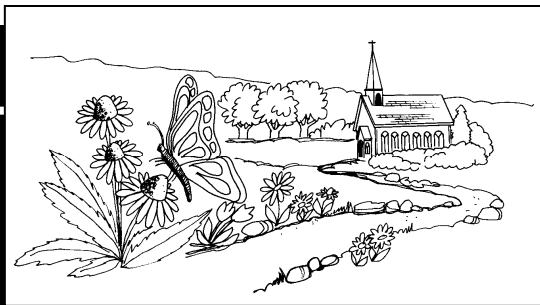


# Valley Views



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## Stay Awake

"Could you not stay awake with me one hour?" Jesus asks the sleeping disciples in the Garden of Gethsemane. (Luke 22:46) Worn out by the pace of events, unable to bear Jesus' predictions of what was to come, they simply fell asleep. And he needed them to stay awake.

But why? Jesus is the strong one, the one who reveals the nature of God, the leader and teacher. Surely he does not feel fear as we do, or need to lean on others?

"Stay awake." Keeping company with Jesus comes down to this: finding a way of living in this world that allows us to stay awake to its reality, and to the reality of God-with-us. In this Lent-Easter

season, this is still the response Jesus asks of us.

But how can we stay wide awake to God, when on the outside we are surrounded by so much noise, so much information, so many people needing our attention? And when we have so much inner noise - anxiety about the future, unprocessed events, decisions and choices to keep making?

What would it be like to be really awake? To see the world's pain and its beauty? To experience all my experiences?

"Stay awake with me and pray." Here is the important part. If Jesus is with us we can bear to see and hear reality. To stay awake with Jesus, and to pray, is to enter into the kind of companionship that he longed for his disciples to experience. To be completely alert to life's realities, but to allow that way of being present to also be a prayer - for peace, for reconciliation, to justice, for healing, for the living out of Christ's way on earth.

As we listen again to the stories of this holy season, may we find in them an invitation to stay fully awake to all that is happening in our lives and in our world, and to

## THE RESURRECTION

We hold so close to our hearts  
The cross where Jesus died  
But so much more than the blood-  
stained cross  
Is that Jesus came back to life

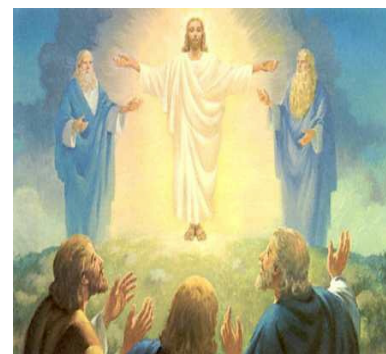
The stone's been rolled away  
The tomb lay open and bare  
They looked for Him, and then the  
angel said  
That He is no longer here

Oh what joy they must have felt  
To see Him just once more  
To eat with Him, to drink with Him  
To receive Him back as Lord

So much did He accomplish  
Through His death upon the cross  
And in His rising from the dead  
He reconciled us back to God

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## What Does Easter Mean?

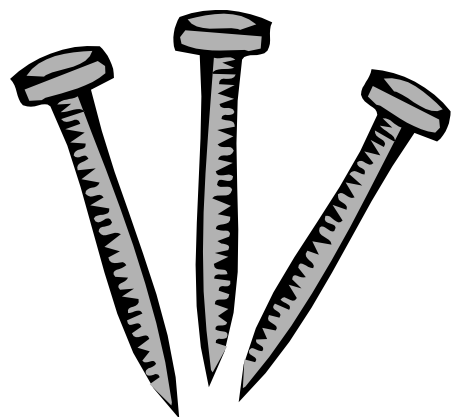
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[Read: Matthew 27: 33-38; chp. 28: 1-11](#)

It would be good to read all of chp. 27 if you have time to do so. It speaks of Jesus trial and ridicule and abusive treatment from the soldiers.

Jesus had to die on the cross and shed His blood for us, so we could be brought back into relationship with God. He was the final sacrifice. Through Jesus blood being shed for us, our sins have been forgiven (washed away). Then, through His resurrection (coming back to life) we, too, can be risen to new life in Him. When we come to the Lord, He makes us new creations. We have Jesus resurrected life in us.

Easter isn't at all about Easter bunnies and Easter eggs as such, though these things are nice to have at Easter time. I've heard it said that the Easter egg



Given  
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Given

### **Favorite Scriptures**

If you have any favorite scriptures you would like to learn about or any that you have questions about, please write them down and give them to Pastor Mike as he will be preaching on these in 2014.



My Favorite Scripture \_\_\_\_\_

I want to know more about \_\_\_\_\_

A scripture or subject I have a question about \_\_\_\_\_

A scripture I don't understand \_\_\_\_\_

A scripture I have a problem with \_\_\_\_\_

### **Church Directories**

We will be printing and handing out updated printed directories of church members and friends. Anyone wanting their email address or their cell phone number listed in the directories, please give them to Pastor Mike.

### **Does your pet have a gift you would like to share with others?**

Should the parish sponsor a pet talent show?    yes-----    no-----

Should the parish sponsor a pet dress up contest?    Yes-----    no-----

Should we keep it in the parish or open it to anyone in the community to enter?    Yes-----    no-----

Type of pet-----

Pet's trick/ talent-----

Return to the office, Kay Showers, Christa McCormick, Reda Moore, or Sharon Heitzelman



We would like to thank everyone for the cards, calls and visits especially Pastor Mike and Bishy during the loss of our son Charles Yarison. We really want to thank Hilda and the ladies for the funeral meal.

A church family is a blessing.

Love,

Bob & Renie Kahley

Cyndi & Mike Bayley, Sister

David Yarison, Brother

**God Bless Your Generosity!**  
**Your Gift Provides Light To Those In Crisis**

Dear Friends at St. John's U.M. Church,  
 Your recent donation to the Shepherds of the Streets Ministry is deeply appreciated.  
 Your gift of love is the spark needed for the candle to burn brighter in the hearts of those walking a difficult road. May the Lord bless you abundantly, and shine brightly in all you say and do.

Sincerely yours in Christ,  
 J. Morris Smith, TH.D.



Dear Sisters and Brothers in Ministry,

It's hard to believe we are almost through the first month of the new year. Looking forward to what God has for you and your congregation in 2014 is exciting. I am sure that just as God has used you in 2013, God will use you mightily in the New Year.

One of the ways God has used you and your resources is in your ministry of stewardship. And, because you have been faithful, you have been able to pay 100% of your Shares of Ministry.

I wanted to write as you District Superintendent and thank you personally for paying 100%!

Your faithfulness, even in the midst of sacrificial giving, is greatly appreciated. By your giving, you have joined hands and hearts with United Methodist Christians across our Annual Conference to make a difference in the lives of countless people.

By your generous spirit and your faithful giving, you have kept covenant as United Methodists. By your giving, you are proclaiming that God's people can do more together than we ever could alone.

By your congregation paying Shares of Ministry in full, you have helped send missionaries across the world, helped make sure that there will be Christian camping for our children and youth. By your generosity, our retired pastors are assured that their faithful ministry is honored by continuing their health benefits. And, with your giving, you are supporting new church starts in our conference as well as helping to revitalize congregations that want to grow.

Together as people of the Lewisburg District, you have, through Shares of Ministry, supported our homes for the elderly our UM Children's Home and the Neighborhood Center. You have helped congregations reach out through mission and ministry including the smallest congregations and those doing work in the inner-city with our ethnic brothers and sisters.

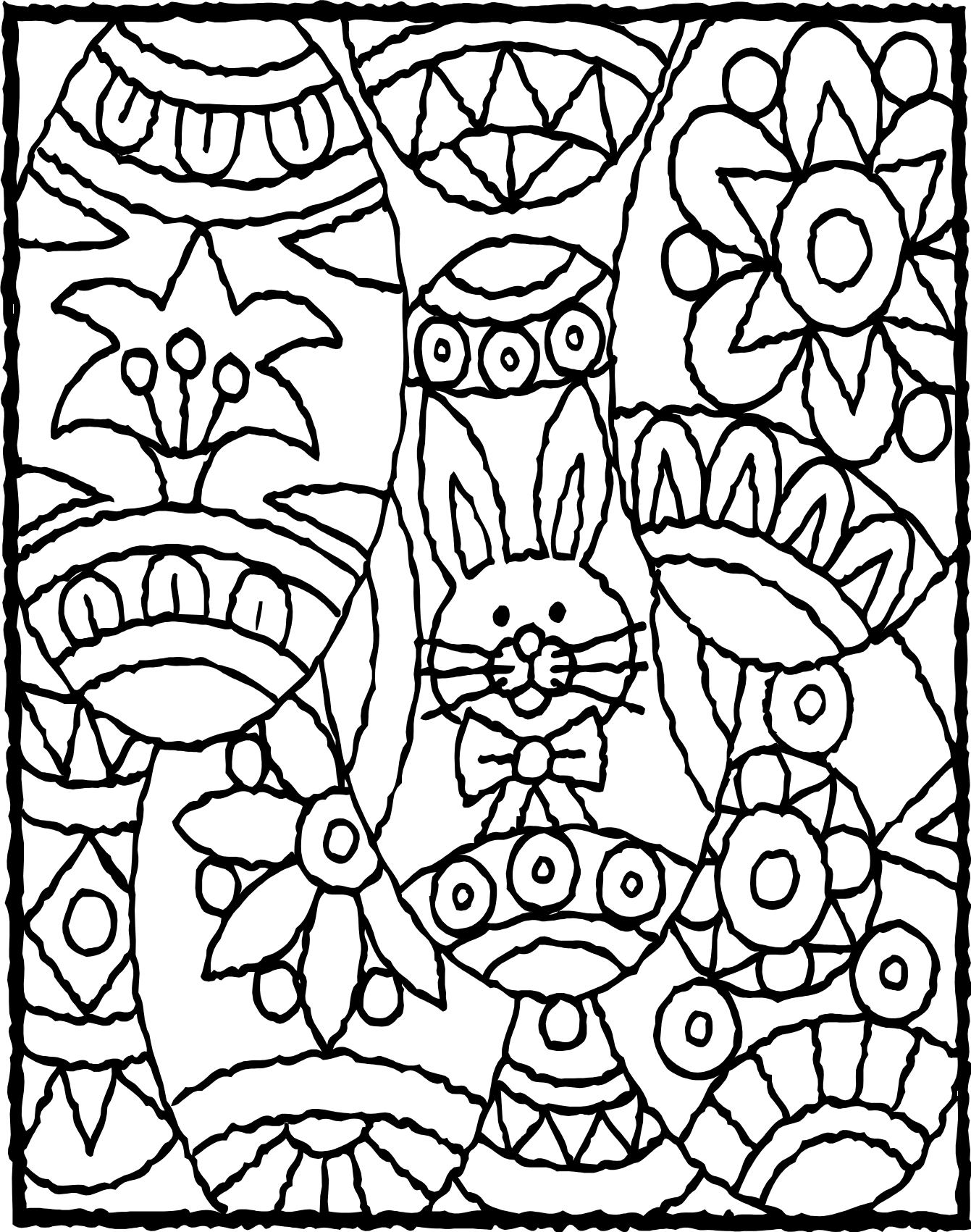
Because of your commitment to our covenant as United Methodists, you have helped spread the love of God and helped the kingdom of God grow and bring people to know the saving power of Jesus Christ.

I would ask you to share this letter with your congregation. Please let your members know how much I appreciate your ministry and stewardship.

Thanks you!

God's Peace,

Thomas L. Salsgiver, District Superintendent



**VBS News**

Ahoy matey! Grab your flip flops, sunscreen, and snorkel and mark your calendars for June 23, 2014-June 27, 2014 from 9-11:30 a.m.! It's time to set sail for an amazing adventure with God on SonTreasure Island. This year at VBS we will dig deep into the sand to find the best treasure of all—God's unconditional love! As we explore, we will be learning how God's love is giving, kind, caring, forgiving, and forever! We are looking for sailors and swabbies to join our castaway crew. We are also looking for some courageous mateys ages 3 through those entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade willing to set sail with us to SonTreasure Island for an adventure of a lifetime. Please help us discover and teach about the most precious and lasting treasure of all—God's love! If interested, please contact Captains: Shayna Heintzelman and Taryn Myers, or First Mate: Pastor Mike.

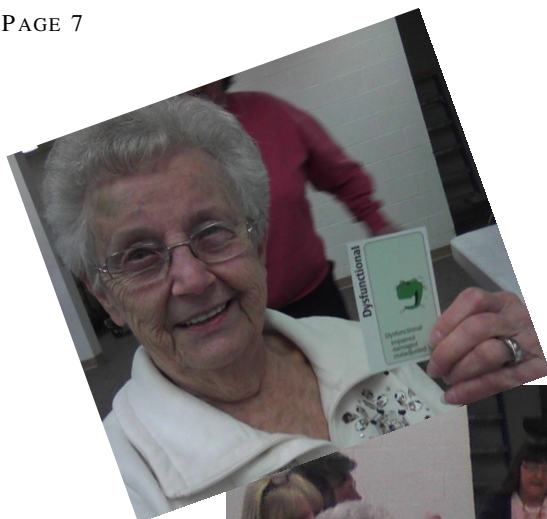


VBS Planning

***Easter Trivia***

1. ***Why is Palm Sunday the week before Easter Sunday?***
2. ***Why did the Jews say Jesus should die?***
3. ***Which disciple cut off the ear of the High Priest's servant?***
4. ***Who warned Pilot to have nothing to do with Jesus?***
5. ***What inscription was placed above Jesus on the cross?***
6. ***Jesus wore a crown of \_\_\_\_\_.***
7. ***How much did Judas receive to betray Jesus?***
8. ***What did the priests do with the money when Judas returned it?***
9. ***Whom did the Jews want released instead of Jesus?***
10. ***What was the color of the robe placed upon Jesus?***
11. ***Who carried the cross for Jesus?***
12. ***What was the last thing Jesus uttered from the cross?***
13. ***What happened in the Temple when Jesus died on the cross?***
14. ***How long did darkness cover the land after Jesus died?***
15. ***When Christ given stated "I thirst," what was he given?***
16. ***Darkness covered the land for \_\_\_\_\_ when Jesus died.***
17. ***Who was the first person to see the resurrected Christ?***
18. ***After the resurrection Jesus appeared to his disciples beside what sea?***
19. ***How many days did Jesus appear to his disciples after the resurrection?***
20. ***Which disciple doubted Jesus resurrection?***

## Game Night



## CONFERENCE LOAN FUND INVESTMENT PROGRAM RE-OPENED

After not accepting funds for three years, the Susquehanna Conference Loan Fund Investment Program will be re-opened **effective January 1, 2014**. Investments will be accepted from Conference churches and active United Methodists within the geography of the Susquehanna Conference.

- The current interest rate being offered is 1.5% per annum.
- The minimum amount of investment cannot be less than \$500. Subsequent additions to an investment account must be \$500 or more.
- For individuals, the maximum investment is limited to \$150,000 and the maximum per household is \$300,000. The investment check(s) should be accompanied by a letter stating how the names should be titled on the Certificate of Deposit and a W-9 form with the Social Security Number of the first investor's name to be listed on the certificate.
- For churches, investment check(s) should be accompanied by a letter stating how the Churches name should be titled on the Certificate of Deposit and a W-9 form with the Churches Employer Identification Number [EIN].
- A copy of the W-9 form is on the back of this page.
- New investments are expected to remain invested for a one year period. After the one year period, they may be withdrawn upon demand.

Questions may be directed to Sue Adams at (ext 5) or Gary Smith at (ext 6) at 717-766-5275.

(Copies of this are located at the back of the church sanctuary)

**Upcoming Dates To Remember:**

Tuesdays, April 1 & 8 at 7:00 pm

Lenten Service at ElimSPORT

Thursday, April 17th at 6:30 pm

Sader Meal at ElimSPORT

Friday, April 18th at 7:00 pm

Good Friday Service at ElimSPORT

Sunday, April 20th at 6:00 am

Sunrise Service at ElimSPORT Pavilion

Monday-Friday, June 23rd-27th at 9:00 am

Bible School at ElimSPORT

Friday, June 27th

Bible School Closing at ElimSPORT

Sunday, June 29th

Combined Services at ElimSPORT Pavilion

Sunday, December 14th

Bishop Jeremiah Parks/Meal

**Quilts for the Homeless**

- Quilt making for the homeless continues on Wednesdays, 9:00 to 3:00.
- We are inviting all who knit or crochet to come and bring your needles and hooks. We have been given odds and ends of yarns to make afghans.
- Please bring a bag lunch.

All are welcome.

This years church and community sponsored Easter Egg Hunt will be Saturday April 19th 10:00 Sharp! We will hold it at the ElimSPORT church field by the pavilion.

**Wednesday Breakfast**

Please join us for breakfast during the Lenten season. Every Wednesday we are offering breakfast at 8:00 a.m. in the ElimSPORT fellowship hall. Everyone is invited. There is a different menu each week.

**Dip Supper**

Saturday, April 26th 4:00 - 6:30 pm held in the ElimSPORT Social Hall.

- Items for May's newsletter are due April 20th.
- Items for the weekly bulletin's need to be to Pastor Mike or Deb by Thursday **morning** each week.

*(Items received after these dates are not guaranteed to be printed.)*

**Greeters for April**

April	6	Charlie & Pat Ulrich
April	13	Chris & Jill Ulrich and family
April	20	Charles & Jane Reibsome
April	27	Stu Seitzer



## The Sojourner Truth Ministries Connection of Christians in Partnership



### *Our Vision*

Sojourner Truth Ministries shall be a loving, spiritual, and inclusive Christian

### *The Mission and Purpose of Sojourner Truth Ministries, Inc.*

Sojourner Truth Ministries loves all people, creates community, builds character, and equips us to be faithful disciples  
of JESUS CHRIST

2014 March Newsletter

Hours: 9:00am to 3:00pm Monday thru Saturday

### *What's Happening at Sojourner Truth Ministries?*

Do you know the many ways that Sojourner Truth Ministries helps individuals in the community?

- Workers from the Wake Up House give countless hours to ongoing numerous tasks at STM. They help day after day in the kitchen with meals and cleaning up. You'll also find them in the Clothes Closet sorting and organizing the display of the clothes you graciously donate.
- The Food Pantry is the responsibility of one young lady to keep it organized, running smoothly, and caring for it no matter what the donations are or when they arrive.
- For years Keith and Stacey help set up early each morning for all the breakfasts and are available wherever the needs arise throughout the day.
- Volunteers have scheduled themselves to come specific week days to help with the weekly donations of fruits, vegetables, and breads to deliver, sort and hand out to those needing food to prepare at home or will be eaten on the street if they are homeless.
- We are a family at STM working to help each other in practical ways but also in friendship and caring not just another food kitchen handout.
- Even the ones who eat or come for a warm cup of beverage also are bringing items to donate. When here they may help with cutting potatoes, celery, onions, etc. for our meals or for storing.
- Other organizations have gotten to know us and send people to assist us. What a wonderful witness of Christ's family serving together.

- A large number of workers come from Experience Works, STEP, Inc., Career Link and some great people who fulfill their community service hours to satisfy their court requirements serve and get to experience the love of Christ among us.

- We strive to help everyone who comes through our doors to be accountable to help in any way they can so it is their ministry too.

- The unique family sharing and giving is what makes this mission so special to us and to you.

I cannot miss also thanking my daughter and husband for the many, many hours, long days and weeks they put in with me to help me carry the load as the Director at STM.

Thanks also goes to Wegmans, Weis, and Giant - they donate so very, very much each week so that our doors stay open to serve all who come in while being able to give freely from our weekly overflow to take with them to eat later on.

What a wonderful team - all the many churches and church families, the variety of community organizations, the Board of Directors of STM - together being Christ's caring hands and feet. And, we thank you too for the way you share your abundant provision, finances, and love with all at STM.

Sharing the love of God,

*Pastor Velinda Webb-Smith*

## Meals for Saturday Café

*All dates taken except: September 6, November 15, 22, and 29, and December 27. Check our website: [www.stmwilliamsport.org](http://www.stmwilliamsport.org).*

Have you ever considered also the possibility to have your church serve the Thanksgiving Day meal on November 27<sup>th</sup> or the Christmas Day meal on December 25<sup>th</sup>? Every year Hope Community Church serves both these holidays but they leave them available until October if another church would choose to serve them. There is never a shortage of community volunteers that come on their own to assist them. Consider it? Contact Pat Bole 570-494-09423.

### New Freezer and Dead Refrigerator

**NEW FREEZER ARRIVED:** Thank you Oval UM Church family for responding to our need of a new freezer in our food storage room. It was very, very old as they had observed when they served a Saturday Café meal at STM. It, of course, was also using extra electricity not being a modern energy efficient model. We do appreciate your donation greatly. **We thank Beiter's as well** who kindly gave them a special price in support of STM and quick delivery.

**REFRIGERATOR NEEDED:** However, we still do **NEED** a refrigerator if anyone has one to donate or would purchase a new one for us. This is a refrigerator we use to store our overflow and condiments in our storage space. It completely died on us as we used it heavily. Contact Director Rev. Velinda Webb-Smith 570-323-1797.

*Thank you St. Paul-Calvary for running the copies of this newsletter for March.*

## Basic Needs and Health Care

The Social Service Assistant has been actively involving organizations to talk to the Sojourners about practical health care issues. Being disenfranchised and having insufficient income they often ignore their health issues and eat unhealthily because the most economical foods they purchase are the poorest nutritionally.

Educational talks have been given on diabetes, on blood pressure screening to detect if they need medical care, on dental education with free toothpaste, free flu shots given at STM, and even a Health Fair was held in house for them with the community invited.

Look for 2014's upcoming Health Fair for the Community - Vendors welcome - at STM. Watch for the date in May.

Are there some talks you or your organization could provide to help them gain a greater quality of life? Contact Dawn White at 570-506-1590.

## Some Exciting Events A'coming!

- Raise the Region** - see our full page on it!
- A gospel Concert** at Community Arts Center in May. Watch for publicity and date.
- Health Fair for the Community** - Vendors are welcome. Coming in May at STM.
- "Celebrate Recovery"** a Christ centered recovery group to begin - if interested, training now available. Contact Dawn White 570-506-1590.
- STM has a Facebook page.** Do you want to be a friend on Facebook? We welcome you.
- "Mission Trip to Williamsport"** - Aug. 11-16, 2014. First UMC, Williamsport, with other churches, providing needed home repairs for area residents. See the form to apply on their website [www.firstchurch.cc](http://www.firstchurch.cc). Could you be a volunteer that week to work at a few of the many jobs? Or, be a church partner with First?

## 2014 Covenant Challenge - Sojourner Truth Ministries

"They share freely and give generously to those in need. Their good deeds will be remembered forever.  
They will have influence and honor." ---Psalm 112:9 (NLT)

As God made a covenant with Abraham in the Old Testament times, we would like to challenge you to make a covenant with Sojourner Truth Ministries. We are in need of continual, consistent operational funds to keep our building opened, repaired and our programs functional. **We are asking that 1,000 people from area churches of the community, the United Methodist Church which is our founding denomination, and other organizations to make a covenant with us to give us \$100.00 per year. If so, partnering together do this, will provide us with enough money to fund all of our needs!** One hundred dollars is a small sum when spread out over 12 months or \$10 a month for 10 months. We urge you to prayerfully consider helping to fund our ministry in this covenant relationship. If you are willing to make this covenant with us, please fill out the form below.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Covenant amount per year \_\_\_\_\_

Committed: \_\_\_\_\_ weekly \_\_\_\_\_ monthly \_\_\_\_\_ semi-annually \_\_\_\_\_ annually

Please send Covenant Challenge to:  
Sojourner Truth Ministries, c/o Treasurer, 501 High Street, Williamsport, PA 17701



### For future Reference Recommended Donations For Shepherd of the Streets

Bibles  
Current Daily Devotional Reading Materials  
Current Calendars

#### Assorted Baby Care Products

\*\*Diapers & Pull-Ups - Sizes 1 through 6\*\*  
(Larger sizes 3 through 6 in higher demand)  
Baby Powder/Baby Wash/Baby Lotion/Baby Oil/Baby Shampoo  
Baby Wipes  
Children's Toothbrushes/Toothpaste

#### Hygiene Items - Regular Sizes - Pre-packaging Kits Is Not Necessary

\*\*Soap\*\*  
\*\*Shampoo and Conditioner\*\*  
\*\*Deodorant - Men's and Women's\*\*  
\*\*Razors/Shaving Cream\*\*  
\*\*Feminine Hygiene Products - Sanitary Napkins and Tampons\*\*  
Band-aids  
Lotion - Body/Hand  
\*\*Toothbrushes/Toothpaste\*\*  
Combs and Brushes, Larger ones preferred  
\*\*Paper Towels/Toilet Tissue/Facial Tissue\*\*  
Adult Diapers - (Large and X-Large)

#### Bedding - New or Clean and Gently Used

\*\*Sheets and Pillow Cases\*\*  
\*\*Blankets/Comforters\*\*  
\*\*Towels/Washcloths\*\*

#### \*\*In most need of these items\*\*

\*\*\*PLEASE, no donations of medications of any kind or products containing alcohol such as hairspray, spray mists, aftershave, or mouthwash. We are not able to distribute these products

\*\*\*\*Also needed are financial contributions for Prescription Assistance, Medical Supplies and Trips, and Safety Issues, such as steel-toed work boots, non-skid shoes, etc.

Questions? Call: 322-6538, Mon. - Thurs. (9 A.M. to Noon & 1 to 3 P.M.)

Thank You !  
The Shepherd of the Streets Ministry

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 LIGHT HOUSE  
**REFLECTIONS**

Son Light House – 130 Carpenter Street, Muncy, PA 17756 – Phone: 546-3585 February 2014

Son Light House, established in 1982, is a non-profit, ecumenical, and community-supported resource that distributes food, clothing, and limited furniture to individuals and families in need and that qualify on family income guidelines set up by state and federal policies. Son Light House serves individuals and families in eastern Lycoming County. Son Light House is an equal opportunity provider.

I know that the LORD secures justice for the poor and upholds the cause of the needy. (Psalm 140:12) We are called upon to be the hands of God in advocating for and serving those in need.

**Households and Individuals Served**

	Households	Individuals	New Hlds.
Nov	697	1,856	21
Dec	683	1,802	24
Jan	579	1,448	9

**Son Light House – for All Ages**

	Children	Adults	Seniors
Nov	623	929	304
Dec	613	870	319
Jan	446	710	292

**Numbers Up for Thanksgiving and Christmas**

Compared with 2012, Son Light House served 52 more households for Thanksgiving and 49 for Christmas in 2013. Thanks to all who made it possible to serve these families in need.

**Monthly Average of Recipients Increased in 2013**

The average number of households coming each month to Son Light House in 2013 was 568 representing 1,411 average monthly recipients. These figures represented a four percent increase over the previous year. This was the second largest monthly average since 2008 when the economic conditions took a dramatic downturn nationally.

**New Households in 2013**

A total of 146 new households came to Son Light House last year for assistance.

**Christmas – Many Helping Hands**

Many contributed in various ways to the Christmas distributions of food and gifts to families and individuals. Among those helping were Meagan Murray and those supporting Meagan's Box; the volunteers and supporters of Touch a Heart; and Clara and Kent Bennett. The support received from many individuals, families, churches, as well as business and civic organizations was heartwarming. "Thank you" was the constant refrain from the recipients.

**"Thank You" to These Recent Supporters**

**Individuals and Families** who have recently supported Son Light House include: Dean and Joy Barto, Pastor Arlene Beechart, Dan and Rebecca Berninger, Ron and Debra Derr, Wilma Fish, Robert and Lana Forse, Ronald and Nancy Forsht, Rev. Mike and Sally Gardy, Susan German, Kenneth and Tolanda Geromi, Norma Gresh, Polly Hess, Jeff and Helen Hiserman & family, Kenny and Barb Holmes, Darlene James, Janet Kohler, Pam Lamb, Dan and Melinda Ludwig, Gene and Carol McCarty, Donald and Elizabeth McClure, Ernest and Esta Meisel, Craig and Linda Miller, Jim and Betsy Mothersbaugh, Maraleane Murray, Meagan Murray, Dr. Naresh and Anita Nagpal, Arlene Opp, Dave and Donna Painter, Earl and Vonnice Poust, Nanette Rusczyk, Bob and Hilda Sampsell, Carla Sheets, Phil and Betty Jo Soohy, Rodney and Karen Spring, David and Kathryn Taggart, Paul and Beatrice Taran, Pastor Max and Diann Walters; Richard and Kathleen Wielgosz.

**Churches and Church Organizations** for their recent support: Messiah – Bethany United Methodist Church (UMC), Hughesville; Christ UMC, Hughesville; Christian Women's Club of Williamsport; Church of the Resurrection, Muncy; Clarkstown UMC; Ecroyd Missionary Circle, Muncy; Elimsport UMC; Faith Church of Lairdsville; First UMC, Muncy; Knights of Columbus – Resurrection Council 12962, Muncy; Lungerville Christian Church, Unityville; Messiah Lutheran Church, Clarkstown; Moreland Baptist Church, Muncy; Mt. Zion Lutheran Church, Hughesville; Muncy Baptist Church; Muncy Presbyterian Church; Pennsdale Trinity UMC; Pleasant

View Wesleyan Church, Muncy; Mill Creek UMC, Montoursville; Picture Rocks and Tivoli UMC; Salem UMC, Unityville; St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Muncy; Women of St. Andrew Lutheran Church, Muncy; St. James Episcopal Church, Exchange; St. James Episcopal Church, Muncy; St. James Lutheran Parish, Muncy; St. John "Brick" Lutheran Church, Montgomery; St. Marks Church, Lairdsville; Trinity Lutheran Church, Hughesville.

**Community Businesses and Organizations** that recently made generous donations of money, food, or services include: American Legion Post #35, Hughesville; American Legion Post #268, Muncy; AmeriHealth - Northeast, Philadelphia; Cherry Apple Realty LLC, RE/MAX Edge, Muncy; Chief Oil and Gas, Dallas, Texas; Construction Specialties, Inc., Muncy; Retired Employees - Construction Specialties, Montgomery; Entech - WBRA, Muncy; Epsilon Eta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi, Muncy; Grenoble Funeral Home, Inc., Muncy; Hughesville Rotary Club; Huntersville & Pennsdale Senior Citizens; Kiwanis Club of Muncy Area; Koppers Inc., Montgomery; Macy's - Lycoming Mall; Maple Leaf Hardwoods, Hughesville; Mapleton Community Center; Muncy Bank and Trust - Montoursville Office; Muncy Garden Club; Muncy Legion Ladies Auxiliary; Muncy Professional and Business Association; Myers-Pepper Insurance Agency, Muncy; O'Connor Plumbing and Heating, Montgomery; Picture Rocks Lions Club; Picture Rocks Volunteer Fire Company; Spring Window Fashions, Montgomery; Employee's Recreation Association - State Correctional Institution at Muncy; Susquehanna Health - Skilled Nursing Unit, Muncy; VFW Post 3428, Muncy; Weis Markets, Muncy; Weis Markets Inc., Sunbury; Woodlands Bank, Pennsdale; Xi-Theta-Delta, Montgomery.

**Schools and Youth Groups** for their recent support: Joseph Ashkar Elementary School, Hughesville; FBLA - Muncy Junior-Senior High School; George A. Ferrell Elementary School, Picture Rocks; Hughesville High School; Ward Myers Elementary School, Muncy; Spartan Elementary Football, Hughesville; Carl G. Renn Elementary School, Lairdsville.

#### **Son Light House Hours of Operation:**

##### **Donations:**

Every Monday, Thursday, and Saturday 7:30 - 10:00 a.m.  
Food, clean, usable, seasonable clothing, toys, and furniture may be donated only at this time.

##### **Distributions:**

Every other week on Wednesday from 9:30 - noon and Thursday 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

##### **Distribution Dates:**

February 5+-6+, 19-20  
March 5+-6+, 19-20  
April 2+-3+, 16\*-17\*, 30 \*Easter  
May 1, 14+-15+, 28-29  
June 11+-12+, 25-26  
+ Senior Boxes - for eligible seniors

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##### **How Can I/We Help?**

Prayers, volunteers, money, and food donations - **especially cereal** -- are always needed. For more information or to get involved, contact **Son Light House** by calling Ken and Delores Frey at 546-3585.

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**ELIMSPORT  
VALLEY UNITED  
METHODIST  
PARISH**

**Parish Office:**

16145S. RT 44 HWY  
Allenwood, PA 17810

**Office Phone:**

547-1974

**Parsonage Phone:**

547-1386

**Pastor Mike's Cell:**

974-8590

**Parish Website:**

[www.evpumc.org](http://www.evpumc.org)

**Parish email:**

[elimsportumc@windstream.net](mailto:elimsportumc@windstream.net)

**[www.evpumc.org](http://www.evpumc.org)**

**Worship Schedule:**

**Elimsport UMC**

Worship 9:00 am  
Sunday School 10:30 am

**St. John's UMC**

Sunday School 9:15 am  
Worship 10:30 am

**Parish Youth Group**

Check weekly Bulletin for  
current schedule and events  
(at Elimsport)

**Parish Bible Study**

Varies according to the season.

# VALLEY VIEWS



**Our Mission Statement at Elimsport UMC**

We gather together as a community of Christian believers to worship, fellowship, and to learn more about God. By the unity of the Spirit and the support of each other, we are able to reach out to the community and the world.

**Our Mission Statement St. John's UMC**

The purpose of St. John's is to both evangelize and nurture. We are called to show God's love in our world by giving aid and by spreading the Good News of Christ. We in turn provide an atmosphere for nurturing where Biblical truths are shared enabling people to become spiritually enriched. By providing this, people will learn and through learning, become more effective witnesses.

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