## THE HIGHLIGHTS

#### Western PA District Church of the Brethren

#### February 2022

#### **DISTRICT MODERATOR CHALLENGE**

Rob Rummel, 2022 District Moderator

#### Nehemiah 1:5-11

<sup>5</sup> Then I said: "LORD, the God of heaven, the great and awesome God, who keeps his covenant of love with those who love him and keep his commandments, <sup>6</sup> let your ear be attentive and your eyes open to hear the prayer your servant is praying before you day and night for your servants, the people of Israel. I confess the sins we Israelites, including myself and my father's family, have committed against you. <sup>7</sup> We have acted very wickedly toward you. We have not obeyed the commands, decrees and laws you gave your servant Moses. 8 "Remember the instruction you gave your servant Moses, saying, 'If you are unfaithful, I will scatter you among the nations, <sup>9</sup> but if you return to me and obey my commands, then even if your exiled people are at the farthest horizon, I will gather them from there and bring them to the place I have chosen as a dwelling for my Name.' 10 "They are your servants and

people, whom you redeemed by your great strength and your mighty hand. <sup>11</sup> Lord, let your ear be attentive to the prayer of this your servant and to the prayer of your servants who delight in revering your name. Give your servant success today by granting him favor in the presence of this man. I was cupbearer to the king.

Statistics say about 250 Pastors a month leave the pastorate before retirement. To my knowledge, there is not yet hard data on the number of pastors who have resigned, been fired, or relocated from 2019-2021. I think it is safe to say that far more pastors are quitting now than in 2019.

About a year ago Thom Rainer, who makes his living looking into these things, noted this: "The vast majority of pastors with whom our team communicates are saying they are considering quitting their churches. It's a trend I have not seen in my lifetime. Some are just weeks away from making an announcement. They are looking for work in the secular world. Some will move to bi-vocational ministry. Some will move to marketplace ministry."

A May 2021 study from Lifeway Research suggests more Protestant churches closed in 2019 than opened continuing a decades-long congregational slide that is only expected to accelerate. The study, which analyzed church data from 34 Protestant denominations and groups, found that 4,500 churches closed in 2019, while about 3,000 new congregations were started. The 34 Protestant denominations in this study account for about 60% of U.S.-based Protestant denominations.

Ask Americans if they believe in God and most will say yes. But a growing number have lost faith in organized religion. Forty-seven percent of Americans now say they belong to a house of worship, down from 70% in the mid-1990s and 50% in 2019. The decline is part of a continued drop in membership over the past 20 years, according to New Gallup poll data.

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#### DISTRICT MODERATOR CHALLENGE CONTINUED...

A New report in France estimates that 330,000 children were sexually abused in the Catholic church over the past 70 years by some 3000 priests and an unknown number of other people Involved in the church.

The Evangelical Lutheran Church in America installed its first transgender bishop on September 11 2021 in Walnut Creek California. The Southern Baptists are divided over race — politics — sexual abuse and LGBTQ policy. The United Methodists — over same sex marriage and ordaining LGBTQ pastors.

I can't tell you how many conversations I have been in over the last several months with people who tell me they have no interest in ever serving in a church leadership capacity again. Mostly Because of the all the sniping — drama — frustration - pettiness and tension they have seen and experienced in the church.

In our own Denomination we have — and are experiencing many of the similar situations just mentioned.

So the question is - How did we get here? Who's fault is it? Where should we point the finger of blame for all this?

And the answer is YOU.... And ME....It is US.

Truly we have the same problem the Corinthian church had. Paul addressed it in 2 Corinthians 11:2-4 when He said

#### 2 Corinthians 11:2-4 (NIV)

<sup>4</sup> For if someone comes to you and preaches a Jesus other than the Jesus we preached, or if you receive a different spirit from the one you received, or a different gospel from the one you accepted, you put up with it easily enough.

So what do we do about the mess we are in? Well here is the Moderators Challenge for the New Year 2022. We need to Reboot – Rewire – Repent and Rebuild

Let's start with the word "Reboot" It means to start anew – make a fresh start. My wife Denise works in a state office and part of her duties in the past was keeping the computers operating efficiently, sometimes – they get slow – freeze up – stall – They still operate but not efficiently. When she called into Harrisburg for tech support

The first thing they would tell her is... unplug it for a minute and reboot it so the operating system can have a fresh start.

The church needs to take a minute and do the same thing. Its time to pause for a moment and take some serious inventory.... Are we following God or following the ways of the world? Are we influencing the world for the glory of God or is the world influencing us? Remember as Christians we are to be "In the world – not of the world" We are to be salt and light.

Over and over in the Old Testament when the Israelites lost their way they paid the price for it.....they suffered under God's wrath, all you have to do is read the last chapter of 2 Chronicles to discover this, and yet when they came back to their senses and glorified God first, over and over God gave them a fresh start.

It is time for a church reboot.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> I am jealous for you with a godly jealousy. I promised you to one husband, to Christ, so that I might present you as a pure virgin to him.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> But I am afraid that just as Eve was deceived by the serpent's cunning, your minds may somehow be led astray from your sincere and pure devotion to Christ.

#### FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE

The Highlights deadline for the **March 2022** issue is

#### February 10, 2022

Please send your information to tlehman@brethren.org.

#### **DISTRICT STAFF:**

Amy Bowman, Financial Clerk
Tina Lehman, District Secretary
and Highlights Editor

#### **DISTRICT OFFICE HOURS:**

Monday - Friday 8:30 am - 3:00 pm

#### Financial Clerk is in

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

#### **CONTACT US:**

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Hollsopple, PA 15935
814-479-2181
866-279-2181 toll free
814 479-2506 fax
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#### **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 will be making a new directory for **2022** please send one to the District Office, 115 Spring Road, Hollsopple, 15935

Thank you!

#### **PRAYER REQUEST**

Please keep the District
Office Staff and the District
Core Leadership Team in your
prayers as the search
continues for an Interim
District Minister.

Please also be in prayer for the District Search Committee in their search for a permanent District Minister.



#### ACROSS THE DISTRICT

#### **LEADERSHIP**

#### Ordained

Stanley Pisarski—Hooversville

#### WITH SYMPATHY

To the family of **District Treasurer Carol Walker** who passed away in December.

To **Pastor Wilbur Hosler** who's wife Violet passed away on January 5th.

#### **DISTRICT LEADERSHIP TEAM**

The next **District Leadership Team**meeting will be held on **February 19, 2022** at the Rummel COB

#### IRS MILEAGE RATE INCREASE

The IRS mileage rate will be 58.5¢ per mile for 2022. Please make a note of this for anyone in your congregations that may receive mileage reimbursement.

#### **VIRTUAL SERVICES**

Walnut Grove COB Sunday Services on Facebook at 10:00 am <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Walnutgrovecob">https://www.facebook.com/Walnutgrovecob</a>

**Geiger COB** Sunday Services are on Facebook at 10:30 am <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">https://www.facebook.com/</a> groups/1709517105945633

**Salisbury COB** Sunday Services on Facebook at 10:30 am

https://www.facebook.com/Salisbury-Church-of -the-Brethren-211422968870314

Tire Hill Sunday Services on Facebook at 10:30 am <a href="https://www.facebook.com/">https://www.facebook.com/</a>
<a href="pages/Tire%20Hill%">pages/Tire%20Hill%</a>
20Brethren/1002178363177827/</a>

\*\*If your congregation is sharing services online, please contact Tina to add to the Highlights.



#### ACROSS THE DISTRICT

#### **HELP WANTED**

The Roxbury COB is planning on hiring a custodian for their church. It could be a single individual or a couple to do both the indoor and outdoor tasks.

The rate of pay is \$9.00 per hour. Indoor duties would be general cleaning and minor maintenance of the building. Outdoor duties would consist of grass cutting, trimming, shoveling snow, salting, etc.

If you are interested or know of someone who might be, please contact Claire Montoya at (814) 536-0515 for further information.

#### CHILDREN'S MINISTRY OPPORTUNITY

The **Greensburg COB** has a job opening for a part-time Director of Children and Youth Ministries. This position could grow into full-time in the future. This is a newly created position and they are seeking a capable, energetic, passionate, servant-hearted, individual to take the lead in developing, implementing, and evaluating ministries, programs, and activities that encourage all children to grow in faith as Christian disciples. Specific responsibilities include organization, recruitment, implementation, and evaluation of a Sunday morning program, vacation Bible school, and children's programming and outreach. If you would like to be considered for this position, or need more information, please contact Pastor Stephen Parfitt at

> pastorstephengbgcob@gmail.com or 724-834-2130.

#### **AWANA CLUB**

Maple Spring COB's Awana Club meets every Sunday evening from 6:00 - 7:30 pm, beginning November 7, 2021, and continuing through May 29, 2022. We have planned a fun-packed, spiritually-enriching year for the children.

Registration is open all year long!

Our Awana Club has the following age-specific groups:

Awana Cubbies – Pre-K children, ages 3-4
Awana Sparks – children in Kindergarten through
2nd Grade
Awana Truth and Training (TNT) – children in 3rd
through 5th Grade.

If you would like to register your child for the Maple Spring COB's Awana Club, please call our Awana Coordinator, Karen Nagyvathy, at 814-244-6977.

#### **FOOD PANTRIES**

During this cold winter season, remember those who might not have a warm meal. There are many ways you can help, here are a couple:

Walnut Grove Food Pantry <a href="https://www.facebook.com/Walnutgrovecob/">https://www.facebook.com/Walnutgrovecob/</a>

Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank <a href="https://www.pittsburghfoodbank.org/">https://www.pittsburghfoodbank.org/</a>

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.

#### SERVING IN THE DISTRICT

### EL HOGAR DE NIÑOS ENMANUEL SHOE PROJECT FUNDRAISER



Fall collection day for the Shoe Project was held on November 9th at the ICA building in Jerome. Along with beautiful weather, the committee was blessed with the presence of extra volunteers, and several churches that took the time to deliver their donations directly to the site.

After a few hours of hard work, we're glad to report that 1,525 pairs of shoes are currently packed for shipment! Our goal of 2,500 pairs is in sight, and we will continue to collect and pack shoes through the winter months. Shoes may be dropped off at the district office during office hours, or by contacting committee members by phone.

The next district wide packing day is Tuesday, March 15, 2022, 9:00 AM at the ICA building. We hope reach our goal and schedule our shoe shipment day with funds2orgs that day. Your help is needed. Please keep saving shoes to support the work of the El Hogar de Ninos Enmanuel orphanage!

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We're looking forward to the next shipment, and hope you are too!!

Contact Marie Camut – 814-266-3010; April Mackell - 814-526-1589, or Karen Nagavathy – 814-244-6977; for details.

#### **FUNRAISING DINNER**



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, APRIL 9, 2022

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 THEME for the fundraising dinner at Hemminger@verizon.net or 540-649-3111
(Already taken: tigers, flamingos giraffes, hummingbirds doves, sheep)
Contact Name:
Phone
Email
Animal choice:



Since it is becoming increasingly more difficult to secure a crew of eleven volunteers via telephone, with the help of the District, I will be using email to communicate with church's and individuals to line up the necessary people to make the program work. This system, I hope, will streamline the process and eliminate missed calls and phone messages that sometime go unanswered. Missed calls and unanswered messages requires another time consuming telephone call, sometimes with the same results! After the receipt of an email, and after checking the printed schedule would you *PLEASE* consider giving a day or a week out of your busy schedules toward this very rewarding, worthwhile ministry. PLEASE contact your church coordinator to volunteer. If your church does not have one PLEASE contact Herb Ewald at <a href="mailto:hjewald@atlanticbb.net">hjewald@atlanticbb.net</a> or (814) 539-8530.

#### PLEASE SAVE ME A PHONE CALL!!

New Windsor Day Trips	Week Trips		
No	Mar 20~26~22	Coastal NC. full	
Trips	May 15~21~22	TBA 6 vols.	
Scheduled	July 10~16~22	TBA full	
Yet	Sept 25-Oct.1,22	TBA full	
	Oct 30-Nov~5~22	TBA full	
	Dec. 11~17~22	TBA full	

15 Volunteers constitute a full group 7 volunteers constitute ½ group

#### CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES



SVMC is a Church of the Brethren ministry education partner with the districts of Atlantic Northeast, Mid-Atlantic, Middle Pennsylvania, Southern Pennsylvania and Western Pennsylvania Districts, as well as Bethany Theological Seminary and Brethren Academy for Ministerial Leadership.

Our mission is to equip leaders for ministry in a regionally based, Christ centered, culturally relevant context in ways that bear witness to the beliefs, heritage, and practices of the Church of the Brethren.

#### CONTACT

PHONE: 717-361-1450

WEBSITE: www.etown.edu/svmc

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svmc@etown.edu

#### Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center Upcoming Continuing Education Events

Dear Friends of Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center: Below are our current continuing education events that are open to all. To register, please follow the links provided or contact SVMC at <a href="mailto:symc@etown.edu">symc@etown.edu</a>.

#### Kingdom Building in Worship

Saturday, April 2, 2022
Stone Church of the Brethren
Leaders: Cindy Laprade Lattimer, Marty Keeney and Loren Rhodes

Sundays are relentless. Worship happens every...single...week. It is a spiritual, cognitive, emotional, and sensory experience. But without careful planning, worship can easily become stale, unimaginative, and bland. This seminar is designed for anyone who has a role in planning worship: pastors, music leaders, lay ministers. We will use both presentations and workshop components to support attendees in developing a process for planning worship that is meaningful, Christ-centered, cohesive, thoughtful, and sensitive.

Registration Link

#### Tangled Roots: Why Anabaptism and Pietism are not opposites and how they influenced the Brethren

Thursday, April 28, 2022 Elizabethtown College (Susquehanna Room) Leader: Jeff Bach

Jeff Bach explores the Anabaptist movement and the Pietist movement, demonstrating that they are not opposites, but have overlapping points of emphasis. He will show how the combined, mingled influences gave shape to the emerging Brethren movement.

Registration Link

#### **Preaching and Spiritual Care**

Monday, October 10, 2022 Juniata College (Sill Boardroom-von Liebig Center for Science) Leader: Dawn Ottoni-Wilhelm

Through moments of spiritual reflection and opportunities for prayer and study, participants will consider how you may incorporate spiritual care into your sermon preparation and preaching. In addition to brief lectures and small group discussions, we will look and listen to God's presence with one another and there will be opportunities to draw from spiritual exercises in developing an upcoming sermon.

Registration Link

More events are in the planning stages . . .

#### DENOMINATIONAL NEWS

go to <a href="www.brethren.org">www.brethren.org</a> for the most complete and up to date news from the Church of the Brethren

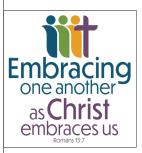


## Church of the Brethren Yearbook for 2021 includes 2020 statistical information for the denomination

Church of the Brethren membership in the United States and Puerto Rico is just over 91,000, according to the most recent statistical report in the 2021 *Church of the Brethren Yearbook* from Brethren Press. The 2021 *Yearbook*--published last fall--includes the 2020 statistical report and the 2021 directory for the denomination.

The *Yearbook* reported 91,608 members in 24 districts and 915 local worshiping communities (congregations, fellowships, and new church projects) across the Church of the Brethren denomination in 2020.

The Church of the Brethren Yearbook is published annually as a searchable document in pdf format. It may be purchased for \$24.95 at <a href="https://www.brethrenpress.com/SearchResults.asp?">www.brethrenpress.com/SearchResults.asp?</a> <a href="https://catego.ncm/SearchResults.asp?">Catego.ncm/SearchResults.asp?</a>



#### Annual Conference 2022 July 10-14 (Sunday-Thursday)

Registration Info and More coming soon!

https://www.brethren.org/ac/



#### FaithX registration for summer 2022 events opens next week

Registration for FaithX (formerly workcamps) events in the summer of 2022 opens online next Thursday, Jan. 13, at 8 p.m. (Eastern time) at <a href="https://www.brethren.org/faithx">www.brethren.org/faithx</a>.

"Boundless Faith" is the theme for the 2022 FaithX events. "For we walk by faith, not by sight" (2 Corinthians 5:7) is the theme scripture.

Read more at <u>www.brethren.org/news/2022/</u> faithx-registration-for-summer-2022

## Church of the Brethren National Youth Conference 2022

July 23-28 2022, in Fort Collins, Colorado

Who is eligible to attend? Youth who have completed 9th grade through one year of college at the time of NYC (or are age equivalent) and their adult advisors are invited to attend. All youth must be accompanied by an adult advisor. Please send at least one advisor for every five youth. If sending female youth, please send a female advisor and if sending male youth, please send a male advisor. All adult advisors must be a minimum of 22 years of age.

What is the cost? The \$550 registration fee, for youth and advisors, includes lodging, food, and event programming.

When can I register? Registration for NYC 2022 will open on this website on **December 1, 2021**.

https://www.brethren.org/nyc/

#### AVAILABLE SPEAKERS

#### **ORDAINED**

ABRAHAM, FARREL – 4315 Seton Drive, Pittsburgh, 15227-1245 / 412-979-0067 / sharingpearls@comcast.net BEACHLEY, LINDA—PO Box 723, Davidsville, 15928-0723 / 814-479-4802 / Irbeac@atlanticbb.net BEACHLEY, RONALD - PO Box 723, Davidsville, 15928-0723 / 814-479-4802 / rondbeachley@gmail.com BROADWATER, KEVIN—475 Keystone Street, Meyersdale, 15552-6943 / 814-442-5684 / pastorbroadwater@verizon.net 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 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 LONGWELL, ERIC— 240 Plumcreek Road, Shelocta, 15774-3144 / 724-599-8690 / kb3ttx@gmail.com 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 PISARSKI, STANLEY – 511 Thrasher Street, Johnstown, 15909 / 814-410-3685 / spisarski1017@gmail.com 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 YOUNG, FRANK - PO Box 251 Jerome, 15937 / 814-418-5930 / sfminc@hotmail.com

#### **LICENSED**

**COUGHENOUR, KAITLYN**— 785 Red Dog Road, Salisbury, 15558 / 814-662-2525 / shellywithattitude@gmail.com **GEORGE, ROBERT**—850 Pine Street, Indiana, 15701 / 724-762-0773 / righemlock@gmail.com

#### **LAY SPEAKER**

**RAMER, DONNA**—102 Franklin Drive, Greensburg, 15601-1305 / 724 836-0594

#### 2022 SUMMER CAMP SCHEDULE DAVCAMPS Pre-K Camp #1 Ages 3-5, 9 am - noon June 13-17 Day Camp #1 Grades K-8, 9 - 4:30 June 20-24 Day Camp #2 Grades K-8, 9 - 4:30 June 27-July 1 Day Camp #3 Grades K-8, 9 - 4:30 **July 11-15** Day Camp #4 Grades K-8, 9 - 4:30 July 25-29 Pre-K Camp #2 Ages 3-5, 9 am - noon Aug. 8-12 **OVERNIGHT CAMPS** Jr. High #1 **July 3-8 Grades 5-8, overnight July 3-8** Youth Camp Grades 7-12, overnight **Grades 2-5, overnight** Junior #1 July 17-22 Grades 7-12, overnight July 24-29 **Mission Camp** Grades 2-5, overnight July 31-Aug. 5 Junior #2 Jr. High #2 **Grades 5-8, overnight** July 31-Aug. 5 Youth Adventure Grades 7-12, overnight July 31-Aug. 5 SIBLING DISCOUNTS **BRING A NEW FRIEND** & SAVE 50% FOR YOU & SCHOLARSHIPS **AND YOUR FRIEND!!!** AVAILABLE!



#### **CAMP HARMONY**

# LEND A FIAND AS A TUESDAY VOLUNTEER

Help us make a difference by volunteering to complete projects around Camp.

Helping Junity Service Improve offer Improve

What we need:
carpentry, electrical,
plumbing, mechanical,
gardening, cleaning, etc.
(If you are willing to help,
we can find a place for you!)

Our Mission:

Inviting all people to experience the wonder of creation and find harmony with God, with nature and with one another.

#### EVERY TUESDAY | 9 AM - 4 PM 1414 PLANK ROAD, HOOVERSVILLE

As a thank you: Coffee and pastries at 8:45 am; lunch at noon

Contact Kayla at 814.798.5885 or kayla@campharmony.org

www.campharmony.org #spreadtheHarmony

#### 2022 DISTRICT EVENTS AND MEETINGS

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 10<sup>th</sup> of each month. Thanks!

#### FEBRUARY 2022

- Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, District Office
- 12 SVMC Class
- District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, Rummel COB
- Elementary Winter Day, Camp Harmony
- 26 SVMC Class

#### **MARCH 2022**

- 2 ASH WEDNESDAY
- 4 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER
- 6 FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT
- 12 SVMC Class
- 13 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT
- DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME BEGINS (Turn clocks AHEAD one hour)
- Shoe Packing Day, ICA Building, Jerome
- 20 THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT
- 27 FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

#### **APRIL 2022**

- 2 SVMC Class
- 3 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT
- 9 Honduras Fundraiser Dinner, Camp Harmony
- 10 PALM SUNDAY
- 14 MAUNDY THURSDAY
- 15 GOOD FRIDAY
- 17 ALLELUIA! CHRIST IS RISEN!
- 23 SVMC Class

#### 2022 DISTRICT EVENTS AND MEETINGS

#### **MAY 2022** - NATIONAL YOUTH SUNDAY 5 - NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER - Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, District Office 5 7 - SVMC Class - HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY! 8 - District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA 14 - Pancake Breakfast, 7:00 am, Maple Spring COB 21 26 - ASCENSION DAY - National Young Adult Conference, Montreat, NC 27-30 - MEMORIAL DAY 31 **JUNE 2022** 5 - HAPPY BIRTHDAY, CHURCH! (Pentecost Sunday) 5 - Annual Conference Briefing, 3:00 pm, TBA

- HAPPY FATHER'S DAY!

#### **JULY 2022**

19

4	- INDEPENDENCE DAY
10	- ANNUAL CONFERENCE begins, Omaha, NE
14	- ANNUAL CONFERENCE ends, Omaha, NE
21	- Core Leadership Team 6:00 pm, (District Conference Business)
23—28	- Nation Youth Conference, Fort Collins, CO
30	- District Leadership Team, 9 am, TBA (District Conference Business)

#### **AUGUST 2022**

No Events Scheduled

#### 2022 DISTRICT EVENTS AND MEETINGS

#### **SEPTEMBER 2022**

- 5 LABOR DAY
- 8 Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, District Office
- District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA

#### **OCTOBER 2022**

- 2 WORLD COMMUNION SUNDAY
- District Conference, 9:00 am, Camp Harmony

#### **NOVEMBER 2022**

- 3 Core Leadership Team, 6:00 p.m., District Office
- 6 DAYLIGHT SAVINGS TIME ENDS (Turn clocks BACK one hour)
- 12 District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA
- 24 HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!
- 27 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

#### **DECEMBER 2022**

- 4 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 11 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- 18 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT
- Christmas Eve
- 25 MERRY CHIRSTMAS!!
- 31 NEW YEAR'S EVE

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