

The Breeze

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March 6 - 1st Sunday of Lent

Sunday School 9:00 am
Worship service at 9:30 am
Holy Communion

March 13 - 2nd Sunday of Lent

Sunday School 9:00 am
Worship service at 9:30 am
Change Sunday

March 20 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

Sunday school 9:00 am
Worship service at 9:30 am

March 27 - 4th Sunday of Lent

Sunday school 9:00 am
Worship service 9:30 am



Grace and peace Beloved of God,

I pray this note finds you well during this Lenten season. Lent has evolved into a communal practice observed by many of the Christian traditions. Participants are invited into a period of reflection on our relationships with God and the life, crucifixion, and resurrection of Jesus, God with us. Lent includes the period of time from Ash Wednesday, March 2nd, through Maundy Thursday, April 14, 2022, this year.

Through Jesus, all who believe in Him as Savior are redeemed. Our redemption and forgiveness through Christ Jesus is a wonderful reason to rejoice. With redemption comes our release from the burdens of sin. God forgives the penitent heart. God forgets our past and welcomes a new walk with Him, not because we earned it, but by His grace. During the season of Lent, we renew the encouragement to reflect on our relationship with God.

I invite you to listen for where God is leading you. Listen in prayer. Listen in quiet moments dedicated to welcoming God's presence. Be still for a few moments each day or several times during the week to hear where God desires for you to place your energy, resources, and action. I encourage you to renew efforts to hear from God, for God is still speaking. You may be moved to seek people already helping people who struggle with homelessness or access to food. You may be led to explore some other ministry that helps people experience the care, restoration, and reconciliation our loving God desires for us.

Lent is about turning back to God. It is about making different choices that restore our connection, our closeness with God. For forty days in the wilderness, Jesus modeled getting close to God; listening to God. In the fourth chapter of the Gospel of Luke, Jesus obeyed the Spirit of God, He

ate nothing for 40 days -- He fasted or abstained from eating -- and overcame temptation. At every turn, Jesus relied on the Word of God to rebuke the Devil's attempts to get Jesus to claim material wealth and to use His power for personal glory.

In Christ Jesus, we too have the power to overcome the adversaries, trials, and temptations in our lives. We can trust in the declaration of Jesus that He is anointed to bring good news to the poor; to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, and to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor. (Luke 4:18-19) The lesson of this text is that nothing can separate us from the love and forgiveness of God. (Romans 8:31-39) God calls us to forgive and love as God has forgiven and loved us.

May the acceptance of Jesus as Savior bring peace in your hearts. May this time of reflection allow you to see the sacrifices of Christ in the brokenness and vulnerabilities of one another. During this Lenten Season, I pray you can find comfort and take refuge in the promises of God. May you hear and embrace God's call on your life. May you be empowered to be living testimonies to God's grace and love that people come to know God for themselves and help heal this world. I hope to see you at our Ash Wednesday Service, March 2, 7:00 PM, in the sanctuary. In Christ's Service,

Pastor Edward

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

The Lord will keep you from all harm-he will watch over your...coming and going both now and forevermore.



CHOIR PRACTICE SCHEDULE

March Schedule will be, 1st and 3rd Monday's at 10:00 a.m.

If you like to sing, please consider joining us in the choir here at Dryland. Even if you cannot read music, you are more than welcome.



Prayer Concerns:

Family of John Sofka, Johnson Family, Hartzell Family, Family of Dustin Miller. Brent Burton Marilyn Colonna.

Long-term Prayer Concerns: Matthew Atwood, Sandi Berry, Marion Bjorkman, Guy Connelly, Debbie Coppola, Jean Cruttenden, Donna Depietro, Deby Durby, Shawn Durn, Judy & Ken Faust, Heather Frantz, Krystyna Gabryluk, Charlie Gianguzi, Terri Governa, Kevin Hann, Dottie Heckler, Gerald Hartzell, Jack Hunt, Lisa Intrepido, Dorothy Johnson, Sonny Laubach, Stephanie Lilly, Debbie Luckenbach, Cade Lutz, Barbara Moon, Grayce Raven, Ken Raven, Jakob Raven, Brett Ruhl, Wayne Wenrich, Charissa & Jason Williams, Carter Wolfgang

Our Service People: Chief MSG Thomas Bostian, SRA Patrick Jones, Major Scott Lechner, MSGT Paul Moore, E-5 Rodger Nagy, LT Seth Watlington.



We are sending our heartfelt sympathy out to:

Hartzell's family for the passing of Gerald on February 6, 2022.

Eliza (Catino) Miller's family for the passing of her husband Dustin's grandmother, Elizabeth Walbach on February 6, 2022.

Irene Sofka and family for the passing of her husband John on February 12, 2022

Jennifer, Larry & Lynn Johnson for the passing of her father and their brother Bruce on February 12, 2022.

They are now at rest and peace beside our Father in Heaven.



Alta Flowers

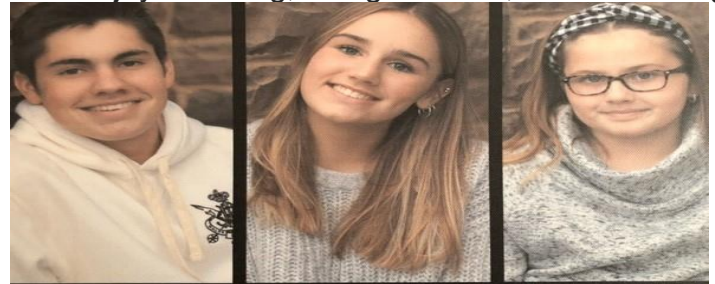
March 6	Linda & Mark Atwood	In Honor of Caleb's 13 th birthday on March 6
	OPEN	
March 13	OPEN	
	OPEN	
March 20	OPEN	
	OPEN	
March 27	OPEN	
	OPEN	

Alexa is 13 and is in 8th grade at Nazareth Middle School, where she is a high honor roll student. She is a member of National Junior Honor Society, the Eagle Vision news show, and is on the planning committee for the Powder Puff football game. Alexa was a starter on the girl's freshman basketball team and will be playing for the Lehigh Valley Fever 8th grade girls' National team this spring. She also played field hockey for the middle school.

Emma is 9 and is in 4th grade at Lower Nazareth Elementary School. Emma participates in PYLON which is her school's student government. She has been dancing at Miss Tanya's Expression of Dance since she was 3 years old and is on a competition jazz and lyrical team. She also takes classes in ballet, acro, and technique. Emma is looking forward to the competition season this year. She also enjoys reading, riding her bike, and swimming.

CELEBRATING OUR MEMBERS MEMBERS OF THE MONTH

All Participants in I Love Dryland!
We were happy to bring back the giving of things for Dryland table this year. It was an immense success; many things were brought in from the hearts that were taken off the bulletin board in the narthex. All the things that were received will be put to beneficial use and will be a significant help in the months ahead. GIVE yourself a pat on the back if you were a part of this great giving!
It is great people like these that keep Dryland a great family!
Nominated by: Kathy Peters, editor of the breeze



EVAN

ALEXA

EMMA

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



This month we are honoring: The Davis Family (Children of Misty Davis)

Evan is 16 and is in his sophomore year at Nazareth High School, where he is a high honor roll student. He played on the JV basketball team and is a member of FBLA. Along with his best friend, Evan runs a sports news Instagram account which has over 75,000 followers. He is looking forward to getting his driver's license in April.



Welcome to our new Church Secretary Christina Murzdeck

She lives in Catasauqua, is married, and has two school age children. Christina started on January 3, 2022, and her schedule will be flexible, 4 days per week, usually, Monday-Thursday 9:30-11:30. Please give her a warm welcome when you see her or speak to her on the phone.



Thank you to those who donated cans of soup for "Super Bowl" Sunday. Special thanks to Dave and Norma Faust who delivered 73 items to the Nazareth Food Bank.

Jennifer Johnson would like to thank her friends & Pastor Edward for all the cards, acts of kindness & expressions of sympathy shown upon the passing of her father Bruce Johnson.

God bless you all. Jennifer



A SPECIAL THANKS

I love Dryland Day was remarkably successful, also. Many, many gifts filled the tables. All your gifts are hugely appreciated!

Heartfelt Thanks, Joyce



- 1 Randi Johnson
- 3 John Getz
- 6 Brandon Burnette, Meagan Kichline, Caleb Moore
- 10 Jacob Angione
- 12 Leon Lieberman, Zadence Betz
- 14 Natalie Bader, Colin Bader
- 16 Tammy Hensel
- 17 Brian Ball, Tracy Jones
- 20 Brogan Trapp, Nancy Weisel
- 21 Mary Beth Shorkey
- 22 Matthew Burton, Dan Cruttenden, Kevin Wenrich
- 24 Marion Bjorkman, Paige Knouse
- 26 Dustin Gable, Lisa Seip
- 28 Nicholas Youngkin
- 29 Sean Lambert
- 30 Luke Creyer, Bev Weidner



- 12 Mr. & Mrs. Jack Schmauch 56 Years
- 20 Mr. & Mrs. David Faust 41 Years
- 24 Mr. & Mrs. Roy Seiple 43 Years



Janet Day – 1/29/35,
Fellowship Community, 3000 Community Dr.,
Terrace Room, #153B, Whitehall, PA 18052
Dottie Heckler – 12/29/29 610-759-0197
243 Nazareth Pike, Bethlehem, PA 18020-9460
Herbert Heller – 5/4/26
Gensis-Lehigh Health Center, Room 208
1718 Spring Creek Road, Macungie, PA 18062



**PRE-ST. PATRICK'S DAY BUFFET TO GO!
SATURDAY, MARCH 12**

Choose From The Following:

WELCOME TO IRELAND - \$12
- Plus, Select 1 Entrée

DUBLIN SPECIAL - \$14
- Plus, Select 2 Entrées

FULL OF KILLARNEY - \$17
- Plus, Select 3 Entrées

KISS THE BLARNEY STONE - \$20
- Plus, Select 4 Entrées

**ENTRÉES: IRISH STEW
CORNED BEEF & CABBAGE
BEEF BRISKET | SHEPHERD'S PIE
BANGERS & MASH**

CHOOSE TWO SIDES FROM BELOW:
COLCANNON (Mix of Mashed Potatoes & Cabbage)

PAN-ROASTED BRUSSEL SPROUTS
CORN O'BRIEN

MEALS ALSO INCLUDE Irish Soda Bread Muffin and Irish Chocolate Cake made from scratch.

Orders due Sunday, March 6



**CHEDDAR BAKED CHICKEN DINNER –
Take home a “Great Treat – Ready to Eat”
Saturday, April 9. Pickup time is between
11AM and 2PM.**

Your dining begins with Boneless Breast of Chicken coated in seasoned Breadcrumbs and Rice Krispies, covered with melted butter and oven baked to a golden brown. Combine this with Oven Roasted Mini Potatoes and glazed Carrots. Your meal includes a garden salad and artisan dinner roll. Complete your dining with an individual homemade Pineapple Upside Down Cake.

All this for **\$11.00**. Order deadline is **Sunday, April 3**. 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.



**KITCHEN COMMITTEE WILL BE MAKING
PIES FOR EASTER**

Pies will be, Apple Crumb, Key Lime Pie, Coconut Custard, Strawberry Rhubarb, and Wet Bottom Shoofly. Cost is \$10.00 per pie. The order to deadline is Sunday, April 10. Pie pickup will be on Friday, April 15 from 9Am-2PM and Saturday, April 16 from 8Am – 3PM. Call Rich at 484-894-9799, Karen at 610-504-1158 or church office 610-759-4444, no answer, leave a message.



**NEWS FROM DRYLAND HISTORIAN
“DRYLAND UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST”**

The Years since 1967 (1967 to 2004)

The continuing years were prosperous and healthy years. Dryland's pastoral leadership has included the Rev. George H. Schmidt 1965 to 1972, and the Rev Richard Voight interim pastor from spring to fall 1972. The Rev. John Dech served from late 1972 to 1983 and during that time the burning of original mortgage was celebrated on May 15, 1983. The membership grew from 266 in 1967 to 385 in 1983. Approval was also given to Sue Johnson to lease space for the formation of the Dryland U.C.C, Early Childhood Education Center. In September of 1983, the Rev. Richard Teitsworth became the pastoral leader of Dryland United Church of Christ. In 1985 a much needed storage shed, was completed by church members. On June 28, 1992, we celebrated the ground breaking for our new addition and renovations were made to the Narthex and Sanctuary. This addition and remodeling were completed in 1993. It included additional classrooms, a stage, a large kitchen and Christian Education Center, choir room, church office and Pastor's study. The completion of the addition has provided room for expansion of the Sunday school and space for many community based groups and events. With the Christian Education Center on the main floor, we are more accessible to everyone. We now have more than 30 groups meeting here monthly. The adult membership grew from 385 in 1983 to 450 as of December 31, 2004. The congregation also has 109 child members. Our community is growing, and we feel the local church makes an important contribution by sharing our Christian faith and providing facilities for a variety of wholesome activities.

*By Stephen R Henninger- Church Historian-
Please look forward to continued Volumes of
Dryland UCC History.*

CONSISTORY 2022

Officers

President – Allen Singer (D)
VP – Charlie Berthoud (E)
Secretary – Linda Atwood (D)
Treasurer – Dewayne Heller (E)

Committees

Christian Education – Steve Brown (D)
Church and Ministry – Heidi Singer (E)
Evangelism –
Finance – Dewayne Heller (E)
Inside Property – Charlie Berthoud (E)
Missions – Greg Teitsworth (D)
Music & Worship – Linda Atwood (D)
Outside Property – Allen Singer (D)
Stewardship – Susan Bostian (D)

TREASURER'S REPORT

The cash receipt and expenditures activity for the period January 1, thru January 31, 2022. 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.

Category	Church Exp	--	\$6,930.78
Category	Missions		\$ 284.00 --
Category	Property	--	\$ 334.00
Category	Capital	--	\$ 1,014.50

As a reference point in meeting the budget:
2022 Budget (excludes Capital)

Year	Monthly	Weekly
	Church Exp Receipts	--
\$212,762.57	\$17,730.21	\$4,091.58
	Missions Receipts	--
\$ 7,500.00	\$ 625.00	\$ 144.23
	Property Receipts	--
\$ 6,000.00	\$ 500.00	\$ 115.39

2022 Budget (Capital Only)	--
\$ 12,382.80	\$ 1,031.90 \$ 237.92

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

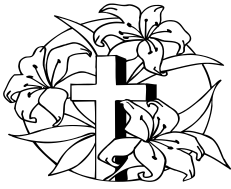
COMMITTEE NEEDED TO REVIEW BY-LAWS

Consistory is looking to complete a review and revision of the church's bylaws. It was last completed in 2012. I am looking to put together a committee of at least 4 people to work on this project with me. I am shooting to have the group start on the project in March. If you are interested, please reach out and let me know. My cell number is (610) 509-0371. You may text or call. If it is during my work hours, I will likely not answer but please leave a message. My email is allenheidi@rcn.com. Feel free to reach out that way as well.

Thank you for your time and consideration,
Heidi Singer

DRYLAND STAFF

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Flowers for Easter

Once again, you may sponsor flower plants to beautify the chancel for Easter. The cost is \$9.00 per plant. You may pick up your plants following the 9:30 a.m. worship service on Easter Sunday.

THE DEADLINE TO TURN IN ORDERS IS SUNDAY,
APRIL 3RD

NAME _____

PHONE _____

Lily _____ How Many? _____
Mums _____ How Many? _____
Tulip _____ How Many? _____

Sorry, no color choices for the mums or tulips.

TOTAL NUMBER OF PLANTS _____

TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED \$ _____

Please make checks payable to "DRYLAND UCC"

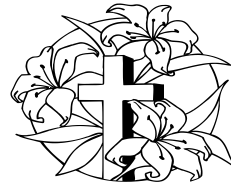
IN HONOR OF _____

IN MEMORY OF _____

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Donate how many plants? _____

Yes, I will deliver the plants to a shut-in. _____



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SPRING Bingo!

BINGO

Raffles, 50/50/and more!

DRYLAND CHURCH CEC Center

4415 Newburg Road, Nazareth, PA

DATE: Sunday, April 24, 2022

Games start at 12:30 PM/Doors open at 11:30

Tickets: \$20 in advance, \$25 at the door*

NOTE: Limited ticket availability to ensure safe spacing. There is no guarantee there will be tickets available at the door.

To purchase tickets in advance contact:

Susan Bostian 610 417-2448

Monna Lou Henninger 610 704-2510

Church Office (9am-11am) 610 759-4444



Bake sale and Refreshments will be available from the kitchen!



Join us May 15 for the Every Ribbon Counts Bingo!



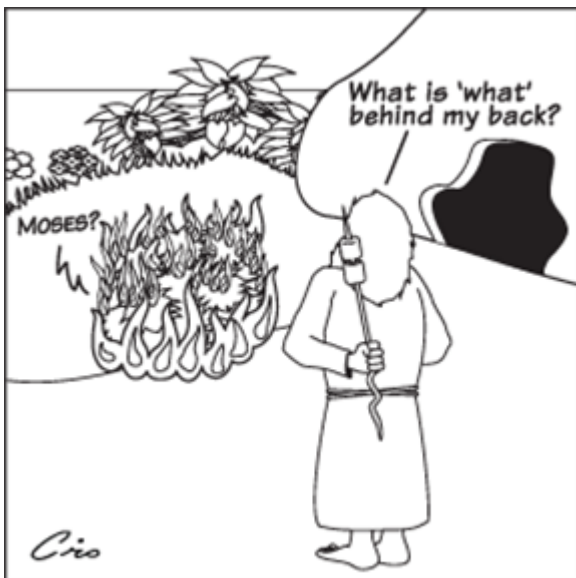
A wondrous washing

David's prayer of repentance reveals a desire to be cleansed of his sin.

Directions: Unscramble the words on the left. Then match them with the correct phrases from Psalm 51 (NIV) on the right.

ETRCAE _ _ _ _ _	_____ out my transgressions (v. 1)
HSAW _ _ _ _ _	_____ away all my iniquity (v. 2)
RSEEROT _ _ _ _ _	_____ me with hyssop, and I will be clean (v. 7)
WNERE _ _ _ _ _	_____ me, and I will be whiter than snow (v. 7)
TLBO _ _ _ _ _	_____ your face from my sins (v. 9)
DIHE _ _ _ _ _	_____ out all my iniquity (v. 9)
NATRG _ _ _ _ _	_____ in me a pure heart (v. 10)
LNSECAE _ _ _ _ _	_____ a steadfast spirit within me (v. 10)
LBTO _ _ _ _ _	_____ to me the joy of your salvation (v. 12)
WHSA _ _ _ _ _	_____ me a willing spirit, to sustain me (v. 12)

Answer: blot, wash, wash, cleanse, wash, hide, blot, create, renew, restore, grant



Category	January Receipts	January Expense	January Balance	YTD Receipts	YTD Expense	YTD Balance
Current-Mission-Property	\$11,936.00	\$17,625.87	- \$5,689.87	\$11,936.00	\$17,625.87	- \$5,689.87
Capital (Mortgage)	\$1,337.00	\$1,226.00	\$111.00	\$1,337.00	\$1,031.90	\$305.10
Total Category Balance	\$13,273.00	\$18,851.87	- \$5,578.87	\$13,273.00	\$18,657.77	- \$5,384.77

Giant Card Program	\$2,300.00	\$2,185.00	\$115.00	\$2,300.00	\$2,185.00	\$115.00
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NOTE:

2022 Budget (exclude Capital) \$226,262.57

Monthly Receipts Required \$18,855.25
 Weekly Receipts Required \$4,351.21

2022 Budget (Capital) \$12,382.80
 Monthly Receipts Required \$1,031.90
 Weekly Receipts Required \$238.13