

# Protestant Fellowship Community Newsletter October, 2025

## "Make a Joyful Noise unto the Lord!"

<sup>1</sup>O sing to the Lord a new song; sing to the Lord, all the earth! <sup>2</sup> Sing to the Lord, Bless his name; tell of his salvation from day to day. <sup>3</sup> Declare his glory among the nations, His marvelous works among all the people! <sup>4</sup> For great is the Lord, and greatly to be praised....

Psalm 96:1-4a

Many of you know that one of my favorite things is making music. Not just any music but music that will inspire the listener, give them encouragement and hope and give praise to our Heavenly Father.

I must confess that I have one serious problem with music. I am always afraid that I will hit the wrong note during a performance. You may say, 'well we all hit wrong notes once in a while', yes, but if while playing a favorite well known hymn and the music calls for an E natural to be played and I hit a E flat, that can throw my whole day into a frenzy. I'll say to myself, "Bud you know better and you practiced that music for hours and you still hit the wrong note". What makes it worse, once it's played you can't take it back.

It reminds me of another situation that we can all relate to; saying or doing an unkind act. Once you have said it or have done it, you cannot take it back. That E natural just became an E flat. Not exactly what the music score called for or what God would have wanted you to say or do.

While playing I sometimes find myself drifting off with the music and really not paying attention, and that's when things go wrong. I remember one Sunday afternoon while playing prelude music I began to think about something I wanted to do on Monday and the next thing I knew I was not even playing the right music. It didn't take me long to realize what I was doing or actually not doing but the damage was done. I quickly recovered my thoughts and got back on track with the help of my piano partner. She brought me back to the "REAL" reality.

It's the same way with life. We get caught up in our own world where we thing everything is going along just fine and then all of a sudden, we realize we were way off base with a comment or deed that we just said or did, someone has to bring us back, that being our Heavenly Father. He knows when we have hit a

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wrong note and have said an unkind word or did an unkind deed. That unkind word or deed is the E flat that doesn't belong there.

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Dear Heavenly Father, teach us not to hit E flats but to practice long and hard at saying and doing to others what you would have us do.

This we pray in Jesus' Name. Amen

Prayerfully submitted on behalf of Bud Williams

#### Protestant Worship During October, 2025

Each Sunday at 2:00 pm from the Chapel with Prelude at 1:45; also on ACTV channel 976 (standard definition) / 980 (high definition) All are Welcome to join us in the Chapel on Sunday Afternoons

Sunday, Oct. 5	Southampton, PA, will preach and officiate Communion. Prelude will begin at 1:45. Organist: Jane Smith; pianist:  Betty Kingston
Sunday, Oct. 12	Eighteenth Sunday after Pentecost Rev. Charles Blachford, Buxmont Baptist Church, Hatboro, PA, will preach. Prelude will begin at 1:30. Organist: Bud Williams; pianist: Betty Kingston.
	Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost Rev. James Massey, Deacon at St. James Episcopal Church, Langhorne, PA, will preach. Prelude will begin at 1:45. Organist: John Keesey; pianist: Betty Kingston.
	Twentieth Sunday After Pentecost and Reformation Sunday Rev. Amy Martin, Pastoral Ministries Associate at Ann's Choice will preach. Prelude will begin at 1:45. Organist: Joan Kirk; pianist: Betty Kingston.
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**Bible Study:** Weekly Bible study meets Wednesday mornings at 10:00 am in the Liberty Commons Room. We are studying the Epistles. Contact Rev. Na at (215) 443-4925, Pastoral Ministries offices in Liberty or at <a href="mailto:Kang.Na@erickson.com">Kang.Na@erickson.com</a> for more info.

#### **Ann's Choice Pastoral Associate**

As Pastoral Associate, Rev. Amy Martin devotes part of her time supporting the Mission of the Protestant Fellowship Council. Stop by her office in Liberty Commons to introduce yourself and meet her. Or you can call and leave a message for her at (215) 443-3831; send an email (Amy.Martin@erickson.com); or write a note on an offering envelope and leave it in the offering plate at Chapel worship.

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**Ministries in Continuing Care:** Monthly Protestant Communion service is held in Memory Care. Pastoral Visits and Home Communion are also available. Also, each week, worship bulletins and hymns are delivered to residents at RG and CP and to those who have asked for them on a regular basis.

A **new ministry** is a monthly hymn sing and worship service at 11:00 am on the fourth Monday of each month. October 27 will be the next service. Contact Bud Williams at (267) 387-6188 or TC-107 to volunteer, or if you have questions.

**Quiet Reflections and Prayers:** The Chapel at Ann's Choice is open daily for private reflection when worship services and other events are not being conducted.

Hand-Made Greeting Card Ministry: This Ministry group creates handmade cards for special holidays and occasions, and it meets on the second Tuesday of each month in the VC Craft / Pottery Room from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. The next meeting will be on Tuesday, September 9.

Our current project is making Thanksgiving cards for residents of CC. Call Shanda for more info (513)739-6258, sfcuster@aol.com. Please join us; we need creative people, envelope stuffers, and cutters.

**Greeting Card Ministry:** This ministry group writes short, uplifting messages in greeting card to be distributed to Protestant residents in Continuing Care. The Protestant Fellowship provides the cards. The next meeting will be on Monday, October 27, from 1:00 to 3:00 pm in the Liberty Commons Music Room. For more information contact: Trudi at 215-675-4495 or eslfrau7@aol.com

Wine and Cheese "Meet and Greet": This is an event for all Ann's Choice Protestant residents – new and current – will be on Friday, October 24, from 1:00 to 3:00 in the Catering Room. This is a terrific opportunity to meet and get to know other Protestant residents.



RADICALS

**Second Saturday Cinema in October:** On October 11, we will show the 1989 feature *Radicals* in the PAC at 7:00 pm with pre-show at 6:45. This is the true story of the beginnings of the Anabaptist movement. Just a warning: This feature contains some graphic depiction of historical persecution. This program is sponsored by the Protestant Fellowship Council as a ministry to residents at Ann's Choice and staff.

No donation will be requested. Your presence at this movie is your donation.

### **Chapel Worship Comments**

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**Supporting Our Ministry and Mission:** You can help support mission projects and ministries of the Protestant Fellowship. Donations may be enclosed in an envelope addressed to Rev. Martin and taken to any clubhouse front desk. Donations by check are preferred; please make the check payable to "A. C. – Protestant Fund". On the memo line, please write "Donation."

#### Sing and Musical Evening on October 8

Join others in the Chapel on Wednesday, October 8 at 7:00 pm for a joyful evening of song. Bud Williams and Betty Kingston will play a few duets; there will be some solos, a sing-along, and a few surprises.



#### **Protestant Fellowship Council**

The Council consists of 12 members elected by the Protestant Fellowship at the annual meeting. Current members are listed below. Each member has different gifts for ministry and leadership in the Protestant community, just as Paul described the church in 1 Corinthians 12:12.

The agenda for the annual meeting will be in December will include election of new members of the Council. Terms of four Council members will expire at the end of 2025 and we will be electing four new members to serve for three-year terms.

Now is the time to pray for discernment about serving on the Council. The council, as with any ministry group, functions best with members who each have different gifts. Some of us organize well; some speak well; some are thoughtful and prayerful; some are good listeners. Each is different. Each is a valuable member. If you are asked to serve, seriously consider the opportunity for ministry.

Protestant Fellowship Council: Our purpose is to bring glory to God in all that we pursue in and through the Protestant Faith Community

Members of the Protestant Fellowship Council in 2025						
Fr. Ernie Curtin MT-214	Mark Heuckroth	HR-115	Bob Swan BR-201			
Jack Custer MC-320	John Hodges	BC-412	Lynn Swan BR-201			
Dolores Ehrenfeld BC-312	Betty Kingston	LP-407	Janet Wentz PV-107			
Trudi Hertfelder BG-111	Polly Riddle	BG-120	Bud Williams TC-107			

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Chapel, or return this form to Fr. Ernie Curtin (MT-214) or John Hodges (BC-412).				