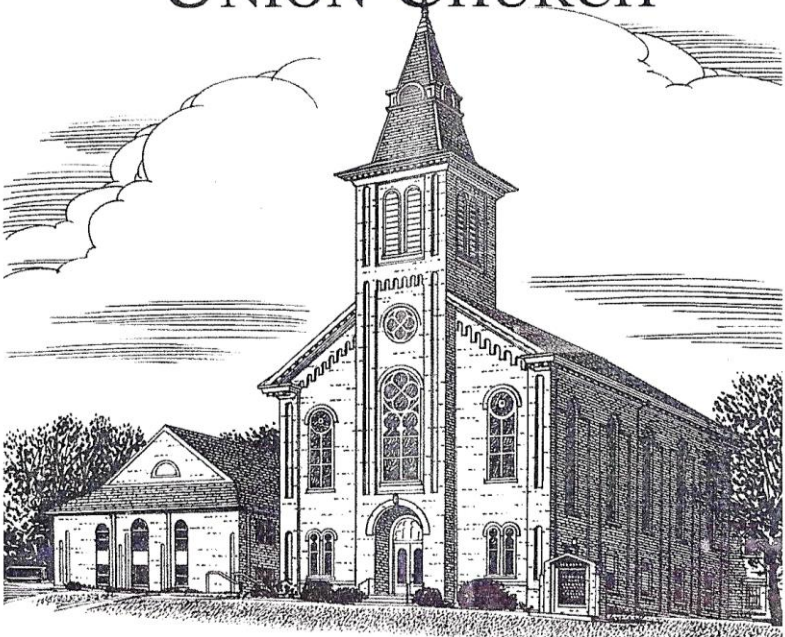


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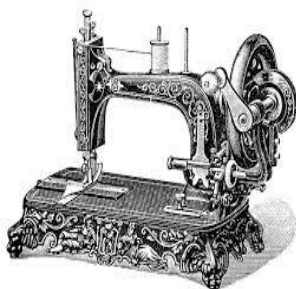
Fellowship Hour

Everyone likes to have the drinks, snacks and refreshments every Sunday during 10:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. If you have questions, please contact Doreen Wynn at 610-481-0143 or luvplumeria@yahoo.com.

The Men's Bible Study Breakfast Group will be meeting every Friday at Cracker Barrel at 7:00 a.m. All are welcome to enjoy breakfast and study our weekly scriptures!

Rev. Dr. Larry Pickens will be performing a "Blessing of the Bikes" at Ziegels Union Church on Saturday, May 7 at 9:00 a.m.

Our Ziegels Sewing Mission is open to all those who are interested in helping. Our meetings will begin at 5:30 p.m. on May 18, June 15, July 20, August 17, September 21, October 19, and November 16. Donations are appreciated.



Our Prayer Shawl Ministry meets the third Wednesday of each month at 9:00 a.m. in the Fellowship Room. The group makes Prayer Shawls, Baptismal blankets and scarves. All are invited to attend this group and share your gifts or come out and learn to knit and crochet.

Lutheran Social Services Meetings are scheduled for May 23, September 26, November 21 and all at 7:00 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. Open to anyone that would like to join us!

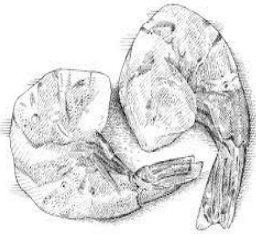
Save the date!! The Property Committee is scheduling an outside workday for May 21 (Saturday) from 8:30 am to noon. It will be **fun!!!!** (Especially if you like putting out mulch and other great stuff like that.) You don't need to stay the whole time. After a long, often dreary, Winter, it is a great opportunity to be outside.

The Steeple has been repaired and it looks good !

Thank you to the Fellowship Committee and it's volunteers for donating the proceeds from the PotPie Dinner to help defray some of the repair expenses. Thank you to Gloria Shankweiler for her contribution in memory of her grandparents.

Mission Team

The Mission Response Team will hold their next meeting on Monday, May 16 at 6:30 p.m. Discussion will be held on the Summer and Fall trips. All are welcome to join the Team!



Our next Shrimp Boil will be held on Sunday, May 15

from 4:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. The menu will include a salad, ½ pound shrimp, sausage, potatoes, corn, a drink and a dessert. A children's meal will include a salad, ¼ pound shrimp, sausage, potatoes, half a cob of corn, a drink

and a dessert. The cost will be \$15.00 for adults and \$7.00 for children. We will be eating inside! Please call Lori at 610-573-9764 by May 8 to place your reservation. You must preorder! Eat in or take out! Help will be needed in preparing and serving!

The 15th Annual Mission Team Golf Outing will be held on Saturday, August 6

at Whitetail Golf Club in Bath at 2:00 p.m. The fees are \$90.00 per golfer, which includes greens fees, lunch, and prizes. Donations of raffle prizes are needed as well as tee sponsors (\$50.00) and business sponsors (\$25.00). Foursome forms and sponsor forms are available in the main office or call Terry Oplinger at (610) 462-5324 for more information. Help is also needed the day of the Outing.

Hopefully in the Summer and the Fall, the Team would be able to plan our Mission Trips to be helping all our people in need. I have been in touch with our workers in Camden, New York for the end of July and/or August with 7 or 8 people.

Fellowship Community Yard Sale and Bake Sale

Crafters and Vendors Welcome!
Saturday, May 28, 8:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m.
In the Church Grove and Parking Lot

Join the Fellowship Committee to have our first fundraiser
of the year for Wreathes Across America.

Are you spring cleaning and have items
you no longer need ?

Yard Sale item donations for the
church table are welcome !

Donations for baked goods, snacks and drinks needed !
Volunteers also needed!

Rain date: TBD

RESERVE YOUR SPACE

20' x 20' (must provide your own table)

FREE for Ziegels Members, \$10 for non-Ziegels members,
Vendors welcome

Contact the Church if you have questions. All donations
made to the Church must be placed in the food pavilion.
Please call ahead to schedule a drop off.

2022 Fellowship Activities

Mark your Calendars- More information to Come

July 9- Living Legends Tractor Show (Date changed) 3:00
- 7:00 p.m.

September 10- Harvest Moon Festival 3:00 -7:00 pm

November 13- Veteran's Day/ "Thanks" giving Meal

November 25- Christmas Decorating/ Cookie Exchange

TBD- Snowflake Fest/ Candy Cane Hunt

Christian Education

Sunday School

Each Sunday from September through May, classes are held for children and youth aged 1 through twelfth grade. Children are asked to gather in their classrooms by 10:00 a.m. and class ends at 10:55 a.m.

Interested in teaching Sunday School? Teaching help is needed for adult learners, teenage learners and grade school learners. Planning will begin this summer for Fall 2022 classes. Youth group leaders are also needed for all grades. Please consider helping as you are able. Contact Kristin Folck, Kelly Lucarelli, or Myrena Frantz at ziegelschristianeducation@outlook.com

Our Last Sunday School Class for this school year will be on May 22 at 10 a.m. !

Confirmation Class Happenings

Our Confirmation Class meets upstairs in the Acts Room from 10:00 a.m. to 10:55 a.m. If you know anyone who will be starting 7th or 8th grade and would like to join the class, please speak with Kristin Folck.

The class will meet on May 1, May 8 (Youth Sunday), May 15, May 22.

Confirmation class and parents, please watch your email for information on Interviews for 2nd year students as well as the Confirmation Dinner on June 4th.

Christian Education

Christian Education meetings are held on the third Monday of the month at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom. This month's meeting will be held on May 16th! If you are interested in the Christian Education of our members, please consider attending. Contact Kristin for the Zoom link!

Upcoming Events

Mark your calendars for our upcoming events!

Youth Sunday – May 8, 2022, at 11:05 a.m.

Mars and Beyond VBS – June 20-24, 2022

Confirmation Sunday – June 5, 2022, Union Worship 9 a.m.



Message from Lori...

Paul writes in his letter to the Christians in Ephesus, *"But God is so much in mercy, and He loved us so much, that even though we were dead because of our sins, He gave us life when He raised Christ from the dead. (It is only by God's grace that you have been saved!)"* Ephesians 2:4-5, NLT

We have heard many sermons on God's grace throughout our lives. We've been taught that salvation is a gift and not something that can be earned. Salvation is not a reward, but a pure gift. It is comforting to hear those words, and we are rewarded for what we do. Many people continue to think they can earn God's grace.

And again, Paul is reassuring as he says, *"God saved you by His grace when you believed. And you can't take credit for this: it is a gift from God. Salvation is not a reward for the good things we have done, so none of us can boast about it."* Ephesians 2:4-5, NLT

A true gift...a gift we might never understand or fully accept. *"My thoughts are nothing like your thoughts," says the Lord. 'And My ways are far beyond anything you could imagine."* Isaiah 55:8, NLT

Blessings !

Thank you

The following people are the sponsors for the month of May:

- Lowhill Food Pantry Sponsor – Bob and Jane Mason.
- Website Sponsor – Travis Verzino's Birthday from Keith and Michele Quier

Thank you

- from Julie George for our praying for Jared as he passed away on February 24. He was 24 years, 14 days. He was buried on March 5 at Ziegels.
- Ziegels Bunny Hop! Thank YOU to our confirmation class and adult volunteers who helped organize our First Bunny Hop! Thank you to Michele for the Bunny costume and to Anna for playing the part! Thanks to all who came out with their cars decorated and everyone who celebrated Easter with candy, food, fellowship and Kona Ice! A great time was had by all!
- Spring Tea Party Fundraiser! Thank YOU to everyone who attended our Spring Tea Party, it was a wonderful day of fellowship! Especially Kristin, Shana & Kelly for planning and preparing, Elsie & Lori for tea cups and pots, and Laura, Mel, Dora, Shana, Karen, & Lori for clean-up! This event has allowed us to send a check to the Lowhill Food Pantry for \$525.00.

The Lowhill Food Pantry

The statistics for the month of March ... The Pantry served 43 family units (85 adults, 62 children, and 18 seniors) for a total of 165 individuals. 21 clients were served on Saturday, 7 on Wednesday, and 15 on Thursday. 59 children were served during March for the Weekend Food Program for Students/Children.

Church members provided 223 pounds of food during this month. Our needs moving forward for the upcoming month are cereal, jelly, pork and beans, and bar bath soap. The Blessing Room needs socks, activity books, and outdoor games for the summer months.

Dates the Pantry is open for the month of May are Saturday May 7, Wednesday May 18, and Thursday May 19.

THANK YOU for your support.
Gloria Zimmerman

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The deadline for submissions for the
June newsletter is Wednesday, May 25.

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