

Deacons Meeting



Food Bank - February 12:

57 Households, 4 New
20 Senior Boxes – 7 Doubles – 3
Birthday Bags
We had 16 volunteers, working a total
of 57 hours.
Coat Closet is closed. Salvation Army
will be picking up coats.

Pantry Wish List:

- Canned Ravioli, Spaghetti-O's, Spaghetti and Meatballs
- Applesauce, Jelly, Juice (plastic jars), Cereal
- Canned Chicken

February Food Bank:

Truck Delivery: March 3
Packing & Distribution: March 5

Funeral Dinners

None

Next Deacon Meeting: March 8, 2022

Submitted by Amy Grillo Dameron - Deacon Secretary.

Prayer Concerns

Samantha Bingman	Carol Johnson	Gaile Cook
Nick Mitchel	Betty Salmane	Bob Long
Kurt Landsberg	Marge Robinson	Aria Joy
Tony Cousin	Julie Kinney	Cyndy Bondra
Maureen Deringer	Claudia Montgomery	Marie Davis

Our Church Concerns

Betty Salmane	Sandy Mozzy	Marion Yates
Barbara Hines	Ann Jacobus	Karen Richards
Sandy Zavadak	Mary Howrelook	Evelyn Guido
Lucille Bash	Lois Trofka	Ida Mohr
Betty Lou Sharick	Betty Tylinski	

Those suffering from anxiety and depression.

Our military personnel:

Nate Szanto
Mark Brenner

For all afflicted with Covid-19

In Christ's Love,
Pastor Wendy

Please call the office to let me know if anyone is in the hospital.



If you would like to add someone to the prayer chain, please call Sandy at 724-335-0730 with your request. Thank you.

Prayer Chain:

Sandy Mozzy	724-335-0730
Charlotte Claypool	724-335-5426
Pat Lewandowski	724-337-7994
Betty Tylinski	724-727-7747
Gloria Lauffer	724-472-3468
Robin Sorch	724-337-6806

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Healing God's People**

**MARCH
Newsletter**

2022



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Deacons Food Bank

Pastor Wendy Emergency Food

Office Hours
Monday-Thursday
9:00 am - 12:00 pm
The church office will be closed on
Fridays

Sunday Hours:
10:00 Adult Sunday School
11:00 Worship

The deadline for the
April, 2022
Newsletter is
March 20th



Please contact the Worship/Fellowship Committee to sign up to be a liturgist. Thank you!!!

VOLUNTEERS—MARCH

3/6 Ed Dzierzynski
 3/13 Mark Bondra
 3/20 Donna McLaughlin
 3/27 Julia Yockey

Counters

3/6 Donna Lindh
 3/13 Randy Schultz
 3/20 Donna Lindh
 3/27 Claudia Long



Happy St. Paddy's Day

March 17th



- 3/1 David Capo
- 3/2 Karlee Thimons
- 3/5 Steve Powell
- 3/8 Addison Johnson
- 3/8 Aleigha Johnson
- 3/11 Jennifer Williams
- 3/12 Amy Grillo-Dameron
- 3/13 Charlotte Claypool
- 3/13 Kelly Conte
- 3/20 Jordan Alexander
- 3/20 Thoms E. Binder
- 3/25 Cherilynn Mosley
- 3/25 Matthew Yeamans
- 3/27 Sandra Zavadak
- 3/29 Donna Williams



Olivia Guido & Corey Arabia -
 Welcomed a baby girl, Aria Mae Arabia on 02.18.2022. Aria was 6lbs 7oz - 19 inches. Blessings to the new family.



Lenten Study: Sunday Mornings @ 10:00am we will be studying "Entering the Passion of Jesus" by Amy-Jill Levin. Classes start **March 6th** and continues through **April 10th**. If you are interested in attending, please let Pastor Wendy know so we can plan to have enough books.

Daylight Saving Time: March 13th, turn your clocks ahead on hour.



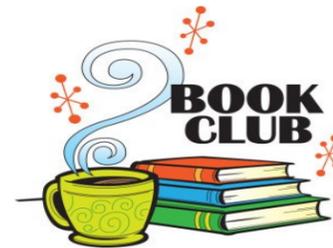
Thank you for your support in the moments and days after we lost our sorority house due to the fire that took place in November. Your generosity assisted every affected sister in the immediate aftermath, helping to replace basic necessities, clothing, books, and technology and assisting with other expenses related to being displaced.

We are so fortunate and grateful that no one was hurt during the fire and are indebted to the local fire departments for their quick response and expertise. We are also happy to report that while the house suffered significant damage throughout, it remains structurally sound and renovations are underway. We look forward to returning to our home away from home in the not-too-distant future. While the end of the semester was chaotic, we have never felt more loved and taken care of than we did by you. Thank you again for being there for us.

We are so grateful for everything you've done.

*Marley Phillippe '24
 The Sisters of Alpha Xi Delta
 Beta Xi Chapter
 Marietta College*

(Lauren Beckes, was living in the sorority house at the time of the fire.)



The next Book Club will be held on Wednesday, March 23th at 6:30 pm.

Per Capita for 2022

The Per Capita rate will be \$34.00 for 2022

Sewing Machines

We still have at least 3 sewing machines available to a good home. Please call the church office if you are interested in getting one.



March - Lent

Reminder: Ash Wednesday Service
March 2nd at 7:00pm in the sanctuary

Matthew 6: 1-6, 16-21

1 "Beware of practicing your piety before others in order to be seen by them; for then you have no reward from your Father in heaven. **2** "So whenever you give alms, do not sound a trumpet before you, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and in the streets, so that they may be praised by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. **3** But when you give alms, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, **4** so that your alms may be done in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. **5** "And whenever you pray, do not be like the hypocrites; for they love to stand and pray in the synagogues and at the street corners, so that they may be seen by others. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. **6** But whenever you pray, go into your room and shut the door and pray to your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. **16** "And whenever you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces so as to show others that they are fasting. Truly I tell you, they have received their reward. **17** But when you fast, put oil on your head and wash your face, **18** so that your fasting may be seen not by others but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. **19** "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal; **20** but store up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. **21** For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also.

As we begin our Lenten journeys this year I want to challenge you to read the previous scripture and reflect on it. What is the passage really saying? What is this passage saying to you, today, in your context?

Lent is all about repentance. It is still used as a time to instruct folks who want to join the church. It is a time when we reflect on our lives and try to do better. Some folks use it as a time to give up something. Some folks use it as a time to do more. Either of those things is great if the attitude of repentance is the motivation.

Matthew is saying do these things but don't let anyone see you do them. But then again, we have to be careful not to sound like a martyr. Even doing them in secret can be seen as being a martyr.

"Barbara Brown Taylor, an Episcopal priest, argues that repentance is not complete until confession and pardon lead to penance."

My suggestion for Lent is this: pick one thing you would like to improve upon. All of us have more than one thing, but working on one thing will help us focus on it and may help us to stay on track. As you work on making yourself a better you, what then will be your penance. Collect the clothes you haven't worn in over a year and donate them where they can be used. Collect items for a food pantry. (We can always use, butter, bread, ground meat, jelly and cereal.) Shovel a friend's driveway, do an errand for a neighbor. Penance, is not designed to inflict pain on yourself. Rather, it is for the purpose of showing that your life is now turned around.

Matthew sets forth 3 ways to help with your repentance. Pray. Alms-giving. Fasting. As you pray, give to charities and possibly fast; may you become the person God intended you to be and may the world be a better place because of it.

Lenten Blessings,
Pastor Wendy



Highlights from the February 8, 2022 Stated Session Meeting

The Session of The United Presbyterian Church of New Kensington met for a Stated Session Meeting on Tuesday, February 8, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

There are 154 members on the Active Roll.

The Adult Sunday School will study the Entering the Passion of Jesus by Amy-Jill Levin from March 6 through April 10.

Simeon J. McDew, Jr. is the new downstairs custodian.

Life-Line will conduct "Health Tests" in Fellowship Hall on June 7, 2022.

Session continues to highly recommend the following COVID safety measures:

That members of the congregation who are not vaccinated wear masks during Worship Service and while attending TUNPCK events in the Church building.
Vaccinated members may remove their masks only while seated in a pew.
Distancing during Worship Services in the Sanctuary (roping off pews) will continue.
Funeral Lunches will continue to be permitted; however, food must be served (no buffet).
TUPCNK employees who are not vaccinated will need to wear masks while in the Church building.
Sick members are urged to stay home.
If an employee is sick with COVID, they will be paid for the duration of their sickness.
They will need a negative COVID test before returning to work.
If an employee's family member (in the same household) has COVID, the employee will need a negative COVID test in order to continue working.

The next Stated Session meeting will be on Tuesday, March 15, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom.

Respectfully submitted,

Marie S. Davis

Marie S. Davis, Clerk of Session

