COMMUNITY PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF MT. BETHEL AND PORTLAND MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Rev. John H. Heinsohn Minister of Visitation April 2021 Volume 8, Issue 4

Holy Week and Easter:

Maundy Thursday Communion service in the Fellowship Hall, 7:00 PM

Good Friday: Sanctuary heated and open for meditation and prayer, 1-3

Easter Sunrise Service: 301 Heinsohn Hill Rd, 6:30. Ask JH for directions

Easter worship service with flowers, music, OGHS relief offering; 10:30

Hebrews Bible Study

9:15 Sunday mornings

Nine of us have been studying the book of Hebrews since January. It is a book not often studied in our churches but one that is most important for Christians to know about. The author addresses some Jewish Christians who are being tempted to go back to their Jewish rituals and requirements. Using Old Testament passages, he explains why Jesus is superior to angels, Moses, Joshua, and the prophets. He explains why Jesus is our high priest even though he was not born into a priestly family. He very thoroughly reviews how Jesus fulfills the sacrificial system and initiates a new covenant which supersedes the first covenant made with Abraham and expanded under Moses. Jesus opens up direct access to God and replaces the Holy of Holies in the temple.

Starting on April 11th and continuing through the end of May we will cover the last three chapters of the book in which this unnamed author turns his attention to how we, believers in Christ, are to live our faith based on what Jesus has done and continues to do for us.

The conclusion to the book is worth studying even if you have missed the earlier chapters. I invite you to join us on any of the remaining Sundays in April and May.



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Worship Service:

10:30 a.m. Sept. 13, 2020 – June 6, 2021 9:30 a.m. June 13th – Sept. 12, 2021

Bible Study: 9:15 am **Holy Communion:**

1st Sunday of the Month

Session Members:

Jonathan Rush – Clerk Deb Llewellyn Lillian Williams Cher Mount Suzy Armstrong Mike Feeney



Below is the link for Rev. John's account for Zoom Worship on April 4th

The access code will be the same as it has been for each of the past few months. Here are the links:

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/81916811413? pwd=bEgyMjRjdVJLV2IzTGVGekJLQmhVUT09

Meeting ID: 819 1681 1413

Passcode: 743486 One tap mobile

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Rev. Jenny will be using her account for Zoom on April 11, 18, and 25th

The access code will be the same as it has been for each of the past few months. Here are the links:

https://zoom.us/j/216305804?pwd=NXVwajdXcXAzMXV0cFBsdC8ydjBzdz09

Meeting ID: 216 305 804

Password: 998322

You can also download the Zoom app for your Smartphone or tablet and use that same Meeting ID and Password to join.

If you would like to join via the phone, you can call 646-558-8656

When it asks for a meeting ID enter 216 305 804#

When it asks for a participant ID just enter #

When it asks for a password, enter 998322



Sunday morning Bible study will continue on Sunday, at 9:15 am. The zoom account will also be used so that others who are unable to come to Mt. Bethel can join in. The study will be zoomed each week by Rev. John.





Session will meet on Wednesday, April 14th at 7:00 p.m.

Deacon of the is Joan Correll





Prayerfully—Carole Deibel, Betty Meixsell, May Nodzak, Olin Cramer, Esther Nichols, Ginny Brockleman, Gloria and Paul Raesly, Marcia Pensack, Nancy Seas, Wendell Harford.

The pandemic caregivers—nurses, doctors, janitors, EMT's, our students and teachers, those who are helping feed the needy, those who have lost loved ones and incomes, our government leaders that they may prayerfully lead our country back to normalcy and our ministers.

Prayer requests are to be made to Heather Delp, Prayer Chain leader.

Heather's contact info is:

(610) 984-7360 (c)

(610) 588-6909 (h) heather.delp@gmail.com





Now more than ever in the midst of this pandemic, Presbyterian Disaster Assistance "PDA's" One Great Hour of Sharing needs your contribution that is traditionally collected in our church on Easter Sunday. You can place your offering in the collection plate on any Sunday or mail it to the church. Thank you for your generosity.





Lenten fish boxes are due Easter Sunday, April 4th.

The Women of Community Presbyterian Church will start meeting now that it is spring, with our first meeting on Tuesday, April 13th (instead of April 6th), at 10 am with a Bible study, business meeting at 11 am and meet at a local eatery at 12 noon for lunch.



Earl Ackerman

Sept. 15, 1929 - March 23, 2021

Memory

Memorial contributions in Earl's name may be made to the Portland / Upper Mount Bethel Food Pantry (PUMP); PUMP P.O. Box 69, Portland, PA. or at pumppantry.com.







4/10 — Olin Cramer Lillian Williams Allen Llewellyn

4/11— Jonathan Rush

4/15—Shirley Rush

Emergency Contact Information - For pastoral or emergencies please contact the Rev. John Heinsohn at (610) 365-2092 (h), (609) 462-1639 (c)

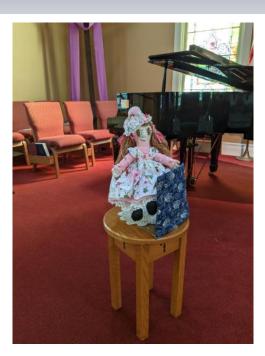




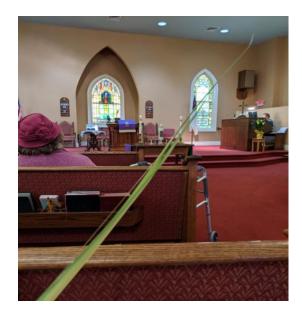
Altar flowers - If you would like to place flowers on the altar in honor or in memory of a loved one, please contact Debbie Llewellyn. Cost is \$30 per pair.

2021 Photo Album





On Sunday, March 7th, we celebrated Women's History Month with flowers and mentioned each of the women that passed this year.



Worship on Palm Sunday, March 28th



Awesome Facts about April

April is known for beautiful spring weather, the start of warmer weather, and right about the time when the Easter bunny will make an appearance!

Learn all about the origins of this beautiful spring month and even some knowledgeable history facts!

We know it is the fourth month of the year, but that's only by the Gregorian calendar that we adhere to now. It was previously the fifth month in the earlier Julian calendar.

April also only had 29 days, but a 30th day was added when Julius Caesar established the Julian calendar.

In the Southern Hemisphere, April is the seasonal equivalent to October.

No one is sure how the month ended up with its name, but we do know the Romans named it "Aprillis."

The etymology behind the word "April" comes from the verb "aperire," which means "to open." It's commonly believed that the word refers to the season of trees and flowers begin to "open" or bloom.

Those who were born in April have a diamond as their birthstone, which represents innocence. Their birth flower is either a Daisy or a Sweet Pea.

There are two zodiac signs in April. Aries, which is until April 19th, and Taurus, which is April 20th and onwards.

April is a great month for meteor showers. One of which is the Lyrids meteor shower, which appears from April 16th to April 26th each year. There's another one called the Eta Aquariids meteor shower that can be seen onwards from April 21st.

The smaller animals that hibernate for the winter in the Northern Hemisphere usually start coming out of their burrows in April.

April is also the month that the birds migrate north and settle down for the summer to mate.

As you can see, there's more to April than just <u>April Fool's Day</u>, although that is definitely one of the most fun days of the month!

And of course, as we all know, "April showers bring May flowers," so if the rain of April ever gets you down, never forget the silver lining!

Community Presbyterian Church April 2021

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				Maundy Thursday communion service 7:00 pm—FH	2 Good Friday	3
4 OGHS Easter Sunday 6:30 Sunrise Service—Farm 10:30—Worship	5	6	7	8	9	10
Rev. Nichols 9:15 Adult Bible Study 10:30—Worship	12	13 Women of CPC 10:00 am	14 Session 7:00	15	16	17
18 Rev. Nichols 9:15 Adult Bible Study 10:30—Worship	19	20	21	22 Earth Day	23	24
25 Rev. Nichols 9:15 Adult Bible Study 10:30—Worship	26	Presbytery Meeting 1:00 pm Zoom	28	29	30	