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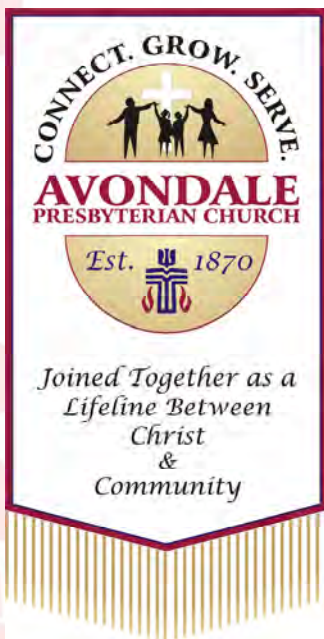
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*Joined together as a
lifeline between Christ
and community,
Avondale Presbyterian
Church
exists to connect people
to the Lord Jesus Christ,
to contribute to growth in
His body, and to commit
to serving*

2017

Let us *consider*
our callings,
let us *reflect*
on our
responsibilities, and
let us *follow*
Jesus Christ

Thomas S. Monson



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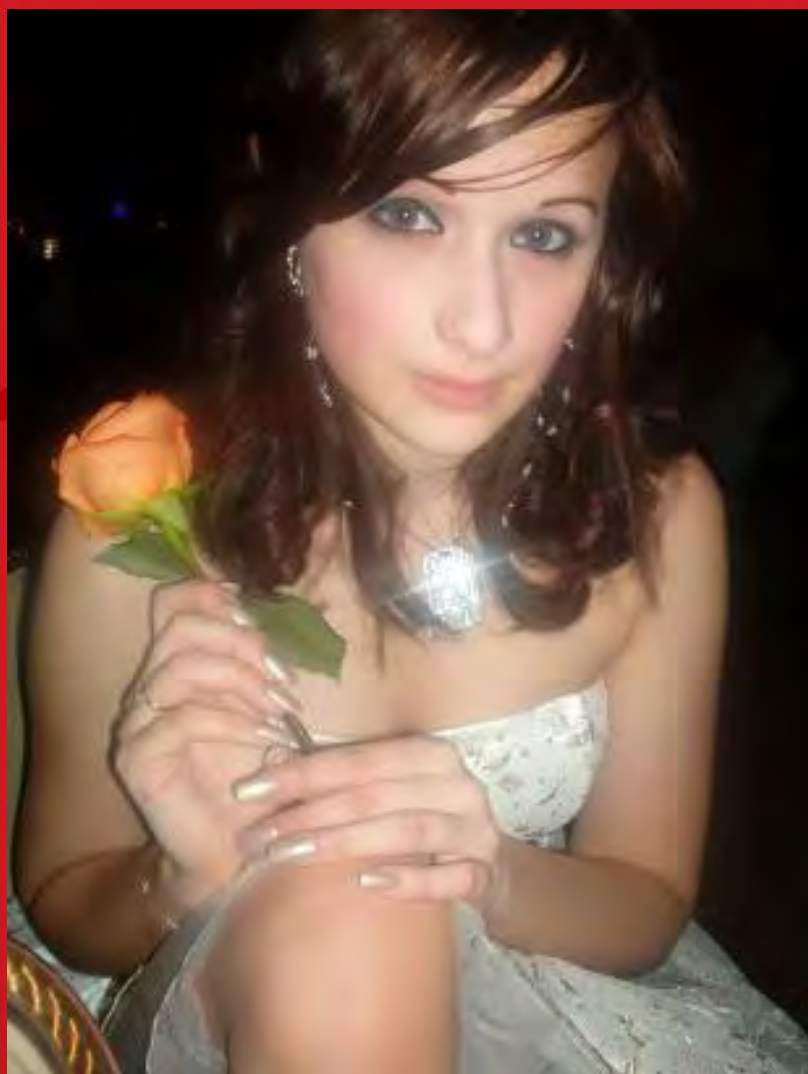
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Avondale Presbyterian Church hosts 9th Annual Community Handbell Concert to Benefit Addiction Awareness Group Kacie's Cause

Avondale Presbyterian Church presents the 9th Annual Community Handbell Benefit Concert on Sunday, May 7th, 2017 at 3:00PM in the Great Hall, 420 Pennsylvania Ave., Avondale, PA 19311. Local handbell choirs and fellow musicians will be sharing their gifts of music and song. Church handbell choirs are from Avondale Presbyterian, West Grove United Methodist, Oxford United Methodist, First Presbyterian of Newark, and Ebenezer United Methodist, and the First State Ringers, an auditioned community choir, is based at Newark United Methodist.

A freewill offering will be received and shared with Kacie's Cause, a local heroin addiction awareness organization founded by Andrew and Donna Rumford, parents of the late Kacie Erin Rumford who died in March 2013 from a heroin overdose. "Kacie had always wanted to change the world," Andrew writes, "to make it a better place for everyone." Kacie graduated from Kennett High School in 2007 and attended Penn State University as well as Delaware County Community College. For one summer, Kacie also attended De Anza College near San Francisco. The mission of Kacie's Cause is to heighten awareness about heroin abuse and addiction and to provide resources and information to the greater community.

At the concert, founder Andrew Rumford and chairperson of the Parkesburg Chapter of Kacie's Cause Betsy Gillen will be on hand to share their stories and answer questions. In 2011, Gillen's only child John died at age 21 of a heroin overdose. The concert is open to the public and parking is free. The church is fully accessible. Doors open at 2:30 pm. Seating is limited. For more information, please visit the Avondale Presbyterian Church Facebook page or contact Handbell Director Peggy Watkins at 610-869-2610.



Follow Me One Step at a Time

From: Jesus Calling, by Sarah Young

Meet Me in morning stillness,
While the earth is fresh with
the dew of My Presence.
Worship Me in the beauty of
Holiness. Sing love songs to
My Holy Name. As you give
Yourself to Me, My Spirit
Swells within you till you are
Flooded with divine Presence.

The world's way of
Pursuing riches is
Grasping and hoarding.
You attain My riches by
Letting go and giving.
The more you give
Yourself to Me and My
Ways, the more I fill you
With inexpressible,
Heavenly JOY!



Psalm 29:2

“Ascribe to the Lord,
the glory due His
name; worship the
Lord in the splendor
of His holiness.”

Sunday School



ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

Will resume in the Fall

Praying for:

***The Family of Vaughan Chambers.**
Vaughan Went to his eternal home this past month.
Carol's new address is:
301 Victoria Gardens Drive
Room 217
Kennett Square, PA 10348



Healing Prayer Ministry

The Healing prayer ministry meets at APC on
the first Saturday of each month at 10:00AM
unless a special request for prayer is needed.
Contact Joan or Marge with any prayer needs.

Joan Bolton: 610-869-4345
Marge Pickel 610-869-8666

Healing Prayer

*Heavenly Father, we pray that You will lay
your healing Hands upon all those who are
sick. We beg You to have compassion on all
those who are suffering so that they may be
delivered from their pitiful circumstances.*

*In Jesus, we pray.
Amen.*



NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

Thursday, May 4, 2017

SAVE THIS DATE!



On May 4, 2017 at 6:30 pm at Penn Township Park, West Grove several churches from all faiths in the community will be part of The National Day of Prayer, Avondale Presbyterian Church is one of the churches participating in this national event.

We will be at the PAVILION for prayer time and live music by the Community Choir from New London United Methodist Church.

National Day of Prayer calls on all people of different socio-economic, political and ethnic backgrounds in the United States to pray for the nation and its leaders. It is a time for all people to pray TOGETHER.

Through the efforts of The National Day of Prayer Task Force, more than 35,000 prayer gatherings will be conducted by about 40,000 volunteers across the United States. Several million people are expected to participate in this call to Prayer. **Won't you join us?**

UPCOMING EVENTS



PERKINS NIGHT!

MONDAY, MAY 8TH

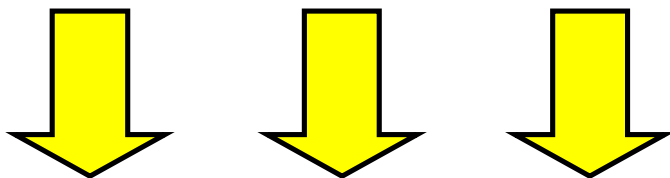
4:00-8:00 pm

Please tell your waiter or
Waitress you are with APC



Fun Facts

1. There have been 144 national calls to prayer, fasting and thanksgiving by the President of the United States (1789 – 2015).
2. There have been 67 Presidential Proclamations for a National Day of Prayer (1952 – 2015). Gerald R. Ford (1976), George H. Bush (1989 – 91) and Barack H. Obama (2012) are the only U.S. Presidents to sign multiple National Day of Prayer Proclamations in the same year.
3. Every President since 1952 has signed a National Day of Prayer proclamation.
4. 34 of the 44 U.S. Presidents have signed proclamations for National Prayer. Three of the Presidents who did not sign a proclamation died while serving in office. Two Presidents, not included in the count—William Howard Taft and Warren Gamaliel Harding, signed proclamations for Thanksgiving and Prayer.
5. Records indicate there have been 1,419 state and federal calls for national prayer since 1775 *and counting*.



THIS MAY 4th SOUTHERN CHESTER COUNTY

will be observing **National Day of Prayer at Penn Township Park Picnic Pavilion on Thursday, May 4th** beginning at 6:30 PM. Contact Marge Pickel for more information. Our very own Tim Rupard and Min Pusey are scheduled to participate in leading prayers. **SAVE THIS DATE** and plan to come out to pray for our Nation, our Leaders, our Communities.

Significance of the National Day of Prayer

The National Day of Prayer has great significance for us as a nation as it enables us to recall and to teach the way in which our founding fathers sought the wisdom of God when faced with critical decisions. It stands as a call for us to humbly come before God, seeking His guidance for our leaders and His grace upon us as a people. The unanimous passage of the bill establishing the National Day of Prayer as an annual event, signifies that prayer is as important to our nation today as it was in the beginning.

Like Thanksgiving or Christmas, this day has become a national observance placed on all Hallmark calendars and observed annually across the nation and in Washington, D.C. Every year, local, state, and federal observances were held from sunrise in Maine to sunset in Hawaii, uniting Americans from all socio-economic, political and ethnic backgrounds in prayer for our nation. It is estimated that over two million people attended more than 30,000 observances – organized by approximately 40,000 volunteers. At state capitols, county court houses, on the steps of city halls, and in schools, businesses, churches and homes, people stopped their activities and gathered for prayer.

Birthdays

Anniversaries

- 5/03 Justin Ramberger
- 5/04 Ken Loux
- Marci Mebane
- 5/05 Lucille Campbell
- 5/06 Shirley Rosazza
- Pauline Felizardo
- 5/07 Donn Barber
- 5/09 Wayne Worthington
- 5/14 Sharen Davis
- 5/15 John Huber
- 5/23 Patrick Wadsworth
- 5/25 Antonio Felizardo
- Nicole Brown
- Dylan Seace
- 5/26 Joanne Patton
- 5/30 Calvin Pickel

- Joyce & Tim Swisher
May 7
- Glen & Missy Griffin
May 9
- Matthew & Karen Donnelly
May 11
- Bruce & Wendy Thorngate
May 18
- Tom & Deb Zuczek
May 21
- John & Peggy Watkins
May 23
- Rick & Kathy Barto
May 23



Inspirational Quote

Go the extra
Mile
It's never
Crowded+



UPCOMING EVENT.....Blood Drive

AVONDALE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Tuesday, June 6th

APC Great Hall

Contact Joyce Swisher to make an appointment



Weekly Happenings.....

Sunday Worship at APC: 9:15 Am / My Special Worship at APC: 11:00 AM

Sunday School—resumes in the Fall

Sunday Evening Youth Group: 6:00 PM

Thursday AvonBells rehearsal: 6:30 PM

Thursday Choir Rehearsal: 7:30 PM

ANNOUNCEMENTS

APC Youth Group

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WANTED 11x14 PHOTOS

Our theme is “ ALL GOD’S CREATIONS”

The exhibit will change seasonally: Jan –March – “Winter”; April – June – “Spring”; July – September - “Summer” & October – December – “Fall”.

Photos can be submitted by any member of the congregation - limit 2 per person (depending on response). Please give a title to your photo & note who it’s submitted by so we can have a card typed up and displayed with the photo.

The photos will be hung in the downstairs hallway and rotated seasonally. At this time we have 12 frames. In the future, that number may change depending on the interest & submissions.

We found Walmart charges roughly \$6 to print this size photo. Since there is no money in the budget you will be responsible for getting photos printed yourself. The photos may be given to Joan Rosazza or Peggy Watkins. (In the future we may have an email address to submit photos for processing but that is not set up at this time.)

The Congregational Life Committee is very excited about this project and hope to add color and interest to the walls of the church. Please let me know if you have any questions.

Joan

From Deep Inside the Quarry.....

*Listen to me, you who pursue righteousness
And who seek the Lord:*

*Look to the rock from which you were cut
and to the quarry from which you were hewn.*

Isaiah 51:1

We invite all 6th – 12th graders to join us Sunday nights from 6:00 pm – 8:30 pm for fun and fellowship. Dinner is provided at 6:00 pm.

MAY Activities Youth Group

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|-----------------------|--|----------------------------------|
| Sunday 05/07 | 4:30 – 8:30 pm | Miniature Golf at Village Greens |
| Sunday 05/14 | <i>No Youth Group</i> – Happy Mother’s Day | |
| Saturday 05/20 | 1:30 – 7:00 pm | Highland Games at Fair Hill |
| Sunday 05/28 | <i>No Youth Group</i> – Memorial Day | |

The 9th Annual COMMUNITY HANDBELL CONCERT



Ringling in Awareness

3:00 PM, Sunday, May 7th
in the Great Hall

A freewill offering will be received.

KACIE’S CAUSE

“To spread the word locally and nationally on heroin use and to lobby to have our current heroin laws changed.”

www.kaciescause.com

HE MUST
BECOME
GREATER
I MUST
BECOME
LESS
JOHN 3:30

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