

11:00am Coffee Hour

Jovs & Concerns

Joys:

- *Thanks to Rev. Justin for participating at the Deacon's meeting on Saturday.
- *Thanks and special honors to all the Sunday School teachers for all their dedication this year.
- *Don Cox- A joy to celebrate his 66th Wedding anniversary with his wife Elizabeth and to have his family there to celebrate with them.
- *Lisa Burns- A joy that she is safe and okay after her brakes failed and thankful it happened right in front of Gomm's tire station.
- *Leah Majka- Happy to be back and thanked everyone for prayers for her mom who has moved into Sunrise Assisted Living in Wayne. Joy that her own health is better. Joy that her son Keith got engaged-wedding in 2 years.
- *Leah Majka- Joy that her son Stephan closed on a house and will move in soon after months of construction.
- *Sandy Smidt- A joy that her daughter Erin got engaged to Yingqiao (Troy) Jin Tuesday! She will also be attending our service next Sunday 6/30 before she returns to China.

Those who have lost loved ones:

- * Marty Tappan- Prayers for Mary Jane Sampson's her husband, Dick just passed away from Alzheimer's
- *Maureen Lange- Father-in-law died and prayers for his brother and Uncle Ronnie
- *Fran Ehrhardt- Prayers for former member, George Burke who passed away after a long illness.

We Pray for individuals:

- *Doug Weed- Prayers for his sister's mother-in-law who had a severe tumor in her lower leg which they had to amputate. She is doing remarkably well and in rehab.
- *Susan Menshon Spinelli husband Peter was in the hospital is home now had his 1st Dialysis Treatment and has 3 Dr's appointments on Monday. Please keep them in your prayers
- "Former church member- Prayers for her son Anthony
- *Bobbi- Del Sol- Prayers for friends of a colleague
- *Melanie Gibson- Her cousin Arlene's husband Frank has sepsis and needs our prayers
- * Former member, Kathrine- Continued prayers for her son Anthony and a joy that she has returned to our church.

We Give Thanks For:

- * Jan Halvorsen- A heartfelt goodbye and well wishes to Carrie Smith who will be moving to Oregon. Thanks to her faithful service to our church and as the moderator to Deacons.
- *Julia Held- Today we had all women ushers to honor all men this Father's day
- * Rich Hepp- Thanks for all the prayers
- "Bobbi- Del Sol- Thankful for all the men who step up and touch our lives
- *Carrie Smith- Thank you to Deacons for her cross necklace and to everyone she has worked with here at church.
- *Amy Weed- A joy for Julia Held, she was a wonderful help with the Rummage book section and a wonderful person!
- *Julia Held-Thankful for everyone! "I love you all!"
- *Bonnie Seufert- Humbled and thankful for Pat & Don Wright for all their time and dedication. Thankful to everyone for the hours they have spent at Rummage.

Food Pantry Mission

Deacons need your help in keeping our Food Pantry stocked! The pantry is used not only on first Saturdays, but throughout the month, and our shelves are looking bare. Please take a look at our "shopping list" and keep our community mission in mind when you're shopping. Thanks!

Sugar

Pasta sauce (no pasta please!)

White rice

Rice or potato mixes

Canned vegetables (peas, white potatoes, beets, carrots, mixed veg) Soups (tomato, cream of mushroom, clam chowder, chicken, vegetable)

Peanut butter

Jelly

Baked beans

Canned meats

Hash/ Spam

Flour

Cooking oil

Oatmeal packets

Dish detergent

Bottles of Juice

Jello

Tissues

Paper towels

Deodorant(men/women)

Conditioner

Moisturizer/body lotion

Toothbrushes

Women's hygiene pads

Cash or Shoprite gift cards are always welcome



2019 Rummage Sale was a Huge Success

Thank you to all who put in countless hours we could not have done this with out all your help and support. The total so far is almost \$20,000.00...





Sarah Gibson graduating from 8th Grade

Thank you so much for your cards, prayers and good wishes as Peter and I said goodbye to West Milford. You can't imagine what a great feeling it was to find birthday cards from old friends amidst the clutter of junk mail in our new mailbox. It was like getting a smile and a hug! Thanks also to the Church School kids, who sent a handmade card full of hands, delivered by hand by my good friend Fran. It is comforting to know you are remembered when you are settling into a new place.

One of our chief reasons for moving was to be closer to family, and we have already been babysitting our grandson, walking our granddog, enjoyed a Father's Day dinner with our family and spent time with my sisters, so easy now that they are less than an hour away. Neighbors have been welcoming and we are finding our way around.

Should anyone find themselves in the Philadelphia area and need a room for a night or two, please feel free to give me a call - we are very close and would love to have visitors. I know I will miss you all - some of you I've known for 40+ years - and I will miss WMPC, choir, and even the rummage sale. But you will be in my prayers, as I hope I will be in yours, and staying in touch is easy nowadays. I hope to hear from you!

God bless you all, and our shared home, West Milford Presbyterian Church.

Love,

Judy Spotto

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