



THE CHURCH KEY

A NEWSLETTER THAT OPENS PEOPLE
TO THE MINISTRIES OF



ZION'S UNION
CHURCH MAXATAWNY

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REMINDERS

- ◆ The cost for a vase of flowers is \$18.00 and the cost to be a bulletin sponsor is \$8.00. Payment may be given to Jane Warmkessel or put the money in one of the flower/bulletin envelopes found in the Gathering Area and place in the offering plate.
- ◆ Any checks written out for the offering, altar flowers, or bulletins should be made payable to **Zion's Union Church Maxatawny**.
- ◆ **Any checks for the cemetery should be made out to Maxatawny Zion Cemetery Company, Inc. not to the church.**
- ◆ We have DVDs of the worship services available for use at home. Contact the church office if you would like to borrow one.
- ◆ Let the church office know if you have been admitted to the hospital. The hospitals **DO NOT** notify the church if members have been hospitalized.
- ◆ Zion's Union Church Maxatawny's website is www.zionsunion.org. Check out our new website.
- ◆ Zion's has a prayer chain. If you would like to add a name to the Prayer Chain call Marion Angstadt at 610-683-3918.
- ◆ Sports cleats are not allowed in the church.
- ◆ After church refreshments should be kept on the lower level of the church.

THE PASTOR'S PAGE



There's been a lot of discussion in the news lately of what some politicians are calling "alternative facts." It is a most interesting phrase. In fact, it would seem to be a classic oxymoron. If a fact is a fact, then how can there possibly be such a thing as alternative facts? It is a great example of the fact that words have tremendous power. The power of the term "alternative facts" is its implication that not all facts are facts. And if that is the case, how can anyone objectively know what is *true*?

Words have incredible power indeed. The words of parents have the capacity to shape the behaviors and personalities of their children for either good or bad. For children, their parents' words ring with the authority of truth. That is why the words of parents can build up their children (if they are told that they are loved), and they can tear down (if children are told, "You're no good. You'll never amount to anything."). But such negative words are *not* true. They do not reveal the truth about the young person nor the truth about what they might become. Both children and adults need to be protected from the power of false facts and damaging lies. Advertisers bank on our believing that we cannot be too thin, cannot have too many possessions, cannot be truly happy without their product. God's people should be suspicious of such messages. They do not give an accurate picture of who we are or what God made us to be.

The real truth about us is told in the book of 1 John, which says: "If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us" (1 John 1:8). Because we *do* have sin within us, we can easily be misled, believing the lies the world foists upon us.

The search for objective truth and the desire to have us all follow one truth is as old as humanity. From the first stories of Adam and Eve, the search for knowledge and ultimate truth has been a powerful force in human history. Many bloody wars have been fought that pit one people's truth against another. People have left families and abandoned friends over arguments about truth—religious truth, historical truth, and political truth.

The awesome thing about the Gospel of Jesus Christ is that the human search for ultimate truth resides in a person—it is found in Jesus Christ. When we look for objective truth, we Christians can look to Jesus. At his trial, Jesus stood before the Roman governor Pontius Pilate and said, "For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice." To which Pilate famously replied, "What is truth?" It would seem that 2,000 years ago Pilate was already considering the possibility of "alternative facts."

Just the night before his trial, Jesus prayed for his followers that he was

leaving behind in the world: “Sanctify them in the truth; your word is truth. As you have sent me into the world, so I have sent them into the world. And for their sakes I sanctify myself, so that they may also be sanctified in truth” (John 17:17-19).

Truth was obviously very important to Jesus. One of his most famous statements about himself was this: “I am the way and the truth and the life” (John 14:6). But we know that following the truth that Jesus has shown us isn’t all that simple. Since the very beginning of the church Christians have fought over exactly what it means that Jesus is the “way, the truth, and the life.” The early Christians argued violently over exactly who Jesus was and exactly what he taught. The great creeds of the church were written to declare for all time what was truth about Jesus, but even those failed to bring unity to the church. The infighting only got worse, eventually culminating in the Great Schism in the year 1054 that produced two Christian churches at serious odds with each other—the Roman Catholic and Eastern Orthodox churches. And five hundred year later the Protestant Reformation produced a third Christian church, which has since splintered into hundreds of competing denominations, often squabbling over who has the “real truth.”

It seems pretty obvious that Christians will never agree on exactly how Jesus is the truth. But we do know, because Jesus said it, that he *is* the truth. Carroll Luther Hinderlie, one of the great preachers of the last century, was fond of preaching about a line from the Prayer of the Day for the Fifth Sunday of Easter: “O God, form the minds of your faithful people into a single will.” Pastor Hinderlie reminds us that a “single will” is not one opinion or one idea or one political agenda, or even agreement about God’s truth. A single will meant, he said, that we are all one in Jesus. From that place of oneness, we can live joyfully with the variety of churches and celebrate our separate and joint searches for living out the truth of Jesus Christ.

Our greatest fulfillment as human beings comes not through how much truth we find, or through what we achieve or acquire, but through what God enables us to do. Our greatest freedom comes not from doing as we please, but serving as God pleases. And, in the face of that powerful lie we may have heard as a child—that says you’re no good, you’ll never amount to anything—the truth of God will protect us. The most important truth is that we are all children of God, people of priceless worth who God gave his Son to die for. So do not measure yourself by the deceptions, alternative facts, and outright lies of the world. Measure your worth by the standard of the one who made you. If you want to know what truth is, if you want to know what you’re really worth, measure it against God’s truth. As a recent slogan famously put it: “God don’t make no junk!”

JUNE AND JULY WORSHIP

June 4	Pentecost Sunday/Confirmation	SS 9:00	church 10:15
June 11	Trinity Sunday/Graduate Sunday	SS 9:00	church 10:15
June 18	2 nd Pentecost/Father's Day	SS 9:00	church 10:15
June 25	3 rd Sunday after Pentecost	SS 9:00	church 10:15
July 2	4 th Sunday after Pentecost	SS 9:00	church 10:15
July 9	5 th Sunday after Pentecost	SS 9:00	church 10:15
July 16	6 th Sunday after Pentecost	SS 9:00	church 10:15
July 23	7 th Sunday after Pentecost	SS 9:00	church 10:15
July 30	8 th Sunday after Pentecost	SS 9:00	church 10:15

RELAY FOR LIFE 2017, JUNE 2ND AND 3RD AT KUTZTOWN UNIVERSITY

Relay for Life, sponsored by the American Cancer Society, is about celebrating survivorship, remembering those we've lost, and bringing awareness to our community. Held over a twenty-four hour period, the Relay for Life involves teams of 10-15 people, asked to raise \$100 each for the American Cancer Society, who take turns walking, running, strolling around the track. Relay for Life will begin on Friday, June 2nd at 3:00 P.M. Anyone interested in being a part of the team please see Sue Haas or Enos Bleiler for a registration packet. Zion's Union Church Maxatawny has been a part of Kutztown's Relay for Life since 1996.



ADOPT-A-HIGHWAY

Thank you to our Adopt -A-Highway volunteers that picked up trash along 222 on Saturday, April 29th. The participants were **Alex Warmkessel**, Patty Haas, Ben Haas, Richard Haas, Grace Haas, Diane Gehman, Jarrod Heffner, Harry Snyder, LaRee Fegely, Kevin Fegley, Jacob Fegely, and the O'Neils. We picked up 15 bags of trash and debris.



SUMMER MUSIC

Theresa is looking for soloists, groups, and instruments to help during the summer while the choir takes a break. Contact her if you can help out.



MUSIC SUNDAY THANK YOU

Thank you to Jewel Karaisz, Elizabeth Schell, Children's Choir, Hannah Krause, Maisy Kellum, Back Row, Men's Trio, Joe Karaisz, Connor O'Neil, The Freindschaft, Steven Gehringer, Sr. Choir, Ben Haas, and Ashley Beiler for the special music on Music Sunday, May 14th. Also, thank you to Theresa Grim for coordinating all the special music for that day.



RITE OF CONFIRMATION & HOLY COMMUNION



The Rite of Confirmation will take place on **June 4th** during the worship service. The sacrament of Holy Communion will also take place. Please join us to welcome and support the Confirmation Class of 2017.

INGATHERING

On the first Sunday of each month the Mission Outreach Committee will continue to collect items to fill backpacks with food staples for needy children and their families in the Kutztown, Brandywine, and Fleetwood School Districts. Please participate by dropping off non-perishable items from the list below in the container provided in the Gathering Area.



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| single serve size macaroni and cheese | peanut butter | canned pasta |
| single serve size applesauce | canned tuna | canned soup |
| fruit cups | granola bars | fruit snacks |

STRAWBERRY & ICE CREAM FESTIVAL

The annual Strawberry and Ice Cream Festival will be held **June 9th** from 6:00 to 9:00 P.M. Entertainment will be Paul and Mary Good. Setup will be Thursday, June 8th at 6:00 P.M. Help is needed Friday afternoon to clean strawberries and the night of the festival to serve food, bus tables, help in the kitchen, and clean up at 9:00 P.M. Donations of vegetable soup and baked goods will be greatly appreciated. There will be a Chinese Auction this year. If anyone has items they would like to donate or purchase for the Chinese Auction please let Traci Gehringer know right away. If you can help in any way, please contact Traci at 610-944-1818.



WHO ARE OUR GRADUATES?

Graduate Sunday will be held **June 11th** and we are compiling a list of our graduates for the year 2017, including December 2016 graduates. Please write down the name of your graduate, the school from which he or she is graduating or did graduate, their degree (if applicable), and their plans for the future (including name of college, trade school, any continuing education they may be planning, etc.). Place the information in the secretary's mail slot in the Gathering Area or call the church office with the above information **NO LATER THAN JUNE 4TH**. We do not want to miss anyone, so please help us out.



HIGHER EDUCATION FUND

As part of the Siegfried Bequest, a higher education fund has been established to offer 4% interest loans of up to \$1000.00 (based on the number of applicants and availability of funds) for a maximum of 4 years per student to those members of Zion's enrolled in a higher education program. A student loan application has been developed by the loan committee (Nancy Fulton and Grace Haas) and can be obtained from one of them or in the church office. Deadline is **June 15th**.



PRAYER SHAWL



Comforting wraps are still available to all who are in need. Please alert the church office or talk to Loretta Flicker or Karen Howard if you or someone you know would benefit from this ministry.

SCRABBLE

Scrabble will meet the third Monday of the month at 1:30 P.M. at the Lutheran Home in the social area near Sylvia's room. See Nancy Fulton if interested.

ZUMBA CLASSES

Zumba classes are Sunday evenings at 6:00 P.M. Wear clothes you can move in, sneakers, bring a towel, water, and lots of energy! The goal is to have fun and be more active.

WOMEN IN ZION

*A group of Christian women in service, mission, and study for the benefit of all.
Meetings are open to all women of the congregation.*

June 12 Picnic, games, bingo at 12 noon.
July 10 Meeting and Bible study at 1:30
P.M. Show gift boxes.



*For more information contact Linda Ballew-Johnson
(484-553-1981) or Loretta Flicker (610-683-3627).*

WIZ collects Campbell soup labels (they no longer accept only the front panel, but must have the UPC bars) to support Kutztown Elementary School. A box for your labels is located in the back of the church.

COLLEGE STUDENTS AND ACTIVE MILITARY – WIZ is planning an outreach to our college students and active service men/women starting in September. We are compiling a list now so we can get a sense of how many members of our congregation would be involved. If you have a family member attending college or in the military, please give their name to Peggy Morgan before the end of July. We will be asking for addresses once the new college year begins and will be providing more details as September approaches. We ask for your cooperation so no one is forgotten and to make this venture a success. Thank you.

YOUTH GROUP NEWS

Youth in grades 5 through high school are welcome to join.

Activity Schedule:

June 18 Father's Day handout
June 25 Family picnic beginning at 2:00
P.M. Rescheduled from June 4th.



Offering Schedule:

June 4 Dana Gehringer and Tyler Gilfert
June 11 Steven Gehringer and Lexi Webb
June 18 Mitchell Grim and Anthony Blanchard
June 25 Madison Held and Jewel Kariasz
July 2 Kaylen Leiby and Caleb Krause
July 9 Zachary Haas and Benjamin Haas
July 16 Adam Noll and Katelyn DeLong
July 23 Sydney Sheetz and Jacob Heffner
July 30 Dane Fegely and Ivan Fegely

SENIOR FELLOWSHIP GROUP

The Senior Fellowship Group will meet **June 26th and July 24th** at 12 noon. Persons attending should bring a bag lunch. Dessert and beverages will be provided. Games will provide entertainment for the afternoon. Guests are welcome.



CHURCH BOARD

March 28, 2017

- Baskets will be available for donations to help Christy Ryan with expenses.
- A wheelchair accessible pew will be added.
- Safe Kids Committee appointments has been changed to every year.
- Volunteers to attend Synod Assembly and the PSE Conference Meeting are needed.
- Bids for basement carpeting have been obtained.
- Zion's Behavioral Covenant was approved.
- Easter Banners were ordered and displayed.
- Handbells for the Bell Choir will be ordered.

April 25, 2017

- Building Loan Balance is \$76,000.
- With the anticipation of finishing the basement by summer, the Board will reactivate the transition team and is looking for interested persons. The time and talent sheets will be reviewed for those interested in serving on a committee.
- First aid kits have been updated and are located in the health room, rear Sunday School closet, and kitchen.

FROM THE MAILBOX

Thank you so much for the donation we received. It has been an overwhelming seven months. Communities like Zion's continue to give us support and hope during Christy's recovery.

Don Ryan and family



We would like to thank everyone for their concerns and prayers during Jeff's father's illness. Also, thanks for the sympathy cards we received during this time of grieving. Thanks to Pastor Jeff during this difficult time.

Jeff Schaeffer and family

MYSTERY MEMBER

I hope all of you recognized Loretta and Carl Flicker as our May couple. They are both very active in the life of Zion's Union and we are thankful for all they do.

Once again we feature a couple that are well known in the church. Hopefully, even if you know who he or she is, you will learn something new about him or her as I have with each person I write about for this article.

This couple is also relatively new to the over 70 group. He was born in Baltimore, Maryland, during World War II but moved to Maxatawny before he was a year old. He spent a happy childhood with 5 brothers and 2 sisters and many neighborhood friends. He hunted for pheasants, pigeons, squirrels, rabbits, and groundhogs with his brothers and "Mom cooked everything but the groundhogs." He went to a one-room schoolhouse until fifth grade. During the summers from 6th to 11th grade he worked on a farm where his starting salary was \$10 a week, working Monday morning to Saturday afternoon. He attended Kutztown Area High School for Business. As a senior he was voted most likely to succeed despite the fact that he hated shorthand. She was born in Maxatawny Township and has lived in the Kutztown area all her life. She started first grade in a one-room schoolhouse with no indoor plumbing and no electricity. Water has obtained from a nearby hotel. She continued in the Kutztown Area School District. While in high school she worked in her sister's beauty salon and also worked in the Press Office of the Kutztown Folk Festival.

Now comes the time when they became a couple. They were married in Zion's Church with a reception in the church social rooms. They had a one day honeymoon to Niagara Falls where he lost his hat over the falls. The trip home had a brief interruption when they were stopped for speeding in New York. They are the parents of two children and grandparents of five. When their children were in elementary school she baked buns, raised cakes, donuts, birthday cakes, and wedding cakes for neighbors, family, and friends.

They are both very involved in the church life of Zion's including Sunday School, Choir, Cemetery Board, WIZ, Senior Ministry, Eucharistic Team, plus many other areas. He enjoys deer hunting, gardening, sitting by the fireplace with family and friends, and trying to outsmart his grandchildren. They both have a great time on yearly family vacations with children and grandchildren. He is semi-retired from a financial services career. She, too, is semi-retired but fills in as a school secretary when needed. She enjoys offering rides to neighbors, friends, and church members to grocery stores, doctor's appointments, and family visits.

An interesting fact about him is that his father was UCC, his mother was Lutheran and he has been both and now is again due to the church's Federation. Another fun fact that you may not know about him is that he held a beautician's license for over 20 years.

Have you recognized this very busy couple?

GETTING TO KNOW OUR COMMITTEES

We will be highlighting a different committee each newsletter.

WOMEN IN ZION (WIZ) – Following the merger of the UCC and ELCA congregations at Zion’s Union Church Maxatawny in late 2015, the Women of the UCC and the Women of the ELCA committees combined, along with the Ladies Aid group, to become the Women in Zion (WIZ) committee. This committee is a community of Christian women united in service, mission, and Bible study for the benefit of all. The officers of this committee shall be 2 co-presidents, secretary, and a treasurer for a 2 year term with one reelection. At this time, the treasurers of all 3 previous groups have been retained until they combine the 3 treasuries. The committee will liaison with and seek approval from the Church Board for activities if necessary. This committee will participate in the life and work of Zion’s Union Church Maxatawny. Some of the specific duties include the following: schedule retreats every 18 months to 2 years at our church or other location for all women to enrich their bond with God and each other; schedule a speaker every year for the Thankoffering service and conduct the service; and coordinate a service project with the Thankoffering theme or where the committee identifies a special need.

DID YOU KNOW?

- Connor O’Neil has been helping with the Kutztown Optimist Club egg hunt since he was 2.
- Jillian Siefert plays softball for Kutztown High School.
- Derek Hanna is on the Kutztown High School Track and Field Team.
- Ivan Fegely is on the Kutztown High School Track and Field Team.
- Thomas Siefert plays tennis for Kutztown High School.
- Zachary Schell plays baseball for Kutztown High School.
- Zachary Haas and Benjamin Haas are members of the Fleetwood High School Future Business Leaders of America.
- Lila Berger attended the Animal Adaption assembly at St. John’s Daycare.
- Ashley Bleiler was Kutztown High School Prom Queen.
- Ivan Fegely and Madison Sheetz were on the Kutztown Prom Committee.
- Kaylen Leiby won a medal at the Kutztown National History Day.

UNWANTED FURNITURE

If you want to donate furniture to Opportunity House, please call Cindy at 610-374-4696, ext. 221 to schedule a pick up date.

HONOR ROLL

These names were taken from the lists published in the Patriot. If you would like a name included please email the church office or put a note in the secretary's mailbox in the Gathering Area of the church.

Ashley DeLong

Emma Heffner

Devon Hanna

Sydney Sheetz

Jacob Heffner

Jacob Walker

Alexandria Webb

Marisa Berger

Jewel Karaisz

Ashley Bleiler

Logan Boyer

Kaylen Leiby

Jarrett Mohn

Zachary Schell

Dane Fegely

Kelly Leiby

Maisy Kellum

Elizabeth Schell

Madison Sheetz

Derek Hanna

Nicholas Perella

Ivan Fegely

Jillian Siefert

Connor O'Neil

Gabriella Webb

Julia Perella

Carson Sheetz

BUILDING FINANCE COMMITTEE MAY 2017 UPDATE



We continue to get solid support for our mortgage reduction campaign. We have been able to lower the balance down to \$76,000. We appreciate the effort everyone is making to maintain their level of contributions.

Thank you everyone for your continued great support!

The Building Finance Committee:
Karen Howard, Ray Wilttrout, Sharon
Leiby, Evan Slotter, and Richard Haas

SYNOD NEWS

Northeastern Pennsylvania Synod, ELCA

Well Drilling in Honduras

A well drilling trip to Honduras was life changing to the team from Trinity, Wernersville, as it also was to the wonderful people of Tegualja, Honduras. Although the village was small, over 200 children came to the school where the team installed the well.

Before this well was drilled, the entire village's source of drinking water came from a polluted stream.

Because of the very steep banks, water had to be pumped up out of the stream.



The team saw Jesus at work many times that week. The group they worked with from Honduras did not have technology to find the best place to drill, so they used a simple but powerful form of prayer to decide on a drilling location; and Jesus provided.

The team formed many relationships with the children and teachers, and they left the village the on final day with many tears, hugs, and memories to last a life time. Trinity is truly thankful for the generous \$6,000 grant from the synod Witness and Service Ministry Team, funded from your Mission Support giving.

Alyra Parker - Muraho from Rwanda



"Over these past two months my faith has been tested more than ever," writes Alyra Parker (Hope, Reading) in her blog Muraho from Rwanda. Alyra (a former LYF Vice President) is a junior at Gettysburg College. She is in Kigali, Rwanda for a spring semester to study the Post Genocide Restoration and Peacebuilding program.

One of many experiences that have had an impact on Alyra was a visit to a burial site that is dedicated to children killed in the genocide.

"There were pictures of children with captions that included their favorite color, their favorite things to do." In addition, there was information about how each child was killed.

"With peace building and reconciliation, I've noticed the capacity for forgiveness from Rwandans. After the genocide, President Kagame (a Tutsi) decided he did not want to pursue revenge on the Hutu's for the genocide, but rather wanted to reconcile and work together to redeem and rebuild Rwanda.

"This concept has been hard to grasp coming from the US. We focus so much on reparations, that a concept like the one President Kagame has pursued would never be worked out in the US. Learning about this has helped me to reflect on the capacity of forgiveness in my own life and in the lives of others."

Follow Alyra's blog to learn more about her experiences: <https://muraohfromrwanda.wordpress.com>.

MEMBER UPDATES

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Durkin, Stevie

109 S. Springview Dr., Enterprise, AL 36330-5059

Loss:

Hensinger, Elmer F. "Buddy"

Always Being Made New Campaign for the ELCA

We've all heard it said, "You will never know unless you try." So, back in 2013, the Churchwide Assembly overwhelmingly decided to "try" launching a five-year comprehensive campaign with four key priorities:

1. Congregations - new and renewing, and people living with disabilities
2. Hunger and poverty - ELCA World Hunger and the ELCA Malaria Campaign
3. Global Church - long-term missionaries, Young Adults in Global Mission, Global Ministries and International Women Leaders
4. Leadership - Fund for Leaders, along with Youth and Young Adults

The Campaign has run for 36 months now, and the leaders are very pleased with the progress made to date. As of Jan. 31, 2017 \$113 million dollars in cash and commitments has been received (57.3 percent of the goal).

The ELCA is very grateful for the offerings that have come forward as a



result of "trying" this new thing. Just imagine what more can be done as we continue to grow in supporting the people, communities and projects that are a priority for us.

To donate, visit www.elca.org and click on the "Campaign for the ELCA" button.

Center for Spiritual Awakening at Christ, Allentown



In February, 2015, on the drive back to Allentown from a two-day conference about people who identify as "spiritual but not religious," Pastors Tom Lichner and Woody Maxon birthed the vision of a place that would offer safe space, resources, and programming for folks to search their spiritual identity, regardless of their connection to any particular faith community.

This was the beginning of what is now called the Center for Spiritual Awakening, which has found a home in Christ Lutheran's newly renovated, at-one-time parsonage, next to the church building.

- Vision - To awaken and reawaken the awareness of people to the spirit of God in and around them everyday.
- Mission - To provide supportive programs, resources, and safe space for people to search their spiritual identity and relationship with God in order to live to their truest and fullest potential.

The Center recognizes that some people are closely aligned with a traditional faith group; but others are not and seek to satisfy their spiritual hunger through new and different ways of exploration. The Center realizes that spirituality is a way of life and not just a set of creeds and doctrines to adhere to.

To this end the Center offers one-on-one and group spiritual guidance, guided prayer retreats, discussion groups, contemplative worship, and various kinds of programs at the Center and other Lehigh Valley locations. The Center's diverse array of offerings and resources can be viewed on its webpage at the Christ Lutheran Church website: www.christ-atown.org.

The Center's Director is the Rev. Dr. Tom Lichner. Tom was a clinical member of the American Association of Pastoral Counselors for ten years and he has been certified by two institutions and been practicing as a Spiritual Director since 1989.

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KUTZTOWN KITCHEN

The third Sunday of the month from 4:00 to 6:00 P.M. a Community Meal is held at Trinity Lutheran Church, 357 W. Main St., Kutztown. There is no cost. All are invited. Parking is in the rear of the church on Sacony Alley.

CARD SHOWERS

We are listing those couples married 50 years or more and those people 70 years or older. If we are missing anyone, please call the church office.

June 6	Elaine Berger
June 7	Mary Kutz
June 8	Ron & Nancy Fulton (54 wed)
June 8	Shirley Derr
June 12	Betty Faust
June 15	Jean Kemp
June 15	Eva Christman
June 15	Guerin & Eleanor Nester (54 wed)
June 19	Carol Bennecoff
June 23	Rev. Willis & Sylvia Heckler (55 wed)
June 24	Richard Derr
June 24	George & Sandra Leiby (50 wed)
June 25	John & Betty Mertz (62 wed)
July 2	Richard Warmkessel
July 6	Nancy Fulton
July 10	Sandy Leiby
July 12	Dianne Angstadt
July 13	Carolyn Wilttrout
July 14	Gloria Haas
July 15	Arlan & Elaine Berger (50 wed)
July 18	William Howard
July 19	Janet Geiger
July 21	Beatrice Bennecoff
July 21	Clair Seidel
July 22	William & Marilyn Bird (56 wed)



FROM THE RECORD BOOK

FUNERAL: *Elmer F. "Buddy" Hensinger*, 88, of Macungie, died April 15, 2017. Memorial services were April 28, 2017 in Ludwick Funeral Home, Kutztown by Rev. Jeffrey J. Butz, S.T.M. Inurnment private.

OUR SYMPATHIES TO....

... the family of Elmer Hensinger.
... the family of Ralph Krick.
... the family of Mabel Weller.

... the family of Lee Moyer.
... the family of Marion Tyson.



MISSION STATEMENT

Energized by the Spirit! Humbled by Christ's Grace! Working for God's glory!

UPCOMING HOLY COMMUNIONS

You are invited by Jesus Christ to this awesome feast of the Children of God.

June 4

Altar Holy Communion

July 2

Pew Holy Communion



JULY/AUGUST NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

The next issue of the newsletter will come out the beginning of July. Please note that this is a **combined July/August** newsletter. If you have any information to be included in the July/August newsletter, please have it in the church office by **June 15th**.