

# The Messenger

**June 2011**

**SATURDAY, JUNE 4**

**YARD SALE**

There will be plenty to purchase at our yard sale on June 4. It begins at 8 am on the front lawn. Not only do we have clothes to toys and yard decorations to tools, we also have breakfast and lunch!! So stop by and enjoy some yummy food as you inspect all those items for just the right treasure that you've been looking for. Remember to bring a couple of shopping buddies, too.

**SUNDAY, JUNE 5**

**COMMUNION AND COFFEE HOUR**

We will celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Communion** on Sunday, June 5, during our regular Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am. During our coffee hour afterward we will have a cake to honor our graduates and hope you will join us and bring a goodie for everyone to share.

**GRADUATE SUNDAY**

Our graduates will be recognized during our worship service on June 5. This is a great milestone in the lives of our graduates and we want to show them we appreciate their accomplishment. Whether from high school, trade school, college or graduate school, it is an event to be cherished as they are challenged to move on to the next phase of their lives. If you have information regarding our graduates, such as their school, special recognitions and awards, and future plans, please contact Denise at the church office at 868-5675.

**MEN IN HARMONY**

This concert will be a special event for everyone in our communities so be sure to *invite everyone you know*. This Men's Christian choral group will begin at 4 pm. There will be a variety of Christian songs and hymns sung by these wonderful male voices. *Please see Cindy Heller if you can provide some sandwiches, a side dish or desert for a light supper after the performance.*

**SATURDAY, JUNE 18**

**300 CLUB AND SILENT AUCTION**

We will hold our second annual 300 Club on Saturday, June 18, beginning at 12 noon. There will be two bands, food and fun for everyone. Those who purchase a ticket are also entered in the hourly drawings. You can even bid in the Silent Auction. See inside for more information.

**THURSDAY, JUNE 16**

**VBS PLANNING MEETING**

Our next Vacation Bible School planning meeting will be Thursday, June 16, at 7 pm. We will continue to discuss decorating ideas and finalize our mission project.

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## From The Pastor's Desk

Here I sit on my birthday writing a letter for *The Messenger*. I'm preparing our worship on Sunday to honor Memorial Day so I'm just remembering times and things gone by. So on birthdays – especially big ones – we may tend reminisce about our childhood. So here I go.

I don't remember the day but my birth certificate says I was born at 1am on Sunday morning. I was told that my daddy thought he could go ahead and preach that morning but got in the pulpit and was unable to deliver his sermon. One of the lay women of the church got up and delivered the sermon for him.

My mom and dad were wonderful people – really serving others in dad's role as pastor. I would help him print his bulletins on the old mimeograph machine. Back in the day I thought that was fun! Then I would get ten cents for folding bulletins. Mom made a good pastor's wife – singing in the choir, teaching Sunday school and doing all the things that pastor's wives used to be expected to do around the church. She also did substitute teaching. Mom and Dad were always around for my brother and me and my mom was the best cook ever! Daddy died when I was 22 and Mom died in 1993.

My childhood was great. I have one older brother, John, and we got along as any brother and sister do – great with a few spats. We even still love each other today but he lives far away in Louisiana (and he's a Baptist now and sings in his church choir) so we don't get to visit too often. I even got my birthday card on time this year! (His being a Baptist doesn't have anything to do with not visiting.)

I started taking piano lessons when I was six and took until I was in tenth grade then I went to organ lessons. I never became too accomplished since we moved around and I changed teachers each time we moved. I started playing in church when I was in high school. I got \$5 each time I played.

When I go back to Holland, VA to visit I always get together with my high school buddies. It's almost like a family reunion. There were only 43 in my graduating class but we were all pretty close. Now many – should I say most - of them are retired and some have died but very few have moved very far away from home. My high school now has a facebook page but I haven't gotten there yet.

Enough down memory lane for today. I have had a blessed life. GOD IS GOOD!

I did want to thank all of you for being generous with aid for the victims of all the disasters that have been happening around the country. The buckets are full. Our kids are making hygiene kits and your cash donations are going to relieve these victims of floods and tornadoes. And many thanks to those who gave time, effort, and love to our brothers in VISION.

GOD IS GOOD – ALL THE TIME!

AND MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS US IN OUR SERVICE.

**PASTOR PENNY**



### Thank You

Connie and Tim Miller sent a card thanking all of us for our “love, concern, support and prayers so lovingly given during Tim's horrible ordeal.” We pray for Tim's returning strength during his recovery and pray for God's healing power to be with both of them.

Joan Hughes has been on our prayer list as she has battled cancer for many months. As she says in her card to us, “Your kindness and caring have given me new hope.” Our prayers continue to ask that God's healing touch will be with her.

Thank you letters were sent by Bethany Children's Home, Lancaster Theological Seminary and Phoebe-Devitt Homes for our continued support of their missions.

Thanks to everyone who turned out to clean up Alberdeen Road on Mother's Day. There were eleven people which really helped us get done quickly. Of course, we didn't go for pizza like usual – not when Mom was waiting!

I would like to express how proud and thankful I am to be a part of this congregation. I threw out a challenge for us to fill six clean-up buckets to send to the people in our southern states who were so cruelly hit by the storms. Not only did we fill six, but donations came in so that seven buckets are packed with all the necessary items to scrub, wash, scour, and clean. You are **tremendous** and I thank God for your unselfish spirits and giving hearts. Denise

## Special Invitation

Meredith Martin would like to invite all her church family to an "open house" graduation party on June 4 beginning at 4 pm. Please come and celebrate this landmark in her life.

Jesse Kensinger, daughter of Tina and Darryl Kensinger, will be joined in marriage to Mike McDonough on Sunday, July 2011. The ceremony will take place at 6:00 pm at Zion UCC, Fishing Creek with a reception at the church following. They have invited us to share in the celebration.

## CONGREGATIONAL CORNER

### ADDITION TO OUR CHURCH FAMILY

Congratulations are in order for Sharon and Dave Horensky. They became grandparents on May 23 when David Mark Horensky, III, entered our world at 7½ and 19¾" long. David is the son of David and Tessa Horensky. Grandma Sharon tells us that the newest David has black curly hair, just like Daddy.

### TWILIGHTERS

The Twilighters will meet on Wednesday, June 8, at 12 noon for a covered dish lunch. Bring your favorite dish and spend some time with us. Call Lois Eigenbrod or Mary Eroh for more information about our group.

### SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Usually, we change the time for our Sunday Worship Service for the summer months. This year, though, we will continue to worship at the regular time of 10:30 am. Any questions or comments, please see Denise, Pastor or a Consistory member.

### 2011 VBS Program

### SHAKE IT UP CAFÉ!!

Where Kids Carry Out God's Recipe



### Registration Forms are on the Narthex Table

We've had two planning meetings so far and are concentrating on finding an appropriate mission. The decorating ideas were really being "served up" at the last meeting on May 26 and we are searching for the "ingredients" to create a great café. This year's theme is "If anyone is in God, there is a new creation." We also decided to research a way to help kids in the "storm zones" in our southern states for our mission project. Our next meeting will be June 16 at 7 pm. Come on out and help us create some new faith in our kids.

Denise Dean

## Men in Harmony



Come out for a great concert by Central Pennsylvania's Premier Men's Christian Chorus. On Sunday, June 5, we will host **Men in Harmony**. The concert will begin at 4 pm with musical selections for everyone's enjoyment. Featuring inspirational hymns, traditional faith songs and contemporary Christian music, the sound of their male voices is inspiring. Be sure to put this date on your calendar and *tell all your friends, family and neighbors to join us!!!*

## 300 CLUB and SILENT AUCTION

Only 300 tickets are sold for this "exclusive" Club!!

Hurry up and get your ticket

for our 2<sup>nd</sup> annual 300 Club fundraiser!

Where else can you get food, entertainment and prizes for two people for \$35!! That's a bargain! And if you're not into the prizes, you can eat and enjoy the music for only \$15 a person. There will be two bands. The Mud Pond Boys will play from 12 noon until 2:00 pm. Then the Cramer Brothers will entertain us from 3:30 until 6:30 pm. On top of that, every hour there will be a drawing for **CASH** prizes with the grand prize of \$1,000 drawn at 6:00pm. Plus, all during the event, you will be able to bid on items for our Silent Auction which will also be called at 6:00 pm. Allen Dennis (868-5120) is organizing this extravaganza and can let you know where you can help out. It's going to be a great day with lots of excitement – so don't miss out!

## YARD SALE!

*Have we got stuff for sale!!* The yard sale will begin at 8 am so we will need plenty of strong backs and muscular arms to carry everything outside and set up all the tables with clothes, toys, games, dishes, books, movies and knick-knacks. Don't forget the furniture, yard ornaments, tools, luggage and backpacks, too. Ron Rinehimer will be arriving to set up tables and get things outside around 5:30 am (yes, AM as in morning) and asked for anyone willing to help to be at the church by 6:30 am (or, as I am sure he is hoping, earlier). Also, if you can help with breakfast or lunch, please see Janice Broyan. This is a great way for us to raise funds since so many of you donated the items. Please donate some time, too, so that you don't miss out on the fellowship and fun.

## YOUTH GROUP

### 3<sup>RD</sup> WORLD COUNTRY

We are still making plans for Our Mission Sleepover this year. We usually do the 30-Hour Famine, but the Youth thought to live like people in Third World Countries would be more realistic. We'll still be doing things like asking for donations and shopping for the Food Pantry.

### CARDS FOR A CAUSE



If you ordered Weis gift cards, I have them for you. Remember that the gift card plan will provide \$50 to the Youth Group for every \$1,000 cards sold so please keep signing up. There are sheets on the table in the narthex and next to the Fellowship Hall doorway. We are also looking into gift cards from other grocery stores and may be able to offer them sometime soon.



**Youth for Hire** – The Youth Group members are hiring out for spring cleaning chores. Need a hand with some house cleaning or yard work? They're available for everything from dusting to raking and only ask for a donation for their time. You can hire them by signing the sheets on the table in the Narthex or next to the Fellowship Hall doorway. This is another way they are raising money for the mission trip, so let's get them busy!!

### NEWSLETTER INFO DEADLINE

The deadline for information for the July Messenger is Monday, June 20. Please get all information to me before this date. Thanks, Denise

## COMMITTEE MEETINGS

### CONSISTORY

The **Consistory** will meet on Thursday, June 16, at 6:30 pm.

## UPCOMING DATES

July 10-14 Vacation Bible School at Emmanuel UCC  
July 24 – Emmanuel hosts Old River Church Service  
July 30- Aug 7 – Youth Group Mission Camp

## VISION Mission Week

Our outreach mission project to host the men of V.I.S.I.O.N was wonderful. The men genuinely appreciated the good food and the fellowship of those who served the meals. Thanks to everyone who gave of their time, cooking abilities and donations to provide for others. Have we “entertained angels without knowing it”? (Hebrews 13:1-3)

## PICTURE PERFECT

**Check the front entrance bulletin board for the following pictures:**

Who's that peaking out from behind the backdrop? **Hunter Rinehimer** is mentioned in the article about the 6<sup>th</sup> grade play, *Krazy Kamp*. He was part of the crew that made the staging for the play. Many people don't realize the amount of time and energy needed to create all the scenery, find the furnishing and accessories for the sets and then make sure that during the play each scene is changed and ready for each act. It takes a lot to put on a good show, right Hunter?

Sunday, May 1, saw some kites flying around in our “back yard” as Cub Scout Pack 433 held its annual Crossover/Kite Fly. Crossover is the ceremony in which scouts literally cross over a rope bridge, signifying their advancement into a new rank. Tigers, Wolves, Bears and Webelos I crossed over into the next rank of Cub Scouts and Webelos II moved up to Boy Scout Troop 434. These Scout packs and troop are chartered here at Emmanuel.

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

### JUNE 2011

#### June 5

Greeters: Diana Decker & Don Myers  
Liturgist: Jill Bernetski

#### June 12

Greeters: Barb & Dave DeLuca  
Liturgist: Jim Rinehimer

#### June 19

Greeters: Connie Davis & Connie Myers  
Liturgist: Sharon Moyer

#### June 26

Greeters: Janice & Gene Broyan  
Liturgist: Jim Stewart

#### OUR CLEANING VOLUNTEERS

Dave & Rosemary Myers  
Clifford & Gladys Readler  
Diana Decker



**JUNE BIRTHDAYS**

1 Rebecca Taney	8 Gary Eigenbrod, Jr.	25 Phyllis Myers
2 Craig Peters	12 Hilda Lewis	26 Eric Rinehimer
2 Kanaan Hoch	12 Robert Madigan, III	26 Justin Rinehimer
3 Rico Silveti	12 Archie Passmore	26 Kimberly Hoffman
4 William Heller	14 Eileen Buffone	27 Connie Myers
5 Jeff Dauber	14 Gloria Taney	29 Alda Zindle
6 Deb Dietrich	17 Daniel Kozak	29 Colleen Williams
7 Michael Daniels	20 Thomas Grosz	29 George Taney
8 Dawn Kania	22 Kassandra Dauber	29 Forrest Atkinson
	23 Doreen Oldershaw	

**JUNE ANNIVERSARIES**

June 3, 1978.....	Jim and Denise Dean
June 12, 1993.....	Tony and Lorie DiMaria
June 14, 2003.....	Eric and Kristina Walck
June 18, 1988.....	Brian and Connie Myers

**JUNE 2011**

I have made a "2011 Volunteer Schedule" sign-up sheet for those who would like to be Greeters, Liturgists and Acolytes. Please pick a date or two (or three). This way you can choose the dates when you are available, instead of having them assigned by me. Some of the dates are already filled in (Hooray!!). For the liturgists, I will provide a copy of the bulletin either by paper for you to pick up or via e-mail, so that you can review it before Sunday morning. Thanks. Denise

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