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Reaching Up to God, Reaching Out to People

Pastor's Corner

The joy of being the flower delivery guy, and why Easter doesn't stay still

I will tell you of a job you may want. It's a job full of fun. It's a job full of

joy. I have dibs on this one, so you'll have to beat me to it next time, if you're

peaked. It's the job of delivering the Easter lilies (or Christmas poinsettias) through town to shut ins and those who need a boost.

It is really *the* **BEST** job **EVER**.

First up, we all like to get stuff. Well, let me be more specific. We all like to get fun stuff. Surprise stuff. And flowers? Flowers are *numero uno*, or they are at least in the top five of great gifts to receive. And ladies, let me tell you. Reverse sexism doesn't work. Flowers aren't just a lady's thing. Men can smile just as well when they're handed this gift.

It's just such a beautiful way to continue what we celebrate with in worship. To share the flowers that make our sanctuary beautiful to those who haven't seen them or couldn't be a part of church? Yes. This is really good. I mean, *really* good.

I was blessed in this edition to get an extension on my *Spire* deadline. I'm grateful because I can share what happened after our 11 AM worship Easter service today. I packed up the lilies that were to be given away and with my trusty navigator Newman, my second in command, off we went on adventure. For those of you who do not know, Newman is a dog. In the pack here at home, this bulldog mix is second in command.

It's just an amazing feeling to give goodness away. We started with a lot of lilies. Turning right from the church, and then left, and then all around, all these names popped into my head. "She could use a lily." "They'd get a kick out of a lily." "This family? Yep. Totally. A lily will make their day."

What I experience in doing this is what you've experienced, too, and that is the joy of being the church that cares for the people. Notice I said 'the' people, not 'its' people. Our wider community needs to know we hear them, see them, care for them, and yes, love them as Jesus calls us to love our neighbors.

The March 30 Spaghetti Dinner, as one of many examples, was outreach to the max. Jesus calls us to fish for people; I certainly think He'd be an advocate for us also being friendly to people.

There is much more to do. There are many more to reach. Join me (or lead me) in this joy of continued, spontaneous, "we don't want anything but to see your smile" ministry. You may not have a lily to give to someone, but that does not mean your hands and heart are empty. I pray with this page that we, an Easter Resurrection people, find ways to do what we have done, are doing, and will continue to do, and that is give love to God's loveable.



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"In Loving Memory of Wayne Warren"



Maureen and Family

GAME ON Community Dinner

On March 30th GAME ON/ youth outreach hosted a FREE Community Dinner. The main purpose for this dinner was to bring our community together to visit and show "Love For Our Neighbors".

The GAME ON kids were amazing little worker bees waiting on tables of the many faces that joined us in the LH for a delicious Spaghetti dinner.

A big thank you to the GAME ON parents who kept busy as well...whether it was greeting newcomers at the doors, cooking spaghetti, filling orders or just visiting in the LH. The dinner was made possible by many generous donations. The kindness and generosity of the following is very much appreciated!

PennCan Restaurant Bingham's Restaurant Tiffany at Germanas Pizza David and Connie Schulte Jan Winemiller 4H The Many cookie bakers and SO many others.

A big thank you also goes to Dairy Princess Mary Catherine Chidester and Dairy Maid Elizabeth Chidester who served up ice cream with a smile for dessert.





Thank you to all... The familiar and unfamiliar faces as well, who came out for an evening of food and fellowship. We look forward to another Community Get Together again soon!



Youth Focus



WHY THE FREE DINNER MATTERED

Our oldest Sunday students talk about faith, community and purpose

Pastor Will's Sunday school students gathered to reflect on the March 30th free dinner that was sponsored by our Youth and Community Outreach program. Mikaela, Bailey, Ethan and Tanner each held key positions that night and were quiet right at first, but opened up with responses that may inspire (and perhaps even positively challenge) some of us adults.

"We had this dinner to bring the community together," Mikaela said. "And it was a success in that we were able to see people who live in town actually come to the church. Some stopped by for the first time, and others who have not been here for a long time were here. And this really mattered."

Bailey speaks to this ministry. She said, "A lot of people came and enjoyed—and they'll be back."

"We can all do something to make a difference. And this was one way," Ethan said. "It's not really that complicated. You just do what needs to be done. Feeding people. Getting them together. Caring. It just needs to be done. And with a lot of help, we did it."

Tanner added, "A bunch of new people came to see what we are about. Not just words, but action. Church isn't just talk, I mean. It's actually being community. It was special because we got to bring good to people."

"We know why we were there," Bailey offered. "It's easier to talk with someone you know."

"Yeah," Ethan agreed. "And we did this so people in the community can really get to know each other."

With a smile, Mikaela joked. She was thinking of the skills they honed as they served and cared for about 90 people firsthand. "And now we know that we can all work at Bingham's."



A beautiful, hand-made cross graced our Sanctuary this Easter season. The cross was made by Brennan Slangan in a wonderful tribute to the memory of his sister Bethany Millard. Brennan is 13 years old and obviously a talented artist and a loving brother.

Thank you Brennan! We will also remember Bethany.

Thank You!

Thank you to all that came to the Breakfast at the Fire Hall April 7th and supported the Harford Fire Company in their efforts to raise funds.

It is so important for our church community to support the community as a whole.



Stewardship Minutes March 21, 2019

The Financial Secretary's Report indicated we are approximately \$7,000 short for the year, but this is not uncommon for this far into the season. Dottie shared that March is looking "much brighter" all the way around.

Julie indicated she will borrow from Capital to cover the -\$1,177.89 needed to pay the bills. Again, a common feature for March, and things even out as the season and attendance improve. An additional -\$49,525 was paid from Capital for roof repair, the amount will than be covered by our insurance.

The next item of business was to review the Goal Sheets presented at the Pot Luck Dinner, mainly focusing on the 2019 Goals to see where we are with them and to determine how the Stewardship Committee can be instrumental in moving forward with them. Discussion as to the increased use of church facilities focused on the present Building Use Form and what fees are presently charged. We will approach Council to verify charges for non-profit groups and discuss any changes/adjustments needed to improve the process. Another goal for 2019 was to complete the sign project. Church members have currently designated \$ 20,726 for a sign, and Craig will revisit companies to determine options. For additional goals, it was decided to attend the meetings of various groups that are mainly responsible for that goal category, getting a feasibility measure as to the possible realization of it happening this year.

Reminder of the upcoming Spaghetti Dinner and support we could give and Will's plans for future Recognition Sundays were discussed. Will asks that we just "be there" to greet and welcome.

Nancy shared about the Financial Committee consisting of Dave Schulte, Maureen Warren, Holli Chichester, Julie Gardner, and Connie Breese that is moving forward to transfer some monies into CD's that will gain us a better rate. We have some funds sitting there that could be making us money for those "rainy days".

Kay has Easter Cards ready for anyone's signing on April 7 so she can deliver them to brighten many Easter mornings.

Craig and Sharon will split the "comment sheets" from the Pot Luck meeting, personally thanking and responding to members input.

Nancy asked permission to include her "service dog in training" in church functions.

Next Stewardship meeting is April 18, 2019 at 7:00 PM.

Christian Education Meeting Minutes April 2, 2019



TreasureTalent

The following topics were discussed with much joy and enthusiasm:

Bonnie asked how Will's class was doing. Will has been taking his class on road trips and having them do community service projects. This past Sunday they took centerpieces from the Community Dinner and delivered them to Marion (Alice Watkins daughter on her recent loss); to Binghams and to the Penn-Can diner for their contributions to the Community dinner.

The size of Bonnie and Kandy's class has been varying. The pageant for Easter is going to be changed somewhat. The reason being we don't have enough children for all the parts.

Bonnie has been in touch with Maxine who is building the set and things are progressing along well and she will let us know when we can pick it up and begin using it.

After the pageant is over, the children will be learning about what happened to Jesus after He rose from the grave. This will take us to the end of the Sunday school year and in the fall we will begin with telling them about the stories in the Old and New Testament.

The next meeting is May 6, 2019, at 6:15.

Trustee Meeting Minutes March 11, 2019



Old Business

BSR will send someone to take care of black marks left on siding from the roofing job. When they are here they will quote replacing gutters, downspouts, and leaf guards

Fire Alarm: the company monitors fire/smoke alarms and power/phone systems

We will put 5-10 minute hold on problems such as power interruptions so hopefully most calls will be eliminated

Bill Chichester agreed to be first on the call list.

Electric heater in church still needs to be cleaned and painted

Harry still needs to contact Terry Kavetski about corner trim pieces of church.

He still needs to contact Charlie McNamara about lecture hall foundation

New Business

Lights in lecture hall need to be repaired. Rich will contact Chaz Ross

Annual Church Spring Clean up will be tentatively scheduled for 4/6/19 with a rain date of 4/20/19

Wire for sound system between church and lecture hall needs to be repaired. Harry and Gary will do this.

There was a question as to whether or not Kandy had ordered replacement hymnals and bibles.

We will be seeking quotes on painting the lecture hall.

Trustee Meeting Minutes

April 8, 2019

Kay Gow attended representing Stewardship in regard to their goals for the upcoming years, several will fall under the authority of the Trustees

Old Business

Repairing and replacing light fixtures in lecture hall. Quote from Chaz Ross Services is \$2,100. Gary suggests making sure lighting is LED.

Harry met with Charlie McNamara about jacking or leveling the lecture hall. He suggested we just put new level siding on. Charlie was not interested in doing the work due to the difficulty of leveling the lecture hall and what it would entail.

Dustin Walker will take care of responses to fire alarms and the 10 minute delay has been set up.

BSR Cleaned the black marks off the siding

New Business

Rope on the bells need to be replaced. Tractor Supply should have what we need.

- One of the speakers in the steeple is knocked over. New carol-on system generates more ohm's than previous and speaker wire should be placed in proper inputs on speakers.
- Pastor Will would like the carpets to be cleaned in the new part of the church to include hallways and his office. Paul Washburn has done it in the past. Trustees will have this done.

Look into changing flooring types in high traffic areas. Trustees will get prices on laminate flooring.

Revisit additional concrete parking area with provisions for volleyball and basketball and or concrete driveway. Put both out to bid and decide if we will do one or both this year.

Call RG Petty about jacking lecture hall or also Kevin Conforti (Building Materials Consultant).

Gary Housel will contact Johns Painting Services.

A piece of Lexan (not Plexiglas) is desired to cover worship table in front of the sanctuary.

Council does want Hymnals and Bibles damaged by the hail storm replaced.

Missionary Group

April 16, 2019

Treasurer: Maureen Warren. Previous Balance: \$1285.81

Women's Resource Center - \$100

New Balance: \$1185.81

Currently have \$144.73 in the Disaster Kit Fund for shipping

\$55.27 will be taken from Checking to cover the shipping cost of \$200 for 70 hygiene kits

and 20 clean up buckets.

Least Coin: Ginny Ahearn – Ecumenism: Love one another as I have Loved you.

Yard Sale: The Yard Sale will be at Lee's Furniture in Montrose Friday, May 24 from 8-4 and Saturday, May 25 from 8-2. We will transport the yard sale items on Wednesday May 22. The boy scouts are being asked if they could help. We will set up the sale Thursday, May 23 from 10-2. Karen Jones, Ginny Ahearn, Priscilla Allen and June Goodrich have said that they would help.

Bake Sale: The Missionary Bake Sale will be held on May 21 from 7-whenever at the Harford Fire Hall. Bake Goods and work schedules are in the Gathering Hall for congregation help. The funds will go to drill wells in Nicaragua.

Priscilla Allen will have a luncheon after the Sunday worship that the Window Dorothy Greene Painted is dedicated. Date is to be determined.

Next meeting is May 28th.

Picnic is June 22 at 12:00 at Priscilla Allen's. All persons helping with this year's and last years yard sale will be invited.

Penance Calendars are still coming in. Place a reminder in the Spire.





Pastor's Report to Council - March

-Enjoyed three sessions with the Girls Scouts prepping for Girl Scout Sunday

-Worked with ARC chairperson Laurie DeMark for our first "Bless for Success" event during worship

where a shelter pet and her future family were blessed

-Two hospital visits this month

-Two ongoing counseling sessions with an individual and a teenager

-Communion to shut ins this month

-Visited Ugly Quilts

-Met with a MV teacher to discuss my dissertation

-Passed out Spaghetti Dinner Flyers with my Sunday school students

-Have enjoyed this original Lenten Sermon Series called The 7 Essential Questions

-Visited GAME ON this month, met Hank the service dog and chatted with the kids

-Held our Ash Wednesday Service

-Hosted the worship of our first Ecumenical Worship Service

-Officiated the funeral of Larry L. Decker

-Preached during the second Ecumenical Worship Service

-Officiated the funeral of Alice J. Watkins

-Extended a moment of silence to church member Alice J. Watkins

-Working with Holli Chichester on helping a local Veteran with health concerns

-Continue the newspaper column, blogs, vlog and sermon preps

Pastor's Report to Council—April

-Was grateful to meet and spend time with new and familiar faces in the community during the COMMUNITY DINNER held on March 30

-Had a "walking meeting" with Tiffany Butler where we discussed the needs of the community, students, parents today and the church

-Enjoyed giving the blessing over the Catholic Choral Society's March 31 concert

-Attended the Lancaster Theological Doctoral of Ministry Symposium on April 1 where 2019 doctoral students defended their dissertations

-Was grateful to be a part of the Route 11 Ministerium's Ecumenical Worship season called "The Gifts" this year

-Led the Good Friday and Easter morning sunrise services

-Delivered the gift of lilies to shut-ins and those in the community

-The SEVEN ESSENTIAL QUESTIONS sermon series brought us some very positive feedback

-Am grateful for both Easter services and those who could make one or both of them

-Have framed the upcoming sermon series called LISTENING IS AN ACT OF LOVE

-My fourth semester in the doctoral program has begun and, in addition to more reading and writing, the focus this term is my dissertation's proposal which, if all goes well, will be approved early this summer

-Planning events for the Teacher's Appreciation Sunday and the upcoming Choir Appreciation Sunday

-Continue conversations with Laurie DeMark, our ARC chairperson, and an upcoming Pet Blessing

-Have talked with Tammy Stout about upcoming GAME ON events and a summer calendar filled with youth activities

-Work with Kay Gow on outgoing card ministry

-Have taken my Sunday school kids out to breakfast where embedded in culture we discuss the scripture used in sermons

-Have visited the Ugly Quilts and enjoy what the quilters have to share

-Working with Craig Stout and the Stewardship Committee on upcoming events for the church

-Visited new neighbors with info on the church

-Visited shut ins and those who welcomed time with the pastor

The Fight for Freedom



Our forefathers had a dream. It was to become the foundation of many more dreams, and aspirations of a fledgling new land. This new land would eventually become the nation we know today, as the USA.

How did we become the nation we are today? Many men and women fought in different ways to gain our freedom from England.

It took five long years before our freedom was secured. Many long, arduous battles were fought. Our country began to grow.

Men and women of many European nations came to America to find freedom.

As our country grew more wars and conflicts came. More men and women gave their lives to preserve the freedom our country was founded on.

So, on this day, when we honor the men and women who have died, let us remember to keep the flame of freedom burning bright and strong and acknowledge their sacrifice was not in vain.

It's Time to Declutter, Again!!!!!

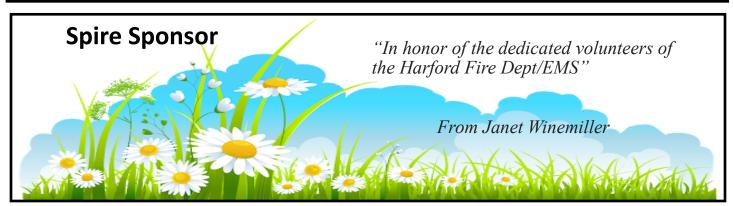
The Missionary Group is sponsoring a yard sale May 24-25. The proceeds will go to help sponsors two Nicaraguan Missionaries living in Nicaragua. These native Nicaraguans have dedicated themselves to working to improve the living conditions of their fellow Nicaraguans by helping to develop community leaders and working to improve skills within the community.

We will be collecting anything to be sold in a yard sale: All decorations, lightly used bedding, electrical appliances, lighting, flat screen TVs, furniture (no upholstered items), household items, kitchen items, tools, yard stuff, toys, baby items, bikes, books etc.

Please bring any items to the lecture hall and label them "Yard Sale" now through May 17th. If you would like a pick up, please contact Holli Chichester at

301-643-1775 or 570-851-5109 or hollischichester@gmail.com.

Thank you, Missionary Group



A Mother's Love

A mother's love is one which never dies It lives in the hearts of her children

A mother's love guides us on our journey of the life we're given For the many tears you've dried, thank you, mother, with all our love

A mother's love gives us courage to follow our dreams No matter where they lead she's with us all the way.

Bell Choir Rebirth!!!!!

Bob DeLuca has graciously volunteered to conduct a bell choir. Please call or email Bob if you would be interested in participating. 570-498-7090 <u>gepetto@nep.net</u>





Golf Tournament Time!!!

Hi Everyone,



The Harford First Congregational Church –UCC has one fund raiser every year, our Golf Tournament at Conklin Players Club. This year it is on June 30, 2019. In the past the money raised by this tournament has gone to fund special projects, however, last year we needed to use this money to pay our December bills.

Our Golf Tournament fund raiser needs the participation of every person to be successful. The efforts of a few people won't give us the results that we need.

If every person would select something from the list below, the tournament will be the success we all hope for. Please consider selecting one or more from the list below:

- Sponsor a hole in memory or honor of a loved one
- Sponsor a hole to advertise your business
- Give the Sponsorship form to someone you know that has a business and ask them to Sponsor a hole
- Donate items/item to be used as a prize
- Bake cookies for the goodie bags
- Donate a Basket for the Basket Raffle
- Work at the Golf Tournament, June 30th
- Get a team of golfers together and play at the tournament
- Donate water, nuts, crackers, pretzels, jerky or other for the goodie bags

Our congregation has always worked together to accomplish so much. Please consider how you can help.

The sign-up sheets are in the Lecture Hall or call Holli at 570-851-5109, 301-643-1775 or email at hollischichester@gmail.com

Thank you!

Bake Sale for Clean Water



The Missionary Group is sponsoring a bake sale on Election Day, May 21st. It will be held at the Fire Hall in Harford from 7:00am- 5:00. All proceeds will go to support our ongoing missions in Nicaragua. It is hard to imagine living in an area that doesn't have access to water. This money will go to help fund well drilling operations in rural Nicaragua. We are looking for people that would be willing to bake items and people willing to help man the bake sale. Sign-up sheets are in the gathering room.

Please contact Holli Chichester if you have questions at 301-643-1775 or 570-851-5109

10th Annual Harford Congregational Church Golf Tournament

Sunday June 30, 2019 1pm shotgun start



Hole Sponsor/Memorial/Honorarium Level:

GOLD-\$100

SILVER-\$50

BRONZE-\$25

Honor or remember a loved one and support the Golf Tournament.

Your Name _____

Address _____

Information for the Sign _____

Email			

Phone_____

**Make checks payable to First Congregational UCC

Contact / Mail to:	Holli Chichester
	1814 Tingley Lake Rd
	New Milford, PA 18834
	570-851-5109 or 301-643-1775
	hollischichester@gmail.com

WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU ENTER A TEAM AND JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FUN Any questions, please call or email anytime. Thanks



10th Annual Harford Congregational Church

Golf Tournament

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 $= \int_{c}^{c}$ Conklin Players Club

Golf Team Registration

Team Captain _____

Address _____

Email_____

Phone_____

Team Players: _____

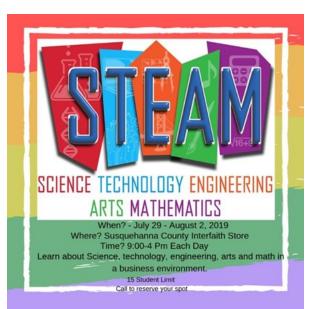
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WE WOULD LOVE TO HAVE YOU ENTER A TEAM AND JOIN US FOR A DAY OF FUN

\$85 per Golfer = \$340 per Team

Payable in Advance or at the course day of the Tournament





for kids ages 6-12 Held at Camp Ladore, Waymart Pa.

Sponsored by Salvation Army

June 24-29, 2019 Call Interfaith to reserve your spot!

Clifford United Methodist Church 106 Main Street, Clifford, PA NEW Sunday Worship Time: 9 am Starting May 5th

The Susquehanna County Library

We have received a request from Linda Whitney. The Susquehanna County Library has an American Girl program. One may check out an American Girl doll. The small tops from spray bottles are included in the supplies that travel with the American Girl. The American Girl uses them for drinking glasses. Would you please save any small tops from spray bottles that you may have. Leave them in the office and Judy will deliver them to Linda. If you have any American Girl size doll ideas I would love to hear from you.





Thanks so much. Linda Whitney Lwhitney7678@yahoo.com 570-434-2918



Spire Sponsor

In Honor and Memory of

Thelma and Howard Poxon,

Helen and Steve Brewster,

Eleanor and Elmer Oliver

From Walter Poxon

Attention, Attention!!!!

The Deacons are looking for a volunteer coordinator to find volunteers to be Ushers and Greeters on Sundays and any special services we may host. You will send the list to the Church Secretary and to the Editor of the Spire in order to be published weekly and monthly. This also includes mailing a letter to the volunteer with the date that they are volunteering for and explaining the job duties. Please contact Kay Gow or Pastor Will if you are interested in this position. The Deacon's appreciate your continued support.



Rt 11/81 Ministerium news:

Thank you to everyone who was able to attend a Lenten service and for everyone's generous donations. We received a grand total of \$ 1,864.82.

3/13	\$ 442.25
3/20	400.00
3/27	355.00
4/02	321.57
4/10	346.00
	\$1,864.82



This monetary gift is used to help the wider community along the Great Bend, New Milford, South Gibson, Gibson, South Montrose, Hop Bottom, Brooklyn, Kingsley and Harford areas. Donations are always welcome, and prayers that this outreach blesses those intended for it are always welcome.

You can contact any Route 11 Ministerium minister with a gift if (or as) you are led to do so, or you can send it through Pastor Will. Checks are to made out to the Route 11 Ministerium Fund.

Correspondence

Dear Friends,

It was a true blessing to be able to bring sweet Storm to your beautiful church. There certainly must have been some divine intervention because she was adopted just two days later.

Thank you all for being so very welcoming. We can't wait to come back.

Dory and Matt

True Friends Animal Welfare Center Montrose, PA 18801

Cradle Roll

First Congregational Church,

Thank you for your incredibly generous gift and well wishes. It definitely made a difference as we added a sweet new addition to our growing family.

Love, Josh, Marissa, Rhyann Schwartztrauber

Dear Friends,

April4, 2019

Thank you so much for the cards You have sent me this past few months!

It is good to hear from my church family. We will be home probably by mid-May.

Looking forward to seeing you.

Love, Mallory

Dear Pastor Hagenbuch,

Thank you so much for inviting the "Catholic Choral Society" to sing our "Lenten Concert" at your lovely church. The church is so charming; this is one of our favorite places to perform. Your parishioners were so welcoming, and how kind they were to provide us with cookies and drinks.

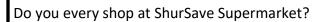
The Spirit of God is with your people, lead on! We wish to thank you again.

--The Catholic Chorale Society

May Birthdays

May 4	Brian and Nancy Tyler	May 21	Denise Finagan
	Teresa Lamberson	May 22	Dorothy Matthews
May 5	Dena (Simons) Dew	May 23	Despina Mitchell
	Chelsea Empet	May 25	George Lotter/Gus Ferrara
May 6	Bob Deemer	May 26	Steve and Sherry Decker
	Susan Major-Conklin		Elissa Mitchell
May 7	Scott Mitchell	May 27	Gary Housel
May 9	Mason Mitchell		George Weideman
May 10	Kevin and Diane Reuss		Holli Chichester
	Zeb Feduchak		Kailey Bridgeman
May 12	Richter Masters		George and Barbara Weideman
May 16	Hailey Miller		Dean Herbert
May 18	Ken Bennett	May 28	Breanne and Kris Hiller
May 19	Helen Foster		Gillian Millard
	Kris Hiller	May 29	Missy Clarkson
	Michael Beach	May 30	Jason Miller
		May 31	Mary Lou Swank

Susquehanna County Library Help





One may register their ShurSave Gold Card at the store's customer service counter or online (www.shursavemarkets.com-programs/Gold Card Program)

The Susquehanna County Library will receive \$.03 for each can or package of these **brands**: Best Yet, Nature's Finest, Top Care, Domestix, Academix and others not mentioned in the newspaper article. Hopefully you will be able to sign up on your next shopping trip or from your computer.

Spire Sponsors

We need Sponsors to help us cover the cost of printing and mailing the Spire. Please let us know if you can help. The sponsorship can be in Memory or in Honor of someone or just a donation. Mailing costs approximately \$75/month.

Worship Assistants

May 05, 2019

May 12, 2019

May 19, 2019

Readers

Ushers

Bailey Millard and Mikeala Stout

Anita Millard and Kay Gow

Gus Ferrara and George Lotter

Greeters

May 05, 2019Leanne ColwellMay 12, 2019Judy MitchellMay 19, 2019Nancy BurrisMay 26, 2019Evan Clarkson



May 05, 2019	David Schulte III
May 12, 2019	Karen Jones
May 19, 2019	Rich Masters
May 26, 2019	Peg Empet

Memorial Plaque Information

Are you interested in having a plaque attached to the memorial stone in the memorial garden? One may have a plaque ordered by doing the following: Cost---\$25.00

Send check (made out to First Congregational-UCC) along with name of person and the year of birth and the year they passed away to the office.

The office will then proceed to order the plaque and have it placed on the stone. Thank you.

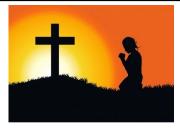




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by the 15th of each month



Prayer Concerns

Nicholas (Great Grandson of the Weidemans) Patrick Simons Scott Klenk Nancy Marr Heather Warren Sandy Zupanovich Alice Watkins' Family Dorothy Greene Sandy Paolucci Chad Washburn Debra Valvano Jen Long & mother Judy Family of Kevin Tingley

Home Bound

The Carey Family

Dorothy Greene

Jennika Drake Sammy Gail Batzel's mom Paula Millard's grandmother, June Mary Jane Genneken Brandi & Dave Larry Decker's Family Steven and Sharon Decker the grieving group our military and their families our nation under God our government Sydney Ann (Gamble) Mead Bonnie Brainard (Ivan Brainard's wife) Lois Franklin Christian Kuhar baby Colden Carla Benedict Lynn Butler **Brandon Williams** Blue Ridge Band Lisa Hahn

Catherine Escandel

Barbara Pease

Address and Directory Change/Additions

Kay Butler 806 North Main Street Forest City, PA 18421

Aaron and Courtney Phillips 1694 Tingley Street Kingsley, PA 18826

Marcalene Millard PO Box 18 South Gibson PA 18842 Terry Werkheiser 3656 State Route 547 Kingsley, PA 18826 350-677-2880



Alyssa Clarkson & Cody Nolan 8914 State Route 3001 Meshoppen, PA 18630

June Goodrich Harford Village Apartment #201 201 School Street Harford, PA 18823 570-240-2588

Catholic Choral Society

and

Chimettes Concert on March 31



Game –On

Fun at Thomkins Gym







May 26 - Jun 1	May 19 - 25	May 12 - 18	May 5 - 11	Apr 28 - May 4	
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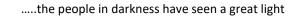
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