



IRON WORKS CHURCH

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CALENDAR

May

29 Memorial Day Cookout at CBC | 1-4pm

June

- 3 Finding Forgiveness Seminar**
- 5 Bible & book studies meet this week**
- 15 DIY Market Registration Deadline**
- 18 YoungLives fundraiser concludes**
- 19 Bible & book studies meet this week**
- 24 Parents' Night Out**
- 26 Leadership Sync**

Sign up for weekly email updates on all events:
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MEMORIAL DAY COOKOUT

Tomorrow afternoon, from **1-4pm**, Calvary Bible Church will host a Memorial Day cookout as a time of fellowship among RISE churches. Bring something to grill for your family and a side dish, drink, and/or dessert to share. A link to a signup sheet is in the weekly email and on the events section of the Iron Works website.

FINDING FORGIVENESS SEMINAR

Pastor Stan Gale will be conducting a Finding Forgiveness Seminar next Saturday, **June 3**, from **8:30-11:30am**. Forgiveness is the most basic of Christian graces, yet the topic raises many questions. Dr. Gale will be discussing many of these in his seminar. A \$20 donation to the PAAK Building Fund is requested but all are welcome. Register for the seminar at ironworkschurch.org/findingforgiveness.

IRON WORKS DIY MARKET/YARD SALE

The Iron Works Church PAAK Team is sponsoring a DIY Market/Yard Sale for makers and declutterers alike to set up a table with their wares and sell to the community. There will also be breakfast and lunch food for sale, as well as a kids craft table. The market will be held **July 15 from 8am-1pm**, and the deadline to reserve a table is **June 15**. Registration and more information is at ironworkschurch.org/DIY or contact Julia Sovocool: jlsovocool83@gmail.com.

PAAK BUILDING FUNDRAISER: PARENTS' NIGHT OUT

Drop your kids off for pizza and a movie in IronSpace **Saturday, June 24** from 5 pm-7:00 pm while you enjoy time alone. Cost: \$25 for first child; \$15 for subsequent children; capped at \$40 per family. The PAAK team needs help watching children that night; if you can help, contact **Teresa Wagner**: tdwagner34@gmail.com.

SHELVING NEEDED TO HELP WOMEN'S SHELTER

Shelving of all kinds and pallets are needed to organize items we are collecting to assist in setting up apartments for women transitioning from "The House" women's shelter to living on their own. Contact Roberta Weinberg: rwrweinberg8@gmail.com | 610-310-7885.

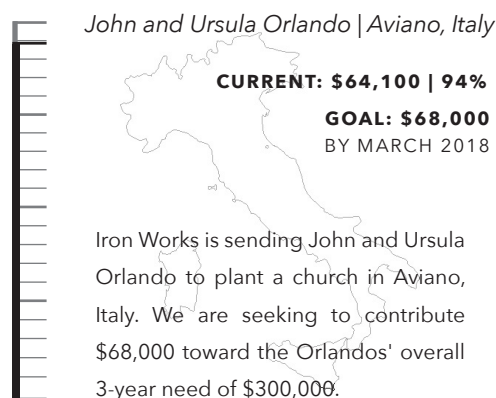
LEADERS NEEDED: PUMPKINFEST IS OCTOBER 21

Pumpkinfest's core planning team is still in need of a few more leaders, including key people to master social media, coordinate welcome and specialty tables, and copilot community outreach. Could you help serve Phoenixville in any of these ways? Contact Laura Williams: laurawilliams139@gmail.com

We're so glad you could join us today! Some details to help you find your way:

- Restrooms are located in the far end of the bistro area.
- **Children are always welcome in the service**, but there is also nursery provided for children 0-3 and children's classes for kids aged 4 through 2nd grade. Children's class will be dismissed in the back of the meeting hall during the Passing of the Peace, as directed by the worship leader, and will return in time for communion and closing. The first Sunday of every month is Doodle Sunday, and the older children will remain in the service with special activities designed to aid their participation.
- Come early to enjoy refreshments before the service or stay after to get to know your neighbor!

MISSIONS UPDATE



BUILDING FUND UPDATE



THE GATHERING

SONG OF PRAISE

Immortal, Invisible, God Only Wise

GREETING

Leader: The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!
People: **And also with you!**

CALL TO WORSHIP | Acts 2:29-32

Brothers, I may say to you with confidence about the patriarch David that he both died and was buried, and his tomb is with us to this day. Being therefore a prophet, and knowing that God had sworn with an oath to him that he would set one of his descendants on his throne, he foresaw and spoke about the resurrection of the Christ, that he was not abandoned to Hades, nor did his flesh see corruption. This Jesus God raised up, and of that we all are witnesses.

SONGS OF PRAISE

Christ Is Risen | Jesus, I Come

PRAYERS OF ADORATION

We invite you to individually (and loudly) speak out to God your praise, thanksgiving or Scripture passage.

CONFESSION

For as the Father has life in himself, so he has granted the Son also to have life in himself. And he has given him authority to execute judgment, because he is the Son of Man. Do not marvel at this, for an hour is coming when all who are in the tombs will hear his voice and come out, those who have done good to the resurrection of life, and those who have done evil to the resurrection of judgment.

—John 5:26-29

Questions for Reflection

- 1) *Do I respond to the gospel message in a serious way, focusing on repentance and the pursuit of good works, or do I only have a superficial regard for my relationship with God?*
- 2) *Do I understand that Jesus is both Savior and Lord, seeking not only to believe but also to obey the moral and ethical dimensions of God's law?*

CORPORATE PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ALL: Lord Jesus, help us to focus our lives on the future hope of the resurrection from the dead. Lord, as we die in you so also we will be raised with you on the last day. Help us to share with our neighbors and friends the importance and reality of that final Day of Judgment when you will call all people to account for what they have done. Lord, you are the true vine, and apart from you we can do nothing good; help us to repent daily and walk in newness of life so that we can make our calling and election sure. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Jesus said to her, "Your brother will rise again." Martha said to him, "I know that he will rise again in the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said to her, "I am the resurrection and the life. Whoever believes in me, though he die, yet shall he live, and everyone who lives and believes in me shall never die. Do you believe this?"—John 11:23-26

RESPONSE SONG | Psalm 62

THE PEACE

Leader: May the peace of the Lord Jesus Christ be with you all!
People: **And also with you!**



WORDS OF WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY

Gifts to Iron Works Church may be received in the box at the back or online.

PASTORAL PRAYER

THE WORD

SCRIPTURE READING | *Genesis 38:1-30*

SERMON | Rev. Dr. Stan Gale

Joseph Interrupted

THE SACRED SUPPER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

Leader: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts!

People: We lift them up to the Lord!

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

SANCTUS

PRAYER OF APPROACH | *Heidelberg Catechism No. 1*

Leader: What is your only comfort in life and in death?

People: That I am not my own, but belong body and soul, in life and in death, to my faithful Savior Jesus Christ. He has fully paid for all my sins with His precious blood, and has set me free from the tyranny of the devil. He also watches over me in such a way that not a hair can fall from my head without the will of my heavenly Father; in fact, all things must work together for my salvation. Because I belong to Him, Christ, by

His Holy Spirit, assures me of eternal life, and makes me whole-heartedly willing and ready, from now on to live for Him.

BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Leader: Therefore, let us proclaim the mystery of the faith:

People: Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again!

INVITATION TO THE LORD’S TABLE

DISTRIBUTION OF THE CUP

COMMUNION SONG | *Sing to Jesus*

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

All: Eternal Giver of love and power, your Son Jesus Christ has sent us into all the world to preach the gospel of his kingdom: Confirm us in this mission, and help us to live the good news we proclaim; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE SENDING

SENDING SONG | *Lord, I Need You*

BENEDICTION

Leader: May the Lord bless you and keep you, and wield you for His glory.

People: Thanks be to God!

SENDING

Leader: Go forth to love and serve our City.

People: Alleluia. Amen.

If you have a need for prayer today, please come to the back of the room immediately after the service. People are standing by there to pray for you.

Prayer of Commitment for Those Not Yet Baptized

Lord Jesus, you have called us to follow you in baptism and in a life of committed discipleship in your church. I resolve before You to take the necessary steps to be one with your people, and live in the fullness of your Spirit. Amen.

Prayer for Those Refusing to Reconcile with One Another

Lord Jesus, I do not want to forgive and be forgiven. My situation of offence seems to me an insurmountable obstacle. Grant that I may discern the body of Christ in my sisters and brothers. Melt my icy heart with the cross, because I cannot forgive without knowing anew how much I have been forgiven. Help my unbelief that I may find my reputation, respect, security and welfare in you. May mercy triumph over judgment in my life. Amen.

GENESIS 38:1-30 (ESV)

1 It happened at that time that Judah went down from his brothers and turned aside to a certain Adullamite, whose name was Hirah. **2** There Judah saw the daughter of a certain Canaanite whose name was Shua. He took her and went in to her, **3** and she conceived and bore a son, and he called his name Er. **4** She conceived again and bore a son, and she called his name Onan. **5** Yet again she bore a son, and she called his name Shelah. Judah was in Chezib when she bore him.

6 And Judah took a wife for Er his firstborn, and her name was Tamar. **7** But Er, Judah's firstborn, was wicked in the sight of the Lord, and the Lord put him to death. **8** Then Judah said to Onan, "Go in to your brother's wife and perform the duty of a brother-in-law to her, and raise up offspring for your brother." **9** But Onan knew that the offspring would not be his. So whenever he went in to his brother's wife he would waste the semen on the ground, so as not to give offspring to his brother. **10** And what he did was wicked in the sight of the Lord, and he put him to death also. **11** Then Judah said to Tamar his daughter-in-law, "Remain a widow in your father's house, till Shelah my son grows up"—for he feared that he would die, like his brothers. So Tamar went and remained in her father's house.

12 In the course of time the wife of Judah, Shua's daughter, died. When Judah was comforted, he went up to Timnah to his sheepshearers, he and his friend Hirah the Adullamite. **13** And when Tamar was told, "Your father-in-law is going up to Timnah to shear his sheep," **14** she took off her widow's garments and covered herself with a veil, wrapping herself up, and sat at the entrance to Enaim, which is on the road to Timnah. For she saw that Shelah was grown up, and she had not been given to him in marriage. **15** When Judah saw her, he thought she was a prostitute, for she had covered her face. **16** He turned to her at the roadside and said, "Come, let me come in to you," for he did not know that she was his daughter-in-law. She said, "What will you give me, that you may come in to me?" **17** He answered, "I will send you a young goat from the flock." And she said, "If you give me a

pledge, until you send it—" **18** He said, "What pledge shall I give you?" She replied, "Your signet and your cord and your staff that is in your hand." So he gave them to her and went in to her, and she conceived by him. **19** Then she arose and went away, and taking off her veil she put on the garments of her widowhood.

20 When Judah sent the young goat by his friend the Adullamite to take back the pledge from the woman's hand, he did not find her. **21** And he asked the men of the place, "Where is the cult prostitute who was at Enaim at the roadside?" And they said, "No cult prostitute has been here." **22** So he returned to Judah and said, "I have not found her. Also, the men of the place said, 'No cult prostitute has been here.'" **23** And Judah replied, "Let her keep the things as her own, or we shall be laughed at. You see, I sent this young goat, and you did not find her."

24 About three months later Judah was told, "Tamar your daughter-in-law has been immoral. Moreover, she is pregnant by immorality." And Judah said, "Bring her out, and let her be burned." **25** As she was being brought out, she sent word to her father-in-law, "By the man to whom these belong, I am pregnant." And she said, "Please identify whose these are, the signet and the cord and the staff." **26** Then Judah identified them and said, "She is more righteous than I, since I did not give her to my son Shelah." And he did not know her again.

27 When the time of her labor came, there were twins in her womb. **28** And when she was in labor, one put out a hand, and the midwife took and tied a scarlet thread on his hand, saying, "This one came out first." **29** But as he drew back his hand, behold, his brother came out. And she said, "What a breach you have made for yourself!" Therefore his name was called Perez. **30** Afterward his brother came out with the scarlet thread on his hand, and his name was called Zerah.

Reader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

