

# Hilltop Herald

Steffin Hill  
Presbyterian  
Church (USA)

*The church on the corner where faith and family meet...*



## From My Angle Rev. Dr. Judy Angleberger

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### Our Newsletter Team

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*If you have a submission for the Hilltop Herald, contact the Pastor or the secretary. Our deadline is the first week of the month prior to publication.*

It is time to gear-up for the fall. I did appreciate those summer days that were freer of scheduled activities. However, many opportunities for service are on our horizon. We have a Stewardship Committee, chaired by Shirley and Charlie Cox which will invite us to consider our call as Stewards of all of life. The theme is "God loves a cheerful giver". We will explore how we give our time, our spiritual gifts, our resources, and our covenant life together.

Our youth will kick off a new youth fellowship group by participating in "Box City" where they will spend the night in their decorated cardboard box houses as a way of identifying with those who are homeless. Fran Hupp will meet with all children/youth (8 years through 15 years) who are interested in a youth program on Wednesday, September 8 at 6:30 pm in Fellowship Hall.

There is a Tiger Pause work day for Steffin Hill folk on Saturday, Sept. 11 from 9:00-12:00 at their "furniture bank".

Christian Education is using the theme this fall---"Fall Afresh on Me"--- with Rally Day on Sept. 12 and Sunday School classes beginning for all ages on Sept. 19. Come to Sunday School this year and let the Holy Spirit "fall afresh on you".

The four churches on Darlington Road will sponsor ecumenical blood drives quarterly this year, rotating the location among First Reformed, Riverview Methodist, First Assembly of God, and Steffin Hill Presbyterian.

Once again we can help clothe the children in Beaver Falls and Chippewa with winter coats (new or gently used). The Mission Committee has set a goal of 50 coats and Ann McIntyre will chair the effort.

The Property Committee is replacing the floor boards on the ramp, sealing the parking lot, cleaning the downstairs carpets, buying additional tables, and replacing a window in the Nursery. They want to replace our kitchen stove as soon as we have the money.

Planning has begun for the Cookie and Craft sale which would also benefit the purchase of a new stove.

Our braised steak dinner will be Saturday, October 2. We will once again invite the community in for a favorite dinner and fellowship.

We will participate in the PC(USA) Peacemaking Offering and remember to be peace-makers as we celebrate Communion around the world. We have a full fall ahead. God calls us to share our gifts and to serve where he leads. I look forward to working with all of you in God's kingdom. Be of good cheer.

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## September

- 1—Charlie Cox  
 4—Aaron Pritchard (staff child)  
 8—Martha Jane Pietsch  
 12—Max Steffen  
 13—Joyce Steffen  
 16—Clarissa Hunter, Betty Klein  
 & David Haddox  
 17—Charlie Leyda, Nancy Steffen  
 & Lois Wahl  
 21—Judy Stuckey  
 23—Allison Hoing

## Those Who Serve

### Greeter Schedule

**September 5:** Labor Day  
 Main: Melvin Neely  
 Ramp: Jeff & Debbie Hess  
 Hall: Jason & Lindsey Hess

**September 12:** Rally Day  
 Main: Melvin Neely  
 Ramp: Walt & Dawn Forney  
 Hall: Chad Hess

**September 19:**  
 Main: Melvin Neely  
 Ramp: W. & N. Flannigan  
 Hall: Millie Whitworth

**September 26:**  
 Main: Melvin Neely  
 Ramp: Vicki & Walter Lukhaup  
 Hall: Nancy Conners

- 24—Kristen Wooley  
 25—Kirsti Harding  
 29—Kevin Broderick  
 30—Ed Schmidt

## October

- 2—Bob Allen  
 8—Glenn Wooley  
 9—Kristin Marvich  
 10—Lindsay Martino  
 & Wayne Flannigan  
 13—Walt Forney  
 16—Kim Rodman  
 17—Jack Leyda  
 18—Linda Schmidt  
 19—Brandon Riffle  
 20—Shirley Cox & Art Bielby  
 21—Doris Brenner  
 23—Mark Stepanian  
 28—Ron Foster, Jr.

### Liturgist Schedule

**September 5:** Jan Bryan  
**12:** Ginny Coburn  
**19:** Bonnie Utnehmer  
**26:** Kevin Broderick

**October 3:** Stacey Cox  
**10:** Ralph Cumberledge  
**17:** Bunny Madden  
**24:** Vicki Lukhaup  
**31:** Shirley Cox

### Offering Counter Schedule

**September 5:**  
**12:** Wayne Flannigan  
**19:** Stacey Cox  
**26:** Sharyn Shaffer

**October 3:**  
**10:** Sharyn Shaffer  
**17:**  
**24:** Stacey Cox  
**31:**



## September

- 3—Dick & Nancy Conners  
 14—Nancy & Wayne Flannigan  
 18—Walt & Dawn Forney  
 21—Cindy & Glenn Wooley  
 27—Jason & Lindsey Hess  
 28—Sally & Don Cripe (staff)

## October

- 7—Ron & Lydia Foster  
 11—Jennifer & Joe Pritchard (staff)  
 14—Chuck & Pam Reich  
 16—Melissa & Phil Graeser  
 19—Jim & Sue Dixon  
 28—Martha & Ian Leyda

*If we missed you, let us know.*

## Inviting All Talent!

The newsletter team is looking for original work from YOU! Please consider submitting any original writing (any form) or drawing, etc. We invite you to share yourself and your talents with the congregation. Submissions may be placed in the newsletter box in the office.



- September 9 ~ Men's Breakfast & Bible Study
- September 12 ~ Rally Day
- September 14 ~ Steffin Hill Women's Fellowship resumes
- September 17 & 18 ~ "Box City" at Irvine Park, Beaver
- September 19 ~ Sunday school begins, Evangelism  
Sunday & Cambridge Village worship
- September 21 ~ Session
- September 23 ~ Membership Committee
- September 23—25 ~ Dinners for 8
- September 28 ~ Presbytery Meeting
- October 2 ~ Braised Steak Dinner
- October 3 ~ World Communion & Peacemaking Offering
- October 6 ~ Stonecroft Friendship Bible study resumes
- Cookie baking for the cookie sale will start soon, so watch the announcements.

Coming Soon:  
**YOUTH GROUP AT STEFFIN HILL PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH**

Steffin Hill youth group for children and youth ages 8 – 15. This Group, yet to be named, will meet on Wednesday Evenings 6:30PM – 8PM. Informational and Planning Meeting September 8<sup>th</sup>, 2010 6:00PM Fellowship Hall  
 A major part of Youth Group will be learning to Play "ORFF Instruments"



If we missed you, we're sorry, but the office only has the above names & addresses. If we erred, please contact the office with the correct information. Thank you!

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Mark is living off campus, so Cornell is NOT a part of the address.

**Dillon Utnehmer**—CCBC  
 See home address

**Lindsay Martino**—Bradford Business Institute  
 See home address

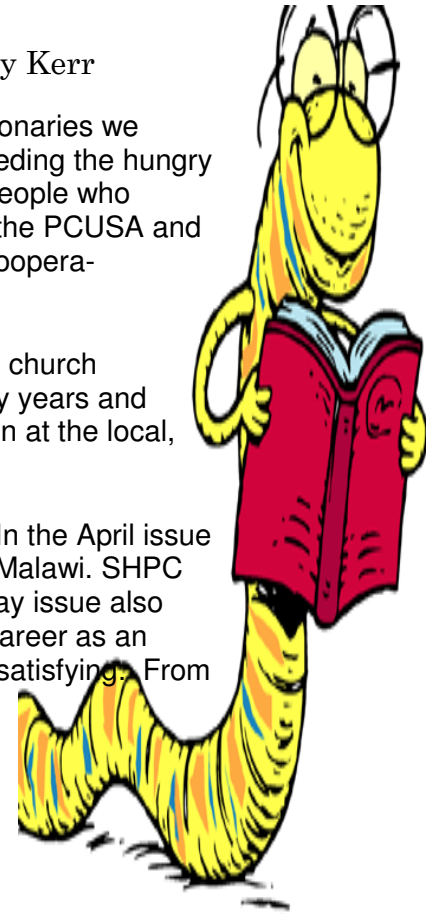
## New in the Library

- Cathy Kerr

How many definitions do Presbyterians have for mission? Is it the 5 missionaries we financially support? Is it work trips? What about social justice issues....feeding the hungry & clothing the needy? Where does evangelism fit into mission? How do people who engage in mission in very different ways relate to each other in & beyond the PCUSA and in the world? Can we do mission better together? Can we learn to work cooperatively...even become partners in mission?

Better Together by Sherron Kay George is a new book being added to the church library. George has been a PCUSA missionary to South America for many years and brings a wealth of experience & ideas for the future of Presbyterian mission at the local, national & global level.

Also in the library is the denomination's magazine, Presbyterians Today. In the April issue is an article on Sue Makin and the fistula repair surgery she performed in Malawi. SHPC supported her work through our Have A Heart auction in February. The May issue also featured a SHPC-supported missionary, Alice Winters. Alice started her career as an attorney, but found her volunteer work at an inner-city church much more satisfying. From there, she went to seminary & is now a Bible professor in Columbia.



Evangelism  
Report

Sunday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, we will be celebrating Evangelism Sunday with members of the Evangelism Committee taking part in the worship service. Following the worship service, we will have a Friendship on the Lawn (weather permitting). As a warm-up to that date, on September 12<sup>th</sup>, we will show a short video about witnessing. Then on Saturday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, PC(USA) has suggested that we use it as an Servant Saturday. On that day, members of the committee will be taking plates of cookies to the local volunteer Fire Departments, the Beaver Falls Fire Department and Medic Rescue. We encourage all the members of the congregation to participate in some kind of "service" on that Saturday – visit a nursing home, take food and/or participate in a Food Pantry, visit shut-ins, clean-up a neighborhood site. This upcoming event is a call for the church to get out in our communities and spread the "Good News". Hope to see you all on the 19<sup>th</sup>!! And remember to plan something for Servant Saturday on the 25<sup>th</sup>!

- Sharyn Shaffer, Chair

## Our Presbyterian Family Tree

- submitted by Nancy Hunter

As a Presbyterian, did you know you share a common faith with some very famous people? How about this list of noteworthy people from history/politics, sports, journalism, entertainment, space, and business?

John Witherspoon-only active clergyman to sign the Declaration of Independence, Sec'y of State William Jennings Bryan, Pres. Dwight D. Eisenhower, Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas, Pres. Woodrow Wilson (father was a Presbyterian minister), Pres. Ronald Reagan, Sen. Jack Kemp, Sec'y of State Condoleezza Rice; Sunday school teacher and inventor of basketball James Naismith, quarterback Peyton Manning; astronauts John Glenn, Neil Armstrong and Sally Ride; industrialist Andrew Carnegie and Sam Walton; actors Jimmy Stewart, Roy Rogers, John Wayne, Dick Van Dyke, Greer Garson, Christopher Reeve, Carol Lawrence; Presbyterian minister and friend of all children Fred Rogers, actress Patricia Heaton (Everybody Loves Raymond), singer Amy Grant, comedian Jim Carrey, and journalists Katie Couric and Robin Roberts (just to name a few!)

In the Muppet Movie, Kermit the Frog and Fozzie Bear come across an empty church but hear a loud rock band playing. Peeking inside they see Dr. Teeth's band (Floyd, Janice, and Animal) playing in the sanctuary. Fozzie remarks 'They don't look Presbyterian to me!'

In the 2007 movie "Bridge to Terabithia", the screenplay writer's mother, Katherine Paterson, is the wife of a Presbyterian minister.

Did you know...

The Presbyterian Church USA consists of 2.1 million members and 10,700 congregations. Pennsylvania is the largest state with total members – 215, 379. Maine has the fewest – 576.

Most Presbyterians (59%) grew up in another denomination, including 16 % who grew up Methodist and 10% Baptist.

Members (74%), Elders (80%), and Pastors (86%) are married.

One in three active ministers are women (32%) up from 7% over the last 25 years. Among Elders, 52% are women; and women make up 64% of congregations.

Information compiled from Presbyterians Today magazine

[www.pcusa.org/today](http://www.pcusa.org/today)

Letter from Dr. Leslie Morgan—inserted into the hard copy version. Not printed here.



## A Final Word on the *Have a Heart for Missions Auction*

Dear Friends at Steffin Hill,

Greetings in Christ. What wonderful news I have heard from Gail Bingham of International Health Ministries! Gail tells me that Steffin Hill Presbyterian Church in Beaver Falls, PA has donated \$1,700.00 to the fistula program at Mulanje Mission Hospital in Mulanje, Malawi. Thank you very much for this generous expression of love for women with fistulas. I remember very well my brief visit with you as a part of Mission Challenge 2007. It was great to be there.

I have recently moved to South Korea where I am teaching at a nursing school at Hannam University in Daejeon, South Korea. Hannam was started by Presbyterian missionaries in 1956, and has grown to a big university with 18,000 students. I've just finished my first semester of teaching. In between semesters I will be returning to Malawi for a brief medical mission. I am especially interested in teaching nurses how to prevent cancer of the cervix. While I am at Mulanje Mission Hospital I will also see how the fistula program is going.

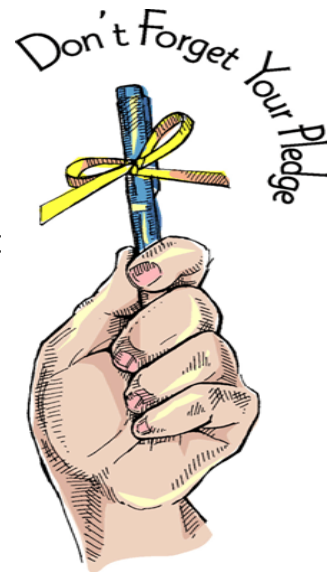
Sincerely in Christ,

Sue Makin

## STEWARDSHIP

This years' Stewardship Committee Chairs are Charlie & Shirley Cox. The committee members are Jerry & Shirley Clear, Walt & Dawn Forney, Ann & Alan McIntyre, Rocco Minnitte, Katherine & Melvin Neely, Martha Jane Pietsch, Becky Pilarski, Carole Psik and Barbara Broderick, Finance & Investment Committee Chair. Anyone else who might be interested in helping the committee, please contact Shirley or Charlie.

Stewardship Sunday, the day we dedicate our tithes & commitments to God, will be November 7th. When you receive your Pledge Card in the mail, please prayerfully consider taking the next "step up", or at least pledge what you can. Thank you! Then return your cards by mail, or bring them in on Stewardship Sunday to be dedicated. We will enjoy a light luncheon together after the worship service.



The Membership Committee has formed a health subcommittee called the Health Awareness Committee. If this is of interest to you, contact Nancy Flannigan or Susan Merz. They will be submitting information for the newsletter & announcing happenings in the community to promote a healthier lifestyle and to support our health. The two adjacent articles, as well as the "Calling 911" article on page 13, are just the beginning.

### Strong Women—Healthy Hearts

is a one of several programs in the Beaver area this fall. It is conducted by Penn State College of Agricultural Sciences Cooperative Extension at Brady's Run Park. It's a fun, hands-on way to make positive changes to help us all eat better, move more, and improve our general health and well-being. The 12 week program for women will be from 5:30—6:30 p.m., Tuesday & Thursday at the Park from Sep. 7—Dec. 7. It's part of a study with Penn State Univ. and Tufts Univ. in Boston, and requires those interested to be screened to determine their eligibility for the study and the program. There is a \$75.00 fee, which will be returned upon completion of a pre- and post-assessment. For more information, call 724-774-3003.

### Dining with Diabetes

Learn how to prepare meals that are healthy, simple, and taste good and find out the latest information on nutrition, meal planning, and exercise. Recipes will be demonstrated and participants will have the opportunity to taste each one. This is a program for adults and their families and will be conducted at Park Presbyterian Church starting on Sep. 8th, for consecutive Wednesdays from 1:00—3:30. The investment is \$35.00/person or \$50.00/family. Pre-registration is required. Call 724/774-3003.



## What's New with Christian Education?

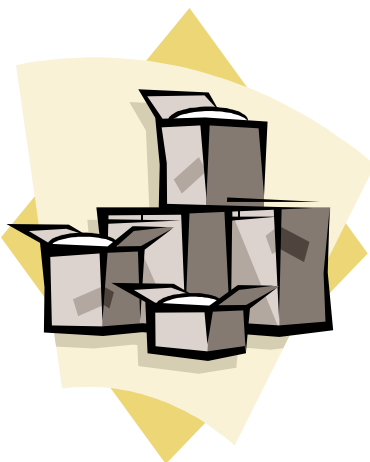
Nancy Hunter, Chair

### *Fall Afresh on Me*

Spirit of the Living God, **fall afresh on me**. Melt me, mold me, fill me, use me. We are very familiar with these words from the hymn we sing quite often. **Fall Afresh on Me** is the theme for Christian Education's 2010-2011 season. God makes us and molds us to be the individual creations we are. Let's celebrate our uniqueness and learn more about ourselves as God's creations by attending the classes CE is offering this year. Although still in the planning stages, CE is striving to offer something for everyone – from the very young to the very not-so-young.

**Rally Day is Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup>**. Regular classes begin the following Sunday, the 19<sup>th</sup>. Classes will be scheduled for six-week periods. In the month where there is a 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, we will continue with our very successful Guest Speaker series. We will have more information about the speakers later. We hope to see you at **9 am on Sept 12<sup>th</sup>** for coffee and pastries and you can determine for yourself which of the classes being offered is for you.

### *Youth Movement Comes to Beaver Butler Presbytery*



The Presbytery's new Youth Coordinator, Diana Mermon, in conjunction with Habitat for Humanity, will be hosting a "BOX CITY". This event will be held in Irvine Park, Beaver, Friday evening, September 17<sup>th</sup> - Saturday morning, September 18<sup>th</sup>. Youth & congregations from churches throughout the Presbytery will sleep in boxes to draw awareness to the plight of the homeless. Each team or church will design their home for the evening (boxes will be available and fun activities will be planned throughout the night Friday, Sep 17<sup>th</sup>).

The morning of September 18<sup>th</sup>, the youth will/can participate in the Habit for Humanity 5K. The registration fee for each team member is \$15. Team members will be looking for sponsors. Please consider sponsoring youth from Steffin Hill, this event teaches that community service can be fun and fulfilling!



## A Mission Opportunity in Beaver Falls “*Young Lives*”

Young Lives is a program that reaches out to teen mothers by offering them hope for a bright future. Young Lives accomplish their goal by mentoring teen mothers and building relationship with them by sharing the mercy, compassion, and grace of Jesus Christ. These relationships are built by meeting and mentoring the girls in the midst of their circumstances.

Currently, Young Lives runs programs in two school districts: Big Beaver Falls Area and Ambridge. For this newsletter, we are sharing what Young Lives is doing in partnership with Beaver Falls High School. Young Lives sponsors a Lunch Club at Beaver Falls High School during school hours and an Evening Club once a month. Lunch Club allows mentors to see girls in their environment - at school. Discussion topics tend to be parenting-related, but, budgeting and other necessary information to help these young mothers is also presented.

Evening Club meets one night a month at a volunteer's home. Girls share dinner with their mentors and other volunteers from Young Lives. Childcare is provided. It is here, while they commune around the table, that the message of Jesus Christ is shared with these young friends.

Mentoring is the backbone of Young Lives work. Each girl is partnered with a Christian woman who can help her throughout her life: pregnancy, parenting, tutoring, counseling, and post-HS plans. Mentors do not necessarily provide all of these services, but, with the help of Young Lives director, Leslie Leicher, girls are connected with agencies trained to address their individual needs.

They are always looking for more mentors to commit to one girl for one year.

Like all non-profit organizations, there is always a financial need. **BUT** Young Lives also needs someone to provide a meal each month for our Evening Club (10-12 girls + Mentors). This could be a onetime thing or an ongoing commitment. It is the decision of the cook!

Throughout the year we do have other needs that arise. Young Lives would welcome a counselor to speak to the girls about family issues, someone to teach a parenting class, or an exercise class for our girls on a semi-regular basis.

Young Lives ***believes that God calls us to "the place where your deep gladness and the world's deep hunger meet."*** They welcome ideas and gratefully accept aid to continue and improve our work.



## “Young Lives” Tea

Saturday October 2, 2010

1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church, Beaver PA

11:00 AM—1:00 PM

RSVP: Leslie 724.650.5440

Cost: *Love Offering*



## Coats for Kids!

Steffin Hill will once again be collaborating with Beaver County Head Start to help provide winter coats for children in the Big Beaver Falls Area and Blackhawk School Districts.

Coats can be gently worn or new; the sizes most needed are Girls 5-6-7 and Boys 5-6-7

*Collection begins immediately, & will continue through October 17, 2010*

## Community Service Day at Tiger Pause Furniture Bank

Saturday, September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2010 9AM -12PM

we will be doing light cleaning and organizing the store. This is a service project for the whole family!

Bring work gloves and a willing heart!

**Sign Sheet up on the Chancel Steps!**



## *Working together to Save Lives!*

*The Churches in Patterson Township, Steffin Hill Presbyterian, Christian Assembly of God, Riverview United Methodist, and 1<sup>st</sup> Reformed Presbyterian will be working with the American Red Cross to have a quarterly Blood Drive in Patterson Township.*

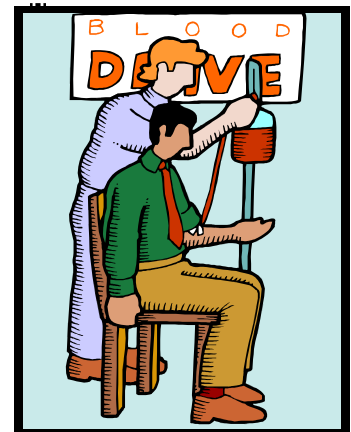
*The first drive Blood Drive will be*

*October 22, 2010 at*

*Riverview United Methodist Church,*

*12PM – 6PM*

*Please sign up to be a donor or volunteer!*





## Opportunities for Mission and Outreach

**Community Breakfast: Oct. 30, 2010 8:30AM**

**Tiger Pause:** Aluminum Recycling ongoing project, rinse your aluminum cans, smash them, bring to church on Sunday Morning, and place them in the container located by the shed in the parking lot. The proceeds used to provide program supplies at Tiger Pause.

If you do not want to bring the cans to church, call Tiger Pause (724-843-2384) and arrange pick up of cans.



### **Greeting Card for Saint Jude's Ranch for Children**



Saint Jude's collects card fronts. There are boxes in the Narthex drop off card fronts...remember—*fronts only please*, with no writing on them. If you are interested in purchasing recycled greeting cards go to Saint Jude's online store at [http://www.stjudesranch.org/online\\_store](http://www.stjudesranch.org/online_store). By Phone: 1-877-977-SJRC (7572) or Send request to St. Jude's Ranch for Children, ATTN: Donor Office, P.O. Box 60100, Boulder City, NV 89006-0100

***Pentecost offering*** According PCUSA's guide lines 25 % of the Pentecost offering is to be used by Steffin Hill for at risk children. The Mission Committee discussed several ideas and decided to share the monies from our offering with the "Young Lives Program" in Beaver Falls. Young Lives is a program for Teen Mothers (read about it on the previous page).

***All Presbyterians are called to be missionaries' right where they live***, proclaim the gospel, attend to people's spiritual needs, and work to improve their human condition. These are attempts to witness to our faith and to make happen what God intends.  
**Mission Statement taken from PCUSAs' Web Site:**  
<http://www.pcusa.org/navigation/mission.htm>

## How to Call 911 Effectively

Calling 911 is very stressful and it's easy to feel overwhelmed. 911 call-takers are trained to guide callers through the experience, but knowing what to expect can help make the 911 call go smoothly and get emergency help where and when it's needed.

Know the difference between calling 911 from a landline phone and calling 911 from a cell phone. Know when to call 911.

1. **Stay calm.** It's important to take a deep breath and not get excited. Any situation that requires 911 is, by definition, an emergency. The dispatcher or call-taker knows that and will try to move things along quickly, but under control.
2. **Know the location of the emergency and the number you are calling from.** This may be asked and answered a couple of times but don't get frustrated. Even though many 911 centers have enhanced capabilities—meaning they are able to see your location on the computer screen—they are still required to confirm the information. If for some reason you are disconnected, at least emergency crews will know where to go and how to call you back.
  - As the call progresses, you will hear clicking. **Do not hang up!**
3. **Wait for the call-taker to ask questions, then answer clearly and calmly.** If you are in danger of assault, the dispatcher or call-taker will still need you to answer quietly, mostly "yes" or "no" questions.
4. **If you reach a recording, listen to what it says.** If the recording says your call cannot be completed, hang up and try again. If the recording says all call-takers are busy, wait! When the next call-taker or dispatcher is available to take the call, it will transfer you.
5. **Let the call-taker guide the conversation.** He or she is typing the information into a computer and may seem to be taking forever. There's a good chance, however, that emergency services are already being sent while you are still on the line.
6. **Follow all directions.** In some cases, the call-taker will give you directions. Listen carefully, follow each step exactly, and ask for clarification if you don't understand.
7. **Keep your eyes open.** You may be asked to describe victims, suspects, vehicles, or other parts of the scene.
8. **Do not hang up the call** until directed to do so by the call-taker.

### Tips:

1. No matter what happens—*Stay Calm!*
2. Cell phones may not tell the call-taker where you are. Know the differences when calling 911 on a cell phone.
3. Never program 911 into your automatic dialer (phone memory). You're not going to forget the number and accidental 911 calls are more likely with auto-dialers. If someone calls 911 and doesn't speak, emergency services must still be dispatched.

### What you need:

- A phone.
- A deep breath.
- Know where you are.

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*Sunday school for all ages begins  
at 9:00 a.m., and please join us for  
worship at 10:15 a.m.*

