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**July 7 - 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Worship service at 9:30 am  
Holy Communion  
Birthday Sunday

**July 14 - 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Worship service at 9:30 am

**July 21 - 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Worship service at 9:30 am

**July 28 - 9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Worship service at 9:30 am



July 4, 2024



**UNDER MAINTENANCE**

BUILDING & LOT WILL BE CLOSED FROM JULY 15 TIL JULY 20, 2024.

Grace and Peace Beloved of God,

In Christ's church, Jesus Christ is the head. We carry out His mission of baptizing in the name of the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, making disciples, and teaching all that Jesus has commanded. As we move into the summer months, I count the blessings God provides to the congregation at Dryland.

We are blessed with people who have hearts to offer welcome to the stranger and all so they may feel belonging. It is written in Proverbs 22:9, that those who are generous will be blessed, for they give some of their food to the poor. We are blessed with people who bring food to those who hunger and provide biblical education to help shape minds to walk in the way of Jesus.

We are blessed to open the doors of Dryland. Scripture makes it clear that God blesses us so we can bless others. God loves a cheerful giver and delights when we meet the needs of others willingly and in service to God. Giving freely out of love honors God. (2 Cor 9:7) We sponsor groups of scouts and adults dedicated to their formation. Our space helps several community groups and worshipping congregations, providing them some relief from the financial burden of owning and maintaining a meeting space.

The three years we endured the pandemic with our neighbors have taken a toll on Dryland. In the wake of great disruption, deaths have impacted our membership and some members have opted not to return to active participation in the life of the congregation. We have endured

these storms and together, we can reimagine life together as Christ's body.

Sharing is a helpful way to strengthen connections and encourage one another. During this Summer, I pray that you will share with me and our Consistory what keeps you connected to Dryland. Also, share what you feel we do well and what we could do better. I pray you can count your blessings and give God thanks and glory. Be encouraged, for God is with us and has plans for us to prosper in carrying out Christ's mission as His church.

In Christ's service  
Pastor Edward



Remember Our Shut-ins

**Janet Day** – 1/29/35,  
Fellowship Community, Room 271, Terrace  
3000 Community Drive, Whitehall, PA 18052



**Prayer Concerns & Joys:**

Holley, Niada, Deb Tenges, Megan, Pastor Ed & family, Yin-Yin, Family of Kelly Vitale, Shirley Weidner

**Long-term Prayer Concerns:** Matthew Atwood, Brent Burton, Lina Benner, Betsy Coladonato, Richard Creyer, Gary & Karen Crosson, Cory Cruttenden, Chris (nephew of Dave Hess), Paul Moore, Lina Benner, Beth Chen, Guy Connelly, Debbie Coppola, Gary & Karen Crosson, Jennifer DaCosta, Joann Dornblaser, Deby Duby, Shawn Durn, Peter Garcia, Barb & Jim Goldman, Charlie Gianguzi, Kevin Hann, Jessica Harper, Dorothy Johnson, Linda Keller, Sonny Laubach, Stephanie Lilly, Debbie Luckenbach, Cade Lutz, Joanne Mitman, Barbara Moon, Grayce, Jakob & Ken Raven, Peter, Eileen, & Rachel Rinaldi, Maurice, Gillian & Genine Sloane, Barb Tomko, Angela Tout, Elwood Trumbauer, Jorn Walter, Charissa & Jason Williams, Carter Wolfgang, Susan Young, All members of Dryland.

**Our Service People:** Chief MSG Thomas Bostian, Major Scott Lechner, MSGT Paul Moore, E-6 Rodger Nagy, LT Seth Watlington

**THOUGHT OF THE MONTH**  
**REJOICE IN HOPE, ENDURE IN AFFLICTION,**  
**PERSERVERE IN PRAYER.**



If you have a change of address, please let us know so we can post it. Thanks

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**MEMBER OF THE MONTH**  
**LINDA LECHNER**  
IT IS OUR GREAT HONOR TO MAKE  
LINDA THE MEMBER OF THE MONTH.  
SHE IS RETIRING AS OUR SUNDAY  
SCHOOL TEACHER HERE AT DRYLAND  
AND WE THANK HER FOR  
36 YEARS OF SERVICE!  
THANK YOU, LINDA!  
It is great people like these that keep,  
Dryland a great family!  
Nominated by Members of Dryland



Want to honor a loved one or as a memorial? You can become a sponsor of the Bulletin! The cost of the Bulletin will be \$12.00. This will help with the cost of the paper and ink. Thanking you in advance.



CONGRATULATIONS TO **LINDA CRUTTENDEN** WHO WAS ELECTED TO THE DISTRICT 11 HALL OF FAME FOR TEACHERS AND COACHES. JOB WELL DONE FOR THIS ACCOMPLISHMENT!



- 2 Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Brown 14 years
- 7 Mr. & Mrs. William Tomko 34 years
- 11 Mr. & Mrs. Mike Carl 37 years
- 13 Mr. & Mrs. Jason Vian 22 years
- 16 Mr. & Mrs. Barry Gerhart 31 years
- Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Stoudt 15 years
- 18 Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gerhart 43 years
- 20 Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Youngkin 33 years
- Mr. & Mrs. Joshua Peters 5 years
- 31 Mr. & Mrs. Leon Lieberman 59 years



We extend our heartfelt sympathy to Pastor Ed and family upon the passing of his cousin Chris Hickenson this past week. He was only 37 years old. Please know he is at peace and with our Father in Heaven.



Kitchen Crew is taking a much needed break for the month of July. They will be back again in August. Enjoy your time off, and Thanks!



- 1 Dale Johnson, Melissa Miller
- 4 Adam Perkins
- 6 Bill Duquesnel, Allison Getz
- 7 Jaime Gerhart, Sue Johnson
- 9 Nick Catino, Linda Trexler
- 10 Alexa Davis
- 12 Noah & Marcus Francavilla
- 13 Nancy Catino, Mary Wenrich
- 14 JoAnn Dornblaser, Alexander Miller, Tyler Youngkin
- 16 Mary Bostian, Tyler Rothrock
- 18 Zachary Angione
- 20 Rick Johnson
- 22 Stephen Henninger
- 23 Kevin Lambert
- 24 Gail DeRea
- 27 Dawn Werkheiser
- 29 Ron Weidner
- 30 David Francavilla



Orders to be taken for Homemade Peach Pie in August, more info to follow!



**Christian Education Report:**

Happy Summer to all:

Alison

**Mark Your Calendar**

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**July 1,2,3,5 ~ Summer Lunch Program**

**July 7 ~ Communion**

**August 17 ~ Peach Pie Sale**

## **CONSISTORY 2024**

### **Officers**

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Secretary – Alison Rothrock (E)

Treasurer – Dewayne Heller (E)

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Blessings to all! I hope everyone is enjoying this beautiful warm weather and thanking the Lord for keeping the Lehigh Valley from the awful weather that has been racing across the country the past months.

The consistory continues to look for volunteers to serve. We are still in need of several people to give of themselves for the betterment of Dryland. Listed below are several of the updates, happenings and plans for projects within the church.

- The “kitchen crew” continues to work very hard with the meals and pie making, and for the efforts they put into serving we are VERY thankful!!
- On June 19<sup>th</sup> the consistory met with Dr. Bonnie Bates and the spiritual council to discuss how we can move forward with suggestions and help from, PNEC to keep Dryland sustainable.
- There are plans to improve the Wi-Fi connections throughout the church. Pastor Entwistle, Steve Henninger, Pastor Ed, Alan Heller and Dan Cruttenden have met several times to begin the process.
- Inspection of the emergency lighting and fire extinguishers was done, and recommendations submitted to consistory for consideration.
- We are still waiting for bids regarding the increased need for night lighting of the parking lot.
- The work on sealing and lining of the parking lot was changed to the week of July 15<sup>th</sup>. All parties involved have been notified.
- New facility use agreements have been written, reviewed and will be approved at the next meeting. That will be followed up by a meeting all those groups that use the church to update them on the policy changes.
- There have been several issues with AC in the sanctuary (of which most of us are very much aware). It is currently being fixed with some of the work still under warranty. AC needs in the CEC

will need to be addressed in the near future – only one unit is currently working.

- Issues regarding Dryland’s sustainability for the future is still at the forefront of discussions at each meeting. To make this happen it will take efforts by all members of the church to put their best foot forward to ensure growth and “A Place To Belong”.

As summer progresses, we hope all have lots of activities in their lives and vacations to create lasting memories. Please be safe and we hope to see many members and new faces in our summer services. Again, please consider serving as a member of consistory.

Yours in Christ,  
Dan Cruttenden  
Consistory VP

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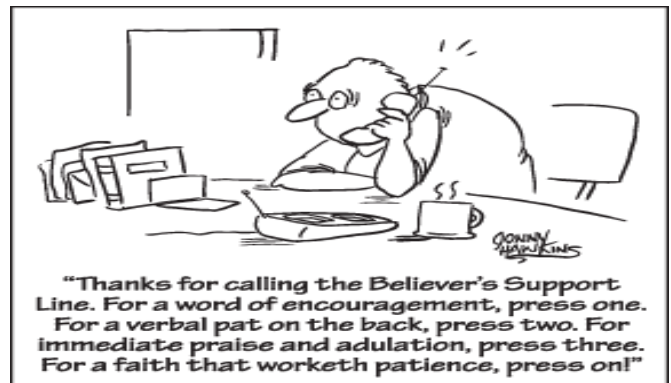
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Dewayne Heller is looking for someone he can train to take over being the Church Treasurer.

Alan Heller is looking for someone he can train to take over or help with the video program. If you feel you can help out with either of these positions, please contact Dewayne or Alan.





**TREASURER’S REPORT**

The cash receipt and expenditures activity for the period April May 1, through May 31, 2024.

<b>Category</b>	<b>May Receipts</b>	<b>May Expense</b>	<b>May Balance</b>	<b>YTD Receipts</b>	<b>YTD Expense</b>	<b>YTD Balance</b>
Current-Mission-Property	\$12,027.66	\$16,165.67	<b>-\$4,138.01</b>	\$69,612.37	\$100,286.11	<b>-\$30,673.74</b>
Capital (Mortgage)	\$1,334.50	\$1,031.90	\$302.60	\$7,024.00	\$5,159.50	\$1,864.50
Giant Card Program	\$2,600.00	\$2,470.00	\$130.00	\$13,675.00	\$12,730.00	\$945.00

**NOTE:**

2024 Budget (exclude Capital)	\$218,975.00
Monthly Receipts Required	\$18,247.82
Weekly Receipts Required	\$4,561.98
2024 Budget (Capital)	\$12,382.80
Monthly Receipts Required	\$1,031.90
Weekly Receipts Required	\$238.13

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** and **LOVE** for one another!

**Dryland United Church of Christ --- A Place To Belong! - Relationship with Christ !!**

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