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FEBRUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER

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is patient, love is kind.

It does not envy, it does not boast,

it is not proud.

It does not dishonor others,

it is not self-seeking,

it is not easily angered.

It keeps no record of wrongs.

Love does not delight in evil,

but rejoices with the truth.

It always protects,

always trusts, always hopes,

always preserves.

LOVE NEVER FAILS

1 Corinthians 13:4-8

The greatest love of all – For God so loved the world, He gave His only son, to die on Calvary's tree, from sin to set us free. Some day He's coming back, what a glory that will be. Wonderful is His love for me.

Join us Sundays: *Wired Word Bible Study* – 9:00am., *Morning Worship* – 10:00am.

OUR CHURCH IN ACTION

FOOD CUPBOARD NEWS . . .



I don't need to remind you about the weather in January – but I will! We anticipated a full house on our first Tuesday (1/2) opening since we were closed the last Monday in December. However, while it was busy, 31 families served, it was not overwhelming.

Our next opening, the 3rd Tuesday in January (1/16), was a snow day for many school districts, but we were open, and our 4 volunteers easily served around 19 families.

Our opening on the 3rd Saturday of January (1/20) was a very cold day that followed a snow day, yet we served 27 families with the most volunteers of the month. We also had a local father and son man a separate table of new clothing that they donated.

Our 4th opening, the 4th Monday of January (1/22), was another and another snow day. But our volunteers showed up and as did 23 families.

January was an unusual month for our Food Cupboard. We were open 3 times in just one week! While this does not have a great effect on the families we serve, it does present a challenge for ordering food, setting up deliveries, stocking shelves, and our volunteer's time. While this was abnormal, April's calendar has similar scheduling – so beware!

Pastor Clay

THOUGHT: Life is like an echo. What you give out comes back to you. So, give goodness.

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

FEBRUARY 2024

Greeters

Don Hanks, Rob Hanks, Dan Sibley

Accompanist

04 – Annamarie Dieterle

11 - David Himmer

18 – Annamarie Dieterle

25 – Annamarie Dieterle

Message

04 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

11 – Pastor Clay Moyer

18 – Pastor Lynne Allebach

25 – Guest – Don McDonough

Worship Leaders

04 – C Holbert

11 – Robin McMahan

18 – Annette Hanks

25 – C Holbert

Steward Counter

Connie Holbert

Community Lenten Services

The season of Lent begins Wednesday, February 14th with Ash Wednesday.

The Community Lenten Services begin **Wednesday, 21st at our Church.**

Worship begins at 7:30pm. A time of fellowship follows Worship.

All are welcome to attend.

The series, titled ***“Let All of Me Kneel Before God’s Holy Name”*** and focus on our worship of the triune God,

Date	Host church	Host contact	Preaching	Sermon focus	Suggested readings
February 21	Hatfield Church of the Brethren	Rev. Clay Moyer 215-855-3064	Rev. Nancy Raabe (Grace)	“Ears”	Old : 1 Samuel 3:1-11 Psalm: Psalm 40:1-6 Epistle: Romans 10:5-17 Gospel: Matthew 13:10-16
February 28	Grace Lutheran, ELCA	Rev. Nancy Raabe 614-214-2639	Rev. Adam Roberts (Emmanuel EC)	“Mouth”	Old Testament: Isaiah 6:1-8 Psalm: Psalm 51:15-17 Epistle: Acts 2:1-12 Gospel: John 4:1-15, 28-29
March 6	St. Maria Goretti Parish	Cheryl Ryan 215-721-0199	Pr. Lynne Allebach (Brethren)	“Hands”	Old Testament: Isaiah 1:12-17 Psalm: Psalm 90:16-17 Epistle: 1 Thessalonians 4:9-12 Gospel: Matthew 12:9-14
March 13	Emmanuel Evangelical Church	Rev. Adam Roberts 610-390-2351	Rev. Robert Tufton (Holy Spirit)	“Knees”	Old Testament: Psalm 103:1-3 Psalm: Psalm 134 Epistle: Acts 21:1-6 Gospel: Mark 1:40-4
March 20	Heidelberg UCC	Rev. Marianne Unger 610-715-7984	Father Chung (Maria Goretti)	“Feet”	Old Testament: Isaiah 52:7-12 Psalm: Psalm 40:1-3 or Psalm 121 Epistle: 2 Corinthians 5:6-10 Gospel: Mark 1:16-2

ADDITIONAL EASTER CELEBRATIONS



- **Maundy Thursday Love Feast**, March 28th at Indian Creek Church of the Brethren. Pastor Clay will be leading. Time to be determined.
- **Easter Morning Carry-In Breakfast**, March 31st, 9am. No ***Wired Word*** Bible Study this morning.



Reminders, Notes, Tips

- North Penn Kindergarten Registration starts February 1st. Please go to www.npenn.org/registration for more information.
- Valentine's Day is Feb. 14th. We will be doing special activities and having a special snack. If you would like to bring in Valentines Day cards for your child's classmates, I have attached a class list. This is not required.
- We follow North Penn School District for weather related delays and closures. A message will be sent on the Procare Parent Engagement App.
- Please make sure to turn your car off during drop off and pick up. This is a state regulation for safety. Thank you.
- Please make sure your child has weather appropriate clothing to go outside. We follow the Child Care Weather Watch Guidelines.
- Flu shots are state mandated
- If your child comes to school in winter/rain boots, they will need an extra pair of shoes to wear inside.
- We will be closed Monday, Feb 19th for Presidents Day.

Important Dates

Friendship House

Feb 19th- Closed- Presidents Day

North Penn

Feb 8th- Early Dismissal

Feb 16th- Closed

Feb 19th- Closed

New Happenings

Weekly Themes:

February 1st & 2nd: Groundhogs and other Winter Animals

February 5th-9th: Snow

February 12th- 16th: Valentines Day

February 19th- 23rd: Presidents Day

February 26th – March 1st: Winter Sports

FOCUS ON FOLKS!



FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

03 – Rodney Allebach
04 – Paul Jones
13 – Connie Holbert

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

21 – Andrew & Kelly Hanks



The season of LENT begins February 14th with Ash Wednesday. The Community Lenten Services begin Wednesday, February 21st.

Services start at 7:30pm and are held at a different church every Wednesday.

✚ We will host the Community Lenten Service on February 21st. Rev. Nancy Raabe from Grace Lutheran Church will bring the message. The Theme is **Let All of Me Kneel Before God's Holy Namee."**

✚ **Pastor Lynne** will bring the message on Wednesday, March 6th at St. Maria Goretti.

Offering needed for January: \$5,080.00



Received: \$4,710.00

Needed: \$ 370.00

GOD LOVES A CHEERFUL GIVER

The Montgomery County Community College is hosting an alumni art show, **Montco Art Alumni Exhibition**, January 23rd through February 16th. It is open to the public. Becky Morris, (John & Becky), has a piece of her art in exhibition. She carved a totem pole out of a discarded telephone pole. It is dedicated and in memory of her friend, an Indian dancer. Check the web site and enjoy.



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Up coming Events . . .



Ignite Love for a Lifetime
A weekend of discovery

Presented by: Mennonite and Brethren Marriage Encounter

March 1-3, 2024 at Heritage Hotel, Lancaster. A flyer in on the bulletin board. For more information or to apply online, visit: www.marriageencounter.org

❖ Saturday, March 16th – **Women's Spring Fellowship Luncheon** at the Lititz Church of the Brethren. The speaker is Donnal Parcell. Additional information forthcoming.

FAITHFUL COMMUNITY
What's Happening
FEBRUARY 2024



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Saturday, February 3rd
ECR Worship Team
Noon – 2:00pm.

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Sunday, February 4th
Wired Word Bible Study
9:00am.
w/Fellowship Time
Morning Worship
10:00am.
Pastor Lynne Allebach
ECR Worship
11:30am.

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Tuesday, February 6th
Food Cupboard
Noon – 1:30pm.

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Saturday, February 10th
ECR Worship Team
Noon – 2:00pm.

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Sunday, February 11th
Wired Word Bible Study
9:00am.
w/Fellowship Time
Morning Worship
10:00am.
Pastor Clay Moyer
ECR Worship
11:30am.

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Wednesday February 14th
Valentine's Day
No greater gift of **LOVE**
than God's Son.
Ash Wednesday
The Beginning of the
Lenten Season

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Saturday, February 17th
Food Cupboard
10:00am – 11:00am.
ECR Worship Team
Noon – 2:00pm.

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Sunday, February 18th
Wired Word Bible Study
9:00am.
w/Fellowship Time
1st Sunday of Lent
Morning Worship
10:00am.
Pastor Lynne Allebach

ECR Worship
11:30am.

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Tuesday, February 20th
Food Cupboard
Noon – 1:30pm.

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Wednesday, February 21st
Community Lenten Service
We are the hosts.
7:30pm.

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Sunday, February 25th
NO Bible Study
2nd Sunday of Lent
Morning Worship
10:00am.
Pastor Don McDonough
ECR Worship
11:30am.

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Monday, February 26th
Food Cupboard
6:30pm - 7:30pm.

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Wednesday February 28th
Community Lenten Service
Grace Lutheran
7:30pm.