

St. John's Messenger

March, 2014

from Fr. John W. Morris, Rector

LENTEN OLYMPICS

I wonder if I would have survived this winter without the Olympics. The seemingly ceaseless snow, ice storms, shoveling, chipping, blowing, scrapping, salting made this winter a record book champion. My only relief was thinking about the Winter Olympics. Whenever I stepped out into the weather I could easily imagine I was in Sochi. Mountains of ice. People bundled up like tourists in Russia. Cross country skiers gliding down Walnut Street.

Being engaged with my neighbors in our own winter Olympic events left me little time to watch the real Olympics on TV. At best I could catch snippets of viewing. Yet seeing each event was personally satisfying. The amazing heights of slopestyle snowboarding. The insane speeds of skeleton racing. The matchless beauty of figure skating. The raw power of downhill skiing. The breathless competition of ice hockey. While they each left me wanting more, they also made me glad I took the time to watch. They made the rest of winter better, almost enchanting.

Our St. John's calendar for March has a certain Olympic quality. As we enter into the season of Lent we have a host of ministry opportunities for us to participate in as we prepare for our festive celebration of Easter and the victory of our champion, Jesus, over the powers of sin and death.

The **Feast of the Transfiguration** on March 2nd concludes the season of Epiphany with an anticipation of Christ's resurrection at Easter. With this promise of God in mind we will dedicate this year's memorial gifts – the Maureen Shannon Library, Book of Remembrance Stand, and the memorial pages added honoring loved ones in the gifts of stain glass windows and other memorials.

"Pancakes and Prayers" is the theme of this year's **Shrove Tuesday** on March 4th. The Pancake Supper, a Journey to Adulthood fund raiser, begins at 5:30 PM and concludes at 7:00 PM in the sanctuary with members of the Chancel Choir leading us in sung Evening Prayer.

Ash Wednesday services at St. John's will be offered at 7:00 AM and Noon. The 7:00 PM service will be hosted this year by St. Edward's Church with a combined choir from St. John's, St. James, St. Thomas' and St. Edward's. The guest preacher will be the Reverend Regina Barrett, newly ordained priest and assistant at St. Thomas' Church.

The **First Sunday of Lent**, March 9th, will feature the Great Litany as part of the Liturgy of the Word and at the 10:15 AM service will be sung in choral procession. That evening our Lenten Program will commence at 5:00 PM with a pot luck supper followed by the Millennium Development Goal Committee sponsored program, "I Am - One World". We conclude at 7:00 PM with the New Zealand Prayer Book's, "Night Prayer" and global hymns in the candle light of the sanctuary.

March 16th will be our spring **Parish Meeting**. Held in the Parish Hall from 9:15 to 10:00 AM, our agenda includes the election of our delegates to Diocesan Convention and reports from the Finance, Courtyard and Outreach Committees.

Operation Understanding will be our focus on Sunday March 23rd. This annual spring ingathering was renamed the "Alleluia Fund" by Bishop Baxter because the gifts received are used to support the mission work of the church throughout the diocese including our own Eagles Nest program.

Our Jubilee family of ministries will be celebrated on March 30th, **Jubilee Sunday.** This year we will be highlighting our food bank ministry, "The Front Door", and the ways our various outreach serves to feed those in need.

It would be great if you can participate in all these ministries but like the Olympics that would be a real challenge. Instead, like the Olympics, I invite you to take part in whatever you can, enjoy the blessing of each, and know that our world is being enriched by all. John+

MDG CHALLENGES FOR MARCH

Lenten Theme 2014..... "IAm - One World"

MDG Challenge for March 2nd

"Everybody can be great, because anybody can serve. You don't have to have a college degree to serve. You don't have to make your subject and verb agree to serve.

You only need a heart full of grace. A soul generated by love." -Martin Luther King, Jr.

In other words, if you are reading this, YOU can serve...service can be a smile, a handshake, encouragement to others in any form. Then, pick a passion and act on it!

Ask yourself - Who are the Christ bearing strangers in my presence? What can I do for them?

MDG Challenge for March 9th

March 8th is International Women's Day. St. John's is focusing on primary education in the MDG's. In primary education, it is girls who suffer. What are WE willing to do? Almost two-thirds of the world's 792 million illiterate adults are women. In Bolivia, 30% of adult women cannot read and write, compared to just 5% of men. Only 40% of Pakistani women over the age of 15 can read and write, compared to 70% of men. In Tanzania, one third of women – more than 4 million women in total – are not literate.

MDG Challenge for March 16th

St. Patrick's Day March 17th...

Does this holiday make you think of the color "green"?

"Green" for many means healthy and growth. What can you do to cause healthy growth?

Could it be sharing a food item with those less fortunate?

How easy is it to bring a food offering to church?

You come weekly knowing you will receive....in our One World, what will you give?

MDG Challenge for March 23rd

"Imagine all the people living life in peace.
You may say I'm a dreamer, but I'm not the only one.
I hope someday you'll join us, and the world will be as one." -John Lennon
We are "mission" driven at St. John's to care for those close and at a distance.
What is the next step for you? Look in the mirror and say "I AM......."
Then make your pledge starting this Lent to work toward "One World".

MDG Challenge for March 30th

"The only thing worse than being blind, is having sight but no vision." -Helen Keller Imagine being able to walk with shoes on your feet; imagine being able to get around safely to work and for chores on a bike instead of walking; imagine the unknown child of God who cared for you enough to make this possible......if you are reading this, that's YOU who cared enough!

THE REV. JENNIFER E. LOOKER

I'm always surprised, somehow, when the season of Lent approaches. My internal liturgical clock is still happily immersed in Epiphany and I'm hesitant, if not resistant to move towards the season yet to come. Most years Lent is a temptation for spiritual achievement: I makes promises to myself about praying more and reading more and doing more. I'd love to claim success, but I can't. At least not of the personal kind. Few of my Lenten disciplines happen in the way that I hope and imagine they will.

Instead, I've come to rely upon the gift of community to support my Lenten journey. I look forward to the annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper; for the opportunity for fellowship and food, for worship that centers me before Lent begins. I give thanks for shared prayers and confession on Ash Wednesday, for a group of people willing to claim their identity as dust. I eagerly anticipate the shared service later that night, a gathering of the Episcopal "Lancaster" churches that affirms our larger identity as Church. And I am grateful for the St. John's Sunday evening Lenten program, hosted by our MDG committee. The fellowship is warm and inviting, the conversation substantial and the worship intimate and meaningful. I appreciate the family-friendly environment: children are welcome to participate in their own program while adults gather upstairs. I love being able to spend time with my family in this way.

This year I'm looking forward to a new offering on Sunday mornings in Lent: sung introits led by our very own St. John's choir. I'm also looking forward to this year's Northwest Ecumenical Cluster Lenten series. The theme, "Suffering Humanity", will explore the real suffering presence of Christ as a liberating force in our world, particularly for those who suffer. The schedule will feature a number of new preachers, including Minister Naomi Leapheart at St. John's on April 4th. Each Friday gathering will begin with a luncheon at 11:15 a.m. with worship following at 12:15. p.m. The cost of the luncheon is a very reasonable \$5. An offering will be taken at each service to benefit the Winter Overflow Shelter of the Lancaster Council of Churches.

Lent rarely happens in the way I hope or imagine, but perhaps that is a good thing. As I continue to develop my personal disciplines of prayer, reading and service, it is a gift of profound grace to journey with others along the way.

Jennifer+

Northwest Ecumenical Friday Lenten Series

March 7 at St. Joseph's RC Church; Fr. Alexander Gousettis speaking
March 14 at Covenant UM Church; Rev. Anne Mason speaking
March 21 at Lancaster Theological Seminary; Fr. Michael Messner speaking
March 28 at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church; Rev. Jeffrey Snyder speaking
April 4 at St. John's Episcopal Church; Minister Naomi Leapheart speaking
April 11 at Hamilton Park UCC; Pastor Carmen Horst speaking



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A Celebration of the Ministry

Honoring

The Right Reverend Doctor Nathan D. Baxter, D. Min., S. 7.D., D. H. L., D.D.

And

Mary Ellen Baxter

11 o'clock in the morning
The third day of May
In the year of our Lord
Two thousand fourteen
The Cathedral Church of St. Stephen
221 North Front Street
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

Reception Following

Clergy: white stoles

RSVP by Monday. April 15 Julie Valora. 814-237-7659 office@standrewsc.org

VESTRY'S WARDEN

Delegate Election at the Parish Meeting

The 2014 Diocesean Convention is scheduled for June 13 and 14 in State College, PA. In preparation for that, St. John's congregation will elect four delegates and two alternatives at the spring Parish Meeting on March 16. The Nominating Committee is currently preparing the slate of candidates for that election.

The slate currently consists of the following:

Marylee Sauder
Aaron Spicher
David Kilp
Mary Ellen Kilp
Charlotte Weaver-Gelzer
John Herzog

We expect to present this slate to the congregation on March 16. Occasionally candidates find it necessary to withdraw for unanticipated reasons, and so we are open to additional nominations as back-up candidates. If you wish to be considered, or wish to nominate someone else (with their consent), please contact one of the Nominating Committee Members — Bruce Morgan, Sue Heilman, Debbie Carter, Peter Eaton, Glenn Miller, and John Herzog.

Submitted by,

John Herzog, Vestry's Warden

EPISCOPAL CHURCH WOMEN



March will see the recent quiet ECW business Spring forward. Two of our favorite activities are hosting the annual Lenten Luncheon, and holding our Spring Plant Sale.

The community (Northwest Cluster of Churches) luncheon and service will be held on Friday, April 4. Although there is usually a good turnout of visitors, the best part is the support and fellowship of our own parish folks. A planning meeting for the committee will be held in the Parish Hall on Friday, March 7 at 9:30 AM. All help (men and women) is appreciated.

The Plant Sale will be held on Sunday the 30th. This year's sale will offer primroses and pansy bowls (both oval and round) only. No bedding plants will be offered with this sale, and there will be no sale later in the Spring. Preorders will take place on Sundays, March 16 and 23, with pick up on March 30.

Submitted by,

Sue Martin

VESTRY RESOLUTIONS

VESTRY MEETING: FEBRUARY 17, 2014

1. <u>Vestry Secretary</u> – Resolved, that the Vestry elects Robert Kilp as Vestry Secretary for a one year term of office.

Parish Treasurer – Resolved, that the Vestry elects Steve Latshaw as Parish Treasurer for a one year term of office.

2. <u>Stewardship Statement</u> – Resolved that the vestry adopts and collectively commits to the following 2014 Stewardship Statement:

Vestry Stewardship Statement (2014)

We know that God passionately loves us and all of creation.

We believe that the generous use of our gifts and resources is a faithful response to God's love and helps us to overcome our fear of scarcity.

Inspired by God's abundant gifts and after prayerful reflection, we commit ourselves:

- * to lead by example,
- * to share our vision of stewardship,
- * to offer our special talents and gifts to the glory of God,
- * to talk openly about money and ministry,
- * to examine our individual pledge with respect to proportional giving*, and to strive to increase our pledge by at least 1% of our income per year, working toward the tithe (10%) as a standard of our giving.

We invite you to join us in joyfully making this commitment.

- "Where your treasure is, there will your heart be also." Matthew 6:21
- * Proportional giving: allocating a deliberate percentage of our income as our annual gift, and challenging ourselves to increase that percentage every year.
- 3. <u>2013 Fairshare</u> Resolved, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Vestry approves the release of \$16,666.66 from the unrestricted Endowment Fund to pay the outstanding 2013 pledge to the Diocesan Fair Share.
- 4. <u>St. John's Rector's Fund</u> Resolved, on the recommendation of the Finance Committee, the Vestry approves the following:
 - 1. The establishment of a sub-account within the restricted investment account to be known as the St. John's Rector's Fund.
 - 2. This account will be funded with the transfer of \$28,636.00 from the unrestricted Endowment account where the monies obtained by the sale of the preferred stock whose earnings were designated for the Rector's use currently reside.
 - 3. An additional \$7200.00 will be transferred from the unrestricted Endowment account to compensate this fund for missed payments.

VESTRY RESOLUTIONS (CONTINUED)

- 5. <u>RGS Associates Design Funding</u> Resolved, on the recommendation of the Property and Courtyard Committees, the Vestry approves the release of \$1900 from the Labyrinth Restricted Account to fund further designing of the storm water management portion of our project. Due to the city lowering the threshold on the cost of storm water improvements and the lack of current design options, we would recommend researching more design options for our Church including the following:
 - a. Only address stormwater management requirements necessary for land development approvals related to the future building addition, but do nothing else to address present impervious areas;
 - b. Infiltrate via porous asphalt parking areas and a rain garden, but add perimeter drains adjacent to building foundations;
 - c. Construct a subsurface infiltration system beneath a conventional asphalt parking area; and,
 - d. Utilize a closed containment system with a controlled discharge structure.
- 6. <u>Comcast Service</u> The Property Committee recommends an improved internet carrier service. This service upgrade is vital groundwork that must be in place prior to moving forward with worship service web streaming. Currently, the Parish internet provider does not offer the necessary bandwidth to allow for the planned digital communication improvements. As part of Bill Gross's responsibilities, he unearthed the necessity to move forward with this upgrade.

The additional monthly expenditure is anticipated to be no more than \$100/month in excess of our current provider fees. This upgrade is essential to facilitate the planned digital communication upgrade that will allow the Parish to web stream worship and other services "real time" to those wishing to view them via the internet.

Resolved, that the St John's Vestry approve the additional annual expenditure of \$1200 for line item 01-5108 Computer Systems Expense, necessary to switch the Parish internet service provider to Comcast Business Class.

7. <u>Piano for the Nave</u> – Resolved that the St. John's Vestry authorize Paul Reese-Minister of Music, to purchase a Steinway Model K, or comparable piano for up to \$16,000.00 (including transportation and other procurement fees) to be drawn from the general memorial account, within the restricted investment fund.

It also authorizes him to solicit additional funds from individuals in memory of the Rev. H. Roberts Lorenz, to be used towards said purchase.

PARISH REGISTER

Deaths

Judith A. Geppert Tighe January 10, 1944 - February 5, 2014

TREASURER'S REPORT

The new year is started and January's numbers are in. Thank you to those who have paid their entire pledge. This extra boost of cash has made it easier to manage our expenses. As might be expected, our non pledged income was slightly lower than targeted. I am sure that this was due to the weather conditions. As I write this note, February has not been any better.

Expenses have been kept to a minimum. All ministries are well within budget. The only expense line item pointed out to Vestry as being high was the snow and ice removal. With the current weather, I am expecting this line item to be over budget for the year.

Those planning to attend the Parish Meeting on March 16th, will hear the end of year summary for 2013 and a report on our investments. As always, if you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact me or any Vestry Steward or Finance Committee member.

Steve Latshaw Treasurer

2014 ECUMENICAL LUNCHEONS & WORSHIP

Offering to Benefit: Lancaster County Council of Churches' Winter Shelter



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March 7

<u>Luncheon</u>: 11:15 a.m. (Donation to Host Church: \$5)

Worship: 12:15 p.m.



Join us each Friday in Lent as we meet at a different church for lunch and worship. This year's preaching theme is: "Around Liberation Theology".

April 11	at Hamilton Park UCC; Pastor Carmen Horst Speaking
April 4	at St. John's Episcopal Church; Minister Naomi Leapheart Speaking
March 28	at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church; Rev. Jeffrey Snyder Speaking
March 21	at Lancaster Theological Seminary; Fr. Michael Messner Speaking
March 14	at Covenant UM Church; Rev. Anne Mason Speaking

at St. Joseph's RC Church; Fr. Alexander Gousettis Speaking

WEEKLY SUNDAY ALTAR FLOWERS



If you'd like to remember a loved one(s) with an altar flower <u>or</u> give thanks for a special occasion, please be sure to stop by the bulletin board in the Parish Hall and add your name to the Flower Chart. Details and donation envelopes will also be available at the chart. Please be sure to mark your check accordingly and a \$30 donation is appreciated.

If you are unable to travel to church but are interested in signing up, please contact our Parish Secretary, Patti Means. We are encouraging two (2) remembrances per Sunday. Following is the information we have received for the time-frame March - May, 2014. The blank areas remain available. Thank you for supporting this ministry.

SUNDAY DATE	(1)	(2)	
MARCH 2	Ken & Eleanor Watts	Ken Brown	
MARCH 9			
MARCH 16	Bob & Betty Murphy	Carroll Family	
MARCH 23			
MARCH 30	John & Helen Miller		
APRIL 6	Ruth McDivitt		
APRIL 13	John & Barbara Graeter		
APRIL 20	Frankvert Family		
APRIL 27			
MAY 4	Kilp Family		
MAY 11			
MAY 18	Gross Family	Rich & Tammy Collier	
MAY 25	Patti Means	John & Helen Miller	

If Your Personal Information Changes...

Please be sure to contact the church office with changes to your personal information: change of address, telephone, or e-mail.

"Thank you for your cooperation!"

Patti Means, Parish Secretary 717-299-1188 or patti@stjohns-lancaster.org

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Sunday School News

Karen DiPace, Sunday School Director

I hope everyone has been having a safe winter! I know it has been a challenge, hopefully one that is past us! We will continue to meet at 9:00 a.m. for gathering time in the auditorium each Sunday, then head to the classrooms. We can always use some more help for 5 minutes of fun with the kids at 9:00 a.m. We are also in need of one or two classroom floaters...someone to help out in class when a teacher can't make it. You would not need to prepare any lessons for class. Let me know if you are interested!

March will kick off our annual Lenten food drive. Weekly themes will be as follows:

March 9^{th -} Soup & Cereal March 16^{th -} Rice and Pork & Beans March 23^{rd -} Canned Fruits & Vegetables March 30^{th -} Canned Tuna April 6^{th -} Pasta, Sauce & Helpers April 13^{th -} Peanut Butter & Jelly April 20^{st -} Canned Meat

Thinking ahead to summer, we will begin planning for Vacation Bible School soon! Please let me know if you are interested in helping with the planning process.

Journey to Adulthood

Mary Ellen Kilp & Leslie Morgan, Co-Youth Directors

Congratulations to Brooks Morgan for delivering a truly awesome message on Youth/Scout Sunday! A special thank you to all the teens who supported and participated that Sunday: the music was fabulous, the prayers meaningful and the liturgy energetic- thank you!

Many thanks to all those who wrote caritas letters for our Happening teens. If you haven't written a letter of encouragement it's not too late; Happening was rescheduled (we are waiting for the date) due to snowy weather. The teens participating include: Emma DiPace, Amelia Dissinger, Aaron Hasircoglu, Cameron Hasircoglu and James Woolson. Mary Ellen and Bob Kilp will be serving on staff.

Save the date for our annual Shrove Tuesday pancake supper on Tuesday, March 4th. Enjoy a meal of homemade pancakes, sausage, fruit salad and applesauce. Stay after dinner for a service of Evensong lead by our own St John's choir. This family friendly event is a wonderful way to support our J2A teens. You can't beat the price and it's a great cause! More information see the flyer in the bulletin or Messenger.

Another great opportunity to support our J2A teens as they plan their pilgrimage: scrap booking! A two day scrapbooking workshop will be offered on March 7th and 8 th at St. John's with proceeds benefiting our J2A pilgrimage. Look for more information to come or be in touch with Jen Hreben with any questions.

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION (CONTINUED)

Finally, look ahead to Holy Week and plan on spending the night at St. John's for the annual Maundy Thursday Lock-In. This convocation event is a great way to meet other teens from Lancaster and the larger diocese. Experience an agape meal, play games and work together to package shoes for a worthy cause. Help plan and lead a Good Friday service with stations of the cross. Don't miss the opportunity to explore your faith in a deeper way during Holy Week. Please rsvp to Pastor Jennifer or Mary Ellen Kilp.



YOUTH CALENDAR OF EVENTS: 2014

Mar 4	Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper
Mar 5	Ash Wednesday
Apr 17	Maundy Thursday Lock-In
Apr 18	Youth Good Friday Service
May 4	Graduation Sunday
June 1	Teacher Appreciation Sunday
June 8	Pentecost/Last Day of Classes/Parish Picnic
June	Diocesan Youth Conference/Camp Mount Luther
July 13-18	Vacation Bible School
July 19	Blueberry Festival

ADULT FORMATION & EDUCATION

Mr. Brooks Morgan mentioned in his sermon on Youth & Scout Sunday (and quite a good sermon it was, too) the very passage of Scripture which is the basis for our March AFED sessions. It comes in Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians, Chapter 5. I will include the verses before and after it as well so you may see where Paul was leading us. 5:16-18: *Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.* (New Revised Standard Version) "Pray without ceasing (or pray constantly)." Brooks raised the proper question, "Does this mean we need to fall on our knees all the time and pray"? His response was also correct, "No, it does not mean that."

But in March we, in the AFED class/group, are going to look at some forms of prayer which you might not know about AND we are actually going to practice what we learn. I suggest we look at these as PEP sessions, where PEP stands for Prayer Energizes People. We will look at the "Jesus Prayer" which is, "Lord Jesus Christ, Son of God, have mercy on me, a sinner," or some variation very close to this. Our real focus, however, will be "The Breath Prayer" which comes from the Jesus Prayer, but is very personal as well as shorter. This is a prayer where a person can truly be praying almost constantly, and with practice, not even realize it. Wait, is that REALLY prayer, if you don't realize it? Well, that may be one of the things we discuss. We will spend a good deal of time practicing this personal prayer in class and in other places (I hope). These may well be the quietist AFED sessions in history!

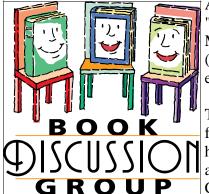
So come and *not* hear what you've been missing.

These sessions meet in the Becker House from about 9:15 to 10:00 a.m. almost every Sunday morning.

Submitted by,

Bob Bailey

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A St. John's AFED (Adult Formation & Educational) "POP-UP" (occasional) Book Discussion is happening on Saturday, March 1st from 1:00-3:00 p.m. at the Roaring Brook Cafe & Market (155 EAST King St, across from the Parking Garage) to share our experiences in reading the book: <u>I AM MALALA</u>.

This is the story of the adolescent Pakastani girl that was shot in the face by the Taliban for her strong stance about education for girls in her country. Please consider joining us. Yummy teas and scones available for purchase. No need to RSVP. Questions? Contact Sue Heilman at 717-951-0731.

VOYAGERS



The guest speakers for the Voyagers' March 22nd meeting will be our very own Parish Secretary, Patti Means and her husband, Al as they will share with us their 25 year-long journey of volunteer work as Bloodhound handlers.

In 1989, Patti & Al founded the Red Rose K-9 S.A.R. (Search and Rescue) Team, a volunteer 501C3 non-profit organization; and since that time, have trained 10 Bloodhounds to help both law enforcement and fire agencies help find lost/missing people. During those years, they were also involved in multiple criminal cases where their Bloodhounds contributed significant findings.

Past recipients of the Lancaster County Jefferson Award, Patti and Al will show their video story produced by Kim Lemon of WGAL TV. Accompanying them will be their 7 year old Bloodhound, "Heather" who in her lifetime as accomplished the American Bloodhound Club's 'Mantrailer Excellent' certification, received an honorable mention in the Search and Rescue category for the American Kennel Club Humane Fund "Awards for Canine Excellence (ACE Award), and received a life-saving award from the Northwest Regional Police Department.

The Red Rose K-9 S.A.R. Team is actively involved in presenting the nationally-known "Hug-A-Tree & Survive" basic survival program to children.

Join us at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, March 22nd in the Parish Hall to learn more about this unique breed, how they work, why they look the way they do, enjoy hearing some adventure stories, and share with Patti & Al, their life-long passion for helping others in need with their man-trailing Bloodhounds.







POPCORN THEOLOGY

"A Place At The Table"

Friday, March 14 - 7:00 p.m. - Parish Hall

A documentary that investigates incidents of hunger experienced by millions of Americans and proposed solutions to the problem.

Questions? Contact Debbie Carter

JUBILEE MINISTRIES



BREAKFAST **COMMUNITY BREAKFAST**—(Contact: Sue Martin)

"Volunteers Welcome!"

SATURDAY, MARCH 15: 7:30-11:00 AM

A breakfast of pancakes, sausage, eggs, juice, cereal, and pastries will be served to the downtown community at <u>First Reformed United Church of Christ</u>, 40 East Orange Street, FELLOWSHIP Lancaster. Volunteers are <u>always</u> needed to help prepare and serve the breakfast.

MARTHA'S MINISTRY (Contact: Jeannie Zeller)

Come and join us in the **Parish Hall** at St. John's on **Tuesday afternoons** from **2:00-4:00 p.m.** as we share fellowship and ideas!

Now that the month of March is here, and warm weather is around the corner, many of you will be putting away those large, warm knitted projects in favor of something more appropriate for the coming heat wave. We suggest knitting a few pocket prayer shawls. Affectionately dubbed as the "prayer shawl you can put in your pocket", a pocket prayer shawl only takes a small amount of yarn and a little of your time.

Please help Martha's Ministry provide pocket prayer shawls for our Memorial Day contribution to our Veterans. Many thanks!

DOOR MINISTRY & FOOD BANK - (Contact: Aaron Spicher)

Non-perishable food donations can be delivered to the church office or given to the Ushers on Sunday. Weekly food bags/boxes are organized for families or single people and are distributed from our church office on Tuesday and Thursday to those in need.



ROBERT FULTON SCHOOL PARTNERSHIP - If you shop at a Turkey Hill store and purchase any of their milk items, **BE SURE TO SAVE THE "MOO" MONEY BOTTLE CAPS** and bring them to church on Sundays. There is a collection container at the Eagle's Nest area of the Parish Hall. We're also collecting Box Tops for Education, Printer Cartridges, and Campbell Soup Labels.

Jubilee Ministries, such as St. John's, are congregations or agencies with connections to the Episcopal Church whose mission work affect the lives of those in need, addressing basic human needs and justice issues.

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"Jubilee Centers are a vital and vibrant part of the mission of the Episcopal Church in our walk with those in need, and the current triennium will see a refocusing and restrengthening of commitment to make a meaningful impact in communities across the country in our work of poverty alleviation."

The Rev. Canon Mark Stevenson, Episcopal Church Domestic Poverty Missioner

JUBILEE MINISTRIES (CONTINUED)

"Celebrating Jubilee"

In March we will be celebrating Jubilee and offering opportunities for supporting efforts diocesan wide as well as exploring another new ministry locally. First, on Sunday March 23rd, we will be making our annual appeal on behalf of Operation Understanding. This is a diocesan wide effort to raise funds on behalf of local church ministries within our diocese. St. John's has benefited many times from funds provided by Operation Understanding. For example, for the last twelve years we have received support for Eagles Nest from Operation Understanding grants. Please be generous in supporting the appeal on March 23rd.

On March 30th we will be celebrating Jubilee Ministries Sunday. Sometimes we take for granted what it means to be a Jubilee Center because it ingrained into us as if it were part of our DNA, but our efforts to involve those living in poverty do show that we "walk the talk. Again, we will be asking for a little extra financial support for our efforts. Please be generous in supporting this appeal on March 30th.

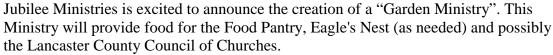
This Spring we have the opportunity to start a new ministry or bring back an old one for some. Doug Brown has offered to have a fruit and vegetable garden at his property. We are looking for weeders and pickers and others willing to help grow and bring in the crops. We will use most of the produce in our Food Bank / Door Ministry effort to provide fresh food to our neighbors who may not have access to them otherwise. If you are interested in being part of this new ministry, please let us know.

In supporting our ministries with our time and our finances, we live out our mission statement: Grow in God; Act in Service; Witness in Love.

Submitted by, John Gouveia

You care for the land and water it; you enrich it

abundantly. Psalm 65:9





The fruits and vegetables will be grown in my back yard (just north of Quarryville, off of Route 222 South). I will be looking for volunteers of any age or skill level. Tentatively volunteers would be needed on Tuesday evenings and Saturday mornings starting around May 1st (time may change due to weather—I will be in touch).

This would be an exciting way to use those hidden talents that so many of us possess, but did not find an outlet for yet. All tools, materials, bathrooms, and drinks will be provided, since it's at my home. The backyard is sloped and a little rough, so volunteers will need to be able to negotiate this type of terrain. If you think that you would like to come play in the dirt and pull weeds, all for a good cause, please email me or give me a call. More details will be coming at the Parish Meeting on March 16th. This is a new and budding Ministry and I am excited about its potential to serve those in need with healthy, but tasty, homegrown food!

Submitted by,

Doug Brown

MILLENNIUM DEVELOPMENT GOALS

What is the first thing you think of when you hear there is more Snow in the forecast? Okay, don't answer that out loud, especially if there are small children around. I know I am feeling a bit exhausted from the challenges created by the beautiful white fluffy stuff. Working on challenges is what the Millennium Development Goals are all about and somehow we will make it through this winter season (soon I hope), we always do. We have been and, continue to look past our own daily challenges and are focusing on the challenges others have in regards to, achieving education as well as eradicating poverty and hunger. The MDG committee has been challenged as well, with trying to meet this month and, to prepare for the upcoming Lenten program. We will persevere and keep watching for our updates on the St. John's website and in the bulletins. In keeping with our Lenten program theme "I am—one World" it seemed appropriate to see what impact we may have affected on our 5 organizations supported by Saint John's parish. Here is some information and 2013 updates I found from the websites of the 5 organizations.

1. Rafiki Africa announces on their website: www.rafikiafrica.org

The Chicken Whisperer Painting Auction raised over \$11,000.00. The Julia Swartz painting raised over \$11,000.00 toward the fund for building a Women's Training Center in Alendu, Kenya. Additionally, 50% from sales of note cards with a print of the Painting also go towards the building fund. A thank you to all at St. John's who purchased note cards sold in the Parish Hall! We were fortunate to have Roger Godfrey and Dorothy Dulo of Rafiki as our guest preachers on Sunday 2/9/14 and heard about the effort to build the Women's Training Center. It was wonderful to hear first hand of the challenges faced and the solutions being developed for the Lighthouse Academy in Alendu, Kenya.

Providing educational opportunities, career training and business skills to girls and women, will enable them to do business in their community. It is an essential part in building and helping the community thrive. This not only works towards the goal of achieving universal primary education but, also eradicating poverty and hunger. See their website and announcements of upcoming events that we may continue our support.

2. World Bicycle Relief announces on their website: www.worldbicyclerelief.org



"Where you took us in 2013, our best year yet".

"For our 2013 year-end campaign, Mobilize Me, we told the stories of people using bicycles to change their worlds. We set a goal of \$2.4M, and we're happy to let you know that we've finished the campaign at \$2.35M raised. This represents 17,500+ more bicycles to mobilize students, healthcare workers and entrepreneurs.

These results would not be possible without generous support from all our donors – those who gave to the campaign and those who provided the matching funds that doubled the impact of each gift made during November and December. On behalf of the people we serve, thank you for your generosity. We couldn't have done it without you."

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3. Heifer International from their website: www.heifer.org

"The External Evaluation of Heifer International's Efforts in twenty countries, A Five Year overview, Western Michigan University, 2009"

In countries such as Uganda, Nepal, Cambodia, Ecuador and Zambia, Heifer is noted as having had an impact on the increased percentages on areas of Education, Self reliance, Income and assets, Livestock care and management, increases in nutritious food (year round), gender equality and youth rights and environmental care. Over 20.7 million families have been helped and lifted out of hunger and poverty in Heifer's nearly 70 year history.

Heifer has impacted positive changes by providing people with the necessary tools, education and livestock. They provide opportunities for a future free of hunger.

4. Marion Medical Mission, from their website: marionmedical.org



The website is getting a new look and a new address. Check www. mmmwater.org for updated look and information.

Statistics for 2013—MMM built 2,999 shallow wells in remote villages in Malawi, Zambia and Tanzania.

"Out of the 19000+ MMM wells built since 1990, 92.3% are functional. That provides an estimated 2.8 million people (1.6 million children) with a sustainable source of safe drinking water."

5. Global Family, from their website: www.globalfamily.mcc.org

The Global Family approach is to provide support to communities, in providing their Children with quality educational programming. They currently are partners with an estimated 100 community-based organizations in 40 or more countries. The communities determine educational needs and create programs to address those needs. That could mean different things to different communities. It could mean a lunch program to help eliminate hunger for one and providing school supplies for another. They are working to support programs and develop communities by promoting girls education, increasing access to education in rural areas, investing in teacher training and resourcing, supporting vocational training for young adults and providing safe, healthy and caring environments. I invite you to visit their website and read the many success stories and progresses from 2013.

I hope you have had the opportunity to read more about these 5 great organizations or, were fortunate to hear Roger Godfrey speak to us. The success stories are inspirational but, the need is still great.

"I am—one world"—by supporting individuals and communities, we are impacting the world. In closing I will share two quotes from www.heifer.org, "Everything starts with a desire for a better Life and a better World" and "Together we have Power over hunger and poverty".

As always, if you are interested in getting involved, the MDG Committee meets the first Thursday of every month at 7 p.m. Come join us! And in the meantime, please continue to read the MDG challenges and incorporate them into your week! Together, we do have power to make the world a better place!

Submitted by,

Tammy Collier

PROPERTY CORNER

Along with many of you, the Property Committee is eager for spring and an end to the extremely harsh weather conditions that are taxing St. John's properties, heating systems and resources for snow and ice removal. Maintenance and repair work is currently underway on building heat exchangers. Two moderate leaks in the Parish House are being addressed.

The committee looks forward to working with Comcast to increase our property's bandwidth, resulting in enhanced and more reliable WiFi access, and paving the way for web streaming of our services.

The Courtyard Committee recently met with representatives from our site design consulting firm RGS Associates to review options for storm water management, and to learn the latest details on potential grant money from Lancaster City. Pending Vestry approval, RGS will provide cost analysis on four options to address our commitment to finding a solution to this issue which impacts both the environment and potential construction projects in the future.

An office for Minister of Music Paul Reese is being readied near the music room. Walls have been patched and electrical outlets installed. Anyone willing to offer a hand with painting, please contact Bill Gross at 581-7893.

As we think spring, please consider joining us for our Spring Clean-Up on Saturday, April 12 at 9 p.m.

Submitted by The Property Committee

Phil Becker, Rich Collier, Peter Eaton, Robert Fields, Bill Gross, Grant Hansel, Mike Heider, Janice Henry, & Cynthia Minnich

COURTYARD COMMITTEE

There has been steady progress made behind the scenes on the courtyard project. Currently MM Architects are in a holding pattern as the parish conducts a capital campaign feasibility study. This study is essential to see if our church is healthy enough to undertake a capital campaign. As soon as I hear from this group, I will pass on the news.

RGS associates has provided us with a design option for our storm water management. While this design was satisfactory, we asked for some additional choices. The option received (plans for this design are currently in the Sherman Study on poster board) did not fully address all of our concerns necessitating the additional designs. These designs will require \$1900 and will come up for a resolution vote during the February Vestry meeting. The hope is that a new design will better meet our needs. Once a design is decided upon, we will continue the design process for the storm water management.

On a side note, if you remember many months age I mentioned that Mike Heider had graciously offered to construct a model of the proposed church addition. I was informed that this model will be done in the next month or so. As soon as the model is constructed, it will be brought to the church. I am unsure as to where the model will reside, but I am confident that we will find a suitable location for it.

Submitted by,

Doug Brown

"THRIVE"

A Diocesan Training Day



Theological
Hope...to
Re-new...&
In-Vigorate
Episcopalians



Saturday, March 22, 2014 8:30 a.m.—3:00 p.m.

St. Luke's Episcopal Church 806 13th Street, Altoona, PA 16602 814-942-1372

Register Online at: www.diocesecpa.org (Home Page)
Registration Closes March 15, 2014 - Cost: \$20.00, Includes Lunch

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ALL DAY WORKSHOPS INCLUDE:

Ministry of the Lay Eucharistic Visitor

Leading Public Worship Service

Leading Through Change: Some Nuts and Bolts About Appreciative Inquiry

"A Variety of Gifts" - A Gifts Discernment Process

Stephen Ministry, "God's Love in Action"

Parish Administration

How to Use Your Parochial Report to Enhance Your Parish Ministry

Communications—Resources on the Diocesan Website

Growing our Financial Capacity

GOD MOMENTS

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; the old has gone, the new has come!

2 Corinthians 5:17

When March arrives, I immediately think of two things: my mother's birthday, she turns 84 this year, and the lines from a song, "The sun's gonna shine on my backdoor one day, March winds gonna blow all my troubles away." It seems somewhat ironic to say this because we're only 60 days into this year, but it's time for a New Year's resolutions list rewrite. Well, not exactly a rewrite, but more like a regrouping. I started out this year with specific goals and aspirations; I have my "to do" list and my "not to do" list. While the lists by themselves aren't bad or unachievable, I realize that how I listed things is. That's one of the reasons I always write things down in pencil; pencils have erasers. And the joy of an eraser is its ability to help you fix mistakes.

One of the most important things I've learned about the Lenten season is that it's a time for reconciliation; a time to fix mistakes. So, of course, the question I have to ask myself is, "How are the March winds gonna blow all my troubles away", unless I'm willing to do a little bit to make it happen? There's always a disappointment when a dream or aspiration doesn't come true. There's the feeling of defeat. However, one of the best ways to overcome this feeling is through reconciliation. I think this is where the pencil comes into play. One of the best ways to start reconciliation is by rearranging goals and aspirations into a more doable way. This, of course, seems easy to do when it's written on paper. The hard part is actually starting over again.

Well, the irony is that starting over is a lot easier than we think it is because we usually don't realize we have started over. If you remember Brooks Morgan's sermon on Boy Scouts Sunday, he talked about "God moments." I think it's best to remember that when we pray and ask God for ways to reconcile differences or ways to redo our New Year's resolution list, that His answers are usually very simple. His answers are in those "God moments"; those "God moments" are like March winds blowing all our troubles away.

Submitted by,

Julie Gittens

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BECOME INVOLVED IN SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S:

For Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, Servers, Crucifers, or Torch Bearers: Contact the Church Office.

For **Eucharistic Visitors**: Contact one of the clergy.

For Altar Guild: Contact Cynthia Minnich

For **Ushers**: Contact Mike Gbur

For Greeters or Coffee Hour Hosts: Contact Bruce & Mary Waskowicz

Contact telephone numbers for these people can be found in the Parish Directory and copies are available
in the Welcome Center at the rear of the church.

PRAYER LIST

If you would like to add someone to the Prayer List, please contact the church office and that particular person will be prayed for, for four (4) weeks. Continued prayers for that person necessitates another contact with the church office.



Harris Arnold Rob Ashton Darlene Bentley Faith D'Urbano Pam Fischer Linda Frederiksen Bill & Lois Herzog Joan Lahr Stefan Latshaw William K. Miller Nancy Nemith Mary Power Robert & Joan Power Sue Purdy Christian Stigelman Leeton Thomas Dallas Weidman Shannon, Morgan & John

For Our Homebound Parishioners and For Those Suffering from Addictions

SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Please remember those who are serving in our armed forces. If you would like to add or delete anyone from this list, please be sure to contact Patti Means in the church office.

Laurel Hobbins, Matthew James, Howard Kane, III, Alex Kelly, Kyle Kulka, Joseph Lombardo, Nicholas Lombardo, Sean McCormick, Jamie Olejniczak, John S. Waltz, Joshua Watkins

GROCERY CARDS

Total sales for January gave \$432 to Jubilee. We can do better than this. We need to focus and continue with our better buying habits! Show Jubilee that we really care!

Our regular buyers, irregular buyers, and the rest of you need to participate. Everyone has to eat something. Let's make purchasing grocery cards the "in" thing to do!

Don't forget: It's easier to use a grocery card at the store than to peel out cash or write a check. Your using one of our cards gives 5% of its value to our Jubilee missions.

Remember that a \$100 card can be used as often as it takes to use it up. You don't have to spend it all at one time.

AND YOU ARE NOT LOSING ANYTHING. YOU ARE GETTING FULL VALUE FOR YOUR CARD. THE STORE SELLS CARDS TO US AT A 5% DISCOUNT.

Submitted by, Cynthia Minnich

<u>Participating Stores</u>: Darrenkamp's, Giant, John Herr's, Oregon Dairy, Stauffer's, & Weis

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

<u>Name</u>	<u>Date</u>
Bailey, Bob Burch, Molly Callender, Gizella Carpenter, Allie Clark, Neil Cliff, Joel Dissinger, David Dorgan, Paul Ginolfi, David Glazier, Penn Gromis, Keith Gromis, Sharon Gross, Emily Hasircoglu, Betsy Heider, Mike Henry, Kimberly Herzog, John Hobbins, Matthew Jarba, Moses Johnson, Cricket Juslin-Asplin, Betty Lahr, Joan Latshaw, Karen Lemonick, Leslie Lombardo, Michael Loose, Ted Mone, Jennifer Morgan, Brooks Pecora, Mary Jane Pennell, Dave Rodriguez, Julie Sanderson, Luke Smith, Daniel Snyder, Jim Stone, Janelle Suliveras, Anthony Tyson, Alan Walsh, Ellie Walsh, Marjie Waskowicz, Bruce Wendler, Madalyn	7 9 10 5 29 30 3 25 13 24 29 27 14 32 5 6 17 24 8 21 6 2 2 12 6 15 17 26 15 27 12 17 26 15 17 26 17 27 17 28 17 29
Zimmerman, Phil	23



MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

Couple	<u>Date</u>
Freeman, Dale & Sibyl	3/27/1992
Houston, John & Nancy	3/11/1990
Latshaw, Andy & Ally	3/20/2005
Mausolf, Andy & Katie	3/17/2007
McGee, Vince & Shirley	3/16/1957
Tahsler, Bruce & Leslie	3/31/1979
Waskowicz, Bruce & Mary	3/09/1991



The Birthday Prayer

O God, our times are in your hand: Look with favor, we pray, on your servants as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their lives, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE <u>DEADLINE</u> TO SUBMIT ARTICLES FOR THE

APRIL, 2014 "MESSENGER":

MARCH 17, 2014

SERVING SCHEDULE – MARCH, 2014

FOR ALL THOSE SERVING AT ST. JOHN'S: PLEASE NOTE!

If you are unable to fulfill your serving duties, it will be your responsibility to find a replacement. Once you have located a replacement, please be sure to call the Church Office with your name, the name of your replacement, and the date you were scheduled to serve. If you reach our voice mail system, **simply dial "0"** to leave your message. If you call the Church Office after working hours, your call will still be received by a staff member prior to the Sunday service.

Please avoid contacting Aaron Spicher, personally, with this type of information. Aaron will receive your information through the Church Office. "Thank you for your cooperation!"

MARCH 2	8:00 AM 10:15 AM			
Eucharistic Minister	Ricky Smith	David Dissinger, Katie Mausolf		
Eucharistic Visitor	_	Peter Novosel, Julie Gittens, Honamans		
Lector	Bob lee	Phil Purdy		
Server	Joanie Kilhefner	Emma DiPace		
Torch Bearer	_	Danielle DiPace, Natalie Visco		
Crucifer	_	Glenn Miller		
Altar Guild	Team 1	Team 1		
Steeple Bell Ringer	_	Maxwell Lester		
Ushers	8:00 a.m.	Team A		
Greeter	_	Brad Zuke		
Coffee Hour	Stewardship	Stewardship		
Nursery	_	Phyllis Gbur		

MARCH 9	8:00 AM	10:15 AM	
Eucharistic Minister	Merle Schnee	Sibyl Freeman, Michael Stank	
Eucharistic Visitor	_	Don Durand	
Lector	Sue Tobie	Frank Cummins	
Server	_	Michael Hreben	
Torch Bearer	_	Miriam & Max Lester	
Crucifer	_	Aaron Spicher	
Altar Guild	Team 2	Team 2	
Steeple Bell Ringer	_	Lynn Hayford	
Ushers	8:00 a.m.	Team B	
Greeter	_	Peter Novosel	
Coffee Hour	YAC	YAC	
Nursery	_	Andy Carroll	

MARCH 16	8:00 AM	10:15 AM	
Eucharistic Minister	James Glazier	Barbara McGraw, Peter Novosel	
Eucharistic Visitor	Phil Becker, Ricky Smith	Fred & Eleanor Honaman	
Lector	Fred Bush	Joel Cliff	
Server	Joanie Kilhefner	Aidan Cliff	
Torch Bearer	_	Sean Cliff, Michael Thompson	
Crucifer	_	Dave Pennell	
Altar Guild	Team 3	Team 3	
Steeple Bell Ringer	_	Conor Brenton	
Ushers	8:00 a.m.	Team C	
Greeter	_	Leslie Morgan	
Coffee Hour	Community Breakfast	Community Breakfast	
Nursery	_	Anne Gokey	



MARCH 23	8:00 AM	10:15 AM	
Eucharistic Minister	Peter Eaton	David Dissinger, Brad Moyer	
Eucharistic Visitor	_	Phyllis Gbur, Sue Heilman	
Lector	Laurie Eaton	Tom Bond	
Server	_	Amelia Dissinger	
Torch Bearer	_	Conor Brenton, Kendall Morgan	
Crucifer	_	Bob Kilp	
Altar Guild	Team 4	Team 4	
Steeple Bell Ringer	_	Aaron Hasircoglu	
Ushers	8:00 a.m.	Team D	
Greeter	_	Bruce Waskowicz	
Coffee Hour	Usher Teams C & D	Usher Teams C & D	
Nursery	_	Janelle Stone	

MARCH 30	8:00 AM	10:15 AM		
Eucharistic Minister	Ricky Smith	Sibyl Freeman, Katie Mausolf		
Eucharistic Visitor	_	Karen Latshaw, Sue Martin		
Lector	Bob Lee	Jane Lee		
Server	_	Emma DiPace		
Torch Bearer	_	Kendall Stone, Natalie Visco		
Crucifer	_	John Waskowicz		
Altar Guild	Shelby Kilhefner, Cynthia Minnich, Marylee Sauder	Shelby Kilhefner, Cynthia Minnich, Marylee Sauder		
Steeple Bell Ringer	_	Brooks Morgan		
Ushers	8:00 a.m.	Team A (5th Sunday)		
Greeter	_	Dave Martin		
Coffee Hour	Martha's Ministry	Martha's Ministry		
Nursery	_	Leslie Morgan		



APRIL 6	8:00 AM	10:15 AM		
Eucharistic Minister	James Glazier	David Dissinger, Barbara McGraw		
Eucharistic Visitor	Stephanie McGovern	Fred & Eleanor Honaman		
Lector	Sue Tobie	Bob Kilp		
Server	Joanie Kilhefner	Julia Hasircoglu		
Torch Bearer	_	Danielle DiPace, Sean Cliff		
Crucifer	_	Glenn Miller		
Altar Guild	Team 1	Team 1		
Steeple Bell Ringer	_	Lorraine Nolan		
Ushers	8:00 a.m.	Team A		
Greeter	_	Brad Zuke		
Coffee Hour	Voyagers / Sunday School	Voyagers / Sunday School		
Nursery	_	Elspeth Moffatt		

MARCH 2014

Sunday	Monday **	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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