

UNITED In CHRIST
NEWSLETTER
APRIL 2015



Holy Week Schedule

***Palm Sunday, March 29
10:00 a.m.***

Maundy Thursday, April 2, 7:00 p.m.

***Good Friday (led by youth), April 3, 8:00
p.m.***

Saturday Easter Vigil, April 4, 7:00 p.m.

***Resurrection Sunday, April 5
7:00 a.m. service***

***8:30 breakfast prepared and served by
youth***

SUNDAY WORSHIP with HOLY COMMUNION 10:00 A.M.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: 9:00 A.M.

January/February Worship Attendance

Jan. 4—73

Feb. 1—78

Jan. 11—85

Feb. 8—100

Jan. 18—87

Feb. 15—70 (snow)

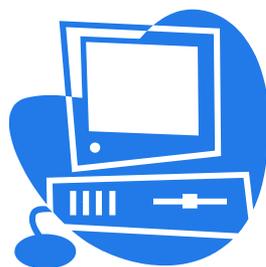
Jan. 25—156 (Scout Sunday)

Ash Wednesday—42 (snow)

Feb. 22—68 (snow)

VISIT THE UIC WEB PAGE and FACEBOOK PAGE!

Click on <http://unitedinchristlutheran.net/> and find links to send your friends and family information on upcoming events, youth schedule, recent sermons, directions, and newsletters. This is a great way to promote our church and invite our friends and neighbors to check us out!



Also, join the conversation about UIC and see recent pictures and postings about all the happenings at our church on Facebook. Just search for United in Christ Lutheran Church, Lewisburg, and click on the “join” button.

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United in Christ's Mission Statement:

Led by the Spirit, we follow Christ's call to honor God and neighbor through worship, learning, service, prayer, stewardship and invitation.

Youth to lead **GOOD FRIDAY service**

For the most part, church people are happy people. In the spring, our attentions turn to Easter with new clothes, chocolate and colored eggs. Easter is the celebration of life, new birth, vibrant colors and music that makes the windows rattle.



But can we truly celebrate the resurrection of our Savior if we don't fully remember his death? If Easter is the light, there needs to be darkness for contrast and to fully understand the depth of God's love for us.

This year our Youth will once again present a Good Friday service that will be very experiential and deeply meaningful. We invite you to attend this service of darkness at 8 p.m.

Our Confirmation students will also be taking lead roles in the **Maundy Thursday** service (7 p.m.) with footwashing and stripping of the altar, and the **Saturday Vigil** service (7 p.m.). The whole of the Christian faith is recounted in this one beautiful liturgical service. We gather around the holy fire of the saints in our adjoining cemetery to light our candles of hope. We then process into the darkened sanctuary to hear lessons and sing hymns reminding us of the history of God's saving love for God's people. After a thanksgiving for baptism, the light returns and we sing the triumphant "This is the feast of victory for our God! Hallelujah!" In the communion meal that follows we celebrate God's love and power to overcome all evil and death - even in the darkest night while we wait.

OTHER IMPORTANT APRIL EVENTS:

April 8—OAKs Monthly Senior Center, 10 a.m.—2 p.m.

April 12—Creation Care Sunday (free seed packets for all who come to worship!)

April 19—Holy Humor Sunday/Youth Sunday, Bounceplex trip with Youth

April 22—Council meeting, 6:30 p.m.

April 25—Woodmen of the World banquet (served by youth)



SUNLIGHT FROM SCHADE

HOW DO WE INVITE OTHERS TO BAPTISM AND COMMUNION?

During the five Wednesdays of Lent we held a small group study of the ELCA document *The Use of the Means of Grace* and focused on what it means to welcome newcomers and visitors to the baptismal font and communion table. We used a five-part study prepared by the staff of the Upper Susquehanna Synod that guided us through important questions such as:

- What are the sacraments and what do they mean within a Lutheran context?
- How do we issue invitations to baptism in our bulletin and during worship?
- How do we practice “Eucharistic hospitality?” Are only baptized Christians welcome to take communion? Only those who have received instruction? Only those who “understand” what it means?
- Who did Jesus invite to take communion? What requirements did he put in place in order for someone to receive the Lord’s Supper?
- What have been the traditional practices around baptism and communion in the history of the Christian Church and in Lutheran history?
- How often do we talk about *mission* in our church? How are people invited to mission and empowered to take part in mission?

As a result of this study, the group drafted baptism and communion invitations that we propose be printed in our Sunday bulletins. The proposals are being considered by our church Council.

On Sunday, April 26, 9 a.m., you are invited to hear the report from the small group study and council about the proposed invitations to baptism and communion, ask questions and learn more about what it means to participate in and extend the means of grace in our congregation.

Blessings,

Pastor Schade

**** Pastor Schade will be away April 20, 21st and the morning of the 22nd for the Bishop’s Retreat. She can be reached on her cell in case of emergency: 610-420-6861.***

**** The church office will be closed on April 6 and 10.***

UNITED IN CHRIST NEWS ITEMS

SERVING AND GENEROSITY AT UIC



This year we tried something new for **Souper Bowl Sunday**. We wanted to reach out into the community, so we decided to pass out bags to the residents of West Milton. We asked the neighborhood to donate canned goods to go to Hand-Up in Milton and Haven Ministry in Sunbury. In January, six people helped to pass out the food collection bags. The following week the bags were collected. We received around 20+ bags. Pretty good for the first time! In church we collected canned goods as well as monetary donations. We received \$130 in cash which was donated to Milton Community Harvest. There was a total of 510 food items which were divided between Haven Ministry and Hand-Up. Thank you to all of the volunteers and all of the members of the congregation for supporting this effort!

Mike and Annette Baker
Social Ministry Committee Members



Valentine cards with a wonderful variety of gift cards were sent to seven of our members who are either in college or the Armed Services. Remembrances such as these during the year are always appreciated.

YOUTH AND FAMILY MINISTRY

“HEADS OR TAILS” 50/50 ON HOLY HUMOR SUNDAY!



Our Youth will be selling wristbands with the church's name for \$5 each beginning Easter Sunday. Then on Holy Humor Sunday, we will have a "heads-or-tails" 50/50 drawing in the fellowship hall after worship. Our goal is to sell 100 wristbands—so you can also buy one for a friend. All those who purchase a wristband are eligible to participate in the drawing, but you must be present to win. In other words, if you buy one for a friend, they must be present on that Sunday for the drawing. The winner will split the pot with the youth who will use the remainder for the ELCA Youth Gathering. Join the fun and purchase your wrist band to support our youth!

TURKEY WAFFLE DINNER RAISES \$1400

Thanks to everyone who donated turkeys, waffle mix, corn, mashed potatoes and hours of kitchen help on March 14, the youth were able serve over 200 people and to raise a little over \$1400. The funds will be used to help send 8 of our young people to Camp Mount Luther this summer as well as the group going to the ELCA Youth Gathering. A special thanks to Michelle Shearer who helped to coordinate this annual event.



UIC CAMPING RETREAT: TIME TO RESERVE YOUR SPACE AT HALFWAY DAM!

We are planning a church camping retreat the second weekend in August, Friday 7th - Sunday, 9th at RB Winter State Park. The cost for two nights stay for camping is around \$63 total (assuming you reserve a site with electricity). At this point there are about 32 campsites still left for that weekend in the Long and Upper Loops. To make an online reservation go to http://www.pa.reserveworld.com/SelectCampArea.aspx?PK_ID=6120 for more information. Sites are



already filling up, so if you want to camp, reserve now! It will be a great weekend of enjoying God's creation, fellowship with each other, games, swimming, hiking, shared meals, and worship. Last year the Sunday worship service we led for the camp had the biggest attendance they've seen in years! Friends and family are invited to join us. Mark your calendar and make your reservation ASAP!

We're going to **Bounceplex!** **April 19** after the Holy Humor/Youth Sunday service. Cost will be \$10 per child for 2 hours of bouncing (normally \$18, but we have coupons for a free second hour). Important: each parent must fill out a waiver and we need to make a photocopy of your driver's license. Copies of the waiver are available in the fellowship hall. You can make a copy of your driver's license on Sunday at church. Friends are welcome to attend, but parents must fill out and sign waivers and provide copies of their license as well. The deadline for signing up is Easter Sunday, April 5.



Two UIC Youth to Star in Milton's *Mary Poppins*: Congratulations to Ellen McCormick who will play Mary Poppins and Rachel Schade who will play Jane Banks in the upcoming production of Milton High School's *Mary Poppins*. Show times are April 18, 7:00, April 19, 2:00, and April 23-25, 7:00. Visit the school website for ticket info, or watch for info in the Sunday bulletin and on Facebook.



Older Adults Kickin' it up! Monthly Senior Center

WHEN:



COME AND ENJOY:

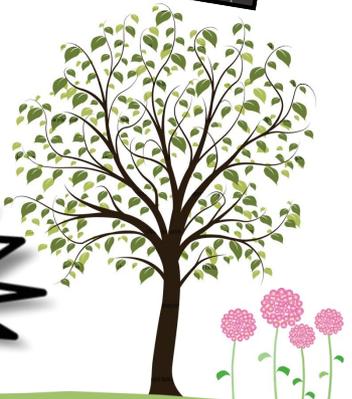
WEDNESDAY

APRIL
8TH
10-2 PM

- FELLOWSHIP 10 A.M.
- FREE BINGO WITH PRIZES: 11 A.M.
- FREE LUNCH: 12 NOON
- GARDENING FOR SENIORS: 1 P.M.



Only Senior Center
in the West Milton
New Columbia
Area!





VIEW FROM THE PEW

By Sharon Weiser



Today we saw a lot of Tundra swans in a field along the Susquehanna. Several years ago we were out driving one afternoon and saw these awesome birds for the first time and ever since then we look for them. The past two or three years we didn't see any, just missed their local stopover. Today I opened Facebook and the first thing I saw was a picture of them in the aforementioned field. I immediately asked George if we could go to see them, grabbed my camera and off we went. It was a frustrating time trying to find a place to stop and be close enough to take a picture but eventually we pulled into someone's driveway and I did get a few pictures

All of the white flecks and black specks are indeed swans in flight. I had only seen them floating on the river in the past so this year's sighting was a real treat. At one point they seemed to move in slow motion as they left the ground, circled and once again landed. It looked as though someone had cast a huge, white net over the area as they moved. The fact that they do the same migration path each year and that they know to adapt to the area where they stop to rest as they travel if they can't land on the water – amazing. I'm thinking that God gave them inborn GPS. Does all this have anything to do with a View From The Pew? Yes, it does. It's one of those things that shows the love of God for all of His creatures. What better time to remember His love for all things than this time of year? We are about to celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. His death was a sacrifice – the ultimate act of love. The heavenly Father loved us all so much that He gave His only son to die that we might all have eternal life! He arose! Hallelujah Christ Arose! Thank You, Father, for the love you unconditionally shower upon all of your creation! Let us always be open to accept your love and to share it. Amen

April Worship Volunteer Schedule, Part One

	Palm Sunday March 29	Maundy Thurs	Good Friday	Sat. Vigil
Acolyte	D. Shearer	A. Danowsky	Youth	D. Shearer L. Shearer
Asst. Minister	A. Baker	D. Kemper	Youth	B. Swartz
Lector	Palm Sunday readers	Youth	Youth	A. Danowsky R. Schade D. Shearer
Comm Asst.	T. Snyder D. Baker	B. Swartz C. Zimmerman	X	TBA
Altar Guild	J. Mertz	TBA	Youth	C. Zimmerman
Greeters	Karen Baker C. Zimmerman	R. Kling TBA	T. Snyder C. Zimmerman	T. Swartz TBA
Ushers	M. Shearer M. Keifer L. Caris C. Dinsmore	T. Swartz C. Troxell	X	M. Shearer TBA
Social Hour	A, B, C	X	X	X
Bread/ Wine	S. Noll (wine only)	M. Shearer	X	P. Swinehart
Offering Counters	M. Rabuck T. Raup	X	X	X

April Worship Volunteer Schedule, Part Two

	Easter 7 a.m.	Easter 10 a.m.	April 12 Care of Creation	April 19 Holy Humor	April 26
Acolyte Team	R. Schade B. Schade D. Shearer L. Shearer	M. Murray A. Danowsky E. Danowsky B. Kemper D. Kemper	O. Arndt	Z. Scott	J. Kemper
Asst. Minister	T. McPherrin	T. McPherrin	R. Baker	Youth	A. Baker
Lector	M. Shearer	F. Van Dyke	K. Baker	Youth	F. Van Dyke
Comm Asst.	C. Troxell R. Kling	C. Troxell R. Kling	K. Guffey A. Baker	S. Danowsky A. Arndt	M. Keifer S. Keifer
Altar Guild	P. Swinehart	TBA	F. Van Dyke	N. Walter	C. Zimmerman
Greeters	TBA	J. Mertz TBA	J. Snyder T. Snyder N. Walter	G. Rice J. Sheaffer J. Sheaffer	B. Swartz T. Swartz A. Loss
Ushers	TBA S. McPherrin	G. Murphy B. Troxell T. Swartz W. Wirth	M. Keifer S. Keifer K. Koch A. Loss	D. Shearer L. Shearer B. Schade J. Kemper	R. Kling H. Marsh S. McPherrin T. McPherrin
Social Hour	Easter Breakfast	Easter Breakfast	D, E, F	H, I, J, K	L, M, N, O
Bread/ Wine	S. McPherrin	S. McPherrin	P. Swinehart	M. Shearer	T. Snyder
Offering Counters	X	R. Kling M. Rabuck	C. Zimmerman J. Sheaffer	T. Snyder M. Shearer	W. Wirth M. Rabuck

FINANCE AND STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

Due in large part to the harsh weather conditions in January and February our worship attendance and giving is behind. As a whole, we are about \$6000 behind budget for the year. Look for an announcement soon for a **Snow Make-up Day** for offerings when we will be asking everyone to contribute the amounts they would normally have given over the three weeks that were missed over January and February.

In the meantime, know that we are doing what we can to wisely steward the offerings you entrust to us as a church. Thanks to Mark Rabuck who took over the majority of snow plowing and shoveling duties for the church which helped save on costs to the congregation. (Terry Snyder covers any plowing that needs to be done on the days Mark is not available.)

Also, by worshipping in the Fellowship Hall for 4 weeks in the months of January we cut our electricity use in half and saved \$700. We estimate that we will have saved a total of \$1000 when factoring the three Sundays we worshiped downstairs in February and March.

As always, thank you for your generosity and faithfulness to the mission of this church. Our youth are very close to their fundraising goal for the ELCA Youth Gathering; we'll be sending many of our younger youth to camp (some for the first time this year!); our OAKs program continues to serve senior citizens in the community; the Rich Huff Fund is busy preparing for their fundraiser on May 16, and we continue to see new faces in worship. God is blessing us, and we give thanks that you are one of the hands that offer that blessing!

Book Club

"The Round House"

by Louise Erdrich

April 28, 11 a.m.

"The Well" Coffee House



CHURCH LUNCH

*** APRIL 1 * NOON**

CARRIAGE CORNER RESTAURANT

RT. 45, MIFFLINBURG

**Join your friends from church for
food and fellowship.**

CHANGE IN REIMBURSEMENT PROCEDURES

It has come to our attention that a longstanding practice in this church of allowing members to make a contribution “in-kind” (such as donating food or other items for a fellowship or fundraising event) and asking for that amount to be credited to their offering is actually not legal under the IRS Tax Code. **According to the IRS regulations, an individual may not make a donation of an in-kind item and have that be counted as their “offering.”** In other words, if you purchase something for the church, hand us the receipt and say, “Just list this as part of my offering,” we are not permitted to do so. What we *can* do is offer a letter stating that we received the gift from you (without noting the dollar amount), you keep your receipt, and work out with your accountant the value of your contribution for tax purposes. But the church cannot count in-kind contributions as cash offerings.



The other option is to have the church reimburse you for the cash amount of the receipt and then you return this money to the church as part of your financial offering. This has two benefits: 1) gives you a record of your donation; 2) allows for the church to have a more accurate accounting of what is actually spent on events and budgeted items.

While we realize this may be an unwelcome procedural change for some, we do thank you for your understanding in our efforts to comply with the law.

UIC COUNCIL MEMBERS

Allison Arndt—Youth
Annette Baker - Social Ministry
Elwood Brown - Property
Kristie Koch - Youth
Willard Hauck—TBA
Mark Rabuck - Property
Pastor Schade - Oversight
John Sheaffer - President
Michelle Shearer- Evangelism
Tina Snyder— Finance/
Stewardship

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE IN THE COMMUNITY

Summer Youth Lunch Program — We will be partnering with other Lewisburg churches and the Bucknell Lunch and Learn Program this summer to provide lunches for 30 children on June 16 and 17. Funds will be provided by the Rich Huff fund. Volunteers for purchasing the lunch items and packing the bags will be coordinated through Social Ministry. Watch for more details in next month's



CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) SEEKING VOLUNTEERS

Too many children in the child welfare system lose their families, their rights and their hope. Due to the overburdened system, volunteers are needed to help advocate for abused or neglected children help to give them a voice and a chance for a better life. 60 children in the Susquehanna Valley are currently need of placement with a volunteer. Volunteers do receive training. If you are interested, please call 570-988-2200 or visit www.susquehannavalleycasa.com.



MONTHLY FOOD COLLECTION CONTINUES

Social Ministry will continue to collect non-perishable food items on the 1st and 2nd Sundays of each month. Our donations will be delivered to Mazeppa Manna and Hand UP (Milton Food Bank) on an alternating basis in order to reach more people in the community. Both organizations are especially in need of cereal, peanut butter, canned fruit, pasta, sauce, and boxed mixes. Place these items in the baskets located in the Narthex. Thank you in advance for your continued support of this project!

HEALTH TID-BITS

From our Parish Nurses

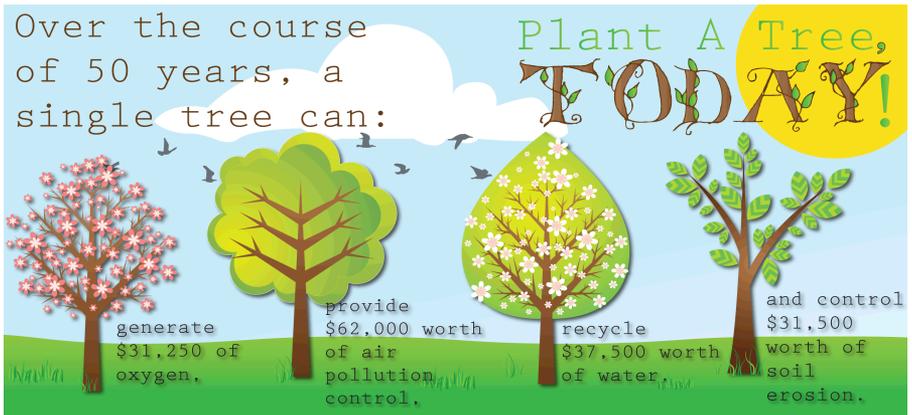
With the arrival of nicer weather, we'll be spending more time outdoors. The last week of April is Air Quality Awareness Week. The top 2 offenders in decreasing air quality are smog and particle pollution. These can be from natural causes, such as forest fires and from man-made causes, such as emissions from wood stoves, cars, factories, power plants, coal stoves, and construction sites.

Poor air quality can be especially dangerous to people suffering from asthma, lung disease, and cardiovascular disease. When the AQI (air quality index) is high, those at risk should reduce their time spent outdoors or change the things they do outside. If you are a runner, walk instead. Avoid walking near roads or streets where there will be more pollutants because of vehicle traffic.

There are things we all can do to help cut down on air pollution. If you have to go to a nearby store, office, bike or walk instead of driving. Join a carpool to go back and forth to work. If you are stopping for that cup of coffee or Big Mac, avoid the drive-thru. Instead, park the car and go inside to order. If possible when you need to re-fuel, do it in the evening. The hot temperatures of summer combined with gas fumes create increased ground level ozone (smog).

We only have one earth. It is up to us to help protect it and make it a safe place for us and our children and grandchildren. April 22nd is Earth Day, so plant a tree, recycle, don't pollute. And let's keep our earth the beautiful one that God gave us. Until next month, good health to you all.

In Christian Love,
Irene and Celia



THANK YOU's

Thank you for your recent gift of \$215.00 to Ebola Outbreak Response. Gifts like yours make it possible for our church to continue its effective and efficient response to disasters. Your support helps families and communities get back on their feet again after they have been harmed. Your gifts also provide resources for preparedness and risk reduction programs.

To neighbors who can feel alone and in despair, your gift brings immediate help and hope for the future. We will partner for as long as it takes to rebuild, reclaim and recover. As Lutheran Disaster Response, we support and pray for the well-being of people all over the world who are recovering from a disaster, and for our partners and volunteers who assist them in their journey to renewal. Thank you for providing help, hope and healing.

In Christ's service,

Rev. Daniel Rift

Director, ELCA World Hunger and Disaster Appeal

We are please to announce that our organization now encompasses Northumberland County and our name has been officially changed to Snyder-Union-Northumberland Habitat for Humanity (SUNHFFH). There are already families on a waiting list who wish to live in Northumberland County and the Site Selection Committee is actively seeking available building lots so we can begin the build. At your current donation level you have been listed as a Dream Builder in our newsletters and website. To volunteer, donate materials or serve on a committee, please visit our website at www.usfhf.org.

Sincerely,

Donald Fisher, President

Dear Congregation,

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Staff, and Clients of Haven Ministry, I would like to thank you for your interest and very generous donations to our shelter. I feel blessed to be in the position of Executive Director and I am amazed at God's grace. With the help of generous donations and community support, we are currently housing, feeding, and clothing area individuals and families, as well as supplying emergency food to those in need. Last month, in addition to cooking meals for our clients, we distributed food to 63 families. I welcome you to visit Haven for a tour of the facility and witness what good stewards we are with your gifts. I am also available for presentation at your church for a Sunday morning, ladies group meeting, or dinner speaker.

Sincerely,

Christy Zeigler

Executive Director

Thank you for the beautiful and very special funeral for our mom, Pauline! We so appreciate absolutely everything you and your staff so lovingly did to accomplish this! God bless you all!

Love, Peace and Prayer,

The Hauck Family

The Sewing Group would like to thank Bob Keifer and Bob Troxell for fixing the table in the sewing room. It is greatly appreciated!

Member Updates

★ HAPPY ★
BIRTHDAY!

Jesse Baker: 4/1

Kathy Loss: 4/3

Jindrah Kemper: 4/5

Rosemary Kling: 4/5

Jack Stiber: 4/5

Bill Harvey: 4/6

Bob Swartz: 4/6

Dawne Reedy: 4/12

Lisane Snyder: 4/12

Logan Aucker: 4/13

Breanna Martz 4/15

Cole Snyder: 4/17

Kyle Swanger: 4/17

Marianne Murray: 4/28

HAPPY
Anniversary

Mike & Annette Baker: 4/28/1984

Scott & Jodie Danowsky: 4/29/1995

Congratulations to Mac and Mary Lou Keifer who were married on Feb. 26 in Maui, Hawaii. Joining them were Jack and Cheryl Stiber who renewed their


Congratulations!



Grace H. King
December 4, 1923 -
February 5, 2015



Pauline E. Hauck
November 23, 1922 - February 22, 2015



On March 6, 2015 Megan Snyder (Scott Danowsky's daughter) gave birth to a beautiful baby boy, Paul Robert Snyder. Baby and mom are doing well, Praise God! Paul is Frank and Bertie's 3rd Great-Grandchild and Scott and Colleen's 2nd Grandchild.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE IN NEED:

Our Members: Faye Ritter, Carolyn Baker, Nelson and Esther Minium, Barry & Louella Swanger, Eleanor Phillips, Mel Baker Jr., Marie Tanner, Margaret Kahler, Ruth Stump, Kathy Loss, Grace and Bob Yost, Arna Dershem, The Kemper Family, Cheryl Baker, Becky Fink, Bob Swartz, Jeffrey Byerly, Alice Ann Snyder, Willard Hauck, Lana Rote, Ellen McCormick, George Rice, Laird Killian, John Russell, Sonja Noll, Lucille and Bill Harvey, John Sheaffer, Vivian and Herb Marsh and family on the death of Vivian's sister Caroline Ostriche, Family and Friends of Pauline Hauck, Dick Kling

Friends & Family: Marlin Erb, Cathy Carpenter, Beverly Miller, Family of Jacob T. Linn, Family of Aislinn Wisniewski, Ryder Engleman and family, Daryl Lewis, Megan Snyder, Kim Brininger, George Glatfelter, Nichole Russell, Family of Keith Phelps, Rich Smith, Ilsa and Fred Vos, Brenda Parish, Pastor Peter Bergstresser, Melody Erb, Brandyn Cooper, June Eschbach, Marian Wright, Family and Friends of Lorraine Kistler, Vickie Kerstetter, Willard Swanger, Pattie Bender, Richard Smith, Pastor Gary and Allie Owens, Ardith Wilkins, Cortney Price, Mary Lazor, Sharon Clark, Sara and Sidney Brion.

Please note:

The Friends and Family list will be cleared after Easter.

**TO ADD NAMES, PLEASE CONTACT
UICLUTHERAN@DEJAZZD.COM or 570-568-2254**

Let us know!

If you so desire, please let us know when you or your family member is in the hospital, scheduled for surgery or is facing a medical issue that will need pastoral attention. Please have someone call the church at 570-568-2254 and/or Pastor Schade at 610-420-6861. **Due to HIPAA regulations and confidentiality issues, please do not assume that the pastor will hear about your need for a call or visit through a member of the congregation. We only know if you tell us!** Also, please contact the church office if you would like to receive home communion or would like to be listed for prayer support.

CREATION CARE SUNDAY

SUNDAY SCHOOL PRESENTATION AND SPECIAL WORSHIP SERVICE

Join us on April 12 at 9 a.m. for a special presentation by Pastor Schade about her forthcoming book *Creation-Crisis Preaching: Ecology, Theology and the Pulpit* (Chalice Press, 2015). Then come to worship for the 10:00 service which will feature hymns and readings celebrating God's Creation. A special sermon presentation by "Ruah" will give a biblical framework for understanding the climate crisis from perspective of The Holy Spirit.

All worshippers will receive free seed packets to plant flowers and vegetables.



*The earth is the Lord's and everything in it;
the world and those who live in it.
Psalm 24:1*

MAY LOOK-AHEAD

- May 2—Youth Chicken Barbeque
- May 8—Daughter's Banquet
- May 10—Honoring Women of Faith
- May 13—OAKs, 10—2
- May 16—Operation Santa Claus/Richard Huff Memorial Fund Chinese and Silent Auction
- May 31 - Youth Sunday followed by a family picnic. Time and location TBA



Notice: *Deadline for submissions for the May/June newsletter is April 15. If you have articles or reports to include, please submit them to: uiclutheran@dejazzd.com*

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