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Submissions for the newsletter should be made by the end of the third week of each month. Thank You.

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**A Confirmation Poem**



Adam Heineman

You will often find Adam on the stage  
As storyteller, shepherd, lion, or page.  
Dad and Mom are Thomas and Jill  
Scouts and baseball give a thrill  
Fishing for salmon might be a treat,  
but for Adam, it's nothing to eat!



Miranda Ulrey

Miranda is the daughter of Tina and Evan  
For her, the beach is almost like heaven.  
A lawyer's life is what she plans  
But never eats carrots, cooked or in cans.  
She's not afraid of bugs or lizards  
And has a smile as powerful as a blizzard.



Michael Lago

With a last name of Lago  
He's the one who may go  
To Vienna or DC to feel the vibe  
But Michael is more than words can describe  
He's unique, fun-loving and great in a group  
He wants to grow up to be a 'bowl of soup'



Morgan Weiser

Don't feed "Doctor" Morgan brussel spouts  
She may ask you to please step out!  
Though she is young in her school  
This Weiser girl is no fool!  
Heading to Florida where the sun will beam  
she will have the chance to eat ice cream.



Michael Singley

Swimmer and builder is the young man; he  
Is also known as Michael Singley.  
He likes the outdoors and to play around  
With friends and family he's excitement-bound  
LeeAnn and Ray are Mom and Dad  
In school in math he's really not bad!

### **Treasurer's Financial Update**

February general fund income was \$9,603. The budgeted amount for February was \$12,378. Building fund receipts for February were \$190, for total to-date of \$12,354.

### **Upcoming Events**

There will be a meeting of the congregation immediately after worship on April 22nd for the election of Elders and Deacons.

Outreach Training with the Gideons will be April 25th at Trinity Evangelical Congregational Church, 165 N. 67th Street, Rutherford, 7 pm.

Friday, June 1st, will be our annual Mission Dinner and Silent Action. It is not too early to think about donations and perhaps an act, musical performance, joke, or poem you may want to share for this evening of food, fun and fellowship.

### **2018 Summer Mission Trip**

There are four spots left for the June 23-30 mission trip to Hamilton, OH. This is a "hammer and nails" outreach. Four hundred people from churches all over the U.S. will be joining us. Those 12 years and older are encouraged to participate.

### **Women's Event Rescheduled**

The Daughters of Day Spring Women's Event has been postponed until Saturday, April 21st. It will be held at church from 9 am to 12 pm, and the theme will be "A Biblical Look at Child-Parent Relationships". We will be spending time studying the story of Ruth and Naomi as well as portions of the story of the Prodigal Son. We will also have some breakout sessions centered around the practical issues of honoring God, and of honoring parents as they age and when there is dysfunction. We will also have time spent in prayer and in worship.

Childcare will be provided.

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### **MISSION AND OUTREACH NEWS**

#### **Vacation Bible School**

Planning is under way for a summer Bible School experience at R2E. This will be one evening a week for four weeks. Tentative dates are July 11, July 18, July 25, and August 1. Exact time to be determined.

A planning meeting is scheduled for April 5th at 7:00 pm. Join the team and be part of something new. Idea people, planning people, promo people, food people, and crafty people are all encouraged to participate. Choose your level of involvement, a little or as much as you'd like.

VBX@R2E = the Vacation Bible Experience at Road to Emmaus. See Jill Heineman with questions, comments or to volunteer.

#### **Paxton Ministries Opportunity**

Members of Road to Emmaus Presbyterian Church will have the opportunity to serve and enrich the lives of those calling the Paxton Street facility home. On the morning of April 28th we will be gathering at the Paxton Ministries, 2001 Paxton Street in Harrisburg. Those who wish can work with the "outside crew" helping with landscaping, outside improvements, and general clean-up while those wishing to be part of the "inside crew" can participate in a party and bingo with the residents.

It is anticipated the landscaping project will start at 9:30 a.m. and the resident party at 10:30 a.m. All participants are invited to stay for lunch with the residents. Anyone wishing to help serve lunch will be able to assist as well.

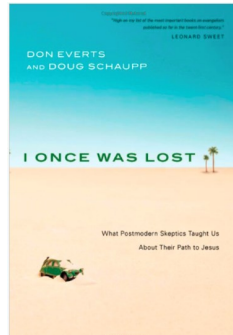
This will be a wonderful opportunity to serve our Lord and our community with this facility whose motto is "providing housing, help and healing in the name of Christ" and they truly do. Please mark your calendar and plan to be a part of this wonderful mission effort.

## **APRIL BOOK CLUB**

The selection for April is *The Divine Romance* by Gene Edwards. The date will be Friday April 27th and we will meet at R2E. Come and bring a friend.

## **After The Story: I Once Was Lost**

In May and June the sermons will be based on the book *I Once Was Lost* by authors Everts and Schaupp. It will provide tools to help people enter the kingdom, as well as guidance on how we can live our Christian faith in a way that builds trust among non-believers. If you are interested in having your own copy, please see the Pastor.



## **April Birthdays**

Lucille Blinebury - April 4th  
Jill Heineman - April 7th  
Natan Pierce - April 9th  
Adam Heineman - April 11th  
Robert Klinger - April 24th  
Mary Naples - April 30th  
Jayden Teets (Lowe) - April 30th

## **April Adult Bible Studies**

The following are weekly Bible studies available to all. Invite a friend and enjoy fellowship and a more in-depth understanding of the weekly lessons from *The Story*.

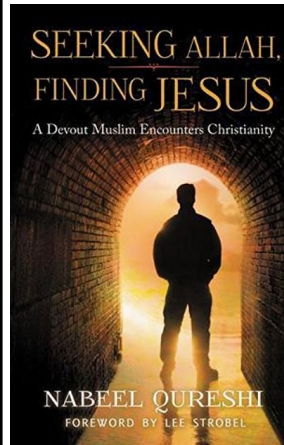
**Sunday Study Group** - Sundays after 9:30 worship, using *The Story*. April 8, 15, 22 and 29 (no Sunday School on Easter).

**Monday Morning Study Group** - 9:30 a.m. at Road to Emmaus, using *The Story* adult curriculum. April 9, 16, 23 and 30 (no study on April 2nd).

**Tuesday Night Discussion Group**— 7:00 p.m. at R2E. April 3, 10, 17, 24.

**Thursday Morning Discussion Group** - 7:00 a.m. at Panera Bread (Paxton Towne Center). April 5, 12, 19, 26.

## **Coming in May:**



Building on the powerful story and arguments he shared in *Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus*, Nabeel Qureshi and co-author Kevin Harney take viewers deeper into apologetics and evangelism among Muslims with this complete study course. In eight video-based lessons, Qureshi and Harney explore Muslim culture, the most common Muslim objections to Christianity, and the core doctrines upon which Islam stands or falls. Compassionate and clear, the *Seeking Allah Finding Jesus Study Guide* will be a useful training tool for any believer wanting to winsomely engage Muslims in spiritual conversations.

The *Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus Study Guide* develops in further detail the objections to Islam and case for Christianity that Qureshi introduced in his book *Seeking Allah, Finding Jesus*.

We will be using this great resource as for our Adult Sunday School class and a mid-week study (time TBA) in May and June.

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## **Joyful Noise Offering**

March's Joyful Noise offering for the American Indian Christian Mission was \$76.26. Thanks!

## **Hymn Facts**

“Christ the Lord is Risen Today”, sung on Easter Sunday, was written by Charles Wesley (1707-1780), originally called “Hymn for Easter Day” and published in 1739. It first consisted of eleven stanzas. The Alleluias were added later to make the text fit the tune. The tune first appeared in the *Lyræ Davidica* hymnal in 1708, with no composer credited.

And the angel said “He is not here. He has risen...” (Matthew 28:6) **Alleluia!**

# Road to Emmaus Presbyterian Church

April 2018						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>1</b> Easter Worship & Communion, 9:30am	<b>2</b> Monday Morning Fellowship, 9:30am Ministry Team Meetings, 7:00pm	<b>3</b> Tuesday Night Fellowship, 7:00pm	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> Thursday Morning Fellowship, 7:00am @ Panera VBS Planning Meeting, 7:00pm	<b>6</b> Friday Faithful, 10:30am	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b> Morning Worship 9:30am Joyful Noise Offering  Confirmation 7:00pm	<b>9</b> Monday Morning Fellowship, 9:30am Deacons Meeting, 7:00pm	<b>10</b> Tuesday Night Fellowship, 7:00pm	<b>11</b> Music Fellowship, 7:00pm	<b>12</b> Thursday Morning Fellowship, 7:00am @ Panera	<b>13</b> Friday Faithful, 10:30am	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> Morning Worship 9:30am	<b>16</b> Monday Morning Fellowship, 9:30am Session Meeting, 7:00pm	<b>17</b> Tuesday Night Fellowship, 7:00pm	<b>18</b> Music Fellowship, 7:00pm	<b>19</b> Thursday Morning Fellowship, 7:00am @ Panera	<b>20</b> Friday Faithful, 10:30am	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b> Morning Worship 9:30am  Congregational Meeting after worship	<b>23</b> Monday Morning Fellowship, 9:30am	<b>24</b> Tuesday Night Fellowship, 7:00pm	<b>25</b> Music Fellowship, 7:00pm	<b>26</b> Thursday Morning Fellowship, 7:00am @ Panera	<b>27</b> Friday Faithful, 10:30am Book Club 1:00pm	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> Morning Worship 9:30am  Confirmation 7:00pm	<b>30</b> Monday Morning Fellowship, 9:30am					