

# The Greenfield Gate

GREENFIELD PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH  
BERKLEY, MICHIGAN



AUGUST 2018

## CONTACT INFO NEEDED FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS AND MILITARY

Attention all college students and parents,

We are currently updating our list of college students, their college addresses, cellphone numbers, and email addresses so that we can contact them throughout the school year to both encourage them and to let them know they are not forgotten.

We would also like to collect this same information for anyone of our young members in the military.

Please email your information by the end of August to: [gpcoffice@wowway.com](mailto:gpcoffice@wowway.com).

## DIXIELAND SERVICE

Our summer Dixieland Service, featuring the Dixie Ramblers, returns on Sunday, August 12. Come casual and ready for a slightly unorthodox, but thoroughly joy filled worship experience.



DIXIELAND



## Greenfield Presbyterian Church ANNUAL BRING-A-FRIEND PICNIC

Sunday, Sept 16, 2018

12:00 PM – 3:00 PM (Rain or Shine)

Bring Your friends to enjoy ...

Fall Fest / Clown / Face painting / Children's Games/ Howell Nature Center Animal Display / Pumpkin decorating contest / Food Trucks & ice cream

## FALL ADULT ED. - "SHORT STORIES BY JESUS" WEDNESDAYS 10:00 am or 7:30 pm SEPTEMBER 12 - OCTOBER 17

Jesus was a skilled storyteller and perceptive teacher who used parables from everyday life to effectively convey his message. In this study Amy Jill Levine takes us back in time to understand how the original Jewish audience heard these stories, and shows how they are not just about Jesus, but also about us.

Amy Jill Levine is Professor of New Testament and Jewish studies at Vanderbilt Divinity School. An internationally renowned scholar, she has done over 300 programs for churches, seminaries, and clergy groups.

Books will be available soon.





Sermons Are **ONLINE** **SERMONS ONLINE**

If you are unable to attend on Sunday, you will be able to hear Rev. Moore's sermons on our website [greenfieldchurch.com](http://greenfieldchurch.com).

**LAST CHANCE! SUMMER CHOIR**

August 5 is the last chance to sing in the summer volunteer choir. Remember, this is set up for any singer to drop in and sing that morning, no experience necessary. We are singing a unison arrangement of "I Need Thee Every Hour" with a lovely flute and piano accompaniment. Rehearsal begins at 9:15 sharp, so come experience what it's like to sit up in the choir and lead worship!

**Fall Worship Services**

As we begin a new season we will be focusing our collective attention on one of the recurring theme of the Scriptures – Overcoming Our Fears. You'd be hard-pressed to overstate the extent to which fear, anxiety, and worry permeate our lives today. Fear wreaks havoc on our relationships and communities. In this five week series we will look to untangle some of the knots we feel about disappointing others, failure, financial insecurity, loneliness, and aging. Here is a look ahead: Sept. 16: (Bring a Friend Sunday) "Facing Your Fears"

Sept. 23: "Facts are Our Friends"

Sept. 30: "Desperate to Please; Terrified to Fail"

Oct. 14: "A Reason for Being"

Oct. 21: "Stretcher Bearers"

**PRAYER SHAWL GROUP  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 6:30 PM  
CHURCH SANCTUARY**

Prayer shawls are given to those in need physically, mentally or spiritually and in times of celebration.

This group meets to knit or crochet shawls to help spread God's love. You do not need to be advanced in knitting/crocheting – just have the desire to let others know you care through a simple act of kindness.



**INQUIRERS' GATHERING**

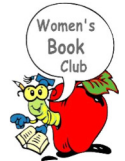
Those who are interested in knowing more about Greenfield's ministry, fellowship and the Presbyterian Church are invited to join Rev. Moore for our Inquirers' Gathering, **Sunday, September 30 from 12:15 to 3p.m.** (lunch provided).

There is no obligation to join. There will be an opportunity for those who are ready to make a commitment of faith **on Sunday, October 7 at the 11:00 service**. Please call or e-mail the church office by **Thursday, September 27** to reserve a lunch and to let us know if you will need childcare.



**WOMEN OF GREENFIELD...**

Please plan to discuss the book Little Fires Everywhere (Novel) by Celeste Ng **on Tuesday, September 25 at 7:00pm** in the church sanctuary. Contact Diana Stover at 248-890-9891 if you have questions.



**REEL-TO-REAL**



After viewing the movie **"Darkest Hour"** on your own, join your friends for lively and thought provoking discussion on **Wednesday, September 12 at 7:15 pm** at Sue Chapman's house. Call 248-593-7958 for directions. Plot: Winston Churchill's stirring defiance of the Nazi threat is the focus of this historical drama that depicts his fearless refusal to surrender Britain to Adolf Hitler and his relentless army during World War II's early days. Cast: Gary Oldman, Kristin Scott Thomas, Ben Mendelsohn

## S.T.A.G.E.: SOMEWHERE TO ASK GOD EVERYTHING

Mid Highs and Senior Highs! STAGE is about having a community of youth gathered together, sharing and growing through God's love, developing healthy relationships, and learning how we can better serve others.

**Location:** Cana Lutheran on Catalpa in Berkley.

Email [stageyouth@gmail.com](mailto:stageyouth@gmail.com) for details.

### STAGE ON THE WEB!

[www.stageyouth.com](http://www.stageyouth.com)

[www.facebook.com/groups/STAGEyouth/](http://www.facebook.com/groups/STAGEyouth/)

[twitter.com/stageyouth](https://twitter.com/stageyouth)

[flickr.com/stageyouth](https://www.flickr.com/photos/stageyouth/)

### SUNDAY MEETINGS (Resume in Sept.)

6:00pm – Cast Party (dinner) \$3 per person

6:30pm – STAGE 2 (Sr. High students)

### WEDNESDAY MEETINGS (Begin in Sept.)

5:45pm – STAGE 1 (Mid High students)



Our September BIBLE BLAST theme will be “Back to School, Back to Cool.” We hope to be back in our brand new space on the lower level with room to create, cook, and collaborate. One of the Bible stories we will look at will be from the Old Testament.

Whenever I read the book of Exodus, I can't help but picture a scene like this:

God and Jesus are hanging out in heaven, watching Moses step up and challenge Pharaoh.

Moses thunders, “Let my people go! Or else...”

God rubs his chin and asks Jesus, “Or else *what?* Hmmm. How can I save My people AND tell a story that gets the attention of nine-year-old children from every culture and generation, forever and ever, Amen?”

Jesus leans in with a grin: “Three words, Dad: PLAGUE OF FROGS.”

All children, ages 3 years through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are welcome to join us. And just wait until you see our new nursery space for infants and toddlers. You'll be amazed!

WHIRL Worship on Wednesdays will return in September! Keep your eyes open for our starting date. Our website is being updated and we'll have invitation postcards for you to share with your friends and neighbors.



**SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE:** Greenfield and Cana are partnering with the Youth Assistance League to provide school supplies for children in the Berkley School District. Your donations will be gratefully accepted. Look for the collection boxes in our east lobby. The school supply distribution site will be Cana this year.

### Suggested Items to drop off at GPC by August 20

- #2 Pencils
- Eraser Caps
- Handheld pencil sharpeners
- Pens
- Expo Dry Erase Markers
- Crayons
- Elmer's Glue Sticks
- Gallon sized zip top bags
- Sandwich sized zip top bags
- Colored Pencils
- 3x3 Post-It Sticky Notes
- Highlighters
- Composition Notebooks
- Spiral Notebooks
- One-Inch Clear View Binders
- Watercolor paints
- Dividers for Binders (3 hole punched)
- Kleenex

## A MATTER OF BALANCE CLASS

Join us for an eight-session series to learn strategies to improve strength, coordination and balance with gentle exercise and lower your risk for falls.

### Who should attend?

Anyone interested in improving balance, flexibility and strength

Anyone concerned about falls or who has fallen in the past

Anyone who has restricted activities because of falling



**Tuesdays, Sept. 18 – Nov 6, 2018**

**10:00 a.m. – Noon**

**Greenfield Presbyterian Church**

**2312 Greenfield Rd. Berkley, MI**

*Program is FREE!*

You **MUST** register at: <https://healthcare.ascension.org/Events>

For more information, call 1-866-501-3627

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## 2018 KNUDSEN SCHOLARSHIP

We are now accepting requests for the 2017 Knudsen Scholarship awards. As most of you know, the Knudsen Scholarship is a fund that specifies the interest earned be given to **First Year College Students** that are **members of Greenfield Church**. Please submit a letter to the Finance Committee no later than **Tuesday, August 14** requesting that you wish to be considered for this year's award.



## GREENFIELD COOKBOOK



Thanks to all who have been submitting their recipes. They're wonderful. We're looking for all kinds of recipes: Vegetarian/Vegan, Gluten free, Sugar free, Family traditions, Heart Smart and of course , DESSERT! If it's a family favorite or there is a specific memory that goes with it, please share it with us.

Email your recipes to Bonnie Swetman at [bswetman@wowway.com](mailto:bswetman@wowway.com) or Sandy Kohlmeier at [palaceonparkway@yahoo.com](mailto:palaceonparkway@yahoo.com).

**Your recipes are due September 1.**

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## BACK TO TWO SERVICES

Greenfield will return to two services on **September 9** with the 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. worship.



# Worship Schedule

## CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED LABOR DAY WEEKEND

The church offices will be closed for Labor Day holiday on **Friday, August 31**. Please leave us a phone message and we will respond as soon as possible.

### EMPTY PILL BOTTLE DRIVE IS FINISHED

NOTICE: Please note that FernCare is no longer receiving empty pill bottles. That means that Greenfield Presbyterian Church will no longer collect them. Ann Heller at FernCare wants to thank the GPC congregation for all the years of support on this program.

### MONTHLY MEN'S BREAKFAST

The date is Saturday, **August 4** at **7:00am** at the Avenue Cafe on Woodward just north of 13 Mile. There is no agenda, it is just a good way to get to know some of the men while having a great meal.



**SUMMER Office Hours**  
Tuesday - Friday  
9:00 a.m. - NOON  
Closed Mondays

## Greenfield Prayer List

- ✠ **Amelia Horne**, who will have a procedure on her kidney
- ✠ **Corron Washington**, who had outpatient surgery on July 26
- ✠ **The DiBiase and Lade Family**, on the loss of **David DiBiase** on July 20
- ✠ **Barb Broesamle**, released from Beaumont
- ✠ **Diane Pospeshil**, sister of **Beverley Barra**, undergoing medical tests
- ✠ **Dave Knack**, brother of **Maggie Pringle**, his leukemia has returned
- ✠ **Kevin and Zac**, son and son-in-law of **Pat & Don Johnson**, Kevin donated a kidney to Zac on June 27
- ✠ **Dick and Jocelyn Roberts**, on the loss of his sister, **Evelyn Rees**, on June 20
- ✠ **Nancy and John Youngerman**, on the loss of her mom, **Gertrude Ferriolo** on June 20
- ✠ **Odis Solomon**, recuperating at home
- ✠ **Colleen Evans**, undergoing rehab
- ✠ **Christine Peterson**, undergoing tests
- ✠ **Donna O'Kulich**, recuperating at home
- ✠ **Roger Valade**, brother-in-law of **Nancy Youngerman**, who has serious heart problems
- ✠ **Tom Hitchman**, who is in an assisted living facility



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
<h1>AUGUST 2018</h1>		<b>BASE- MENT UNDER CON- STRUCTI ON APRIL- SEPT.</b>	1  5:30 Capital Projects Team  6 Finance Meeting 7 Session/	2	3	4 7 Men's Break- fast	
	5 10 Summer Wor- ship Service- Summer choir, c.f. comm.  11 Nominating Committee	6  6:45-8 Yoga	7 9:30 Staff  <i>NewsLetter</i> <b>DEADLine</b>	8	9	10	11  9:30 WAM
	12  10 Dixieland Summer Worship Service	13  6:45-8 Yoga	14  6:30-8 Prayer Shawl Group	15  7 SYC @ Cana	16  5:30 Capital Projects Team	17	18  Dream Cruise
	19  10 Summer Wor- ship Service	20  6:45-8 Yoga	21	22	23	24	25
	26  10 Summer Wor- ship Service	27  6:45-8 Yoga	28	29	30  5:30 Capital Projects Team	31  CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED	SUMMER OFFICE HOURS Tuesday - Friday, <b>9am - noon</b>  CLOSED MONDAYS



## BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Sue Chapman, Emily Pozzo
- 2 Amy Butters
- 3 Amelia Fanelli, Jo Morgan,  
Fred Steiner
- 4 Jackson Query
- 5 Chris Felczak, Christopher Tosto
- 6 Samantha and Emily Bourgeois,
- 8 Elizabeth Cragg Phillips,  
Dylan and Garrett Koski-Budabin
- 9 Dency Cole
- 10 Barb Swartzel, Mike Fritsch
- 11 Emily Kreichelt
- 12 Keith Logsdon
- 13 Alissa Kern, Sherry McIntire
- 14 Levi Jensen, Lauren Schleicher
- 15 Cathy Archibald
- 16 William Williamson
- 17 Asher Dooris, Nan Lehman,  
Christine Peterson
- 18 JJ Brooke, Meaghan Cross,  
Mary Joyce, Musi Ndah,  
Joshua Stahl
- 19 Kimberly Bennett
- 20 Carol Cosgro, Christina Jensen,  
Alice Lago, Stephen Williams
- 21 Corey Dunbar

- 22 Marion Noble, Meredith Thompson
- 23 Pat Bakke
- 24 Deb Brasch
- 25 Jennifer Paulson Sodini, Amy North,  
Dottie Patchanian, Aimee Twarek
- 26 Bebe Butters, Tamara Petzold
- 27 Jon Daggy, Dana Rinkel,  
Jackson Wolanin
- 30 Chase Hunter, Owen Milanowski
- 31 Lyn Dunkerley, Casey Hunt,  
Ray Phillips

## ANNIVERSARIES

- 1 Kathleen and Louis Prukner
- 8 Ruthanne and Paul Harrington  
Beth and Matthew Dykstra  
Fran Ahern and Rande Horn
- 9 Jan and Paul Cross
- 10 Nancy and John Youngerman
- 16 Lauren and Nathan Schleicher
- 19 Michelle and JR Roberts
- 23 Tricia and Jim Elliott,  
Myrna and Tom Hitchman
- 24 Ashley and Jeffrey Mousseau



Please submit your family's birthdays and anniversaries to the church office  
so everyone may celebrate your special day.



## Hymn Story of the Month: Once To Every Man and Nation

A friend of mine shared this article written by Bill Kassel, and I found it very timely and wanted to share it with you. I love the Welsh melody of this hymn and the words stung me as I read them today.

James Russell Lowell (1819-1891) was a poet and an editor of several American periodicals. One of his most influential works was “The Present Crisis,” a portion of which was adapted as a song lyric and set to a Welsh tune called “Ebenezer” by composer Thomas J. Williams. We know it as the hymn, “Once to Every Man and Nation.” The lines speak of defending truth when falsehood is ascendant. That they were written in 1845 illustrates how history tends to, if not precisely repeat itself, then to follow very similar recurring themes. Today we have entered a period in our history when we are reexamining our national character and considering what kind of nation we wish to be. The presence of falsehood—in the form of distorted moral values and dishonest political ideas—is very much a factor in our decision making.

You may have sung this hymn in church many times. Even so, take a minute to read the lyrics in light of current contexts. Some of the phrases may sound a bit archaic, slightly stilted and awkward to the modern ear, but persevere with them. They are profound and deeply spiritual. The words of this great hymn are worth pondering at a critical moment in our national life.

### **Once to Every Man and Nation**

by James Russell Lowell

Once to every man and nation, comes the moment to decide,  
In the strife of truth with falsehood, for the good or evil side;  
Some great cause, some great decision, offering each the bloom or blight,  
And the choice goes by forever, 'twixt that darkness and that light.  
Then to side with truth is noble, when we share her wretched crust,  
Ere her cause bring fame and profit, and 'tis prosperous to be just;  
Then it is the brave man chooses while the coward stands aside,  
Till the multitude make virtue of the faith they had denied.  
By the light of burning martyrs, Christ, Thy bleeding feet we track,  
Toiling up new Calv'ries ever with the cross that turns not back;  
New occasions teach new duties, time makes ancient good uncouth,  
They must upward still and onward, who would keep abreast of truth.  
Though the cause of evil prosper yet the truth alone is strong;  
Though her portion be the scaffold, and upon the throne be wrong;  
Yet that scaffold sways the future, and behind the dim unknown,

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### **Women's Retreat - Mark Your Calendar for Saturday, Oct. 13**

We're trying something new this year based on suggestions we received.....a ONE DAY Women's Retreat at a new location closer to Greenfield. Watch for more details in upcoming newsletters and Sunday bulletins.



The Women's Retreat Committee





John and I would like to thank our Greenfield friends for the tremendous support given our family not only at Mom's passing but also during these last years when her needs changed and she required our greater care. We so appreciated and can never thank you enough for the gestures of caring extended her with cards, friendly conversations and warm hugs as they meant so much to her. We will always remember and be grateful for the support given our family as we dealt with these changes.

- Mary Ritchie

To all who made my 100th birthday celebration wonderful. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!  
Love, Jean Marnich

Thank you for your support during this difficult time. We are so grateful for your cards, emails and phone calls to check-in on us. The beautiful flowers were heartwarming and the desserts were delightful. We are truly blessed to have such a caring group of friends and family.  
With love, The family of Garfield Malone, Jr.

Dear Greenfield Family,

Don and I are so grateful to have you as our church family. When our son and son-in-law went through the transplant surgery last month, we felt supported on every side. Your cards, emails and especially your prayers meant a great deal to us! God has been faithful to bring them through the surgeries and home care with flying colors. Here is a brief excerpt of a Facebook post from Zac:

“Woke up this morning and I cried for a good 20 minutes. I realized I'm not in any more pain. I mean that in more ways than one. I don't feel any pain from the actual kidney transplant surgery. I can move, get up, move around, even coughing isn't painful. BUT... more importantly I don't feel the pain I've felt for the past 3 years. The constant water retention on my body made me gain weight up to 221 pounds. My feet were so swollen that the skin would crack and bleed. My ankles were so swollen there were days I couldn't wear shoes because it hurt so bad, or even stand more than a few minutes. I was anemic, I was constantly falling asleep and would sleep hours on end during the day and then overnight. I had eye problems, all in all I had 4 surgeries on my eyes just in the last year. I had extremely high blood pressure which caused migraines and vomiting. I remember nights got so bad that I was laying on the bathroom floor crying in pain, screaming at the top of my lungs to alleviate some of the pain. At times I would be driving and have to pull over to throw up. I remember one night laying on the floor crying and sobbing, and I literally out loud said “God, please take this away, one way or another.” I was at rock bottom and asking for him to end it. Then God really must of felt like it was time, because in a miracle beyond my belief, Kevin, my husband was a perfect match for a kidney transplant. To our family and friends that have helped us, prayed for us, supported us, and stood by our side when we needed you the most. Thank you!”  
- Don and Pat Johnson

A huge shout out to Patty Lynam who has been kind enough to type Pastor Peter's sermons for too many years to count. Patty has decided to retire her keyboard and we can't blame her. You will still be able to listen to his sermons on the church website [GreenfieldChurch.com](http://GreenfieldChurch.com).