THE HIGHLIGHTS

Western PA District Church of the Brethren

April 2021

Even if they might be newly inclined to put some

credence in our explanation of the apostles' testimony, they still may say "So What?" "Who cares?" "What does that have to do with me?" This is where our own

personal testimony about the new life we have received

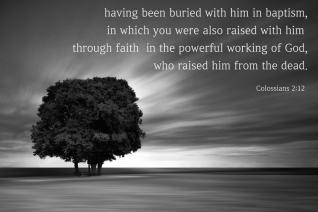
in Christ must come in. There must some proof of

FROM THE DISTRICT MINISTER

In our day philosophical naturalism colors many people's understanding of the world. This makes them disinclined to believe in miracles, and so we find ourselves at Easter trying to explain the historical reality of Christ's resurrection from the dead. I know that in the past, in an Easter sermon, I used an illustration about one of Abraham Lincoln's stovepipe hats, (now in a museum), to talk about the historical evidence for the lives of persons in the past. And I highlighted the concept

of how we trust the testimony of those who knew those persons for our understanding of the events of their lives, their work, actions, and beliefs. We trust evidence and we trust about testimony other historical figures, and thus we can do the same with Christ. There was the empty tomb, and there is the testimony of the apostles regarding their having seen,

Christ's resurrection in our own day, right in front of people's faces. That proof is us, living in the power of the Holy Spirit, the Spirit of the Living Christ. Unbelievers are helped to faith in the reality of Jesus' divinity and Lordship by seeing and sensing that He is living in us.
 It is right there in front of their faces!



the gospel, and when necessary use words!" He was emphasizing this need for our lives to evidence the Risen Christ living in us through our behavior and actions of love. But at the risk of disagreeing with a Saint, I would say that we need to preach the gospel with words and our lives.

talked with, and ate with Jesus numerous times after his resurrection.

And while it is necessary to lift up this kind of information to help people come to grips with the historical fact of the Lord's resurrection, there needs to be another dimension to our witness about his having been raised. That dimension has to do with the spiritual power in our own lives regarding our having died with Christ and our having been raised with Christ. That is to say, our witness about the Lord's being raised from death must involve our being able to tell how he has raised us from spiritual death unto new creation life. Without this accompanying personal testimony on our part, talking about the historical fact that Jesus has indeed been raised from the dead may fall short as we attempt to have unbelievers come to faith

We need to speak of the historical realities of the life of Christ, and we need to live out the reality of the new creation life He that gives us. Both of these are necessary to bear proper witness to the Lord's and resurrection divinity. This Easter Season I invite you to reflect upon your testimony about Christ. I would encourage you to bear testimony to the Risen Christ with words and with deeds, with historical facts and living faith. As the old evangelist l get a testimony?" said, "Can

> Blessings, Bill Wenger

FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE

The Highlights deadline for the **MAY 2021** issue is

April 10, 2021

Please send your information to <u>tlehman@brethren.org</u>.

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William Wenger, District Executive

Amy Bowman, Financial Clerk

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DISTRICT OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

Financial Clerk is in

Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 3:00 pm

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2021 DISTRICT DIRECTORY

The 2021 District Directory has been sent out via email. If you would like a paper copy of the 2021 District Directory, please contact Tina at <u>tlehman@brethren.org</u>

> or 814-479-2181

REQUEST FOR DIRECTORIES

It is very helpful to the District Office staff to have <u>updated</u> information from all the churches we serve. If your congregation has a new directory for **2021** please send one to the District Office, 115 Spring Road, Hollsopple, 15935 Thank you!

DIRECTORY UPDATES

Page 8—**REMOVE FROM TEAM:** Gifts Discernment Team, G-U-P AREA Stephen Parfitt

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Page 13—**TERM YEAR CHANGE:** Spiritual Formation Team, Diane Bittner, (1 year term, 2021)

Page 13—**EMAIL CHANGE:** DWM Nominating Committee, Gloria Dietrich, billglory@reagan.com

Page 14—**REMOVE FROM TEAM:** Stewards & Finance Team, Daniel Pyle

Page 22 —**EMAIL CHANGE**: Greensburg Church, Stephen Parfitt, pastostephengbgcob@gmail.com Page 26—**PHONE NUMBER CHANGE**: Purchase Line COB, 724-254-2521

Page 27— **ZIP CODE CHANGE:** Rummel COB, Associate Pastor Abby Shaffer, 15963

Page 31—**PHONE NUMBER CHANGE**: Michael Christine Remove Church Number

Page 34—**EMAIL CHANGE:** Stephen Parfitt, pastorstephengbgcob@gmail.com

Page 37—**PHONE NUMBER CHANGE**: Charles Whipple, Home Phone, 724-600-6332

Page 38—**EMAIL CHANGE:** Robert George, rjghemlock@gmail.com

<u>MEMO</u>

To: Western PA District Churches

From: Amy Bowman, District Financial Clerk

Date: April 2021

Re: Charitable Financial Donations sent to the District Office

Please note that when donations are sent in to the District Office for Camp Harmony, Honduras Orphanage, Juniata College, Bethany Seminary, Heifer Project, Project Global Village, Brotherhood, and/or other missions, I send the funds directly to these organizations.

Any church or individual can make a contribution directly to any of these organizations without submitting their donations through the District Office. The District is listed as a custodian for only three organizations; Camp Harmony, Honduras Orphanage, and Project Global Village.

When donations come in for these 3 organizations, the funds for Camp Harmony are sent to them directly and I make bank deposits for the Honduras Orphanage and Project Global Village into their respective accounts.

Any funds received that need to be forwarded to the denominational office in Elgin, are sent directly to Elgin on a monthly basis.

A sincere thank you to all of you for your continued support with the Western PA District and the other entities associated with the Church of the Brethren.

ACROSS THE DISTRICT

LEADERSHIP

Pastoral Changes

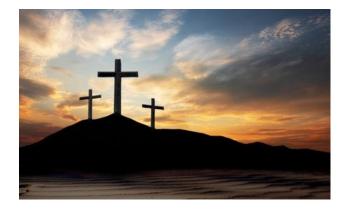
Eric Kabler—2 month Interim, Locust Grove

WITH SYMPATHY

To Pastor Sally Houghton and the family of **Pastor James "Ed" Houghton** who passed away on March 4th after a battle with cancer. Pastor Ed served the District in many ways over the years as pastor at the Fairview COB and at the Moxham COB as well Chair of the District Leadership Team and Interim Director of Camp Harmony. He was also a member of the Pleasant Hill COB.

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH CONCERNS

For everyone in the District who has been diagnosed with, is recovering from, or knows someone with COVID-19.



VIRTUAL SERVICES

Walnut Grove COB Sunday Services On Facebook at 10:00 am https://www.facebook.com/Walnutgrovecob

Geiger COB Sunday Services are on Facebook at 10:30 am https://www.facebook.com/ groups/1709517105945633

Scalp Level COB Sunday Services at 10:30 am Scalp Level Church of the Brethren - YouTube Scalp Level Church of the Brethren | Facebook

Windber COB Sunday Services at 10:30 am https://www.facebook.com/WindberCOB

**If your congregation is sharing services online, please contact the District Office and Tina will list the information in upcoming Highlights.



AVAILABLE SPEAKER

District Executive Bill Wenger is available to the District congregations to fill the pulpit on Sunday mornings, to meet with Church Boards for discussions about the mission of the congregation, and to provide teaching seminars on overviews of the Old Testament and/or the New Testament.

If your congregation is interested any of these things, please feel free to call Bill at the District Office, 814-479-2181.

ACROSS THE DISTRICT

EVENTS AT THE PENN RUN CHRISTIAN OUTREACH CENTER

(located directly across the street from the Penn Run Church of the Brethren)

Quilt Retreat—April 9 & 10, 2021

Scrapbook Retreat April 24, 2021 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm. Cost \$30, includes snack and lunch.

> Annual Indoor Yard Sale Set-up Friday June 4, 2021 Yard Sale Saturday, June 5, 2021

Call 724-463-0420 for event info and to order meals.

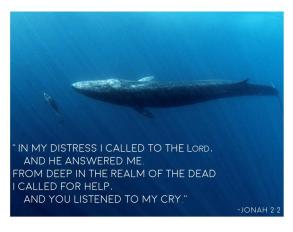
VOLUNTEER NEEDED

The District is looking for someone who can help with the former Church of the Brethren Home files. After the sale of the Brethren Home, the District inherited 2 storage lockers near the District Office full of records. There were 3 volunteers working with these records but it has been difficult as some of them live in the Pittsburgh area and some also have full time jobs. Volunteers would be needed to help with requests for the following:

Former employees that: a) are seeking new employment b) are applying for retirement benefits

A confidentiality statement will need signed. Please apply to: District Office 115 spring Road, Hollsopple, PA 15935-7412 814-479-2181 Skills: Preferable medical background. Sleuth. Patience.

DISTRICT CONFERENCE



Mark your calendars! District Conference will be held on October 16, 2021 at Camp Harmony



PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Mark your calendars!

Maple Spring COB will be having a pancake breakfast to benefit the District Disaster Ministries on **May 22, 2021** from 7:00 am to 9:00 am.

NEW BOOK



The Western PA District has a new author in it's midst!

Pastor Amelia Derr has written a children's book titled **Best Jump Ever.** She says her inspiration came from the day that a grasshopper jumped on her windshield on her way out of town. The grasshopper looked at her while he was clinging to windshield. She slowed down and the grasshopper jumped away. It was then that she thought of the idea for a children's story. She wanted to use this example as a way to communicate to children dealing with competitive pressures that we don't always have to be first or always win.

You can find this delightful book at **amazon.com** or **barnesandnoble.com**

ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION

This year the Greensburg COB will be celebrating 110 years! The congregation plans to celebrate this wonderful event on Sunday, May 16, 2021, but because of COVID concerns, they will not be able to have a larger celebration.

The congregation is asking anyone who may have pictures, articles, stories, or other items from the church to contact the church as they would like to display them during the celebration.

Please call the church office at 724-834-2130 or email gbgcob@gmail.com



CALL FOR GOOD NEWS

We can all use some good news now and again right? I'm going to start sharing a page like this in every issue of the Highlights. So please send me good news to share; milestone birthdays, milestone anniversaries, academic achievements, etc. I look forward to hearing and sharing more good news from the District! Thanks! Tma tlehman@brethren.org

SERVING IN THE DISTRICT AND BEYOND

EL HOGAR DE NIÑOS ENMANUEL SHOE PROJECT FUNDRAISER



April 12th is shoe packing day!

If your congregation has been able to collect shoes this winter, please organize a delivery to either the district office during office hours, or between 9:00 am and 11:00 am on April 12th at the ICA building in Jerome.

We have reached our delivery goal of 2,500 pairs of shoes, and now each additional pair adds weight to our order, which increases our profits. We were pleased to learn that students at Divine Mercy Academy East and West, and the Geiger COB will be collecting for our project.

There is still time to join in!

Remember, its easy to participate. Simply collect gently worn pairs of shoes, boots, slippers or sandals at your church and place a rubber band around each pair.

You can deliver your shoes to the ICA building at 1929 Penn Avenue in Jerome on the packing day, OR to the District Office during business hours before the April 12th.

Thanks for your support!

For further information, please contact:

Marie Camut, 814-266-3010, April Mackell, 814-536-1589 Karen Nagyvathy,814-244-5977

HOW TO HELP

Lots of people are wondering about ways they can help in their communities during the pandemic. One absolute need in our District and beyond, is food. There are many food banks and pantries in our region, such as:

Walnut Grove Food Pantry https://www.facebook.com/Walnutgrovecob/

Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank https://www.pittsburghfoodbank.org/

Please consider donating food to these or any other groups in our area as well as possibly your time as you feel comfortable. Anything you can do would be appreciated.



SUPPORT FOR HONDURAS (SAVE THE DATE)



HELP THE CHILDREN OF Hogar Enmanuel by HOSTING A TABLE* for the



Tri-annual Fund Raising Event at Camp Harmony This year's theme: **NOAH'S ARK**

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2021

*HOSTS CAN BE Family, group of friends, Sunday School Class, Church, or Organization and will decorate a table for the theme by choosing an animal of your choice and sell tickets to the event for your table.





CONTACT RONA HEMMINGER TO CHOOSE AN ANIMAL. Hemminger@verizon.net or 540-649-3111

(Already taken: tigers, flamingos giraffes, hummingbirds, doves, sheep)

CONTACT NAME: _____

Phone Email

Animal choice: _____

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REVIVAL

SALISBURY CHURCH OF THE BRETHREN

SUNDAY 10:30 AM & 6 PM MON-WED 6 PM APRIL 11-14, 2021

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT MELVIN.GLOTFELTY@ICLOUD.COM OR CALL (301) 501-2021 SEE, HEAR, AND EXPERIENCE A BLANK, GRAY CANVAS TRANSFORM INTO A BEAUTIFUL ILLUSTRATION OF SCRIPTURE!

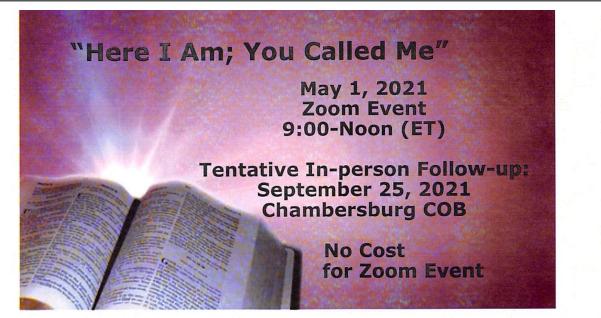
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CALLING THE CALLED



6 Again the Lord called, "Samuel!" And Samuel got up and went to Eli and said, "Here I am; you called me." - 1 Samuel 3:6

Questions or to register, please contact your district office.

Atlantic Northeast District: 717-367-4730 Mid-Atlantic District: 443-960-3052 Southern PA District: 724-875-0958 Middle PA District: 814-643-0601 Western PA District: 814-479-2181



DISCERNMENT DISCIPLESHIP DIRECTION

"God's call is complex. It comes to a diverse group of people and individuals for a wide range of purposes and results. It often comes in unexpected ways, with serious consequences. As we look at three examples of God's call (the prophet Isaiah, the Samaritan woman, and the Great Commission), we see a God who challenges, empowers, and guides us into the good work that we are called to do." ~ Steve Schweitzer



Calling the Called is an event organized by the Atlantic Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Southern PA, Middle PA and Western PA Districts. It is an intentional time away from the routine of life to discern what it means to be called by God to the set-apart ministry.

Whether you are someone actively exploring the possibility of ministry or someone unsure of God's calling this will be a helpful time of discernment and discovery.

Come and hear personal call stories, come and wrestle with biblical call stories, come and learn about the process of entering the set-apart ministry in the Church of the Brethren. Discover what it means to be a people called by God.

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center Invites you to . . .

A Zoom Continuing Education Event

Tuesday, April 27, 2021, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

"Church, Community, and Change: Navigating Shifting Circumstances"

Led by Denise Kettering-Lane

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Tuesday, April 27, 2021, from 9:00 AM to 3:00 PM EDT Add to Calendar

CONTACT

Karen Hodges Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center 7173611450 susqvalleyministrycenter@gmail.com Description: What is the church? What is Christian community? How do the two relate to one anothe global pandemic has changed the way that we participate in church and the way we understand our communities. Divisions in our denomination have raised questions about the way we interact with oth Brethren. We will explore together questions around the nature of the church and Christian communit Brethren tradition. Then we will discuss how recent events are shifting these meanings and what thos mean for our congregations and communities.

Denise Kettering-Lane is the Associate Professor of Brethren Studies and Director of the MA Program Bethany Theological Seminary.

A Zoom link will be emailed to all registered participants a day or so before the event.

Registration fee is \$50 for .5 CEUs, or \$40 for no CEUs. You may pay online using credit card, c check payable to "Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center" and mailed to: Susquehanna Valley M Center, One Alpha Drive, Elizabethtown, PA 17022.

Register Nowl



Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center is a Church of the Brethren ministry education partner with B Theological Seminary, Brethren Academy for Ministerial Leadership, and the districts of Atlantic North Atlantic, Middle PA, Southern PA, and Western PA.

http://www.etown.edu/svmc

DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

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VIRTUAL ANNUAL CONFERENCE JUNE 30—JULY 4, 2020



ANNUAL CONFERENCE REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

The 2021 Annual Conference will be entirely online this year. The committee hoped to have a hybrid (both in-person and online) Conference as announced last fall. However, due to the continuing challenges of COVID-19, the committee deemed that it is not wise to have an inperson component for Annual Conference this summer.

Delegate fees will remain at \$305 and includes access to all of the above in addition to the right to vote during the business sessions and participation in virtual "table talk" discussions of the proposed compelling vision for the Church of the Brethren. Delegates will need to have access to a computer or mobile device with Internet connectivity and sufficient computer skills to participate in an online event.

A one-time, reduced price for non-delegate adults to register for the online Annual Conference is being offered for only \$99. That fee will support the ministry and on-going expenses of Annual Conference and will give non-delegates access to:

--all six business sessions;

- --all Insight and Equipping Sessions;
- --all networking events;

--a virtual concert by Fernando Ortega. Ortega is a multi-Dove award winner and singer-songwriter whose hits include "This Good Day" and "Jesus, King of Angels" --resource sessions led by Tod Bolsinger, best-selling author of *Canoeing the Mountains: Christian Leadership in Uncharted Territory*. Bolsinger is the vice president and chief of leadership formation at Fuller Seminary in Pasadena, CA.

--daily Bible studies, along with Insight Sessions, led by Michael Gorman, author of more than 20 books on biblical theology. Gorman is the Raymond E. Brown Chair in Biblical Studies and Theology at St. Mary's Seminary and University in Baltimore, MD, and a frequent lecturer at church and clergy gatherings.

Note: All five worship services will be available free of charge to everyone.

The Church of the Brethren Ministers' Association presents a pre-Annual Conference Continuing Education Virtual Event titled:

The Church in 1 Corinthians: Challenges for Today

Author and New Testament Scholar, Dr. Michael Gorman will be leading the online seminar.

This event will take place on **Tuesday, June 29, 2021** 5:00 pm—8:00 pm (Central Time) and **Wednesday, June 30, 2021** 9:30 am—11:30 am 12:00 pm—3:00 pm (Central Time)

You can register online at www.brethren.org/sustaining

Registration is now open, please register by June 28, 2021.

The registration fee is \$50.00 and CEU credits will be included.

Annual Conference office releases two ballots to be presented to 2021 delegate body

Use the link below to view the ballots:

https://www.brethren.org/news/2021/annualconference-office-releases-two-ballots/? utm_source=rss&utm_medium=rss&utm_campaign =annual-conference-office-releases-two-ballots

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Global Mission Prayer Guide

BURUNDI

Trauma Healing and Reconciliation Services (THARS) asks for prayers for the family of Vital Sinzobatohana, who passed away on February 7. Pray also for the THARS organization as it seeks to replace Sinzobatohana, who was the vice president.

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

Praise for the successful Annual Conference that was held recently. Ariel Rosario was elected as president of the church in the DR. Pray for Iglesia de Los Hermanos and its leaders.



NIGERIA

Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria (EYN), the Church of the Brethren in Nigeria, requests prayers for security concerns within the country and specifically in the northeast. Kidnapping for ransom has become a huge problem with kidnappings occurring within 10 miles of the church headquarters. In addition, attacks by the Boko Haram insurgency group continue, with the latest attack in the Askira community. Food costs continue to skyrocket and many live in a constant state of fear. Their faith and hope in God are what sustains them.

Many Internally Displaced Persons (IDPs) live in camps within the city of Maiduguri. Boko Haram causes havoc in the surrounding countryside, making it too dangerous for the IDPs to leave the town for farming. The government does not help the Christian IDP camps where the people live in crowded conditions and without enough food. Pray for the Disaster Ministry of Ekklesiyar Yan'uwa a Nigeria (the Church of the Brethren in Nigeria) as it travels to and from Maiduguri to bring assistance to these needy displaced persons. Praise God for answered prayers with the safe return of a pastor abducted by Boko Haram in December, who was facing execution. (The ransom for his release was paid by several wealthy individuals in Nigeria.)

RWANDA

Praise for the construction funds raised and sent for church buildings in Rwanda. We pray that these funds will go a long way to getting the buildings up to code so that they may again meet in person.

UGANDA

Pray for the Uganda Church of the Brethren as one of their pastors, John Kule, passed away. He was considered the spiritual father of the Uganda Church of the Brethren.

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Global Mission Prayer Guide



SOUTH SUDAN

Pray for Athanasus Ungang and the work done through the Peace Center in Torit. An additional grant will further the ongoing work in agriculture, trauma healing, and church evangelism. Pray also for the area as it continues to experience violence and COVID restrictions have caused many hardships.

VIETNAM

The prevention of retinopathy of prematurity infant blindness project continues to serve poor families whose infants are born prematurely and are at risk of going blind if early intervention and post-op follow-up care is not practiced. We give thanks for financial support for the project and the commitment of two faithful social work servants, Doan Thanh and Nhi Tran, who provide large volumes of case management services to assure continuum of care.

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC OF CONGO

Praise and thankfulness for the Emergency Disaster Fund grant that allowed the construction of a canal to control flooding. Pray for the Eastern corner of DR Congo, where people are killed daily. Among those killed recently was the Italian ambassador, Luca Attanasio, who had been ambassador to the DRC since October 2019.

SPAIN

Pray for Iglesia de los Hermanos and its seven congregations, who are thanking the US Church of the Brethren for their support. Changes have been made in church services times etc. due to COVID. Many members are unemployed or underemployed at this time, and churches are struggling with finances. One church building is in dire need of repair from water damage. Churches continue to share the good news of the Gospel and several new people have given their lives to Christ.

BRAZIL

Marcos Inhauser, mission worker, was in an accident but is recovering. He reports COVID cases are at a high level, with many hospitalized. Pray for Brazil.

UNITED STATES

Pray for the newest Brethren Volunteer Service workers as they begin their service in various areas across the globe, in Chicago, El Salvador, Japan, and Uganda.

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ABRAHAM, FARREL – 4315 Seton Drive, Pittsburgh, 15227-1245 / 412-979-0067 / sharingpearls@comcast.net BEACHLEY, RONALD – PO Box 723, Davidsville, 15928-0723 / 814-479-4802 / rondbeachley@gmail.com BERKEBILE, WES – 4285 State Route 208, New Wilmington, 16142 / 724-901-7058 / wes2375@comcast.net CONRAD, RICK—302 Carpenters Park Road, Davidsville, 15928 / 717-576-4729 / rickconrad0709@gmail.com DERR, AMELIA – 1202 Roberts Street, Nanty Glo, 15943-1325 / 814-749-0262 / iamameliaderr@yahoo.com DERR, HORACE - 1202 Roberts Street, Nanty Glo, 15943-1325 / 814-749-0262 / pastorbutch@gmail.com GREEN, GARY – 4589 Somerset Pike, Hollsopple, 15935-8217 / 814-915-0227 / pamountainman42@aol.com HOUGHTON, SALLY - 124 Lindberg Avenue, Johnstown, 15905-3019 / 814-243-6448 / smh124@atlanticbb.net KABLER, ERIC—126 Clermont Street, Johnstown 15904-2132 / 814-266-2734 / eric.kabler@kablerthomas.com KENSINGER, JAMES - 329 Spackman Street, Seward, 15954-3117 / 814-446-1088 / kensingertj@verizon.net MANGES, JOHN – 137 Catskill Lane, Johnstown, 15904-7523 / 814-539-3332 / manges@atlanticbb.net MARSHALL, HOMER - 369 W. Church Avenue, Masontown, 15461 / 724-583-7073 / hom.run2007@verizon.net MARSHALL, PATRICIA - 369 W. Church Avenue, Masontown, 15461 / 724-583-7073 / hom.run2007@verizon.net MOSORJAK, GARY – 1337 Roxbury Avenue, Johnstown, 15905-1224 / 814-619-4238 / wendel05@aol.com MYERS, GUY – 1271 Killiwhat Street, Johnstown, PA 15902-1224 / 814-536-2404 / pgmyers@atlanticbb.net PERUSO, RUSSELL – 151 Blackner Road, Johnstown, 15905 / 814-242-0549 / russperuso@gmail.com RUMMEL, DALE - 6171 Greenville Pike, Grampian, 16838-9006 / 732-809-9013 / (seasonal) **RUPERT, JACK -** 409 State St., Johnstown, 15905 / 814-322-7786 / New Day: 814-535-8202 / jrupert@new-day.org SMITH, A. HARRISON—506 Sciandro Drive, Greensburg, 15601 / 724-837-4491 STEIN, ROBERT - PO Box 375, Chalk Hill, 15421-0375 / 724-438-2226 / crid@verizon.net SWICK, MICHAEL - 4127 Greenville Road, Meyersdale 15552-8518 / 814-634-8158 / preachmike101@comcast.net WALKER, JUDY—425 Morningside Avenue, Jeannette 15644 / 724-522-5260 / larryewalker1@gmail.com WALKER, LARRY - 425 Morningside Avenue, Jeannette 15644 / 724-522-5260 / larryewalker1@gmail.com WESTLAKE, ELVA JEAN -436 Pony Farm Road, Kittanning, 16201-4639 / 724 548-4901 / ejwestlake16@gmail.com YOUNG, FRANK – PO Box 251 Jerome, 15937 / 814-418-5930 / sfminc@hotmail.com

LICENSED

PISARSKI, STANLEY – 511 Thrasher Street, Johnstown, 15909 / 814-410-3685 / spisarski1017@gmail.com

LAY SPEAKER

HIMES, PATRICK—219 Wild Cat Road, Windber, 15963 / 814-418-2352 RAMER, DONNA—102 Franklin Drive, Greensburg, 15601-1305 / 724 836-0594

2021 SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE

Youth Camp Pre-K Camp Junior Camp #1 Day Camp #1 Jr. High Camp #1 Junior Camp #2 Day Camp #2 Day Camp #3 Youth Adv. Camp

 \leftarrow \rightarrow Grades 7-12, overnight Ages 3-5, 9 am - noon Grades 2-5, overnight Grades K-6, 9 - 4:30 Grades 5-8, overnight Grades 2-5, overnight Grades K-6, 9 - 4:30 Grades K-6, 9 - 4:30 Jr. High Camp #2 Grades 5-8, overnight Grades 7-12, overnight

June 4-8 June 7-11 June 13-18 **June 21-25** June 27 - July 2 **July 4-9** July 12-16 July 19-23 July 25-30 July 25-30

BRING A FRIEND Save 50% for you AND a friend!!!



SIBLING DISCOUNT Save \$10 for each add'l child in family

REGISTRATION OPENS FEBRUARY 1

CREATING AFFORDABLE EXPERIENCES TO KNOW CHRIST AND MAKE HIM KNOWN

WWW.CAMPHARMONY.ORG





If your congregation, committee, or group would like to have information listed on the District Calendar, please send it in to the District Office by the 10th of each month. Thanks!

| <u>APRIL 2021</u> | |
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| 1 | - MAUNDY THURSDAY |
| 2 | - GOOD FRIDAY |
| 4 | - ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN! |
| 10 | - SVMC Class, District Office |
| 24 | - SVMC Class, District Office |

<u>MAY 2021</u>

| 2 | - NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY |
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| 6 | - NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER |
| 6 | - Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, District Office |
| 8 | - SVMC Class, District Office |
| 9 | - HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! |
| 13 | - ASCENSION DAY |
| 15 | - District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, Uniontown COB |
| 22 | - SVMC Class, District Office |
| 22 | - Pancake Breakfast, 7:00 am, Maple Spring COB |
| 23 | HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHURCH! (Pentecost Sunday) |
| 31 | - MEMORIAL DAY |
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<u>JUNE 2021</u>

| 5 | - SVMC, District Office |
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| 6 | - Annual Conference Briefing, 3:00 pm, TBA |
| 19 | - SVMC, District Office |
| 20 | - HAPPY FATHER'S DAY! |
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30 - ANNUAL CONFERENCE begins, Virtual Conference

<u>JULY 2021</u>

| 4 | - ANNUAL CONFERENCE ends, Virtual Conference |
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| 4 | - INDEPENDENCE DAY |
| 22 | - Core Leadership Team 6:00 pm, (District Conference Business) |
| 31 | - District Leadership Team, 9 am, TBA (District Conference Business) |

2021 DISTRICT EVENTS AND MEETINGS

AUGUST 2021

| 14 | - SVMC, District Office |
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28 - SVMC, District Office

SEPTEMBER 2021

| 6 | - LABOR DAY |
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| 9 | - Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, District Office |
| 11 | - SVMC, District Office |
| 18 | - District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA |
| 21 | - DAY OF PRAYER FOR PEACE |
| TBA | - Harmony Fest, Camp Harmony |
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OCTOBER 2021

| 3 | - WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY |
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| 9 | - SVMC, District Office |
| 16 | - District Conference, 9:00 am, Camp Harmony |
| 23 | - SVMC, District Office |

NOVEMBER 2021

| 5 | Core Leadership Team, 6:00 p.m., District Office |
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| 6 | - FIFTEENTH ANNUAL DISTRICT AUCTION, 9:00 am, Camp Harmony |
| 7 | - DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS (Turn clocks BACK one hour) |
| 13 | - District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA |
| 20 | - SVMC, District Office |
| 25 | - HAPPY THANKSGIVING!! |
| 28 | - FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT |
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DECEMBER 2021

- 5 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 12 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 19 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 24 Christmas Eve
- 25 MERRY CHIRSTMAS!!
- 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE

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| 2021 | THU | | 8 | of our District, that they may be encouraged in heart. | 15 16 | r District churches to be strong in evangelism. | 22 23 Earth Day | Pray for a fresh anointing of the Holy Spirit upon congregational leaders. | 29 30 | l Christians to be delivered from the Evil One. |
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| APRIL | TUE | | 9 | | 13 | r our District | 20 | n anointing of | 27 | or all Christiar |
| | MOM | | 5 | Pray for the pastors | 12 | Pray for ou | 19 | ay for a fresh | 26 | Pray for al |
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PRAYER CALENDAR

Western PA District Church of the Brethren 115 Spring Road Hollsopple, PA 15935

THE HIGHLIGHTS April 2021