



# *Protestant Fellowship Community Newsletter*

## *September 2021*

### **Healed by a Touch**

“And a woman was there who had been subject to bleeding for twelve years, but no one could heal her. She came up behind him and touched the edge of his cloak, and immediately her bleeding stopped.” Luke 8:43-44

“When they had crossed over, they landed at Gennesaret. And when the men of that place recognized Jesus, they sent word to all the surrounding country. People brought all their sick to him and begged him to let the sick just touch the edge of his cloak, and all who touched it were healed.” Matthew 14:34-36

Often in Jesus’ ministry he healed people by touching. In one instance he spat into the dust and made a muddy mixture; then he put the mud on the blind man’s eyes and told him to wash in the Pool of Siloam. In another he touched the bier of the widow’s only son. In another, the daughter of a ruler of the synagogue was resurrected by Jesus’ physical touch. In other situations of healing and resurrection the act of touching is remote, it is spiritual and not physical. The lame man is told to “take up his bed and walk”. The centurion’s servant is healed without being in Jesus’ presence. Lazarus, who has been dead for a couple of days, is called forth from the tomb.





One might raise a question about the healing power of the cloak of Jesus. Did such healing power reside in the cloak of Jesus? Could owning that piece of cloth negate the need to ever have medical tests, get treatment for aches and pains, or get vaccines? The Gospels record that crowds followed Jesus and gathered wherever He was. They sought healing. The Gospels record instances of healing that resulted from just touching His cloak.

The key to all of these instances of healing is not magic power in the cloak or even in Jesus’ hands, fingers or words. The people went to Him because they believed. They had faith. Maybe their faith was not theologically correct and maybe it was not

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**Weekly Worship Services for September 2021**  
**each Sunday at 2:00 pm from the chapel**  
**via live Broadcast on ACTV channel 976 / 980 (HD)**

August 29	Hymn Sing Worship Service with music provided by handbell ensemble Campanology; Ann Kagan-Erickson is the Artistic Director.	
Sept 5	Rev. Doug Stratton, Hatboro Baptist Church; Organist: Susan Bishop; Pianist: Betty Kingston	
Sept 12	Rev. Amy Na, Ivyland Presbyterian Church, Ivyland, PA; Organist: Bud Williams; Pianist: Betty Kingston	
Sept 19	Rev. Roy Lewis (retired), Lahaska United Methodist Church, Lahaska, PA; Organist: Joan Kirk; Pianist: Betty Kingston	
Sept 26	Rev. Dr. Kang Na, Protestant Pastoral Associate at Ann's Choice; Organist: Joan Kirk; Pianist: Betty Kingston	

### **Revive Your Spirit on the Chapel Channel**

The Chapel Channel is airing a daily schedule of uplifting and inspiring programs. Learn about the Dead Sea Scrolls, or enjoy the *Musical Reflections* and *Favorite Hymns of Faith* organ programs by Bud Williams.



The **Memorial Day Weekend Hymn Sing Service** from May 30, 2021 has been added to the program schedule. This includes the organ pre-worship program by Bud Williams followed by the entire worship service.

Feedback and comments on this new programming provided through Pastoral Ministries is encouraged and will help with future offerings on the Chapel Channel.

### **Quiet Reflections and Prayers:**

The Chapel at Ann's Choice is open daily for private reflection when worship services and other events being conducted.

### **To Receive this Newsletter:**

Contact Rev. Dr. Kang Na at [Kang.Na@Erickson.com](mailto:Kang.Na@Erickson.com), (215) 443-4925, or in the Pastoral Ministries offices in Liberty. Make sure to include your email address for receipt of this newsletter by email or your apartment to receive it in your cubby.

### **Rose Gardens and Chestnut Pointe:**

Large group activities are suspended until further notice. Pastoral Visits and Home Communion are still available. Contact Pastoral Ministries at (215) 443-4925.

## Bible Study:

Weekly Bible study continues to meet on Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am in the Liberty Commons Music Room. Zoom will continue to be used to provide access for those not able to meet in person. Rev. Dr. Kang Na is leading the Bible study.

Contact Rev. Na at (215) 443-4925, Pastoral Ministries offices in Liberty or [Kang.Na@erickson.com](mailto:Kang.Na@erickson.com) for more information about the Bible study or connection information for using Zoom on your laptop, computer or smartphone, or by regular telephone.



If you are curious about the Bible, and its significance in world history and for human life, please join us. The Bible study is intended to deepen our knowledge of **what the Bible is, says, and means**. Everyone is welcome to join us on this journey. We are looking at different passages in Genesis and in the Gospels to discover and remember **what the Bible is, what it said to contemporary readers, what it means, and what it says to us**, especially for our faith journey.

All are welcome, and all questions are welcome, so that together we might encourage and challenge one another on the joyful and sometimes hard road that is Christian discipleship.

## Second Saturday Cinema in September

On Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup> the Protestant Fellowship will present ***Far from Home: The Adventures of Yellow Dog*** in the PAC at 7:00 pm with a pre-show at 6:45.

John and Catherine McCormick relocate to the coast of British Columbia, where sailing enthusiast John teaches their sons, 16-year-old son Angus and 9-year-old son Silas, basic seamanship and outdoor survival skills. Angus rescues and adopts a stray Golden Labrador, names him Yellow. One day while traveling along the coast of British Columbia with his father, John, he and Yellow become stranded when turbulent waters capsize their boat. John is rescued, but Angus and Yellow drift to nearby land, and their abilities to survive are put to the test.

This program is sponsored by the Protestant Fellowship Council as a ministry to our fellow residents, friends and staff at Ann's Choice.

**No donation will be requested.**



## Chapel Choir Practice Will Resume Soon

The Ann's Choice Chapel Choir will resume rehearsals on Friday, September 10 at 2:30 in the afternoon; the choir will begin participating in Protestant worship services. If you would like to add your voice to others in the choir as a ministry to worship services, contact Dave Clarke at (215) 443-2573 or BG-103.



