



SEPTEMBER 2008

Ushers: Scott Postlethwaite & Vicki Zimmerman
 Presby Cab: Helen Sue Lowe
 Hospital Visitor: Vicki Zimmerman
 Liturgist: Dennis Wienck

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
	1 CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED LABOR DAY	2 6:00pm Fellowship & Renewal Mtg.	3 6:00pm Worship/Music Meeting 7:00pm Choir Practice	4 5:30pm Stewardship Meeting	5 Day of Caring - United Way 8:00am Sign up & Register 9:00am Clean Toy Shop 10:00am Toy Shop Mtg	6
7 9:00am Disciples Class 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Worship	8 10:30am Staff Meeting	9 5:30pm Mission Committee Meeting 6:00pm Diaconate Meeting	10 7:00pm Choir Practice	11 1:30pm Circle II Mtg	12 9:30am Circle I Mtg	13
14 9:00am Disciples Class 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Worship	15 10:30am Staff Meeting Noon - Health & Safety Mtg	16 6:30pm Session Mtg	17 Noon – Birthday Lunch @ El Palacio 7:00pm Choir Practice	18 5:30pm Witness & Evangelism Mtg	19 Noon - Thank Offering Luncheon	20
21 9:00am Disciples Class 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Worship Youth Food Harvest 6:00pm Potluck+Scavenger Hunt <i>International Day Of Peace</i>	22 10:30am Staff Meeting	23 6:00pm Property & Maintenance Mtg Faw Entry Deadline	24 7:00pm Choir Practice	25	26	27
28 9:00am Disciples Class 9:30am Sunday School 10:30am Fellowship 10:45am Worship	29 8:30am Move Toy Shop items to Fairground (see article) 10:30am Staff Meeting	30				

Dear Church Family, A Letter From Amy...



The past few weeks have been very special for us. Tim was ordained as Minister of Word and Sacrament and installed as pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Stillwater, NJ, on Sunday, August 17, 2008. We were blessed to be joined by friends and family from around the country. Of course Mom and Dad were there as were my uncle, aunt, and cousin. Dr. John and Betsy drove up from PA and he gave the opening prayer.

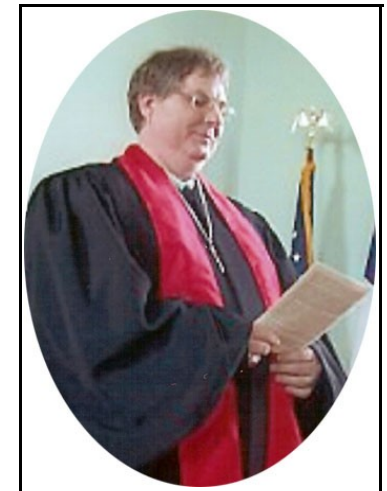


The biggest surprise of the day was when Joyce and John Harding and the boys came to Sunday morning worship and the ordination in the afternoon. They read in the FAW about Tim's ordination and drove up from Virginia – tying in a family vacation to NY. Seeing familiar faces out-of-context confused us at first, but we were pleased they included us in their family vacation.



Dr. John's prayer was wonderful as he reminded us that we may think we were there to ordain Tim on that day, but God actually ordained Tim many years before (Tim's ordination in the Independent Christian Church was August 16, 2001). The prayer was special to Tim because Dr. John acknowledged Tim as a colleague in ministry from the day they first met. He encouraged Tim to find a way to use his gift through the CLP program which I believe (with God's help) led Tim to seminary and his present ministry.

After the festivities I had to head back to Princeton because I still had two weeks of summer Hebrew.



We have finally finished the textbook and are translating the book of Ruth. It's amazing how slowing down to read the text in another language causes you to see it in a new light. That "close reading of the text" can also be accomplished by slowly reading the text in several different English translations. Tim and I started using different versions of the English Bible for our nightly devotion and it is amazing how a word or two can bring new meaning to the scripture.

Blessings to you all, Amy