

HERITAGE SUNDAY

BECOMING PART OF THE LEGACY

JUNE 12, 2011



"We give, not primarily out of duty or habit or guilt or judgment or peer pressure. We give based on gratitude for all we have received, so that we can help others in genuine need and as part of our spiritual relationship with God. Scripture invites us to give generously, cheerfully and regularly."

—Pastor Alf Halvorson



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Clarice Workman

In 2010, after a lifetime of loving, volunteering, and serving her church, Clarice went home to her Lord at 93 years of age. She left First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem a \$105,000 bequest made up of Series EE bonds and the remainder of a charitable Gift Annuity. Clarice divided her generous gift between the church's Ministry and Mission Fund to use as seed money for innovative projects and the church's permanent endowment. The Andrew and Clarice Better Memorial Fund will provide unrestricted income to support church activities forever.

NO ESTATE IS TOO SMALL TO EXPRESS A LEGACY! WE DO NOT HAVE TO BE WEALTHY TO LEAVE A PERCENTAGE GIFT.

MINISTRY & MISSION FUND:

A non-permanent fund of the Bethlehem First Presbyterian Fund. Your planned gift to this fund supports new ideas and projects such as:

- Seed money for Sure Bet Living, a volunteer organization that provides education, friendship and emotional support to addicted gamblers in the Lehigh Valley
- Registration and transportation for Hispanic children from Northeast Ministry to attend our Vacation Bible School
- Missionary Sue Corl and the Beauty for Ashes conference, which focuses on really knowing personally and deeply how valued and precious each of us is to God
- Books purchased for a leadership-wide study to better equip FPC congregants for service to God through volunteering in ministry
- Paint, brushes, cleaning supplies and lunches for our 2010 community-wide Serve Day



VBS volunteers ready to serve thirsty children.

WE ALL WANT TO PROVIDE FOR OUR CHILDREN AND SPECIAL CHARITIES. WHY NOT CONSIDER ASSIGNING A PERCENTAGE OF YOUR ESTATE TO FPC BETHLEHEM?

Filled and brimming over with blessings is the best way to describe our forty-six years at First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem (FPCB). Sermons, study, mission, friendships... all have deepened our lives and our faith far beyond prior understanding.

Receiving so much has kindled our desire to help touch others with the realization of God's grace and love. In addition to witnessing, we annually tithe to FPCB and other para-church organizations (i.e. United Way, Meals on Wheels). In addition, we have purchased several Charitable Gift

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Annuities (CGAs), which provide us with a fixed income for life. After we are gone, our church and these other organizations important to us, such as Westminster Village Charitable Care Fund, Witnessing Ministries for Christ, and Northeast Ministry, will be the residual beneficiaries.

Throughout our lives, the Westminster Shorter Catechism has been a guide, especially the beginning that tells us "man's chief end is to glorify God and to enjoy Him forever". It gives us great pleasure to know that our gifts to the church may help to bring others to Christ.

—Bob and June Mills



June & Bob Mills

A WILL IS THE CORNERSTONE OF A SENSIBLE ESTATE PLAN. ESTATE PLANNING GIVES US THE CHANCE TO MAKE AN ENDURING STATEMENT OF FAITH. WITH OUR FINAL ACT OF STEWARDSHIP WE CAN LEAVE A LASTING MARK ON OUR CHURCH OR ON A PARTICULAR MINISTRY OR MISSION PROGRAM.

WILL THEY KNOW YOU ARE CHRISTIAN WHEN THEY READ YOUR WILL?

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Sample language to use when writing your will:

- "I give ____% of the remainder of my estate to the First Presbyterian Church, Bethlehem PA or its successor, for its general use and purposes."
- "I give, devise, and bequeath, the sum of \$ _____ to the First Presbyterian Church, Bethlehem PA or its successor, for its general use and purposes."

Your will can and should be a dynamic document. Circumstances may change, and your gift to First Presbyterian Church of Bethlehem in your will may no longer be possible at some future date. That's why a will bequest works for so many—you can change your mind at any time.

CONSIDER "ENDOWING" YOUR ANNUAL SUPPORT OF THE CHURCH FOREVER WITH A BEQUEST TO THE BETHLEHEM FIRST PRESBYTERIAN FUND, OUR ENDOWMENT.

HERITAGE PARTNERS

“One generation shall laud your works to another, and shall declare your mighty acts.” (Psalm 145:4)

The Christian tradition of giving is both a privilege and an opportunity. What we now enjoy and cherish—our church, schools, hospitals—were in large part created by those who came before us. We must follow this example by giving of ourselves to assure the future of our Christian witness.

We thank those listed for their planned giving:

Anonymous (18)
Glen and Tammy Adelsberger
Ann Ainsworth
Helen Ayre*
Barbra Barker
Frank Barnako
Jan and John Bealer
Lydia W. Beaumont
Ella Beedle
Gina and Tony Beltrami
Brad and Sue Bennetch
Birdsall Family
Athene and Paul Blow
Bob and Susan Boehret
David and Marie Boltz
Ellen Brandt Boltz*
Janice and John Bonge
Bridges* and Lucile* Boylston
Mac and Becky Briggs
David and Jill Bugby
Kevin and Lynnette Burns
Bob and Shirley Carle
Maurice* and Phyllis* Carlson
Emeline and William Cliff
Carolyn and George* Conard
Betty Cooper
Grace* and Elam* Davies
Joan* and Walter* Dealtrey
Kevin and MaryEllen Dickey
Marian Dickisson*
Leonard R. Dimmick
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Pat and Shirley Dyer
John and Bobbi Edwards
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Julia and Syd Eltringham
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Robert* and Wilma* Enot
David Feaver
Dick* and Norma Ferguson
Jan Field
Wally Field
Jeanne and Steve Follett

Jean F. Foust
Grace Fretz*
Marlene “Linny” Fowler
Elaine Gable
Joan T. Gilbert
Sally and Gerry Gillispie
Keith and Karen Gingrich
Joan Glover
James A. and Grace G. Halkins
Ginny Hohl
Dottie and John Howell
Gladys and Stan* Hughes
Holly and Mike Hughes
Bob and Jean Hunsicker
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Joel and Shirley Jacobson
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Enid and Stan Jones, Jr.
Betsy and Jack Jordan
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Keith and Lyn Krenz
Mark Lang
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Gladys Lindholm*
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Robert V. Littner, Esq.
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Ruth Markley
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Garry and Polly McClure
Kathleen Meehan
June and Bob Mills
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William F. Morgans, Jr.
Iris M. Mower
Barbara and Tip Mowrer
Betsy and George Mowrer
Audrey and Bill Ney

Nancy and Warren Norris
Marlane M. Oren*
Ross and Sandy Orr
Al and Deb Philpotts
Jack* and Janet Pope
Dave and Loey Post
Paul Reitmeir
Kay L. Richter
Elizabeth Rivers*
Elinore Roberts*
Don and Linda Robertson
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Ruth and Bill Rusling
Chip and Sherry Rust
Annabel and Bob Schnure
Barbara and Phil Schroeder
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Mary Sloat*
Elizabeth Sloat*
William J. Smith
Don and Virginia Squair
Virginia V. Stainbrook*
Hildegard* and Dick* Stoeltzing
Nalda and Dick Stevens
Harriet Strawhecker*
Ann and Jack Terres
Richard and Lisa Dippre Titus
Guy and Tina Tober
Barbara and Ron Trumbauer
Mrs. Joseph Tunner*
Ruth* and Woody* Wagner
Lauretta* and Tom* Wainwright
Ellie Walter
Betty and Howard Weaver
Dan and Lois Wells
Don* and Sally Wily
Marge* and Ted* Winkler
Robert D. Woodward*
Clarice Workman*
Eleanor and Joe Workman
Alice and Willis* Yocom

* Deceased

Note: This listing includes those who have made known their commitment as of May 7, 2011. For those seeking more information regarding a planned gift, please call Linda Robertson, Planned Giving Officer, at 610-865-2087.