

# The Breeze

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## APRIL 4 - Easter Sunday

Worship service at 10:15 am  
In the tent on the parking lot

## April 11 - 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Easter

Worship service at 10:15 am

## April 18 - 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Easter

Worship service at 10:15 am

## April 25 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Easter

Worship service at 10:15 am

Grace and Peace to you Beloved of God,

We are celebrating the Easter season! This is a time of great joy! In the Holy Scripture, there is much written about joy. There also are many hymns about joy. In the celebration of Jesus - God born of a woman - we recall the shouts of joy to the world; the Lord is come; Let earth receive her King and every heart prepare Him room. The Hymn Joy to the World, written by Isaac Watts, celebrates that by grace and the reign of Jesus "no more will sin and sorrow grow...that He'll come and make blessings flow." This is a song that tells of God's limitless love for all of humanity.

It is in God coming into the communities of the earth, the miraculous teachings and liberation that Jesus shared, and His resurrection from crucifixion that we can rejoice! Jesus wiped clean humanity's sin debt before God. He became the bridge that restored the connection that had been broken by humanity's greed, pride, and deceit. In this, we can count it all joy when we fall into various trials. The text in James 1:2-8 teaches that knowing God's love and grace can help us endure our trials and strengthen our faith through the patience it produces.

Joy, patience, mercy, and humility are important values that God desires for us to adopt. Joy is an often-overlooked social value. Joy comes from knowing God through Jesus and the power of the Holy Spirit. Joyfulness is a mark of the community and individual rooted in God and is a fruit of the Holy Spirit (Galatians 5:22-23). Think of joy as part



April 1, 2021



April 2, 2021



April 4, 2021

of the gift of grace God uplifts us with. Here, perspective is essential, as our outlook can influence our perspectives concerning life.

MSGT Paul Moore, E-5 Rodger Nagy, LT. JG Seth Watlington

We have come through many trials of the COVID pandemic; everything from death and harming one another as enemies; to extending the mercies of helping each other and being encouraging allies. We should grieve the losses and frustrations of the 'Great Disruption' of 2020. We should also hold onto the truths of God, that God is able, that God stays with us through the trials, and that God's love is unending.

Jesus said it best. "Come to me, all who labor and are heavy-laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light" (Matthew 11:28-30). As the world, neighbors, family, and each of us comes through this trial and cautiously returns to gathering in-person, look to God. Pray that God helps us to be bold in re-imagining a better community, a beloved community, where we excel at including and supporting the diversity of God's people. Pray for joy to spring from our hearts in ways that help us remove ego, be patient with one another, and give thanks to God through words and deeds of love and sacrifice.

Rejoice...Christ is Risen! Pastor Edward



*In Our Prayers*

**Prayer Concerns and Joys:**

Stacee Banko, Jaxson Lutz, Lutz family, Susan Bostian, Audrey Gerhart's mother, George H. Stewart, Jr., Rodger McKay, Emily

Livingston,

**Long-term Prayer Concerns:** Kathy Anderson, Matthew Atwood, Sandi Berry, Guy Connelly, Debbie Coppola, Jean Cruttenden, Shawn Durn, Judy & Ken Faust, Liz Romig-Garnier, Charlie Gianguzi, Barbara Goldman, Jim Goldman, Kevin Hann, Dorothy Johnson, Gayle Kozak, Sonny Laubach, Stephanie Lilly, Barbara Moon, Ethel Okker, Grayce Raven, Ken Raven, Jakob Raven, Carolyn Stafnack, Jason Vliet, Paty Vliet, Charissa Williams, Carter Wolfgang

**Our Service People:** Chief MSG Thomas Bostian, SRA Patrick Jones, Major Scott Lechner,

**MEMBERS OF THE MONTH**

**Alan Heller, Dewayne Heller, Jerry Hittinger, Steve Henninger, Charles Berthold.**

**These people are all responsible for preparing and sending the information for soft church and Facebook worship to us every Sunday. Even though church is not regular, these people are still involved in sending us God's word!**

**It is great people like these that keep Dryland a great family!  
Nominated by Kathy I. Peters,  
Breeze Editor**

**Continuing with our corner to hear from and about our Young Adults. To contribute information, please e-mail [kdrybreezekip@gmail.com](mailto:kdrybreezekip@gmail.com) or the church office, [drylandoffice@rcn.com](mailto:drylandoffice@rcn.com) so we can include it in the newsletter each month.**



**This month we are honoring:**

**Ryan & Ashley Knauss**

Ryan is in his second year as a student at Penn State. He is studying Engineering. He is employed at Subway.

Ashley is a Senior at Nazareth Area High School. She will attend Bloomsburg University in the Fall. She will study Education. She is employed at Subway as well.

**THOUGHT OF THE MONTH**

**Friendship does not spring up and grow great and become perfect all at once, but requires time and the nourishment of thoughts!**



- 3 Elise Intrepido, Jennifer Johnson, Gregory Teitsworth
- 4 Willow Fogel
- 5 Deborah Tenges
- 6 Joseph Erceg, Kathryn Erceg
- 7 Alison Rothrock
- 8 Colin Burnette, Christopher Singer
- 11 Ace Deily, Stacy Hicks
- 12 Donna Green, Scott Lechner, Joan Pennucci
- 13 ShannaLee Dawson, Suzanne Hunt, Skye Spadaccia
- 14 Linda Cruttenden
- 16 Rick Nagle, Darla Young
- 17 Brooke Knouse
- 18 Irene Sofka
- 19 Debbie Mosser, Steven Mosser, Evelyn Motts
- 21 Kaylee Schiavone
- 24 Abrielle Snyder
- 26 Mark Atwood
- 27 Erinn Ball, Alec Gerhart
- 29 Adam Weidner
- 30 James Goldman



**HAWAIIAN STYLE “CHOPS or CHICKEN”  
DINNER– Your choice of Hawaiian Style  
Pork Chops or Hawaiian Style Chicken.  
Two Entirely Different Recipes. Take  
home a dinner, “Ready to Heat and Eat”  
on Saturday, APRIL 24. Pickup time is  
between 11AM and 2PM.**

Your dining begins with a choice of Pork chops marinated in a Hawaiian sauce, grilled to perfection, and topped with a sweet pineapple salsa or Hawaiian style grilled chicken brushed with a pineapple sauce while cooking. In addition, the menu includes Hawaiian Fresh Fruit Salad, Seasoned Rice, Corn, Rolls and Hawaiian Wedding Cake.

All this for **\$11.00**. Order deadline is **Sunday, April 18**. Call Rich at 484-894-9799, Karen at 610-504-1158 or the church office at 610-759-4444 to place your order. If there is no answer



- 2 Mr. & Mrs. Chris Miller 17 years
- 6 Mr. & Mrs. Dan Cruttenden 47 years
- 7 Mr. & Mrs. Charles Moser 42 years
- 11 Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Johnson 51 years
- 12 Mr. & Mrs. Larry Johnson 52 year
- Mr. and Mrs. Eric Nagle 35 years
- 21 Mr.& Mrs. Daniel Statfield 14 years
- 23 Mr. & Mrs. Alan Peters 10 years
- 24 Mr. & Mrs. Mark Gable 17 years
- 27 Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Statfield 14 years
- 28 Mr. & Mrs. John Knouse 31 years
- Mr. and Mrs. Jason Motts 9 years
- 30 Mr. & Mrs. James Dawson 16 years

leave a message in order that we may return your call.



### **Remember Our Homebound Members**

**Janet Day** – 1/29/35, 610-865-3598  
Country Meadows, Apartment 509,  
4025 Green Pond Road, Bethlehem, PA 18020  
**Dottie Heckler** – 12/29/29  
610-759-0197, 243 Nazareth Pike,  
Bethlehem, PA 18020

### **CONSISTORY – 2021**

#### **Officers**

President – Stacey Banko (D)  
VP – Dan Cruttenden (E)  
Secretary – Linda Atwood (D)  
Treasurer – Dewayne Heller (E)

#### **Committees**

Christian Education – Stacey Banko (D)  
Church and Ministry – Dan Cruttenden (E)  
Evangelism – Charlie Berthoud (E)  
Finance – Dewayne Heller (E)  
Inside Property – David Faust (E)  
Outside Property – Allen Singer (D)  
Missions – Greg Teitsworth (D)  
Music & Worship – Linda Atwood (D)  
Stewardship – Susan Bostian (D)

### **INSIDE PROPERTY REPORT**

Continue Cleaning up key list,  
The facility and Sanctuary, continues to be cleaned and wiped down, Continue to sanitize after dinner events.  
Installed two LED lights above kitchen sink.  
Installing Security Cameras, presently have 6 installed, working on 2 more.  
Cleaned all supply / return air grills in CEC, Hallway, Choir room, Pastors office and office.  
Boiler was inspected and yearly maintenance performed.  
Basement steps were cleaned and clear coat of Shimmer Finish applied.  
8 fire extinguishers replaced by Johnson Controls Outdated

Dave Faust, Chairperson

### **MUSIC AND WORSHIP**

The Music and Worship committee has been on a bit of a hiatus since November. Our members have continued to do their part by helping to create a positive environment for those who view the on-line services. Members and other volunteers have also played an integral role in the production of these services. On February 28, many of you returned to the sanctuary to view the services on the large screen televisions and have continued through March 20. We are all excited that, after this transition period, our worship service for Palm Sunday was held in person.

In anticipation of celebrating Easter, our first official meeting since November 9 was held on March 16. The choir will joyfully raise their voices in celebration for our outdoor Easter service. After Easter, the choir will continue lifting their voices in praise to our Lord, but not in person. They will pre-record anthems and hymns to enhance your worship experience. These recordings will continue until it is once again considered to be safe to sing in person. Linda Atwood, Chairperson

### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The cash receipt and expenditures activity for the period February 1 thru February 28, 2021. The category Current-Mission-Property encompasses the options on the weekly giving envelop. These costs cover the basic needs to keep your church operational (i.e. salaries, utilities, insurance, property maintenance). The Capital category is referring to the capital section of the giving envelope. The monies here are applied to the loan obtained for the sanctuary renovation in 2009. Giant Card Program is another way to support the church through Giant Markets giving back 5% of the total sales made by obtaining a Giant Gift Card. The Note area is a guide to keep us on target for meeting our financial commitments.

What a wonderful time for a renewal. Spring is here and we see new life upon the earth that God graciously provides for us. Easter is here as well, and our Spiritual Souls are renewed through the precious gift of Christ, crucified, and resurrected from the dead. We are grateful that God cares and Loves us so much. The mid-week Lenten Service on Wednesday, March 24, Pastor Ed lead us in thought and discussion regarding gratitude. Here is an insert from the



devotional With Your Whole Heart that the teaching is derived from. *Grow Together – Practice habits of gratitude every day. Say thank you to God through words and deeds of love and sacrifice. Say thank you to others in your family for who they are. Leave notes and gifts and give hugs. Practice gratitude in small ways.* We are thankful for the family of God at Dryland. Each one of us is appreciated and unique in our own special way. Thank You God for allowing us to grow in fellowship and worship you as one body in Christ.

We Appreciate and Thank each of you for your generosity no matter the size to assure the church remains part of the community and part of your life. There is plenty of work to accomplish, so do not feel bashful to pitch in. We do so by **Faith!**

### **Dryland United Church of Christ --- A Place to Belong!**

Blessings  
Finance Committee --- Dewayne Heller, Craig Johnson, Pastor Ed, Jerry Hittinger, Steve Henninger, Monna Lou Henninger, Karen Lambert, Allen Singer, Hugh Harris

### **DRYLAND STAFF**

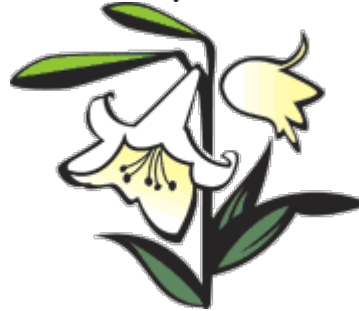
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**Pastor Edward, Kathy, Susan, Carol, Dewayne, Stacey, Jerry, Dawn, Craig.**



**April 21, 2021**

Christian symbol



**LILY**—The lily that blooms around Easter is a symbol of Christ's resurrection because it rises from a seemingly lifeless bulb decaying in the ground. It is also used as a symbol of Christ himself. The lily, a symbol of purity, is often used to represent the Virgin Mary.



**As we celebrate the new beginnings of spring and the Rising of our Lord, We all wish you and your family a Very Happy and Joyful Easter!**

*Come join Dryland UCC in the  
Celebration of  
Christ's Resurrection!*

*Easter Sunday, April 4, 2021 10:15 AM*

Our service of celebration will  
take place under the shelter of  
a tent in the rear of the church  
at

4415 Newburg Road, Nazareth  
PA

All necessary precautions, regarding COVID  
recommendations, are being followed.



Category	February Receipts	February Expense	February Balance	YTD Receipts	YTD Expense	YTD Balance
Current-Mission-Property	\$13,113.69	\$16,069.06	- \$2,955.37	\$27,259.32	\$33,366.28	- \$6,106.96
Capital (Mortgage)	\$1,477.53	\$0.00	\$1,477.53	\$3,315.56	\$1,241.00	\$2,074.56
Total Category Balance	\$14,591.22	\$16,069.06	- \$1,477.84	\$30,574.88	\$34,607.28	- \$4,032.40

Giant Card Program	\$1,500.00	\$1,425.00	\$75.00	\$1,500.00	\$1,425.00	\$75.00
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**NOTE:**

2021 Budget (exclude Capital) \$233,972.00 Capital Payment delayed to March due to loan interest rate modification

Monthly Receipts Required \$19,497.67

Weekly Receipts Required \$4,874.42

2021 Budget (Capital) \$14,712.00

Monthly Receipts Required \$1,226.00

Weekly Receipts Required \$306.50