

JACOB'S LADDER

Volume XXXVIII Issue Eleven

November 2022

*PURPOSE: To keep the members and friends of Jacob's Church informed of the ministries and happenings at our church and in the surrounding community to be **The Church on a Hill, Shining Forth for Jesus Christ***

Jacob's Church, 8373 Kings Highway, New Tripoli, PA 18066
Office Phone: 610.756.6352 Website: jacobschurch.org

Interim & Youth Pastor

Rev. Tad M. Schlegel 717.644.1153 (cell)
8399 Kings Highway tad836@yahoo.com
Kempton, PA 19529

Minister of Music: Rev. Susan Ohl – 610.562.7953

Financial Secretary: Bonnie Belknap - 610.756.3196

Praise Team Leader: Andrea Hermany - 484.225.2955 (cell)

Sextons: John & Lorrie Rauch - 484.226.6207 (cell)

Treasurer: David R. Follweiler - 610.298.2331

Activity Center Director: Faye M. Foulk – 610.751.5742 (cell)
& *Administrative Assistant* – novaps@aol.com

THE PASTOR EPISTLE

“We Are Truly Blessed!”

“For it is by grace you have been saved, through faith—and this is not from yourselves, it is the gift of God—not by works, so that no one can boast.” – Ephesians 2:8-9

It's hard to believe it is already Thanksgiving. A time where we look back over this past year and remember all the blessings our Lord has shown to us. But what does it mean to be blessed by God?

A blessing from God is a gift of His grace, the touch of His hand upon your life, the breath of His presence in such a way that you are enriched, strengthened, helped, and enabled.

The way that G.W. Knight once put it was, “When a person works an eight-hour day and receives a fair day's pay for his time, that is a wage. When a person competes with an opponent and receives a trophy for his performance, that is a prize. When a person receives appropriate recognition for his long service or high achievements, that is an award. But when a person is not capable of earning a wage, can win no prize, and deserves no award—yet receives such a gift anyway—that is a good picture of God's unmerited favor. This is what we mean when we talk about the grace of God.”

God has not only shown his unmerited favor to me and my family, but I believe he has shown it to each and every one of us.

Whether that's through God's gift of salvation. God's gift of answered prayer. God's gift of strength and patience in our messes, trials, and difficulties. God's gift of living another day, having food to eat, being able to watch your children and grandchildren grow, having a place to lay your head at night, and our list could go on and on and on. Because our God's grace, our God's unmerited favor, truly is enough.

So, as we sit down to eat our Thanksgiving meals this year. Whether we can be with our families or not this holiday season. Let us remember why each of us are truly blessed. It is because God's unmerited favor, His grace, has been shown to each and every one of us.

JACOB'S CHURCH BOARD MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

Attendance: Interim Pastor Schlegel

Elders: Ron Belknap, Mike Follweiler, Mike Madtes

Deacons: Kevin Dellicker, Jared Hermany, Solomon Johri, Kaitey Sacks, Ed Sawyer

Treasurer: Dave Follweiler

Visitors: Faye Foulk, Tina Bailey, Diane Wertman, Jane Wessner

1. Pastor Schlegel opened in prayer.
2. Visitors – Jane Wessner requested permission to make a short presentation during service regarding voter registration and encouraging members to vote in the upcoming election, as well as set up a small table in the back parlor with additional information for the congregation. Motion to permit was made by Ed, seconded by Mike; motion carried.
3. Property Report – Jared reports that Mike F has replaced the windows in the church basement; caulking and painting will be completed soon. Painting in the Preschool area has been completed and new heater covers installed. Jared is currently working on stucco repairs for Tad's house, as well as new windows for the unused half and a new roof. Flashing and a few slates need to be replaced on the church roof. Looking into information on refinishing the Activity Center floor.
4. Youth Group – No updates for Youth Group. Sidewalk Sunday School is currently on hold by request of the parents due to school starting. Young Adults Bible Study met for the month of August and has started a new series on Christian marriage.
5. Website/Social Media/Podcast – Tad reports that updates have been made to the streaming equipment. Dave Zoghby is looking into a new CD player for the sound box. Jen M was given control of the website calendar and has completed updates.
6. Music Director Committee – Mike M reports no updates. The committee will continue to advertise the position. It has been requested that the choir sits up front during service to help lead congregation in praise and worship.
7. Oyster Supper will be held November 5th, 2022 from 3pm to 7pm, with a combination of reserved seating and take-out options.
8. Life Screening will be held on September 16th 2022 from 8am to 5pm.
9. EA Convocation will be held September 16th to the 18th in Hagerstown, MD.
10. Franklin Graham will be at the Allentown Fairground September 24th.
11. Tad will be away on vacation September 24th, 25th, and October 3rd, 4th, 5th and 6th. Kevin will be leading the sermon and prayer on September 25th.
12. Treasurer's Report – August 2022 Meeting Balance \$37,336.08

Income	\$31,258.15
Expenses	\$32,667.38
September 2022 Meeting Balance	\$35,926.85

A motion was made to accept Treasurer's Report as read, by Solomon and seconded by Ed; motion carried.
13. Meeting Minutes – A motion was made to accept August's meeting minutes as read, by Ed and seconded by Solomon; motion carried.
14. Next Elders Meeting will be held on September 19th, 2022.
15. Next Board Meeting will be held on October 3rd, 2022.
16. 2023 Budget Meeting will be held on October 30th, 2022.
17. Pastor Schlegel closed in Prayer.
18. A motion was made to adjourn the meeting by Jared and seconded by Mike F; motion carried.

Recorded and Submitted by Kaitey Sacks

Next Jacob's Church Board Meeting is scheduled for 7:30PM, Monday, November 7, 2022
Next Jacob's Church Elders Meeting is scheduled for 7:00PM, Monday, November 14, 2022

At our December 5, 2021 Annual Congregational Meeting, we voted to contribute \$3,956.00 per week in order to meet our 2022 budget. The following tithes and offerings were collected in September 2022:

September 4	\$4,438.00
September 11	\$3,378.00
September 18	\$2,839.00
September 25	\$4,983.00

Budgeted Tithes and Offerings for January-September	\$154,284.00
Actual Tithes and Offerings for January-September	\$149,910.81
Deficit for September 2022	\$ 4,373.19

UPCOMING END OF YEAR EVENTS

2023 Budget meeting – Sunday, October 30, 2022

Committee Reports due for Annual Congregational Meeting – Sunday, November 6, 2022

Annual Congregational Meeting – Sunday, December 4, 2022

ALL CHURCH COMMITTEES – In order to prepare for our Annual Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, December 4, 2022** all Committee Reports are due to the Administrative Assistant, Faye Foulk on or before **Sunday, November 6, 2022**. The following committees and ministries need to submit their reports Activity Center Director, Altar Committee, Archives Committee, Choir Director, Christian Education Committee (VBS and Children’s Church), Freedom in Christ Ministry, Jacob’s Church Little Lambs Preschool, Kitchen Committee, Men’s Prayer Breakfast, Mid-Week Bible Study, Missions Committee, Property Committee, Scholarship Committee, Sisters of Esther, Special Events Committee, Stephen Ministry, Women of the Church, and Youth Group. Please submit to novaps@aol.com. Thank you



Jacob's Church Commitments for November.... THANK YOU FOR SERVING!

Greeters/Ushers for November

November 6 Neil and Mary Ann Oswald
Loretta Peters and Michael Sacks

November 13 Robert and Janine Oplinger
Michael and Vikki Stoss

November 20 Jacob's Church Confirmation Class

November 27 Jacob's Church Board

Greeters should be at church by 9:45am

Puppet Ministry
Sunday, November 6, 2022
 Kayla Fusselman and Rose Moyer
Sunday, November 20, 2022
 Rose Moyer and Joan Oswald



Cost of Flowers for Sunday Service:

(2) Altar vases \$25.00
 (1) Floral stand \$15.00
 Bud vase \$5.00
 Bulletins \$5.00
 Contact Pam Zoghby to
 order flowers 610-298-3002

Scripture Readers for November

November 6 Jim Moyer

November 13 TBA

November 20 TBA

November 27 TBA

November Acolyte
Leroy Hahn



Flowers for November

November 6 Jacob's Church Altar Committee

November 13 In memory of husband, Tom by Donna Leiser

November 20 Jacob's Church Altar Committee

November 27 Jacob's Church Altar Committee

MEMBERSHIP NEWS



Congratulations and Best Wishes to the following couples celebrating their Wedding Anniversaries in November:

- | | |
|---|------------------------------------|
| <i>Jonathan and Jodi Beck</i> | <i>Bradley and Heather Klitsch</i> |
| <i>Edward Jr. and Denise Gawelko</i> | <i>Taylor and Chris Rauch</i> |
| <i>Terrance and Barbara Hermany</i> | <i>Dennis and Leann Shoemaker</i> |
| <i>Timothy Sr. and Mary Van Blargan</i> | |

Celebrating with...

You make known to me the path of life; in your presence there is fullness of joy; at your right hand are pleasures forevermore. Psalm 16:11

Birth

“That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit” John 3:6

CONGRATULATIONS to Chad and Rachel (Bennicoff) Reppert! Their bundle of joy, Willow Grace Reppert, was born on Saturday, October 8, 2022. Willow weighed six pounds-eleven ounces, and eighteen inches long at birth. The proud maternal and paternal grandparents are Martin and Glenda Bennicoff, and Richard and Karen Reppert. Congratulations and many blessings from your Jacob’s Church Family!



Infant Baptisms

Start children off on the way they should go, and even when they are old, they will not turn from it. Proverbs 22:6

Norah Grace Sacks, who was born on Thursday, April 7, 2022 in Allentown, PA, was baptized at Jacob's Church on Sunday, October 2, 2022 with Interim Pastor, Rev. Tad M. Schlegel officiating the sacrament. Norah is the daughter of Ray and Kaitlin (Feinour) Sacks and the sibling of Sophia Hope Sacks. Kaitlin is the daughter of Stephanie (Ehrets) Feinour and the late Scott Feinour. Ray is the son of Michael and Leann (Deily) Sacks, members of our Jacob's Church family. We praise God for our wonderful children and their potential to serve Jesus and His Church.



Mourning the Loss Of...

He will wipe every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or mourning or crying or pain, for the old order of things has passed away, Revelation 21:4

Our Deepest Heartfelt Sympathy

May the Lord Bless and comfort the family Carson F. Baer, who went home to be with our Lord and Savior on Monday, October 10, 2022 at the age of 75-11-3. Born in Germansville, November 7, 1946, Carson was the son of the late Franklin G. and Mabel I. (Snyder) Bear. Carson is survived by his loving wife, Judith A. (Schappell) Baer, his children, Todd, Amy, Kerry, sister, Carol (Baer) Snyder, sister-in-law and brother-in-law, Ron and Cindy (Schappell) Loch and extended family members. Carson was a member of Union United Church of Christ, Neffs, but attended regularly at Jacobs, and cherished his times with his Jacob's Church Family. Please keep Judy and the Baer family in your prayers at this difficult time. Deepest Heartfelt Sympathy from your Jacob's Church Family.



VETERANS DAY – FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 2022

On Veterans Day we honor all, who answered God's call to serve. Defending the freedom and safety of all. On land or on sea, or in jets high above. They went out of duty and honor and love. We are proud of all the soldiers who, kept thinking of the red, white and blue. Thank them on Veterans Day for we owe them far more than we ever could say. God Bless You, Veterans

Thanksgiving Prayer

Gracious and generous God,
We come before you today
With grateful hearts.

In the beauty and bounty of creation
We see the work of your hand;
In the loving faces around us
We know your own love for us.

Grant us your spirit and make us content,
So, others may know your plenty in your kindness,
and see your care and concern in our witness.

Let us live true lives of gratitude,
As we pray in thanks to you, our God
Who lives forever and ever. Amen.



MINISTER OF MUSIC: We are happy to welcome our new Minister of Music, Rev. Susan Ohl with a time of fellowship following the morning worship service, Sunday, November 6, 2022. Please join us in the parlor area to welcome Susan into our Jacob's Church Family.

Oh come, let us sing to the **LORD**;
Let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
For the **LORD** is a Great God, and a great King above all
gods. Psalm 95:1-3



WHAT'S HAPPENING AT JACOB'S CHURCH

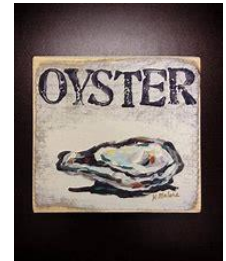
STEPHEN MINISTRY – Christ caring for people through people

Everyone faces periods of difficulty. During these times, someone who will listen, empathize, pray and encourage them with Christ's love and care can be a tremendous benefit. Stephen Ministers Meeting on **Thursday, November 17th**



COVENANT SIGNING – Continues through the month of **November**, members of Jacob's Church have the opportunity to renew their faith and commitment to Jesus Christ by a **voluntary** signing of the Church Covenant. During this time, we are reminded once again of the vow we made to God and his Church the day we proclaimed Jesus Christ as our personal Lord and Savior. We praise God for His Church and the opportunity we have to serve.

OYSTER SUPPER – **Saturday, November 5, 2022**; serving **3:00PM to 7:00PM** in the Activity Center. Lots of help is needed to make this event successful. Please consider helping **Friday, November 4th** and/or **Saturday, November 5th**. Please reach out to Ron Smith at 610-298-3405.



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME ENDS – Remember to turn your clocks back on **Sunday, November 6, 2022** otherwise you will be at Church School and Family Worship an hour too early!

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER is observed on **Sunday, November 6, 2022!** Every year, Churches come together on IDOP Sunday to lift up the persecuted Church. Please take the time to prayer for our brothers and sisters who follow Jesus where faith costs the most.



CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS - Please consider purchasing a red poinsettia plant to decorate our sanctuary for the Christmas Eve service. Plants can be picked up after the service. 6 1/2" plants are \$10. Deadline to order is **November 13th**. Please use the sign-up sheet in the church parlor, fill out the order envelope and put it in the decorated box on the table. Contact Pam Zoghby with any questions 610-298-3002. Thank you

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY – November 6, 2022 - During the worship service, Jacob’s Church remembers the members who entered into eternal rest since October of last year:

Donna Louise (Klingaman) Farber (1949-2021)
Sandra Jane (Potzman) Acker (1959-2021)
Allen H. Newhard Jr. (1944-2022)
Linda Jane (Wessner) Lutz (1941-2022)
Ethel Jean (Fetherolf) Yezik (1930-2022)
Carson F. Baer (1946-2022)



CHRISTMAS CHILD SHOEBOX MINISTRY please pick up a shoebox in the Church Sanctuary, fill it up with fun stuff and bring it back to the church by **Sunday, November 13, 2022**. If you prefer, you may place a monetary gift in the offering plate in an envelope marked OCC. Thank you for your generous participation!

2022 TWIN PINES ANNUAL ADULT RETREAT –
Friday, November 11 – Sunday, November 13, 2022 -
\$80 per person - Learn how to live every moment in the wonder of worship. Teaching material based on Dr. David Jeremiah’s book, MY HEART’S DESIRE.



THANKSGIVING EVE ANNUAL SERVICE – will be held on **Wednesday, November 23rd** at **7:00PM**. Plan on attending this Service of expressing our thanks to our Heavenly Father, who has provided us with such abundance in our lives.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING! Thursday, November 24, 2022

“For everything God created is good,
and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving,
because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer”.

I Timothy 4:4-5



ADVENT SEASON is a somber time of personal reflection, hope and longing, and joyful expectation for the coming of Jesus. Please join us each Sunday in Advent as we light the candles of **HOPE, PEACE, JOY, LOVE, and the CHRIST CANDLE** on Christmas Eve.

JACOB'S CHURCH ALTAR COMMITTEE will decorate for Advent on **Friday, November 25, 2022.**



ADVENT COMMUNION will be celebrated on **Sunday, November 27, 2022** during the **10:15am** worship service. Communion will be served in the pew that morning. Circle this date on your calendar for this special service!

CARDS OF ENCOURAGEMENT MINISTRY – Jacob's Church continues to reach out to our members and extended families with "Thinking of you" cards. The cards to be sent out are located in the parlor area, please take the time to sign each card before or after worship. Our mission is to remember each other as we go through life's journey. Please contact Diane Wertman at 484.330.1033, for additional information or to offer a name in need.

SISTERS OF ESTHER BIBLE STUDY meet **Tuesday** mornings in the Activity Center **9:30AM-11:30AM**. For additional information, please contact Louise Hill at 610.573.1977.

FREEDOM IN CHRIST MINISTRY meet **Tuesday evenings** at **7:00 pm** in the Activity Center meeting room. For the month of November, we will be viewing a 4 session DVD series based on Eric Metaxis compilation of the writings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer. The sessions are:

- What Is the Church?
- Living in Christian Community
- Religionless Christianity
- Come and Die

Freedom in Christ Ministries was started by Dr. Neil T. Anderson. The mission of Freedom In Christ Ministries is **to equip the Church to transform the nations**. We do this by equipping the Church with a highly effective approach to making fruitful disciples who make a real difference.

What Adam and Eve lost in the fall was life, spiritual life. What Jesus came to give us was life. The most important issue in discipleship counseling is to reconnect people with Christ who is their life. This would necessitate resolving any issues that are critical between ourselves and God. That is the basis for The Steps to Freedom in Christ."

Our small group started in 2018 by starting with the foundational books of Victory Over the Darkness and the Bondage Breakers and grew in numbers attracting both members of our church and members of other churches. Permission was given by the Church Leadership for Christine Morehouse and myself to receive training to become leaders of a Community Freedom Ministry at Jacob's Church scheduled for Spring 2020. Covid hit that year and our training was received via zoom. Then a devastating fire consumed Christine Morehouse's home in December. Our group struggled as well as the church to stay on course. We were able to present various materials from this ministry to the Adult Discussion group and the children's version to Children's Church. We also explored other material such as The Chosen video series

by Dallas Jenkins. I have also offered to present this training to members desiring to join the church.

Currently because of the chaos resulting from an election that has given government leaders the power to persecute those who have a conservative Christian perspective, we need to know how to respond and not let the powers of darkness overcome us. We need to look at what is happening to the church, our nation, and the world from a biblical perspective and how we can be equipped as disciples of Christ to reach the lost and offer hope to those who are in Christ. Please realize that God put you here on this earth for such a time as this.

Eric Metaxas gives a strong voice to the teachings of Dietrich Bonhoeffer who challenged the Germany Church to wake from their slumber and to understand that “faith without works is dead” James 2:14-26. Eric Metaxas recent book Letter to the Church is a wake-up call and a must read for Christian leaders. This video series from 2014 is comparing then already the need for the church to waken from their slumber; pointing out the similarities of the church today to the churches in Germany during the reign of Hitler. Diane Wertman can be contacted at 484-330-1033 for more information.

MEN’S PRAYER BREAKFAST meet **Wednesday mornings at 7:00AM** in the Activity Center meeting room! For additional information, please contact Ralph Hill at 610.767.1286.

MID-WEEK BIBLE STUDY AND PLANNING WORSHIP - COLLABORATIVE DISCIPLESHIP - Please join us for a unique 10-part Bible Study and Planning Workshop open to all members of Jacob’s Church. Sessions will be led by Deacon Kevin Dellicker at Jacob’s Activity Center on Wednesday evenings from **7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.** starting on **November 16, 2022**. We hope to see you there!

- **Week One:** Introduction- Nov 16, 2022
- **Week Two:** Discipleship- Nov 30, 2022
- **Week Three:** The Church- Dec 7, 2022
- **Week Four:** Go! Dec 14, 2022
- **Week Five:** Teach! Dec 21, 2022
- **Week Six:** Praise! Jan 4, 2023
- **Week Seven:** Missions- Jan 11, 2023
- **Week Eight:** Christian Education- Jan 18, 2023
- **Week Nine:** Worship- Jan 25, 2023
- **Week Ten:** Wrap Up and Next Steps- Feb 1, 2023

CHOIR REHEARSAL is held on **Thursday evenings at 7:30PM**. All voices are welcome! Any additional information, please contact Rev. Susan Ohl at 610.562.7953.



LADIES NIGHT OUT will meet on **Monday, November 14, 2022 at 7:00PM**. The last 2022 gathering. We will have a holiday party and prepare Christmas bags for the Shut-ins. If attending, please sign-up on the sheet posted in the parlor area. See you in 2023! For additional information, please contact Kayla Fusselman at 610.844.1567.



THANKSGIVING POTLUCK DINNER

Rev. Schlegel, Lauren and Michael
would like you to join them for
Thanksgiving Dinner in the
Activity Center at **1:00PM** on
Thursday, November 24, 2022.

Please bring your favorite thanksgiving
dish and join us as we
celebrate our many blessings.

If you plan to attend, please sign-up
on the sheet posted on the bulletin board
in the church parlor.

Nowhere to go, please join us your
Jacob's Church Family.

God Bless You, Pastor Schlegel





2022 CHRISTMAS CARD EXCHANGE

Beginning Sunday, November 27, 2022 and ending Sunday, December 18, 2022.

Jacob's Church will again have a Christmas Card Exchange. Mailboxes will be set up in the Church West Vestibule. This is an excellent way of saving postage for the cards you would send to your friends, neighbors and relatives in the Jacob's Church Family.

Please take note to the following:

1. When addressing your envelopes, please also put **your name on the top left**-hand side of the envelope. This will be one way we can be sure that all the cards will be delivered in time for Christmas.
2. **Please put all your envelopes in alphabetical order by last name.** This will make it easier to sort the envelopes faster.
3. Also, when leaving Worship Service, please stop and **check the table in the Church Parlor Area (see note below)** for any cards that were not delivered earlier.

After the cards are sorted, they will be distributed to the congregation before Church starts at 10:15 am. If the cards are not all distributed before church starts, please take **note:** After the Worship Service---check the table in the Church Parlor Area for any cards that are addressed to you.

**Thank You So Much for Your Help in Making
The Christmas Card Exchange So Successful!**



JACOB'S CHURCH YOUTH GROUP

SIDEWALK SUNDAY SCHOOL will take a break as the weather gets colder. See you in Spring!



Young Adults Group

This group will meet on the second and fourth Tuesday of each month beginning at **6:30PM**. If you are interested in joining us, or want more information, please contact Rev. Tad M. Schlegel at 717-644-1153. For those of you with children, child care will be provided.

If you have any questions, please contact

**Interim Pastor and Youth Pastor,
Rev. Tad M. Schlegel-717.644.1153
or tad836@yahoo.com**



*** SIDEWALK *
SUNDAY * SCHOOL**

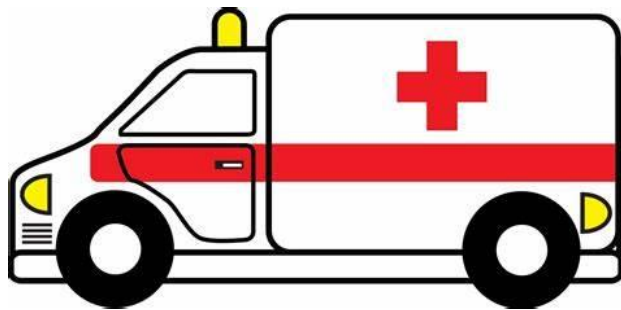
JACOB'S CHURCH

LITTLE LAMBS PRESCHOOL 2022-2023



Thank you to Lynnport Fire Company and Cetronia Ambulance for coming to teach us about Fire Safety and Emergencies! October has been a fun month in preschool with lots of Fall activities and "Falling in Love with Jesus"!! Please keep our ministry in your prayers.

2022-23 Little Lamb Important Dates
Tuesday, November 22nd – no school
Wednesday, November 23rd – no school
Thursday, November 24th – no school



LOOK WHO IS IN THE NEWS!



Katherine George d/o
Ralph and Louise Hill.



Damien Hahn s/o
Tarissa VanBlargan

Kutztown Student Earns
Dean's List Honor,
Mya Brooke Conti,
daughter of Justin and Mandy Conti!
Congratulations, Mya!



Congratulations Eli Johri



Eli Johri

Northwestern Lehigh High School drama students perform songs for the crowd at the bingo fundraiser.



PRESS PHOTO BY NANCY SCHOLZ

Senior Brinley Rex helped get Northwestern in position to score goals during a 4-1 win over Bangor last week in the Colonial League quarterfinals.



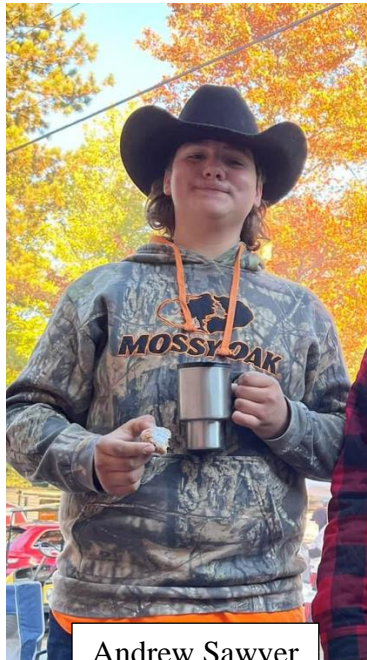
Eli Dellicker handing the
crown to Eli Johri!
Homecoming night!



Kaitlin, Norah, Ray,
& Sophia Sacks



Church Board President,
Ron Belknap



Andrew Sawyer



Ginger, Eli, Solomon Johri



Brad & Hailey Eroh



Greyson Foulk s/o Andrew & Katie Foulk



Aria, Shepherd, Nola c/o
Jared & Andrea Hermany



Samuel Sacks, Michael Schlegel & Jeffrey Kistler

THANK YOU!

*Praise the Lord! Oh, give thanks to the Lord, for He is good!
For His mercy endures forever. Psalm 106:1*

Dear Jacob's Church,
Thank you very much for awarding me the
Jacob's Church scholarship this year.
It is a great blessing and helps me
so much at Penn State.
Sincerely, Eli Dellicker



Jacob's Church Family,
Thank you to everyone for all your
prayers and concerns in these
difficult times. Carson was not a
member of Jacob's, however, he
certainly was treated as one.
The Jacob's Church Family will
always be remembered by me.
God Bless All Of You.
A special thank you to Pastor Tad.
Your Sister in Christ, Judy Baer

Dear Jacob's Church Scholarship Committee,
I want to express my sincere gratitude for providing me, yet again,
with assistance in the opportunity to pursue a college education.
It means so much to me that you the scholarship committee and the
Church is investing in me and my journey to attain a post-secondary degree.
I am very grateful for your help and consideration and hope that I can do good
for the church community to pay back what you have done for me.
Once again thank you, and I appreciate the financial support.
Respectfully, Jake Dellicker



HARVEST HOME – From our annual Harvest
Home Sunday, Jacob's Church donated 106 pounds
of food to Northwestern Lehigh Food Bank at
Lowhill Church. The staff at the Lowhill Church
Food Bank sends a big thank you.
Your generosity is much appreciated!
A big thank you too all!

Jacob's Church,
THANK YOU for joining us for our annual
fundraising banquet! It means so much to see
our church pastors and leaders come alongside
us to offer hope to families! We appreciate you
and we praise the Lord for you!
Life Choices

Dear Jacob's Church Family,
Lauren, Michael, and I would like to thank Jacob's Church
for the generous gift. As I said before, it is an honor to
serve as your Interim Pastor, and I want to thank you for
blessing me with this opportunity to serve each and every
one of you. May Jacob's Church continue to experience
spiritual growth for years to come.

Blessings, The Schlegel Family



PASTOR APPRECIATION



*A pastor devoted to giving so much,
God only knows all the souls that you touch.
committed to serve when you
answered God's call,
you prove it by being a servant to all.
Matthew 25:21*



Pastor
Thank You
For being true to the
WORD
(II Timothy 4:2)
For reflecting
JESUS
(Matthew 5:16)
And for being a
BLESSING
(Genesis 12:2)



MISSIONS!

Adopt -a-Project Upcoming Projects in Panama

- 1) Need a new or used jogging stroller to help transport a 14-year-old invalid(Justin) in the mountains. About \$200.00 new. Plus, shipping to Panama (\$115.00)
- 2) Rainwater Recovery system for the home of the caregiver of the invalid (Justin) \$500.00
- 3) 20 more plastic chairs for the house churches. \$220.00
- 4) Help with a cataract surgery of a woman who is blind in the other eye. She is raising some money for herself. (\$1000.00 max)
- 5) A group called “Mom to Mom needs help repairing their humble classroom. It needs corrugated steel walls and a door. This group teaches moms to be a good parent and gives lessons on good nutrition. Currently ministering to 45 kids and 39 moms. Est \$800.00
- 6) Two small solar panel kits to power up 2 small homes so the kids have light to do their homework. \$245.00 each
- 7) One-two cases of bibles @ 85.00 per case of 24 bibles.
- 8) Large water filter for the Hato Chami School. \$150.00

Contact Bob Moyer at 610-483-1338 USA or 507-6768-4937 Panama
Email: Serving_Him@Rocketmail.com



**WE NEED
YOUR HELP**



Panama 2022 in the rear-view mirror.

Where did the year go? Here we are nearing the end of another good year of ministry in Panama. The number of church services per month has jumped from 4 to 9 or 10 services per month, in 5 different churches, depending on how the weekends fall out. That is a lot more that I had planned on, but God, in His plan for me made it all possible. On top of that, I have 4 nights a month of Bible Study at the big church.

We have had a series of sad situations where 3 different moms have passed away, after the dads had left the family before they died. That left 8 children, including 1 invalid, without a family to care for them. Not to fear, God has raised up 4 different families to raise the orphans. It also means that I have some more “grandchildren”, Ha-ha!

Recently I helped a man get cataract surgery because it was so bad that he couldn't identify his wife standing 10 feet away. What a big change for him.

Another man, who is disabled, that I have been helping for 11 years, has finally gotten his first income in 22 years. It was work, but we kept bugging the government agency till we had success. He feels like a rich man.

My friend, Carlos has finished his college education and is now an English teacher. He came out of extreme poverty to have a college education to enable him to comfortably take care of his family. It is so good to see his progress, as I have been helping and mentoring him and his siblings for 9 years. One day I hope to bring him along with me to the States.

Eyebel, the 10-year-old that accidentally drank Clorox when she was about 5 years old, still is waiting for her surgery on her esophagus. The doctor at the Children's Hospital in Panama City keeps canceling the operation. It is so frustrating. I WILL get her the surgery one way or another.

Protests and heavy rains, that have washed out some roads, have slowed some of the work, but all in due time. I can't let it bother me. The house that I am building is almost under roof, then the rains won't delay us anymore.

All in all, it was a very good year, and we will hit 2023 running. Starting off with a 12-hour, overnight church service on January 7th. There will be various pastors preaching, musicians playing all night to people singing and praising up a storm.

Many thanks to all the supporters of the ministry, as your generous donations have allowed me to grow the ministry and have everything I need to do so. God bless you all. Joyfully Serving Him, Bob Moyer

Hi my dear friends in America. Sorry for the late update of the student activities. Because in Sichuan, our COVID-19 situation was up and down for a long while. I did not travel to Xichang city to meet the students either in September or October, because some of them are at home doing online study, some are at school. Plus, about one week ago, we were told to do the restriction in both Luzhou and Xichang. We were also told to do the nucleate every day. It's not a good time to travel.

But in July, I got a chance to travel to Chengdu and met one college graduate student (Jiaxiang). We had dinner together. He graduated in June and now working in Chengdu as an IT worker in a good company. So far he enjoys his life in Chengdu a lot. Besides Jiaxiang, I also got to meet her sister and one other old friend (Ningning). We four had a Northern styled food in Chengdu. We all celebrated Jiaxiang's graduation. There were more than one graduated student in summer, the other students could not join us because they all planned their own things. That was why I only met Jiaxiang.

It is fall here; the weather is good. Neither too hot, nor too cold. Fall is my favorite season. I hope you all had a good rest in summer. And enjoy the fall. :)

I wish to travel to Xichang or Chengdu soon. It all depends on the COVID_19 policy. Some pictures from the students to share with you all.

Take care. Zoe



JACOB'S CHURCH
ACTIVITY CENTER REPORT
"THE CHURCH ON A HILL, SHINING FORTH FOR JESUS CHRIST"

October 28, 2022

Happenings in the Jacob's Activity Center during the month of October....

Sisters of Esther held their meetings on Tuesday, October 4, 11, 18, and 25, starting at 9:30AM and ending approximately at 11:30AM.

The Freedom in Christ Ministry held their meetings on Tuesday, October 4, 11, 18, and 25, beginning at 7:00PM.

Men's Prayer Breakfast held their breakfast on Wednesday, October 5, 12, 19, and 26 at 7:00AM.

Stephen Ministers held their meeting on Thursday, October 6th and 20th.

Young Adults Group are holding their meetings in the church.

Kutztown Lady Twirlers began their season on Friday, September 16th, starting at 5:30pm- ending approximately at 9:00pm. The group also held practice sessions on Friday, October 7, 14, 21 and 28.

Private celebrations were held on Sunday, October 2nd and 30th; Friday, October 14th, and Saturday, October 15th.

When we put our problems in God's hands, he puts peace in our hearts.

God Bless You,
Faye M Foulk

ALL CHURCH COMMITTEES – In order to prepare for our Annual Congregational Meeting on **Sunday, December 4, 2022** all Committee Reports are due to the Administrative Assistant, Faye Foulk on or before **Sunday, November 6, 2022**. The following committees and ministries need to submit their reports Activity Center Director, Altar Committee, Archives Committee, Choir Director, Christian Education Committee (VBS and Children's Church), Freedom in Christ Ministry, Jacob's Church Little Lambs Preschool, Kitchen Committee, Men's Prayer Breakfast, Mid-Week Bible Study, Missions Committee, Property Committee, Scholarship Committee, Sisters of Esther, Special Events Committee, Stephen Ministry, Women of the Church, and Youth Group. Please submit to novaps@aol.com. Thank you



Jacob's Church Scheduled Activities in Church **November 2022**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM	2 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM	3 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM	4	5
6 9:00am Sunday School 9:00am Confirmation 10:15AM Blended Worship Service Fellowship	7	8 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM 6:30pm Young Adults Group	9 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM	10 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM	11	12
13 9:00AM Sunday School 10:15AM Blended Worship Service	14 Jacob's Church Elders Meeting Parish House 7:00PM	15 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM	16 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM	17 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM	18	19
20 9:00AM Sunday School 9:00AM Confirmation 10:15AM Blended Worship Service	21	22 6:30pm Young Adults Group	23 Thanksgiving Eve Service 7:00pm	24 Happy Thanksgiving!	25 Decorate for Advent	26
27 9:00AM Sunday School 9:00AM Confirmation 10:15AM Blended Worship Service Pew Advent Communion	28	29 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM	30 Little Lambs Preschool 9- 11:30AM			

Jacob's Church Tentative Activity Center Schedule					November 2022	
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1 Sisters of Esther 9:30-11:30am 7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	2 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00AM- 8:30AM	3 Homeschool 1-3pm	4 Oyster Supper 8:00am Twirlers 5:30pm	5 Oyster Supper 8:00am
6 9:00am Sunday School Private Celebration	7 Jacob's Church Board Meeting 7:30PM	8 Sisters of Esther 9:30- 11:30am 7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	9 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00AM- 8:30AM	10 Homeschool 1-3pm Private Celebration 4pm	11 Private Celebration 4pm	12
13 9:00am Sunday School Private Celebration	14 Ladies Night Out! 7:00pm	15 Sisters of Esther 9:30- 11:30am 7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	16 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00AM- 8:30AM Mid-Week Bible Study 7:30pm	17 Stephen Ministers Meeting 9:30AM- 12:00PM Homeschool 1-3pm	18 5:30PM Twirlers	19
20 9:00am Sunday School	21	22 Sisters of Esther 9:30- 11:30am 7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	23 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00AM- 8:30AM	24 Happy Thanksgiving!	25 5:30-9:00PM Twirlers	26 Private Celebration
27 9:00am Sunday School	28	29 Sisters of Esther 9:30- 11:30am 7:00pm Freedom in Christ Ministry	30 Men's Prayer Breakfast 7:00AM- 8:30AM Mid-Week Bible Study 7:30pm			