

# The Air Hill Breezes



2017

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**Celebrate**

*the work of our hands*

**Labor Day**

Observed on the first Monday in September, Labor Day pays tribute to the contributions and achievements of American workers. It was created by the labor movement in the late 19th century and became a federal holiday in 1894. Labor Day also symbolizes the end of summer for many Americans, and is celebrated with parties, parades and athletic events.

Labor Day, an annual celebration of workers and their achievements, originated during one of American labor history's most dismal chapters. In the late 1800s, at the height of the [Industrial Revolution](#) in the United States, the average American worked 12-hour days and seven-day weeks in order to make a basic living. Despite restrictions in some states, children as young as 5 or 6 toiled in mills, factories and mines across the country, earning a fraction of their adult counterparts' wages. People of all ages, particularly the very poor and recent immigrants, often faced extremely unsafe working conditions, with insufficient access to fresh air, sanitary facilities and breaks.

As manufacturing increasingly supplanted agriculture as the wellspring of American employment, labor unions, which had first appeared in the late 18th century, grew more prominent and vocal. They began organizing strikes and rallies to protest poor conditions and compel employers to renegotiate hours and pay.

The idea of a "workingmen's holiday," celebrated on the first Monday in September, caught on in other industrial centers across the country, and many states passed legislation recognizing it. Congress would not legalize the holiday until 12 years later, when a watershed moment in American labor history brought workers' rights squarely into the public's view. On May 11, 1894, employees of the Pullman Palace Car Company in Chicago went on strike to protest wage cuts and the firing of union representatives.

Many credit Peter J. McGuire, cofounder of the American Federation of Labor, while others have suggested that Matthew Maguire, a secretary of the Central Labor Union, first proposed the holiday.

Labor Day is still celebrated in cities and towns across the United States with parades, picnics, barbecues, fireworks displays and other public gatherings. For many Americans, particularly children and young adults, it represents the end of the summer and the start of the back-to-school season.



**LABOR DAY**

## Church Board Highlights

- Outside clean up day is Sept. 23
- Our bus is no longer good for our needs and the bus will be given to CEF.
- One Sunday School elective may be offered in the winter quarter.
- Wed. Children's Club/Youth will begin Sept. 13th.
- Vacant positions still need filled.
- Children's Ministry Coordinator position will be a non-compensated position.
- Jason's health care benefit was raised to meet 2016 figure of 12,000 a year.

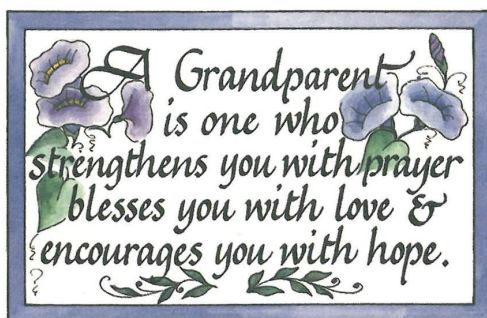
## Children's Ministry Highlights

- Looking for a teacher for Good News Club
- Funfest Leader - Sharon Warren accepted a new 2 yr. term.
- VBS Leader - Susan Montano accepted a new 2 yr. term.
- Children's Church Leaders - Carol Shatzley accepted another 2 yr. term.
- Nursery Team Leader - Deb Oburn accepted a 1 yr. term.
- Need a leader for Christmas program - have rec'd no one so there will be no Christmas Program this year. Instead a Christmas party will be part of Wednesday evening for children from WOW, Good News, and Sunday School and their families.
- Wednesday Evening Children's Club begins Sept. 13th
- Bre Grove will be working alongside Sandy Bender to be a coordinator for Wed. Eve. Children's Club

## Property Management Highlights

- Flat roof repairs done - \$17,305.37
- Shingle roof repairs done - \$23,850.00
- Spraying for spiders and ants are done.
- Plans to cut some trees.
- Small jobs being planned for the winter.
- Sept. 23 will be an outside work day.

# Grandparents Day September 10th



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Happy  
Grandparents  
Day

A Grandparent is  
a little bit parent,  
a little bit teacher,  
and a little bit best friend.  
-Unknown-

# Japan Update from Karina Thrush

Dear Family and Friends,

Thank you so much for your prayers during our final weeks of the summer term and the Student Fusion event! The summer term ended with two of our students, Chiemi and Ryohei, choosing to make professions of faith in Jesus Christ! It was such an encouraging finish!

About one day after our students left, a Student Fusion team from the states came to SYME for two weeks! They had some Gospel Story Arc (the method of sharing the gospel we use here in Asia) training and practice. They were sent out as teams to six different locations in Japan and one of the teams stayed here in Karuizawa. Each team worked with missionaries, churches or ministry organizations. They helped with English classes, events, work projects, and campground and retreat center staff. For their last few days in Japan, they returned to SYME for debriefing and one final English outreach event in Karuizawa.

We were able to reconnect with and help out our fellow missionaries and Christian organizations as well as making new contacts. We were also blessed to hear that a young girl at one of the English events made a profession of faith! The church we were working with is now connected with this young lady for further discipleship! Below are many pictures from our time together during Student Fusion. Thank you once again for praying and for your financial support!

In Christ,  
Karina Thrush



## Prayer & Praises

Salvation of Senri and Inori.

I would be disciplined in fervent prayer.

Praise God for our new student, Chieko, who got saved during her visit in the Spring Term!

Praise God for strength, connections with other ministries and ministry opportunities during the time

# New Heights Youth

## Wednesday Night Youth Group Kickoff

Sept. 13 - 6:30

6th –12th Grades

Join us every Wednesday night starting Sept. 13 for youth group. We will be playing games, painting, encouraging each other, praying for each other and studying what God is teaching us in His word. This fall we will be studying what it means to live out our faith. God isn't calling you to stand on the sideline and cheer for the team, he's calling you out on the field to be part of something bigger than you.

You won't want to miss a single week!

Hope to see you there!

## CRC Youth Retreat

Sept. 29—Oct 1

Our annual weekend retreat is coming up quickly. Join us for the best weekend of the year. You don't want to miss it. We will be playing games, singing songs, laughing at dumb jokes and studying the Bible. At only \$35 it is a steal for the weekend. Stay in cabins and stay up late talking about things you care about-geological formations and astronomical phenomena.

Talk to Jason for more details!

When I said, "My foot is slipping," your unfailing love, Lord, supported me. When anxiety was great within me, your consolation brought me joy.

- Psalm 94:18-19



## Another School year...

It has been an amazing summer with the youth. We started by visiting a few of our older members at church. It was fun to hear their stories and see how God has brought them through trials and celebrations in life. It was then a privilege to work with several of our youth for VBS and witnessing them speak into the lives of the next generation. In July, 10 of us went to Big Creek Missions in Kentucky. We had a good week of serving God and others. We built ramps, fixed floors, washed cars, led VBS and mowed grass. Our students did a great service to the community there near Hyden, KY. In early August we went to King's Dominion. And while I can't ride as many coasters as I used to, it was an incredible day with friends. After that I was able to lead the Roxbury Jr. Camp once again and see young people make decisions to commit and recommit their lives to Christ. All of this together equaled a memorable summer. But now, pray for all of our students as they start back to school and continue to stand up for what God is calling them to. Pray that our students stand up for truth. Pray that their teachers are seeking God daily. Pray that parents continue to guide and pray for their children. Pray that even in the face of all that is happening around our country, our young people can be directed by the Holy Spirit in all they do. For you, the students, know that we are praying and that we care. I know we don't fully understand all that happens in schools today, but we do know that the world puts pressure on us to reject or ignore God's influence in our lives. Jesus called us to be in the world, but not of the world. This is my prayer for you. Not that life is always easy, but that you know God is with you through it all. Also, be assured that myself and Danae are here for you whenever you need us. We will do our best to listen and to council to the best of our ability, knowing that when we seek God answers will come, in God's timing.



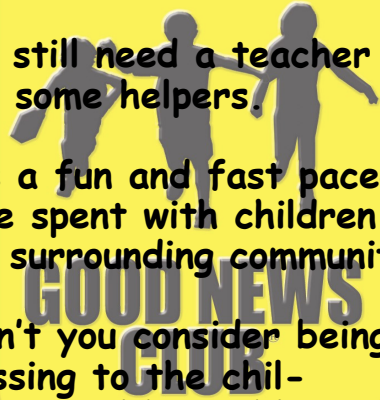
# CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Good News Club happens on Friday afternoons beginning in October.

We still need a teacher and some helpers.

It's a fun and fast paced time spent with children in our surrounding community.

Won't you consider being a blessing to the children...and being blessed by the children.



Fun For The Entire Family

BOUNCE HOUSES  
HORSE RIDES  
GAMES  
FOOD



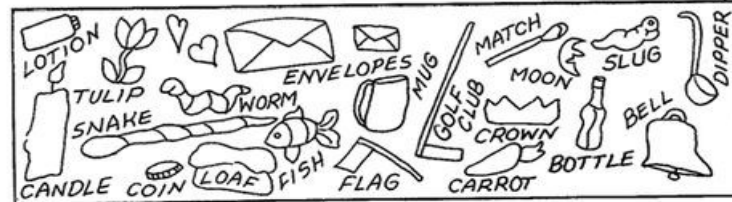
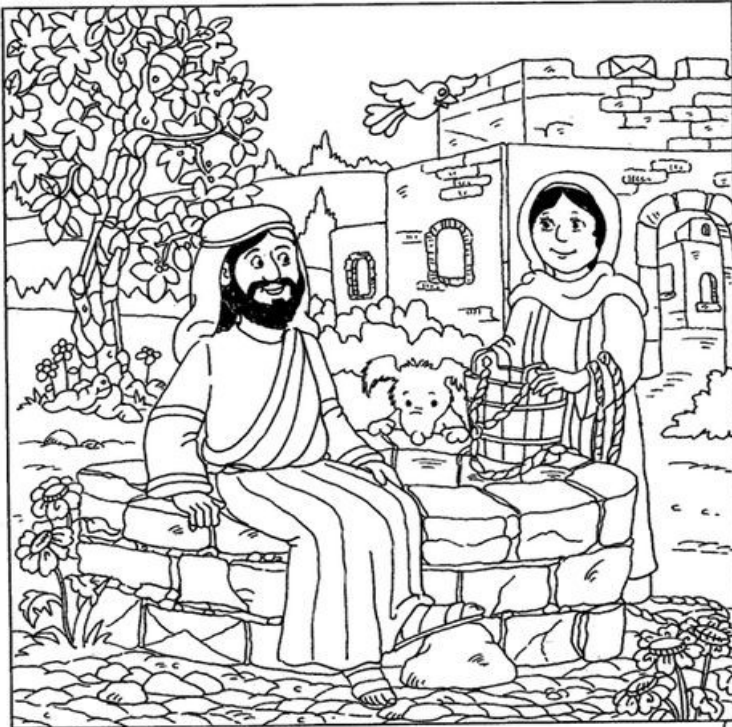
PETTING ZOO  
HAYRIDES  
BARREL TRAIN

INFORMATION AND SIGN UP FOR OUR WEDNESDAY EVENING CHILDREN'S CLUB WHICH BEGINS SEPTEMBER 13, 2017

JOIN US FOR

**FUNFEST  
WOW KICKOFF**

September 9, 2017  
10AM-2PM  
Air Hill Church  
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Find the hidden pictures above in the puzzle.  
Jesus met a Samaritan woman and told her good news.  
(Read the story in John 4)

## Way-out WEDNESDAY

Begins September 13th

Register your children on line or at FunFest.

It's going to be a fun year with projects for boys and girls, Bible stories, snacks, tea party, camping,





# September 2017

## AIR HILL STATEMENT OF PURPOSE

"To grow a healthy, loving, Christ centered church family that has a passion for reaching the community and the world for Christ"

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3 9 am S.S. 10 am Worship	4  Labor Day	5 6 pm Prop. Mgt. 6:30 Men's Basketball	6	7 6-7 pm REFIT	8	9 <b>FUNFEST WOW KICKOFF</b> 10-2
10 9 am S.S. 10 am Worship	11 8:30 Ladies Sewing 6-7 pm REFIT 7 pm Church Board	12 8:30 am Men's Breakfast 6:30 Ladies Prayer 6:30 Men's Basketball	13 6:30-8 Wed. Clubs/Youth Group	14 6-7 pm REFIT	15	16
17 9 am S.S. 10 am Worship Offering: Common Min.	18 6-7 pm REFIT	19 6:30 Men's Basketball	20 6:30-8 Wed. Clubs/Youth Group	21 6-7 pm REFIT	22	23 8-? Outside Church Clean Up
24 9 am S.S. 10 am Worship	25 6-7 pm REFIT 7 pm Pastoral Search Committee Meeting	26 6:30 Ladies Prayer 6:30 Men's Basketball	27 6:30-8 Wed. Clubs/Youth Group	28 6-7 pm REFIT	29	30 <b>Youth at CRC</b>