

The Messenger

May 2016

SUNDAY, MAY 1

COMMUNION AND COFFEE HOUR

We will celebrate the **Sacrament of Holy Communion** on Sunday, May 1, 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.

SATURDAY, MAY 7

CHURCH CLEAN UP DAY

Time to roll up your sleeves and break out the cleaning supplies. Our church and hall need a good spring cleaning and everyone who can help is really encouraged to come out at 9:00 am.

WEDNESDAY, MAY 11

TWILIGHTERS

The Twilighters will meet for lunch on May 11 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 14

TALENT IN BLOOM SHOW

We are hosting our talent show from 5:00 to 7:00 pm for all the area churches. There’s still time to add your talent or creative gift to the show. Just fill out an entry sheet which is on the narthex table and give it to Jennis or Brad Bunnell.

SATURDAY, MAY 21

YARD, CRAFT AND BAKE SALE

TO BENEFIT CYSTIC FIBROSIS FOUNDATION

It’s time to clean out those closets and get the stuff out of the attic – and better check the cellar and sheds, too. Deb Dietrich is coordinating a Yard, Craft and Bake Sale at Emmanuel on Saturday, May 21, from 9:00 am to 1:00 pm for the benefit of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. For a \$10 per table donation, you can sell all those unwanted items lurking around your home and/or sell delicious bake goods or your famous craft items. Just see Deb or call her at 570-313-1717 to reserve your table(s).

SUNDAY, MAY 29

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.

SUNDAYS IN MAY

GUEST PASTORS

While we are searching for a permanent Pastor, we have the opportunity to have Guest Pastors lead our services. Rev. Craig Stout will be with us on May 1 and 8 and Rev. Gene Gordon is scheduled for May 15, 22, and 29. Both Pastors are every effective preachers of God’s Word and we encourage you to come each Sunday to hear their message.

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CONGREGATIONAL CORNER

TWILIGHTERS

The Twilighters will meet on Wednesday, May 11, 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.

Our Condolences

Our sincere sympathy is given to Jim and Lynne Stewart on the passing of his mother, Lorita Stewart, on March 29, 2016. May it lift up your hearts to know that your church family prays for you.

TURKEY SUPPER REPORT

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| DINNER INCOME | | |
| Door Sales | | |
| | 289 @ \$10.00 | 2,890.00 |
| | 10 @ \$4.00 | 40.00 |
| Advance Sales | | |
| | 288 @ \$10.00 | 2,880.00 |
| Donations | | 61.00 |
| Surplus Sold | | <u>151.00</u> |
| TOTAL INCOME | | 6,022.00 |
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| DINNER EXPENSE | | |
| Dave Myers | Bread | 37.50 |
| Jim Rinehimer | Decaf, Ppr Towels, Drink Mix, Margarine | 66.57 |
| Don Eroh | Bread Cubes | 240.00 |
| Allen Dennis | Turkeys, Veggies, Broth, Cranberry, Potatoes, etc | 1935.46 |
| Steve Moyer | Milk | 10.32 |
| TOTAL EXPENSE | | 2,289.85 |
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| | TOTAL INCOME | 6,022.00 |
| | TOTAL EXPENSE | -2,289.85 |
| | DINNER PROFIT | 3,732.15 |

300 CLUB and SILENT AUCTION

June 18, 2016

Hurry up and get your tickets!

Only 300 tickets are sold to have a chance to win 43 prizes. That's better odds than

the PA lottery! Tickets are \$35 for 2 people to come for a day of delicious food and excellent entertainment.

There are **hourly drawings**

starting at 1:00 pm for 2 prizes at \$50 and 3 prizes at \$25. At 6:00 pm the final prizes are drawn, which everyone has a chance at since we put **all previous winners back "in the pot."** Grand prize is \$1,000, 2nd prize is \$500 and 3rd prize is \$250 plus 5 prizes each of \$100, \$50 and \$25. Add to that all the great eats and music by Mud Pond Boys and Jesse and Friends and you have a terrific afternoon filled with fun. If you want to attend but don't care about the prizes, just pay \$15 per person and still enjoy all the food and entertainment.

DONATIONS ITEMS ARE NEEDED for the Silent Auction. These need to be new items for



a Silent Auction. Many items are donated by local merchants and businesses. If you have something to donate or think of someone who might donate, please take some of the donation memos on the table in the narthex. Fill in the person/business name, the date, and the item and its value and give it to the person/business for their tax records. Also note the value of the item for us so we can put that on the bid sheets for the auction. See Sandy or Aaron Kleger for more information.

300 CLUB POSTERS and SILENT AUCTION

DONATION LETTERS are on the table in the narthex.

Please take some posters and get them around the area. Also on the table are donation letters for those who provide auction items. Just fill in the blanks and give the letter to the donors for their records. Please let me know if more posters or letters are needed – Denise

CHURCH CLEAN UP

May 7 at 9:00 am

Lots of elbow grease is needed to give our church and hall the good cleaning that they deserve. We'll get into all the little nooks and crannies to make it really sparkle and shine. Just come and pick a project. So lend a hand and your heart to spruce up our place of worship and fellowship.



TALENT IN BLOOM SHOW MAY 14

Warm up your voices, tune up your instruments, brush up on your reading resonance and bring your best routine to our Talent in Bloom Show. We'll showcase our talents on Saturday, May 14, from 5:00 to 7:00 pm. Whatever your gift, we'd like to see you perform or present it. Brad and Jennis Bunnell are coordinating the talent show which is open to all of our area churches. We've sent flyers inviting them to join us in celebrating our local skills. Whatever your forte: photographs, paintings, hand-crafted items, poetry, music, dance, martial arts, jewelry, etc., this will be an evening to display your gift. After the show, we will gather in the Fellowship Hall for some light refreshments. **There are sheets on the narthex table for you to sign up your talent.** Get practicing, get creating and get your friends and family together for a wonderful evening of community fun and fellowship.

If you are able to help out, please see Jennis or Brad.

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 15**. 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

We are again planning a Mission Trip to Virginia Beach from June 19 to 25. The cost is \$299 per person. Please see Lisa Rinehimer for a registration form and more information. We may be in need of a male chaperone so if anyone is interested, please let Lisa know.

Last year we had the opportunity to make repairs and clean up around the home of a very wonderful lady who was suffering from cancer. This year, we hope to make just as much a difference in the lives of people who need assistance in keeping their homes in good repair.

We want to thank 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!

Annual Golf Tournament August 13, 2016

Get ready to tee off again on August 13 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 Alberdeen "cleaning crew" are pictured again picking up the trash that accumulates from unthinking passersby who just throw junk out the window or, worse yet, dump their tires and other large stuff. The Alberdeen Road has been one of our service projects since 1993 – 23 years! Maybe someday people will stop trashing it and we will have to look for another project. But until then, let's give a big THANK YOU to the volunteers!

There were plenty of talented youth at the Rice Elementary Talent Show on March 19. Showing off their skills were **Kelsy Rinehimer, Paige Ceaser and Leah Dietrich**. Fantastic show-offs! (see you ALL at the Talent in Bloom!)

Our Turkey Supper on April 16 was another big success. The Hall was really hopping and the take-outs were flying out the door. Pictured at the counter as she is getting the delicious food for the tables is **Terri Belanchik**, one of the dedicated volunteers who make this fundraiser possible. Everyone who comes together for this event is to be complimented on their enthusiasm and commitment.

BINGO!! The Comet Baseball Booster Club had a bingo fundraiser with **Robert and Carol Duffy** marking off their cards. What a fun way to spend some family time and support local sports.

Teachers and staff got to dress down for the *Jeans for Genes* day at Rice Elementary. Anyone who donated to the Xtreme Hike to benefit the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation showed their support by wearing jean to work on March 22. **Paige Ceaser and Leah Dietrich** organized the fundraiser with the help of Ms. Finn and Ms. Humphries.

Justin Rinehimer is pictured with students who represented the Pennsylvania College of Technology horticulture at the 40th Annual National Collegiate Landscape Competition held at Mississippi State University. Hey, Justin, got any good ideas for my garden?

Safety was the theme of the Two Mountains District First Aid event at College Misericordia on April 2. Boy Scouts from around the area participated, including our Troop 434. They showed their knowledge in safety, preventative safety and first aid. **Aaron Kleger** is a member of Troop 434 and pictured with the Scouts who participated.

Two members of Boy Scout Troop 434 attained the rank of Eagle Scout this year. Not only are the members of the same troop, but they're also members of the same family. **Cody and Zack Fisher** both led projects that enhanced a facility dear to their hearts. Cody, a Junior Firefighter, organized the repainting of the exterior of the Wright Township Fire Hall. One of Zack's passions is soccer, so he organized the building of picnic tables at the Mountain Top Soccer Multiplex.

COMMITTEE MEETING

The **Consistory** will meet on Thursday, May 19, at 6:30 pm.

NEWSLETTER INFO DEADLINE

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

UPCOMING DATES

June 18 300 Club and Silent Auction
June 19-25 Youth Group Mission Trip
Aug. 13 Annual Golf Tournament

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

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MAY BIRTHDAYS

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| 2 Dean Kline II | 14 Amanda Sevison | 22 Brooke Rinehimer |
| 5 Travis Grosz | 17 Julian Ring | 24 Gene Broyan |
| 6 Sanjay Kamat | 18 Kelly Madigan | 24 Clayton Walck |
| 10 Harry Peters, III | 20 Susan Heller | 25 Scarlett Sevison |
| 11 John Jankowski | 20 Mya Belanchik | 26 Pastor Penny Dollar |
| 11 Steve Moyer | 21 Donnie Oldershaw | 29 Denise Dean |
| | 21 Caroline Cronic | |

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

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|--------------------|-----------------------------|
| 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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