

### The Connection

October 2023



#### The Seasons of Life, by Pastor Wayne

Over the past two weeks, I've been watching the leaves of the October Glory maple tree in our back yard. Elaine and I chose that particular tree because of its bright red foliage in the Fall. Sure enough, as the Autumn season is coming upon us, I see a few more leaves each day changing from green to bright red.

I am so thankful to live in this part of the world where we can fully experience the seasons of Winter, Spring, Summer and Fall. Each season has its own unique characteristics. Springtime is filled with great beauty as the trees and

flowers begin to bloom after the winter months, however, when Fall arrives, there is something to be said about the grand view of those leaves of red, orange, and yellow that fall from the trees.

Add to that the wide array of pumpkins! Until the past few years, I never took notice to the many different shapes, sizes, and colors of pumpkins . . . and Elaine loves to bring home the most unique pumpkins she can find!



In the business of life, do you take time to enjoy the seasons and beauty of God's creation? Psalms 118:24 reminds us that, "This is the day the Lord has made, let us rejoice in it (and enjoy the beauty of God's creation)."

Just as we have seasons of God's creation, we have seasons of life as well. Each season that comes our way brings different experiences. There are joyful moments of birthdays, graduations, weddings, the birth of a child and so much more. Then there are seasons of sadness and loss.

I encourage you with the words of the Apostle Paul, "And we know that God causes all things to work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose." (Romans 8:28).

What season of life are you going through right now? If you are in a difficult season of life, try to refocus your mind to the things that are *praiseworthy* and excellent (Philippians 4:8), think about the protective arms of God (Psalms 91:1), and remember that even before you were born, God saw you and every moment of your life was laid out before you, before any of them came to be (Psalms 139:16).

Just as the seasons of the year change, the seasons of life are always changing as well. I will leave you with this prayer from Guideposts magazine to help guide you through every season of your life. (Continued on Page Two)

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#### "A Powerful Prayer for Fall".

Abba, Father, the trees are ablaze with your glory. The seasons change, but you never do. You are always beautiful, in the green and freshness of spring as in the golds and reds and chills of autumn. Make me like you. Let my life reflect your beauty, season after season, as the calendar of my life turns and turns and turns.

The trees are letting go of this year's foliage. Help me let go of both blessings and burdens, and surrender them both to your loving care. Fallen leaves pattern the ground with variety. So design my own fallings and failings into whatever design will please you most. In Jesus' name, I pray, Amen.

#### You Are Invited!

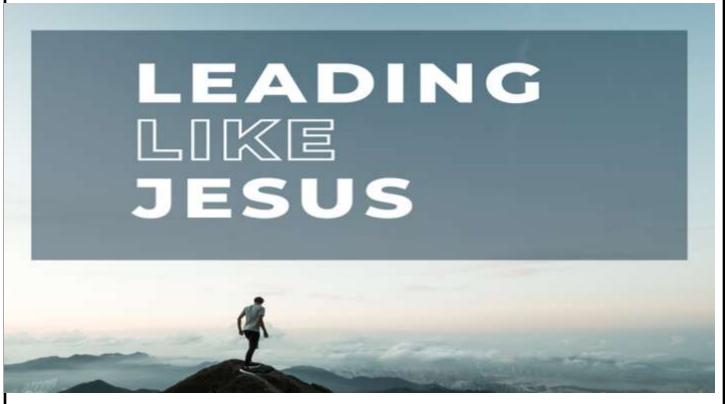
**Sunday, October 8<sup>th</sup>** the Women's Ministry will be recognizing our pastors for **Pastor Appreciation Month** with a short presentation during both services and hosting light refreshments in the Café between services. You are encouraged to show your appreciation to our pastors with cards and words of encouragement during the month of October.

Aaron and Hur stepped up by lifting up Moses's hands during a crucial battle: "When Moses' hands grew heavy ... Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side and one on the other so that his hands remained steady until the sun went down" (Exodus 17:12). When your pastor needs an Aaron or Hur, will you be the one to give support and en-







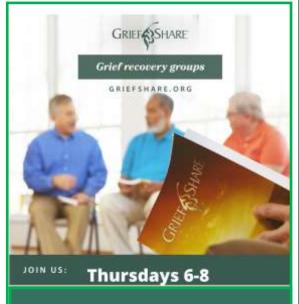


Leadership. For some, that word brings excitement or joy, while others may experience fear and dread. It has been said before that leadership isn't for everyone, and while on an organizational level, this may be true, as Christians, we are ALL called to be leaders. The evidence of this is found in Matthew 28:18-20 where Jesus commissions those around Him to go and make disciples of all nations. The good news is that He also left us the best blueprint for leadership in His Word. From October 1st through November 19th, we will be embarking on the journey of "Leading Like Jesus." We hope that through these eight leadership principles, we are all equipped with the necessary skills for Biblical leadership so that we, too, can lead like Jesus.



Oct 1: Good Leaders Invest in Their People	Pastor Wayne
Oct 8: Good Leaders Know Their People	Pastor Wayne
Oct 15: Good Leaders Gently Guide Their People	Pastor Andrew
Oct 22: Good Leaders Have A Clear Vision For Their People	Pastor Shawn
Oct 29: Good Leaders Empower Their People	Pastor Shawn
Nov 5: Good Leaders Protect Their People	Pastor Wayne
Nov 12: Good Leaders Extend Grace To Their People	Pastor Wayne
Nov 19: Good Leaders Love Their People	Pastor Wayne

Grief Share



Now –November 16 (except Oct 26)

Led by Pastors Kathryn Griffith & Heidi Guyer

Now using GriefShare 4.0!

GriefShare is a video seminar series that features some of the nation's foremost Christian experts on grief and recovery topics as seen from a biblical perspective

The video seminars are combined with support group discussion of the materials presented during the video. Check out a brochure in the welcome center for more info!



If you are facing extreme grief this holiday season, you know there's no easy or quick fix! But we can help you uncover practical holiday survival tips for dealing with a season of despair. Join us for Surviving the Holidays, a 2-hour event featuring real-life stories and a community of caring peo-

ple: <u>Thursday, November 30, 6-8pm</u>. See Pastor Kathryn Griffith or Pastor Heidi Guyer for more in-

## Wednesday Night Connection Groups For all Ages

Meet at 7:00 pm.
Come see where you can get connected!!!

Adult Choir Practice Wednesday Night at 6:00 pm

Starting October 4th at 6:30 pm we will begin Christmas Eve

Cantata practice! All are welcome!



**SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FROM OUR EASTERN REGION CONFERENCE.** We are pleased to announce a significant milestone in the growth and development of our Region. After a season of prayer and fasting, we have selected a new Executive Director.

It is with great pleasure that we announce Nathan Buck as the incoming Executive Director of the Eastern Regional Conference Churches of God, effective January 1, 2024. Nathan brings a deep commitment to our mission and vision to Discover, Develop, and Deploy Disciples.

As we welcome Nathan to this new role, we also want to express our gratitude to the search committee as well as all those who prayed and fasted during the selection process. Your commitment to this process was instrumental in helping to make this important decision.

Please feel free to reach out to Nathan at <a href="matematic-nate">nate@erccog.org</a> or 717.574.2323. Please contact him if the Holy Spirit speaks to you with insights, affirmations, or encouragement.

David Williams will continue as the Interim Executive Director until December 31, 2023. Please continue to communicate with Dave as the Interim Executive Director during this time.

Once again, we are excited to embark on this new chapter with Nathan as our Executive Director. We look forward to the positive impact his leadership will undoubtedly have on the Eastern Regional Conference Churches of God.

Thank you for your ongoing prayers for the Region. Together, we will continue to grow and thrive as we serve our community and fulfill our mission to Discover, Develop, and Deploy Disciples as Jesus Commands.

Most sincerely,

Pastor Terry Jansma President Eastern Regional Conference Churches of God

# **Cumberland Valley Mission Celebration For Churches of God**



Sunday, October 29th Carlisle First Church of God

Gathering, Mission Team Displays
3:00 pm
Celebration of Worship - Music
3:15 pm
Celebration Service
3:30 pm
Light Meal
4:30 pm

Mission Project Goal: \$45,000.00

# **Trunk or Treat!**



October 26, 2023 6:00-8:00 pm



All families are invited to attend the 15<sup>th</sup> Annual Trunk-or-Treat Festival at the Newville First Church of God (475 Shippensburg Road, Newville).

Children will have the opportunity to travel from one parked car to another in a *traffic-free* parking lot.

FREE hot dogs, hot chocolate, CANDY and more for all.

Join us for an evening of FUN and FELLOWSHIP! Come with or without costumes! No gore, please!



# Trunk or Treat needs YOU!!! Here are some ways you can help:

- Donate individually wrapped candy to be handed out at the event. Candy can be placed in the donation box in the Café by October 22nd.
- Sign up to share your trunk or table to pass out candy to the children.
- Invite your family, friends and neighbors.
- Help to serve free food at the food stand.

PAW PACKS

Since the start of school, the number of children that we are feeding each weekend has skyrocketed. We are now preparing food bags for more than 300 children. That number seems to grow each week. We have been fortunate to receive lots of fresh produce this summer thanks to several gleaning programs in our area. Now that the growing season is over, we will be relying more on canned vegetables and fruits. We generally will use approximately 90 cans of two different vegetables each week so we go through them very quickly. We really need your help to replenish our supply and thank you in advance for your generosity. God has truly blessed us with a supportive church family.

We would like to thank those of you who purchase tickets to get meals at Redemption BBQ. This group has been very willing to work with us to fundraise for these children. Our next fundraiser will be a soup sales, tentatively planned for November.

After several miscommunications and many phone calls, hopes are rising that we will soon have electricity installed in our building. Once it is completed, we will need volunteers to help finish the inside. We will need to insulate, finish the walls and ceiling, and install the heat pump. If you are interested in helping, please contact Larry Wilhide at 717.776.3287.

The next PAW Packs meeting is October 3rd at 6:30 pm.









If you're heading to the grocery store, remember to pick

up a few cans of peas and/or green beans for Paw Packs.

You can bring them to the church.

Let's do it for the kids! #ForNewville



The office needs your input for the November 2023 issue of "The Connection"

By Sunday Morning October 22rd!



The Shoebox Supply House in Shippensburg will be open the following dates on

October 5, 14, 19, 21, & 28

HOURS: 9 am to Noon

October 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30 (6-7:30)

November 6 &13, (6-7:30 pm)

November 2, 4, 11, 16, 18 (LAST DAY)

HOURS: 9 am to Noon

Happy Helpers will be meeting October 16th at 1:00 pm in the APB. Hope to see everyone!





GIGGLES will <u>not</u> be meeting the month of October. See everyone in

#### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY**

- **Women's Ministry** will be hosting Pastor Appreciation on Sunday, October 8th. Presentations will be made at both services with light refreshments in the Café between services.
- Thursday, October 26th, help is needed to serve free food at Trunk or Treat. Please sign up in the Connection Center.
- November 5th 12th, cake roll orders, Delivery November 19th at church. More information later in October.
- November 12th Veteran Recognition. Please be sure to register as a veteran or for someone on your family. See bulletin for details.
- Save the dates:
- Sunday, December 3rd, Hanging of the Greens.
- Tuesday, December 5th, Women's Christmas Dinner at Camp YoliJwa.
- Saturday, December the 9th, Assemble Cheer boxes in the APB. Watch bulletin for time!
- Next meeting is Tuesday, October 24th at 6:30. WE NEED YOU!



Our love and sympathy is extended to Roger and Sue Russell and family on the passing of Roger's Mother, Louise Miller on Thursday, August 31st.

Our thoughts and prayers are extended to the family of Petra Smith who passed away Thursday, August 31, 2023.

**Right-Now-Media** is a free resource that is available to all who attend our church. You will receive free access to a huge, streaming, online library of over 10,000 video Bible studies and more. Go to <a href="https://www.tcp.church">www.tcp.church</a> and click on Online Resources and then Right-Now-Media.

I can't begin to "Thank" each one of you enough for all the prayers, phone calls, visits, flowers, and all the food, along

the prayers, phone calls, visits, flowers, and all the food, along with all the other acts of kindness you have blessed me with. I've been truly humbled and once again "Thank you one and all!!"



Hugs with sincere gratitude!! Phyllis Hershey

#### **Kid Ministry Needs You!**

We are in need of a few more volunteers during all service times. Have you been interested in helping but are not ready to commit? Talk to Erica Shaffer, our Children's Director as to how you might fit in.

#### **Promise Kids Volunteer Schedule - October 2023**

Date	8:15 Junior Church	9:30 Sunday School	10:45 Junior Church	
October 1	Check in: Erica Shaffer Teacher: Linda & Amanda Webber, Kate Lay	Check in: Erica Shaffer Teacher: Angie Anderson & Barb Hoover	Check in: Pre-School: Sherry Aby & Elementary: Pastor Heidi Guyer & Yvonne Shannon	
October 8	Check In : Heather Fickle Teacher:	Check in: Erica Shaffer Teacher: Kate Lay & Angie Anderson	Check in: & Bre-School: & Blementary: Erica Shaffer & Deb Whisler	
October 15	Check in: Miriam Dull Teacher: Steph Weller &	Check in: Erica Shaffer Teacher: Angie Anderson & Barb Hoover	Check in: & Delaney Rhinehart Elementary: &	
October 22	<u>Family Service</u> NURSERY ONLY Check in: Erica Shaffer	<u>Junior Choir</u> Check in: Erica Shaffer Junior Choir Practice: Linda Webber & Amanda Webber	<u>Family Service</u> NURSERY ONLY Check In: Erica Shaffer	
October 29	<u>Choir</u> NURSERY ONLY Check in: Erica Shaffer	Check in: Teacher: Angie Anderson & Barb Hoover	Choir  NURSERY ONLY  Check in: Erica Shaffer  Preschool: Pastor Heidi Guyer &	

#### **October's Monthly Memory Verses**

Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God.

Philippians 4:6

#### **Nursery Volunteer Schedule - October 2023**

# 8:15 Service October 1- Jeff & Stephanie Pittman October 8 - Emily Reall & Elijah Reall October 15 - Kristy Warren & Cathy Johnson October 22 - Emily Reall & Stephanie McCullough October 29 - Kristy Warren & Cathy Johnson October 29 - Katie & Shay Kane

#### 10:45 Service

October 1 - Steph Weller & Sarah Fisher
October 8 - Suzanne Witter & Pat Martin
October 15 - Kathy Biscuit & Brooke Bobb
October 22 - Suzanne & Andrew, Tyler Witter

October 29 - Tobey & Brandi Lay

#### **Children's Choir**

The Children's Choir meets in the Children's Center for practice on October 22nd at 9:30 am.

All children ages 3 - grade 5 are welcome to be part of the choir. We practice on the 4th Sunday of the month at 9:30 am. Please join in!

The Children's Choir will sing October 29th.

#### THANKS, PRAISE AND PRAYERS



Congratulations to Alyssa Dubbs and Aaron Mains who were married on August 19, 2023. May God bless your marriage!

Congratulations also to Tony Leisher and Minche Padernal who were united in marriage on August 26, 2023. God's

Congratulations to those from our church family who were faithful in following Jesus example in the Ordinance of Baptism. Those baptized were:

Angie Anderson, Buz Anderson, Clara Bender, Laila Forde, Sharon Greene, Kyrie Guyer, Levi Guyer, Minche Leisher, Alyssa Mains, Jacob Mansberger and Anthony Walker.

God bless you for your faithfulness.



Please keep in your prayers the family's of the children who were dedicated in September.

**Jakota William**-**Edward Ege**, parents are Jason & Brooke and big sister Brylee.

**Hudson Flynn Lay**, parents are Bradley & Ashley and big brother Preston.

**Sawyer Grace Ware-hime**, parents are Philip & Ashley and big brother Owen.



"Whoever receives one such child in my name receives me." Matthew 18:5

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Pray for your own heart towards your pastor	Thank God for calling him to pastoral ministry	Pray for encouragement during times of struggle	Pray for his preaching and communication skills	Pray that he will be blessed with true rest during time off	Pray for healthy teamwork and staff unity	Pray for him to have wisdom in counseling others Colossians 2:2-3b
1 Timothy 2:1-3	1 Timothy 1:12	2 Corinthians 4:8-10	2 Timothy 4:2	Isaiah 30:15	Ephesians 4:1-3	James 1:5
THE PERSON NAMED IN COLUMN	9	10	11	12	The second secon	14
Pray that he will produce the fruit of the Spirit	Pray that he will have deliverance in times of temptation	Pray that he will love God with all of his heart, soul, and mind	Pray that he will clearly know God's will for his life	Pray that he will be a man of prayer	Pray that he will have a peaceful heart	Pray for his physical health and safety
Galatians 5:22-23	1 Corinthians 10:13 James 4:7	1 Corinthians 8:3 Deuteronomy 6:5	Colossians 1:9	Psalm 5:3 Psalm 6:9	2 Thessalonians 3:16 John 14:27	Psalm 4:8 Proverbs 21:31
15	16		18	19	20	21
Pray that he will be a student of the Word	Pray that he will focus on pleasing God,	Pray that he will be a Godly father	Pray that he will have a Godly marriage	Pray that he will be a man of moral purity	Ask God to give him Godly friendships and	Pray that he will be a man of graceful speech
2 Timothy 2:15-16	not people Galatians 1:10 Proverbs 29:25	Ephesians 6:4 Proverbs 22:6	Ephesians 5:25-33	2 Timothy 2:22 Ephesians 5:3	mentors Proverbs 27:17	Psalm 19:14 Colossians 4:6
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Pray that he will have a grateful heart	Pray that he will be a cheerful giver	Pray that he will have a heart for missions	Pray for him as he mentors and disciples others	Pray that he will have a genuine love for people	Pray that he will have a servant's heart	Ask God to give him financial wisdom
Hebrews 13:15 1 Thessalonians 5:18	2 Corinthians 9:7 Acts 20:35	Mark 16:15 Isaiah 52:7:2	2 Timothy 2:2	1 John 4:7 John 13:34	Galatians 5:13 Philippians 2:5-7	Matthew 6:21 Matthew 6:33
29		31				
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will be steadfast in suffering	will be a man of faithfulness	give him spiritual blessings	af			
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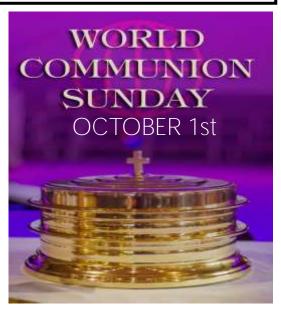
#### **ANNIVERSARIES**

#### Bernie & Marylyn Allen 10/1 David & Debbie Drumheller 10/2 Michael & Deborah Whisler 10/2 Daniel & Julianna Bender 10/7 Ryan & Shayla Darr 10/11 Buz & Angie Anderson 10/12 Bradley & Ashley Lay 10/15 John & Pat Bailey 10/17 Pastor Wayne & Elaine Good (45) 10/21 Shannon & Katie Kane 10/21 Travis & Breanna Tennant 10/22 Jason & Steph Weller 10/23 Nick & Judy Greenawalt 10/24 Walter & Peggy Coover 10/26 John & Yvonne Shannon 10/26



William & Donna Brobst

11/8



#### **BIRTHDAYS**

Buz Anderson	10/1
Alex Hoskins	10/1
Cindy Finkenbinder	10/3
Ed Webber	10/3
Julie Conner	10/4
Vicki Griffie	10/4
Jason Hilliard	10/4
Shirley Heishman	10/6
Bob Shoemaker	10/6
Rhonda Hall	10/11
Mark Reese	10/11
Richard Brown	10/13
Layne Greenawalt	10/13
Roger Thrush	10/15
Paulette Bansemer	10/17
David Young	10/17
Vickie Rauch	10/18
Pat Bailey	10/19
Jennifer Franklin	10/19
Lester Kitzmiller	10/20
Betsy Shughart	10/20
Hudson Lay	10/21
Brandi Lay	10/21
Scott Metzger	10/22
Pastor Heidi Guyer	10/23
Rodger Diehl	10/24
Gary Lay	10/24
Dodie Bishopp	10/25
Emma Shughart	10/28
Louise Hoover	10/29
Ron McDonald	10/29
Chris Michaels	10/29
Marylyn Allen	10/30
Preston Lay	10/30
Luke Michaels	10/30

If we have missed your birthday or anniversary on our calendar, please contact the church office.

Peg Hoover	11/1
Dale Falk	11/2
Katie Ocker	11/4
Luke McCullough	11/4
Walter McCullough	11/4
Mary Beth Miller	11/4
Olive Johnson	11/4
Jeremy Gehrett	11/5
Kiersten Whisler	11/5
Evelyn Hockensmith	11/6
Dayton Lang	11/6
Carl Sponenberg	11/7
Elijah Reall	11/7
Jacob Lay	11/7
Jim Witter	11/8
Yvonne Shannon	11/8
Kevin Miller	11/11
Wayne Hockensmith - 92	11/11
John Shaffer	11/11
Andrew Witter	11/11
Clara Bender	11/14
Debbie Barkley	11/17
Pastor Kathryn Griffith	11/17
Brooks Snyder	11/20
Debbie Drumheller	11/21
Judy Greenawalt	11/21
Greg Myers	11/21
Mark Witter	11/21
Alan Guyer	11/24
Andrew Walker	11/24
Laura Lay	11/24
Ashton Warren	11/25
Deb Yohe	11/25
Katrina Long	11/25
Robert Cormany	11/26
Sarah Long	11/26
Lillian Lea Rae Tennant	11/27
Dave Drumheller	11/29
Jenna Brobst	11/30



#### PRAYER CALENDAR MINISTRY

- 1. Praise God for EMTs, police, fire personnel, etc. We often take them for granted, but they are right there when we need them. Pray for their total safety and well being.
- 2. Pray for all the men and boys of our church, that each one will have such a wonderfully close life with Christ, that others will want it, too.
- 3. Praise God for allowing us to use our church building and grounds as an outreach to so many different groups in the community, Pray that somehow He will use this to help others come to know Him.
- 4. Pray for those who want children desperately and can't have them and pray for those who are dealing with a surprise pregnancy, not knowing where to turn. Both circumstances can be heart wrenching.
- 5. Praise God that He give us a new beginning every day. New chances to do better than the day before.
- 6. Praise God for His blessing of Camp Yolijwa. So many great programs happen there and we are super blessed to have it so close by. Continued praises for the beauty of the leaves at this time of the year.
- 7. Pray that our government will move back to good moral leadership. So many things that are legal are not morally right, and many morally pleasing to God ideals are being removed from legal status. Pray that people will truly wake up to what is right and get back humbly to the will of God. The future of our country and lives depends on it.
- 8. Pray for those who have very important choices to make, that the answers will be unmistakably clear and give them peace.
- 9. Pray for wisdom and clarity for all those involved in church council meetings, that it will be a productive meeting that goes quickly. Pray for courage that our leadership will always follow what the Holy Spirit leads them to do.
- 10. Pray for Pastor Wayne Elaine and their whole family. Their good health and total well being is a blessing to us all. Likewise, keep all our other pastors and their families in prayer. The leadership team can be so much more effective when they are not burdened by health concerns.
- 11. Pray for those areas in our own country and around the world who are dealing with natural disaster, especially floods, earthquakes, tornados, fires, etc. Pray for the innocent people and other living creatures who are threatened by circumstances beyond their control.
- 12. Praise God for those people who, when they ask "how are you?" genuinely do care and listen. May we each try to be that kind of person who shows Christ's caring for others.
- 13. Pray for those who have severe anxiety/anger/panic attacks, that they can finally hand it all over to God once and for all!
- 14. Pray for those who are having serious hardship because of the economy. It can touch every area of life. Pray that somehow priorities can be plainly set and achieved. Pray that needs will be met in a way that people may see that God is providing for their needs, using His people to bless others.
- 15. Praise God for the changing colors of the leaves and the fact that you can see them that you have sight.
- 16. Pray for the Missions Committee and other groups like Neighbors In Christ, Food Bank, Paw Packs and so many others. Pray for their wisdom and discernment in meeting needs. They are using their spiritual gifts to serve our Lord.
- 17. Pray for all the women and girls of our church, that the love of Jesus will shine through each one and their warmth will be noticed by others who want that joy in their lives, too.
- 18. Thank Jesus for loving us enough to suffer and die such a horrible death when He could have let us get what we deserve. He truly is awesome!
- 19. Praise God for chocolate, cheesecake or Butterfingers, whatever your favorite treat might be, that there is usually something nearby to bring you some happiness. How much more of a blessing is having Jesus who is ALWAYS right there. Yet we take Him for granted so often.
- 20. Pray for those who have heart, blood clot, infection problems or other health issues, that a treatment will soon be found to help
- 21. When you are out at a restaurant or some other public place and you see some (especially an elderly man or woman sitting by themselves, looking lonely) say a little prayer for them. Even a little smile and wave or hello can make a huge difference in their day. It costs nothing. Think if it was your parent or future self, how much that could mean.
- 22. Pray for all the youth of our church, that they will grow up to understand what the love of Christ means, that they will want to follow Him all the days of their lives and share Him with others. Pray for their safety and boldness in proclaiming their faith.
- 23. Praise God for loving us before we were born, even knowing all the sins and mistakes we will do.
- 24. Pray for our troops wherever they may be stationed, for safety and good health in every area of their lives. Pray for their families, too, as they are missing their loved ones.
- 25. Praise God for the cooler weather, the crisp clear nights where you can see so many of the stars He has made.
- 26. Pray that Trunk or Treat will be a success in that Jesus' message will also be spread, even while children will be getting treats (big kids, too). Pray that the message will get through in ways we might not imagine.
- 27. Praise God that you have found a church family here (hopefully). There are so many opportunities that you can give back to God in ways that you can afford. The possibilities and needs are abundant. Listening to children reciting Bible verses or sitting in classes or nurseries, lots of other groups that do outreach projects are plentiful. Just say the word and your talents and spiritual gifts can be matched with a need. Have no fear, you will be greatly blessed.
- 28. Pray for those who feel so worthless that they think everyone else would be happier without them around, that they can feel the value God sees in them.

#### **PRAYER CALENDAR**

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- 29. Praise God for His wisdom. We sometimes question why He does certain things. But if we stay faithful we will often see some good that comes out of those situations. We'll understand in Heaven.
- 30. Pray that there will be total safety for those going to Halloween parties or hayrides. Also, that there will be no abductions.
- 31. Pray for those who do worship satan, that somehow they will find Christ and be released from that bondage. Be bold in praying that God will reclaim those lost souls

**Loads of Love** is well on it's way to meeting a key need in the Newville Community. We're just missing one thing...YOU! What does a Loads of Love pop-up look like?



- You pick the day and time (each session lasts 2 hours).
- We supply you with all the laundry supplies and guarters you'll need.
- When you arrive, please take a photo of the team. We will share this on social media to announce the pop-up and drive traffic to the laundromat.
- You greet laundry customers with a smile and offer to cover their laundry cost and supplies, no strings attached
- Keep track of loads washed and dried for our records.

That's it! This outreach is best suited for a couple or small family. Two volunteers is ideal, as the space isn't large. We encourage a buddy system so no one is serving alone. It's been an amazing start and we want to GROW but we need more volunteers. Please contact Brian (717.331.2466) or Heather (717.404.1995) Fickel if you'd like to become a part of this program. We love our community and this is a simple way to demonstrate our **#ForNewville** commitment.



Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes

It's never too early to start packing shoeboxes!!

Our Collection date is: November 13, 2023

www.Samaritanspurse.org/operation-Christmas-child



Thank you for the Gold Balloon Trophy! I was surprised and speechless! Being left speechless doesn't happen very often! Thank you again!

The Balloon Man AKA - Jeff

**Pennsylvania State Sunday School Convention** will be Saturday, **November 4, 2023** at Newville First Church of God. Convention theme is "Youth: Building the Next Generation on Christ's Promises," (2 Peter 1:3 & 4). Message will be by Dr. Bill Niblette, U.S. Church Ministries School Association, from Lancaster. See bulletin board for registration information and complete details.

	Aug 23	Jan - Aug 23	Annual Budget	% Budget
dinary Income/Expense				
Income				
General Fund Income				
Birthday Gift for Jesus Income	0.00	870.00		
Building Rental Income	200.00	2,318.00		
Envelopes Income	12,285.00	112,381.00		
Interest on Account	9.67	62.99		
Loose Offering Income	6,288.25	62,539.83		
Miscellaneous Income	899.00	8,604.00		
Missions Income	480.00	4,880.00		
Online giving	8,574.94	67,863.82		
Sunday School Income	283.75	2,970.16		
Total General Fund Income	29,020.61	262,489.80		
Money Market Income				
CCDR Income	4,000.00	30,997.70		
Memorial Fund Income	0.00	10,536.10		
Money Market Interest Account	25.23	138.02		
Total Money Market Income	4,025.23	41,671.82		
Total Income	33,045.84	304,161.62		
Expense				
Total Administration - Other	734.62	8,871.86	11,150.00	79.57%
Total Administration - Staffing	14,541.47	117,646.66	169,300.50	69.49%
Total Benevolences	5,570.30	38,464.66	65,650.00	58.59%
Total Christian Education	1,354.51	10,124.01	11,050.00	91.62%
Total Church Life Activities	1,056.00	9,738.09	14,500.00	67.16%
Total Mortgage	4,604.28	36,834.24	56,583.36	65.10%
Total Property Management	2,343.71	27,926.58	43,800.00	63.76%
Total Stewardship & Finance	15.00	1,038.19	1,500.00	69.21%
Total Worship & Evangelism	101.81	578.69	1,950.00	29.68%
Total Expense	30,321.70	251,222.98	375,483.86	66.91%

The Church Council will meet on Monday, October 9th at 7:00 pm.

Community
Events &
Senior
Center News
is on the
Welcome
Center
bulletin
board.

Council
Minutes &
detailed
Financial
Report
copies are in
the
Welcome
Center.

\*\* Card Ministry income was \$86.00. Miscellaneous Giving - \$90.00 to Paw Packs and \$40.00 to GriefShare and \$1,369.00 to the Kenning Family.



# CAMP YOLIJWA NEWS



(717) 776-5281 www.campyolijwa.org Facebook Page: Doubling Gap Center, Camp YoliJwa

DGC Appreciation

Banquet for

All 2023

Supporters

November 18



#### Fall Cabin Stay

Contact Camp to find dates for your small group or family to spend some quality time in one of our wilderness cabins. Fall weekends are available

YOLIJWA BIKE TREK SEPT 29 - OCT 1



Adults, join us for

YoliJwa's offsite bike trek! Contact camp for more information Fishing Derby
October 15
Ages 5-15

Enjoy an afternoon of trout fishing in Lake Henrietta.
One chaperone per child is required.



#### WINTER

RETREATS

Learn more of Jesus, see summer friends & enjoy winter activities.

Jr. Blast - Dec. 1-3 Jr. Hi Breakaway Dec. 8-10 Sr. Hi Bash

Dec. 15-16

# October

Sat	<b>7 8:00 am Men's</b> Prayer	8:00 am Men's Prayer	21 <b>8:00 am Men's</b> Prayer	28 8:00 am Men's Prayer 8:00 Church Work Day	
Fri	9	13	20	27	
Thu	5 6.00 pm Karate School 6-8 pm GriefShare	6:00 pm Karate School 6-8 pm GriefShare	19 6:00 pm Karate School 6-8 pm GriefShare	26 TRUNK OR TREAT 6pm to 8 pm 6:00 pm Karate School	
Wed	4 2:30 Staff Mtg. 6:00 pm Choir 6:30 pm Cantata Practice 7:00 pm Promise Kids., Youth & Adult Connection	6:00 pm Choir 6:30 pm Cantata Practice 7:00 pm Promise Kids , Youth & Adult Connection Groups	6:00 pm Choir 6:30 pm Cantata Practice 7:00 pm Promise Kids , Youth & Adult Connection Groups	6:00 pm Choir 6:30 pm Cantata Practice 7:00 pm Promise Kids , Youth & Adult Connection Groups	
Tue	3 6:30 pm PAW Packs Meeting 7:00 pm Cub Scouts	10 7:00 pm Cub Scouts	7:00 pm Cub Scouts	24 6:30 Women's Ministry Meeting 7:00 pm Cub Scouts	31 7:00 pm Cub Scouts
Mon	2 6:00 pm Karate School 6:00 pm Girl Scouts 7:00 pm Trustee Meeting	9 Columbus Day 6:00 pm Karate School 5:30 pm Elders Mtg 6:00 pm Girl Scouts 7:00 pm Church Council Meeting	16 1:00 pm Happy Helpers 6:00 pm Karate School 6:00 pm Girl Scouts	6:00 pm Karate School 6:00 pm Girl Scouts 7:00 pm Sunday School Convention Mtg.	30 6:00 pm Karate School 6:00 pm Girl Scouts
Sun	1 WORLD COMMUNION 8:00 am Time of Prayer 8:15 am Worship 9:30 am Connection Groups 10:45 am Worship	8 PASTOR APPRECI- ATION SUNDAY 8:00 am Time of Prayer 8:15 am Worship 9:30 am Connection Groups 10:45 am Worship	15 8:00 am Time of Prayer 8:15 am Worship 9:30 am Connection Groups 10:45 am Worship	22 FAMILY SUNDAY 8:00 am Time of Prayer 8:15 am Worship 9:30 am Connection Groups <b>&amp; Children's choir practice</b> 10:45 am Worship Newsletter Deadline	29 8:00 am Time of Prayer 8:15 am Worship 9:30 am Connection Groups 10:45 am Worship Cumberland Valley Mission Celebration 3:00 pm



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#### Newville First Church of God

#### **QUICK LOOK SCHEDULE of Events**

October 1 - Communion both Services

October 2 - Trustee Meeting at 7:00 pm

October 3 - PAW Packs Meeting at 6:30 pm

October 4 - Adult Choir Rehearsal at 6:00 pm

October 4 - Cantata Practice at 6:30 pm

October 4 - Connection Groups Begin 7:00 pm

October 5 - GriefShare at 6:00 pm (Every Thursday except the 26th)

October 6 - Capital Area Pregnancy Center Walk for Life 6:00 pm

October 9 - Elders Meeting 5:30 pm

October 9 - Church Council Meeting 7:00 pm

October 16 - Happy Helpers 1:00 pm

October 22 - FAMILY SUNDAY both Services

October 24 - Women's Ministry Meeting @6:30

October 26 - Trunk or Treat 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

October 28 - Church Work Day at 8:00 am

October 29 - Cumberland Valley Mission at 3:00 pm Carlisle COG



8:15 am

**Nursery Care** 

Ages under 2

**Promise Kids Connection** 

Ages 3-Grade 5

Connection Groups

9:30 am

**Adult Electives** 

**Nursery Care** 

**Promise Kids Connection** 

Ages 3-Grade 5

**Youth Connection** 

Worship Service 10:45 am

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**Nursery Care** 

Ages under 2

**Promise Kids Connection** 

Ages 3-Grade 5