

**Report of  
Ministry Director for Parish Life  
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Four funerals and a baptism, that rather sums up my May. I had the honor of presiding at the baptism of Austin Graybill, whose parents, Lindsay & Ryan, I had married in 2014. I then had three funerals in one week: Stanley Thompson (son of members George & Jean); Nancy Meiser (long-time member); and Timothy Wolf (non-member, his mother attends Saturday worship). And I ended the month with a service at our columbarium for Bill Wire (nephew to Jean & Hans Romberger).

I attended my triennial Boundries Training workshop. As a rostered person, we are required to have Boundries Training every three years. These events are run by the synod, and held at various locations. While I grumble about attending, I will say that the workshop has changed in a very positive manner since the last time I attended. I found the scenarios that we discussed much more helpful.

We are continuing our monthly worship at both Bethany Village and Messiah Village. We are receiving very good feedback from those attending.

The Tuesday morning Men's Bible Study at Brother's Restaurant, Mechanicsburg, drew to an end for the 2018-2019 season. We looked at kings in scripture. Both Pastor Horner and I enjoyed preparing for these bi-weekly sessions. We have the fall tentative schedule in our heads already (looking at judges in scripture). And I filled in for Pastor Horner at the Thursday Bible Study while he was at the Lead Pastor's conference in California.

I was able to grab a few days of vacation this month as well. I hope to intersperse a few more vacation days throughout the summer months, as I generally come to the end of the year with far too many unused days.

God's peace,

Pastor John Brock