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Meet the New Administrative Assistant



My name is Jackie Klopp. I was born and raised in Williamsport, PA. I am a graduate of Loyalsock Township High School. I've been married to my husband, David for 19 years. We have 2 children, Benjamin and Emma. My family attends Elimsport Valley United Methodist Church. Family and home are my full-time job and the most important things in my life. I am an active board member for the Montgomery Area Public Library. My hobbies include: baking, reading, puzzles and gardening. I've recently been teaching myself to crochet. My family and I reside in Montgomery with 5 adorable kitties and 1 monster-size dog named Bully.



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Dear Fellow Believers and Supporters of Sojourner Ministries:

Greetings and blessings to all. Hopefully, you have received and read the recent Sojourner Truth Newsletter and know that so much is happening within our mission. We continue to feed (both physically and spiritually) so many who come through our doors daily with:

- Light breakfasts and full sit down lunches, seven (7) days a week, in the Sojourner "Café", with a devotional message and social-interaction included
- Groceries from local stores and the Food bank
- A summer children's program in partnership with the Central PA Food Bank that provides food, snack, games and a safe environment while school is not in session
- A clothes closet
- Social Services counseling and referrals to local support agencies
- Health fairs and classes, dental and eye screenings, a planned job fair
- Etc, etc...

We do all this with a minimal staff of one (1) full time and three (3) part-time employees and a group of very dedicated volunteers.

Also in our newsletter, thanks to a grant from the First Community Foundation, we are completing some much needed renovations - our broken and heaving sidewalk, our Sojourner's Café bathrooms, floor and storage areas, all of which will greatly improve the safety, functionality and appearance of our facility.

Normally, as you are aware, we have a fund-raising drive in the fourth quarter. However, this year, we believe we need to start now. As with so many times when old buildings are involved, we found it necessary to exceed our original estimates and funding for our facility renovations/repairs. In addition, our year-to-date donations are substantially behind last year's pace. For the twelve month period, starting July 2015, our program is funded in part by Lycoming United Way, but by far the bulk of our expenses must be covered by donations. Since our opening, you have always generously and faithfully allowed God to use you as His instruments to fund our services to the needy here in Williamsport and we have confidence in the future. We thank all those who have already been contributing money, food, clothing and services throughout the year. We also recognize that many people make their donations toward the end of the year and we prayerfully ask that you consider Sojourner Truth Ministries, 501 High Street, Williamsport, PA. 17701.

As always, know that we pray God will continue to bless you and prosper you as you continue to work with us as His humble and faithful servants.

Yours in faith,

Michelle Stuempfle, President

Apple Dumplings will be made Wednesday, October 21st. Orders are due Sunday, October 18th.





Please write to Ellen Hill who is away at Messiah College. I'm sure she would appreciate your letters.

> Ellen Hill Messiah College One College Avenue Unit 5615 Mechanicsburg, PA. 17055

Please continue to write to Michelle Waughen who is in AIT in the Army at:

PFC, Waughen, Michelle Charlie Company, 84th Chemical Battalion Class #20-15, Unit #34 Fort Leonard Wood, MO 65473 *(Note: this is a new address)* Ben Simcox is serving our country in the Navy and is currently stationed in Bahrain. St. John's is putting an ongoing 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*



Dear Folks,

I want to thank every one for praying for me. It is wonderful to have friends and neighbors who care. I am recovering very nicely. It is so good to know we serve a living, caring, healing God who hears and answers prayer. To God I give the glory. Thank you again.

> Love in Christ, Jan Farley

Youth Fellowship Happenings

10/4 6:30 pm meeting at the church

10/10 9:30 am meet at the church to go to Montgomery for Community Service deck painting project

10/11 1 pm meet at the church for Crop Walk at Williamsport

10/18 6:30 pm meeting at the church

10/25 6:30 pm meeting at the church

Call or email Tweet with any questions.







Upcoming Dates To Remember:

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



October 18th is Pastor Appreciation Sunday. There will be a Turkey dinner at 11:50 a.m. at St. John's church. All are welcome to attend.





Elimsport Volunteers

Greeters for October

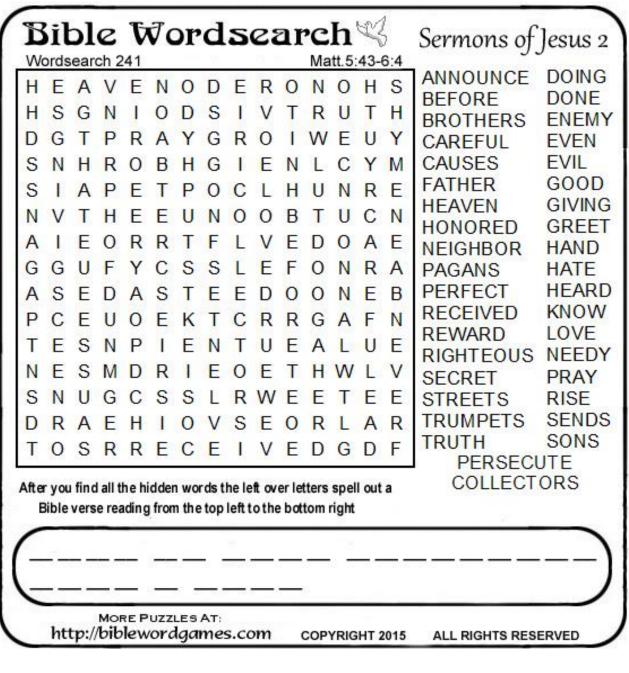
October 4	Polly Kahle
October 11	
October 18	Dave & Peg Kennedy
October 25	Frank Cleaver

- Items for November's newsletter are due October 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.)

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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





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.