

Valley Views



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Pastor Mike Hill

'For behold, the winter is past,
The rain is over *and* gone.
'The flowers have *already* appeared in the land;
The time has arrived for pruning *the vines*,
And the voice of the turtledove has been heard in our land.
'The fig tree has ripened its figs,
And the vines in blossom have given forth *their* fragrance.
Arise, my darling, my beautiful one,
And come along!' "

Song 2:11-13 (NASB)



Mirjam Meijer

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Thank you for your gift to support the following ministries of the Central Board of Global Ministries:

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Roland Fernandes and Emily Miller
General Board of Global Ministries

An Invitation to Celebrate the Ministry of Our District Superintendent

"It was he who gave some to be apostles, some to be prophets, some to be evangelists, and some to be pastors and teachers, to prepare God's people for works of service, so that the body of Christ may be built up..." – Ephesians 4:11-12

Grace to you and Peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ!

The Apostle Paul's words to the Ephesians stand as a living reminder to the Church that God has gifted us with leaders to empower us for ministry in a fallen world. The burden of leadership is often a thankless one, and as many of us can attest: the more responsibility a leader has, the less likely he or she is to be properly thanked.

God has graced the clergy and laity of the Lewisburg District for the last eight years with the leadership of Tom Salsgiver. On Sunday, May 1, 2016

we will have the opportunity to properly express our thanksgiving for Tom's ministry among us, as we gather for worship at Wesley United Methodist Church in Bloomsburg, PA. Together we will encounter God's grace through song, Scripture, witness, and Holy Communion.

As part of our celebration, a mass choir comprised of clergy and laity from our district will offer one of Tom's favorite anthems. Likewise, Mr. Dan Stokes, a renowned musician and clinician (and long-time friend of Tom's) will be joining in the celebration from the organ.

Below you will find all the specific information for this event. We look forward to a meaningful and inspirational time of worship as we celebrate Tom's ministry as the Lewisburg Area District Superintendent.

In Christ's Service,
Rev. Randall G. Bennett, Jr.
Christ Community U.M.C., Selinsgrove

Event: Celebration of Ministry for Rev. Dr. Thomas Salsgiver

When: Sunday, May 1, 2016 at 3:00p.m.

Where: Wesley United Methodist Church located at the corner of Market and Third Streets in Bloomsburg, PA 17815

Attire: Business Casual

***** Reception to follow. Information regarding Tom and Joanne's gift is forthcoming in a separate announcement.**



Grab your scuba gear and snorkel because our VBS Deep Sea Discovery is just around the corner! This year, our young divers will be jumping into the sea for an adventure of a lifetime. They will dive into God's word to learn that God KNOWS me, God HEARS me, God STRENGTHENS me, God LOVES me, and God SENDS me. This deep sea adventure will be taking place July 11-15th from 9:00 am- 11:30 am. Please

send out deep sea signals to any young divers to let them know we need their help for our adventure! We are also sending out an S.O.S. for diving instructors to join our discovery crew. If interested in helping in any way, please contact Crew Leaders Shayna Rourke or Taryn Myers or speak with Pastor Mike. You can also fill out your crew member interest form in your bulletin, and return it to any of the above crew members.

There will be a brief VBS meeting on Sunday, April 3, 2016 at 4:00 pm at ElimSPORT church for anyone willing or interested in helping with our Deep Sea Discovery VBS. If you have any questions, please contact Crew Leaders Shayna Rourke and Taryn Myers, or Pastor Mike.

JOB DESCRIPTION:

YOUTH COORDINATOR OF ELIMSPORT VALLEY PARISH, MARCH 17, 2016



The Director of Youth/Children ministries of the ElimSPORT Valley Parish is an extension of the pastor in providing leadership within the parish.

Qualifications:

The Director of Youth ministries must possess exceptional communication and interpersonal skills, be able to work with the pastor and other staff or volunteers within the parish. This person should have the gifts and graces to minister to children and youth. They must maintain a high regard for the mission of the church and Christian discipleship.

Duties and Responsibilities:

- Coordinate the youth ministry (grades 6 – 12) of the Parish.
- Plan, organize and lead a youth program.
- Organize field trips and service projects with the youth.
- Be available to youth in a nurturing and supportive role.
- Plan, organize, and lead an annual Youth Sunday worship service.
- Publicize the programs.
- Appropriate Act clearances would need to be obtained.
- Salary per year: \$3,388.
- Active member of either church and present in weekly worship service and fellowship events

Sojourner Truth Ministries, Inc.

Do you know how STM serves your community on a daily basis? Workers from the Wake Up House dedicate countless hours everyday. Serving meals, cleaning up STM, and sorting through your gracious donations are just a few tasks. We have many workers from Experience Works, STEP Inc, Career Link and many other community service workers who aid in running STM. We have our Clothes Closet which receives the clothing donations, our pantry in which we receive food donation that helps us feed the people in our community. We have two wonderful Social Service Assistants who help service the needs of our patrons, which includes but not limited to: assisting in job applications, searching for housing opportunities, just to name a few.

Here at STM we help people everyday. Here are just a few positive events we have to share with you...

- Every Tuesday we distribute fruits and vegetables
- Every Wednesday we distribute bread and pastries
- Bible Study is held every Wednesday from 6 pm to 7:30 pm
- Prayer Study is held on every Thursday from 6 pm to 7:30 pm
- There will be an exercise class on Friday nights from 6:30 pm, led by Pastor Carolyn Perry
- Anyone who is in need of odd jobs to be done, we have patrons here who are reliable and willing to help. Please contact pastor Velinda or Derecia Kelly at (570) 323-1797.

We are in Need of...

We are in need of butter, sugar, tea bags, disinfectant spray, disposable gloves, seasoning (all kinds), cooking oil, utensils (all kinds), pot holders, aluminum pans, dish soap, plastic bags, zip-lock bags (quart-size) & trash bags (33 gallon). All donations will be used for the continuation of this ministry.





Susquehanna Conference

Mission U

3 Day School and Sampler Saturdays

Spiritual Growth Study: The Bible and Human Sexuality:
Claiming God's Good Gift Mission Study: Climate Justice:
Call to Hope and Action

3 Day School - July 7, 8, 9, 2016 (Thursday to Saturday) Bucknell University
701 Moore Avenue, Lewisburg, PA 17837

Sampler Saturdays - July 16, 2016 at Chambers Hill UMC 6300 Chambers Hill
Road, Harrisburg, PA. 17111

July 30, 2016 at Faith UMC 700 Fairview Drive, Montoursville, PA. 17754

Brochures with registration form are ready and posted online at www.susumc.org
under the Ministries/SUSUMCministries/UMWomen tabs.

Or, contact your UMW president for a brochure or one of our registrars.

3 Day School registrar, Sue Reisinger
620 Stonebridge Drive, Selinsgrove, PA. 17870
(570) 743-1809 or suereis@ptd.net

Sampler Saturdays registrar, Edna Brehm
108 Oriole Drive, Carlisle, PA. 17013
(717) 249-8299 or erebrehm@juno.com



Youth Fellowship Happenings

April 3rd No meeting

April 10th Youth go to the movies. Time to be announced.

April 17th Meet at the church

April 24th No meeting

Call or email Tweet with any questions

Don't let anyone look
down on you because
you are young, but set
an example for the believers
in speech, in life, in love,
in faith and in purity.
1 Timothy 4:12
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The Youth will be having Fundraisers at Wendy's in Muncy on the following dates:

June 21st

September 20th

December 13th

All times are 5:00 - 8:00 pm.

Come and help support our Youth!

Call or email Tweet with any questions.





Debbie Salvatori's sister, Pam is sponsoring a bus trip to Longwood Gardens on May 14th. She is raising money toward the fight for Breast Cancer. She will be walking in NYC in October in an event called AVON39. Each participant must raise \$1,800.00. Please consider helping her reach her goal by joining us! Call Debbie with any questions at (570) 772-2443.

- Blood Drives: All 2-7 pm
- Tues., April 12th, 2016 @ Elimsport UMC
 - Tues., June 9th, 2016 @ Fire Hall
 - Tues., August 9th, 2016 @ Fire Hall
 - Tues., October 11th, 2016 @ Elimsport UMC



Community Event:

There will be a Personal Safety and General Crime Prevention Event, presented by: Trooper Beiber from the Montoursville State Police Barracks on Thursday, April 28th, 2016 @ 6:30 pm. It will include a 45 minute presentation with handouts and a question and answer time. This is a free event. It will be held at St. John's United Methodist Church, 715 Pikes Peak Road, Allenwood, PA. All are welcome to attend.



The scheduling of the church sidewalk and parking lot project is progressing. The concrete work is scheduled for the 2nd or 3rd week of May and the paving work is scheduled for the 3rd or 4th week of May. Your continued prayerful consideration of this project and your continued contributing toward this project is requested.



We would like to thank everybody who contributed towards the Easter Egg Hunt. It was a huge success because of the generous sponsors and the people who volunteered to help!

Thanks again,
Jenn, Taryn and Joann



Christian Crusaders will meet at the Church Fellowship Hall, April 29th at 6pm for a Potluck Supper. Please bring your own table service and a covered dish to share.

Elimsport Volunteers

Greeters for April

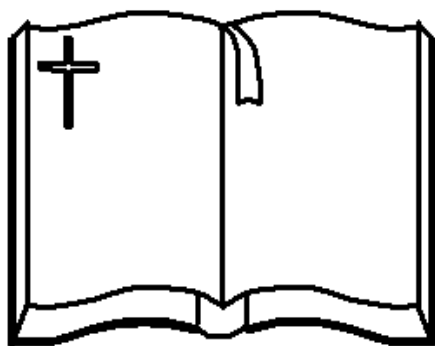
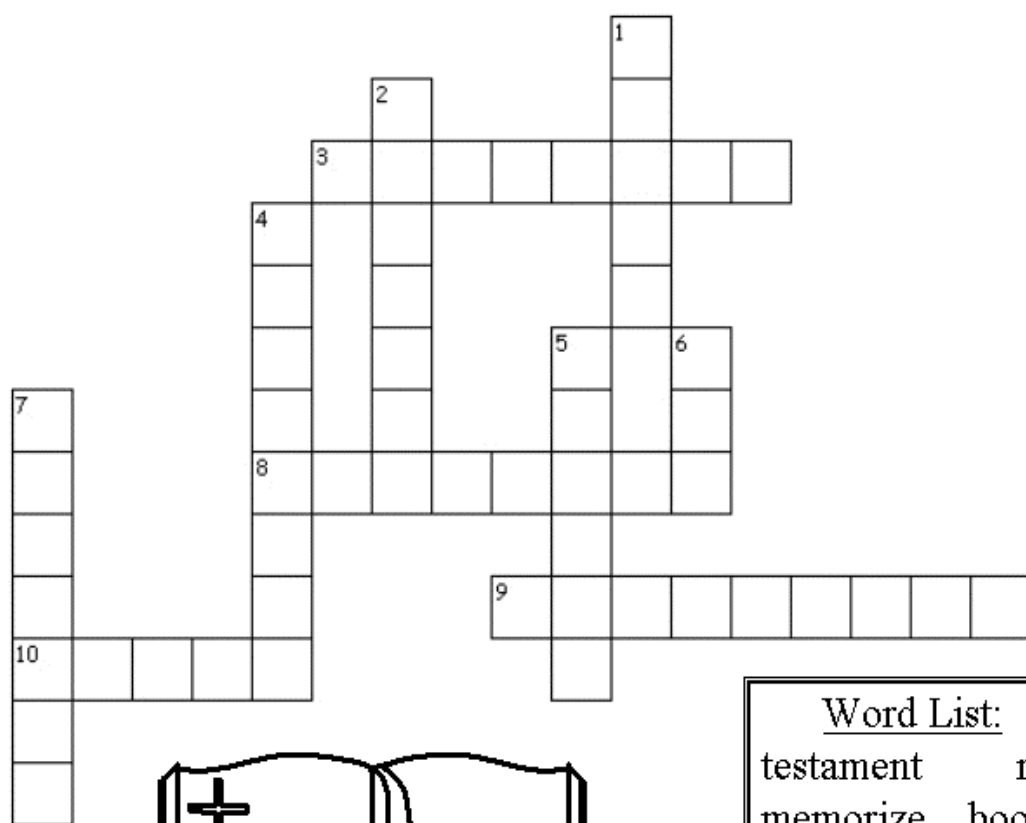
April 3rd	Christa McCormick
April 10th	Charlie & Pat Ulrich
April 17th	Mary Moore & Penny Becher
April 24th	Tom & Donna Taylor



- Items for May's newsletter are due April 20th.
 - Items for the weekly bulletin's need to be to the church office by Thursday morning each week.
- (Items received after these dates are not guaranteed to be printed.)*

Kid's Corner

Bible Crossword



Word List:

testament	red
memorize	books
inspired	guide
promises	letters
parable	verses

Across

3. The best way to keep the Word of God in you heart is to ____ it.
8. Every word in the Bible (no matter who wrote it) is ____ by God.
9. The Bible is separated into the old and new ____.
10. There are 66 of these in the Bible.

Down

1. The Bible is our biggest ____ in helping us know how to live.
2. Some of the books of the Bible are ____ written to help and encourage others.
4. The Bible is full of these just for you.
5. Each chapter has a number of these in it.
6. In some Bibles Jesus' words are printed in this color.
7. Jesus' favorite way to teach and tell stories was by telling these.

ELIMSPORT VALLEY UNITED METHODIST PARISH

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.

Parish Office:

16145S. RT 44 HWY
Allenwood, PA 17810

Parsonage Phone:

(570) 547-1386

Pastor Mike's Cell:

(570) 974-8590

Parish Website:

www.evpumc.org

Parish email:

elimsportumc@gmail.com

www.evpumc.org

welcome
April ♥

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 at 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.