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### POP ~ Power of Prayer

At this time the POP Warriors are not meeting at the church. We are continuing to update our prayer group thru our Prayer Chain emails. If you would like to be added to the Prayer Chain, contact the church office. To submit a praise or prayer request, contact the church at 717-865-4361 or send an email to [trinitylickdale@gmail.com](mailto:trinitylickdale@gmail.com).

### Greeters, Read Scripture and Jr. Church Teachers

The Church is looking for volunteers to help with Jr. Church during the Worship Service at 10 am. Activities can be provided or there are many resources on-line.

Also, we need greeters, liturgists (read Scripture) and anyone wanting to give a Children's Message at the Worship Service. Sign-up sheets are on the table in the lobby.

## January & February 2023 Edition

### From Pastor Deanna's Pen ~

Dear Friends in Christ,

Welcome 2023! 2022 is now finished and we have begun a new year. The time is now to focus on goals and growing in faith. How is it with your soul? The year 2022 may have brought many blessings and many challenges to you. Maybe you know something about grief, worry and anxiety - about unexpected changes, about unwelcome surprises and even wonderful surprises. Maybe you know something about goodness and happiness. Many of us have experienced the whole gamut this past year. Some are still pondering what it all means and who they are through the midst of it all.

Here's the thing that you must know and remember...God is good! Our God is an awesome God who is ever so gracious and all loving. Our God is steadfast and faithful. Our God is the same today as He was yesterday as He will be tomorrow. Our God is ever present with each and every one of us. Our God is Emmanuel - God with us. That is who we celebrate at Christmas - the greatest gift of all - that God sent His one and only Son here to earth to be with us and to show us how to live a life that is full and abundant, filled with His grace and mercy. Through Christ, we have meaning and purpose. Through Christ, we have hope and promise. So, how are you celebrating Jesus? How are you taking time to pause to thank God for being ever present with you? For, no matter what it is you are going through, God is with you. Isaiah 43:1-2 says, "Do not fear, for I have redeemed you; I have summoned you by name; you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and when you pass through the rivers, they will not sweep over you."

Truth be told, the storms of life will come. We will pass through waters. The winds will come; the rain will come; and through it all, you may wonder what to do, along with so many other questions. In those times, remember that God is with

you. He will give you strength to endure. For God has named you; He has claimed you; He has redeemed you in the name of Jesus. You belong to God. But it is in the difficult times, when we need to draw closer and closer to God and when we need to be in community with the church. It is also in those times when you need to be certain that you are rooted and grounded in faith.

There is a children's song that speaks to this truth...about the wiseman who built his house upon the rock, but when the rains came - when the floods came, the house stood firm and steadfast. Whereas, the "foolish man" who built his house upon the sand ended up tumbling down when the rains and when the floods came. Where have you built your house? Is it upon the rock or upon the sand? Think about that and ponder that. If your house is upon the sand, then its time to move your house to be up on the rock. If your house is on the rock, there will be times, when it feels as though it is on the sand. No matter where your house is built, we need to be and to stay rooted in the love and grace of God. We need to stay rooted in the Word of God. We need to be rooted in our faith by being the body of Christ together - by being the hands and feet of Jesus - as the church, as we serve together in ministry to remain rooted and as we share the love of Jesus with others - through our service, deeds, words, and very presence.

Our theme this year is "Rooted" based upon this Scripture passage:

#### Colossians 2:6-7

So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, rooted and built up in him, strengthened in the faith as you were taught, and overflowing with thankfulness.

As we are being planted and rooted in our faith of Christ Jesus, take time each day to pray and to read Scripture. Let your roots grow and prosper as you continue to (cont'd on page 2)



Bruce Boltz	2
Alyssa Cowles	2
Penny Keller	5
Graham Kreiser	6
Nicole Horne	7
Dan Seaman	10
Larry Kreiser, Jr.	12
Mackenzie Miller	15
David Kohr	19
Freyja Kreiser	20
Katie Werner	21
Judy Stickler	21
Deborah Stuppy	24
Kevin Dreibelbis	24
Jase Simniskis	27
Jeff Brown	29



# February Birthdays

Gary Bedleyoung	3
Dean Zimmerman	5
Pam Boltz	6
Tammy Bedleyoung	9
Paige Stuppy	10
Nancy Westhafer	11
Justin Eisenhauer	12
Kim McFeaters	13
Owen McKnight	13
John Mengel	16
Melody Newman	19
Deb Shuey	21
Kathy Cummins	24
Lindsay McFeaters	28
Russel Wagner Jr.	28

Pastor letter cont'd.

build your life upon the rock of Jesus. When we are rooted in the faith of Jesus, when the storms, we will find hope, even in the midst of uncertainty and doubt. We will have the strength to take steps to walk out of our comfort zone to explore new possibilities and to serve God. Life is tough, but God is faithful. So, be rooted in His love and in His steadfastness. Know you are loved; be affirmed of this. Remember God loves you so much that He sent Jesus to earth for you, so that you can live a life that is joy-filled and with purpose. God is ever present with you. Our God will never leave you nor forsake you. Trust in His promises. Rejoice in the Lord always and forever.

Thanks be to God!

Blessings,  
Pastor Deanna

# Wedding Anniversaries

Pastor Deanna & Robert Geiter	January 18
Lynn & Kitty Werner	February 2
Dan & Sheila Seaman	February 14
David & Jackie Kohr	February 28



# Congratulations!

To Kevin & Shen Kreiser on the birth of their son, Eiko. Eiko was born on November 12. Congratulations to Eiko's siblings: Emeri, Lief, Freyja, Olli and Roan and to great-grandparents Larry and Carol Kreiser.



Saturday, January 21 at 6:30 pm  
"Likemark"

Saturday, February 25 at 6:30 pm  
"Sweet Inspirations"

**Save-the-Date**  
**Sunday, March 19**  
**3 pm in the**  
**multi. purpose room**

**Marian and Friends**  
**Ventriloquist**

**Show is free and for**  
**all in the Community**  
**and all ages.**



**United Methodist Women's**  
**Winter Dinner**  
**Saturday, January 28**  
**at 5 pm**

Come and celebrate with the UMW.  
Dinner will be made by the UMW and will be stuffed chicken breast, ham, potato filling, sweet potatoes, vegetables and assorted desserts.

RSVP with Gloria Speck.  
Games and prizes will follow dinner. The entire church family is encouraged to attend.  
Snow date is February 4.

# 2023 Committee Meetings

(Trustee and Ad Council Meetings are at 7 pm,  
SPR Meetings are at 6:30 pm.)

<u>SPR</u>	<u>Trustees</u>	<u>Ad Council</u>
January 10	January 31	February 7
March 7	April 4	April 11
May 9	June 6	June 13
July 11	August 1	August 15
September 12	October 3	October 10
November 14	December 5	December 12
	Charge Conference tba	

**The chairperson of each committee needs to attend**  
**Ad Council meetings and Charge Conference.**  
**Other team members are welcome to attend Ad Council.**  
**Please share these dates with your committee.**

## **TRINITY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH (Lickdale) CHURCH LEADERS FOR 2023**

### **CHURCH COUNCIL for 2023**

**COUNCIL CHAIR:** Del Voight

**COUNCIL VICE-CHAIR:**

**LAY LEADER:**

**CHAIRPERSON, FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Matthew Rinehart

**TREASURER (without vote):** Kevin Dreibelbis

**CHAIR, BOARD OF TRUSTEES:** TBA after first Trustees meeting in 2023

**CO-CHAIRS, STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE:** Bernie Rollman, Gene Shaffer

**CHAIR, NURTURE COMMITTEE:** Judy Warner

**CHAIR, CHRISTIAN-ED COMMITTEE:** Gay Kreiser

**CHAIR, MISSIONS & FAITH-SHARING COMMITTEE:** Meredith Rinehart

**MEMBERS-AT-LARGE (with voting rights):** Chris Eisenhauer

**LAY MEMBER / REPRESENTATIVE TO ANNUAL CONFERENCE:** Gene Shaffer

**PASTOR (Chair, Committee on Nominations & Leadership Development):** Rev. Deanna Geiter

**Recording Secretary (without vote):** Deb Shuey

### **ELECTED POSITIONS TO THE CHURCH AD COUNCIL**

**UMW President:** Gloria Speck

**UMM President/Representative:** Terry Binkley

### **STAFF-PARISH RELATIONS COMMITTEE (Max. 9+Lay Leader+Lay Rep. to Conference)**

**Co-Chairpersons:** Bernie Rollman, Gene Shaffer

**Class of 2023:** Chris Eisenhauer, Gayeleen Eckert, Kelli Dreibelbis

**Class of 2024:** Pat Mengel, Gene Shaffer, Bernie Rollman

**Class of 2025:** Meredith Rinehart, Lori Voight

### **COMMITTEE on NOMINATIONS & LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT: (Max. 9+Lay Leader+Lay Rep. to Conference)**

**Chairperson (Pastor):** Rev. Deanna Geiter

**Class of 2023:** Gay Kreiser, Barb Rollman, Barb Manning

**Class of 2024:** Terry Binkley, Kitty Werner

**Class of 2025:** Shirley Shaffer, Kelly Shuey, Judy Stickler

### **BOARD OF TRUSTEES: (no fewer than 3, no more than 9 + Lay Leader)**

**Chairperson:** TBA (trustees vote on the chairperson at the first meeting in 2023)

**Class of 2023:** John Mengel, Robert Geiter, Justin Bell

**Class of 2024:** Larry Kreiser, Jeff Werner, Gary Bedleyoung

**Class of 2025:** Deb Binkley, Jeff Blair

### **FINANCE COMMITTEE:** Chairperson: Matthew Rinehart

**Members:** Kevin Dreibelbis (Treasurer), Sandra Barnhart (Financial Secretary), Gene Shaffer (Lay Member to the Annual Conference), Pastor Deanna Geiter (Pastor), Bernie Rollman/Gene Shaffer (SPRC Chairs/Representative), TBA (Trustee Representative), (Lay Leader)

### **NURTURE COMMITTEE:** Chairperson: Judy Warner

**Members:** Barb Zimmerman, Tammy Bedleyoung, Jody Hawkins, Judy Warner, Sue Boltz, Barb Rollman, Barb Manning, Penny Keller, Melody Newman, Kelli Dreibelbis, Kitty Werner

### **CHURCH DECORATOR:** Chris Eisenhauer

### **CHRISTIAN-ED COMMITTEE:** Chairperson: Gay Kreiser

**Members:** (All Sunday School teachers) Gay Kreiser, Meredith Rinehart, Deb Shuey, Kelly Shuey, Lori Voight, Sue Werner, Terry Binkley, Scott McFeaters, Larry Kreiser, Katie Werner, Jeff Werner, Sheila Seaman

### **MISSIONS & FAITH-SHARING COMMITTEE:** Chairperson: Meredith Rinehart

**Members:** Sandra Barnhart, Meredith Rinehart, Sheila Seaman, Abby Rinehart, Lori Brandt, Kelli Bell, Gail Barnhart, Sue Werner

### **DAYCARE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE:** Larry Kreiser, Barb Rollman, Pastor Deanna Geiter

**VBS:** Deb Shuey and Gay Kreiser

**YOUTH MINISTRIES (3rd thru 12th Grades):** Meredith Rinehart, Kathy Cummins, Pastor Deanna Geiter



## The GrapeVine Newsletter - January & February 2023

### Sunday Schedule

Sunday School (all ages) 9 am

Worship Service 10 am (Nursery and Jr. Church provided)

Handicap Accessible.

Bible Studies and Small Groups (see weekly church bulletin for a complete schedule or contact the church)

Koffee Klatch (quilting group)

United Methodist Women meet 4th Tuesday of the month at 7 pm

Youth Group (3rd thru 12th Grades)

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Communion 10 am Worship Service	2 7 pm Mission & Faith Meeting 7 pm Men's Bible Study 7 pm Women's Bible Study	3 9 am Koffee Klatch 2 pm Nurture Meeting	4 10–11 am Release Time 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice	5	6	7
8 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service w/ Joyful Noise Offering for Release Time Bus Fund 6–7:30 pm Youth Group Meeting	9	10 6:30 pm SPR Meeting	11 10–11 am Release Time 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice	12	13	14 1 pm Food Distribution at Jonestown UMC
15 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	16 7 pm Men's Bible Study 7 pm Women's Bible Study	17 9 am Koffee Klatch	18 10–11 am Release Time 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice	19	20	21 6:30 pm Movie Night “Lifemark” 
22 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service 6–7:30 pm Youth Group “Valentine Workshop”	23	24 7 pm UMW Meeting	25 10–11 am Release Time 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice	26	27	28 5 pm UMW Winter Dinner Celebration 
29 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	30	31 9 am Koffee Klatch 7 pm Trustee Meeting	P.O.P.—Power of Prayer Group (send prayer/praise requests to trinitylickdale@gmail.com or call the church at 717-865-4361) Koffee Klatch—Quilting Group Youth Group—3rd through 12th Grades			

# February 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 10–11 am Release Time 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice	2	3	4
5 Communion & Joyful Noise for True Life Min. 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service Youth Group Outting	6 7 pm Mission & Faith Meeting 7 pm Men's Bible Study 7 pm Women's Bible Study	7 7 pm Ad Council Meeting	8 10–11 am Release Time 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice	9	10	11 1 pm Food Distribution at Jonestown UMC
12 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	13	14 9 am Koffee Klatch 	15 10–11 am Release Time 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice	16	17	18
19 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service 6–7:30 pm Youth Group Meeting	20 <i>President's Day</i> 7 pm Men's Bible Study 7 pm Women's Bible Study	21	22 <i>Ash Wednesday</i> 10–11 am Release Time 6:30 pm Worship Team Practice tba Ash Wednesday Service	23	24	25 6:30 pm Movie Night "Sweet Inspirations" 
26 9 am Sunday School 10 am Worship Service	27	28 9 am Koffee Klatch 7 pm UMW Meeting				