



## Words from Woodforest

## August 2022 Newsletter

I don't know about you, but even though I love summer weather, this summer has been ridiculously hot. I pray for a day that stays in the high 90s. This kind of heat is draining. When it is this hot, I don't really feel like doing anything. On top of that all the sad news stories about mass shootings, and war in the Ukraine, and even rising prices are emotionally draining. I am not even going to go into the partisan fighting in politics. All together this summer there just seems to be a feeling of "blah". I have to dig deep to find the energy to just do normal tasks.

So, where can we go when we get the summer "blahs"? We can turn to the one place that can give you strength when you don't think you have any left: God. The scripture is full of people praying for strength and finding God faithful. We are promised the Holy Spirit when we pray.

Here is a bit of scripture to help refill you if you feel drained: Psalm 46:1-3, 10-11.

- <sup>1</sup> God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.  
<sup>2</sup> Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should  
change,  
though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,  
<sup>3</sup> though its waters roar and foam,  
though the mountains tremble with its tumult. *Selah*
- <sup>10</sup> "Be still, and know that I am God!  
I am exalted among the nations;  
I am exalted in the earth."  
<sup>11</sup> The Lord of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our refuge. *Selah*"



Try to stay cool! Remember you are not in this alone.  
Not only do we have the Holy Spirit, but we also have each other!



**August 28th** is the **End of the month fellowship potluck**  
We will be celebrating with a picnic (indoors)  
So bring in your favorite picnic dishes as we celebrate  
getting closer to the end of summer!



### School Supply Drive

Thanks to everyone who donated to the school supply drive. We had over 3 large boxes of supplies

**Blessing bags are available to distribute.**

Confronting hopelessness, thwarting division  
Empowering congregations and individuals  
to become peacemakers themselves.

Through the **Peace & Global Witness Offering**, congregations are encouraged and equipped to find and address the anxiety and discord that is prevalent throughout this broken and sinful world.

25% of the Offering stays with local congregations, and 25% with mid councils to unite congregations to support peacemaking in their regions.

The remaining 50% is remitted to the Presbyterian Mission Agency.

This offering will be received on **World Communion Sunday, October 2, 2022.**



### Sunday Morning Adult Study

#### Christian Education

The adult Sunday school class is continuing a study of 1 Samuel led by our favorite Sunday school teacher Marjory Sutton. This study is available on Facebook so you are able to view past lessons to join in at anytime.

#### Save the Date

**August 28: Potluck Picnic**

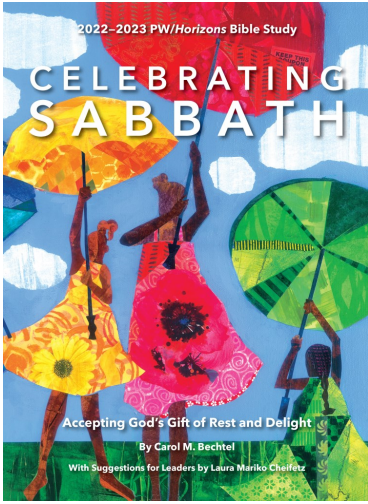
**September 14: PW Bible Study**

**September 10: Pop up Market**

**October 22: Garage Sale**

**November 20: Church Celebration**

**December 17: Live Nativity**



It is that time of year again! The Presbyterian Women's study books are in. You can get them in the pastor's office for \$10.

The study this year is "Celebrating Sabbath: Accepting God's Gift of Rest and Delight" by Carol M. Bechtel. Our first class will be Wednesday, September 14 at 10:30 am. A pot luck lunch will follow at noon. All women are invited. Hope to see you there!

### North Shore Community Pop Up Market

September 10, from 10:00 am until 2:00 pm we will be hosting another Pop Up Market with KDA Markets. This month our booth will be focusing on our missions! We will be explaining and passing out blessing bags to interested members of the community to carry in their cars! Think of how many more people we could reach!!!

We will need people to set up, man, and tear down our Woodforest Presbyterian booth. There will be sign ups on Sunday morning or you could email Pastor Karen. If you can't help with the booth, be sure to stop by to see what is going on and to support local community artists and small business owners! This is a great opportunity to serve and support our neighbors!



**Choir rehearsals are Sunday at 9 AM  
Come and join in the fun!**

### Keep in Prayer

Healing and comfort for Sandra Horton, Darlennie Powell, Shar Baker, Krista Bartel, Billie Vickery, Kathleen Watson, Johnny Powell, Alice Drennon, the Mendosa family, Anna Marshall, Alice Morgan, Judy and Chuck Kirkpatrick. The family of Irma McCloud, and Diana Black

### Last Word

Love the people God gave you. Because he will need them back one day .