



September 1 and Beyond @ PCL
Blessing of the Backpacks!
Communion Sunday
Retreat Sept. 7-8

Sunday may be a holiday weekend, but we expect many will come, including friends and neighbors, for the Blessing of the Backpacks this Sunday! Anyone heading back to school, of any age-- students, teachers, and other school workers-- may come and be blessed! We will also celebrate the Sacrament of Communion. Scriptures will be James 1:17-27 and Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, and 21-23.

Please remember, this weekend is your last chance to sign up for the All-Church Retreat! We don't want you to miss out- Sept. 7-8 at Camp Johnsonburg. Details are below.

With blessing and care,
Leah
-Rev. Dr. Leah Fowler, Pastor

Art in this email is a painting of the Brazilian educator Paulo Friere, who wrote the book *Pedagogy of the Oppressed*.



Coming Up at PCL

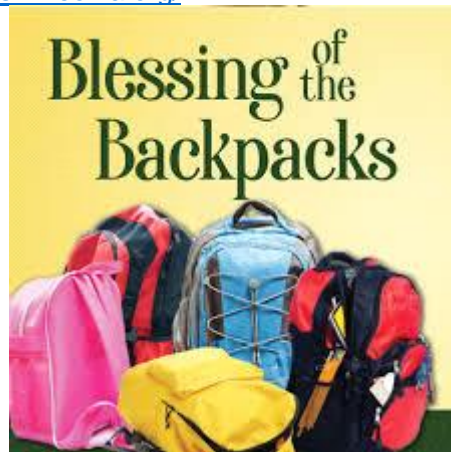
CHURCH RETREAT at Camp Johnsonburg, September 7-8. Enjoy the great outdoors and get to know one another better, and draw closer to God. It's for all ages, with special activities for kids and discussions for adults. Sign up here: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeOweOWbXRUzzGm8G7qim6VZQOwXQnKLpDqfcQ2i2AyhoZt0w/viewform>

BOLLYX with Susheela is Thursday nights from 7-8 pm. Cost is \$15 per class, which Susheela will split with the church. Reserve your spot before class by emailing susheela@bollyx.com

SUNDAY SCHOOL RETURNS! Join us Sept. 15 as we return to the sanctuary, host and Activity Period for children grades 4 and younger following the Children's Sermon, and welcome back our Sunday School classes! Children's and Youth classes return, 9:30 a.m. Sundays, for Preschool aged through teenage kids. Adult Bible Study will take place in the Tower Room at 9:30 a.m. too.

FALL ENGLISH CONVERSATION

Class schedule has been posted! Please direct those who need it to our website: <http://www.learnenglishinleonia.org/>



In Our Prayers...

Today we pray for all students who are heading back to school, and teachers, janitors, lunch

workers, principals, coaches, and all others who build our school communities.

We pray with joy that the Welcome Corps Application for the Cameroonian friends we hope to welcome has progressed to the review stage!

We pray with thanksgiving for some of our church teens who helped give childcare to Oelhaf House children so their parents could have time to do their own work.

On this Labor Day weekend we pray for dignified and adequate-paying jobs for all who are looking for them. For employers who create fair working conditions. For the chance to find spiritual meaning in the work we do, and when our work is over, the chance to rest.

We pray for a joyful Camp Johnsonburg Retreat next weekend!

We pray for a ceasefire in the Middle East.

O Lord, hear our prayers!