

# The Breeze

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PLEASE NOTE THAT WE WILL ADVISE WHEN WE WILL RETURN TO IN-HOUSE SERVICES. UNTIL THEN, THE TIMES BELOW REPRESENT TIMES FOR ONLINE SERVICES AT 10:15 AM ON SUNDAYS.

**February 7 - 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

Worship service at 10:15 am

**February 14 - 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Epiphany**

Worship service at 10:15 am

**February 17 – Ash Wednesday**

Worship service at 7:00 p.m.

**February 21 – 8<sup>th</sup> 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

Worship service at 10:15 am

**February 28 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

Worship service at 10:15 am



2/14/21



2/7/21



2/17/21



## Pastor's Message for Lent

Grace and peace from our Savior Jesus Christ. We celebrated the Epiphany during January as a remembrance when Jesus was revealed to the world as God incarnate, the King of all kings for Jews and Gentiles. We sang praises to our God because joy, light, and salvation have come to the world!

Through the hardships of 2020 and the volatile start to 2021, God remains faithful. I believe that God calls for us every second of every hour. I believe that God's love for us is greater than we can comprehend. God loves us so much that He sacrificed Himself on the cross that we would be welcomed and reconciled to God by accepting Jesus as our Savior and allowing Christ to reign in our hearts. The crucifixion of Jesus on the cross was the final sacrifice of our sin debt being forgiven.

February marks the beginning of the Lenten season. Lent is the 40 days from Ash Wednesday to Easter/Resurrection Sunday. It has evolved into a period during which participants reflect on the work and life of Jesus, His suffering and death on our behalf, and the significance of His burial and resurrection from death. Our redemption through Christ Jesus is a wonderful reason to rejoice and reflect on our relationship with God, especially during these trying times.

As we enter this Lenten season, let us remember the self-examination, repentance,

preparation, and the hope this time represents. Keep looking for strength through Christ to persevere the difficult road ahead. Tremendous patience will be needed to allow enough time for vaccinations to reach a critical number and for us to gain a better understanding of the life cycle of COVID-19, the way it may impact people differently, and the severity of any additional strains.

I found the words of the American poet, Amanda Gorman, named National Youth Poet Laureate, quite assuring. In her published poem, *The Hill We Climb*, she asserts that we are not a nation that is broken, but a simply unfinished nation. We lift our eyes, “not to see what stands between us, but what stands before us. We close the divide because we know, to put our future first, we must first put our differences aside We lay down our arms so we can reach out our arms to one another.” She concludes with, “The new dawn blooms as we free it for there is always light; if only we're brave enough to see it; If only we're brave enough to be it.”

This echoes the spirit of love to which Jesus beckons us to take heart and fear not. He teaches that we are to love God and to love our neighbors as ourselves. Jesus says there are no greater commandments than these. Beloved of God, this world needs the light of God's Love. Be encouraged, believe in God's promises, and be the hope and compassion needed to repair this world. Let the light of God's love shine through your thoughts, words, and actions.

May it be well with your soul,

Pastor Edward



**Prayer Concerns and Joys:**

Family of Chris Vliet, Family of Linda Atwood, Family of Evelyn Hawk, Emily Livingston,

**Long-term Prayer Concerns:**

Kathy Anderson, Matthew Atwood, Sandi Berry, Guy Connelly, Debbie Coppola, Jean Cruttenden, Shawn Durn, 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, MSGT Paul Moore, E-5 Rodger Nagy, LT. JG Seth Watlington

***Since there has been no in-house worship, the flower chart and bulletin charts have not been filled yet for the new year, 2021 Thank You***



**MEMBER OF THE MONTH**

**The Late, Chris Vliet**

**Chris was our church secretary here at Dryland and did a fantastic job. No matter what was asked of her she carried out the task and sometimes beyond. She helped me every month with printing and collating the newsletter for me and if I missed something, she was right there to back me up. I and everyone here at Dryland will miss her very much. Rest in peace, CHRIS!**

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

**THOUGHT OF THE MONTH**

**He who defends with love, will be secure.**

**Heaven will save him, and**

**protect him with love!**



Our church family was saddened this past month when Chris Vliet passed on, December 31, 2020, Joann Moon, mother of Linda Atwood passed on December 28, 2020, Evelyn Hawk oldest member of Dryland, passed on January 16, 2021. They are now at peace and sitting at the right hand of our Father in heaven. May they Rest in Peace.

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: Bostian's**

**TJ**...working full time at MS TechZ in computers and IT and going to school at Bloomsburg to finish his IT degree.

**Mary**...in the process of finishing her 2-year degree at NCC and transferring to Moravian to finish her 4 year degree in Education as well as working full time at Hobby Lobby as CS Manager.

**Catherine**: Sophomore at Naz, working at Jersey Mikes

**Harrison**: Homeschooled, worked on a movie set and had a role in the upcoming film Lucky Louie, is learning how to solder and 3D print, and will be working on another movie set this summer, The Hail Mary.

**Sam**: my oldest by choice, is expecting her 4th child in August, while keeping busy raising her 3 boys, all under the age of 4.



**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

**FEBRUARY Birthdays**

- 2 Beth Green
- 3 Thomas Mosser, Scott Weisel
- 5 Liz Carl
- 7 Gary Easterday, Sr. , Colton Nesfeder
- 8 Mallory Dawson
- 9 Holly Jones, Christine Seiple
- 11 Dennis Muthard, Brooke Spadaccia, Jason Vian
- 12 David Dornblaser, Jennifer Mantz, Teagan Renner
- 13 George Stewart, Jr.
- 15 Nancy Butterworth, Chantelle Danchak, Margaret Heller
- 16 Susan Bostian
- 17 Pat Bader
- 19 Emilia Motts
- 20 Sarah Gallagher
- 22 Karen Lambert, Melanie Motts, Roberta Schmauch
- 24 Seth Watlington
- 26 Judith Faust, Marie Frey
- 27 Joshua Peters
- 28 TJ Bostian

**FEBRUARY Anniversaries**

- 9 M/M James Goldman 41 yrs
- 13 M/M Michael Pizzoferrato 28 yrs
- 27 M/M. Gerald Green, Sr. 56 yrs



*Thank You*

Thank you for the cards, flowers, thoughts and prayers that were received during the passing of our mother, Naomi Hunt. It was very comforting in this difficult time that so many people from church, friends and neighbors were so thoughtful. Thanks, The Hunt family, Lois, Craig, Sally Suzie & Sheree and families.



**BONELESS STUFFED CHICKEN BREAST DINNER – Take this home with you to eat at your pleasure. Saturday, February 6. Pickup time is between Noon and 2PM. In case of snow or ice which hampers driving, we will have an alternate pickup date and time of Sunday, February 7 between Noon and 2PM. You will be notified by phone if need arises to change the date.**

The meal includes Chicken Breast stuffed with our own homemade filling, Buttered Carrots, Gravy, a choice of Salad or the Soup of the Month, Rolls and a choice of Apple Crumb or Cherry Crumb Pie. For the Salad, choose between Ranch, Italian, French or Thousand Island Dressing.

All this for **\$11.00**. Order deadline is **Monday, February 1**. 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 leave a message in order that we may return your call.



**BAKED HADDOCK IN A CHEESE JACKET OR COUNTRY FRESH SAUSAGE DINNER – Take this home with you to eat at your pleasure.**

**Saturday, February 20. Pickup time is between Noon and 2PM. In case of snow or ice which hampers driving, we will have an alternate pickup date and time of Sunday, February 21 between Noon and 2PM. You will be notified by phone if the need arises to change the date.**

The meal includes a choice of Baked Haddock covered in a Swiss Cheese Jacket or Fresh Country Sausage, Steak Fries, Garlic String Beans with Parmesan Cheese,

Salad with a choice of Ranch, French, Thousand Island or Italian Dressing, Rolls and Chocolate Lava Cake for Dessert.

The price of this dinner is \$11.00. Order deadline is **Sunday, February 13**. 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 leave a message in order that we may return your call.



**ITALIAN SOMETHING DINNER – Choose between Lasagna, Chicken Parmesan or Eggplant Parmesan to take home with you to eat at your pleasure.**

**Saturday, March 6. Pickup time is between Noon and 2PM. In case of snow or ice which hampers driving, we will have an alternate pickup date and time of Sunday, March 7 between Noon and 2PM. You will be notified by phone if the need arises to change the date.**

The meal includes a choice of Homemade Lasagna, Chicken Parmesan or Eggplant Parmesan, a choice of Caesar Salad or Italian Wedding Soup, Vegetable Medley, Rolls, and Cannoli's for dessert. Please note Gluten Free Meals are available upon request.

The price of this dinner is \$11.00. **Order deadline is Sunday, February 27**. 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 leave a message in order that we may return your call.

## 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)

## MISSIONS REPORT

Greg Teitsworth, Chair

## MUSIC & WORSHIP REPORT

. Linda Atwood, Chair

## INSIDE PROPERTY

- Meeting Minutes- items completed this month
- Continue in the process of cleaning up the key list and having keys returned to the church for reuse.
  - The facility and Sanctuary, continue to be cleaned and areas wiped down. Sanitizing time has been cut significantly with the use of the Sanitizing fogger machines.
  - Urinals in men's rooms were not functioning correctly, they are now fixed.
  - Waxed Sanctuary flagstone floor
  - Applied new tape to Sanctuary pews for Covid-19 social distancing restricting access to certain areas

Submitted by: Stephen R Henninger  
CC: Dave Faust, Rich Durn, Karen Lambert

## TREASURER'S REPORT

The cash receipt and expenditure activity for the period December 1 thru December 31, 2020. 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.

This is the final monthly report for 2020. Keep your eyes open for additional correspondence in the next several weeks regarding the 2020 Financial Statement. We realize this type of information maybe overbearing at times. It is not our purpose to create the mindset that all *they* want is money. Our goal is to keep you informed with the data we have to work with.

This is important to make the required decision with the resources that God has intrusted us with. In God we Trust and our HOPE is in him. Two ways as a family of God we work together to make smart decisions with our data.

1. **Congregation** - Giving – time, talent, & tithing. We don't expect anyone to sacrifice family needs above anything else. How we define the difference between needs and wants may need to be reviewed? That is an individual task to answer.
2. **Church Leaders** - Spending - We take it very seriously to find the most efficient and prudent way of distributing our financial resources. With the financial reports, we try our best to keep you informed of our financial health. Colabrating together goes along way for a healthy relationship no matter what the situation.

Take a moment to think and pray how you can change some decisions or activities. You may find that you will be a bit less anxious and at peace in the days ahead. Applying this as a family of God in Christian love, who knows what effect that would have in the community where we each live.

With prayer, reaching out to your neighbor in Love and appreciation, and Trust in God,,, 2021 will be the year of opportunity to move **FORWARD!**

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 don't feel bashfull to pitch in.

We do so by our **FAITH!**

– **A Place To Belong** -

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



February 15, 2021

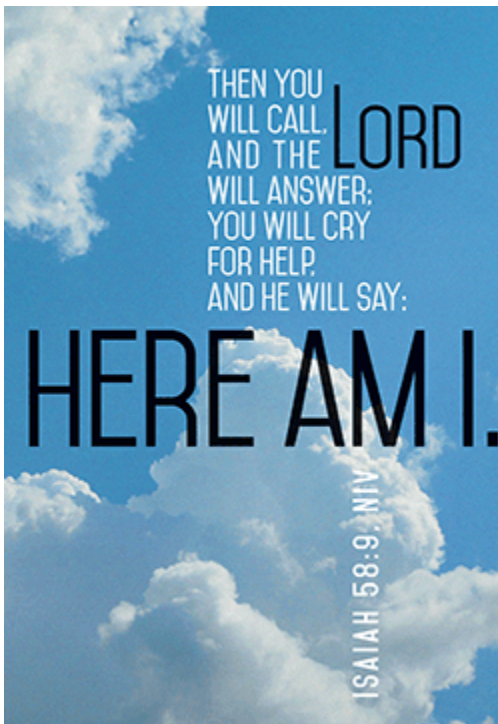
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FIRST SUNDAY  
LENT

February 21, 2021



Category	Dec Receipts	Dec Expense	Dec Balance	YTD Receipts	YTD Expense	YTD Balance
Current-Mission-Property	\$23,873.20	\$20,152.39	\$3,720.81	\$195,367.82	\$204,431.61	- \$9,063.79
Capital (Mortgage)	\$1,897.03	\$1,226.00	\$671.03	\$19,836.59	\$15,942.00	\$3,894.59
Total Category Balance	\$25,770.23	\$21,378.39	\$4,391.84	\$215,204.41	\$220,373.61	- \$5,169.20

Giant Card Program	\$2,500.00	\$2,375.00	\$125.00	\$27,600.00	\$26,240.00	\$1,360.00
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The Note area is a guide to keep us on target for meeting our commitments

**. Note area for your guidance:**

<b>2020 Budget (exclude Capital)</b>	<b>\$233,972.00</b>
<b>Monthly Receipts Required</b>	<b>\$ 19,497.67</b>
<b>Weekly Receipts Required</b>	<b>\$ 4,874.42</b>
<b>2020 Budget (Capital)</b>	<b>\$ 14,712.00</b>
<b>Monthly Receipts Required</b>	<b>\$ 1,226.00</b>
<b>Weekly Receipts Required</b>	<b>\$ 306.50</b>