



"Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind."
- Romans 12:2

Once again, it's back to school time for many families. Tearful mothers will be escorting their kindergartners to the bus, High school freshmen will carry anticipation and anxiety on their first day of class, and those setting off for college step into their pathway for future adulthood. Many personal changes and challenges await! But that's what learning is all about.

The Bible too is about learning and personal change.

God invites us through our many day today experiences to reflect on the possibility for change. Learning is a lifetime process. And we are promised a helper to guide us into all truth. As this new season begins, let's renew our commitment to Jesus as our teacher and guide. Then, as we grow, we better reflect the beauty and majesty of God in every place.

Scott

Matthew 11: 28-30

KEEPING YOU INFORMED:

- **POTLUCK/BBQ Sunday, Sept. 6** after worship! The church supplies burgers, and drinks. You bring a side dish or dessert, along with a friend or two! Spread the word!
- Save the dates:
 - **Wednesday online Bible discussion is back Oct. 7, 10-11 am**, talking about 2 Corinthians. No Bible knowledge needed! Email the Church if interested.
 - **Thursday book discussion begins Oct. 1, 1:30 - 3.** with a lively discussion of John Bunyan's classic *Pilgrim's Progress*. Contact John (513-379-9962) or

Diane Grefer (513-850-8712) for a free digital copy, which features links to relevant Scripture verses.



July through September begins our **third quarter missions giving** toward "local outreach", where we seek to support

individuals, families, and organizations, both prayerfully and financially. Just like the church in Acts chapter 2, we want to be a blessing to our community in creative ways, sharing the good news of Jesus to all!

THANK YOU to all the Bingo helpers for Baked Goods Bingo, Wed., Aug. 19th. All went well and folks were invited to Church with the enticement of the goodies that were left! Oh, and the amount raised was \$1440. Well done!

Just a reminder... To keep the *October Romania mission trip* in your prayers (details on our website). Contact Shirley Hollister 517-425-2836, if interested.

The *Drummond Island Lions Club* is hosting a **Murder Mystery Dinner** at the Township Hall. On **September 8th at 5:30**. Meet and greet then dinner starts at 6. *Star Trek* is the theme. Tickets: DITA office (Lyn), Credit Union (Marty), Trailhead (Kim). \$25.00 single and \$40.00 couple. Menu: Cornish Hens, small potatoes, green beans and a roll & flan for dessert. Call Shirley Hollister (527-425-2836) for questions or tickets.

God is Faithful in Completing His Work

by Darrell Delaney

He who began a good work in you will carry it on to completion until the day of Christ Jesus.
— *Philippians 1:6*

I remember a time when everything in my life seemed to be falling apart. I felt like a work in (over)



progress that had been abandoned. I began to doubt whether God's promises would be fulfilled in my life.

Then a wise mentor reminded me of Philippians 1:6. She shared how God had been faithful in her own life, bringing her through

trials and unfinished projects to a place of fulfillment and purpose. Her story gave me hope and renewed my faith in God's ability to complete his work in me.

God is not like us; he does not leave things unfinished. When he starts a work in us, he is committed to see it through. The process of transformation and growth can be challenging and slow, but we can trust in God's perfect timing and faithfulness.

In self-analysis, I see how God has been at work in my life, shaping me through both triumphs and trials. Every step, whether forward or seemingly backward, has been part of his plan to mold me into the person he created me to be.

Today let's take comfort in knowing that God is faithful to complete the work he has started in us. No matter where we are in our journey, we can trust that God is working all things together for our good and to his glory.

Dear God, thank you for your faithfulness in our lives. Help us to trust in your timing and process. Strengthen our faith, knowing that you will complete the good work you have begun in us. In Jesus' name, Amen.

(<https://todaydevotional.com/devotions/god-is-faithful-in-completing-his-work>)

Pearls Of Wisdom

"Our True Identity In Christ"
We are holy and blameless.
See: Ephesians 1:4

♥ - Ruth Wise

September Birthdays

- 6. Ann Method-Green
- 12. Lynn Flannigan
- 14. Julie Klop

September Anniversaries

- 11. Eldon & Vivienne Seaman

OCTOBER NEWSLETTER ARTICLES ARE DUE TO THE CHURCH OFFICE BY: **TUESDAY, SEPT. 22ND**. (Email, if possible)



"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." - Jesus



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