

# Valley Views



## The Nation Whose God Is the Lord

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We have heard with our ears, O God, our fathers have told us, what deeds thou didst perform in their days, in the days of old:

**Thou with thy own hand didst drive out the nations, but then thou didst plant; thou didst afflict the peoples, but then thou didst set free;**

For not by their own sword did they win the land, nor did their own arm give them victory;

**But thy right hand, and thy arm, and the light of thy countenance; for thou didst delight in them.**

Give ear, O my people, to my teaching; incline your ears to the words of my mouth!

**I will open my mouth in a parable; I will utter dark sayings from of old,**

Things that we have heard and know, that our fathers have told us. We will not hide them from their children,

**But tell to the coming generation the glorious deed of the Lord, and his might, and the wonders which he has wrought.**

He established a testimony in Jacob, and appointed a law in Israel,

**Which he commanded our fathers to reach to their children;**

That the next generation might know them, the children yet unborn, and arise and tell them to their children,

**So that they should set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:**

Yet thou art holy, enthroned on the praises of Israel.

**In thee our fathers trusted; they trusted, and thou didst deliver them. To thee they cried, and were saved; in thee they trusted, and were not disappointed.**

When they were few in number, and of little ac-

count, and sojourners in it,

**Wandering from nation to nation, from one kingdom to another people,**

He allowed no one to oppress them; he rebuked kings on their account,

**Saying, Touch not my anointed ones, do my prophets no harm!**

Restore us, O God of hosts; let thy face shine, that we may be saved! Thou didst bring a vine out of Egypt; thou didst drive out the nations and plant it.

**Thou didst clear the ground for it; it took deep root and filled the land, The mountains were covered with its shade, the mighty cedars with its branches;**

It sent out its branches to the sea, and its shoots to the River, Turn again O God of hosts!

**Look down from heaven, and see; have regard for this vine, the stock which thy right hand planted.**

Then we will never turn back from thee; give us life, and we will call on thy name!

**Restore us, O Lord God of hosts! Let thy face shine, that we may be saved!**

The counsel of the Lord stands forever, the thoughts of his heart to all generations.

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Elimsport and St. John's Churches ,

Thank you very much for the card and Christian Light Bookstore gift card. Also, thank you for your constant support, love, and care you have shown to me over the past few years. I'm truly blessed to be part of two wonderful churches, and you will all be missed and in my thoughts and prayers as I go off to college in the fall.

Love,  
Ellen

To my church family,

I just wanted to thank you all for the gift card and card that I received for my graduation. Along with that, I wanted to thank everyone for the support and prayers that you have given me for much of my life. I truly appreciate everything my church family has done and continues to do.

Thank you,  
Nikolina Cleaver

Thank you to Elimsport and St. John's,

Thank you for all the cards and prayers. Also thank you to Pastor Mike for his visits they were a great help. Thanks to everyone who transported my wife to the hospital and to rehab.

Les Lutz

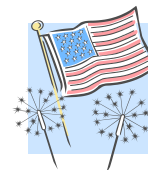
To all my friends and family at St. John's,

From the bottom of my heart, thank you for the beautiful quilt you made for me. It was very thoughtful. It is hanging in our room. Every time I look at it I remember the love and care of all of you and how you raised me in the faith of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. It is because of all of you that I came to hear and accept the call into ordained ministry. Thank you for raising me in grace and love. I couldn't have done it without you.

Love,  
Elizabeth Taylor

- Ben Simcox is serving our country in the Navy and is currently stationed in Bahrain. St. John's is putting an on-going box in the back of the church for items to show Ben that we are thinking of him. Bahrain weather is very hot, so no easily perishable items or chocolate. Continue to write Ben at

*Benjamin Simcox*  
*PSC 851 Box 70088*  
*FPO AE 09834*



- Michelle Waughen is currently serving in the Army at Fort Leonard Wood Mo. She would love to hear from you. Please write her at:

*PFC Michelle Waughen*  
*E. Co. 2-10 IN BN 4th PLT*  
*12897 Kansas Ave, Unit 52*  
*Fort Leonard Wood, MO 65473*



## Ordination of Elizabeth (Rhone) Taylor

As far back as records were kept and in the memory of older members, Elizabeth is the first person from St. John's to be recommended for the ministry.



(picture from:  
Susquehanna Conference a  
Pennsylvania Conference of  
The United Methodist Church  
Lewisburg District  
Electronic Newsletter)



Elizabeth and Pastor Mike



Presentation of St. John's gift to Elizabeth





A pillow for Gracie



Vickie Moon displaying the afghan she made



JoAnn Steinbrook crocheting fabric squares



JoAnn Kroft snipping fabric

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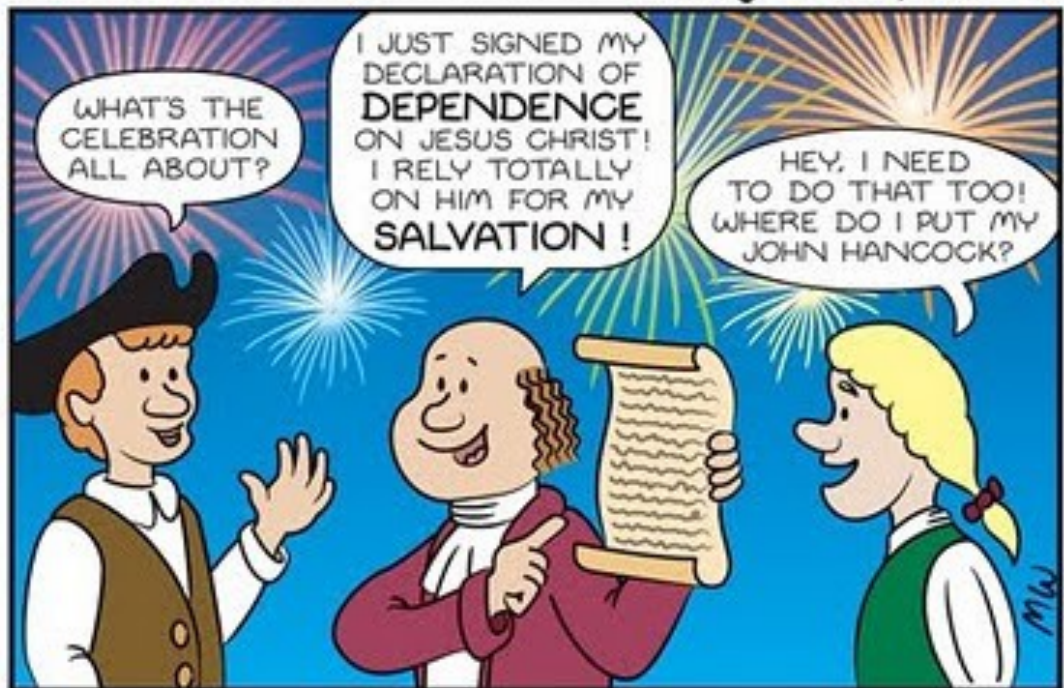




Samantha Geyer performs at St. John's  
Mother/Daughter Banquet



# DECLARATION OF DEPENDENCE A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters



In God is my salvation and my glory: the rock of my strength,  
and my refuge, is in God.  
— PSALM 62:7 KJV

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## June Parish Wide Service





## June Parish Wide Social Time





# Have Dinner at Wendy's and Earn Money for:

## Elimsport Valley UMYF

### Where: When:

Muncy Wendy's Monday

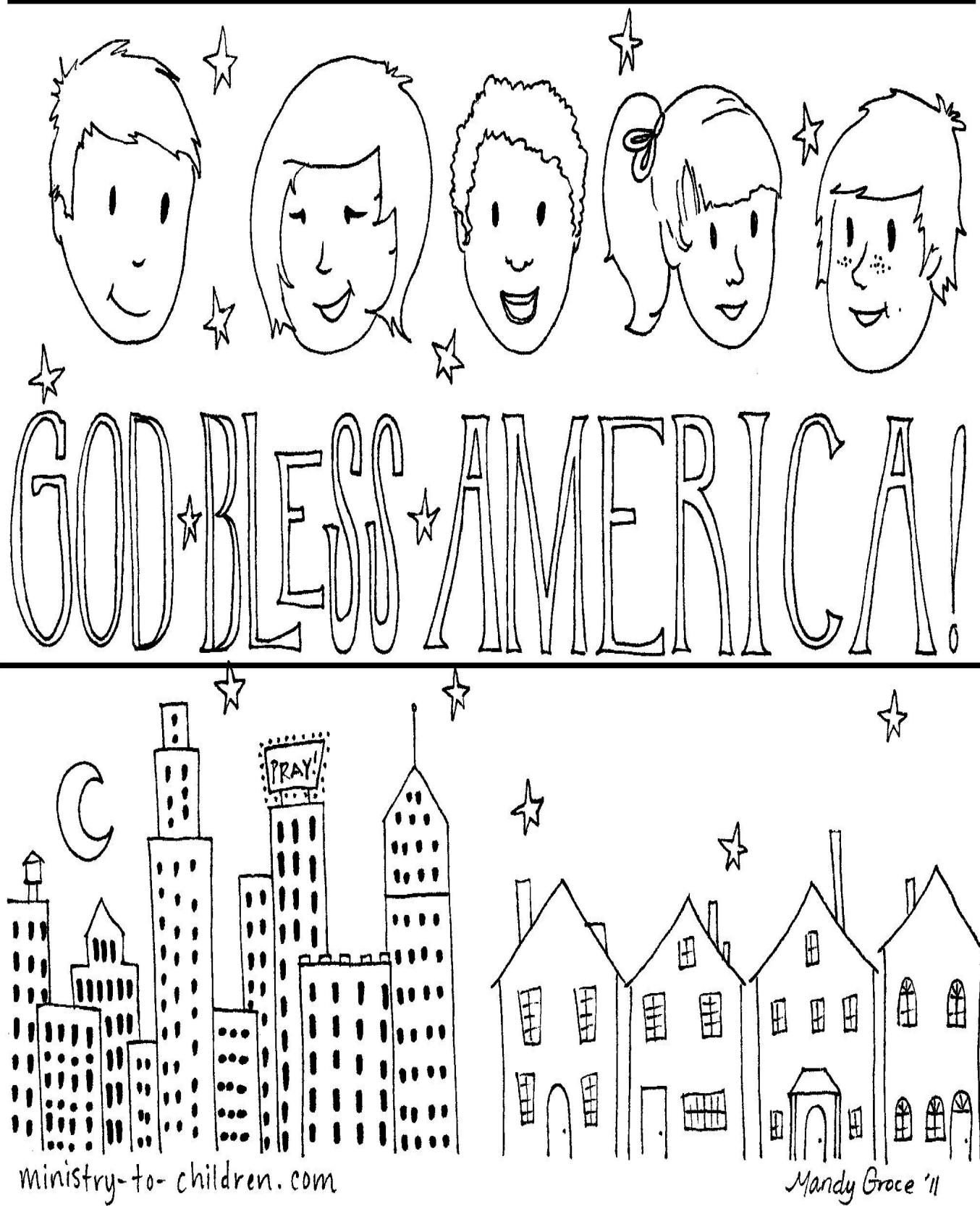
August 24, 2015

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Wendy's will donate 10% of all sales from time  
above!

*Great Food, Great Cause!*







## **Church League Softball Schedule for July**

**(all Games begin at 6:30 pm)**



- July 7 Elimsport vs. Oval (away)  
Rauchtonw Township Bldg.  
From Rt. 15 South to 44 North, field on right )
- July 14 Antes Fort vs. Elimsport (home)
- July 21 Faith vs. Elimsport (home)
- July 30 St Ann's vs. Elimsport (home).

## **WEEDS**

A Joyful 'toon by Mike Waters

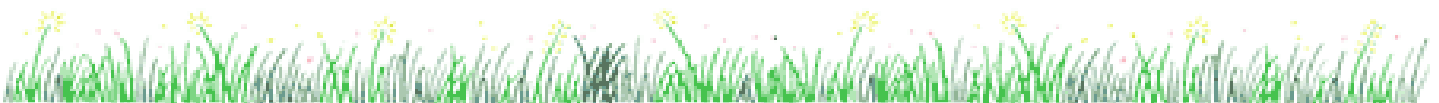


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but the worries of this life, the deceitfulness of wealth and the desires for other things come in and choke the word, making it unfruitful.

— MARK 4:19 NIV

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## Elimsport Volunteers

### Upcoming Dates To Remember:

Monday, July 13th - Friday, July 17th

Bible School @ Elimsport

Friday, July 17th

Bible School Closing @ Elimsport, 6:00pm

Tuesday, August 11th @ Elimsport Social Hall

Red Cross Blood Drive, 1:00-7:00pm

Sunday, September 6th

Joint Service/Labor Day Brunch, Outside 9:00am

Tuesday, October 13th @ Elimsport Social Hall

Red Cross Blood Drive, 1:00-7:00pm

Tuesday, December 8th @ Elimsport Social Hall

Red Cross Blood Drive, 1:00-7:00pm

Wednesday February 3rd @ Elimsport Social Hall

Red Cross Blood Drive, 1:00-7:00pm

### VBS

Hello! Grab your safety goggles and lab coats and mark your calendars for July 13, 2015-July 17, 2015 from 9-11:30 a.m.! It's time to start a new exploration with God at SonSpark Labs VBS. This year we will experience God's love for us in a scientific way as we try to figure out GP4U=J, or God's Plan for You is Jesus! We will be exploring the Bible as we learn about God's plan to make us, to be with us, for us to know him, to save us, and to love us forever. We are looking for scientists to help us prepare an exciting week full of experiments demonstrating God's unending love. We are also searching for young scientists ages 3 through those entering 7<sup>th</sup> grade willing to join in the fun! Please help us make God's love explode in our faith labs! If interested, please contact Shayna Heintzelman, Taryn Myers, or Pastor Mike.

### Greeters for July

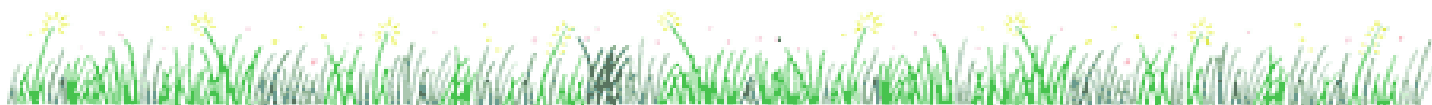
July	5	Alice Eddinger
July	12	Charlie & Pat Ulrich
July	19	Tom & Donna Taylor
July	26	Mary Moore & Penny Becher

- Items for August's newsletter are due July 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.)*

### Clearances

Anyone needing clearances to work with children in our Sunday schools, Vacation Bible School, or just helping with children and youth. You are required by law to get your clearances. Due to the amount of time it takes to receive them back, it is advised that you get them now. This is an urgent issue that we have been requesting all of our volunteers to do since the January. It is time to get



## **Church Secretary/Administrative Assistant**

### **Job Description**

#### **HOURS:**

Exploratory position

Hours 10 per week to start. Definitely needed Monday A.M., Thursday P.M. or Friday A.M.

Salary \$320 per month

#### **QUALIFICATIONS:**

Must have computer experience with Microsoft Office and Publisher or other design software

Strong organizational skills

Have excellent command of English composition and punctuation

**Needs Clearance**

#### **PURPOSE OF POSITION:**

Pastoral administrative assistants help the head pastor of a church become more organized, taking administrative tasks off the pastor's hands so the pastor can focus more time on visiting the sick, sermon preparation, prayer and other pastoral duties.

#### **JOB DUTIES TO INCLUDE, BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO:**

Ordering and maintenance of office supplies and equipment

Organization and maintenance of church calendar

Answering mail

Check email and respond

Coordinate scheduling for weddings and baptisms

Type, print, and fold weekly bulletins

Keep accurate membership records

Prepare annual reports

Routine filing

Notify Pastor of member hospitalizations, deaths, etc.

Should always exhibit professionalism and confidentiality

Should possess strong administrative skills and the ability to work independently without supervision

**Need resume ASAP**

**Position starts ASAP**

**Contact Pastor Mike Hill**



# **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.

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

### **Parish Office:**

16145S. RT 44 HWY  
Allenwood, PA 17810

### **Parsonage Phone:**

(570) 547-1386

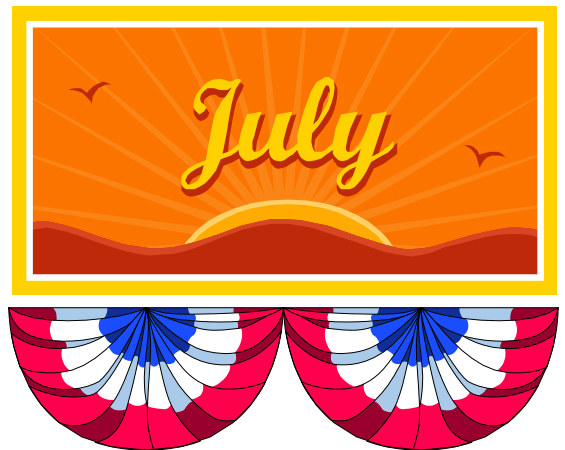
### **Pastor Mike's Cell:**

(570) 974-8590

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

### **Parish email:**

[elimsportumc@gmail.com](mailto:elimsportumc@gmail.com)



### **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.