

Week of March 24, 2024

In our thoughts and prayers: Ashur Bowley, Brayden Beamer, Kathy Ciolino, Sonny Coble, Dr. Douglas Eyer, Alice Fritz, Joyce Golden, Lois Grim, Linda & Harold Heller (Sara Shank's parents), Harry Hilbert, John Harrison Hoffman, Dan Irwin, Evelyn Kretz, MacKenzie Kretz, Josh Langley, John Lucas, Nancye Marinos, Jen Mickelson, Suzy and Bob Miller, Kathy Murphy, Lenore O'Rourke, Lisa Reinoehl, Fischer Samuelson, Bill Swisher, Brea Thomas, Mary Timmins, Elizabeth & Sandy Topper, Mckenna Voss, and Teeyara Jo Weiant.

**** If you wish to keep your name on the prayer list, please notify the church office ****

ALTAR FLOWERS: In memory of my parents Doris & Herbert Bailey by Russell Bailey.

ONA Ballots – The lock box is located in the Gathering Area. Please drop your ballot in the box.

5th Sunday Special Collection for March: There is an envelope in your March packet dated March 31, 2024. That collection will go to **Adam Rescue Mission**. ARM has been serving Adams County since 1972. They have many ministries for the communities it serves. Just a few of their services include homeless shelters for both men, women and children with things like clothing, shelter, food. They are community funded so every penny they receive they give back. **Envelopes are also available in the Gathering Area.**

Our Christian Education committee continues to think about ways to engage our members both young and old. Activities include focus on both **Faith and Fellowship (F & F)**. Planned activities thru May 2024:

April – Since Sight & Sound did not work out, we are looking at doing something else. Stay tuned.

May 19 – 3:00pm – trip to the Grotto in Emmitsburg.

June – maybe a trip to Totem Pole is in the works. Watch for more information later.

SPRING/SUMMER BASKET AUCTION! Ministries & Missions is hosting a themed basket auction beginning March 24th through Easter Sunday and would like to extend a big Thank You to the Basket Team for running the auction this year. **Proceeds from the auction will go to the Mission of Mercy medical and dental mobile units that visit our community monthly.**

Habitat for Humanity three-weekend Blitz Build 8am-2pm Thursdays thru Saturdays: April 4-6; April 11-13; April 18-20. The location is **41/43 Craftway Dr., Littlestown, PA** (located off Lumber St.) They want to have 10-20 workers each day. **There is a sign-up sheet in the Gathering Area for anyone interested.** Snacks in the morning and lunch at noon will be provided. **Please bring safety glasses and work gloves.**

Then from 8am- 12pm April 27 - May 25 (Saturdays only), the build will continue in an effort to complete this home. There will be parking available along Lumber St. and Craftway Dr. This sign-up list will show after the initial weeks.

Trinity is signed up for the first Thursday (April 4) noontime meal. Normally we provide a cold sandwich, chips, fruit, dessert and cold drink. **If you don't use a hammer, maybe you would like to donate toward this meal in any way or amount.** I will include that on the volunteer list. Any questions, call Janet Sheely (717-357 1789) or Pastor Fred, who has been involved a great deal over the past several years. Thanks for your participation!

SAVE THE DATE AND GET YOUR TICKETS - Saturday, April 20th Spring Polish Pottery Bingo. Tickets are available now at the Gettysburg Polish Pottery Shoppe \$20.00 each advance sale in-person and by phone. Tickets will be also available at the church office. **LIMITED SEATS BEING SOLD.** CALL....717-479-1083 or 717-334-7266

Ministries & Missions: Adams County Library System is asking if we would like to participate in the **Annual Fun Fest June 14th?** We do have 2 volunteers signed up to help but there needs to be someone to be the Team Leader! Any one or group willing to do this would be appreciated. Without a leader soon, our participation can't happen!

Crop Hunger Walk April 28th, starting at the YWCA. The Church World Service, of which the United Church of Christ is a member, will return 25% of the money collected to Gettysburg (SCCAP's Food Pantry, Soup Kitchen, and Ruth's Harvest.) We are looking for someone to be our Team Leader. If interested see the flier in the Gathering Area. Thank you!

The History Task Force would like to thank Bruce Guiher for hanging our historic sign on the Stratton St. side of the Church. This original sign was restored by Harry Hilbert. Thank you to Harry and also to Pastor Young for rescuing the sign from the church basement. We have been told this sign hung from a post at an East High Street entrance before 1990. If anyone has a picture of it at this location, we would like to make a copy. See Jane M. or Carl B.

PASTOR FRED'S SCHEDULE

Monday and Wednesday	Tuesday and Thursday	2nd Sunday of each month Worship
Grace UCC, Hanover	TUCC, Gettysburg	8:00am TUCC & 10:00am Grace UCC

HOLY WEEK:

March 24th Palm Sunday - 8:00am and 10:30am Worship – Dinner/Silent Basket Auction following 10:30am worship.

March 28th Maundy Thursday - 7:00pm Worship with Communion @ Trinity UCC – Pastor Fred.

March 29th Good Friday 7:00pm Worship @ Grace UCC – Pastor Fred

March 31st Easter Sunday -

6:30am Easter Sunrise JOINT Worship w/Communion (Trinity & Grace) @ Straban Township Rec Park Pavilion - Pastor Fred (behind Royal Farms/Tractor Supply on Route 30, Gettysburg)

8:00am Worship w/Communion @ Trinity UCC – Pastor Fred

10:00am Worship w/Communion @ Grace UCC – Pastor Fred, Patti Miller, Amy Fawks

10:30am Worship w/Communion @ Trinity UCC – Kara Young and Rev. Peter Kuhn

Annual Easter Gift to the Church: Your Easter Gift to the church is a statement of your faith in the work of the church and is greatly appreciated. Envelopes are included in your March mailing packet and in the Pews & Gathering Area.

Monday: 7pm-9pm G.C.S. Practice - *Sanctuary*

Wednesday: 7pm Choir - *Sanctuary*

Thursday: 7pm Maundy Thursday Worship w/Communion – *TUCC – Pastor Fred*

Friday: 12p Community Good Friday Worship – *Christ Lutheran, Gettysburg*

7p Good Friday Worship – *Grace UCC, Hanover – Pastor Fred*

Next Sunday: **Easter Sunday – See detailed schedule above**

Attendance: 3/17/2024 8:00am 24; 10:30am 43; On-line 14; F & F Game Night 14; Total 95.

Financial Report: 3/17/2024

Envelope Offering Needed: \$40,381.00

Envelope Offering Received: \$36,686.00

Property Fund Needed: \$4,664.00

Property Fund Received: \$3,270.00

SHARE THE LIGHT

On Easter Sunday in 1949, on nation-wide radio, Christians were challenged to donate one million dollars in one hour to help people devastated by the aftermath of World War II. Faithful Christians answered the challenge and the goal was met. That was the beginning of the One Great Hour of Sharing (OGHS) offering.

This year marks the 75th Anniversary of its inception. Our world has changed since 1949, but human needs remain. OGHS continues to carry God's message of love and hope to people in crisis. Since that first offering, OGHS has expanded its mission to support domestic and international development, fight poverty and its consequences, bring aid and relief to communities torn by war or ravaged by national disaster, advocate and offer resettlement assistance for refugees and displaced persons, and combat injustice in its many forms. OGHS provides funding and hands-on assistance in collaboration with local and international partners.

Thank you for supporting One Great Hour of Sharing. You continue to share light in places that need it.



You are the light of the world.
A city set on a hill cannot be hidden.
— Matthew 5:14

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