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The United Methodist Church of Patchogue

July-August 2010

Edited By George Hoag

How's The Fruit?

So it's finally summer and with it comes many opportunities to see God's beauty. I'm hoping you all have a wonderful season. I came across a wonderful question from a colleague and thought it would be valuable to ponder. The question is simple but at the same time very deep and profound. What happens when we live God's way? He brings gifts into our lives, much the same way that fruit appears in orchards, things like affection for others, exuberance about life, serenity. We develop willingness to stick with things, a sense of compassion in the heart, and a conviction that a basic holiness permeates things and people. We find ourselves involved in loyal commitments, not needing to force our way in life, able to marshal and direct our energies wisely. *Galatians 5:22-23 (The Message)*

The Message Bible gives us a better understanding of how we can apply the Fruit of the Spirit to our daily lives. When believers exhibit these qualities in their behavior, it will greatly impact others. Beware though that the Fruit must come from the right source. "I am the vine; you are the branches. If a man remains in me and I in him, he will bear much fruit; apart from me you can do nothing." John 15:5. The

Worship In July-August

July 4—(6th Sunday After Pentecost) Psalm 30, Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20; Rev. Ernesto Sanchez.

July 11—(7th Sunday After Pentecost) Psalm 82, Luke 10:25-37; Rev. Ernesto Sanchez.

July 18—(8th Sunday After Pentecost) Psalm 52, Luke 10:38-42; Rev. Ernesto Sanchez.

July 25—(9th Sunday After Pentecost) Psalm 85, Luke 11:1-13; Lay Speaker: Charles Roberts, Exec. Dir. Suffolk County Salvation Army.

August 1—(10th Sunday After Pentecost) Psalm 107:1-9, 43, Luke 12: 13-21; Rev. Ernesto Sanchez.

August 8—(11th Sunday after Pentecost) Psalm 50:1-8, 22-33, Luke 12:32-40; Deacon Glenn Adone.

August 15—(12th Sunday after Pentecost) Psalm 80: 1-2, 8-19, Luke 12: 49-56; Lay Speaker: Ernest Ipke.

August 22—(13th Sunday after Pentecost) Psalm 71:1-6, Luke 13:10-17; Lay Speaker: June Barile.

August 29—14th Sunday after Pentecost; Psalm 81:1, 10-16, Luke 14:1, 7-14; Rev. Ernesto Sanchez.

Fruit of the Spirit are not mere suggestions for the way a Christian could live. A Christian cannot always pick and choose that which he or she wants to use or what suits the need at a particular time. The Fruit are characteristics that are apparent in those who are truly walking with God thru Jesus and the Holy Spirit. The fruit of the Spirit are the qualities of character God grows inside of you. It's more than mere spiritual or personal growth; it's God at work within his followers. These characteristics do not suddenly appear when you turn to God, they need to be cultivated and nurtured as you mature as a Christian. In order to grow

Very truly,
I tell you,
whoever
keeps my
WORD will
never see
DEATH.”
John 8:51, NRSV



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Circle of Concern

For Bereavement:

Jeffery Weeks.

For Guidance:

Lisa D., Barbara McAllister, Joe Brentlink, Ray Gallo, Ray Clark, Maj. Don Cornwell stationed in South Korea, Cat Placement and Rescue, Christy Wood, Lois Wood, Michael Dellazizzi and family, Michael Amarati, Philip Demacos, Joanne, Robert C. Hiene, the Americo Family, Philip Crandall, Rose Conti and Dean Butera's mother, Bob Pignataro, Irene and Scott Schwartzberg, the Mansfield family on the death of their cousin Rachel Gilligan, Holly Nelson, Elizabeth Biederman's cousin, Jody, that Jody has a healthy delivery and Dylan has no kidney complications at birth, Mario Conti, Don De LaVergne (Linda Werner's nephew), Carol Knapp, Kevin O'Donnell for comfort and healing over the loss of a loved one, Ron Bose for his broken leg bone, Lisa Prince, the family of Alex Pearson, he is in nursing home, he is the father-in-law of Lenny Pearson.

These Who are Hospitalized:

Josh Boneventure, Christine Quinn's cousin Frank, Nana Grace, Nancy Marshall, Bertha Smith, Lee Hollowell, Mary Payne, John Prodan, Marino Rice, Harry Watson, John Casale, Debbie Fiore, Kathy Hollowell and Patrick Diamond.

These at Home:

Betty Hansley, Joan Welsh, Joseph Weinzettle, Pat Carlson, Natalie Burnett-Lynch, Kathleen Chodorski, Philip Crandall, Kyra McCarthy, Debi DelRossi, Belle Barile, Tom Furman, Lisa Lopez, Dorotea Sanchez, Mary Jones, Mike Welsh, Hazel Freely, Dave McKendrick, Timothy Oliva's Aunt Susan, John Krulger, Shelly Granger, Marie Lino, Marta, Donna Herrick, Philip Rudolph, Mike Amodio, Jytte & Nils Forensom (Geri Sheridan's relatives in Denmark), Robert Dodge Suzanne Olivotti-Dodge, and Sandy Burrell.

These who are in Rehab or Nursing Care Facilities:

Alice Zahnd in Patchogue Nursing Center, 25 Schoenfeld Blvd., Patchogue, NY; Kitty Brunner in Cedar Lodge Nursing Home, 6 Frowein Road, Center Moriches, NY 11934; Doris Shrimpton in Bellhaven Nursing Center, 110 Beaverdam Rd., Brookhaven; Hazel Nargi, Rachel Nason in McPeak's Adult Home, 286 N. Ocean Ave., Patchogue; Marian King in Sunrise Assisted Living, 2 Hills Rd., E. Setauket, Rm. 2; Anna Bonfe, Rm. 201, Cunningham Bldg., Loretto Rest, 708 E. Brighton Ave., Syracuse, NY 13205; Connie Halliwell, Our Lady of Consolation, 111 Beach Drive, West Islip, NY 11795.

* Please contact the Church Office if someone should be removed or added.

Stewardship



When we do what Jesus asks of us, good things happen. Last winter a

mason contractor was on hard times and had to use our Food Pantry. Now that he has work, he would like to show his appreciation by replacing our fellowship walk.

The red tile-brick walkway that cuts the corner of South Ocean Ave. and Church St. was built by Jan Boyd, Dale King, and the MYF in the late 1980's. It is beginning to disintegrate. We have already replaced a number of tiles.

Our Food Pantry by Jim Miller does feed the hungry. Jim solicits food donations from local businesses. It is supported by donations from not only our congregation, but the Bayport UMC congregation and the IRS. The economy has impacted donations of both food and money. Please, if you can, donate another couple of food items each Sunday. Money is appreciated also. Jim buys items he needs that are not usually donated. Any spare clothing we receive is also provided to those who need. Thank you.

The last Wesley Dinner served forty-four people. Many of them came back for seconds and take home dinners. Barbara Becker, Barry Burrell, and I passed out flyers for the dinner and gave many to Pastor Jim Ryan of the Light House Mission. The Mission used to be at the end of Church Street until their lease ran out. It is thriving and growing under Pastor Jim and his volunteers. It is now located on Montauk Highway, East of Hagerman.

Lift up your church with your prayers, presence, gifts and service.

Pastor Jim proudly showed me their new complex of a meeting area, offices, two storerooms and a walk-in-freezer for perishables. The paved parking lots, heating and air condition systems were all donated. The mission is truly doing what Jesus wants of us, feeding and clothing those in need. If you drop by the parking lot behind Patchogue's Burlington Coat Factory on a Friday morning, there will be truck loads of food and clothing given out to scores of people.

Our MYF, parents and friends enjoyed a great trip to Great Adventure on June 5. Carla Gibson, our intrepid leader of the MYF, obtained a bus to transport the 45 people to the fun park in N.J. There were great rides and Christian bands performing on that weekend. Our incoming new pastor Ernesto Sanchez and family joined in the fun. Everyone got home safely around 11 PM.

Carla is planning a Beach Outing for July. Another outing will be to Splish-Splash in August. She needs to talk with the youth to set up the dates. Dates will be announced. If you have an idea for an outing or would like to help with one, please call Carla at 631-750-3557.

For years the old fence on the west end of the Church has needed to be replaced. It was erected when the lower doors facing Church Street were added for the Thrift Shop back in the 1990's. It has been patched and rebuilt over the years. Raquel and Ken Miller donated a vinyl fence to us last November. Thanks to Ken Miller, Boy Scout Troup 151, parents, and Dave Purificato, the fence was put up. Ken cooked hotdogs for lunch on that Saturday, June 12. Barry Burrell, his

friend Tom, Lenny Pearson and I took the old fence down days before. Thank you Troup 151 and all who helped in this project. The new fence looks great.

Other good stewards make our Church a better place. Janet and Jerry Alt have served at many of the Wesley Dinners. Jerry has been cutting the parsonage lawn while Myung Jin and Pastor Chung are packing for their move to Connecticut. We have a new Sunday School Superintendent. Barbara Schroeder passed the reins to Elizabeth Biederman. Many thanks to Barbara for her hard work and fidelity.

Lenny Pearson is concerned about our bell. It was cast in 1873 in England and weighs 5,494 pounds. After all these years, there is a lot of deep pitting. Lenny has found a company in the mid west, that will teach her how to restore and protect the bell for future generations.

While surveying the bell, she asked why the bell tower louvers did not have stops at the top of each fin. She and I are now adding those stops. This will hopefully slow down the water seeping into and through the belfry walls, causing the plaster to fall from the ceiling and walls.

We need ushers. Steve Rice is coordinating our ushers for Sunday services and special events. You would have to be at the rear of the sanctuary at least one half hour before Church – 9:30 AM. The job description includes passing out bulletins, greeting old friends, making new ones and taking up the collection. Please call or talk to Steve in Church and be an usher once a month or whenever you can serve. Steve's telephone number is 445-7977.

It would be appreciated.

Our failing old boiler heats the old building. We should be preparing it to be evaluated and hopefully repaired this summer while it can go off line. Unfortunately, the reality of our finances may not allow this to happen. We need \$5,000. With the lean months of summer upon us, the money may not be available. We have only recently paid off the cost of snow removal from the heavy storms of last winter.

If any one or more members of the congregation would like to make a real sacrificial donation toward the cost of repairing the boiler, please contact a Trustee or our Pastor. I have placed an item from my collection with a dealer that would raise more than a third of the cost. Unfortunately the economy has limited spending on hobbies also. Consider a similar sacrifice or money donation. It would be much appreciated.

Please pray on this and follow your heart.

May God be with you.

—*Dave Hollowell*

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How's The Fruit? (from Page 1)

in our walk with the Lord, we should study and understand each of these Fruits:

Love - The most important of the Fruits. And we get the definition and attributes of Love in 1 Corinthians 13:4-8, "Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. Love never fails."

Joy - Joy is more than happiness, which is temporal and conditional. Happiness is an emotion dependent on personal feelings. Joy is the unconditional state of mind that accompanies fellowship with God. It is characterized by great well being.

Peace - Jesus is the Prince of Peace. In John 14:27, Jesus tells us, "Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid."

Patience - Hebrews 10:36 tells us we need, "to persevere [have patience] so that when you have done the will of God, you will receive what he has promised." We are "being strengthened with all power according to his glorious might so that you may have great endurance and patience, and joyfully giving thanks to the Father" according to Colossians 1:11. Ephesians 4:2 instructs us to "Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love."

Kindness - According to 2 Corinthians 6:6, we should live "in

purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love in truthful speech and in the power of God; with weapons of righteousness in the right hand and in the left". "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Colossians 3:12.

Goodness - "And in view of this, we always pray for you that our God will consider you worthy of His calling, and will, by His power, fulfill every desire for goodness and the work of faith" 2 Thessalonians 1:11 (HCSB). "For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) and find out what pleases the Lord." Ephesians 5:8-10.

Faithfulness - "O LORD, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done marvelous things, things planned long ago." 2 Thessalonians 1:11. "The LORD rewards every man for his righteousness and faithfulness." 1 Samuel 26:23. "I pray that out of his glorious riches he may strengthen you with power through his Spirit in your inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith." Ephesians 3:16-17.

Gentleness - "Let your gentleness be evident to all. The Lord is near." Philippians 4:5. "Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Colossians 3:12. "Brothers, if someone is caught in any wrongdoing, you who are spiritual should restore such a person with a gentle spirit,

watching out for yourselves so you won't be tempted also." Galatians 6:1 (HCSB). "Be completely humble and gentle; be patient, bearing with one another in love." Ephesians 4:2.

Self-Control - "Therefore, prepare your minds for action; be self-controlled; set your hope fully on the grace to be given you when Jesus Christ is revealed." 1 Peter 1:13. "For this very reason, make every effort to add to your faith goodness; and to goodness, knowledge; and to knowledge, self-control; and to self-control, perseverance; and to perseverance, godliness; and to godliness, brotherly kindness; and to brotherly kindness, love." 2 Peter 1:5-7.

Where there are 'the fruit of the Spirit', the Spirit is at work. We can trust in it. Each person in the Spirit has the fruit differently, and each fruit has a different shape in each person -- but all the fruit will show themselves in each Christian as he or she goes deeper into their walk with the Spirit.

If you are a believer in Jesus Christ, God has given you His Holy Spirit to help you live life according to His perfect plan. Why not pray this simple prayer and by faith invite Him to fill you with His Spirit:

Dear Father, I need you. I acknowledge that I have sinned against you by directing my own life. I thank you that you have forgiven my sins through Christ's death on the cross for me. I now invite Christ to again take His place on the throne of my life. Fill me with the Holy Spirit as you commanded me to be filled, and as you promised in Your Word that You would do if I asked in faith. I pray this in the name of Jesus. As an expression of my faith, I thank you for directing my life and for filling me with the Holy Spirit. Amen.

—Rev. Ernesto Sanchez

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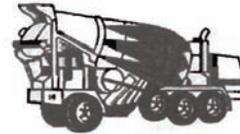
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7/17 Francesca Artus
7/19 Christofer Geist
Justin Gararino
Krista Collazo
7/26 Nicholas Moffitt
7/28 Jaime Morello
7/30 Ashley Kuzmech
7/31 Savannah Lanzetta
Jasmine Igel

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8/1 Ava Walsh
8/2 Evan Michael Louis
8/3 Dalen Periera
8/7 Jordan Thompson
8/9 Katie McCatham
Alexandra Wertz
8/11 Gloria Leahy
8/16 Virginia Hayward
8/18 Justin Zimmerman
8/19 Meghan Braile
Kaitlin Braile
Jacqueline Braile
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8/24 Samantha DelGuidice
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8/31 Kaitlin Ficurilli

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