

September 2011

Words from your Interim Pastor . . .

First a word of thanks. I am grateful for your continuing graciousness to me and my wife Mary, your welcome of her in the Summer Choir and your hospitality to me for breakfasts, lunches and dinners. It is much appreciated and has made us feel very much a part of the Memorial Presbyterian Church family. Yes, Mary and I would be grateful if you would continue to use your name tags on Sundays - it is a great help to us in getting to know you better. And, these words of reflection as we move into the active fall life at Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Current Plans, Prospects and Promises for Memorial Presbyterian Church this fall.

For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope." - Jeremiah 29:11

The Plans . . .

As I approach my fourth month as your Interim Pastor, I anticipate with you the excitement that every fall brings to the life of Christ's Church, and to Memorial Presbyterian Church. Here in these pages you will see familiar and new ways for you to be involved in the life and work, the fellowship and service of your active, committed and exciting community of faith.

September begins with a wonderful event, the ordination of one of Memorial Presbyterian Church's own, Lucy Waechter Webb, into ordained ministry on September 4. Then, we will kick off our season with the very special Fall Festival celebration on September 11. We will return to three services on September 18. The organ installation process moves steadily forward on schedule.

The Prospects . . .

The Pastor Nominating Committee continues its active and intense search process for not just the best person they can find, but the best person above all others for the needs of Memorial Presbyterian Church. The Committee is in contact now with several possible persons. Pray for them.

Pray with thanks for the blessings that are ours. We have a great staff of paid and volunteer folk who serve for us with great skill, passion and faithfulness. Though my presence for this interim time is, I hope, an aid for them, so much of what is done here is carried out by so many others, the prospect is we need not miss a beat as a Church even in this time of transition.

The Promise . . .

For those who seek to be faithful to the Lord, the Lord will, in no way, be unfaithful to them. As we, as you, continue to faithfully worship God, study God's Word and seek ways of being followers of Christ in your lives, this Church will move through this transition process with grace and strength, and all of us will have found new reasons to trust more deeply in the Goodness of God.

Faithfully,
David Robertson, Interim Pastor

EVANGELISM means: Sharing the good news of the gospel of Jesus Christ in word and deed.



Prayers

Care through Prayer for our loved ones in the Armed Forces:

Chaplain Major Timothy S. Moermond, United States Air Force; David Johnson, National Guard; Captain Mike Dumas, United States Air Force; Captain Jeffrey VanSickle, United States Army; Cadet Michael VanSickle, United States Military Academy; Major Tom Kapla, United States Army; Lieutenant Colonel Alexander Carothers, United States Air Force; Private Second Class Bryce E. Tunnell, United States Army; Col. Harry Tunnell, United States Army; Sergeant Michael Miner, United States Army; Second Lieutenant Justin Mishler, United States Army; SPC William S. Milford, United States Army; Chaplain – Major David Kelley, United States Army Reserve; Dustin Risk, United States Army

Sympathy

Sympathy to Dr. Vincent and Shannon (Witte) Oriedo and family in the passing of Shannon's aunt, Gloria Balenda, July 26, 2011, in Bay City.

Sympathy to the family and friends of Lucile Southwick, July 30, 2011.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Charles B. Roberts on the celebration of his 93rd birthday, July 31.

Tune into T-Coil: Now Hear This!

Good news for all of you who use hearing aids with T-coils! You can now tune into the 10:45 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary. Please share your questions or feedback with Robert Granstra, Coordinator for Audiovisual Ministry.

Pastoral Nominating Committee (PNC) Update:

The PNC completed the Church Information Form (CIF) in late July. This form provides potential candidates with demographic information about Memorial Presbyterian Church. It has been accepted by Session and Presbytery and has been posted on www.PCUSA.org which opens the door to receive resumes from interested pastoral candidates. The committee has worked closely together to develop interview questions, create a process to review resumes and define the procedure to select the best candidates for the initial interviews. Anticipation is great knowing that in several weeks the committee will be reading and filtering personal information forms (resumes), requesting video samples of sermons and scheduling phone interviews. A lot of work has already been done to get the PNC to where they are at today, but the real work of prayerful consideration and review is just beginning. The committee looks forward to providing continuing updates in the Grapevine each month. If you have any suggestions for possible candidates, please let one of the PNC members know. Your PNC members include: Ben Brookens, Cindy Block, Sally Bowen, Linda Drimalla, Mary Ann Gilbert, John Kennett, Tom O'Brien, Tracé Rashid, Cheryl VanderWeele, and John Waechter.

Monday, September 5, 2011 - Church building closed in observation of Labor Day!!!

Welcome

Reverend Nanette Sawyer, MPC Affiliated Missionary at Wicker Park in Chicago
Preacher for 10:45 a.m. worship service Sunday, September 4, 2011

Service of Ordination

for church member Lucy Waechter Webb of Lake Huron Presbytery
Sunday, September 4, 2011 2:00 p.m. on Front Steps of Memorial Presbyterian Church
Refreshments immediately following worship service

Ambassador to Christ 2 Corinthians 5:17-20

"So if anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God, who reconciled us to himself through Christ, and has given us the ministry of reconciliation; that is, in Christ God was reconciling the world to himself, not counting their trespasses against them, and entrusting the message of reconciliation to us. So we are ambassadors for Christ, since God is making his appeal through us; we entreat you on behalf of Christ, be reconciled to God."

Voyagers

Voyagers will have their first meeting on Friday, September 9, 2011 in Fellowship Hall beginning at 5:30 p.m. with punch and hors d'oeuvres, potluck supper at 6:00 p.m. and program at 6:45 p.m. with Interim Pastor/Head of Staff Reverend Dr. David W. Robertson entitled "**Getting to Know You**". Pastor Dave (or Rev. Rob) joined Memorial Presbyterian Church in June and is still getting acquainted with us. This is an opportunity for you to become better acquainted with him. He will be talking about the journey that has marked his ministry, how we are called to be light bearers for Christ and linking his remarks to historical information about the Seul Choix Lighthouse in Upper Michigan. He will also share information on the Interim Process for Midland Memorial.

Dr. Robertson is the son of a preacher, born in Chippewa Falls, WI. His life story has many locations including Sheboygan and Milwaukee, WI, Ridgewood, NJ and Grand Haven, MI, where he graduated from high school. He attended the College of Wooster, a Presbyterian school in Ohio. While he was in Ohio his family moved to East Lansing where his father was pastor of Peoples' Church, where he met and married his wife, Mary. They honeymooned in the Upper Peninsula at Seul Choix Bay where a lighthouse had a significant effect on David and Mary. They have vacationed there for 42 years.

The Robertsons have three children, James, a Pediatrician in Traverse City; Andrew, a Pediatrician preparing for fulltime medical mission work in Chad, and Sarah, a lawyer in Detroit. They have 6 grandchildren.

The committee for this program includes Skippers Linda and Bill Lauderbach, and committee members Marge Annelin, Sylvia and Bill Bridge, Elsie and Jim Dempsey, and Fern Thompson. Betty Chenoweth was speaker contact.

Voyagers is a group of couples and singles which meets monthly during the school year for a potluck, program and fellowship. Bring your place setting, a dish to pass, an item for the H.E.L.P. food pantry and \$1 donation. If you are interested in coming on September 9, but have not attended previously, please call in a reservation to the Skippers, Linda and Bill Lauderbach at 631-9886 by Wednesday September 7.

Friday Morning Men's Bible Study

Open to all, Bible Study for Men has begun. We meet Friday mornings in the Colonial Room 107 at 8:00 a.m. We are currently looking at the "Trinity" and plan to meet each Friday until start-up of regular Sunday school classes later in September.

Looking Forward into the Past

The volume of Memorial Presbyterian Church's tangible history dating back to 1867 is immense and rich in content. The need to manage and interpret this information was apparent.

Ten years ago an effort was spearheaded to organize the church archives. Archivist Tawny Ryan Nelb was hired to do a survey of Memorial Presbyterian Church's historical records. She made recommendations to the Trustees to develop an archival program. The former choir room was deemed an appropriate location for this endeavor. The initiation of the archives has been funded by the Geneva Wass gift. It is now a work in progress.

We invite you to learn about your church, our efforts to preserve its history and the impact it has had on our community.

Volunteers are warmly welcomed. Experience is not necessary. We meet Tuesday's from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. Please contact Linda Baker at 631-4228 if you are interested in working with us or are just interested in checking out your archives.

Nominating Committee Update

The Nominating Committee has been working on a slate of officers (Elders, Deacons and Trustees) to be presented for church members to vote at the Congregational meeting on Sunday, November 20, 2011.

Please let us know your suggestions by Tuesday, September 13.

The Committee Members are:

Joanne Clever, Elder and Chair
Betsey Guenther, Elder
Richard Caldwell, Jr., Trustee
Dale Emeott, Deacon
Esther Arnold-Emeott, At Large
Sue Asher, At Large
Pat Hnidza, At Large
Lou Guenther, At Large
Ann Ward, At Large

September Worship Schedule

Sunday, September 4, 2011

One worship service at 10:45 a.m.

Lucy Waechter-Webb Ordination at 2:00 p.m.

Sunday, September 11, 2011 – Fall Festival

One worship service at 10:00 a.m. **(note time change)**

Ceremonial Balloon release at end of worship service at the front door of the church

Fall Festival to begin immediately following worship service

Sunday, September 18, 2011 - Fall worship schedule begins:

8:00 a.m. worship service in Fellowship Hall

9:00 a.m. worship service in the Assembly Room

10:45 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary

Sunday, September 25, three worship services

8:00 a.m. worship service in Fellowship Hall

9:00 a.m. worship service in the Assembly Room

10:45 a.m. worship service in the Sanctuary

Greenhoe Library

September Calendar, Library Workdays:

Tuesday, September 6: 9:30 Library Workday

Tuesday, September 13: 9:30 Library Workday

11:00 Library Board Meeting in Fellowship Hall

Tuesday, September 20: 9:30 Library Workday

Tuesday, September 27: 9:30 Library Workday

All workdays take place in the Greenhoe Library.

Free Library Books for you . . .

As fall activities begin, we welcome you back to the **Greenhoe and Rainbow Libraries.**

The Library Board has been busy this summer cleaning out many outdated books to make room for new ones. Those on the cart outside the library are available for you and are **FREE.** We urge you to stop and look.



Presbyterian Women

Circles Begin in September: This fall our Women's Circles will be using the study guide entitled "Confessing the Beatitudes" authored by Margaret Aymer, an ordained minister in the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A., in Atlanta. We will begin with Lesson One: Greatly Honored Are the Poor! We look forward to studying familiar scripture after making it through the book of Revelation last year. Study guides are available at our meetings. New members are always welcome!

Circle 2 meets the third Wednesday of each month beginning September 21, at 9:30 a.m. in the Parlor. Co-leaders are Gloria Manary and Katie Talcott.

Circle 3 meets every second Wednesday afternoon of the month at King's Daughters Home; time to be determined. Leader is Jan Brookens.

Presbyterian Women's Fall Rummage Sale:

There is a chill in the air and the children are returning to school! It must be time to clean out your garage, basement, and closets. We have a great place for you to donate all of those unwanted treasures:

We are in need of good used clothing, toys, linens, household items, electronics, furniture, tools, dishes, books, glassware, footwear, jewelry, seasonal items, and any other goodies. We also need hangers and bags.

The most helpful Boy Scout troop in Midland will assist us at the ingathering. Tax deduction slips will be available. Proceeds from this sale fund local and global programs. **We need workers to sort, be a cashier, or to help with one of many other fun jobs. Please sign up on the poster in the Allen Street lobby.**

Ingathering

Sunday, October 2 • 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Big Sorting Day

Monday, October 3 • 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
(Salad Luncheon 12 noon to 1:00 p.m.)

Sale Day

Tuesday, October 4 • Noon to 7:00 p.m.

Half-Price Sale Day

Wednesday, October 5 • Noon to 6:00 p.m.

\$2-a-Bag Sale Day

Thursday, October 6 • 9:00 a.m. to Noon

Please contact Ann Rothman at 835-4902 if you have questions.

THANK YOU!

Rummage Sale Team

Coffee Project News

Equal Exchange has added Organic Extra Virgin Olive Oil to their fare. Extra virgin signifies the olives are cold pressed without any refining. Bottles will be available in 500 ml for \$11.50 beginning in September.

This rich green oil is robust and peppery with a strong fruit finish. Made from Nabali olives, an indigenous Palestinian variety grown in the western region; the oil comes from two farmer co-ops which are part of the Palestinian Agricultural Relief Committees (PARC), a non-profit, non-governmental organization (NGO) in the West Bank which is a member of the World Fair Trade Organization.

Children's Ministry

Bible BLAST: Let's get the year off to a bang with SPARK! This is the second year using this awesome curriculum from Augsburg Fortress. It is designed to activate the faith of our children. Each child receives a SPARK story Bible which they will bring each Sunday to church. For anyone who is new or has just turned 3 and ready to come to Sunday School, we will be presenting Spark Bibles on Sunday, September 18 during the 10:45 worship service. Let us know you are coming so we can have a Bible ready for you.

We will kick off the Spark rotations on Sunday, October 2. All children third through fifth grade are invited to join us. Look for more information and how you can participate in your child's faith formation outside room 116.

Jump into Jesus: Jump into Jesus is back for an exciting second year. The program named by the children and designed by the children will return during the 9:45 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. hour on Sundays. If you are a parent attending Christian Education, your child will participate in mission, games, computer lab and more, while you are at your educational offering. This will start on September 18. Join us in room 116.

Communion Shepherd: Something new this year will be led by Mrs. Sheryl Hnizda on the first Sunday of the month from October until May. Mrs. Hnizda will come to the Bible BLAST classrooms on the first Sunday of the month and collect any child who wishes to go to communion. Those in second grade and older who have been through the Sacraments Class are encouraged to participate. Please discuss this with your child. We have a sign-up sheet so Mrs. Hnizda will know who to collect. Thank you Mrs. Hnizda!

Childcare: Lori Wirtz and Jennifer Dockum eagerly await infants or toddlers on Sunday morning between 9:00 a.m. and Noon. Stop by to see all the fun things they have planned.

Children's Music: Kindergarteners through fifth grade are invited to spend a little time with Guy Lynch in music on Wednesday afternoons during the school year. The fun begins at 4:30 p.m. with a snack in room 116 and ends at 5:30 p.m. This will begin on Wednesday, September 7.

Family Fellowship: Circle the date and get ready to enjoy a little Fall Fellowship with your friends! Friday, September 9, we will share a family meal of pizza and extras (provided by you) in the Parlor at 6:00 p.m. Our creative childcare providers already have fun planned for your children following the meal. Please RSVP so we know you will be there.

Fall Festival: Put on your picnic clothes and join us on Sunday, September 11, as we celebrate another year of faith-filled worship, education and fellowship. Look for the signs around the church with all the information and also how you can help!

Third Grade Bibles: If you are a third-grader this coming fall make sure you have contacted us so we can present you with your Bible. This event will take place on Sunday, September 18. We will celebrate with cake at fellowship hour.

Christian Education Celebration: There is something for everyone! Stop by the Fellowship Hall on Sunday, September 18, between services to see all we have to offer for children, youth and adults.

Sacrament's Class: On September 18 and 25 the two-part Sacraments class will be held from Noon until 2:00 p.m. Led by the Reverend Cathy Chang, your child will learn about the Sacrament of Baptism and the Lord's Supper. Additional activities will be provided by Diana and Wendy. Please register yourself and your child for this class as lunch will be provided.

Movin' Up: Fun and fellowship for all fourth and fifth graders will begin the second Sunday of October, from Noon to 2:00 p.m. and will continue once a month through April. Information will be available at the Christian Education Celebration on September 18. Mark your calendars and join us for pizza, fun and fellowship!

Registration: Please register your child(ren). Accurate information is very important while they are in our care on Sunday mornings. Registrations forms will be available at the Christian Education Celebration on September 18, outside of room 116 at our Children's Ministry Table, in the nursery or from Diana and Wendy.

Doing the Right Thing: An Exploration of Ethics

Join Chuck Colson, Dr. Robert George, Del Tackett, Eric Metaxas and Michael Miller for an in-depth examination of ethics in our culture. Participate in this Webcast on Saturday, September 24, 2011, 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at Midland Reformed Church, 1100 N. Saginaw Road. For more information, check out www.doingtherightthing.com. Register for this free event at dtrtmidland@yahoo.com.

CROP Hunger Walk



Have you ever been hungry? If you know you are going to be able to eat some time soon, it's not that bad. But, if you don't know whether you will be

able to eat at all, or even worse, if you don't know if you will be able to feed your hungry children, that's crushing!

We can do something to help. **The Midland Area Crop Hunger Walk is coming October 2 and we need you!** We need people to walk. We need people to sponsor our walkers. We need *each* of you. Together, step by step we can make a difference in the lives of hungry people in Midland and around the world.

See Randi Kawakita or Judy McDowell to join the Memorial Presbyterian Church CROP Team. Together we are ending hunger - one step at a time. Please join us!

Mazen Alsaqa Passes Final Medical Board Exam

In mid-August, Mazen received the good news that he passed (with a high score) his final Medical Board exam which he took in mid-July. Mazen thanks all who supported him in prayer.

Now he is seeking a residency position in family practice somewhere in Michigan. Mid-Michigan Medical Center is one of his options for his search for a residency program. Mazen appreciates the continuing concern and prayers for him. Meanwhile, he was selected as one of the PC(USA) 2011 International Peacemakers and he will travel to several presbyteries in October to strengthen their peacemaking activities.

Mazen's elder sister, Maha, who continues to work in a veterinary hospital in the greater Detroit area, will soon be taking her first Veterinary Board examination. Mazen's younger sister, Rand, continues to improve her English skills and is working at a fast food restaurant near their Royal Oak home.

Memorial helped the Alsaqa family resettle from Mosul, Iraq, following the martyrdom of his father, a leader in the historic Presbyterian Church in Mosul, and the subsequent terrorist attacks on his family in late 2006.



MEMORIAL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Music Ministry

Choirs Begin!! This will be a great year to join one of our many choirs! Along with the fun and fellowship you will enjoy, towards the end of the spring we will be presenting festive musical events to dedicate our brand new pipe organ, and our choirs will be featured prominently.

Here is the schedule:

Chancel Choir: Thursdays at 7:15 p.m. in the choir room, beginning August 25

Cherub Choir: Wednesdays from 4:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m., room 116, beginning September 7

Bells of Fire: Sundays from 4:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. in room 155, beginning September 18

Covenant Ringers: Mondays from 5:15 p.m. until 6:45 p.m. in room 155, beginning September 12

Bells of Praise: Tuesdays from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in room 155, beginning September 13

9AM Worship Team: Thursdays from 6:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in room 55, beginning September 15

Messengers of Note: Wednesdays, 12:45 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. in the choir room, beginning September 21

For more information, contact Guy Lynch

Update on the New Organ

Work is progressing behind the big wall! Workers have prepared attic spaces for the new organ's three blowers and have completely removed our old organ. Many of its pipes were taken by members and friends as souvenirs, so most of what could be salvaged found a new home. We are preparing to begin construction of the new organ chambers behind the chancel walls and to create the four openings that will display the organ's facade. Pictures of the process are on the display table in the Allen Street lobby.

On the Campus . . .

Alma College invites friends to the presentation of John Bul Dau, a leader of the *Lost Boys of Sudan*, on Wednesday, September 28, at 8:00 p.m., at the Heritage Center on campus. No tickets are required. The event is sponsored by the Office of the Chaplain, the Co-Curricular Affairs Committee, the Center for Responsible Leadership, and Friends of the College. A workshop will be offered prior to the event, 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., in Jones Auditorium. Reservations for the workshop are requested, soto@alma.edu or 989-463-7981.

Youth and Young Adult Ministry

Fall Festival Help: Attention all high school youth! You are needed on Sunday, September 11 to help with various activities for the Fall Festival. We need help with games, managing the bounce house, face painting, and many more. If you are in search of volunteer hours, this would be a great opportunity for you.

Christian Education Celebration: The Christian Education Committee is joining efforts and has one single event on Sunday, September 18 in the Fellowship Hall after both services. At this event, you will find information about various middle school and high school events and ways to help out in the congregation. Patrick and other members of the Youth Ministry Committee will be present to answer any questions.

Youth Start Dates: With the Christian Education Celebration being held on Sunday, September 18, we will start some of our events immediately.

- PYC's Full House (high school students) will begin Sunday, September 18 from 5:00 p.m. until 7:00 p.m. in room 53.
- Thursday Night Live (6-8 grades) will begin on Thursday, September 22 from 6:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in room 58-60.

Parents are invited to the first 15 minutes of each event answering any questions that you might have.

Sunday School begins Sunday, October 6 from 9:50 a.m. until 10:30 a.m. locations to be announced later.

PYC's Full House Day of Fun - PYC's Full House Day of Fun will be Sunday, September 25. We will meet at 8:45 a.m. and return by 7:00 p.m. We will attend the 9:00 a.m. service and depart immediately after for Springhill Camp. We will eat lunch and dinner at Springhill Camp and participate in their climbing wall, zipline, and paintball. We need \$5 per person to reserve your slot on the trip, along with a new medical form. The new Medical Form can be found at www.mempres.org/FaithInAction/YouthMinistry. We have a limited number of slots, so please RSVP no later than Sunday, September 18.

Fall Retreat: PYC's Full House Retreat will be Friday, October 14, through Sunday, October 16. The location and cost are to be determined but it will be announced at the Christian Education Celebration on Sunday, September 18.

Please contact Patrick Kirts, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministry if you have any questions or concerns at 989-835-6759 or patrickk@mempres.org.

The Great Silent Grandmothers' Gathering for Peace for All Children Everywhere Grandparents' Day Sunday, September 11, 2011

Please join us and bring a grandmother, a mother, a sister, a niece, a friend. We will stand/sit silently: 3:00 p.m. until 3:30 p.m. at the Tridge, rain or shine

No speakers. No slogans. No politics. Just a simple silent gathering for women of all ages.

Midland's Julie Prince shares words from her poem:

Standing

*I stand with the grandmothers,
the mothers, the sisters of Earth . . .
I stand for truth.
I stand for love.
I stand for hope.
I stand for the children so one day
When my children's children ask,
"What did you do?"
I can say, I stood . . .
so every child has nourishment,
every child has love,
every child has a home . . .
Will you stand with me?*

Social Concerns Committee

Computer Class Offered



On Thursday, September 8, Happy Diners will begin a new computer training class in the computer lab. This training is for anyone who wants to learn the basics of turning on a computer, receiving e-mails, etc. Jerry

Vance is the instructor. He is from the Community Center. The classes are from Noon until 2:00 p.m. and will run for 6 weeks; September 8 through October 13, 2011.

H.E.L.P. Food Pantry

The H.E.L.P. pantry would appreciate any extra produce you can provide from your gardens this summer. The clients who visit our pantry select the food of their choice. When produce is available they really appreciate it. Thank you for your "help."

We Welcome You!

We enter into the fall season with anticipation and excitement. We celebrate a summer season in which we enjoyed a fulfilling Vacation Bible School with over 100 children; a prosperous Operation Fun Day Camp with an average attendance of over 80 campers; the Chancel reconstruction phase of the Sanctuary organ project; outreach participation in the Neighborhood Revitalization Project of Midland County Habitat for Humanity and Dow Chemical Company; our welcome to the Reverend Dr. David Robertson as Interim Pastor; our election of our Pastor Nominating Committee for the position of Pastor and Head of Staff; recreation through the Men's Softball Team and a congregational outing to Comerica Park; a host of wedding celebrations; meaningful services of remembrance; both adult and infant baptisms; and many instances of friendship and hospitality through worship, education, and mission.

The month of September welcomes us with one service on September 4, at 10:45 a.m. and one service on September 11, at 10:00 a.m. The special times signify the Labor Day Weekend on September 4 and the Fall Festival on September 11. The service on September 11 will be followed by a picnic and games on the church grounds. Friends are especially welcome! We return to our worship schedule of three Sunday worship services on September 18. The services are: 8:00 a.m. in Fellowship Hall; 9:00 a.m. in the Assembly Room; and 10:45 a.m. in the Sanctuary.

On September 4, we shall have the gift of sharing in the ordination of Ms. Lucy Waechter Webb as Minister of the Word and Sacrament in the Presbyterian Church, U.S.A. Lucy is the daughter of John and Sue Waechter. She is a graduate of H.H. Dow High School, Rhodes College, and Columbia Theological Seminary in Decatur, Georgia. She and her husband Daniel serve in ministry in Columbus, Ohio. Friends are invited to the Service of Ordination on the front lawn on September 4, at 2:00 p.m. A reception will follow.

Friends interested in membership are encouraged to attend our *Welcome to Memorial* class on September 18, 25, and October 2. These Sunday morning sessions are planned to welcome friends into membership as well as provide orientation in the programs and opportunities for service. We encourage expression of interest in membership through a note within the Ministry of Friendship during Sunday worship, through contact with the church office (835-6759), or through conversation with a pastor or member of staff. We welcome you!

Faithfully,
Wallace H. Mayton, III, Associate Pastor