

Mission News

Mission: One Great Hour of Sharing for June was extended to July with a total of over \$1,024 raised! The “joyous contributions” will be appreciated after many local devastations this year. We will report results next year.

Old Home Day Baskets produced \$693 in final contributions under difficult weather conditions. We will produce excellent results next year with our learning experience this year.

Food Pantry – Needs – Jelly- Tuna Helper- cake or cookie mixes, jello, coffee, canned, non-refrigerated meats (No tuna or peanut butter)

We are thankful for continued support of any kind to our church's mission projects.

Cheryl Zanello, chair

Ladies Social Circle

Our June 8th meeting was held at Lakeside Restaurant, Kingston. A great time had by all attendees. “Rain or Shine” bags were available for daily donations. Pastor Tom thanks all for helping to make the parsonage very comfortable and welcoming.

The June 22 meeting we welcomed Diane Dawe. She gave us a “lesson” in plastic canvas. We made a fly-swatter kitchen magnet. A truly learning experience. The last of the items for our “Picnic in The Park” basket were brought in and a huge “Thank You” to Diane Dawe and Sandy Kamitian for putting the basket together.

We will meet again on Sept. 14. The caller will be Becky Schosser, Hostesses: Barbara Carifio and Nancy Marston; Devotions and Grace by Ellie Peabody.

Start planning on attending the Silver Tea on Sept. 28. See you there – have a safe and wonderful summer.

Finance Committee

This year again members voted to accept a deficit budget. I would like to share the following parable with you.

A Parable of Tips and Tithes

Now as it came to pass on a certain day at noon, the story-teller was a guest of a kindly man, and we sat down at a popular restaurant where the food was good.

Now when the meal was at hand the waiter brought unto the host the reckoning of his debt. The host looking upon it was somewhat displeased, but spoke not a word, but as the time for our departure drew nigh I observed that he layeth under his plate a gift of coins. However I know not how large his gift was, but the waiter, who stood near by, smiled, and was a happy countenance, being interpreted, meaneth that the tip was satisfactory.

Now with such customs we are all familiar and this parable telleth what is right or wrong, in the custom of the tip ... but as I meditated on the coins, that become tips in our land, I began to think about tips and tithes, for a proverbial tip must be least, A Tithe ... Indeed, unless it be fifteen or twenty percent the waiter or waitress may turn against you.

And, as I continued to think on these things that it came to me that a few people go to church treat their God as they do honor their waiter for they give unto their waiter a tithe but unto their God they give whatsoever then think will get them by. Verily does man fear the waiter more than God? Or does he love the waiter more than he loves God? Truly, Truly, a man and his money are past understanding.

Eleanor Peabody, Finance Chairman