

The Messenger

May 2015

SUNDAY, MAY 3

COMMUNION AND COFFEE HOUR

We will celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Communion** on Sunday, May 3, during our regular Sunday Worship Service at 10:30 am. Afterward, we will have a coffee hour. Bring a goodie to share and join us.

THURSDAY, MAY 7

NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER

A special community service will be held at 7:00 pm at the Mountaintop Presbyterian Church. The service will center on prayers for our nation, its leaders and all in our communities who serve in governmental positions.

SUNDAY, MAY 10

CONFIRMATION SUNDAY

Our Confirmands have completed their studies and will be confirmed into full membership of Emmanuel on Sunday, May 10, during our Sunday Worship Service. Please come and welcome them as new members of our congregation.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 13

TWILIGHTERS

The Twilighters will meet for lunch on May 13 at 12 noon. Anyone wishing to join us is welcome. The "admittance fee" is one covered dish or dessert to share with everyone.

SATURDAY, MAY 16

TALENT IN BLOOM SHOW AND AUCTION

We are hosting a talent show and auction from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. There's still time to add your talent to the show. Just fill out an entry sheet which is on the narthex table and give it to Jennis or Brad Bunnell. You can also use the entry form to list auction items. There will be a Chinese Auction for smaller items. The big ticket items will be sold in a Called Auction between performances.

SUNDAY, MAY 24

MEMORIAL SERVICE

A joint memorial service conducted by the American Legion Posts and VFW will be held in our Cemetery to honor our veterans and loved ones. It will take place at approximately 12:00 pm after our Worship Service. Please plan to stay after Worship and pay your respects to our fallen heroes.

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From The Pastor's Desk

To: Congregation of Emmanuel United Church of Christ

This is to inform you that I will be retiring on June 30, 2015. I have enjoyed serving Emmanuel since April 1, 2008. I am well past retirement age and also feel that at this time I need to be more available to Archie.

I thank God for giving me the opportunity to be with you and I pray for God to be with you in the future.

God bless y'all!
Pastor Penny

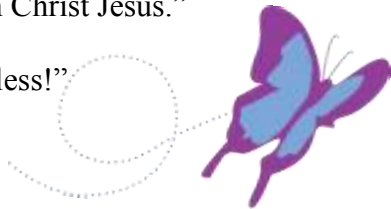
The above is the letter I presented to consistory on April 16 and read to the congregation on April 19. I imagine most of you have already heard the news. It's pretty self-explanatory. As of April 1 this year I had been serving here for seven years. They have been good years for Archie and me. We have enjoyed being with you. He has enjoyed being able to sing for you on occasion and I have enjoyed getting to know all of you. I pray that I was able to inspire you with an occasional sermon.

We will be living in Sunbury at our house on the Susquehanna. It is nice to be able to sit in our living room and look out at the water and watch the birds and the squirrels, and the ducks and the geese. And yes, this being Pennsylvania we do have a groundhog that runs across our yard on occasion.

I will be around for the next couple of months for anything you may need. I also would encourage all of you to support our new Talent in Bloom coming up on May 16th. We need talent and we need auction items – both for Chinese Auction and Called Auction. If you might have a piece of furniture that is no longer needed or a piece of artwork that you have done it would be wonderful. There is one person making pies to be auctioned off. We also ask that you encourage members of other congregations to participate. We will be praying for a good turnout for this event.

Philippians 4:4-7 "Rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let your gentleness be known to everyone. The Lord is near. Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all understanding, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

As always I say "God Bless!"
Pastor Penny



CONGREGATIONAL CORNER TWILIGHTERS

The Twilighters will meet on Wednesday, May 13, 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.

300 CLUB and SILENT AUCTION

Hurry up and get your tickets
for our annual 300 Club fundraiser!

Mark your calendars and get ready for a great day of fun, food and prizes. On Saturday, June 20, we will hold our annual 300 Club from 12 to 6 pm. For tickets or to help out, please see Allen Dennis, Jim Rinehimer or any Consistory member.

TURKEY SUPPER REPORT

DINNER INCOME		
Door Sales		
	220 @ \$10.00	2,200.00
	10 @ \$4.00	40.00
Advance Sales		
	345 @ \$10.00	3,450.00
Surplus Sold		<u>191.00</u>
TOTAL INCOME		5,881.00
DINNER EXPENSE		
Dave Myers	Bread	37.50
Jim Rinehimer	Decaf, Ppr Towels, Drink Mix, Margarine, Alum Foil	39.79
Don Eroh	Bread Cubes	198.00
Allen Dennis	Turkeys, Veggies, Broth, Cranberry, Corn, Potatoes	1,569.04
Steve Moyer	Milk	9.05
TOTAL EXPENSE		1,853.38
	TOTAL INCOME	5,881.00
	TOTAL EXPENSE	-1,853.38
	DINNER PROFIT	4,027.62

Sunday School News

Bake Sale during the Turkey Supper

Thank you for all your support and donations of baked goods for our fundraiser. They were very delicious and the money will help pay for our curriculum.

Last Day of Sunday School

We will have our last day of Sunday School on **May 17**. I appreciate all the effort and work that the teachers put into the lessons. When you bring your children, you can count on them learning more about our faith through these volunteers. Lisa Rinehimer

YOUTH GROUP

Thanks to everyone who buys Weis or Carone's cards. You are really helping to build up our account so we can go on the mission trip. See Marc or let a Youth Group member know if you want some more!

TALENT IN BLOOM SHOW AND AUCTION MAY 16

Time to strut your stuff! We are hosting a community-wide talent show for the members of our area churches on Saturday, May 16, from 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm. Flyers were sent to all churches in the Wapwallopen and Mountain Top areas inviting their members to join us in showcasing the great talent in our congregations. In addition, we are asking our members for items to be auctioned off to support each individual church (whatever a church brings to the auction, they will get the money from that item). There will be two ways to bid: a Chinese Auction for smaller items which will be open all evening and Called Bid Auctions for the big-ticket items. The Called Auctions will be held between performances. We will also have refreshments available to purchase. If you are able to help out, please see Jennis or Brad Bunnell.

Annual Golf Tournament August 29, 2015

Get ready to tee off again on August 29 for our annual Golf Tournament! So save the date and practice those drives!! More information and details will be available in future issues.

PICTURE PERFECT

Check the front entrance bulletin board for the following pictures:

The Pennsylvania Junior Academy of Science regional meeting was held on March 7 at Wilkes University. Of the 33 students who participated, 21 earned a First Award and will advance to the State Meeting at Penn State in May. Aaron Kleger is among the students advancing to the State Meeting, along with Ethel Fine's great-grandchildren Kayla Supkowski and Richard Supkowski. Congratulations and good luck in the next level of competition!

There were plenty of talented youth at the Rice Elementary Talent Show on March 28. Showing off their skills were Brooke Rinehimer, Brooke Aton, Kelsy Rinehimer, Paige Ceaser and Leah Dietrich. Fantastic show-offs! (see you ALL at the Talent in Bloom!)

COMMITTEE MEETING

The **Consistory** will meet on Thursday, May 14, at 6:30 pm.

NEWSLETTER INFO DEADLINE

The deadline for information for the June Messenger is Monday, May 18. Please get all information to me before this date. Thanks, Denise

UPCOMING DATES

May 17 LAST DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL
June 20 300 Club and Silent Auction
June 21-27 Youth Group Mission Trip
Aug. 29 Annual Golf Tournament

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

May 3

Greeters: Judy Cybulski and Barb DeLuca
Liturgist: Sharon Moyer

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Dwain Straight
Jim Rinehimer
Caroline and Josh Cronce

MAY BIRTHDAYS

2 Dean Kline II	14 Amanda Sevison	22 Brooke Rinehimer
5 Travis Grosz	18 Kelly Madigan	24 Gene Broyan
6 Sanjay Kamat	20 Susan Heller	24 Clayton Walck
10 Harry Peters, III	20 Mya Belanchik	25 Scarlett Sevison
11 John Jankowski	21 Donald Oldershaw	26 Pastor Penny Dollar
11 Steve Moyer	21 Caroline Cronic	29 Denise Dean

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

May 7, 1988	Ronald and Dawn Kania
May 8, 1993	Lonnie and Paula Rinehimer
May 21, 1971	Gene and Janice Broyan
May 22, 2001	Donnie and Doreen Oldershaw
May 27, 1989	Gary and Sharon Eigenbrod
May 27, 2010	Bill and Amanda Sevison
May 30, 1998	Rosanne and Sanjay Kamat

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