

**HATFIELD MEETINGHOUSE**  
Church of the Brethren  
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**FEBRUARY 2023 NEWSLETTER**  
**NO GREATER LOVE THAN THIS . . .**

**FOR GOD**

SO LO**V**ED THE WORLD

TH**A**T HE GAVE

HIS ON**L**Y

B**E** GOTTEN

so**N**

TH**A**T WHOSOEVER

BEL**I**VEVETH IN HIM

SHOULD **N**OT PERISH

BUT HAVE **E**VERLASTING LIFE.

Please join us Sunday Mornings  
9:00am. Fellowship Time during *“Wired Word”* Bible Study  
10:00am. Morning Worship

## OUR CHURCH IN ACTION

### FOOD CUPBOARD NEWS . . .



Beginning February 2023, the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) or the past food stamp program, will be reducing the benefits. The intent of SNAP is to “allow people in eligible low-income households obtain more nutritious diets, increasing their food purchasing power at grocery stores and supermarkets”. Since we have been able to secure additional sources for foods, we feel comfortable in allowing families to “shop” twice a month rather than the traditional once a month. We are still limited to the amount of fresh produce we can obtain (w/o using our finances), but we have several new meat sources and canned and boxed foods. We are working hard on finding some new financial resources which would allow for more fresh produce – so stay tuned.

We are hearing that several food cupboard families are experiencing difficult times. Some families have recently lost loved ones; others have family wage earners in the hospital; one family is experiencing spousal abuse. Please keep our food cupboard families in prayer.

We want to thank John DiSimone for all his work related to the food cupboard program. We receive 4-5 deliveries to the church every week which requires John to unload the truck, get it up stairs and into the proper refrigerator/freezer. There are at least 5-6 pick-ups every week – requiring travel to the pick-up site (with personal vehicle), returning and the performing the unloading process. There are 2 once a month pick-ups the furthest away is Norristown (don’t forget the unload process at the church). John also stocks the refrigerators/freezers for our openings, setting up the produce tables, and often stocking the shelves. John also assists in the ordering of foods and supplies – there are four different menus we order off weekly depending on our needs. If you see John, please thank him for all he does for the food cupboard and the church!

Thank you,  
Pastor Clay

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## OUR CHURCH IN ACTION

### February 2023 Newsletter

#### **NEW:**

- I would like to take the time to welcome back Ms. Julie. She is the Assistant Director/ Lead Teacher in the Pre-K classroom.
- I would also like to welcome Ms. Samara and Ms. Rebecca as new staff to Friendship House.
- Starting in Mid-April, parents will be able to come inside the building for drop-off only. In the month of May, parents will be able to come inside for drop-off and pick-up.

#### **Reminders:**

- Please dress your child appropriately for the weather. We still take the children outside for short periods of time.
- We will have CAL Sports on Monday February 13<sup>th</sup>, please make sure your child wears sneakers.
- We will have a Valentine's celebration on Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup>. If you are bringing in Valentine's, please bring them in by Monday Feb. 13<sup>th</sup>. Attached is a list of the children in the entire daycare. Please bring enough for your child's class or enough for everyone. Valentines are not mandatory, just a nice gesture. We will be doing



special activities and have a special treat for snack on Tuesday February 14<sup>th</sup>, which is Valentine's Day.

#### **Pre-K Parents:**

**Kindergarten Registration for the 2023-2024 School Year will be February-April. For more information please visit: [www.npenn.org/registration](http://www.npenn.org/registration) for details.**

#### **Themes:**

**Infants, 1's and 2's: Jan. 30-Feb 3: Groundhog Day  
Feb. 6-Feb. 10: Hearts  
Feb. 13-Feb. 17: Valentine's Week  
Feb. 20-Feb. 24: President's Day  
Feb. 27-Mar. 3: Fairy Tales**

**3's and 4's: The Clothes Study**

#### **Kindergarten Enrichment: (children going into kindergarten in the fall)**

- Shape for the month: Heart
- Color for the month: Red
- Jan. 30-Feb. 3: Letter-f, Sight Word- and, Number- 3.
- Feb. 6-Feb 10: Letter-n, Sight Word- a, Number- 4.
- Feb. 13-Feb. 17: Letter-m, Sight Word- I, Number- 5.
- Feb. 20-Feb. 24: Letter-c, Sight Word- you, Number- 6.
- Feb. 27-Mar. 3: Letter-a, Sight Word- it, Number- 7.

**North Penn is Closed on Friday Feb. 17<sup>th</sup> and Monday Feb. 20<sup>th</sup>.**

**North Penn Has a Reg. Early Dismissal on Thursday Feb. 9<sup>th</sup>.**

**Friendship House is closed Monday, February 20 for STAFF IN-SERVICE.**

## FOCUS ON FOLKS!



### FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

03 – Rodney Allebach

04 – Paul Jones

13 – Connie Holbert

### FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

21 – Andrew & Kelly Hanks

#### THOUGHT:

Life is an echo.  
What you send out;  
comes back.



What you sow; you reap.  
What you give; you get.  
Remember, life is an echo.  
It always gets back to you.  
So give goodness.

**Being a CHRISTIAN isn't a position,  
It's a process.**

Laymen Playmen, Inc. proudly presents "Bye Bye Birdie", February 10-12 & 17-19, 2023. Call 215-368-9484 for tickets. See bulletin board for additional information.

[www.laymenplaymen.org](http://www.laymenplaymen.org)

#### About the Show:

**BYE BYE BIRDIE** is a satire done with the fondest affection, and a reminder of a gentler time past. It gives an insight into the everyday life that is very much part of us all. Amidst today's hustle and social media influence, Birdie reminds us of a time when family was the absolute core, a kiss was a kiss, and a steady was a steady. It is the tops in imagination and frivolity; a show that will be enjoyed by the cast as much as the audience!

#### COMING IN MARCH . . .

Hello to the **Ladies of the ANE District!** SAVE the DATE for the Women's Spring Fellowship to be held on **Saturday, March 18, 2023**. ANE District Women's Fellowship provides opportunities for women in our District to fellowship and grow in their faith. Additional information will be forthcoming regarding location, time, cost, leadership and registration.

–The ANE District Women's Cabinet.



The season of LENT begins February 22<sup>nd</sup> with Ash Wednesday. The **Community Lenten Services will begin Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup>**. As soon as the locations are available, they will be published. You are invited to attend. We WILL be hosting this year. All services start at 7pm, every Wednesday starting March 1<sup>st</sup>.

**FAITHFUL COMMUNITY**  
**What's Happening**  
**FEBRUARY 2023**



**Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**  
**Fellowship Time**  
**Wired Word Bible Study**  
9:00am.  
**Morning Worship**  
Pastor Lynne Allebach  
10:00am.

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**Tuesday, February 7<sup>th</sup>**  
**Food Cupboard**  
Noon – 1:30pm.  
**Brownies**  
6:00pm – 7:30pm.

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**Sunday, February 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**Fellowship Time**  
**Wired Word Bible Study**  
9:00am.  
**Guest Speaker**  
**Morning Worship**  
Pastor Don McDonough  
10:00am.

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**Monday, February 13<sup>th</sup>**  
**Worshipful Work**  
7:00pm.

**Tuesday, February 14<sup>th</sup>**  
**Brownies**  
6:00pm – 7:30pm.

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**Saturday, February 18<sup>th</sup>**  
**Food Cupboard**  
10:00am – 11:00am.

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**Sunday, February 19<sup>th</sup>**  
**Fellowship Time**  
**Wired Word Bible Study**  
9:00am.  
**Morning Worship**  
Pastor Lynne Allebach  
10:00am.

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**Tuesday, February 21<sup>st</sup>**  
**Food Cupboard**  
Noon – 1:30pm.  
**Brownies**  
6:00pm – 7:30pm.

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**Wednesday, February 22<sup>nd</sup>**  
**Ash Wednesday**  
The beginning of Lent

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**Sunday, February 26<sup>th</sup>**  
**Fellowship Time**  
**Wired Word Bible Study**  
9:00am.  
**Guest Speaker**  
**Morning Worship**  
Marlene Natali  
10:00am.

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**Monday, February 27<sup>th</sup>**  
**Food Cupboard**  
6:30 – 7:30pm.

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**Tuesday, February 28<sup>th</sup>**  
**Brownies**  
6:00pm - 7:30pm.

**STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION**  
**JANUARY 2023**

**\*Sunday Ministry Team**

Don & Annette Hanks

**\*Greeters**

Don Hanks, Rob Hanks,  
Dan Sibley

**\*Worship Leaders**

05 – C Holbert

12 – Annette Hanks

19 – Robin McMahon

26 – C Holbert

**\*Accompanist**

05 – Annamarie Dieterle

12 – David Himmer

19 – Annamarie Dieterle

26 – Annamarie Dieterle

**\*Message**

05 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

12-Don McDonough Guest

19 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

26 – Marlene Natali Guest

**\*Steward Counter**

Connie Holbert – Treasurer

**STATS for JANUARY 2023**  
**God Loves a Cheerful Giver**  
Offering Needed: \$6,515  
Offering Received: \$6,091