



# JUMC happenings

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James, the brother of Jesus, gave words about our “faith under pressure” as found in The Message, James 1. *“Consider it a sheer gift, friends, when tests and challenges come at you from all sides. You know that under pressure, your faith-life is forced into the open and shows its true colors. So don’t try to get out of anything prematurely. Let it do it’s work so you become mature and well-developed, not deficient in any way.*

*“If you don’t know what you’re doing, pray to the Father. He loves to help. You’ll get His help and won’t be condescended to when you ask for it. Ask boldly, believingly, without a second thought.*

*“People who ‘worry their prayers’ are like wind-shipped waves. Don’t think you’re going to get anything from the Master that*

*way, adrift at sea, keep all your options open.*

*“Anyone who meets a testing challenge head-on and manages to stick it out is mighty fortunate. For such persons loyally in love with God, the reward is life and more life.*

*“So, my very dear friends, don’t get thrown off course. Every desirable and beneficial gift comes out of Heaven. The gifts are rivers of light cascading down from the Father of Light. There is nothing deceitful in God, nothing two-faced, nothing fickle. He brought us to life using the true Word, showing us off as the crown of all His creatures.”*


**MISSION PARTNER**  
**Red Rose Challenge**  
**Chimney Repair**

## Church Events

- June 1, 8, 15, 22, 29, 7:00  
Creative Ministries
- June 3, 10am Noon Meal
- June 3, 6:00 Ladies Night Out
- June 6, 6:30 Trustees
- June 7, 14, 21, 28, 6:30  
Conversations with the  
Father
- June 9 and 23: 5:00  
JOY Pantry; 10, 24: 12:30
- June 11, 8am  
Men’s Breakfast & Study
- June 12, 10am  
Red Rose Sunday.  
Fellowship afterward
- June 13, 6:30 Church Council
- June 14, noon  
Friends Together picnic
- June 19, Father’s Day
- June 26-July 1 Red Bird Trip  
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# June 2022



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> Praise Team 7 Creative Min. 7	<b>2</b> Bible Study 7:00	<b>3</b> Noon meal LCCM 10am Ladies Night Out 6 Pastor's Sabbath	<b>4</b>
<b>5</b> Worship 8:45, 11 Sunday School 10	<b>6</b> Kick/Punch 6 AA Meeting 6:00 Ripped 7:00 Trustees 6:30	<b>7</b> Conversations with the Father 6:30	<b>8</b> Praise Team 7 Creative Min. 7	<b>9</b> Joy Pantry 5::00 Bible Study 7:00	<b>10</b> Pastor's Sabbath Joy Pantry 12:30	<b>11</b> Men's Breakfast & Study 8am Food Distribution 1
<b>12</b> Red Rose Sunday 10	<b>13</b> KickPunch 6 AA Meeting 6:00 Ripped 7:00 Church Council 6:30	<b>14</b> Friends Together Picnic 12 Conversations with the Father 6:30	<b>15</b> Praise Team 7 Creative Min. 7	<b>16</b> Bible Study 7:00	<b>17</b> Pastor's Sabbath	<b>18</b>
<b>19</b>  Worship 8:45, 11 Sunday School 10	<b>20</b> Kick/Punch 6:00 AA Meeting 6:00 Ripped 7:00	<b>21</b> Conversations with the Father 6:30	<b>22</b> Praise Team 7 Creative Min. 7	<b>23</b> Joy Pantry 5::00	<b>24</b> Pastor's Sabbath Joy Pantry 12:30	<b>25</b>
<b>26</b> Red Bird Worship 8:45, 11 Sunday School 10	<b>27</b> Red Bird Kick/Punch 6:00 AA Meeting 6:00 Ripped 7:00	<b>28</b> Red Bird Conversations with the Father 6:30	<b>29</b> Red Bird Praise Team 7 Creative Min. 7	<b>30</b> Red Bird	<b>1</b> Red Bird	

# Pastor's Pen

The season of Pentecost begins with the first Sunday of June, the season celebrating the gift of the Holy Spirit. I believe that the season we are living through demands the presence and power of the Holy Spirit in believers' lives as much as any era before. In the void, people and groups are claiming the position that the Holy Spirit was meant to occupy in the lives of believers. Jesus' parting words to His disciples express the vital necessity of the Holy Spirit to infuse their lives, faith, and ministry with the very power of God: *"Do not leave Jerusalem until the Father sends you the gift He promised, as I told you before. John baptized with water; but in just a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit.... But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you. And you will be My witnesses, telling people about Me everywhere – in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth."* (Acts 1:4, 5, 7,8)

The disciples were given power earlier in their walk with Jesus to serve with healing and deliverance, witnessing and ministry. Pentecost would mark the launch of the development and expansion of the Kingdom of God in the Church, the Body of Christ as the Holy Spirit would dwell in and work through believers, believers just like you and me.

Since the very beginning in the Garden, there has been an attempt to live the life God intends without Him. Today, people learn to live and adapt to whatever personal human power they can muster within or in connections with others. We see people exerting power

Rev. Alan J. Smith



over others with their "words" and influence, at times by controlling the narrative through the news, social media, the internet—human alternatives to the very work and power of God. Because it mirrors something we are designed to receive from God alone, we are sometimes easily deceived to equate the "messages" we receive from society or personal reflection with the Word of God, His truth, and His power.

As we celebrate the gift of God's Spirit to the believers, the Church, take this time to remember, focus on, and engage the power and presence of God's Spirit in your life.

To guide you into authentic truth:

John 14:16-17; John 16:13

To walk with strength and authority:

Luke 24:49

To be directed and corrected by the conviction of the Holy Spirit of sin, righteousness, judgment (impact):

John 16:7-11

Ministry: I Corinthians 12:7-11

Spiritual life character: Galatians 5:22-23

The life of God in You, a well of new life/salvation: John 7: 37-39

Paul told the church at Ephesus that this power for you is the same power that raised Christ from the dead (Ephesians 1:18-21). It's God's Spirit that raises us to life, to be alive! Victorious... Empowered... Unbound and free... ALIVE! ~Pastor Al



# Calling all youth and children for summer camp!

Pick up a brochure in the narthex.

Two scholarship rates are available: For your first year's full week of camp, the scholarship will pay half the cost. The annual scholarship for each year after will be \$200 per year. Questions? Contact Ralph Major, Camping Coordinator (717-383-5713).

## RED ROSE SUNDAY SUNDAY, JUNE 12, 10AM

This will be a combined service with fellowship afterwards in Fellowship Hall. After the service anyone can go with the trustees to the cemetery to place a rose on the Bender-Enders grave.

## RED BIRD MISSION TRIP JUNE 26-JULY 1

If you are interested, please contact Steve Yeagley, Sr. (717-306-8677)



JOY is now under the umbrella of the Caring Cupboard in Palmyra. We also get our food from the Central Pennsylvania Food Bank. We will distribute on the 2nd and 4th Thurs-

day and Friday of the month. Please mail monetary donations to: JOY Food Pantry, P.O. Box 121, Jonestown, PA 17038. Thank you for your continuing dedication to this ministry and for your support.

"Thank you so much for your generous donation to JOY Pantry. We appreciate you as you help to make a difference in the lives of our friends and neighbors as we work to enrich their lives thereby strengthening our community. Because of your donation we are able to provide access to healthy food for those who need it so that no one in our community goes hungry!"



## TUESDAY, JUNE 14, NOON



The daytime ladies group from now on will be the second Tuesday of the month (please note change of date). We will meet at the church and go to Memorial

Lake for a picnic, or you can drive directly there. See Judy Mowry (717-279-0809) for directions. Please bring a dish to share and your own chair, plate, utensils, and drink.

## FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 6PM

Karen Bene is our leader.

This is open to all women. We meet downstairs by the kitchen on the first Friday of each month. Bring your favorite project or game. We will also

have materials to make cards to be sent to the prison ministry, nursing homes, or the V.A. come for the fellowship and pizza.

Anyone can attend one group or the other. We are stronger together and need to support each other. If you have ideas about some other small groups, please let Pam Gray (717-865-3997) know. We can always start some others. We want to include everyone.



You may consider electronic giving or mailing a check to the church with your offering. (See address on first page.) We have updated E-Giving so when you click on the E-Giving

button at top right you will see several tutorials in the box in the center of the page that you can check before proceeding to the E-Giving page. After you have watched them click DONATE and you will go to the E-Giving page with the church's name and picture of our stained glass window. Follow the instructions in the tutorials from Pat Sheehan (717-865-5403).



## JUNE BIRTHDAYS

- 1 Kayla Showers
- 3 Mary Grimes
- 4 Mary Smith
- 5 Alexandra Spangler
- 5 Taylor Guirate
- 6 Joshua Kohr
- 6 John Hall
- 9 Kelley Rudy
- 10 Nicholas Auchenbach
- 11 Valerie Rymoff
- 13 Brandon Reichl
- 14 Derek Hocker
- 16 Katelyn Neiswender
- 16 Morgan Rymoff
- 17 Aryah Bashore
- 19 Frank Sebastian
- 21 Bob Hillegas
- 22 Gary Wolfe
- 24 Bob Bashore
- 24 Lucas Gienow
- 24 Alicia Showers
- 28 Krissy Johnson



Dear Church Family,  
I would like to thank everyone who participated in collecting plastic for my class project/school contest. I collected over 500 pounds. The total collection was 1,247

pounds for our school. Tulpehocken High School was 7th out of 38 schools our size, 14th out of 157 high schools nationwide regardless of size, and 58th out of 530 schools nationwide that participated (this includes elementary, middle schools, and high schools).

On that note we have started collecting towards my class project and the school contest for the 2022-2033 school year. We are hoping to collect 3,000 pounds, and preferably more. If you would be willing to continue saving and placing them in the box at church, I would be very grateful. As I said before, saving our earth is a very important project to me.

Thanks again for your help!

Sincerely, Rebecca

P.S. I couldn't have done it without you!

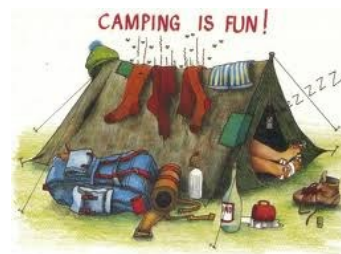


**Wed., June 8, 7-8:30pm**

The auditorium is reserved at 7:00pm for early attendees.



- 8 Bernie, Jr. & Karen Showers
- 10 Bob and Pam Hillegas
- 18 Gino & Sharon Ingram
- 30 Ralph & Cheryl Major



It's that time. Registration is happening right now for summer camp at our Christian camps. We have brochures for Gretna Glen and Pocono Plateau in our

narthex. Scholarships are available to help make it possible for anyone to attend. Please contact Ralph Major (717-383-9554) for details about camping scholarships.



The special offering in March and April for UMCOR Ukraine relief was \$8,311.00. The regular offerings for April: budgeted \$12,063.00; actual \$12,722.00

## **JULY**

### **NEWSLETTER DEADLINE**

#### **SUNDAY, JUNE 19**

Read the newsletter on our website, [www.jonestownumc.org](http://www.jonestownumc.org). It looks better in color!

### **CREATIVE MINISTRIES**

#### **WITH LORI JACKSON**

#### **WEDNESDAYS 7:00-8:30PM**

This may or may not involve puppetry. 10 years old through adult are welcome to join. Speakers, actors, writers, tailors, artists, interest in sound, lighting. No experience necessary. Text Lori (717-926-4572).

### **REDNER'S SAVE-A-TAPE**

To redeem the tapes, you must use your Save-a-Tape or gas card at the time of purchase. We need the entire tape with the portion showing the price-based points for that day at the bottom. The tape will display either "Today's Contribution" or "Today's total price-based points" or "Today's Save-a-Tape Total." If the tape doesn't have one of these lines at the bottom, we cannot redeem them.



### **2022 GRADUATES!**

**PEYTON SELL** graduates from Northern Lebanon High School and plans to attend HACC majoring in Psychology with a focus on Abnormal Psych. Her desire is to work with mental health patients at Philhaven or a similar facility.

**CALEIGH KEISER** graduates from Northern Lebanon High School and plans to attend Lebanon Valley College majoring in biology.

**AUSTIN SHUEY** graduated from Point Park University.

## **LCCM NOON MEAL**

### **FRIDAY, JUNE 3, 10:00AM**

JUMC is responsible for preparing the noon meal the first Friday of each month through volunteers from our congregation. We make about 180-200 lunches distributed to those in need noon-1pm. If you are interested in helping, contact Howard Lee (717-228-7249) or Bob Hillegas (717-865-7478).

## **SUNDAY MORNING FELLOWSHIP**

Tables are set up with coffee/hot water/juice and a snack in the fellowship hall between Worship and Sunday School to chat with one another and meet new friends. If you would like to participate by serving, preparing, or coordinating, please contact Pastor Al (215-527-7388).

## **CONVERSATIONS WITH OUR HEAVENLY FATHER**

### **TUESDAYS, 6:30-7:30PM**

Please join us for prayer. After a short devotion, we will spend time with our Father. Personal prayer, prayer for our country, our community, our church family, and each other. It will be ALL of our time with Him.

## **JUNE CARE TEAM**

### *Week of June 5*

Karen Bene 717-673-2833

### *Week of June 12*

Nancy Rautzhan 717-865-3061

### *Week of June 19*

Pam Gray 717-865-3997

### *Week of June 26*

Jim & Judy Mowry 717-279-0809



Remember to check out our missions bulletin board for updates on the ministries we support.



Friends and members of our church may activate the prayer chain by calling the pastor or one of the team leaders indicated by a star (\*).

Team 1: \*Lewis & Eleanor Artz  
(717-865-3447)

John & Nancy Rhen (717-865-4317)

Teri Light (717-813-8347)

Annie Grant (717-462-9100)

Gary Miele (717-383-2941)

Team 2: \*Larry Major (717-865-3442)

Jeff & Diana Waltermeyer (717-865-5675)

Rick & Wendy Kline (865-4363)

Ernestine Fahler (717-865-4381)

Team 3: \*Doris Crouse (717-865-5554)

Judy Mowry (717-279-0809)

Kay Horner (717-865-5538)

George/Nancy Rautzhan (717-865-3061)

VERY IMPORTANT!

Start by calling one of the following people: Pastor

Alan Smith (717-865-4369; 215-527-7388); Lewis

Artz (717-865-3447); Larry Major (717-865-3442);

Doris Crouse (717-865-5554)



Thanks for contacting those we don't see in church to let them know we miss them. Calls or cards mean a lot, especially to those who are home bound. Annie Grant and Ellie Artz continue in nursing homes, and would love to hear from you. Bonnie Rickard is in rehab. Cards can be sent to their home addresses. Check out the list of home bound and college students on the JOY table in the narthex. Don't forget the Care Booklets in the circular rack available for you to take. In our upstairs freezer we have some soups to take out to anyone who would enjoy some. We have broccoli/cheese, and hamburger vegetable, and chicken noodle. Feel free to take some, and add some if you can. They should be in quart containers. See Pam Gray (717-865-3997) if questions.

## UPCOMING EVENT



During the past several years we have celebrated Christmas in July by contributing items to fill shoeboxes for Operation Christmas Child sponsored by Samaritan's Purse. We hope to continue this project again this year.

