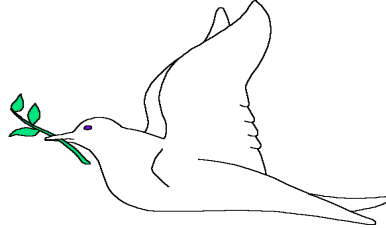


St. Matthew's UCC White Dove Flyer

"A faithful family reaching out to serve Christ"



Sunday Services and Activities
9am Worship

We will have services
at the grove.
We will remain 6 ft apart with masks
on. Bring your chairs or use our
benches. You can also worship in
your car.

October 2020

Pastor Suzanne Brooks-Cope

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Mrs. Starlene Barr
Treasurer
Mrs. Rose Arace
Pastoral Secretary
Mrs. Staci Gower
Christian Education
Mr. George Huber
Council President

STAY TUNED FOR MORE INFORMATION ON WHEN WE WILL RE OPEN
THE CHURCH! We will put a message on our answering machine and on
our website when we finalize a date!!



October 2020

Dear Members and Friends of St. Matthews,

Fall has arrived! Golden rod is in bloom and the leaves are beginning to change colors. Soon, it will be too cold on Sunday mornings to worship outside up in our Grove. We have been so thankful for our beautiful Grove throughout the summer months. We have been blessed to worship safely there, spread out under the trees with the sounds of nature surrounding us. But winter weather will be here in just a matter of weeks and worshipping in snow boots and heavy coats is not an option. So, the Council has been discussing reopening our buildings safely with new protocols due to COVID19. We are going to list them below and urge you to read over them. The Council would like your feedback—please contact Council President George Huber or Pastor Suzanne if you have any further suggestions. Here are the Council's ideas:



Place hand sanitizer at all entrances for use when coming and going

Wear masks all the time while inside (except for those leading worship)

Choir will be limited to just a few participants each week

Communion—continue to encourage all to bring in their own elements, but will have the prepackaged available

Offering will be taken up before worship when entering and brought forward later during worship service

Hymnals and Bibles will be removed from pews—all lyrics and scripture texts will be placed in bulletin or on screen

Ushers will seat all family groups/worshippers six feet apart. Following CDC guidelines, 57 is the safe capacity in the sanctuary. Others will be seated in Social Hall, Gathering Room and Sunday School rooms and worship services and events will be streamed on TV's. Those rooms will also have a maximum seating capacity.

Ushers will open all doors at three main entrances; and dismiss all worshippers from back to front.

There will be no greeting or congregating inside the buildings.

Elevators will be used by one family group at a time or three individuals maximum wearing masks

Social Hour will be cancelled until further notice

Sunday School will continue to be virtual until further notice.

Worship services will continue to be placed on our website Sunday afternoons.

Signs will be posted on each door asking all to wear a mask and stand 6 feet from anyone not in your household.

Lysol spray or cleaning wipes will be in our bathrooms—please clean all surfaces you touch before leaving the restrooms

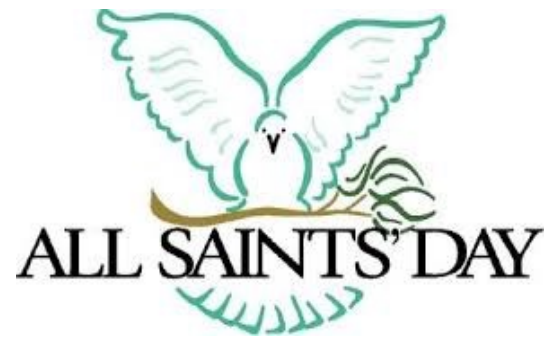
If you are not feeling well, please stay home and watch worship online.

We will keep praying for a vaccine to be developed and long for a time when we can pass the peace, shake hands, and give each other a hug! Until then, we want to do everything we can to keep each other safe while worshipping and praising our God.

Stay safe and give us your feedback.

Pastor Suzanne and George Huber

All Saints Sunday will be celebrated on November 1st this year. On this Sunday we remember and give thanks for all those who have fought the good fight, finished the race, kept the faith and have joined the church triumphant. Families will have the opportunity to light a candle in their loved one's honor. Please join us as we witness to the promises of the resurrection, give thanks for the lives of those who have died since last All Saints Day.



BibleWise

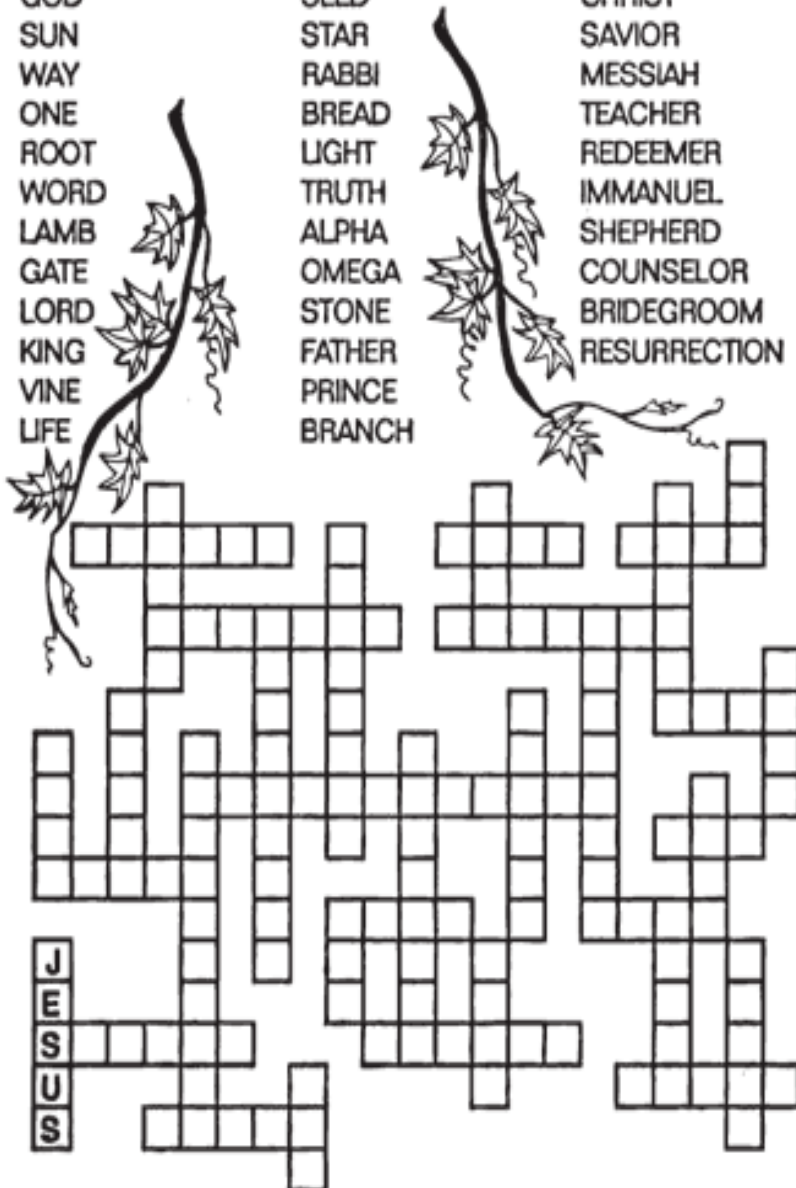
And His Name Shall Be Called . . .

Jesus had many names. All the words below were used to refer to Jesus in the Bible. Fit the names into the puzzle. (Hint: Start with the longest names.)

GOD
SUN
WAY
ONE
ROOT
WORD
LAMB
GATE
LORD
KING
VINE
LIFE

SEED
STAR
RABBI
BREAD
LIGHT
TRUTH
ALPHA
OMEGA
STONE
FATHER
PRINCE
BRANCH

CHRIST
SAVIOR
MESSIAH
TEACHER
REDEEMER
IMMANUEL
SHEPHERD
COUNSELOR
BRIDEGROOM
RESURRECTION



Nell de Vries and Mary Currier. More Bible Activities You Can Do. Grand Rapids, MI: Baker Books Publisher, 1999.



A BIG note of gratitude to all who donated to the Eldred Township Veteran's Memorial fund raiser. You made the MUM sale a great success. We hope you enjoy the flowers of fall. Thank you, Committee Members: Archie, Diane, Diann, Kevin and Shirley.



What's Happening

Laymen's fellowship will meet in the fellowship hall on Wednesday, October 21st at 10am.

There will be no refreshments. This will be a devotion and business meeting only.

Social distance and masks required.

Adult Sunday School is being held on the platform downstairs at 10:30am after church each

Sunday. Topics are different each week and presented by the class and guests. Masks and social distancing are participants choice.

Brandon and Jennie Rose Serfass welcomed a little sister for Wade on Sept 7th.

Harper Rose is the granddaughter of Albert and Donna Serfass and George & Diane Huber.



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| 1 Tom Barr | 15 Gordon Hills |
| 1 Gerald Kresge | 16 RJ Cramer |
| 1 Gerald Fusner | 16 Brian Snyder |
| 1 Gordon Hills | 17 Barry Greenzweig |
| 3 Jonathan Petzold | 17 Meredith Capuno |
| 3 Sterling Borger | 17 Stephen Christiansen |
| 4 Mallory Scheller | 18 Larry Hahn |
| 4 Zachary Frantz | 18 Rodway Sterner |
| 5 Janet George | 19 Tracy Smith |
| 5 Donald Prutzman | 19 Morgan Frantz |
| 6 Michael Borger | 19 Jennie Rose
Serfass |
| 7 Susan Bonser | 21 Darlene Beers |
| 7 Albert Borger | 22 William Slawter |
| 7 Karol Meitzler | 24 Leon Barlieb |
| 7 Glenn Snyder | 24 David Eckhart |
| 8 Darrin Frantz | 26 Eleanor Long |
| 10 Sandy Borger | 28 Shirley Borger |
| 11 Justine Shirghio | 31 Ronald Frantz |
| 14 Gary Borger | |
| 15 Hal Eckhart | |



October Usher Schedule

Oct 4th– Harry, Henry, Dora,
Darryl & Shirley

Oct 11th– Jennie Rose & Norm

Oct 18th– Gabby & Renee

Oct 25th– Shirley & Starlene

Staci's Stuff

By Staci Gower, Coordinator of Christian Education

Happy October, church families! I hope you have had the opportunity to participate in some Fall activities, such as picking out a pumpkin, jumping in leaves and drinking a glass of fresh apple cider.

Our virtual Sunday School class continues this month with four exciting lessons: brothers Jacob and Esau; Baby Moses; Moses as an adult and leader; and Deborah the Judge. Go to our website, click on the For Kids tab, and choose the Sunday School link. That will take out our lesson, including a weekly welcome video from the teacher, animated Bible stories, music videos, prayer videos, crafts, and other activities.

In addition to Sunday School, we have two exciting Friday Fun Nights coming up in October and November for kids, teens, and parents.

Our "Howling Happy Halloween Party" will occur Friday the 30th in the Grove from 5 to 8 p.m. Please come in costume. We will have a scavenger hunt for hidden candy and other treats. We will dance to the Monster Mash and other songs. We will play low contact games like pin the nose on the witch. We will make hot dogs and s'mores on the campfire. It will be a howling good time! Rain date is Sunday, November 1 from 10:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Kickoff the holiday season with us for "Merry Movie Night" on November 27 from 5 to 8 p.m. Weather permitting, we will watch a Christmas movie, eat pizza and cookies, and drink hot chocolate. We will watch something other than The Polar Express, which we saw a few times prior. Bring blankets and dress warmly. Rain date is Saturday, Nov. 28 from 5 to 8pm.

Although worship will soon resume in the sanctuary, our nursery will remain closed. The room is thoroughly cleaned, and surfaces are always wiped off each week. However, the kids would be close to one another and sharing art supplies. I will continue to lead children's messages and hand out coloring sheets to the children.

Fall Word Search

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ACORN
APPLE
DUCKS
HAYSTACK
LEAF
NUT
PEAR

PUMPKIN
RAKE
SCARECROW
SQUASH
SQUIRREL
SWEATER
WIND

Try to find all of the hidden autumn related words in the puzzle above.
Remember, words can be diagonal, vertical, horizontal, frontward or backwards.

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St. Matthew's UCC Prayer List

(As of publishing date September 25, 2020)

We Join In Christ's Prayer For Our Church Members at Various Personal Care Residences or Our Homebound and Friends Who Need Extra Prayers.

Lorraine Borger, Jesse Ziegenfus,

Getz Personal Care Home
1026 Scenic Drive
Kunkletown, Pa 18058

Gladys Lindenmoyer

Gluco Lodge
1127 Kemmertown Road
Stroudsburg PA, 18360

Joyce Smale

Pleasant Valley Manor
4227 Manor Drive
Stroudsburg, Pa 18360

Lillian Kleintop

Attleboro Village
290 E Windchester Ave Apt 404W
Langhorne, Pa 19047

Arlene Kresge & Lila & Alton Kleintop

Mrs. Bush's Personal Care
302 Kunkletown Road
Kunkletown, Pa 18058

Catherine Dotter

The Walden III
325 N Broadway
Wind Gap, PA 18091

Other Prayer Concerns

Betty Dutt,
Henry Krechel, Dale Meixsell, Loretta Hawk,
George Keller, Ann Heffner, Sandy Smith
Linda Handwerk, Sherwood Smith,
Alton Kleintop, Erica Pozza,
Lynn Borger, Bobbie Christman, Scott Madden,
Doug Hawk, Bruce Devoncourt
Amanda Mitchell (Joan Madden's niece),
Lee Sitler, Marlene Prutzman,
Janet Fowler, Carol Popay, Donna Smith, Shirley Smith,
Chapman, and Mason Buskirk,
Jan Burger, Dean Zacharis, Brayden Wunder,
Kelly George, Alan Miller, Kim Cope,
Margaret Hahn, Josh and Kevin Engler, Mae Borger,
Marlette Palermo

