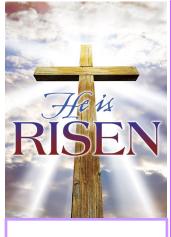
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Holy Week

April 2 @ 9:30 am Palm Sunday Service
@ 11:00 am Palm Sunday Breakfast &
Easter Egg Hunt

April 6 @ 7:00 pm Maundy Thursday Service

April 7 @ 7:00 pm Good Friday Service

April 7 @ 8:00 pm "Put it in God's Hands"

April 8 @8:00 pm 24-Hour Prayer Vigil

April 9 @ 6:30 am Easter Sunrise Service @ 7:30 am Continental Breakfast @9:30 am Easter Sunday Worship

"The week that has become known as "Holy Week" is the most important worship of the Christian Year. We recall the salvation given to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Christ is Risen Indeed!

Come be a part of the people of Resurrection!"

Pastor Alan









PRAYER CHAIN

Begins In The Church Office (724)843-0862

Prayer concerns for our Church Family & Friends...

Home Touch

Lohra Allcorn
Joe Biddle
Bim Brightwell
Carol Bubb
Tom Clinton
Don & Nancy Deutsch
Dave & Linda Eiler
Pat Elick

Paul Grimes
Sylvia Hendrickson
Elmira Hollingshead
Lee Jenkins
Pat Katekovich

Pat Katekovich
Josephine Lapic
Jim & Esther Miller
Thelma Miller
Jackie Neal
Janet Pfaff
Tim Ramsey
Duane & Diana Rape
Amie Ritter

Mourning Loss

Pastor Jim Miller Family Linda Mine Family Norm Mueller Family

Testing

Ephraim Whalen

Praise

Answered Prayers

Missionaries

Karl & Deb Crossman Franz Payoute Darlene Rimer Haiti Summer Camps Skybacher Ministries

<u>Other Prayer Needs</u>

Aidan Lafferty
Melanie Smith Family
Those who are lonely
Unionville Ministries
Unionville Staff
Unionville Volunteers
Unspoken Requests

Surgery

Vickie
Judy Cantner
Kevin Hepler
Terry Mohrbacher
Denise Myers
John Petkunis
Tom Wolbert

General Health

Darcy
Tom Brenckle
Bill Castor
Karen Dawson
Madison Huhn
Thelma Koch
Pat Ream

Tim Shane

Extended Care

Nora Baker Joyce Beglin Mike Book Tina Chirico Terry Dempsey Caitlin Edge Connie Elliot Caroline Ewing Margaret Ewing Virginia Gobea Peggy Hostettler Abby Hudak Susan Kabre Connie Katekovich Ashley Keil Rebecca Kirkland Freida Kughn Stevie Jane Kruger **Gary Lucente**

Mark McCaskey Mark Milbert Richard Moody Sheldon Murphy Christy Nadzam **Janet Pfaff Betty Revay** Aime Ritter Tim Shane Wendy Shellhammer Alice Short **Jarred Shouder** Dave & Amy Smail **Janet Stange** Alvin Whitehall **Iennifer Whitman** Michelle Wiltrout



Prayer Chain

If you or anyone you know would like to be added to the prayer list or to either the telephone or email prayer chain, please contact the church office (724)843-0862

Names will appear on the prayer list for four consecutive weeks with the exception of the Home Touch and Extended Care lists. The Extended Care list is for those with Chronic Illnesses who will likely need prayer long term. From time to time, if we have not received an update on a person or if a person has been doing well, they may be removed from the Extended Care list until we are asked to put them back on with an update to their condition.

Happy Birthday To You...



04/01 Pat Elick

04/01 Asher Huwar

04/02 PALM SUNDAY

04/02 Mike Kastroll

04/03 Jake Turner

04/03 Colin Lafferty

04/03 Jessica Fogle

04/07 Karen Valko

04/09 EASTER SUNDAY

04/10 Karen Dawson

04/11 Phil Ziter

04/12 Debbie Canonge

04/12 Walker Donawitz

04/14 Paul Moehrle

04/15 Samantha Sharpless

04/16 Jason Walker

04/17 Debbie Brightwell

04/18 Marty Fleissner

04/18 Noah Harris

04/19 Karen Peffer

04/20 Tim Shane

04/23 Danny Evans

04/23 Stephania Badamo

04/24 Lohra Allcorn

04/25 Mary Kughn

04/27 Nathan Fronzaglio

04/27 Regina Boyd

04/27 Carole Young

04/27 Mikalah Smith

04/28 Lyle Kughn



We enjoy being able to share your special dates. Please, if we overlook you or someone you know, let us know so that we can add the special date to our records.

Happy Anniversary

04/04 Don & Nancy Deutsch

04/10 Jason & Kim Walker

04/18 Chris & Kelly Triplett

04/21 Mike & Sherry Lewis

04/25 Mark & Tonya Mohrbacher

04/25 Tom & Linda Miller

04/27 Lew & Teresa Lawrence



APRIL CALENDAR OF EVENTS

April 1	Community Breakfast					
April 2	Palm Sunday Worship, Congregation Breakfast, Easter Egg Hunt Skybacher Pray n Play					
April 3	Youth Group, Kids' Club, VBS Set Building					
April 5	Choir, Adult Bible Study					
April 6	Maundy Thursday Worship					
April 7	Good Friday Worship, Prayer Vigil					
April 8	Prayer Vigil					
April 9	Sunrise Worship Service, Continental Breakfast, Easter Worship					
April 10	VBS Set Building					
April 12	Blood Drive, Choir, Adult Bible Study					
April 13	Adult Bible Study @the Alexander Home					
April 16	Sunday Worship, Sunday School, Skybacher Pray n Play					
April 17	Youth Group, Kids' Club, VBS Set Building					
April 18	Compassionate Ministries Food Pantry					
April 19	Choir, Adult Bible Study					
April 20	Adult Bible Study @the Alexander Home					
April 22	Vision Discernment Gathering					
April 23	Sunday Worship, Sunday School					
April 24	Youth Group & Kids' Club Pizza Party, VBS Set Building					
April 26	Choir, Adult Bible Study					
April 27	Flea Market Set-up					
April 28	Flea Market Flea Market CALENDAR!					
April 29	Flea Market					
April 30	Sunday Worship, Sunday School, Joyful Ringer Practice, Butler District Conference at UUMC					

PASTOR'S CORNER

Pastor Alan

Crucifixion or Resurrection

Are we a people of the Crucifixion or a people of the Resurrection? I suspect that the truth is, on most days we are somewhere in between.

In my image of these groups, the people of the Crucifixion are the crowds that gathered on Palm Sunday that were quickly excited by the energy of Jesus turning over the tables in the Temple. Yet just as quickly became part of the crowd yelling at Pilate to crucify Jesus. He demanded too much to be a disciple; he disturbed the status quo. He expected people to do things differently, even though "they had always done it that way". They surrounded him on the streets of Jerusalem as he dragged the cross to the hill where he would be crucified. They taunted him along the way and even as he hung on the cross.

The people of the Resurrection are the crowds that gathered on Palm Sunday to greet Jesus with palm branches and coats lay on the street as he entered Jerusalem. They welcomed their king. They couldn't shout down the Pharisees encouraging Crucifixion. In disbelief, they watched Jesus die and in the coming days in wonderment they heard the news that he was resurrected. They responded to the teachings of the Disciples in the days ahead and then became believers. They became the People of the Way of Jesus Christ. They moved from being followers to becoming disciples to becoming disciple makers that spread the good news.

In truth, there was a third group. Those were the people who did not choose a side. They either were unaware or just not paying attention or didn't care. Society has not changed much. There are still those who reject Jesus as Christ. There are still those who embrace him as Lord and Savior. There are still those who have not chosen a side.

As I write this, we are in the last week of our 40-day journey of Lent leading to the activities of Holy Week. On Palm Sunday (April 2) we gather for worship at 9:30 AM celebrating the triumphal entry into Jerusalem followed by our Easter Egg Hunt and Congregational Breakfast. On Thursday, April 6th we share the remembrance of Maundy Thursday at 7 PM. On Good Friday (April 7th) we gather to recall the last hours of Jesus' life at 7 PM. Then the 24-hour Prayer Vigil follows from 8 PM on Friday to 8 PM on Saturday. There are times left for you to take part in the prayer vigil. On Easter Sunday, April 9th we begin with Sunrise Worship at 7 AM and Easter Worship at 9:30 AM as we celebrate the Resurrection of Christ.

The week that has become known as "Holy Week" is the most important worship of the Christian Year. We recall the salvation given to us through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Christ is Risen! Alleluia! Christ is Risen Indeed!

Come be a part of the people of Resurrection!

Blessings!

Alan





Discerning a Vision for the Future



Congregations need to develop an ongoing process of discernment leading to a fresh expression of the vision every 2-3 years as the world around us changes more rapidly than ever.

When: Saturday, April 22nd & Saturday, May 13th

8:00 AM - 3:30 PM - Lunch will be provided

Where: Unionville Church - Family Life Center

Who: You - If you take part in the life of Unionville Church,

we want you to be part of this process.

What: We will seek to answer the questions -

• Who are we as a congregation today?

· Who are our neighbors?

· What needs do we see?

· How do we align our ministries and prioritize our missional outcomes?

There will be a sign-up sheet in the narthex.

PRAYER MINISTRY

Announcing the 2023 - 24 hour Prayer Vigil Good Friday @8:00 pm—Saturday@8:00 pm "Put it in God's Hands"

The prayer visual has been a unique experience each and every time it is held. You won't regret taking part for one brief hour, in fact most would choose to stay longer if time allowed. Sign up today for your 1 hour time slot.

You can sign-up for the prayer vigil by registering online at the link below or by scanning the QR code

https://www.signupgenius.com/go/409054EA9A62BA6FC1-putitin



We are still in need of those who are willing to take a 2-3 hour shift to act as security/doorman during the vigil.

Please contact Linda Miller for times needed.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

Jon Beige

There has been a lot of talk in the United Methodist Church as well as in the country as a whole about disaffiliation with the UMC, so I thought it was worth explaining my point of view on this as the chair of Unionville's Administrative Council. Before I get into that, here's a short explanation of the issue facing the church as far as I understand it.

The Book of Discipline is the compilation of all of the rules and laws of the United Methodist Church worldwide. The rules in this book are voted on and amended if needed every 4 years at the General Conference of the entirety of the UMC (although the latest General Conference was postponed due to COVID-19). There is one particular rule in this book (Article IV ¶ 304.3 "Qualifications for Ordination") which says "The practice of homosexuality is incompatible with Christian teaching. Therefore self-avowed practicing homosexuals are not to be certified as candidates, ordained as ministers, or appointed to serve in The United Methodist Church." Many of the more progressive churches have been pushing for years to change this language, while more conservative churches have been trying to keep it from changing. To date nothing has changed with this rule, and it can not be changed until the next General Conference starting April 23, 2024.

There is a temporary process in place that allows local congregations to choose to leave the UMC, as long as they vote in favor of disaffiliating and complete the process prior to December 2023. I have had conversations with many people in the congregation, and at this point everyone seems to agree that the best course of action for Unionville UMC is currently to stay with the UMC. Regardless of your personal views on the above rule in the Book of Discipline, there are many important facets to this process that we have taken into consideration, which I will detail below.

To this point, there have not been any changes made to the Book of Discipline, or official changes on the church's view on ordination for self-avowed practicing homosexuals. There are still a great number of churches on both sides of this issue, and it's not easy to tell which way the UMC will end up going.

If Unionville were to leave the UMC, we would lose Pastor Alan, who has made a personal commitment to serve under the UMC. Without the affiliation with the UMC, our congregation would enter into a search for a new pastor without a clear direction or assistance from outside of our walls.

Many of the churches who are choosing to disaffiliate are joining the new Global Methodist Church. It is great that they have a new home, however this new denomination is young and not well defined yet. There are a lot of unknowns that come along with this.

The disaffiliation process would involve needing to purchase our building from the UMC, or moving to a new property without the building that our congregation has poured so much time and love into. This would likely cost Unionville more than \$200,000.

The disaffiliation process requires a 2/3 majority of professing members to vote in favor of it at a church conference. There are local churches who have tried this and not reached the 2/3 majority, and this has caused a major rift in the congregation, leading to the closing of the church. If Unionville were to decide to have one of these conferences, we would need to be completely sure that the vast majority of the congregation is in agreement about the direction and vision for the future of our church.

Although the current disaffiliation rules sunset at the end of this year, I am very confident that there will be a new method for choosing to disaffiliate with the UMC if our congregation decides that the future direction of the UMC is not in alignment with our understanding of the Bible.

I am thankful for the faithfulness of each member of our congregation, and for the opportunity to have a role in the future direction of our congregation as a part of the Ad Council. If anyone disagrees with my opinions that are spelled out above I would encourage you to reach out to me via text, email, (continued on next page)

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL

Jon Beige

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phone, or in person. My contact information is all available in the latest church directory, and the church office can give you my number if needed.

The most important thing to remember through these times is that Unionville will continue to be Unionville because our congregation is defined more by the hearts of our members than by anything that happens at the tops of our denomination. All of the church leadership remains committed to love and serve our congregation and community through whatever may come in the future.

God bless you all, Jon Beige

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

Linda Miller

It's hard to believe that at the time of this writing we are already headed into Holy Week! The more activities we have the faster the time seems to fly by as we move from one to the next. Have you ever noticed kids in the midst of a great time, asking, "What are we doing next?" I would venture to guess that as adults we operate in much the same mindset. I wonder at times what God thinks about all our busyness? Though there is certainly need for all us Marthas, Jesus reminds us that Mary chose the greater need. How often do we sit at the feet of Jesus and take in all that He has to offer us?

As we begin to see some of our programming wrap up for this school year, Kids' Club and Youth Group will wrap up on April 24th with their end of the year Pizza Party, Sunday School will wrap up on Youth Sunday, May 21st; we are winding up for a "Stellar" Vacation Bible School, June 4th through the 8th and my mind is already on the next school year.

What is God's plan for you and for Unionville in the next year? What is God prioritizing in your life and in the life of the church? I encourage us all to be in prayer and to be actively listening for His direction and calling. "For my yoke is easy and my burden is light." Matthew 11:30

Pastor Alan has scheduled two Vision Discernment Gathering opportunities, April 22nd & May 13th, see page 6 for details. It is my hope that you will commit to joining us at these gatherings as this will be a place for us to collectively gather what God is laying on our hearts for Unionville.

What ministries or programs need a face-lift? What new opportunities are waiting? Who will join us in our mission to go and make disciples? Who will God bring into our midst to be discipled? These and more are all great questions. Please join with me as we take them in prayer to the only one who holds the answers.

JOYFUL RINGERS

Elizabeth Deal

The Joyful Ringers will come together for another performance on Sunday, May 21st. Any children and youth 4th grade and up are invited to be a part of the bell choir. See Elizabeth Deal for more information.

The Joyful Ringers will practice following Sunday School on April 30th and May 7th from 12-12:45pm .





The nursery is open on Sunday morning 9:00 AM until noon for both the Worship hour and Sunday School hour.

Nursery staff, Charlene Murray and a volunteer will care for your children each week.

Children infant through preschool are welcome!



See Linda Miller to be added to the volunteer rotation schedule.

This is an all church event!

Our Annual Easter Egg Hunt
And Congregation Breakfast
will be held on Palm Sunday, April 2nd
following worship.



Come join us for food, crafts, and an outside egg hunt (dress accordingly). You are asked to bring yourself and your family!

Kids, don't forget your Easter Basket!!

We will have a sausage/pancake breakfast and you are welcome to but not required to bring a brunch type food dish to share.



Kick-off Holy Week
with celebration!



HEATHER SALTER 724-601-2299





REGISTRATION

Participants and volunteers - scan QR Code to register!



or use the following link: https://vbspro.events/p/stellaruumc

SET BUILDING

The Decorating and Set Building will begin this month! Please join us!

WORK NIGHTS:

April 10th 5-8 pm April 17th 5-8 pm April 24th 5-8 pm May 1st 5-8 pm

Help us make VBS an OUT OF THIS WORLD good time!



FAMILY SERVICE NIGHT

Elizabeth Deal



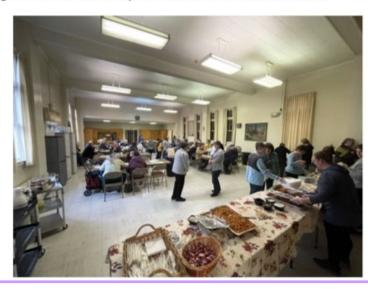
Thank you for **over 100 pairs of socks** that were donated in February to share at the Ladle and Hearth Soup Kitchen in Ambridge! The clients were absolutely delighted to see the large selection of clean, warm new socks. This week no children attended the Ladle, so we brought the children size socks back to be used in the Operation Christmas Child Boxes the youth group assembles each winter.

Over 60 meals were served during our time at the Ladle on March 6th. Chicken tenders, pasta with sauce, potato salad, and fresh rolls were served. There were ice cream choices for dessert.

UUMC had fellowship time with everyone who attends the Ladle. Our time was **fruitful** as some clients knew Unionville or our members. Our time together was also **energizing**. **Compassion** and **care** filled the large space we were in together.

As always, Family Service Nights are one of the <u>many doors God opens in our lives</u>. We use all of our senses to learn on these nights. Thank you, UUMC Family, for your support of this outreach.

Additional Family Service Night planning is ongoing. If you sense God's nudge to share an idea, please contact the church office.





SCOUTING



SCOUTING FOR FOOD

Boy Scout Troop 444 collected cash and food donations at the fifth Fish Fry of 2023. Flyers were placed into take-out meals in the two weeks prior to collection.

Donations collected on March 24th included \$257 and 92 pounds of food for the Compassionate Ministry Food Pantry!

The Scouts also helped serve and clean up during and after the Fish Fry!

Thank you Troop 444!

Thank you Scout Leaders Chris Brenckle and Jesse Miller for repairing our large vacuum for the FLC.



SOFT PLASTIC RECYCLING

Hello, I am Cooper Brien. You might be wondering what the big plastic bin in the hallway is? Well, that is my soft plastic recycling bin. It is a program run through NexTrex. I am doing it for my Bar Mitzvah service project and my goal is 500 pounds and to get as many people as possible to help me reach my goal so the plastic doesn't end up in the ocean. Did you know that plastic has been found on Mount Everest and the Mariana Trench? As of now, I am up to 485 pounds of soft plastic. Almost there! I would like to thank Unionville United Methodist Church for helping me get a good portion of that goal.



SCOUT OVERNIGHT AND TRAINING

Unionville UMC was the host site for Troop 444's Individual Leadership Skills for Troops (ILST) training that took place on March 24-25. ILST is designed for scouting youth who are either involved in or want to be involved in youth leadership positions within their troop. Scouts learned about effective communication, the stages of team development, the importance of sharing leadership, and they considered that the most important leadership style is that of a servant leader. The weekend culminated with the troop electing new youth leaders to serve in the next year.



We would like to sincerely thank Unionville for your ongoing partnership and support of our Troop. We look forward to strengthening our partnership as we continue to work together. Scouting in our community is stronger because of you!









Butler District Conference April 30, 2023 3:00 PM

Unionville UMC, 1297 Route 68, Rochester, PA 15074 Beginning with refreshments at 2:30 **The Mission Barn** is accepting teams Tuesday to Saturday, 10 am - 2 pm from 2-20 people kindergarten and above.

Email Katie at missionbarn@gmail.com to schedule your team to come. They accept teams from kindergarten and above with adult supervision.



Come Warm Your Hearts! Butler District clergy and laity are invited to "Come Warm their Hearts" at a Worship Service on *Sunday, April 16 at 2 pm at Monaca UMC, 813 Indiana Ave, Monaca, PA*15061. This will be a celebration of our connection as United Methodists siblings. Come and you will find your heart strangely warmed!

Child Evangelism Fellowship of Beaver County welcomes you to join us for our 3rd Annual Walk a thon!

May 13, 2023 10am-12pm
Beaver County Health & Walking Trail at Brady's Run Park, Beaver Falls, PA.

Registration is now open - <u>beavercountycef.com/walk</u> You can register to walk or to support a walker! Register by April 24 and raise \$25.00 to receive a free t-shirt.

Join us to support the spreading of Gospel hope to the children of Beaver County through this ministry. Hundreds of children enjoy our 5-Day Clubs, Good News Clubs, and Good News Day Camps. Monies raised will support our Good News Day Camps in August and our general ministry.

Adults & kids alike will enjoy prizes, raffle baskets, face painting, balloon animals, free food & drinks, music, bounce houses, exercise & fellowship.

We hope to see you there!

SUPPORT FOR CLAYTON'S ARMY

On Saturday May 20 the Pittsburgh Region Cystic Fibrosis Foundation will hold its annual Great Strides 5K Walk to raise money for research to fight cystic fibrosis.

Once again, we'll be walking as part of Clayton's Army. Clayton Himmler is our nephew. He was born on October 24, 2017 and at 5 years of age, he's looking pretty healthy – largely due to the care his parents (Dale and Jennifer) give him and a new still-experimental drug. Nevertheless, he and his parents have to be very careful about infections. A minor chest cold could send him to the hospital.

The last time we were able to participate, Clayton's Army raised around \$10,000; the total for the Great Strides Walk was around \$300,000 – a little less than before Covid. This year, we hope to do better. Most of the money raised is used for research.

We're asking for your help. It's a 5K walk. Could you donate 20 cents a kilometer (\$1.00)? Or 40 cents (\$2.00)? Or \$1.00 (\$5.00)? Or some other amount?

If you're willing to be one of our sponsors, you could give your donation to Nancy or Dave at church some Sunday. Or you could mail it to us: 201 Mowry Road, Monaca, PA 15061. If you use a check, make it out to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. On the memo line write "Clayton's Army."

Help us to help Clayton and the other kids have the chance to grow old.

Thank you, Dave and Nancy Wilson



Bus Trip Washington D.C. June 9-10, 2023

Trip Cost - Approximately \$200 per person plus meals.
All children must be accompanied by a parent or adult chaperone.
Cost includes the bus, museum tour and overnight accommodations with 4 to a room.

(There will be fundraising to help offset the cost)

Itinerary:

June 9th: Depart Unionville UMC @6:30 am

Destination: Museum of the Bible, Washington D.C.

Upon arrival we will tour the museum.

We are planning for an evening bus tour.

June 10th: You are free to tour on your own, however we are looking into some group activities.

Depart D.C. at 5:00 pm, destination Unionville UMC

Watch for further details
Contact Wendy Kline or the church office with questions.

FLEA MARKET SAVE THE DATE

APRIL 28 & 29: 8AM-2PM

ALL PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT THE BUS TRIP TO MUSEUM OF THE BIBLE
PLEASE PLAN TO HELP IF YOU ARE ATTENDING THE TRIP
YOU WON'T WANT TO MISS IT!!!!

DONATIONS OF SALE ITEMS ACCEPTED
APRIL 27TH: DROP OFF 9AM-7PM

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP

	April 2	April 9	April 16	April 23	April 30
Acolytes	Jordyn Moehrle Janna Kline	April & Brian Beige	Grady & Jayce Lawrence	RJ Gigliotti Preston Deal	Connor Moehrle Gregory Kline
Nursery	Help Needed	Janna Kline	Heather Salter	Lisa Lewis	Holly LeFebvre
Children's Church	Kaley Zundel Shannon Moehrle	No Children's Church	Robin Beige Holly LeFebvre	Paula Boyd Tina Petrik	Lori Calve Terry Ewing

All children first grade and above who would like to serve as acolyte and any Youth through Adult who would like to volunteer in the Nursery or Children's Church should contact Linda Miller in the office to be added to the rotation.



He is Risen! Alleluia! He is Risen Indeed!

COMPASSIONATE MINISTRIES

Jo Shane

Iust a reminder:

Do you have a neighbor, friend, or family member who is having financial difficulties?

Deople Helping People



Pantry Distribution

Tuesday, April 18th & May 23rd 5:00—7:00 PM

Questions? Call Jo Shane @ 724-846-5146

Current Food Pantry needs can be found on Unionville's Website @ unionvilleumc.org

COMPASSIONATE MINISTRIES

Jo Shane

Spring is finally here. The daffodils are ready to bloom, the crocuses are in bloom, the deer are in the field and one of the eaglets in the Hays section of Pittsburgh has hatched. Easter is right around the corner, and we have so much to be thankful for.

The Pantry has been busy and the volunteers have stepped up to help any way they can. They have purchased groceries, put groceries away and helped to fill orders when the distribution date is here. We have been fortunate to have Mike Catalano and Glen Glass set the grocery bags in the FLC for us. On distribution day Mike, Glen, Gary and Wayne Boyd carry the groceries to the cars, which is a big help.

O Lord, our Lord, Your greatness is seen in all the world! Your praises reach up to the heavens! Psalm 8

Many of the folks that come to the Pantry have had a hard winter. One lady broke her arm, and it did not heal right. Now it needs to be reset and the healing process started all over again. A gentleman who has bone cancer recently had back surgery where they had to go in through his sides. He is in a great deal of pain. Another lady has had problems with her throat. She had surgery last year but it looks like she may need surgery again. Thyroid surgery and back surgery are waiting for another lady



when she gains her strength back. Two ladies had hip surgery. One was successful and she is back driving. The other one realizes she should have had the operation years ago. Some are raising grandchildren while others may live alone. All these people are blessed by the Pantry and the food they receive.

The Pantry is blessed to have groceries to reach out to others. This is only possible through everyone's generosity. Groceries have been gathered by local churches on a regular basis. Some of the churches that have helped the Pantry are Oak Grove Lutheran Church, New Sewickley Presbyterian Church, Lighthouse Lutheran Church, Prince

of Peace Lutheran Church, and the Church of the Nazarene in Zelienople. Boy Scout Troup #444 collected food and cash donations at the Unionville UMC Fish Fry on March 24th. Not only did they collect the food, but they put it away too. There is a list of food and needs on the Unionville UMC web site (www.unionvilleumc.org) and it is updated monthly. Things that we always need are toilet paper, cleaning products, dish soap, Clorox, and detergent. These are not food items but are things that are needed to keep the home running.

The Pantry continues to serve clients from Freedom, New Brighton, New Sewickley Twp. and Rochester.

Thank you for keeping the Pantry, and the folks that attend, in your prayers. We could not continue this program without the volunteers and you. Your prayer support and financial support keep us going.



HOME TOUCH Linda Miller

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Tom Clinton

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Don & Nancy Deutsch

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Dave Eiler

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Pat Elick

1310 Route 68 Rochester, PA 15074

Paul Grimes

157 Powell Road New Brighton, PA 15066

Sylvia Hendrickson

10 Adams Ridge Blvd. Rm A-8 Mars, PA 16046

Elmira Hollingshead

1013 Stockton Ridge Cranberry Twp., PA 16066

Lee Jenkins

1080 Robinson Street Freedom, PA 15042

Pat Katekovich

158 Willowmere Park Road New Brighton, PA 15066

Josephine Lapic

902 Tulip Drive New Brighton, PA 15066

Jim & Esther Miller

905 Eighth Avenue Freedom, PA 15042

Thelma Miller

1281 Route 68 Rochester, PA 15074

Jackie Neal

113 Sunset Drive Cowpens, SC 29330

Janet Pfaff

103 Burgess Drive Blue Ridge Apt 2016 Zelienople, PA 16063

Tim Ramsey

724 Druschel Road New Brighton, PA 15066

Duane & Diana Rape

130 Harkins Mill Road Rochester, PA 15074

Amie Ritter

141 R Harold Street New Brighton, PA 15066



Please take a moment to remember our Home Touch Friends With a note, card or phone call.

If you know of someone who should be added to our Home Touch Friend List, Please contact the church office.

If you would like a visit from our Home Touch Team or Pastor Alan, please notify the church office.

Community Breakfast April 1st & May 6th 8:00—10:00 am

Please come and lend a hand; come and eat; invite your friends & neighbors!

An all-you-care-to-eat buffet for only \$12.00!

You can't beat it!

The proceeds from these meals help fund various ministries throughout the year.

FAMILY LIFE CENTER RENTALS

We are currently taking Rental reservations.

Call the Church Office At (724)843-0862





NEW CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday Noon—2PM

Friday Noon—4 PM

Messages and emails are being checked throughout the week

Join us for Sunday Worship
In our Sanctuary @9:30 am
or virtually. via
Our YouTube channel.

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