

The Breeze

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March 1 - 1st Sunday of Lent

Worship service at 8:00 & 10:15 am Sunday School 9:00 am Holy Communion Birthday Sunday

March 8 - 2nd Sunday of Lent/Change Sunday

Worship service at 8:00 & 10:15 am Sunday School 9:00 am Make a joyful noise, bring your coins

March 15 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

Worship service at 8:00 & 10:15 am Sunday School 9:00 am

March 22 - 4th Sunday of Lent

Worship Service at 8:00 & 10:15 am Sunday School 9:00 am

March 29 - 5th Sunday of Lent

Worship service at 8:00 & 10:15 am Sunday School 9:00 am



Spring ahead - March 8 - 2:00 am.



March 19, 2020



March 2020

Grace and peace from our Savior, Jesus Christ. As we live and worship during this Lenten season, let us remember that Lent is a time for self-examination, repentance, preparation, and hope. This time of remembrance may bring to mind that professing and living life--modeled after the way of Jesus--is often a burden and a joy. One reflection I carry as we journey together in this season is that the seriousness of our faith, what we hold as central beliefs, may someday be put to a test. This will allow us to learn and others to see, how well we will withstand the challenge.

We may find that our faith is tested weekly, maybe even daily, as we see the signs of so many people suffering in our communities. A dangerous paradigm is being promoted in regions of our country and the halls of Congress. People are being pitted against each other based on race, native language, nationality, and citizenship status. At the core of the fights in Congress; at the core of the hate rhetoric that echoes from many institutions, groups, and individuals; at the core of the shootings in neighborhoods, schools, and congregations are feelings of fear, isolation, shame, and unbelief.

There is no better time than now to consider the states of our hearts. This is a season of reflection and seeking forgiveness. If we inspect our hearts and find anger, bitterness, judgment, hatred, fear, or apathy, we should accept God's call to change our minds and turn back to Him. Lent is about turning back to God. It is about making different choices that restore our connection, our closeness with God and one another.

Trust in the Lord God to strengthen us to love and forgive. Love and reconciliation will free us

from the burdens of hatred and shame and promote peace within us. Peace in our hearts allows us to see the sacrifices of Christ in the brokenness and vulnerabilities of one another. During this Lenten Season, I pray you can find comfort and take refuge in the promises of God and the forgiveness of any shortcomings that may make you shy away from God. Remember that Jesus Christ died that we would not only be reconciled with God the Father, but that we would be able to be reconciled with one another. God's love is powerful enough to heal our brokenness and our relationships. To God be the Glory!

Be reconciled in Christ Pastor Edward



<u>Prayer Concerns and Joys:</u> Lynn Ruhl, Brett Ruhl, Brett Viers, stepmom Sandy, Mike Lutz, George Stafnack, Analesa Snyder, Josie Wack, Lori Vilasi

Long-term Prayer Concerns: Kathy Anderson, Matthew Atwood, Sandi Berry, Guy Connelly, Debbie Coppola, Jean Cruttenden, Shawn Durn, Linda Fries, Charlie Gianguzi, Barbara Goldman, Jim Goldman, Gayle Kozak, Carey Laubach, Sonny Laubach, Stephanie Lilly, Wayne Lilly, Rita Metz, Barbara Moon, JoAnn Moon, Sarah Myers, Ethel Okker, Grayce Raven, Ken Raven, Jakob Raven, Ted Spradlin, Shirley Trumbauer, Jason Vliet, Paty Vliet, Jeffrey Wert, Charissa Williams, Carter Wolfgang

<u>Our Service People:</u> A1C Patrick Jones, Spec 4 Logan Koch, Major Scott Lechner, TSGT Paul Moore, PO2 Rodger Nagy, LTC Paul Olah, LT. JG Seth Watlington

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

Every day you should reach out and touch someone. People love that human touch – holding hands, a warm hug, or just a friendly pat on the back, or a smile!



NAZARETH FOOD BANK

What to bring in this month: Baby supplies, diapers, formula, wipes, powder, lotion, wash



MAGS

March 10, 2020, 10:30 a.m. will be our next meeting for MAGS, at church in the CEC room. Judy Carr will be speaking. Please join us. We are always looking for new faces. We have a lot of fun! Come out and see!

PEOPLE OF THE MONTH Boy Scout Troop #76

We would like to thank our Cub Scouts and Boy Scouts for leading our worship service on February 8th. The presentation of the flags was very heart warming and the scouts did a great job greeting, reading and collecting offering. We are so honored to represent this group of boys, parents and leaders!

It is great people like these that keep
Dryland a great family.
Nominated by Kathy I. Peters, Breeze Editor



March 3rd (Tues) 8:00 a.m., Diner 248, Easton, PA. Please join us for Good Company and a Thought for the Day!



<u>Charts are now available</u> in the narthex to sponsor 2020 Flowers and Bulletins! Please sign up early for your favorite dates!

Change in Sponsorship: Children's Bulletins have been discontinued, replaced by coloring and activity sheets in the back of the church. Please return the crayons, preferably in the box, for use on the following Sunday. Please take the activities home with you or recycle them as you do with your regular bulletins.

THOSE WHO WILL SERVE

March 1

- 10:15 A.M.

FLOWERS – Mark & Linda Atwood (2) BULLETINS – Open GREETERS – Dennis & Pat Muthard LAY READER – Heidi Singer USHERS – Consistory

March 8

- 10:15 A.M.

FLOWERS – Mae Pursel/Open
BULLETINS – Open
GREETERS – Allen Singer, Mary Wenrich
LAY READER – Greg Teitsworth
USHERS – Bill & Sandy Banko
Monna Lou & Steve Henninger

March 15

- 10:15 A.M.

FLOWERS – Doris & Ernie Keller
Harry & Joanne Reichenbach
BULLETINS – Open
GREETERS – Dale & Chris Vliet

LAY READER – Chris Vliet

USHERS – Dewayne Heller, Jerry Hittinger Dale Johnson, Randi Johnson

March 22

<u>– 10:15 A.M.</u>

FLOWERS – Linda Cruttenden/Open BULLETINS – Open GREETERS – Pam & Tyler Youngkin LAY READER – Pam Youngkin USHERS – Tracy Jones, Pat Muthard, Allen & Heidi Singer

March 29

- 10:15 A.M.

FLOWERS – Karen Lambert/Open
BULLETINS – Dave & Norma Faust
GREETERS – Mark Atwood, Charlie Berthoud
LAY READER – Linda Atwood
USHERS – Chris & Dale Vliet, Pam & Tyler Youngkin



"Soup"er Bowl Sunday tally! A note of and thanks for everyone's donations of soup for the Nazareth Area Food Bank! We collected 139 cans – 50 for the San Francisco 49er's, and 139 for the Kansas City

Chiefs! Your generosity is truly appreciated!

I would like to sincerely thank everyone for your cards and prayers, the visits from Pastor Edward, and the soup from Richard and Linda Solliday, while I was recuperating from surgery. It was much appreciated.



Robert Nagy



Our next monthly free community dinner will be held on Tuesday, March 3rd from 5-7 pm. The menu this month will be:

Meatball Sandwiches Tater Tots dessert beverages

String Beans

Hope to see everyone there!



Ides of March Dinner

Please join us for the Ides of March Dinner on Saturday, March 14! We will be serving from 4-6 pm. The cost is \$12 per person, children ages 6-12 are \$6.00, and children under 6 are free. The menu will be:

POSCA – A refreshing Roman Beverage Caesar Salad (with homemade Dressing)

Glykinai – Sweet Wine Crackers (Home made)

Lamb Stew

Parthian Chicken

Fennel - Roasted Pork Loin

Special Chef's Entrée (It's a surprise)

Mustard Beets

Ancient Roman Style Carrots

Dessert – Pear Patina (Pear Custard)

Roman Apple Cake

Coffee. Tea

For tickets, contact Rich at 484-894-9799, Karen at 610-504-1158, or the church at 610-759-4444

The next Third Thursday dinner

will be on March 19, serving from 4PM – 6PM. The price is still \$5 per person. The menu will be baked filet of fish, oven roasted



potatoes, sweet potato fries, buttered carrots, salad, dessert and beverages. Hope to see all there!



Dryland UCC will be feeding the Homeless on Monday, March 23 at Christ UCC in Bethlehem. We need 5 or 6 volunteers to help with this

between 5pm and 7:30pm. If you interested, please contact Rich Durn at 484-894-9799.



Let Us Prepare Your Dessert for Easter! 9" Pies, \$9.00 Each

Order deadline is Thursday, April 2
Apple Crumb Key Lime Pie

Cherry Crumb
Coconut Custard

Wet Bottom Shoo Fly

Pick up dates are:

Friday, April 10 from 8 AM – 2 PM Saturday, April 11 from 8 AM – 2 PM To order, contact Rich at 484-894-9799, Karen at 610-504-1158, orthe church office at 610-759-4444



Dottie Brechter – 4/27/35, 484-809-4247

Barkley Village, Apt. 144, 3340 S. 5th Avenue,

Whitehall, PA 18052

Janet Day – 1/29/35, 610-865-3598

Country Meadows, Bldg 3, Room 130,

4007 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020

Eleanor Hahn – 12/9/23, 610-748-0049,

Saucon Valley Manor, Room 24, 1050 Main St.,

Hellertown, PA 18055

Viola Heller – 7/29/29

Moravian Hall Square, Room 1003W,

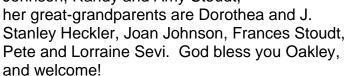
175 W. North Street, Nazareth, PA 18064

Naomi Hunt – 12/10/27, 610-759-4558, Country Meadows, Bldg. 5, Room 6B,

4005 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020

Through the Sacrament of Holy

Baptism on February 9th, we welcomed Oakley Snow Stoudt, daughter of Matthew and Kelly Stoudt. Oakley's sponsors were Tim and Stacy Hicks. Her grandparents are Rick and Sue Johnson, Randy and Amy Stoudt;





Congratulations to Tyler Youngkin, who competed in the 2020 Special Olympics polar plunge. A check was presented to Tyler on February 23 in the amount of \$400.00 as a result of donations collected at 3rd Thursday

Dinner on February 20th. Great Job, Tyler!



- 1 Randi Johnson
- 3 John Getz
- 6 Brandon Burnette, Meagan Kichline, Caleb Moore
- 10 Jacob Angione
- 12 Leon Lieberman, Zadence Betz
- 14 Natalie Bader, Colin Bader
- 16 Tammy Hensel
- 17 Brian Ball, Tracy Jones
- 20 Brogan Trapp, Nancy Weisel
- 21 Mary Beth Shorkey
- 22 Matthew Burton, Dan Cruttenden
- 24 Marion Bjorkman, Paige Knouse
- 26 Dustin Gable, Lisa Seip
- 28 Nicholas Youngkin
- 29 Sean Lambert, Tucker Wenrich
- 30 Luke Creyer, Bev Weidner



Anniversaries

12 Mr. & Mrs. Jack Schmauch 54 years

20 Mr. & Mrs. David Faust

39 years

21 Mr. & Mrs. Puneet Kaushik

11 years

24 Mr. & Mrs. Roy Seiple

41 years

KEEP US UP TO DATE!

Do you have a new address, phone number or E-mail address? How about the family? Did you get married or are there new children in the house? Are we current on all family member information? The staff here at



Dryland are concerned that we have up-to-date information on all our members. A simple note, phone call or e-mail to the church would be greatly appreciated. The church address is:

Dryland U.C.C.

4415 Newburg Road

Nazareth, Pa. 18064

Phone Number: 610-759-4444

E-mail Address: drylandoffice@rcn.com

Thank you!

tithes and offerings

CONVENIENT CONSISTENT GIVING

This is for all of you Dryland members out there who are into the world of electronic media, cell phones, I-pads, etc. Do we have good news for you!!

You can enjoy the convenience of up-to-date technology and be able to financially support Dryland at the same time. How you ask, can this be Well, it's called on-line giving. possible? available and as simple as logging onto the church web site (drylanducc.org). On the home page there is an "on-line giving" button. Clicking on the button will take you to the sign on page. Once there you have choices of funds to which you can contribute. This can be as directed or on a recurring basis (i.e. weekly, bi-weekly, monthly or day of the month). You choose a bank account or a debit or credit card from which you wish the funds are to be taken. A current e-mail address in the church records is necessary to participate.

This program is convenient for both you and Dryland. You can select contributions that are convenient to you and Dryland can more effectively plan for regular contributions to cover recurring expenses (salaries, utilities, heating & building maintenance). There are a number of members who currently participate in the program and are very pleased with the results.

If you would like more information, you can contact Jerry Hittinger, Dewayne Heller, Monna Lou Henninger or any member of the finance committee.



We are happy to announce that Vacation Bible School will be held from June 22-26 from 5:45-8 pm. It promises to be a fun week and we hope to see all the children there! Each night will start with a small dinner before the festivities. We will also need help for the week. If you are interested in helping, please contact me at the email address below. Let's work to make this the best VBS ever!!

Stacee Banko Sbanko1979@gmail.com



Dryland UCC Adult Bible Study

With the end of February approaching, Dryland's adult bible study has reached a halfway point in our study of the life and teachings of Paul. In Acts we first met him (Paul) as Saul, the zealot, determined to crush an emerging movement that would change the lives of both Jews and Gentiles. Through divine intervention, we saw Saul the zealot become Paul, a disciple of Jesus Christ. We learned that Paul would author 13 of the 27 books in the New Testament. In his writings, Paul expresses concerns over various issues, but the concern of false teachings is a recurring theme we saw in a number of his letters and was the focus of the first half of our study. A second concern Paul expresses (and the focus of our final half) is with the Law of Moses. Christ makes it clear he didn't come to change or destroy the law (Matthew 5:17). Christ's presence is a real changer, and Paul tells us how. Our meetings are lay back so feel free to join us as your schedule allows, Sunday mornings, 9 to 10.

CONSISTORY - 2020

Charlie Berthoud

Officers

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Missions – Greg Teitsworth (E)
Music & Worship – Linda Atwood (D)
Stewardship – Susan Bostian (D)

EVANGELISM REPORT

As the new chair of Dryland's evangelism committee, I'll be taking over for Nancy Catino, who did a great job. My first task is to find out who's doing what. So, to that end, I've met with Reverend Livingston, evangelism committee, and consistory

members. But even at this early stage the task is clear; we need to fashion a plan(s) that will allow Dryland to share our Christian values with our community at large while supporting those who have given so much to this church. Truly a bold notion, but one that has never been more important in the history of Dryland. A task as this will require many hands and voices. I hope to have more to say about this in the weeks ahead.

Charlie Berthoud, Chair

INDOOR PROPERTY REPORT

Meeting Minutes- items completed this month

- Continue in the process of cleaning up the key list and having keys returned to the church for reuse.
- Sanctuary Sconce (Wall) lights- Light bulbs were removed and replaced with 60W, dimmable LED lights bulbs. Bugs were removed from inside the sconce and then sconce was cleaned.
- Sanctuary gray flagstone was cleaned and waxed.

Stephen R Henninger, Chair

MUSIC & WORSHIP REPORT

On February 9 we celebrated Boy Scout Sunday. What a wonderful experience! There was a wonderful representation from Troop 76 and the scouts participated in all levels of the service.



We have purchased new candle lighters. The lighters we had been using were in very poor condition and we never knew when the next one would fall apart. Additionally, injuries have occurred because of the difficulty removing wax build-up from them to make them

useable. The new lighters are fueled by oil, as are our altar candles, pew candles for Advent, and the candles on the Advent Wreath.

As most of us remember, the Clavinova had an issue in April of 2018 making it unusable. We were without a piano in the sanctuary for over two months. It was difficult to find someone to make the repair and the parts

were almost impossible to get as Yamaha was no

longer making replacement parts. It is time for us to begin research on replacing the instrument as well as making sure we have the funds to make the purchase. We do not want an unnecessary emergency. Once we have found the right instrument for our church, we will begin raising funds to make the purchase. If any member or friend of the congregation would like to participate in the search, please contact a member of the Music and Worship committee.

It is also time to order your Easter flowers!

Please see the order form at the back of this letter.

Linda Atwood, Chair

TREASURER'S REPORT

The cash receipt and expenditure activity for the period January 1 thru January 31, 2020 is attached. The category Current-Mission-Property encompasses the options on the weekly giving envelope. These costs cover the basic needs to keep your church operational (i.e salaries, utililties, insurance, property maintenance). The Capital category is refering to the capital section of the giving envelope. The monies here are applied to the loan obtained for the santuary renovation in 2009. Giant Card program is another way to support the church through Giant Markets giving back 5% of total sales made by obtaing a Giant Gift Card

The Note area is a guide to keep us on target for meeting our commitments.

For the first three weeks of February we have met 83% of our total required weekly receipts. The giving has been sporadic. Required weekly receipts for week one was 70%, week two 146%, and week three 34%. It is understood how busy each one of us are in our daily living. That is not the issue. But to meet our operating costs, we need a consistant level of income. Your church, Dryland UCC, is not a monument in Lower Nazareth Township. Dryland is here to preach and share in fellowship the Word of God. We do this by reaching out in the community demostrating the love and peace of our Lord. To continue in that path we need everyone's comittment. The newsletter is filled with many articles on how you can do that, both spiritually and financially. Take a moment to read the articles and prayerfully consider the opportunities on how you can make a difference.

Here is the Offertory Prayer spoken during our worship service on February 23, 2020.

God of Awe and Glory, receive these gifts as symbols of our trust in You. Bless the givers and those who desired to give. Multiply these offerings and the blessings they represent. Guide the disbursement of them according to your will. These things we ask in Jesus' name. Amen.

With the covenant made between God and each one of us, we can and will support the programs offered by our Dryland family. — A Place To Belong -

Dewayne Heller, Treasurer Craig Johnson, Asst. Treasurer

<u>Finance Committee:</u> Dewayne Heller, Craig Johnson, Jerry Hittinger, Monna Lou Henninger, Steve Henninger, Karen Lambert, TJ Bostian, Pastor Edward

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Flowers for Easter

Once again, you may sponsor flower plants to beautify the chancel for Easter. The cost is \$8.00 per plant. You may pick up your plants following the 10:15 a.m. worship service on Easter Sunday.

THE DEADLINE TO TURN IN ORDERS IS SUNDAY, MARCH 22ND

NAME
PHONE
Lily How Many? Mums How Many? Tulip How Many?
Sorry, no color choices for the mums or tulips.
TOTAL NUMBER OF PLANTS TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$
Please make checks payable to "DRYLAND UCC"
IN HONOR OF
IN MEMORY OF
Keep how many plants?
Donate how many plants? Yes. I will deliver the plants to a shut-in.

CASH and PRIZE BINGO



DRYLAND UCC CHURCH (CEC Center)

4415 Newburg Road, Nazareth, PA

DATE: SUNDAY April 26, 2020

Games start at 12:30 PM

Doors open at 11:30 (food will be available!)

Tickets: \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door To purchase tickets please contact:

Church Office (9am-11am) 610 759-4444 Monna Lou Henninger 610 704-2510 Susan Bostian 610 417-2448



50/50, Refreshments, and MORE! PICK YOUR OWN PRIZE WHEN YOU WIN!



Category	January	January	January	YTD	YTD	YTD
	Receipts	Expenses	Balance	Receipts	Expense	Balance
Current-Mission-Property	\$19,238.41	\$28,200.08	-\$8,961.67	\$19,238.41	\$28,200.08	-\$8,961.67
Capital (Mortgage)	\$1,306.75	\$1,226.00	\$80.75	\$1,306.75	\$1,226.00	\$80.75
Total Category Balance	\$20,545.16	\$29,426.08	-\$8,880.92	\$20,545.16	\$29,426.08	-\$8,880.92
Giant Card Program	\$2,050.00	\$1,947.50	\$102.50	\$2,050.00	\$1,947.50	\$102.50

NOTE:

2020 Budget (exclude Capital)	\$233,972.00
Monthly Receipts Required	\$19,497.67
Weekly Receipts Required	\$4,874.42
2020 Budget (Capital)	\$14,712.00
Monthly Receipts Required	\$1,226.00
Weekly Receipts Required	\$306.50