

### The Breeze

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#### October 1 -World Wide Communion Sunday

Worship service at 8:00 & 9:30 am Sunday School 9:30 World Wide Holy Communion Birthday Sunday Scouts' clean-up flower beds

#### October 8 - Pastor Appreciation Sunday

Worship service at 8:00 & 9:30 am Sunday School 9:30

#### October 15 - 20th Sunday after Pentecost

Worship service at 8:00 & 9:30 am Sunday School 9:30

#### October 22 - 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Worship service 8:00 & 9:30 am Sunday School 9:30

#### October 29 - Reformation Sunday

Worship service at 8:00 & 9:30 am Sunday School 9:30





Scouts' clean-up 10/1 1:30



Happy Halloween 10/31/23

#### MESSAGE FROM THE PASTOR

Grace and Peace Beloved of God,

As the seasons change and the amount of light in each day becomes shorter, we are reminded that this is the season of harvest. The harvest is a relevant theme we also find in the Bible. In the Gospel of Matthew, chapter 20, Jesus describes what the kingdom of heaven is like using a dynamic between a landowner and laborers during harvest time.

A great lesson of grace is told through this story. God's grace is essential for our souls, our mental health, and our physical well-being. In the story, the landowner is God. God so loves each of us that God repeatedly seeks us out; repeatedly goes into the marketplace of life to bring us back into God's vineyard. Of note is that we not only are sought after but we're connected to a community that strives together for the appointed tasks.

Our assignment includes praying for the community and the wider Church as a team. Our responsibility is to work together so that our local church stands brightly as a beacon of light – God's love along Newburg Road and in every place that members and friends of Dryland reach. This is our daily work so that people can know God's love through each of us. Explore how you too can be the church, how your time, treasure, and talents may further the work reaching hearts through stewardship, as part of the choir, as part of missions, or in some other way that helps people experience belonging.

God's love shows us that we belong. We have work to do as Christ's Church. We are a community that is called together because God loves us. For God so loved the world... In the Gospel of John, chapter 3, Jesus declared that God so loved the world that he gave his only Son so that everyone who believes in Him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him.

I pray that your faith life is enriched this season. I pray that you embrace the truth that God calls us into loving relationships with one another and God. I pray that through Dryland, you and your friends can come to accept that to God you belong, and that God loves you. Share this love with family, friends, and soon-to-be friends, so that they too can catch hold of God's grace, love, and connection.

Yours In Christ, Pastor Edward



#### **Prayer Concerns & Joys:**

Uncle Isaac, Steve Brown, Catherine Mrowka, Joyce Hittinger, Paul Moore, Linda Benner, Peter Garcia, Jorn Walter, Chris (nephew of Dave Hess), Walt Smith, Prayer Concerns: Kelsey Atwood, Matthew Atwood, Brent Burton, Beth Chen, Richard Creyer, Cory Cruttenden, Guy Connelly, Debbie Coppola, Jennifer Dacosta, Deby Duby, Shawn Durn, Peter Garcia, Charlie Gianguzi, Kevin Hann, Jack Hunt, Elise Intrepido, Lisa Intrepido, Dorothy Johnson, Sonny Laubach, Stephanie Lilly, Debbie Luckenbach, JoAnn & Luther Mitman, Barbara Moon, Grayce Raven, Jakob Raven, Ken Raven, Barb Tomko, Elwood Trumbauer, Charissa & Jason Williams, Carter Wolfgang, Susan Young, All Members of Dryland. Our Service People: Chief MSG Thomas Bostian, SRA Patrick Jones, Major Scott Lechner, MSGT Paul Moore, E-5 Rodger Nagy, LT Seth Watlington.

#### THOUGHT OF THE MONTH The memories we collect and give, brighten our lives as long as we live!



Remember Our Shut-ins Janet Day – 1/29/35, Fellowship Community, Room 271, Terrace 3000 Community Drive, Whitehall, PA I8052 Dottie Heckler – 12/29/29 Abington Manor, Room 213 215 Cedar Park Blvd., Easton, PA 18042 Herbert Heller – 5/4/26 Gensis-Lehigh Health Center, Room 208 1718 Spring Creek Road, Macungie, PA 18062



All the teams that attended Rally Day!

It was a great fun day on September 17, when we celebrated Rally Day. It was to let everyone know that Dryland works as a team. People wore team jerseys, brought sports equipment and we enjoyed having hot dogs, popcorn, etc. It was a good day for everyone that attended. Please remember we are all in this together as a team. Remember there is no **I** in **TEAM**! Go team DRYLAND!

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



Thank you for your thoughtfulness in sending cards, your prayers, phone calls and supporting the Keller family during the passing of our beloved husband, father, grandfather, and greatgrandfather.

Special thank you to Pastor Ed and all those who graciously served in the kitchen.

Your love and support brought us all comfort and peace. The Keller Family



A special thank you to the DAVIS Family, Misty, Ron, Evan, Lexi, and Emma for donating the fall flower arrangements for the altar. We are thankful for our generosity in helping to make the sanctuary look festive for this time of the year.





- 2 Melissa Ruppert
- 5 Lucas Mosser, Glenn Peters, Chloe Walsh
- 6 Dean Knause
- 9 Gerald Green, Sr., Alan Peters, Makenna Wenrich
- 10 Bill Banko, Jr., Evan Davis
- 12 Catherine Bostian, Jessica Knopp
- 13 Linda Lechner
- 16 Tom Bostian, Nadia Dawson
- 17 Kayla Deily, Cindy Seiple, Oakley Stoudt
- 22 Ryan Smith
- 23 Linda Atwood, Misty Davis, Katelynn Koch
- 24 Derek Perkins
- 25 Kathy Peters
- 26 Willis Laubach, Jr.
- 28 Nancy Lieberman, Oliver Teitsworth
- 31 Kevin Dawson



2	Mr. & Mrs. Willis Laubach, Jr.	58 years
4	Mr. & Mrs. Dewayne Heller	48 years
6	Mr. & Mrs. Hugh Harris	44 years
	Mr. & Mrs. Rick Johnson	44 years
8	Mr. & Mrs. Tim Hicks	7 years
8	Mr. & Mrs. Scott Weisel	35 years
9	Mr. & Mrs. Kevin Wenrich	19 years
10	Amie Federico & David	7 years
	Francavilla	-
13	Mr. & Mrs. Glenn Peters	44 years
14	Mr. & Mrs. Allen Singer	34 years
20	Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Snyder	29 years
23	Mr. & Mrs. William Banko	52 years
	Mr. and Mrs. Ronald Davis	19 years
	Mr. & Mrs. John Getz	19 years



We are still open to new members, please think about it and give me a call. Kathy Peters

I am sending out a plea for more people to join this list. It only consists of making a call to a person on the list to let them know who is currently put on the prayer chain and what their problem is if they want to indulge it. That's all it is. Only takes about 3-4 minutes of your time. I get the calls from members or the Pastor and pass them on to the starting members of each chain, then it is passed on from there. Anyone can do it, male or female, young or old. Please consider this and let me know, so we can have a three- or four-person chain again. Contact me at 610-837-7210 or kdrybreezekip@gmail.com. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Thank You. Kathy I. Peters



#### Join Pastor Livingston for a time of prayer and healing on Tuesdays, at 11:00-11:30 am. in the Sanctuary.



It has come to my attention that many people have been asking for the recipes for the goodies that have been served at birthday Sunday after church. If you have a recipe, that you would like to be shared, just send it to me at <u>kdrybreezekip@gail.com</u>. I will be happy to include it.



Our regular office hours are from 9:00 AM to 11:00 AM Monday-Thursday. If your e-mail is received after 11:00 AM, it will be addressed on the next business day. If there is an emergency, please call 610-759-4444, Brooke.



We are also hosting the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Craft and Vendor Show on November 10<sup>th</sup> <u>SLOTS STILL</u> <u>OPEN --- Contact Susan</u> 610-417-2448. All proceeds goes back to Dryland!



Saturday, Oct 14 at 900 am, Bethlehem Running Festival is a chance to raise money for the troop. Need 10 volunteers to hand out water at Illick's Mill Road. Sign up as soon as possible so they can get you a T-shirt to wear. When you sign up give your shirt size.

Saturday, Oct 14 at 9:00 am there will be a clothing drive. This is for Adam L for his Eagle Scout Project.



The Dryland Sunday School Team is all geared up to learn and study the Story of Creation. We are learning how God created our beautiful world. For our first class, we imagined how the world would look if things were totally dark and then we learned how God said, "Let there be Light!". In the following weeks we will be exploring God's plans in making the Sun, Moon, Stars, Sky, Animals, Oceans, Plants and People. Our Sunday School is open to all children. Please join us in spreading the Word! Dryland's Sunday School is ready. God must be so pleased.....it is Good!



Love to eat? Love to support Dryland? Join the Vista Grill, Nazareth's newest eatery owned by TJ Bostian (Susan's son). Now open at 49 N. Broad Street in Nazareth in the old Schubert's Bakery location, enjoy American fare food, and some delicious, sweet treats as well! From now until December 31, every time you call and order (610 665 EATS), stop in and order, or place an order online at TheVistaGrill.com and use the PROMO code DRYLAND, The Vista Grill will calculate all those orders and at the end of the months, donate 10% of all orders right back to DRYLAND! That's right! The more you eat out, the more Dryland benefits from your culinary cravings! Thank you!

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CHAIRPERSON of Consistory Hello to All,

Happy Fall to One and All,

Rally day on September 17th kicked off our new theme of "Faith is a Team Sport". The service was fun, festive, and enjoyed by all who attended in person and online. Consistory's goal is to continue to use this theme throughout our formal Christian Education year (September - June '24) in an attempt to keep current members engaged and active in our faith activities as well as to encourage all of us to extend an invitation to all of our friends, families, and neighbors to join our team as we work to be the hands and feet of Jesus.

Our Christian Education program started on September 24th as well. We started with about 5 children signed up to join Alison Rothrock and Linda Lechner for learning and activities focused on The Creation. Please keep your eyes peeled for more information about our Creation based Trunk or Treat. They are looking to have more kids join them as well as volunteers to help with the Sunday 930 am program. A huge THANK YOU to Linda and Alison for working on getting our youth programs off the ground once again!

Consistory continues to work on keeping Dryland a wonderful place for worship and for the community to use as a resource. We met this past month with the leadership team of Hope Alliance for a check in and both churches continue to feel our relationship of sharing the space is going well. We are currently working with a small Spanish speaking church which is looking for a place to worship as a way to expand Dryland's hospitality to all who wish to worship out Lord. The Sustainability committee will be meeting soon and bringing recommendations back to Consistory for us to move forward with. The boy scouts are planning a clean-up day to work on some needed freshening up of our outside property. Big thank you to them!

We will soon be looking for volunteers to join the ranks of Consistory as we will have several people who have reached the end of their committed time on our leadership team. The time commitment to serve was changed with the revision of our bylaws. New members are being asked to commit to two years instead of three. I ask you to do some faith searching and consider joining us. If you have questions about what it involves, please reach out to any current member.

I hope all of you take time this month to stop and enjoy the beauty God gave us during this Fall season.

Peace and Blessings to all! Heidi Singer, President of Consistory

#### **MUSIC & WORSHIP REPORT**

Fall is in full swing. We celebrated the beginning of our church season on September 17<sup>th</sup> with Rally Day. The theme of "Faith is a Team Sport (endeavor, effort)" was introduced and will continue throughout the year. On October 1<sup>st</sup> we will celebrate World Wide Communion. There are a few additions to our worship calendar. The return of 8:00 am worship began on September 24<sup>th</sup>. Our hope is that the additional service will provide greater opportunities for worship. Also, Pastor Livingston is having a time of prayer and healing on Tuesday mornings from 11:00-11:30 am.

You may have noticed that the flower chart is missing. Due to the limited number of sponsors, and the cost, we have decided to remove that sponsorship. We have beautiful silk flower arrangements that have been donated to brighten our sanctuary. The spring/summer arrangements were donated by the Weidner family, the fall arrangements by the Davis family, and winter arrangements are on track to be donated by the Schaller family. We will still have opportunities to sponsor poinsettias for Christmas, tulips for Easter, and geraniums for Pentecost.

#### **CONSISTORY 2023**

#### **Officers**

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#### Dates to look forward to:

October 28, 2023 - Italian Something Dinner November 16, 2023 – Pies for Thanksgiving More information will be in the bulletin and in the October newsletter, this is just a heads up.







## Pick up Saturday October 28, 2023 11 am – 2pm

Choose between Lasagna, Chicken armesan or Eggplant )Parmesan,. Begin our dining with Caesar Salad (We make our own dessingf) Enjoy your entrée, served weith Penne Pasta, Italian String Beans and Garlic Bread. Top your meal off with a filled Cannoli.

The price for this meal is **\$12.00. Order deadline** is Sunday, October 22. 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 that we may return your call.

When you arrive at the church, you will remain in your vehicle. A person will come to your vehicle, collect your payment and deliver your dinners to you. The meals are in microwavabe containers and therefore you may eat your meal whenever you desire.



Online Auction! Support The Every Ribbon Counts Foundation! September 20 to October 30 Incredible Items! All payments are tax deductible!

Shipping available.

Yeti, Diamond Jewelry, Brighton, Disney Enchanted Collection, Vera Bradley, Elvis, and more!



https://new.biddingowl.com/ERC





#### **TREASURER'S REPORT**

The cash receipt and expenditures activity for the period Aug. 1, through Aug. 31, 2023

Category	Aug.	Aug.	Aug.	YTD	YTD	YTD
	Receipts	Expense	Balance	Receipts	Expense	Balance
Current- Mission- Property	\$13,887.13	\$17,993.38	- \$4,106.25	\$111,990.76	\$139,845.03	-\$27,854.27
Capital (Mortgage)	\$1,406.00	\$1,031.90	\$374.10	\$11,487.00	\$8,255.20	\$3,231.80

Giant Card	\$3,00.00	\$2,850.00	\$150.00	\$19,850.00	\$22,850.00	\$1,142.50
Program						

# NOTE: 2023 Budget (exclude Capital) \$240,891.00Monthly Receipts Required\$20,074.25Weekly Receipts Required\$5,018.56

2023 Budget (Capital)	\$12,382.80
Monthly Receipts Required	\$1,031.90
Weekly Receipts Required	\$238.13

Receipts from September 1 thru September 23, (Church Envelope Categories):Category Church Exp --\$ 8,796.00Category Missions --\$ 314.00Category Property --\$ 464.50Category Capital --\$ 907.00

Being a member of the TEAM at Dryland, you made a covenant with our Lord to carry out his work on his created earth. On Sunday, September 24, 2023, you made it possible to have a Call to Worship experience. In case you missed it, here is the message to begin the worship service.

One: Bless the name of the Holy and Sovereign One forever and ever! All: Great is our God and Greatly to be praised.

One: Bless the name of the Holy and Sovereign One forever and ever!

All: This generation will tell the next generation so they may tell the next generation of the Holy One's magnificent and mighty acts. One: Bless the name of the Holy and Sovereign One forever and ever! All: We declare the abundant goodness, gracious righteousness, and holy love of our God. Praise the Holy One!

Together we can pass on the relationship we have with Jesus as provided to us from the generations before us. Don't think for a moment someone else will take your place to move the relationship with Jesus to the next generation. That responsibility lies with you! Being part of a TEAM with the same goal makes the task easier.

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, Allen Singer, Hugh Harris, Craig Johnson, Dewayne Heller