

JERUSALEM UNITED CHURCH OF CHRIST

THE TRAVELER



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JUNE 2022

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Faith, Hope, Love, Community and Belonging

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MESSAGE FROM THE CONSISTORY PRESIDENT
JUNE 2022



Greetings,

I am amazed at how quickly these months are flying by, as we turn another page on the calendar, here we are in June. I think if you are a kid, June is your most favorite month of the year. As much as I always liked school, I loved the idea of summer vacation even better. No more homework, sleeping in late, hanging around with friends - what a care free life! Now that I'm an adult I view that a bit differently, I actually sympathize with the teachers and the phenomenal job they do each and every day. Parents that are home schooling - you rock! They truly are our unsung heroes especially these past few years navigating the COVID restrictions of online learning and then taking all the precautions with masks and hand sanitizers. Blessings to each and every one of our school teachers in the area and the bus drivers that transported them each and every day. They all deserved a well-earned Summer Vacation! Our Sunday School teachers will also follow suit and will be taking a Summer Vacation this year with the month of May ending classes.

Starting in June, we will begin our outdoor services in the grove (unfavorable weather we will meet in the church sanctuary) starting at 9:00 AM. Summer months can be a very busy time for young families as well as members of all ages. Scheduled vacations, visiting far away relatives, catching up with friends, family reunions, weddings, graduations and well I think you get the idea. Just plain busy! We want you to enjoy your time away but rest assured, we will miss you while you're gone. We are a loving and caring congregation. We love to see each and every one of you and truly do miss you when you are not in church. We care about you and we worry if you are sick or not feeling well. We continue to pray every Sunday for all the people of our church - our members with medical issues, upcoming procedures, accidents, unexpected twists in the road and we also rejoice in the happy events of our people like great news on test results, new jobs, weddings and new houses and babies. This is what Christian families do for one another; pray, love and care.

As you all know we have started our new addition to our church. This project started many years ago with the hope that it would not only make a difference in our church but also in the community. It comes with a hefty price tag, a lot of time, energy and a lot of hard work. We thank each and every one of you that made a commitment to this project so far. Whether it was physical or financial you became a part of the vision. We thank you for your continued support as we keep up our busy pace of events in having the Flea Market, Annual

Church Picnic, Palmerton Festival, Fall Filling Sale and Fall Apple Fest. Keep on the lookout for other events in the future months. This is us; this is what makes Jerusalem United Church of Christ, Trachsville so special. Enjoy the Summer, catch all those Rays of Sunshine, your church will be waiting for you when you get back. Catch the Spirit and Keep the Faith.

Wendy Hoppel

June - Weekly Bible Verse

June 5 - *Matthew 13:24* - Another parable he put forth to them saying: The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field.

June 12 - *Psalms 126: 5* - Those who sow in tears shall reap in joy.

June 19 - *Ephesians 6:4* - And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to wrath, but bring them up in the training and admonition of the Lord.

June 26 - *2 Corinthians 9:6* - Remember this: who ever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously



SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP



Beginning Sunday, June 5th, our Worship Service will be held in our beautiful picnic grove and will start at 9:00am. You can also remain in your vehicle in the parking lot and listen to the service on radio station 95.5FM or watch us live on Facebook. The service is also posted on our website after it has concluded. Supply Pastor, Don Quayle will lead us in worship.

SPECIAL SUNDAY SERVICES

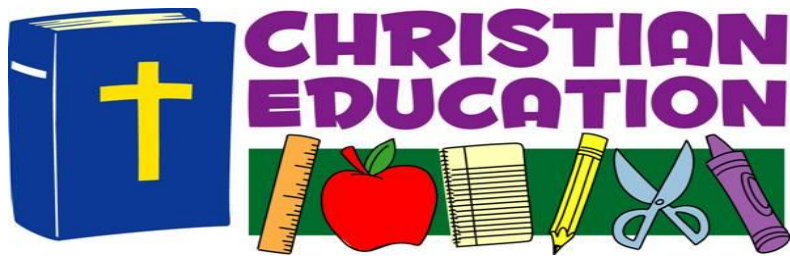
June 19th – FATHER'S DAY SUNDAY

Sunday, June 5th we will have Holy Communion. Elements are provided by the church.



PASTOR'S NOTE

If there are members who desire home communion, please contact Pastor Quayle at 610-861-9203.



Christian Education News June 2022

Happy almost Summer!

The Sunday School will have its last class on May 29th, we will resume classes in September. The Nursery program will continue throughout the Summer.

During most services in the Summer, we will have a children's message and plans are in the works for Vacation Bible School. I will keep you posted once the dates are secured.

This has been a wonderful year! We started classes on Zoom, then we went to Zoom and in-person on alternating weeks, then we resumed Nursery and finally we went to all in-person classes. We also could prepare and participate in children's service on Mother's Day!

Thank you so much to the teachers and helpers for this past year and into the future. The congregation is blessed to have the following people providing education and care to the most precious children:

Beverly Waibel, Wendy Hoppel, Tammy Landon, Rachael Shafer, Lisa Williams, Emily Murphy, Shelly Wonderly, Natalie Bojko, Cameron Bojko, Dominick Bojko, Judy Hessinger and Tina Billheimer.

We are also incredibly blessed to have Jennika Borger who taught our amazing Confirmands.

We will be looking for some more teachers and helpers for the next school year. Please see me if you are interested in teaching or helping. The children are so special and so receptive to learning about God's love through Jesus.

Blessings!

Marcia Heinick



*“...pray for one another, so that you may be healed.” (James 5:13)
 “Rejoice always, pray without ceasing...” (1 Thessalonians 5:16-17)
 As disciples of Jesus, we seek to pray daily.
 Below is a list of those who need our prayers.*

Shorter term prayer concerns:

Mark & Kathy Stetler	Buzz Hill	Ava Parker
Mary Beth Beers	Lana Kuehner	Judy Hessinger
Joseph Turoscy	Betty Nothstein	Heather Hessinger
Terry & Denise Goodhile	Jillian Hessinger	Beatrice Waibel
Gavin Stroup	Eric Breiner	Kay Green
Lenora Robertson	Grace Borger	June Easterday
Lonnie Haydt	Faye Haydt	Marie Andrews

Longer term prayer concerns:

Bonnie O'Brien	Dalton Fredericks	Barry Smale
Linda Mackes	Ada Frederick	Elizabeth Krause
Timothy Henning	Duane Hawk	Doug Hawk
Joanne Frable	Helen Smale	Anna Bowman
Millie Lehman	Marla Schmidt	



MONTHLY GRIEF & LOSS SUPPORT GROUP

The Monthly Grief and Loss Support Group at JUCC meets twice a month – on the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 1:00pm, and the 4th Thursday at 6:30pm. The group is presently being held on a web platform. Directed by professional counselor, Sue Featro, M.E.D., E.D.D., M.S. Counseling, this group is for people experiencing grief due to trauma, loss or death. It is an effort to assist people in the surrounding community to heal and find peace. **Please contact the church office for the link, or check for the invitation link on our Facebook page. People are managing to find and make use of this important ministry. Thanks to God and to the members of JUCC who make it possible!**



Future Building Committee

Hello Fellow Members and Friends,

I am glad to report we are finally moving in a positive direction with our church addition. The first stage of the land development is completed. This included the installation of the storm water retention basin and the sand mound for the new septic system. This work was completed in a very timely manner and on budget.

We will be finalizing the building construction contract very shortly. Due to inflationary pressures and material supply issues in the construction market, we have experienced a substantial increase in our budget since the original contract proposal. We have been working very closely with our contractor to find areas to reduce costs. Fortunately, we have had some success and will continue to work at reducing costs. Our contractor has been very receptive and open to working with us to accomplish more cost reductions. We are expecting building construction to begin sometime in June.

We are in a very sound position financially, but will need to borrow more money from the bank than we were initially planning to do. Thankfully, the building pledge campaign last month has added additional dollars to the building fund account. We want to thank all of you for your generous financial support. Every dollar helps. We will be finalizing our mortgage terms with the bank very shortly. That's all for now. More updates to follow.

COME GROW WITH US!

The Future Building Committee





Music & Worship

- In-person Sunday 10:00 services continue using our blended format, with additional access via Facebook Live and radio transmission.
- Our praise band enjoyed having Renee Mowad, Jen Heilakka and Dave Eveland sing/play with us during the month of April. We are so appreciative of all who bring their time and talents to our services every Sunday.
- A Maundy Thursday Passover service was held April 14th, and a service of Tenebrae for Good Friday was held April 15th. We are grateful to Pastor Quayle, our readers, singers, players and all who contributed to these meaningful Lenten services.
- The following music licenses were renewed (annually): copyright license, streaming license, SongSelect Premium. The total amount of \$441.00 was paid by the Choir account. These licenses provide legal coverage for all typical copying/projection/streaming activities that assist congregational singing. They also provide a source of lyrics and vocal sheets for thousands of worship songs and hymns.
- Thanks, as always, to our worship team and all who support their ministry!

Shelba Scheffner

JUCC QUILT & CRAFTS GROUP

Our group will be meeting the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month (**June 9th and June 23rd, 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.**). We have a variety of crafts happening, from quilting to cross stitch to bag making. We welcome any crafters to join us. Some friends just stop by to hang out with our lively group - that is good, too! Social distancing is easy in the church basement, with each person having at least one large table to work on. Please see Shelba or call the church office if you need further information.



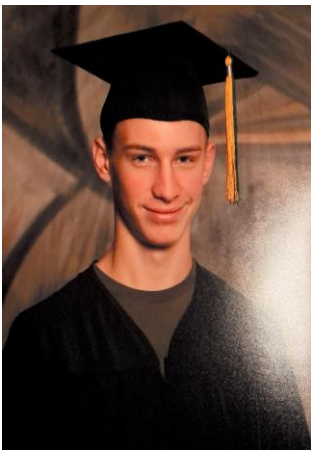


Congratulations *Class of 2022*



We are honored to celebrate the graduates listed below for their achievements and wish them the best of luck in their future endeavors. Congratulations!!!

Be brave and strong...the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.



Kody W. George

Kody W. George, graduating from Carbon Career & Technical Institute. Son of Kip & Shannon George, Grandson of Barry George & Gerald & Darlene Smale. Kody is heading to Thaddeus Stevens College of Technology in Lancaster.

Donovan Carter Beers



Donovan Carter Beers, graduating from Palmerton High School. Son of Jason & Marlana Beers and Apheraddyttie Henneborn, Grandson of Preston and Bonnie Beers & Doug and Erin Archer. Donovan is planning to attend Adult Classes at CTI for welding.



Jerusalem UCC Trachsville Family Pantry

With the gas and everything else going up in price, we're sure there are a lot of families in need right now. We're going to do our next **JUCC Family Pantry Drive Thru** on a **Saturday** this time, **June 25th**, from **11 am to 1 pm**. **Reservations can be made by calling the office before Thursday, June 9th.** We need donations to replenish the cash for our JUCC Family Pantry. Any amount helps. Send to the church or put in offering plate marked "Food Pantry". Thanks for all your support so far!

Your JUCC Family Pantry Committee:
Steph, Kelli, and Amy



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Kinsley's ShopRite: Brodheadsville ONLY.

**NO other stores such as Giant, Other ShopRite stores/locations.
NO Senior Citizens Discounts, Pharmacy sales slips, Alcohol sales.**

Weis: Brodheadsville ONLY.

**NO other Stores or Locations accepted.
Senior Citizens Discount slips ARE acceptable.
NO Pharmacy sales slips, Alcohol sales or Gas sales slips.**



HOMEcoming OFFERING

Thank you to all who contributed to Homecoming in 2021. The 2022 mowing season has begun and we are once again asking for donations to cover the lawn care expenses of the Union Cemetery. Homecoming envelopes are available at the church. Please make your checks payable to: *Jerusalem Union Cemetery Association*. Checks may be mailed to me at the address below. Thanking you in advance for your 2022 contribution.

Beverly Waibel, Treasurer
Jerusalem Union Cemetery Association
545 Church Road
Palmerton, PA 18071



meeting

June 5th immediately following the worship service a short meeting will be held to finalize picnic plans & events. Please attend if interested in helping.

Annual Church Picnic Tricky Tray

Gift card donations for our Annual Church Raffle ticket has concluded but we are accepting items for the Tricky Tray (Chinese Auction is no longer an appropriate term). Our picnic this year will be held on Saturday, August 13, 2022. The Tricky Tray items would be all the beautiful handmade and handcrafted selections of quilts, blankets, pillowcases, or home and garden items. The actual item is not needed at this time; Wendy just needs to know the item(s) that you will be donating. If you have any questions on any particular item you would like to donate, please speak with Wendy Hoppel in church or call 610-577-6772, please leave a message if there is no answer.



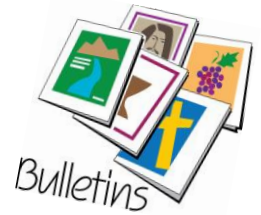
Friday, June 24th
8:00pm in the Grove
MOVIE TBD

Free of charge, free popcorn and drinks





JUNE FLOWERS & BULLETINS **SPONSORS**



June 5th – Shelba Scheffer in honor of
Faye Haydt's birthday on June 15th

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**June 12<sup>th</sup>** – Preston & Bonnie Beers in honor of  
45<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on June 11<sup>th</sup>

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June 19th – Kelli, Cole and Mason George in honor of
husband/father Shawn George's birthday on June 17th

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**June 26<sup>th</sup>** – Rick & Lisa Williams in honor of their daughter



### **THERE ARE STILL DATES AVAILABLE FOR** **FLOWERS & BULLETIN SPONSORS FOR 2022!!**

If you are interested in sponsoring flowers & bulletins (\$35 donation) for a Sunday in 2022, please contact Jillian Adamson at the church office. She can be reached by phone at 610-681-4412 or by e-mail at [juccsecy@ptd.net](mailto:juccsecy@ptd.net). Please see below for the dates that are available.

**Available Dates for 2022**  
**July 24<sup>th</sup>, August 14<sup>th</sup> August 28<sup>th</sup>,  
December 4<sup>th</sup>, December 11<sup>th</sup>**



### **JUNE SCRIPTURE READERS**

**June 5<sup>th</sup>** – Steph Anderson

**June 12<sup>th</sup>** – Ed Brader

**June 19<sup>th</sup>** – Patti Snyder

**June 26<sup>th</sup>** – Lisa Hawk & Kim Williams

### **PLEASE CONSIDER...**

**Volunteering to read scriptures at our 10:00am Sunday service.** We are always in need of readers and would love to have some new voices! Contact Jillian at the church office for available dates!

## JUCC 2022 UPCOMING EVENTS



### 2-Day Flea Market

Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup> 9am – 3pm  
Saturday, June 4<sup>th</sup> 8am – 1pm

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### Annual Community Picnic

Music by Main Street Cruisers

Cake Walk – Games

Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> 1pm – 9pm  
(Raindate – Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup>)

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### Happy Bowl Stand

at Palmerton Community Festival

September 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup>

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### Apple & Fall Festival

Music by Dean Hahn & The Hawks

Apple Dumplings – Apple Sausage

Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> 9am – 3pm

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### Fall Basket Raffle & Bazaar

Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup> 9am – 1pm

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### Thanksgiving/Fall Filling Sale

Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup>

Orders Due: Nov. 5<sup>th</sup>



## 2 DAY FLEA MARKET



**Fri. June 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:00am to 3:00pm**

**&**

**Sat. June 4<sup>th</sup> 8:00am to 1:00pm**

**Rain or shine!**

### **Something for Everyone!**

Clothing, toys, books, puzzles, household items, hand & power tools, furniture, exercise equipment, fishing items, nick knacks, jewelry, holiday decorations & much more!!

### **Great Prices!**

### **Everything Must Go!**

Church Members may bring donations to the Grove

Tues. May 31<sup>st</sup>, Wed. June 1<sup>st</sup> and Thurs., June 2<sup>nd</sup> from 9:00am to 1:00pm

**Set up will be Tuesday, May 31<sup>st</sup> through  
Thursday, June 2<sup>nd</sup> approx. 9:00am – 2:00pm.**

**Donations of baked goods to sell by the piece at the  
refreshment stand is greatly appreciated!!!!!!**

**ALL Donated Items: Clothing, ETC. MUST BE CLEAN & PRESENTABLE!!**

**All electrical items MUST BE SAFE & IN WORKING condition.**

*All help will be greatly appreciated!*

*We are all in this together!*

*Let's make it a Great Success!*

**PLEASE NOTE: Unsold items from the Flea Market will be taken to Eldred Thrift Store in Kunkletown on Wed., June 8<sup>th</sup> between 9am-12pm. We will be meeting in the Grove to load at 9:00am. Anyone with a SUV or truck/trailer to help will be greatly appreciated.**





### **175th Anniversary Committee**

Next year in 2023 we will be celebrating our 175th year of loving God, loving our people, loving our community, and loving this beautiful house of worship here in Trachsville. We have been making numerous plans to build our new addition, remodel our sanctuary with new paint, new pews, carpeting and new ceiling options. But we would also like to form a committee to plan special worship services, do some research on former pastors of the church, and appeal to any members that would have those amazing old-time photos of days gone by. We would openly welcome any of our senior citizens that were active in this church since they were children and can reminisce about how things “used to be years ago”. Please look for upcoming meeting dates, we would love to have you join us as we research the past ages of our church.



*June 14<sup>th</sup> – Flag Day*  
*June 19<sup>th</sup> – Father's Day*  
*June 21<sup>st</sup> – First Day of Summer*



If you have an article to submit for the July Newsletter, please email it to Jillian, our church secretary, by **Friday, June 17<sup>th</sup>**.

FMI call 610-681-4412 or email [juccsecy@ptd.net](mailto:juccsecy@ptd.net)

**Has your contact information changed?**

If your mailing address, phone number or email address have changed please contact the church office to update your information. 610-681-4412 or [juccsecy@ptd.net](mailto:juccsecy@ptd.net)



***Our clothing bin is out in the grove*** near the beverage can container. Accepted items include all clean & dry clothing, shoes, sneakers, belts, purses, blankets, sheets, towels, drapes, pillow cases and stuffed animals.

**Just a reminder!**

Our beverage can shed is looking for your empty aluminum beverage cans. There are two deposit slots: one for crushed cans and one for uncrushed cans.



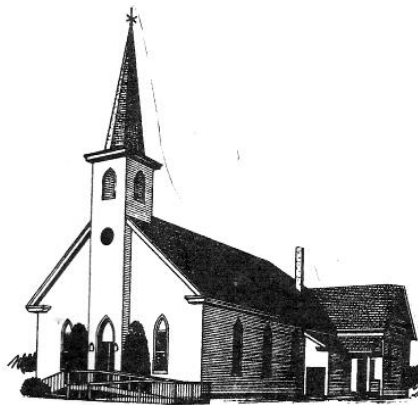
**Volunteering** is a great way to get plugged into your church, feel like part of a community, and serve Jesus at the same time. If you would like more information or would like to volunteer for one of our committees or ministries, please see the committee chairperson or contact the church secretary at 610-681-4412 or [juccsecy@ptd.net](mailto:juccsecy@ptd.net) for more information. **Thank you** to all who currently volunteer on a committee or assist with our ministries. Your hard work and dedication are very much appreciated.





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