## What's Happening at Baker Church

WEEK OF JULY 29<sup>ND</sup>, 2024

Monday: No events scheduled

Tuesday: Pickleball, 6pm

Wednesday: No events scheduled

<u>Thursday</u>: Strawberry Festival wrap-up meeting, 6:30pm in Chapel

Office Hours: Mon, Wed & Thu. - 8am - 2pm;

Tuesday, 8am - 1pm

**Pastor John is off from July 28**th – **August 3**rd. While Pastor John is on retreat, for urgent pastoral needs, please call Pastor Alice Priset from Marilla UMC at 716-381-7413.

**Living with Grief: the continued journey**: A new support group will be offered at Baker for those who have lived through the season of grief. This group is not for the newly bereaved, this is different from Grief-share. People who are in search of others having similar difficulty navigating this period in their lives have reached out to me. The proposed group would meet the 4th Monday of each month from 11:30am to 12:30pm, beginning 9/23/24. If you have any interest in this group, please call Sue Toft at 716-572-1142.

<u>Operation Christmas Child</u>: CHILDREN'SFLIP FLOPS + SUMMER CLEARANCE = SHOEBOX TREASURES...**PRICELESS!** Please call Connie Tsujimoto with any questions at 716-714-5486. A simple gift means so much to a child in need. We appreciate your support.

**Fish of East Aurora**: Food collection item for July is **PEANUT BUTTER**. Please leave donations on shelf in the SAME entrance. The food item for August will be **CANNED FRUIT**.

<u>City Mission</u>: Last chance for donations of flip flops to the Buffalo City Mission, through the end of July. Thank you for all your donations so far, we appreciate all your help.

<u>VBS</u>: A special Thank you to our Family Life Director, Judy Baumgartner, who set-up and carried out a successful vacation bible school camp this past week. Thank you to Rita Babcock for creating the opening day gift for the campers. A memorable time was had by our enthusiastic campers and volunteers, snack helpers, guides and leaders. We look forward to next year's even bigger and better camp experience! Thank you to all who participated as campers and staff members!

**Updating contact information:** It is very important that all Baker members and constituents who actively support and/or participate in Baker Church ministries provide their contact information to the Church office. Within the next 45 days, a survey will be sent to help guide the direction of Baker Ministries in the coming years. Further details regarding the survey will be included in the August Newsletter. Please send your current contact info to admin@bakerchurch.org, or call the church office. If you know someone who is new to and active in the ministries of Baker Church, please share this info with them and ask them to share their contact info with the church office (716-652-0500). Thank you all for your service to, support of, and prayers for the ministries of Baker Church.

**Baker Clean-Up**: Help is needed every first & third Monday, cleaning up and weeding around the Parsonage and the Church building. Come when you can, stay as long as you can, your help will be greatly appreciated. Contact the Church Office with questions. Next clean-up will be Monday, August 5<sup>th</sup>.

**The Chosen:** Final watch date is August 5<sup>th</sup> for episode 8 of The Chosen along with discussion following. Begins at 7pm in the Chapel.

<u>Prayer Requests</u>: Long Term Illness – Steve Mungall, Mia, Eileen Kisicki, Judy, Bob, Nancy, Jennifer Coe, Julie, Clay, Linda, Mary, Connor, Cathy, Peggy.

**Health & Healing** – Margaret Kuhl, Michael, Donna M, Beth Milks, Mathew, Chris, Maddie, Margaret, Stephen & Cherie, Tom, Rylie Eiss, Donna E., Owen & Rich, Bella, Ron, Sarah Gray, Peter Hadley, Carol and Don, Angela, David, Liza, Makayla, Tom S, Linda Z, Sally W, Peggy H.