

# TUMC WEEKLY NEWS – April 22, 2022

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Many thanks to all who helped to make our Lenten season and Easter celebrations so meaningful for all!

**NEW!** Join us for our Easter Season Worship Series—

*We'll journey through the book of Revelation—it's not what you think!*



## Living with the End in Mind

### **Living with the End in Mind:**

*Revelation's guide to embodying our faith as a resurrection people.*

The book of Revelation contains some of the most cryptic language and most fanciful imagery in the entire Bible. Unfortunately it has been used to try to forecast the events of the end times, rather than a call for hopeless Christians to fortitude and endurance as intended. We need this call to fortitude and endurance today! It will be a post-Easter guide for us to experiencing the resurrected life. John's vision allows us to see the world, the church, and the Christian life in the way God envisions it: not for how it is, but for how it can be. And each week, through the power of the One who makes all things new, we are called to make those possibilities a resurrection reality.





## HOLY COMMUNION next Sunday, May 1<sup>st</sup>!

We will celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion in worship at **9:15 am**. We'll offer an **afternoon drive through option at 12:30 pm** as well. Simply drive to the back parking lot where you'll receive directions. You may remain in your car and we'll come to you!

## INTENTIONAL SPIRITUAL DEVELOPMENT.



*Jesus commands us to make disciples, by teaching and encouraging all to grow in their faith.*

- The "Upper Room" for May/June has come in. They are on the table at the front door for easy pick-up.
- "Our Daily Bread" devotional for June/July/August has also come in. They too can be found on the table at the front door for easy pick-up.

### Preschool Adventure Camp is Coming

This camp is a hybrid fun learning event that includes components of Vacation Bible School with preschool fun and learning. The first week, Tuesday May 31 thru Friday June 3 is the Woodland theme. The second week, Monday June 6 thru Thursday June 9, is the Ocean theme.

The camp needs the following things.

**Prayer:** Please pray that we will have a safe, fun time learning about God, Jesus, and the animals he created.

### Helpers to:

- tell Bible stories,
- share information about animals (share info on posters about the animals of the day)
- Game leaders
- Craft Leaders

Everything is planned out and will be available for you to do these roles.

The time frame for these helpers is 8:45- 10:45 a.m. And you do **NOT** have to do every day of the camp week.

### Donations needed:

**Sign-up sheet at Welcome Center, contact Renay or the church office**

Painter's tape: 1 inch wide (that is the approximate size, the rolls are not exactly that big)  
1.5 inch wide

Pretzel sticks: thin sticks (will be representing beaver lodges) - need #6 -1-pound bags  
Goldfish





Teddy Grahams: 3 boxes of each of these flavors: honey, cinnamon, and chocolate  
Ice Pops: - the type that are liquid in a plastic tube that you freeze i.e., Fla-vor-ice, Pop-Ice  
need approx. 100 servings  
Graham Crackers- plain version: 3 boxes

**Items to be borrowed:**

Stuffed animals: Bears, beavers, skunks, owls, wolves, moose, opossums, porcupines  
Sharks, jellyfish, whales, crabs, sea turtles, sea horses, octopus, fish

Drop off date for donated or borrowed items: **Sunday May 22<sup>nd</sup>**. *There is a basket at the welcome center to place your donated items into. Look for our Adventure Camp logo. For convenience, the above list of items is also available at the Welcome Center for you to take.*

Contact Renay Oberholtzer if you can help. cell # 484-467-2046 or roberhol@verizon.net

**HEALTHY COMMUNITY LIFE**

*Providing opportunities to build and strengthen relationships within our faith community through communication, collaboration, and accountability.*



**Upcoming Birthdays:**

4/28 - Lucas Duncan                      4/29 - Wayne Barrows  
4/29 - Kim Nicolazzo                      **5/02 – Shirley Hammons – 90<sup>th</sup>**

*Shirley will celebrate her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday on May 2. Her daughters have asked us to participate in a card shower for her. Please mail all cards in care to: Mrs. Shirley Hammons c/o Ms. Jill Hammons, 3233 Fairway Drive, Wilmington, DE 19808. The cards will be read to Shirley by her two daughters.*

**THANK YOU!** On behalf of my family, I want to offer my Thanks and Appreciation to all who sent cards, brought us delicious food and most of all, included us in your prayers. This has been a very stressful time and your care lifted our spirits as we coped with the two unexpected deaths in our family within a one-month period. Jesus gave us all the comfort and strength we needed, as did you. May God continue to bless our church with the outreach that’s always there when anyone needs help in any situation. Take Care. God Bless. Bobbie Polovina.

**The 2022 Flower calendar** has been posted to the bulletin board outside the office. **Open dates begin in May** which is just around the corner. Thank you for your continued sponsorship of our altar flowers. Sign up early so you get your desired date. You can pay later as the date becomes closer.



**Do your students need help to pay higher education costs?** From April 25-May 9 our EPA Conference will accept applications to help qualified students pay their higher education costs for the 2022-2023 school year. The application form is available on the Conference website. It can be accessed as “Grants to Defray Higher Education Costs.” at the following website address: <http://www.epaumc.org/administration/finance/higher-education-scholarships/>.



## **SHUT-INS:**

Listed below are our shut-ins and their mailing addresses if you would like to send them a card.

Onzelle Barber Hickory House, 3120 Horseshoe Pike, Honey Brook, PA 19344  
Richard Bohot St. Martha's Villa-Room 10, 490 Manor Ave., Downingtown, PA 19335  
Gretna Crossan Newport Meadows, Birch Unit, Rm. 206, 41 Newport Avenue  
Christiana, PA 17509  
Ivan Purcell Regal Heights Healthcare, Room 7A, 6525 Lancaster Pike, Hockessin, DE 19707  
Shirley Hammons Newport Meadows, Room 108C, 41 Newport Avenue, Christiana, PA 17509

## **Grief Support Group**

Are you or someone you know struggling with Grief? GriefShare support groups can help and encourage after the death of a loved one.



Wednesdays 7PM-8:30PM through July 6

Brandywine Grace Church-Room 207  
40 W. Pennsylvania Avenue, Downingtown  
[gmahalik@brandywinegrace.org](mailto:gmahalik@brandywinegrace.org)



## **FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP**

*God is the giver of every gift. Therefore, we will grow in our generosity to be active in our mission and ministries through our prayers, presence, gifts, service, and witness.*



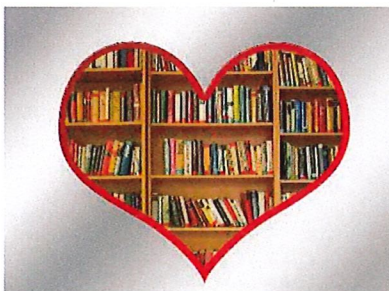
**GIANT GROCERY** Cards are available for purchase in the office on Sunday mornings or during the week. Current denominations available are: \$100, \$50, \$25, \$20, \$15, and \$10.

Our church earns 5% on the sale of each gift card.

Thank you for your purchases.

## **APRIL/MAY DONATIONS FOR CALN SCHOOL**

*"Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me." Matthew 25:40 NIV*



Our April/May collection will be books for summer reading. Studies indicate that students who do not read, or read infrequently, during their summer vacation see their reading abilities stagnate or decline. Children who read four or more books over the summer fare better on reading comprehension tests in the fall than their peers who have not read over the summer.

To help the children at Caln keep their reading skills sharp, **we will be collecting new or gently used children's books for our April/May donation.** Any book suitable for an elementary age child is acceptable, however, because it is a public school, we cannot include religious stories. If you need suggestions, a book list can be inside the drop-off bins. **Books are due Sunday, May 15.** Note that this collection does not run until the end of May. The early cut-off date will allow the teachers time to sort and select books for each child.

If you are able to donate for the April/May collection, the bin will be inside the door each weekday from 9:00-2:00 to receive your donations. It will be in its usual location at the top of the stairs on Sundays.

This will be our last collection for this school year. Thank you for your continued support and prayers for this ministry.

**Holly Orr, Caln School Coordinator**



*“For God is sheer beauty, all-generous in love, loyal always and ever.”*

*Psalm 100:5 MSG*

**Where have you experienced God’s presence in your life this week?**

- Tulips beginning to open
- Didn’t get into near accident on 30 bypass on Friday
- In Good Friday worship
- Blooming flowers and trees.
- In nature and prayer.

**Praise and Thanksgiving:**

For beautiful weather/time with family

Beautiful Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Services

Good test results.

Family and friends.

**Condolences:** Leslie Villafuente Perez – loss of her children’s father.

Family and friends of Joanna Stahl who passed away on 4/14 (way too young)

**Hospitalizations, Treatments, Tests & Surgeries:**

Meg

Dennis B- Hip surgery on 4/18

Mark E-open heart surgery 4/28.

Larry L – hip replacement

Barb Byers-surgery 4/27

**Traveling:**

Olivia Kurtz-Dublin IR (study abroad).

Refugees from Ukraine

For my family.

Christine Moore

Chris Kramer to Costa Rica

**Pray for our Staff:** Hannah Smith

**Pray for our Ministry Team:** Communications

**Pray for our Outreach Ministry:** Atkinson Shelter

**Pray for our TLC Students:** Maziyah. Nicolas. Ryan. Future students and staff.



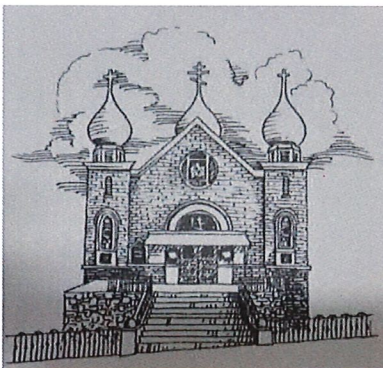
**Other:**

- For the war to go away.
- A friend who needs a door open in a care facility for her husband.
- For all the animal rescues and shelters dealing with kitten season and caring for all the stray cats/kittens. (ACCT Philly Shelter)
- Brian
- Struggling families.
- Sarah Hanks and Katy Hanks, Mike, and Chris Kramer.
- Bless this whole world and everyone in it.
- Myers family visit went better than expected – thankful!
- Prayers for hope for Ukrainian people.
- For the stop of the war and that there be peace.
- For the Bresler and Gershunov families still in Ukraine. These are the in-laws of a former co-worker of Pete Scotti.
- People of Ukraine and Russia.
- Peace in the world

**Healing**

Diana  
 Diana  
 Chuck M (Holly's cousin)  
 Phillip and Barb Byers  
 Mae Gilman  
 Hester Etta Whisler  
 Tom Zynn  
 Meg  
 Carl Purcell  
 Doris Kramer

Andy  
 Tina S.  
 Karen Moore  
 Kay Lewis  
 Dot Johnson  
 Lee & Shirley Carroll  
 Bill Zynn  
 Uncle Ken  
 Matt Scott  
 Helen Pennell



**COMMUNITY PRAYER SERVICE FOR UKRAINE:**

Date: Saturday, May 7  
 Time: 10:00AM  
 Place: Holy Ghost Ukrainian Orthodox Church  
 392 Charles Street, Coatesville, PA

Coffee and pastries will be served following the service.

**FREE SPRING SHREDDING EVENT**

Date: Saturday, May 7  
 Time: 10AM-1PM  
 Place: Rep. Dan Williams District Office  
 3496 E. Lincoln Highway  
 Drive-thru event. Remain in vehicle and staff will assist in removing items.  
 Face masks required.  
 Limit 4 file size boxes (9x12x18) per car.



**JUNE 11<sup>th</sup>**  
**10:00 am – 2:00 pm**  
**Fundraiser for Ukraine**  
 Food Trucks, Craft Vendors,  
 Our Awesome Praise Band, and MORE...