

**Preston City  
Congregational Church**



**The Little Pilgrim**

**Week of June 21, 2021**

Church Office Hours:  
Monday – Friday, 9AM – Noon

**Have a question?  
Need help?**

Please call: The Office  
860.887.4647 or 860.886.7200

**WORSHIP AND WEB STREAM  
INFORMATION**

Summer worship services are at  
9AM and 10:30AM.  
For those who are unable to  
attend in-person, the 9AM service  
is streamed live. Go to  
[prestoncitycongregational.org](http://prestoncitycongregational.org). and  
click the stream button. Previous  
services may be viewed using the  
archive system on the site.  
6/20/21 Viewership - 53  
US only; 14 states; 33 cities

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**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Chicken BBQ Dinner**

Takeout only  
Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>  
4 – 5:30PM

**New Members**

Meeting June 27 11:30AM  
Join July 11 @ 9AM & 10:30AM

**Bingo**

Card sellers needed for June & July

**Sunday School**

All ages  
After the Children's Message

**Vacation Bible School**

July 12 – 19 – 9AM-Noon

**Women's Fellowship**

Saturday, July 10  
Assemble Kindness Bags

**Pastor's Corner**

I went for my yearly eye exam last week.

If you wear glasses as I do, or contacts or have had your eyes checked, you probably had to look through lots of different lenses as the doctor tested your eyes. There's usually a lot of going back and forth between combinations of different kinds of lenses – ones that magnify, others that clarify, some that correct distortions from our impaired vision.

"Is that chart clearer with number 1 or number 2?" the optometrist asks. "Can you see better with option A or option B? A or B? A or B?..."

As we age, our eyes typically degenerate and need help for us to see as clearly and as sharply as we once did. Similarly, the only way our vision remains clear throughout the course of our lives is when we focus on Jesus Christ each day. Our circumstances change, our feelings go up and down, people in our lives come and go. But Christ remains constant, providing us with a perfect clear example of serving God, "Let us fix our eyes on Him."

See you in church!  
*Rev. Stan*

**PHRASE OF THE WEEK**

***"You are worth it!"***

**NEW MEMBERS**

We will welcome new members into the church on July 11<sup>th</sup>, at both services of worship. Those planning to join the church must attend a new member meeting on June 27<sup>th</sup> at 11:30AM.

**GIVING TO YOUR CHURCH**

We are thankful for your ongoing financial support of the church. It is because of your commitment to God and the church of Jesus Christ, that our church remains on firm ground. Your offerings, whether in-person or in the mail, are deposited in the bank in a timely manner. If you give online, your contribution will be credited to your pledge. If you have returned to church in-person, you may still contribute online. Contact Bob Vescovi with any questions you may have: [RVesco2010@comcast.net](mailto:RVesco2010@comcast.net) or (401) 583.7840.



**CHICKEN BARBECUE**

(Take-out ONLY)

**Saturday, June 26<sup>th</sup>, 4 – 5:30PM**

Adults: \$12 Children: \$6

Available after services & through the church office

All **tickets must be prepaid** and will NOT be available for purchase that night

Menu - Grilled chicken, potato salad, coleslaw, roll, cranberry sauce & dessert



**Vacation Bible School**  
**July 12<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup>**  
**Ages 3 and up!**

**ROCKY RAILWAY PASSENGER AND VOLUNTEER UPDATE...**

The Board of Religious Education with the support of the Standing Committee, is implementing the following CDC Health & Safety Guidelines for VBS 2021.

1. ALL children and volunteers will wear masks while INDOORS.
2. Children will be encouraged to maintain social distance: walking in lines using a rope with measurements, the use of their own personal pool noodles to be used to demonstrate spacing, as well as non-contact games!
3. We ask that all Railway passengers bring a labeled water bottle everyday so NO sharing of the water fountain will occur.

Hand sanitizer and soap & water will be abundantly available throughout the week!!!!

ALL volunteers, adults and in-coming 6<sup>th</sup> graders - High schoolers mark your calendars for THURSDAY JULY 8<sup>th</sup> 7pm - 9pm; "Let's Talk Some S'More about VBS". Let's talk VBS, procedures, answer questions and of course EAT S'Mores!!!! Plan on attending if you are helping the entire week, part of the week, or even 1 day. If you are curious about volunteering, THIS event is also a great opportunity to attend.

As always contact me with any questions (860) 710-1262 or [dre.prestoncity@gmail.com](mailto:dre.prestoncity@gmail.com).

**INFANT NURSERY**

The Nursery is staffed and ready to go! Please **let me know by Thursday** (in an email or text, see above) IF you plan on using the nursery during the 9 o'clock service. It will NOT be staffed if no one requests to use it for their infant.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS**

Sunday School small groups continue ALL SUMMER for all ages, every Sunday except Communion Sunday which is "Family Sunday."

**ADULT BAPTISM**

*Andrew Gordon Kuvent - June 20th*



**BAPTISM**

We welcomed into the Household of Christian Faith, *Brodi Wayne Costner*, son of Alexandra & Jared Costner, on June 20<sup>th</sup>.

We ask God's blessing upon this little one.

**WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP**

Members will be collecting travel size personal hygiene items to assemble Kindness Bags to distribute at the Food Pantry and to the homeless. Suggested items include: travel size toothpaste, shampoo and conditioner, soap or body wash, deodorant, shave cream, toothbrush, mouth rinse, floss, razor, brush, comb, any personal or feminine care items. Collection boxes will be at both entrances.



Thank you to the members for the Father's Day goodies!

**BINGO**

Thank you to those who have signed up to assist at bingo at Strawberry Park. We have a ten-day session coming up and then, two more days following. Needed are three people per session to sell cards.



The Bingo calendar is on the bulletin board to the left, outside the Sunday School hall; please sign-up to help. Do you have a Personal Identification Number (PIN) necessary to help? The office has the information and forms available to get you started if you don't!

**LITTLE PILGRIM COORDINATOR**

Please send information to be included in the newsletter no later than Tuesday at noon each week: [susan.brosnan@gmail.com](mailto:susan.brosnan@gmail.com). Thank you

**THE FINAL WORD**  
**FAITH – For Answers I Trust Him**