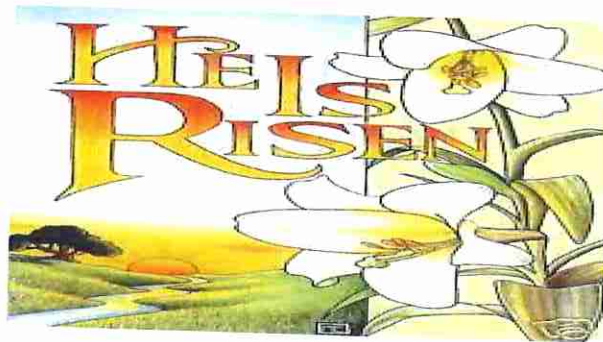


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### *Tentative Holy Week Schedule*

*Palm Sunday, April 5th - 8 and 9:15*

*Maundy Thursday, April 9th - 7 PM at Wehnwood UMC*

*Good Friday, - April 10th*

*8AM Breakfast*

*8:30 AM Service*

*Noon: Cross Walk*

*7 PM Service at Juniata*

*Sunday, April 12th- Sunrise service: 6AM*

*Easter Service: NO 8 AM Service, 9:15 AM and 11:30 AM Worship*

Make memories that will produce benefits for a lifetime!



As I sit here writing this, we are all in a lockdown mode - STAY HOME. WASH YOUR HANDS! What the government is calling "social distancing" I and others are choosing to more accurately call it *physical distancing*.

Social connections are of vital importance to us. Total isolation can be damaging to our mental and physical health. The ability to process information and make decisions can be impaired. A person may become more susceptible to illness. So, NO, I do not recommend social isolation! But, as we observe physical distancing to help reduce the spread of the COVID-19 virus, let's remain social connected. Call friends and family. Send a text or email. Write a note and mail it!! Go out on the front porch and wave to your neighbors.

BE CREATIVE - what are other ways to remain socially connected at this time?? Perhaps this time can simply become a time to connect more closely with family & friends!

We are in the season of Lent, approaching our celebration of the Resurrection. Our tentative schedule of services is on the cover of this newsletter. We will keep you posted as plans unfold.

But, even if we cannot worship *together*, we can continue to connect with God. Over the next few weeks of Lent, add a time of prayer or meditation to your routine. Substitute time with God to replace going out to be with other people. If you need information about accessing a daily devotional online, call me! Or, read a psalm (or 2) every day. Choose a gospel and read a portion of that every day. Pray for those on our prayer list, for your family, our nation, our congregation, our denomination, healthcare and emergency workers.

And I will continue to send periodic messages via the internet. We will record a Sunday message and post that on Facebook and make a youtube link. IF YOU DO NOT HAVE ACCESS to Facebook or the internet, we can send you a DVD. We will do our best to help you stay connected. The Sanctuary is open for prayer every day from 8 AM - noon. And, via phone tree, keep you updated on prayer requests. If you are not receiving calls, please let me know - I can add NEW phone numbers at any time!

Fears of this virus are real, but the fearsome things of life *do not* have the final word.

God is with us. God is always with us. You are not alone.

*Pastor Eric*

On March 21<sup>st</sup>, Joanie's crew prepared and handed out 300+ lunches. We have also been sending care packages to the families at the Penn Alto who have children. The Mountain Lion Backpack program has been gathering and distributing food as well. Ministry continues even during a time such as this!



## APRIL BIRTHDAYS

2.... Becca Betty  
4.... Jennifer Alexander  
4.... Sandy McDermott  
4.... Diane Dimmick  
5.... Pat Yahner  
6.... Jared Yahner  
7.... Terri Lafferty  
7.... Jerry Courtney  
13.... Sarah Schmitt  
13.... Sandy Creamer  
15.....Olivia Anslinger Carniglia  
17.... Patti Yeingst  
17.... David Schmitt  
24.....Debbie Schunk  
25.... Debbie Ashburn  
26.... Carol Wagner  
27.... Larry Farber  
27... Max Geiner  
29.... Andre Miller  
30.....Donna Caldwell  
30.....Sue LeCrone

## MAY BIRTHDAYS

4 ...Dick Lantz  
4... Sharon Ritchey  
6.... Nancy Grannas  
6.... Amy Perchy  
6.... Betty Whitfield  
11.... Harry Long III  
14.... Ty Wilson  
16.... Jared Monroe  
16.... Judy Yingling  
16.... Hugh Garver  
16.... Jamie Walk  
17.... Nicole Schmitt  
18... Riley Seedenburg  
22.... Carolyn Snow  
24.... Terri Wilson  
25.... Jill McMillan  
26.... Leigha Fleck  
28....Marianne Melotti



## APRIL ANNIVERSARY'S

3.... John & Julie Stiffler  
3.... Calvin & Claudia Woleslagle  
10.... Max & Jane Geiner  
21.... Lee & Joyce Getz  
24.... Larry & Betty Farber  
28.... Robert and Donna Caldwell

## MAY ANNIVERSARY'S

1.... Gary & Sandy Creamer  
16... Bob & Joanne Getz  
17... Denise McConahy & Ray Kovach  
29.... Ken & Carol Graham

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Kim Nisely  
842 Lower Claar Rd.  
Claysburg PA 16625

Wehnwood events:

Church Spring Work Day  
April 25<sup>th</sup> at 8 AM  
Time to do our Spring cleaning  
here at the church



“Fill My Cup”  
Women’s Gathering  
Rescheduled Date  
May 19th 7 PM



DVD’S if you are unable to attend our worship service we have the ability to burn you a DVD and see that you receive it. You just need to let us know you wish to have one. *We also have used DVD’s available that are good for arts and craft projects! If you are interested, we need to know by April 12<sup>th</sup>.* Thank you



Community Events:

*Stronger Together City-Wide Event*

Prayer breakfast May 7<sup>th</sup> 7:30 AM-9:00AM  
@ The Casino at Lakemont Park

Keynote speaker is Pastor Kevin Brown of Perfecting Church.  
It is a ministry known for its community service.  
Registration is \$20, a sponsored table \$300 at  
[WWW.leadershipof faith.org/altoona](http://WWW.leadershipof faith.org/altoona)



*Mark your calendars and plan now to come out and join us!*  
**Relay for Life**  
**June 12-13**  
**Mansion Park**

If you want a luminary displayed AT the Relay and want the person’s name listed in the program, Marsha will need that information AND payment by May 10<sup>th</sup>. Donations for luminaries may be made after that, but we cannot guarantee that the name will be listed.

**SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION IS OPEN**

You can find all the information you need on the website  
[WWW.SUSUMCAMPS.ORG](http://WWW.SUSUMCAMPS.ORG)

A camp or retreat experience is a gift to yourself or someone you love. I invite you to check out the many experiences offered and to give yourself, or someone else, a gift of joy and growth.

