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Pastor's Note: God's Promises to Us Never Fail

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Dear Friends,

At the heart of our reformed theology is the truth that God has formed and transformed God's people through the promises God has made with us in the form of covenants. And while, technically, covenants are supposed to be a two-way street — with both God and us promising something — the truth that we learn over and over again through scripture and through our own experience is that God is by far the more faithful party in these arrangements. While humanity breaks its word again and again, God's promises never fail.

Assured as to God's faithfulness toward us, our Lenten journey invitation is to engage in an honest self-examination of how faithfully we have fulfilled our covenantal promises to God. In what ways might our loving God be calling us into a deeper experience of fidelity rooted in our

heartfelt love toward God, self, and others?

Our Lenten journey will end at the foot of the cross, the symbol of what lies at the heart of God — the gracious forgiveness of God that frees us from all our sins. Sin is anything that separates, alienates, or isolates us from God, from one another, and from our truest, best selves. During Lent, we are invited to

"give up" those sins that disconnect us from the source of God's love. On Ash Wednesday, we are invited to name them before God and mark our confession with ashes.

Please join us during this Lenten season as we explore "Promises, Promises."

Yours for the journey, Nancy

LENTEN SERMON SERIES "Promises, Promises"

- First Sunday in Lent, Feb. 18 God's Covenant with Noah
- Second Sunday in Lent, Feb. 25

 God's Covenant with Abraham
- Third Sunday in Lent, March 3 God's Covenant with Moses
- Fourth Sunday in Lent, March 10 God's Covenant with David
- Fifth Sunday in Lent, March 17 God's Covenant Upon Our Hearts
 - Palm Sunday, March 24 God's New Covenant in Christ

Lenten Study to Explore God's Good Creation



Lent is traditionally a time of reflection, a turning inward that we may then turn outward with greater efficacy in our lives as Christians. CHPC's Lenten study this year is an opportunity to explore our lives as part of God's good creation, and to develop a fuller understanding of our opportunities and obligations to be good stewards of this gift.

Creation itself calls us and inspires us to care. People have had their most profound spiritual experiences in nature. As we behold the power and love of God in a mountain range, in a sunset, or in the timelessness of the ocean, we can't help but be moved. But creation also includes

humans — our families, communities, and created landscapes. God created all things of Heaven and Earth, and God is our inspiration to care for both wild places and our own cities and backyards.

There is a Hebrew *midrash* that says, "You are not required to complete the task, but neither may you lay it down." It is a reminder that we are not alone, but part of a great movement to restore creation as God intends it to be with brothers and sisters across the globe.

Our Lenten study, "Creation Care," will be offered on both Tuesday evenings, beginning Feb. 20 at 7 p.m., and Wednesday mornings, beginning Feb. 21 at 10 a.m. Our time of Lenten reflection and recommitment will

conclude with a congregational day of beautification on Saturday, April 20, in celebration of Earth Day.

Hope you will join us! ~The Adult Formation & Discipleship Team

Session 1

Why We Care as People of Faith

Session 2

Scriptural Basis for Creation Care

Session 3

Theological Viewpoints

Session 4

'We Have Erred and Strayed From Thy Ways' Session 5

Repentance, Rebirth, and Responsibilities

ASH WEDNESDAY

*Imposition of Ashes & a Blessing*Feb. 14, between noon and 12:30 p.m.

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and put a new and right spirit within me. ~Psalm 51

HOLY WEEK SERVICES & EVENTS

- Maundy Thursday Service, March 28 at 7 p.m. A Service of Shadows & the Last Supper
- Good Friday Service, March 29 at 6 p.m.

 Thriving Together Joint Worship at Macedonia Baptist Church, Harrisburg

Easter, March 31

- Sunrise Worship Service at 7 a.m.
- Easter Egg Hunt & Breakfast at 9 a.m.
- Easter Worship Service at 10:30 a.m.

CHPC Welcomes New Organist/Choir Director

"To honor Christ, to uplift the worship experience (in person or virtually) and to connect the scripture readings and messages with musical offerings."

These are the goals Byron Mikesell has set forth as organist and choir director for Camp Hill Presbyterian's Church music program. Recent services indicate he is reaching those goals!

A local boy with roots in music and the church, Bryon grew up as a pastor's kid in Carlisle. His mother was a music teacher and taught Byron piano. He attended Carlisle High School and Susquehanna University. His musical training included coursework at Philadelphia's University of the Arts, among other institutions.

Byron taught music in Lancaster County before returning to Carlisle, where he taught at the elementary, middle, and high school levels. His musical skills are diverse. Aside from the piano and organ, he plays most band instruments. The trumpet is his primary instrument.

After retiring from teaching, Bryon sought new opportunities. He said he heard that CHPC was a "good church" with great people. Core among his interests was to serve a church where his family would also be involved. Byron's wife, Malinda, is the reading supervisor and coordinator for Title 1 for the Carlisle Area School District. Their son, Kellen, attends the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, N.Y., majoring in violin performance, and their daughter, Seneca, is a student at West Shore Christian Academy in Shiremanstown, where she plays cello and flute, sings in choir, plays soccer, and runs track.

Byron's family has already become involved with CHPC's music ministry. Malinda and Seneca sing in the choir, and Kellen and Seneca have shared their instrumental talents during worship. (If you missed them, watch the Jan. 7 and 14 worship services on the CHPC Facebook page.)

Byron enjoys working with the CHPC family to minister through music to reach this community for Christ. He has found CHPC extremely welcoming.

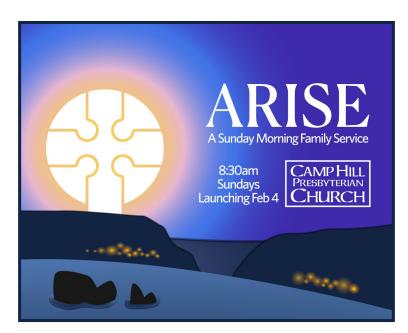
"Our choir members are eager to grow and to offer their best each week. I love each of them and their faithfulness to our work," he said.

Byron welcomes new members to join the Chancel Choir. "We're especially in need of basses," he said. He also hopes to expand the Handbell Choir. "We are serious about offering our best to glorify Him each Sunday, but we have a lot of fun together in the process." *~Carol Helsel*



CHPC's organist and choir director, Byron Mikesell, right, brings a wide range of talents to the position. His wife, Malinda, daughter, Seneca, and son, Kellen, also are sharing their musical gifts during worship services.

Weekly 'ARISE' Service Begins February 4



After a successful tryout in November, a new weekly service is launching at CHPC! ARISE on Sundays at 8:30 a.m. is designed to be accessible and kid-friendly for busy families, young adults, and anyone looking to do worship a differently. In an informal atmosphere, with contemporary and contemplative elements, we'll share conversation and laughter, reflection and prayer, coffee and donuts. During ARISE, we'll dive into the tough questions of faith and life ... make space for rest and lament ... come with our families and find our place in a family much larger. Join us for the launch on Sunday, Feb. 4. Then, stick around after ARISE for Kirk Kids, our Christian formation offering for preschool and elementary-age children, now at 9 a.m. between services. For more info, email me at

~Pastor Stuart Seelman

sseelman@thechpc.com.

The lights were lit, the garland hung, and ... the animals were on the loose? This year saw the first participatory Christmas Eve pageant at CHPC, with 90 parents, children, and more gathering for a creative rendition of the Nativity. Children could choose their part at the door: either angel, shepherd, or animal, while parents served as townspeople and high school youth led the service. That only kickstarted a wonderful Christmas Eve, with a packed house for 7 p.m. Lessons and Carols and a good showing of stalwarts holding vigil at the 10 p.m. late service.



Chase Away Winter Blues With the MAD Series

CHPC's Music, Art and Drama Series presents the following performances for the second half of its 2023-24 season:

■ Organist Jackie Wilson Wednesday, Feb. 7, 12:15 p.m.

Our Noonday Organ Recitals return in February with a performance by Jacqueline Wilson, a senior at Lebanon Valley College majoring in organ and piano performance with an emphasis on sacred music. Before the recital, a free luncheon will take place at 11:45 a.m. in Fellowship Hall.

■ Popcorn Hat Players' "The Little Mermaid" Wednesday, Feb. 28, 10 a.m.

CHPC Preschool students and the congregation's young family members and friends

again will be entertained by Gamut Theatre's Popcorn Hat Players. This time, they bring us Hans Christen Andersen's famed fairy tale "The Little Mermaid" featuring the Popcorn Hat treatment!

The young princess falls in love with a handsome prince. The only problem? She is a mermaid, and he's not the best swimmer. The mermaid gives up everything she has - including her beautiful voice — for a chance to win the prince's heart. Can true love conquer all ... even sea sickness?

■ Organist Ethan Draper Wednesday, March 26, 12:15 p.m.

Ethan Draper is the organ scholar at Market Square Presbyterian Church and a student at Lebanon Valley

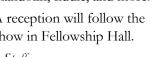
College. Come out to support the future of organ performance!

As always, the Noonday Organ Recital Luncheon will take place before the performance at 11:45 a.m.

■ Seasons Sunday, April 14, 3 p.m.

Seasons, the vibrant Celtic Nu-Folk band, returns to CHPC with original music "Celebrating Spring." This area group, featuring the Lee siblings, never fails to attract a crowd with a fusion of Celtic and roots music on harp, hammered dulcimer, mandolin, fiddle, and more. A reception will follow the

show in Fellowship Hall. ~Staff





Worship & Fine Arts Ministry Seeks Your Input

At the recent Worship and Fine Arts Ministry meeting, blessings were counted, including the hosting of the Cedar Cliff Chamber Singers, Christmas service attendance, the joy of having a new organist and choir director, and the successful MAD series. Now what?

It's that time of the year when we invite organists and other talented folks to participate in next season's MAD series.

WFA also is considering ways in which our worship services will engage and nourish us from week to week, season to season, for the coming year. We are eager to plan programs that will be of interest to the members of CHPC and the greater community. Your help is needed. Consider:

- Joining the WFA ministry
- Sharing your questions, requests, and suggestions with members of the ministry

■ Attending future small groups we will convene to discuss what to provide for our worship of God and celebration of arts at CHPC.

Our ministry — Sandy Bogden, Lynn Kloske, Diane Metzler, Bud Swartz, Abby Tierney, Chair Dolores Peffley, and Pastor Nancy Conklin looks forward to hearing from you! You will definitely be hearing from us!

~Worship & Fine Arts Ministry

Introducing the CHPC Family's Newest Members

Over the past few months, CHPC has been blessed with a number of new members. Please make sure to welcome the following individuals and families:

■ Transferring his membership is New Cumberland resident **Don Jackle**, who has been attending services with his **wife**, **Barb**. Don grew up in the Philadelphia area and attended Elizabethtown College. He and Barb met while attending a retreat in York County.

Don's first impression of CHPC was that it was very much like his Philadelphia church community, and they decided it was a "great place to worship." Don is a retired sociology professor with 38 years of service for the commonwealth; he also retired from the New Jersey State Colleges after 28 years of adjunct teaching. Not surprisingly (for a professor), Don is an avid reader and enjoys the classics. He also enjoys traveling and playing games such as Scrabble and bridge.

■ New members (and Camp Hill Borough neighbors), John and Jolie Mangan are Pennsylvania natives. John grew up in Carlisle, and Jolie is from Spring Grove. Work brought them to the area — initially Mechanicsburg, although Jolie now works in Pottsville.

Both John and Jolie are geologists. John works for a geotechnical engineering firm, and Jolie works for the Department of Environmental Protection in the Bureau of District Mining Operations. Although they have lived in the area for about three years, they recently moved into Camp Hill and looked for a nearby church. John and Jolie found "this beautiful church in walking distance and loved it from the first service." While most of this couple's

While most of this couple's available time is happily dedicated to raising their



11-month-old daughter, Juniper, John and Jolie also enjoy hiking and working on house projects.

■ Rebecca Sholly grew up in Mechanicsburg and is a certified surgical technologist for UMPC Urology. She enjoys spending time with her family in her free time, including her husband, Josh, and 7-month-old daughter, Adelaide Jeanne.

In joining CHPC, Rebecca is helping to make it a family affair. She is the daughter of



Cathy Snavely, who joined the church in 2022. (Fun fact: In 2023, Cathy hosted a lovely baby shower for Rebecca in Fellowship Hall.) When attending church with her mother, Rebecca found she enjoyed the services and decided to become a member.

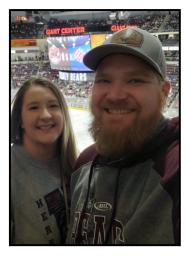
■ A gloomy Sunday led **Jon** and **Samatha (Sam) Grebb** to decide that CHPC was the right church for them.

Both Pennsylvania natives (Jon is from Palmyra, and Sam is from Schuylkill County), the couple moved to Lewisberry in 2018. Jon is an environmental health and safety coordinator for Hain Celestial (maker of Veggie Straws and other tasty snacks). Sam works in human resources for NAPA Transportation (trucking, not auto parts). Recent job changes for both meant

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regular Monday-to-Friday work schedules, providing an opportunity to get involved with a local church. After viewing services online and enjoying the messages from pastors Nancy and Stuart, they attended a live service. As Sam tells it, the lovely, warm welcome they received on a not-so-lovely day confirmed for them that CHPC would be a good church home.



Both are avid hockey fans — cheering on the Hershey Bears and Washington Capitals. Sam enjoys reading and crafting, and Jon, a former chef, enjoys cooking for family and friends and a good cigar.

■ CHPC Preschool was the "gateway" to the church for Bruce and Nancy Nilson.

Daughter Alden, 3, is in the Betweeners class, and son William, 5, is in the Future Steps class.

The couple moved to Camp Hill in 2022 from Arlington, Va., to be closer to family and enhance their quality of life.



Bruce grew up in Susquehanna Township and Nancy is from Washington, D.C. Beyond the preschool, the friendliness and kindness of the congregation drew the Nilsons to the church, along with CHPC's welcoming and non-judgmental attitude.

Bruce is a senior vice president for Red Curve Solutions, providing financial consulting for political organizations. Nancy is a communications manager for the state House of Representative's Republican Policy Committee.

The couple's favorite activity is gathering with family and friends. Nancy enjoys photography, cooking, and, most recently, metal detecting. Bruce is a golfer, volunteers with the Camp Hill Fire Department, and enjoys building with Legos.

■ Craig Schroll's

Presbyterian roots run deep and from both sides. He grew up in Wharton, N.J., and attended Morristown
Presbyterian Church. He
then attended law school at
the University of Pittsburgh,
relocating to where his
maternal grandparents were
from and where his
great-grandfather served as a
minister at a Presbyterian
church.

Craig came to Harrisburg in 2011 after graduating from law school, then moved around for a few years. He returned to the area for work in 2015 and began living here permanently in 2022. An attorney for the state, Craig enjoys trail running, skiing, and reading. He says he also enjoys our "beautiful church," including the Good Shepherd window behind the choir.



Having grown up in the church, Craig likes the sense of familiarity of CHPC and its reformed tradition.

~Carol Helsel

Session Highlights: Personnel, Other Actions Taken



The Session met on the fourth Monday of the month in November and January. There was no scheduled meeting in December, and time-sensitive matters were acted upon via email poll.

Actions taken during this time included the following:

- Session affirmed the result of an email poll conducted Oct. 23, through which job descriptions proposed by Staff Commission for two part-time staff positions, organist and choir director, were approved. Subsequently, the Session affirmed the result of a Dec. 6 email poll, through which Session approved a recommendation from the CHPC Music Director Search Committee to hire Byron Mikesell for both positions, for a combined total of 25 hours per week.
- As part of the required roll revision process, the Session

approved the removal of individuals from the CHPC Member Roll for whom there was no record of engagement in congregational life for a period of two years. Personal contacts were attempted with those identified for removal, with a follow-up letter sent requesting contact before Dec. 31 if the individuals wished to remain on the roll.

- A motion from the Intergenerational Ministry to add the addition of the weekly ARISE service at 8:30 a.m., beginning Sunday, Feb. 4, and continuing through Sunday, May 26 (the summer schedule of worship at 9:30 a.m. begins Sunday, June 2) was approved.
- Session designated Christian Churches United's Susquehanna Safe Harbor Overnight Shelter as the recipient of the Christmas Eve offering. (Just more than

\$1,700 was collected for CCU.)

- The 2024 Schedule of Paid Holidays for CHPC staff was approved.
- Session approved a motion to allocate up to \$30,000 from the Century Fund for the CHPC Sign Project.
- The Session received new members via Profession of Faith. All were publicly received by the congregation at worship services in January.
- The Session approved revised CHPC Personnel Guidelines.
- The Session approved the 2023 Church Report, to be submitted electronically to the PC(USA), through which CHPC reported 262 members in good standing as of the end of 2023. Current membership, as of Jan. 22, is 268.

~Beth Fine, Clerk of Session

Treasurer's Notes: End-of-Year Statements Mailed

For the period July 1 through Dec. 31, the first six months of CHPC's current fiscal year, we had receipts totaling \$271,898.60 and expenses totaling \$292,101.62, with expenses exceeding receipts by \$20,202.99. Our contributions for this period totaled \$221,617.48, which compares to the \$211,042.68 in contributions for the same six-month period in 2022.

You should have received your end-of-year statement, which contains all of your contribution information for the 2023 calendar year. This includes contributions for the first six months of 2023, although these relate to the prior fiscal year. If you have not received a statement, or if there are errors, contact me at dwatts@mwn.com or

(717) 503-6518. Thank you for your faithful stewardship during 2023.

The 2024 per capita, payable to the Presbytery, is \$33 per member. Please help us pay this annual CHPC expense of approximately \$10,000 by contributing to CHPC the appropriate per capita for your family size.

~David Watts, Treasurer

Preschool Corner: Celebrating Kindness, Reading

CHPC Preschool has started off 2024 with lots of excitement, and is looking forward to more learning and celebrations!

In **January**, we enjoyed coming back to school and having fun with our schoolwide themes.

During Farm Week, our students were treated to creative activities that allowed them to "milk" a cow and "shear" a sheep, as well as play in the "mud" like pigs, round up sheep, and collect eggs from the chicken coop.

Next was Bear Week, with each class going on a hunt throughout the church, finding Mrs. Tarnoci's sleeping bear in his cave. He gladly shared Teddy Grahams treats with all the students.

We even had a few snow days along the way in January, and I am sure there will be more in our future!

In **February**, our classes are talking about being kind to one another. The school will be celebrating Random Acts of Kindness Week, Monday, Feb. 12, through Friday, Feb. 16. Maybe you can join along in our Kindness Spirit Week activities?

- Monday Wear green for gratitude; say "thank you" to three or more people.
- Tuesday Wear yellow for positivity; do something kind for someone.

- Wednesday Wear red for self-love/give love; think of something you did well and give yourself a pat on the back, or give someone you love a hug. (Happy Valentine's Day!)
- Thursday Wear blue for encouragement; give someone a compliment.
- Friday (Preschool closed for long holiday weekend) Wear orange for helpfulness; help a friend or family member.

Starting Monday, Feb. 5, we will open up registration to new families for the 2024-25 school year. We will offer several classes for ages 20 months to 5. You can find the form on our website, www.chpcpreschool.org, or at the Information Station outside the preschool office.

We also will be attending the Early Learning Resource Fair on Thursday, Feb. 8, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. at Aldersgate United Methodist Church, Mechanicsburg, hoping to attract new students to join our CHPC Preschool family. Please feel free to share all this information with your friends and family. We'd love for them to join us!

Also in February, the CHPC Preschool Choir will start practicing again for their next performance on Palm Sunday, March 24. Mark your calendars — you won't want to miss this sweet group!

At the end of February, we will be celebrating Read Across America Week, Monday, Feb. 26, through Friday, March 1. We will explore famous children's authors and books by having a spirit week:

■ Monday — "Chicka Chicka Boom Boom" by Bill Martin Jr. and John Srchambault; dress in clothing with letters.

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Milking cows and shearing sheep were among the fun activities preschoolers tried during "Farm Week."



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- Tuesday "Llama Llama Red Pajama" by Anna Dewdney; wear your favorite jammies.
- Wednesday "The Mitten" by Jan Brett; dress up as your favorite animal or wear clothing with animals.
- Thursday "The Mixed-Up Chameleon" by Eric Carle; wear as many colors as possible.
- Friday Celebrate Dr. Seuss' birthday and "The Cat in the Hat"; wear stripes and a favorite hat.

March is the preschool's time for parent-teacher conferences, as well as learning about St. Patrick's Day (including the sneaky leprechaun).

We will be participating in Camp Hill Borough's Spring Fling on Saturday, March 23. Our table will be set up on Market Street next to Mid Penn Bank. We'll pass out homemade play-dough, hand out preschool brochures, and let the children go "fishing" in our toy fishing pond. Feel free to stop by and say hello. We always have such a great turnout!

We will be closing out the month of March with Easter celebrations and egg hunts.

In **April**, the students will learn about spring and one of our favorite themes, music! (If you play an instrument, please consider sharing your talent with our students.) Our students are enjoying their



During Bear Week in January, preschoolers used their handmade binoculars to go on a bear hunt through the halls of CHPC. After finding Mrs. Tarnoci's bear taking a nap in his cave, everyone got bear hugs and Teddy Graham treats.

time with our new music teacher and are looking forward to singing in our end-of-the-year program in May.

We are scheduled to do our story walk, "Mouse's First Spring," during April. Signs will be placed outside, surrounding the Kathy Kuhn Education Wing. Each sign will be a page of the story, and students can act out the scenes as they travel to each sign.

We'll also finish up all the students' artwork in preparation for our two-night Art Show on Monday, April 29, and Tuesday, April 30. It's a special time for family and friends to come take a look and be inspired. It will be our last big event and fundraiser for the school year. (If you know of any restaurants or

businesses that would be willing to donate a gift card or items for our Art Show raffle, please let us know.) This event is one of our favorites. The show will be ready for the congregation to see Sunday, April 28. It's not something you want to miss! Lots and lots of fun things are happening in the next several months! If you want to take a part in it — be a special reader, share a talent, substitute, etc. — please reach out by either calling me at (717) 761-6003 or email dtarnoci@thechpc.com. We would love to have you at the CHPC Preschool!

~Dana Tarnoci, Preschool Director

PW Ends Year With Celebrations, Fundraising

Presbyterian Women enjoyed Christmas fellowship and mission work during December:

■ Christmas Coffee

The annual PW Christmas Coffee was held Dec. 7 in Fellowship Hall, with approximately 20 women in attendance.

The tables were decorated for the holiday by Dawn Murray and committee, and the breakfast food was provided by members of Dorcas Circle.

Diane Rutzler provided the piano background for singing Christmas carols. And, Lynn Kloske read "The Littlest Angel" to the gathered group.

Many thanks to all who attended and to those who made the coffee a success! It was a beautiful morning, with fellowship and sharing.

■ Dorcas Circle Christmas Luncheon

Dorcas Circle met at Pizza Grille in Camp Hill on Dec. 14 for its Christmas luncheon. There were 16 women in attendance at the delicious luncheon. A party atmosphere prevailed as the group wished each other and our families a season of joy, peace, and love.

Dorcas Circle meets the second Thursday of each month at 10 a.m. in Fellowship Hall for Bible study, refreshments, and fellowship. All women are invited to join us!

■ Quilters & Crafters Sale/ PW Bake Sale

The members of PW thank all who supported the Quilters & Crafters Sale and the PW Bake Sale held on three Sundays in December. More than \$500 was raised, and with the money made from your purchases, PW is looking ahead to donating monetary gifts through our mission outreach.

Our "sales teams" will be back in action again in April, selling baked goods and handcrafted items on Primary Election Day, Tuesday, April 24.

In other PW news, we continues to collect blankets, food, and personal care items for Downtown Daily Bread and the Harrisburg Food Pantry. Please leave donations in the bins located in the Gathering Place.

Also, PW, with the help of the CHPC Preschool director and the CHPC office manager, manages the two Community Aid bins in the church parking lot. All donated items are weighed and assigned a monetary value by CA. Each quarter, PW receives a check, which is donated to the preschool's scholarship fund to ensure students of all means are able to attend. If you wish to donate household items, books, or other items not suitable for the bins, drop

them off at Community Aid and give CHPC's Partner Number, 10220, to the attendant.

Mark you calendars for Sunday, May 19, when PW will host its Spring Gathering for all women of the congregation.

~Gail Mark, PW Corresponding Secretary







Presbyterian Women celebrated Christmas with a coffee in Fellowship Hall (top) early in December, while members of the Dorcas Circle later enjoyed a holiday lunch at Pizza Grille restaurant. Fun was had by all!





Is this the year?

Is this the year that you will join in the annual trip to Mission at the Eastward in Farmington, Maine?

Since sending our first work team in 1986 to MATE, 367 different members and friends of Camp Hill Presbyterian Church have provided more than 51,000 volunteer hours during this wonderful experience. This year, members of Mechanicsburg Presbyterian Church will be joining us for a week of faith, service, friends, and fun.

Our CHPC/MPC team's work week is set for Saturday, July 20, through Saturday, July 27. We'll volunteer our time doing home repairs for families in western Maine. We encourage anyone age 14 or older to join us on this intergenerational mission trip.

Whatever your skill level — or lack thereof — there is something you can do to serve Christ by helping those in need during this very special week.

Registration opens Friday, March 1. MATE is a great way to try out a mission trip. The accommodations are luxurious — by mission trip standards — as we'll stay in a dorm at the University of Maine at Farmington. Meals are bountiful and delicious. The work can be challenging, but we have great leaders to guide you. And, the setting in the mountains of Maine couldn't be more beautiful. It is an awesome week of faith, service, making friends, and fun.

Christ calls us to serve. The need is great. Will you answer the call? Starting the first of March, MATE trip brochures with full information and the registration form will be available at the church and on the church website, or request one by emailing me at nflint.home@gmail.com.

Registration forms are due by Tuesday, April 30. Please join us for MATE 2024!

~Nancy Flint

Other Dates to Remember in February, March, and April:

- 'Souper Bowl' Competition Sunday, Feb. 11
- Church Office Closed for Presidents Day Monday, Feb. 19
- Board of Deacons Meeting Monday, Feb. 19
- Session Meeting Monday, Feb. 26
- Harrisburg Choral Society Concert Sunday, March 3
- Boy Scouts Pinewood Derby Friday, March 15 & Saturday, March 16
- Courageous Conversations with the Rev. Adrian White Sunday, March 17
- Congregation Chicken Luncheon Sunday, March 24
- Session Meeting Monday, March 25
- Church Office Closed for Easter Monday Monday, April 1
- Session Meeting Monday, April 22
- Election Day Polling Place Tuesday, April 23
- Deadline for May/June/July Camp Hill Press Wednesday, April 24

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