

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

**Week Beginning February 25, 2018**

**SUNDAY MORNING Worship is held at 9:30 a.m.**

**Sunday School begins at 10:45 a.m.**

**SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES ARE AVAILABLE FOR ALL AGES:**

**Following morning worship, help yourself to coffee and snacks in the gathering room on your way to a Sunday School class!**

**Our Sunday School Class for Special needs Adults continues.**

**For more information: Contact Nicole Lonsinger at 942-3055.**

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**Monday: 9:30-11:30 in the Church Basement: The RISE Women's Ministry group will continue their work on making sleeping mats for the homeless. Bring your scissors--bring your friends. All are welcome.**

**WEDNESDAY: The Women's Wednesday Morning Bible Study will meet in the church basement at 9:30 a.m. The Lenten Luncheon series continues at the Wehnwood United Methodist Church: noon-1:00 p.m. All are invited to attend. Band Rehearsal will be held in the Sanctuary at 5:30 p.m. The Children's BLAST group will meet in the church basement at 6:00 p.m. The Men's Promise Keeper Group will meet in the Annex at 6:30 p.m. The Women's Wednesday Night Bible Study will meet in the Gathering Room at 6:30 p.m. Choir Rehearsal will meet in the sanctuary at 7:30 p.m.**



**FOR YOUR INFORMATION: WE ARE A "SAFE SANCTUARY" CONGREGATION. ALL WHO WORK WITH OUR CHILDREN AND SPECIAL NEEDS ADULTS HAVE PASSED CRIMINAL BACKGROUND CHECKS AND HAVE BEEN SCREENED FOR ANY HISTORY OF CHILD ABUSE. POLICIES ARE IN PLACE TO GUARD AGAINST ALL FORMS OF PREDATORY BEHAVIOR AMONG US.**

**Tip for the Week:**

**The Lenten/Easter season is another opportune time to invite friends, neighbors, unchurched family members, etc. to worship. The outstretched arms of the cross remind us of God's love for all. Nature in spring time helps us celebrate the Resurrection. The Holy Spirit is with us in a special way as we sing the hymns of the season. Help make someone else's Lent and Easter special this year by inviting them to come with you to church or to a Lenten Luncheon.**

**If you bring someone else, you will also be blessed.**



**We do regular musical outreaches to several (9) area nursing homes. To be a part of this ministry and be Blessed, See BJ or Daniel. Call BJ at 946:4110.**



**Pray for our young people in the military:**  
**Kaylan Barger, Matthew Gensamer, Dakota Gunsallus,  
 Zach Hornberger, Jean Bridget Loomis, Austin Noble,  
 Morgan Shatzberger,**



**If you are interested in a Bus trip to see "Jesus" at Sight and Sound on April 6th, see information on the Ushers' table in the Gathering Room, or contact Betty Jane Neely @ 946-4110.**



**The 2018 Women's Conference at the Hanover Church of God will be held March 9th & 10th. This year's conference is entitled "Moving Through the Valley," and features Marie Monville as the special guest speaker. See brochures on the Ushers' Table in the Gathering Room.**



**REMEMBER IN PRAYER:**

Bill Brown, Esther Chesney, Robyn Daily, Debbie Darnell, Gordon Darnell, Mike Detwiler, Dave Duke, Archie Keller, Bob & John Kelly, Vic Kovaloski, Dave Minehart, Jean Nedimyer, Jim Poirrier, Ray Ramstad, Sr., Heather Sollenberger, Jim Stotler, John Vance, Jim Way, Ken & Audrey Woomer, & Ken Zitsch. Pray for the unsaved by name. Pray for the end of abortion on demand. Pray for the purveyors of terror to be captured by Christ. Pray for our wounded veterans. Pray for World Missions and for our missionaries by name. Pray for persecuted & imprisoned believers and refugees around the world. Pray for our local, state & political leaders. Pray for our nation's police officers and those who govern their procedures. Pray for our outreach into our community. Pray for Spiritual Revival in our church, local community, nation, and in our world! Pray for a solution to the opioid epidemic in our local community and in our nation.



**Our Mission is to Love God and Care for People:**

**We strive to be a place of healing and a people of joy, dedicated to bringing others into a living relationship with Jesus Christ and to help them become active members of His family. It's all about His love!**



**We are collecting soap & body wash for clients of our local food bank. Bring items to box in the Gathering Room.**



**THANK YOU: To all who helped in any way with the Community Love Feast or Kids Night Out on Saturday, February 10th: Thank You! Danke sehr! Gracias! Arigato! Grazie! Do jeh, Daw-dyeh! Toda! Efharisto! Spasiba! Thank you very much!**



The PRECIOUS LIFE Banquet will be held Friday, March 9th at 6:30 p.m. at the Jaffa. The theme is "Onward and Upward," There will be special testimonies along with sharing the vision of Precious Life for the next ten years. As a special bonus, there will be an auction of a 2018 Ford Escape, "Precious Life Edition," donated by Stuckey Ford/Subaru! Tickets are a \$20 donation and may be obtained by seeing Daniel Weber or by calling Precious Life Office at 944-2669 A free-will offering will be taken.

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There is a critical need within the northern regions of our Bangladesh Mission! They are requiring help for winter blankets due to the intense cold. Providing blankets will keep them warm, but will also allow our pastors to share the love of Christ with these people. Approximately 720 blankets are needed at a cost of \$10/blanket. If you would like to share in this Missionary endeavor, please put your donation in a white envelope and mark it blankets.

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**Interaction with Today's Sermon  
Designed for Discipleship  
Ephesians 4:11-24**

**Introduction: According to Paul in Romans 8:29, God desires to mold us into the likeness of His Son Jesus. In other words, we are designed for Discipleship. Today's message from Ephesians gives three ways this purpose can be fulfilled in our lives.**

**Questions for Exploring:**

- 1) What does it mean to be a disciple of Jesus Christ? What is the ultimate goal of this relationship?**
- 2) According to today's message, what is "ministry?" Why does ministering to others help us become more like Jesus?**
- 3) What does it mean to "speak the truth in love?" What happens in us when we obey this command? How does our obedience to this command effect those around us? What does it do for the Family of God?**
- 4) What happens to people's ability to hear "truth" when it is spoken in harsh, judgmental, and arrogant tones? How about when it is spoken with gentleness in the context of a loving relationship?**
- 5) What does personal change have to do with discipleship? Can discipleship progress where there is no willingness to change?**
- 6) Who is effected when we obey the command to "put off your old self . . . and put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness?" How are they effected (probably)?**
- 7) Are you a disciple of Jesus Christ ("yes or no's an answer")? Will you become a disciple of Jesus Christ ("yes or no's an answer")? Why or why not?**