



TUMC WEEKLY NEWS

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Dr. Seuss Read Across America Week



Ms. Cheryl read the "Cat in the Hat" on Tuesday. Notice all the different hats the children were wearing.



Ms. Manna's 3-year-old class with their hand-made Dr. Seuss Cat in the Hat hats.



Our Pre-K class with crazy hair and hats!





Our wonderful staff for crazy hat/hair day.



Ms. Pat came to read "Green Eggs and Ham" on Thursday. She also did chapel time with us.



Pastor Shauna read "One Fish, Two Fish, Red Fish, Blue Fish".



During enrichment Mrs. V taught us how to make homemade bread and butter!





We continue in our series, "COURAGE: Jesus and the Call to Brave Faith. This week's theme is "The Candor of Courage". Our scripture is from the gospel of Luke 7:36-50.

Join us in-person at 9:15 AM or watch live streamed or later at your convenience.

IT'S BACK!

Coffee Fellowship has resumed! Coffee and tea will be available both before and after worship each week. Come early and grab a cup of your favorite hot beverage and a snack and share in some fellowship.



COINS FOR COURAGE!

During Lent, many of us are reminded once again to examine our lifestyles and ask, "What can we do for others?" This Lenten season, we have a special challenge! We want to challenge everyone to collect coins throughout the season. The final donation of coins will be sent to the relief efforts in Turkey and Syria. Gather a container where you can see it. Each day beginning on Ash Wednesday,

Feb 22 you will place coins in the container for certain items found in and around your home. You determine what denomination of coin you would like to place in your container. The schedule for the next ten days is as follows:

- March 12 – Pray today, thanking God for clothing that protects you from the elements. Pray for those who lack clothing to keep them warm and dry.
- March 13 – A coin for every ball or piece of athletic equipment.
- March 14 – A coin for every electronic video game.
- March 15 – A coin for every smart device (phones, tablets, etc.).
- March 16 – A coin for every television.
- March 17 – A coin for every doll or stuffed animal.
- March 18 – A coin for every board or card game.

Items on the daily guide will remind us of all we have and how little others may have. Each Sunday, pray for the project and the people who will benefit from our gifts. Our giving begins on Ash Wednesday and concludes with Holy Saturday. During Lent, Sundays are for worship and praise to God and are reflected with a weekly day of prayer.

Bring your weekly collections in each week and place them in the jug at the altar. A full Lenten schedule can be found at the Usher Stand.

The **2023 Altar Flower calendar** has been posted on the bulletin board outside the office. 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. **Openings begin in mid-April.** The cost of the bouquets remains at \$25 each.





Easter Lily's are now available for ordering. This year, a 6" pot is \$12. Contact the office if you'd like to purchase Easter Lily's in honor of or in memory of someone. In lieu of flowers, you may also make a donation to our Thorndale Learning Center Scholarship fund or UMCOR for either Ukrainian or Turkey/Syria relief.

Flower orders are due by Wednesday, March 15.

Looking for your monthly devotionals? The Upper Room (March and April) and Our Daily Bread (March/April/May 2023) have arrived. They are at the front door for easy pick-up.



OUTREACH

We are ambassadors of Christ, called to share Him with our community and beyond.

Children's Ministries

Easter Eggstravaganza '23!

Yes, there will be bunnies and Easter eggs; but more importantly, there will be an emphasis on Jesus and the resurrection. How can you help? Some folks have already been stuffing eggs with stickers and tattoos featuring Jesus, but we are now in need of candy, individually wrapped and, if possible, of a size that will fit into a plastic Easter egg. If not that size, we can still use it.



There are also several positions available for the April 1 event. We will need helpers with games and crafts and Easter egg hander-outers as well as traffic and parking lot control helpers. If you are unable to be in attendance on the day from 1 to 2:30, perhaps you could provide candy or stuff some candy into eggs.

This is our big outreach event for spring, and we look forward to showing Jesus to the children of the community as well as to those of our preschool and church.

Please contact me at 484-340-0676 or patriciajrn@verizon.net if you are able to help.

Pat Moore, Children's Ministry Coordinator



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Saturday, April 1, 2023

Time: 7AM-10:30AM

Set-up on Friday, March 31 at 12:30 PM.

See sign-up sheet at the Welcome Center or contact Cheryl in the office.

March Donations for Caln School – Snack Packs

*“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*

You have met a tremendous need with your generous donation of sweatpants for the children at Caln. They are going to be absolutely thrilled to receive **80 pairs** of pants!

PSSA standardized testing is rapidly approaching.

The testing times can be long and the test exhausting. Between testing sessions, the children are provided a snack to help them keep up their energy and better concentrate on their work.

Our collection for March will be individually wrapped single – serve snack packages for use during PSSA testing. Boxes of individually wrapped packages of **pretzels or goldfish** are **suggested**. **Nothing with peanut butter, nuts, or nut products, please.** Also, please avoid cookies and candy, if possible.

If you are able to donate in March, the collection bin will be at the top of the stairs from the main parking lot entrance. It is available weekdays from 9:00-2:00, as well as on Sunday.

These items will be **due Sunday, March 26**.

Thank you for your prayers and continued support of this ministry.

Holly Orr, Caln School Coordinator



Individual Snack Packs
MARCH Sharing & Caring For Caln Elementary School



HEALTHY COMMUNITY LIFE

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

Upcoming Birthdays:

3/09 – Jamie Ridge
3/14 – Ken Williams
3/19 – Pat Moore
3/21 – Irene Farra

3/09 – Sammie Smith
3/19 – Pam Voorhees
3/19 – Wesley Williams
3/22 – Barbara Rice

SHUT-INS:

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

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
Dot Johnson	Harrison House, Room 111, 300 Strode Avenue, East Fallowfield, PA 19320
Ivan Purcell	66 Willow Place, Newark, DE 19702
Carl Purcell	193 Canterbury Road, Milford, DE 19963
Shirley Hammons	Newport Meadows, Room 108C, 41 Newport Avenue, Christiana, PA 17509



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.



Getting a refund this year from your taxes? Think about tithing a portion to our TLC Pat Moore Scholarship Fund. Through some initial donations we have been able to help support one of our current families. Let us continue to build up this fund in order to assist others when the need arises. You can give on line here: <https://secure.myvanco.com/YJGT/home> or submit a check to TUMC and write in the memo line "TLC Scholarship".
Thank you!

“Ah Lord God! Behold, thou hast made the heaven and the earth by thy great power and stretched out arm and there is nothing too hard for thee.”

Jeremiah 32:17 KJV



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

- The spring flowers are coming up.
- Lenten service on Wednesday.
- Seeing Tulips come up.
- Thursday's small group.
- So delighted to hear the church bells during the day – “small town USA” feelings.

Praise and Thanksgiving

- Pete S-healing from COVID.
- Noon day Lenten service well attended.
- Don B. – no need for cardioversion
- Faith's good Doctor's appointment.

Traveling mercies:

- Beavers to TN on Wednesday.
- Whitehead Family to SC.
- Todd Hanks

Hospitalizations, Treatments, Tests & Surgeries:

- Robert Oberholtzer – surgery on 3/15
- Hernia Repair consultant for Dad on 3/15.
- Clara Parsons – tests on 3/13 and 3/17
- Doug
- Mike D-hip surgery

Condolences:

- Osborn Family on the loss of Ron.
- Sara H on mother's passing.

Ministry Team: Finance Team: Rosemary Moore, David VanHorn, Carol Barnes, Peter Scotti, Cheryl Faust, and Pastor Shauna.

Pray for our TLC Students: Mridula. Ensley. Ryatt.

Thanksgiving for the children God has already sent to us and continues to send to us for the new school year.

Pray for our Staff: Current staffing needs in our preschool and in the office.

Other:

- People of Turkey & Syria and Ukraine
- Bless all those who have lost everything due to storms, earthquakes, and war.
- For good test results for Irene on 3/29.
- Gretchen and Bobbie moving – March 31.

- For those struggling with grief.
- For those struggling with mental health issues.
- Coatesville Area School District and new Superintendent
- For caretakers of ailing spouses/parents.
- Those suffering with COVID.
- Betty Thomas
- Gilman family.
- For all those experiencing financial difficulties.
- Discernment for the mission and ministry of TUMC.

Healing

Wayne Barrows
 Chuck M. (Holly's cousin)
 Wendy
 Jim Rice
 Chloe
 Cass
 Fred & Doris Kramer
 Karen Moore
 Nancy Van Horn
 Carl & Ivan Purcell

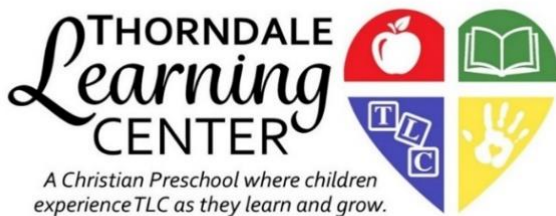
Doug-Lyme's Disease
 Sharon W.
 Joe Iavarone
 Clyde Thomas
 Jacob
 Matt S.
 Jim Van Horn
 Jim Rice
 Lyle & Leone Norrbom
 Lee & Shirley Carroll

For all those who need it.
 Diana
 Sam
 Mike B.
 Shelia-cancer
 Jesusin
 Mike Burke
 Clyde Thomas
 Nancy & Ken McDowell
 Fran & Theresa O'Neill



Cheryl is retiring, or as she likes to say, "re-retiring" on April 30th. Thorndale UMC is currently accepting applications for a part-time Administrative Assistant. Contact the office at 610-384-2433 or office@thorndaleumc.org for further details.

Help Wanted!



Thorndale Learning Center, a Preschool ministry of Thorndale United Methodist Church, is seeking to hire both Teachers and Teacher Assistants. These positions are part-time positions. We currently have an immediate need for a teacher in our 3-year-old class.

Teachers require a college degree. Teacher assistants need a minimum of a HS education. Previous experience as a teacher and/or assistant teacher is preferred. All candidates must be able to provide all state and federal clearances. For information or to apply, contact our Director, Laura Venezia at tcdirector@thorndaleumc.org or at 484-356-6328.

Copy and share and spread the word!

Share the posts from our two Facebook pages!