

# The Messenger

October 2012

## EAGLE SCOUT MISSION PROJECT

### **EAGLE SCOUT COAT DRIVE**

Boy Scout Kevin Wascavage, a member of Troop 60, is collecting coats for his Eagle Scout Project. This 14-year-old has earned over 60 merit badges, several other scouting awards, is a member of the Order of the Arrow, Senior Patrol Leader, and volunteers at Good Pond and Camp Acahela. To help him achieve his goal, there is a box in the Narthex for donations. Please rummage through your closets and clear out a few warm outfits and pass them on to others in need.

## SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7

### **WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY AND COFFEE HOUR**

Along with the rest of the world, we will celebrate Holy Communion during our worship service on October 7, followed by a coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall. Bring a delicious delectable to share and have a relaxing morning with us.

### **CROP WALK**

On October 7, the Wapwallopen Ministerium will again participate in the CROP Walk. This event includes all the churches in our area and we are hoping for a really great turn-out. If you never participated, it's a great way to get your exercise and do something productive at the same time. If you would like to be a walker, please see **Denise Dean for more details and a sponsor packet.**

## THURSDAY, OCTOBER 18 TO SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20

### **ANNUAL TURKEY SUPPER**

It's time for our annual Turkey Supper. Please see the article in this issue for dates and times where your help will be needed.

## MONDAY, OCTOBER 22, TO SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28

### **ST. THERESA'S HAVEN MISSION PROJECT**

We will host the men from St. Theresa's Haven from Monday, October 22, to Sunday, October 28. All they ask is a good, hot meal for supper. Anyone able to provide one or wishing to donate toward the cost of a meal, please see Pastor Penny or Allen and Pauline Dennis. If you want to know if a date is available for you to volunteer to serve, Cindy Heller is coordinating the volunteers.

## SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 3

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL FALL FEST**

The Sunday School's Fall Fest will be on November 3. Please see the article in this issue for more information.

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# From the Secretary

Hi – This is usually Pastor Penny’s spot but since she’s away celebrating the 25<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary of her son and daughter-in-law, Charlie and Lisa, I’m filling in.

What a busy season so far. Rally Day was just awesome with the kids participating in the service. They were just bouncing with enthusiasm. It was a wonderful day to enjoy the beginning of a new year of Sunday School. Speaking of which, our new curriculum LIVE (as in LIV-ing) is really exciting. Many of the praise songs are really exhilarating, especially for those of us over 30. Well, at least my cardiovascular system gets a workout once a week. The program chiefly revolves around the Bible and learning directly from it. We even purchased new Bibles (which many of you sponsored – thanks!). They are the Hands On Bible and are filled with interesting facts, intriguing hints at the beginning of each book, science experiments, crafts, snacks, Bible Hero Biographies, Fun Facts, FAQ’s and lots of cool and interesting stuff.

On October 7, we will celebrate communion globally with Christians on World Communion Sunday. This is also the day for the CROP Walk. If you haven’t gotten a donation envelope yet, just see me or Pastor Penny. For those of you who don’t walk, please sponsor someone. Many of our youth, children and adults are participating. Whatever amount is raised for CROP will also benefit the Food Bank since 25% of those donations will be returned to us. So this program strives to end hunger not only in other lands, but also in our back yard.

Time to talk turkey – dinner, that is. I don’t know if anyone ever noticed, but I have a great time serving our guests. There’s always a lot of joking and camaraderie as we scramble when Dad shouts, “Hot stuff for a new table!”. And there’s always a place for everyone to help out. Just check the article inside this issue and lend a hand.

See you in church!! Denise

## EMMANUEL UCC SHIRTS

Looking for that extra “something” for your new fall wardrobe? We’ve got just what you need! Shirts with the UCC logo and Emmanuel UCC printed on them are for sale. There’s something for everyone, no matter your age or size. Jim Rinehimer is taking orders and plans to submit the first order by next Sunday, October 7, so that we can have them in time for the Turkey Supper on October 20. See him to order:

Women’s or Men’s T-Shirts, Red or Grey	
Sm, Med, Lg, XL .....	\$8.00
2X, 3X, 4X, 5X .....	\$10.00
Men’s Polo Shirts, Red or Grey	
Sm, Med, Lg, XL .....	\$15.00
2X, 3X, 4X, 5X .....	\$17.00
Women’s Golf Shirts, Red or Grey	
Sm, Med, Lg, XL .....	\$15.00
2X, 3X, 4X, 5X .....	\$17.00

Children and Youth sizes are now available, too. Please see Jim to order.



## Thank You

TEAMeffort Staff Member Anna Charro sent a card to thank our youth and church for the Gatlinburg mission trip. Our youth brought some joy and protection to the Holder’s home by fixing their roof. Anna hopes that they will return next year.

We received letters from Lancaster Theological Seminary, Bethany Children’s Home and Phoebe Devitt Home thanking us for our monthly gift. In these hard economic times, it is important to remember the organizations which depend on contributions. Without your support, they would not be able to do their work.

## **Turkey Supper Dates**

**October 18 to 20, 2012**

**Please remember that it is not necessary to be at the supper "forever". If everyone takes a turn, we can all help each other and feel good about volunteering to support our church. Sign-up sheets are on the tables in the Narthex and next to the Fellowship Hall Door.**

Don Eroh is looking for people to sell tickets. He has plenty for everyone, so get them and sell, sell, sell. The fall Supper is usually our best dinner fundraiser and is easy to promote. Why? Because people love to eat – especially good food!! And we've been complimented again and again about how really good it is!

As always, we need people to cook the turkeys. Allen Dennis is the person to see if you can volunteer your time for this important item (what's a Turkey Supper without turkey, right?) The turkeys arrive either at your home or at the church (depending on how you arrange it with Allen).

On Thursday evening at 6:00 p.m., walls are taken down and tables are set up. Then there is the cleaning and cutting up of the vegetables for the pickled cabbage.

Early Friday morning about 8:00 a.m. we start making the pickled cabbage and stuffing. Some foods just taste so much better if you let the flavors chill and mix.

Saturday morning at 8:00 am is when we clean the meat off the turkeys, which is easier to do if the turkeys are warm. ***Please remember to bring the turkey broth to make the gravy.*** Those of you who clean your own turkeys and then deliver them really help to speed up this process. Then, of course, the actual event begins at 3:00 and goes to about 7:00 p.m. We can always use lots of hands for serving food, working in the kitchen, busing tables, and waiting on tables. By the end of the supper at 7:00 p.m., the workers, (many of whom have been there since 2:30 p.m. heating up the turkey, making gravy, making sure the vegetables and stuffing are hot so that everything is all set to serve at 3:00 p.m.) are ready for a rest. That's when it's nice to have a clean-up crew come in. The tables all have to be cleaned off, tablecloths and chairs wiped down, Sunday School rooms put back into order and the walls put back up. The large roasters and cook pots are washed and put away until the next supper. The kitchen cleaned and floors washed and vacuumed.

There's a lot to do to hold a supper, but the work's not hard when you're having fun. And we do have a lot of fun, even if we are a bit frantic while serving our guests. It's all part of the experience and we'd love for you to experience it, too.

## **TWILIGHTERS**

The Twilighters will meet on Wednesday, October 10, 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.

## **CROP WALK**

Participants from the local Wapwallopen Ministerium churches will gather at Emmanuel for the Annual CROP Walk on Sunday, October 2. Registration is at 12:30 pm. After a time of prayer, the walk begins at 1:00 pm. We will walk from Emmanuel to St. James Lutheran Church where we will enjoy a brief break and some refreshments. **Please see Cindy if you can donate any baked goods.** Then, back again to Emmanuel where more refreshments will be waiting. Walkers are looking for your support. Donating to the CROP Walk will help strengthen our local resources since 25% of the donations is returned to the food bank. Thank you. Your generosity helps feed and strengthen people around the world and neighbors in our own back yard.



Even though the Youth Group already went on their mission trip to Gatlinburg, they still would like to hire out their services. With the expenses of the trip, they will have to rebuild their funds to pay for future plans. They are willing to do yard work, yard maintenance, house work, etc. All they ask is a donation for their efforts. Please call Marc at 868-8028 to schedule them to make your home and yard neat and tidy.

## **CARDS FOR A CAUSE**



Thanks to everyone who buys Weis or Carone's cards. We appreciate all your support. See Marc or let a Youth Group member know if you want some more!

## **WANTED: ENTHUSIASTIC ADULT**

Rambunctious but dedicated group of young people seeking adult leader. Please see Pastor Penny or Denise to “apply”. Qualifications include: concrete faith in God, Jesus and the Holy Spirit; burning desire to share said faith; enjoy hanging out with Gen X, Y, Next, Whoever, Whatever, etc.; ability to listen coupled with ability to take it all with a grain of salt; good sense of humor; determination to provide good Christian role model. Benefits include: greater appreciation of your faith; knowledge that the faith you give youth will last a lifetime; increased sense of hearing; much sharper sense of humor; making a lasting impression on youth .....

**PRICELESS**

## **NEWSLETTER INFO DEADLINE**

The deadline for information for the November Messenger is Monday, October 22. Please get all information to me before this date. Thanks, Denise

## ***PICTURE PERFECT***

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

VBS went swimmingly this year as we dove deep into the Bible at Bible Seas. Many of our kids were caught in motion as we were singing one of our songs (which Dwain Straight recorded for us). We really had a great time and hope next year we will see you there!

**Morgan Rinehimer** was among the representatives of the Tall in the Saddle 4-H Horse and Pony Club at the Luzerne County 4-H Round-Up Horse Show held on August 4, 2012. She is shown with her ride, Starhams Sassy Secret. Ride ‘em, cowgirl!

Our Rally Day was jumping (literally – we had a Moon Bounce). Before bouncing, everyone enjoyed a meal in the Fellowship Hall. Caught with their (now empty) plates were: Ryan Shuman, Dianna Decker, Cheryl Heller, Nate Kamowski, Brooke Rinehimer, Keirsten Whitmire, Alyssa Shuman, Morgan Hodle, and Cadence Ring. (Hope everything digested before they started bouncing!)

## **CONSISTORY MEETING**

The next Consistory meeting will be on Thursday, September 16, at 6:30 pm.

## ***UPCOMING DATES***

Nov. 3      Fall Fest 4-6 pm  
Nov. 4      Daylight Savings Time Ends  
Nov. 21     Thanksgiving Eve Service

## **VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE OCTOBER 2012**

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### **OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS**

3 Tim Miller	6 Ryan Shuman	14 Eileen Bonczek
4 John Rinehimer	7 Margaret Kozak	15 Michelle Heller
4 Harry W. Peters	8 Alexis Kamat	15 Kyle Belanchik
4 Patricia Heller	9 John Daniels	16 Glenda Supkowski
5 Jacqueline Heller	9 Dawn Lynn Myers	16 Joshua Cronic
5 Barry Myers	9 Tammy Dauber	27 Sharryl Kastreva
5 Cheryl Hoffman	11 Betty Montigney	28 Victoria Kramer
6 Glynis Dean	13 Rosemary Myers	28 Cloe Kishel
	13 Joan Rinehimer	

### **OCTOBER ANNIVERSARIES**

Oct. 3, 1964	Dave and Rosemary Myers
Oct. 3, 1953	Frank and Joan Partington
Oct. 5, 1991	Tom and Audrey Grosz
Oct. 10, 2008	Paul and Angie Thomas
Oct. 11, 1975	Ivan and Dorothy Hoyt
Oct. 12, 2001	Steve and Sharon Moyer
Oct. 17, 1987	John and Camille Daniels

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