

## **The Breeze**

*Dryland United Church of Christ*

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**A Publication of Dryland U.C.C. To keep our members and friends informed of our programs, opportunities, and events.**

**Dryland United Church of Christ 4415 Newburg Road,  
Nazareth, PA 18064 610-759-4444**



### **November 3 - All Saint Day, Change Sunday**

Worship service at 8:00 & 9:30 am  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Holy Communion  
Birthday Sunday  
Make a Joyful Noise ~ Bring in your loose coins!

### **November 10 - Stewardship Sunday**

Worship service at 8:00 & 9:30 am  
Sunday School 9:30 am  
Veteran's Day Celebration

### **November 17 - 25<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost**

Worship service at 8:00 & 9:30 am  
Sunday School 9:30 am

### **November 24 - Thanksgiving Sunday**

Worship service at 8:00 & 9:30 am  
Sunday School 9:30 am



Change Sunday 11/3/24



11/3/24

Honor and remember those who have passed!



11/10/24

Grace and Peace Beloved of God,

As the seasons change, we move closer to the season of Advent, the time of the year when we remember and celebrate with anticipation the arrival of the Messiah Jesus. With each passing day, we come closer to celebrating Holy Communion, the first Sunday of each month. It is also a joy that our youth class of confirmands is in full swing, and volunteers are affirming their willingness to serve as stewards on committees and Consistory.

The ability to live out the Gospel, teach the Bible, and help people identify themselves in God's story happens because people prayerfully ask, "How may I serve God?" (1 Samuel 12:24; John 12:26; Romans 12:1) I am thankful to all who have and presently serve as members and friends of Dryland Church. I am grateful that those who will help our local congregation continue to feel connected to one another. Let me know the way you would like to volunteer. Or ask me what is needed, what I would like you to do, that may foster relationships that strengthen the spiritual ties and impact of the Dryland congregation.

The Church of Christ is a body of servant leaders. The youth exploring their faith will benefit from seeing you in action and hearing the ways you think about God. As you see our confirmands, Zach, Tucker, Nadia, and Mallory, as well as their mentors Dewayne, Alan P, Joyce, and Shanna, give them encouragement. Share what you love about being a disciple of Christ and share what being a Christian means to you. This may help our class in their process of maturing in Christ.

This season is additionally active. Both the presidential election and key meetings of UCC Conferences throughout Pennsylvania are soon to take place. The UCC Conferences across the state will vote on becoming one regional body, the Keystone Conference. Over the past five years, the

conference ministers, staff, clergy, and lay leaders from the current four conferences (North, South, Central, and West) diligently have been in discernment. Please keep in your prayers the people across the state who have volunteered to lead us through this consideration.

May we remember that God has called us apart from the world, ambassadors of Christ, and makes an appeal through us to be reconciled to God (2 Corinthians 5). May our prayers, commitment to sharing the Gospel, and compassion for people cause those who are lost, fearful, angry, and vengeful to turn back to God, humble ourselves, and stop our ways of disobedience. For God has faithfully declared to hear our repentance, forgive our sins, and heal our land (2 Chronicles 7:14-20). Be encouraged and love your neighbor regardless of their beliefs. May we all be used as loving vessels of peace, grace, and mercy.

In His Service  
Pastor Edward

**THOUGHT OF THE MONTH**

Mark explained to his parents, "Jesus used to fly on an airplane, and Pontius was the pilot!"



*Remember Our Shut-ins*

**Janet Day** – 1/29/35,  
Fellowship Community, Room 271, Terrace  
3000 Community Drive, Whitehall, PA 18052



Want to honor a loved one or as a memorial? You can become a sponsor of the Bulletin! The cost of the Bulletin will be \$12.00. This will help with the cost of the paper and ink. Thank you in advance. 2025 sign-ups will be available in November.



**Prayer Concerns & Joys:** Shirley Lieberman, Denise Peters, Diane Berger, Zach Angione, Carey Gacioch, Patty Weidner, All Hurricane Victims.

**Long-term Prayer Concerns:** David Atwood, Brent Burton, Betsy Coladonato, Richard Creyer, Cory Cruttenden, Debbie Coppola, Joann Dornblaser, Deby Duby, Shawn Durn, Jerry Enderle, Peter Garcia, Barb & Jim Goldman, Charlie Gianguzi, Grandpa Yin, Wanda Green, Kevin Hann, Jessica Harper, Dorothy Johnson, Sonny Laubach, Stephanie Lilly, Debbie Luckenbach, Cade Lutz, Peter Marmaras, Rodger McKay, Joann Mitman, Robert Nagy, Grayce, Jakob & Ken Raven, Maurice, Gillian & Genine Sloane, Barb Tomko, Angela Tout, Elwood Trumbauer, Jorn Walter, Sandy Wambold, Shirley Weidner, Charissa & Jason Williams, Carter Wolfgang, All members of Dryland.

**Our Service People:** Chief MSG Thomas Bostian, Major Scott Lechner, MSGT Paul Moore, E-6 Rodger Nagy, LT Seth Watlington

**CELEBRATING  
OUR  
MEMBERS**

**MEMBERS OF THE MONTH**

**Susan Bostain &**

**Connie Ashenfalder**

**All Who Contributed to Hurricane  
Victims**

**It is with heartfelt thanks to these people who stepped up at a time in need for our fellow Christians, all the items received to be delivered and for the time spent to deliver everything. It was surely a Great Deed! Thank You.**

**It is great people like these that keep Dryland a great family!  
Nominated by Kathy I. Peters, Editor**



- 1 Barry Gerhart, Larry Johnson
- 2 David Hess, Judy Tomko
- 3 Norma Faust, Timm Tenges
- 4 Wanda Duelle
- 5 Audrey Gerhart
- 7 Jonathan Fehnel
- 9 Craig Johnson
- 11 Brendon Burton
- 25 Lila Deily
- 26 Shirley Lieberman
- 28 Hugh Harris, Sarah Lambert
- 29 David Faust



- 11 Mr. & Mrs. Craig Johnson 35 years
- 28 Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Muthard 39 years



Welcome Luke John Moran, his parents are Robert & Jessica Moran and big sister Ava Marie. Welcome, we look forward to meeting you soon, Luke.



The 2025 offering envelopes will be available for pickup starting on November 17th. They are located in the church Narthex and are filed alphabetically. They may be picked up each Sunday when you attend services or by stopping by the church office during office hours from 9:00 to 11:00 A.M., Monday-Thursday.



Confirmand Class 2024-2025, Dryland UCC  
Zach Angione, Tucker Wenrich, Nadia Dawson, Mallory Dawson, explore their faith with Pastor Ed.

## CONSISTORY 2024

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So far this year, we have been taking a deep dive to understand the story of Noah and his Ark. We all agree that if Noah was alive today, he would be considered a Superhero! His task of building an Ark that two of each animal could fit on for 40 days and 40 nights was huge---but he made it happen. If you visit our classroom, you will find the Dryland version of Noah's Ark....this week we will finish it off by making rainbows....who doesn't love a rainbow? Thankfully, the ark and all the animals made it through those 40 days and nights.

We shared the Noah's Ark information in a letter inviting those who attended the Cub Scout Trunk or Treat--along with a candy filled goodie bag, thanks to all the donations made by our congregation. We also included a mini-stuffed animal to remind everyone about Noah's Ark, how, we, like Noah, need to trust God and help to fulfill His promise.

Here are the topics we will cover in the next few months of Sunday School.

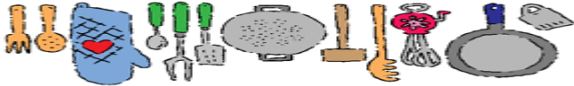
- **November**....we are talking about thankfulness, good deeds and yes, pie.

- **December**....classes will be on December 15th and December 22nd only.....focus on The Nativity....and the “reason for the season”.

- **January**....we will be talking about miracles! Can't wait!

In Christian Love, Alison

## FROM THE KITCHEN COMMITTEE



**Thanksgiving Pie Pick-up 11/26 & 11/27**  
**New Year's Eve Dinner – 12/31/24 @ 5:00pm**

## Mark Your Calendar

### DATES TO REMEMBER:

Tuesday, Nov 5: Election Day Bake Sale & Food Truck Event – all day  
 November 26 & 27: Thanksgiving pie sale pick-up  
 Sat, Nov 30: Advent workshop 9:00am  
 Tues, Dec 2<sup>nd</sup>: Cookies & Milk with Santa 5-8pm  
 Sat, Dec 14<sup>th</sup>: Holiday Penny Party 1:00pm  
 Tues, Dec 31<sup>st</sup>: New Year's Eve Dinner 5:00pm

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Dewayne Heller is looking for someone he can train to take over being the Church Treasurer.

Alan Heller is looking for someone he can train to take over or help with the video program. If you feel you can help out with either of these positions, please contact Dewayne or Alan.



Blessings and happy Fall to everyone. The Consistory continues to work very hard, despite the low number of members. As the new year ends we are tasked to find new members for Consistory, as we will be seeing all but two leave. If anyone is interested please contact Dan, Allison, or the Pastor for more information.

Sadly, we have to cancel both the craft fair and the bingo that was scheduled. There is a hope that we will be able to reschedule them in the future, perhaps after the new year.

We would like to let everyone know that the new Wi-Fi setup is complete. You can access the new system by clicking on to Dryland UCC Guest and use the password: bemyGu3st. There is still a little work to be done but connection is the same everywhere throughout the church. Thank you to Pastor Jim Entwistle (Hope Alliance) and his technology expert, John, for their part in helping us to get this up and running. Election day is just one week away. We are still in need of bakers and individuals to help man the table where our baked goods will be sold. There will also be food trucks in the parking lot throughout the day, and even if you voted through the mail, please come by, and enjoy food from the food trucks. You may bring your baked goods to the church on Sunday and Monday November 3rd and 4th. Also, if you come to vote be very cautious when driving into the parking lot due to the number of people that will be voting this year. We want to keep the area as safe as possible.

Please continue to support the efforts of those who have suffered from the hurricanes in the south in any way you can. Susan Bostian will be traveling with another truck full of goods and food for those in need. Please check the flyers in the church for what is needed and when to bring them. Thank you to Susan for all her efforts and all who have contributed to make this effort a success.

May all our congregation be blessed and be well. Get outside and enjoy the finality of this beautiful fall weather!

Dan Cruttenden Consistory VP

# FOOD TRUCK FESTIVAL



**Election Day, all day!**  
**Dryland UCC 4415 Newburg Road**  
**Nazareth, PA 18064**



Even if you have already voted, come out and support the food trucks AND the BAKE SALE!

Line holders will also be on site for those voting so you don't lose your place in line!



Get food for the whole family on your way



**Boy Scout Held Trunk or Treat at Dryland UCC, 10/27/24**  
**Alison's Trunk was Noah's Ark!**

THANKSGIVING PIE SALE  
 DRYLAND UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST  
 4415 NEWBURG RD, NAZARETH PA 18064



Want to free up some of your time over the Thanksgiving holiday?

Why not let Dryland United Church of Christ lend a helping hand with the baking!

**\$12 per pie (9-inch, deep-dish pies)**

**Orders due by: Thursday November 21st**

Pie pick-up:

**Tuesday November 26th from 1pm – 6pm**

**Wednesday November 27th from 9am – 6pm**

Pie Options include:

Apple Crumb    Apple Tart    Strawberry Rhubarb

Cherry Crumb    Pumpkin    Peanut Butter    Sweet Potato

**\*\*Gluten Free available upon request**

To order, contact: Rich Durn @ 484-894-9799, Karen Lambert @ 610-504-1158 or the Church office @ 610-759-4444. Please leave us a message so we may return your call.

**Blessings and great thanks to all from the staff of Dryland UCC: Pastor Ed, Brooke, Kathy, Susan, Dewayne, Craig, Jerry, Connie, Alan.**



**Nov. 30, Saturday, 9:00 am** we will be decorating the church inside and out for the advent season. Please join us in this fun task to beautify our church for the birth of our savior. More hands make quick work!



**First Sunday of Advent**

**12/01/2024**

# Cookies and Milk with Santa!

## December 2, 5 to 8 PM

**Location:** DRYLAND UCC 4415 Newburg Rd.  
Nazareth, PA 18064



**DATE:** Monday, December 2, 2024

*Reservations required in advance (by 12/1) to secure your cookie table & session with Santa!*

**Three sessions to pick from!**

**5 to 5:45 PM      6 to 6:45 PM      7 to 7:45 PM**

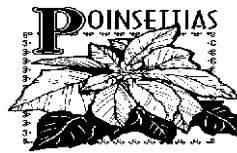
**To reserve, go to EVERYRIBBONCOUNTS.com under Events Tab.**

Donation Cost: \$10 per cookie decorator with advance reservations.  
\$20 at the door.

Parents who are NOT decorating are not required to donate.

*Includes: Cookies, decorations, drink, and Photo Session with Santa.*

**For information, please contact Susan at 610 417 2448  
Or email INFO@everyribboncounts.com**



## POINSETTIA ORDERS

If you would like to sponsor a poinsettia plant for Christmas, please complete this form and **return by SUNDAY, December 1st (NO EXCEPTIONS)**, with your payment, \$9.50 either cash or check made payable to Dryland UCC (note: poinsettias). Please indicate how many plants you are ordering. You may place this form, with the payment, in the offering plate or return it to the church office.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

In Honor Of \_\_\_\_\_

In Memory Of \_\_\_\_\_

How Many? \_\_\_\_\_

(Red only)

Cost \$ 9.50 each

Total enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ I will pick up my plant(s) after the Christmas Eve service.

**It's a HOLIDAY PENNY PARTY!**

**Saturday, December 14**

Doors open at 11:30am  
Party starts at 1:00pm

Dryland UCC  
4415 Newburg Road  
Nazareth PA 18064  
610-759-4444

Kitchen will be open! Tricky tray, 50/50 Raffle, Lottery Tree!  
A great time to be had by all!

HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE:  
Basket Donations Welcome – 2 options:

1. Prepare a "holiday themed" basket
2. Purchase items that are "holiday themed" and we will prepare a basket for you!

**\*\*Please drop off baskets/items to Dryland by 12/7.  
Thank you for your support of this fundraising event!**



**We are seeking volunteers for Consistory and Church Committees beginning January 2025. If interested, please contact Dan or Pastor Edward! Thank you for considering!**

### Fall 2024 Penn Northeast Conference

Saturday, November 9, 2024

In Person or Virtual

8:15 Registration; 9:00 Worship

St. John's United Church of Christ

1415 Rising Sun Road, Laurys Station, PA 18059

How to Register:

Complete a separate form for each person registering or register online with Tithe.ly  
<https://tithe.ly/event-registration/#/9282757>

What Is Church Stewardship? Simply put, Christian stewardship is the responsible management of the resources God has provided. We are called to use our time, talents, and treasure in a way that honors God and furthers His kingdom. The church calendar has November 10th identified as Stewardship Sunday. A time we uplift or emphasize how we as individuals can support the church with our time, talents, and treasure. This mind of thinking needs to be in place every day. We may not have the documents that have been circulated in the past for your response and support. But rest assured your loyalty and commitment are required more than ever. Communications occur weekly and monthly when activities or events occur that need your involvement. You are even informed how to contact the individual(s) involved for that event. So, let us all take responsibility as you are able to manage the resources God has given us to further his Kingdom. We Appreciate and Thank each of you for your generosity no matter the size to assure the church remains part of the community and part of your life. There is plenty of work to accomplish, so do not feel bashful to pitch in. We do so by **Faith** and **LOVE** for one another!

**Dryland United Church of Christ --- A Place To Belong! - Relationship with Christ !!**

Blessings,

Finance Committee --- Pastor Ed, Jerry Hittinger, Steve Henninger, Monna Lou Henninger, Karen Lambert, Alison Rothrock, Hugh Harris, Craig Johnson, Dewayne Heller