



# THE BEACON:

## St. Peter's on the Hill

*"Let your light shine before others"*

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### Semi-Annual Meeting Postponed



The Semi-Annual Congregational Meeting to be held on Sunday, January 30th, was postponed to Sunday, February 6th.



### Fill out Form

### 2022 Commitment Forms

Commitment forms were e-mailed out last month. If you need another form e-mailed to you, please contact the church office. Blank forms can also be found in the church entrances. These forms are especially helpful to the Deacons for continued budget for 2022.

### New Consistory Members Installed

On Sunday, January 30th, new Consistory members were installed during worship service.

- ◆ **Deacons**– Diane Campbell
- ◆ **Elder**– Kathleen Wachsmuth
- ◆ **Trustees**– Peter Wilson, Fred Wookey III

Thank you to the new members of Consistory who have committed to serving the church in various ways for the next three years.

On page 5, you will find the full listing of Consistory members and chairs.



### Chili Cook Off Canceled

The Chili Cook Off scheduled for February 5 is canceled and will be rescheduled for a date in the Fall.



### Super/Souper Bowl Sunday

Super Bowl Sunday Feb 13th we have a special service planned. Wear your favorite team jersey and bring a can of soup to help one of our missions. A fun themed Social Hour is planned.



### Mission Sunday

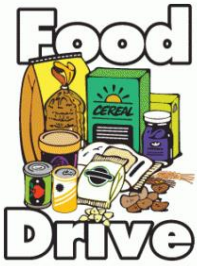
On Sunday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, the mission work of St. Peter's will be highlighted.

In the Gospel descriptions of Jesus, we see, time and again, his care for the needs of others. Jesus filled empty stomachs, healed many in body and soul, and relieved suffering wherever he encountered it.

St. Peter's Church is committed to that same caring as exemplified in Jesus. Because of that, we have a legacy of outreach to those in need; in the church, in local communities, and internationally.



## PACS Food Drive Continuing



Every January and February, the Sewing Circle coordinates a Food Drive to help replenish the pantry of Phoenixville Area Community Services. Donations can be dropped off in Fellowship Hall or church entrances until the end of February.

Please consider bringing some items to church in February.

### These are items most needed as of 1/3/22

- Cereal (Sweet & not-sweet)
- Vegetable oil
- Canola oil
- Toilet paper
- Baby wipes
- Size 7 diapers
- 4T-5T pull-ups
- Dry cat food
- Cat litter
- Laundry detergent
- Similac Advance formula

Deodorant

Toothpaste

Toilet Paper

Baby Wipes

Cleaning Supplies (dish soap/laundry detergent)

Shampoo

Bar Soaps

Paper Towels

Baby Diapers (sizes 4, 5 and 6)

Feminine Products

Pet food (cats and dogs)

Items in red cannot be purchased with Food Stamps, so PACS always likes getting these items!

## Redner's Tapes

Please remember to use your Redner's shopper card and your phone number when shopping at Redner's and save your receipt to bring to church. The Sewing Circle needs that information on the receipt in order to receive credit from Redners.

If the receipts do not have the shoppers number on them, we cannot use them.

Containers for receipts are in the church entrances, or you can mail your receipts to the church.

The funds we receive through this program are used by the Sewing Circle to purchase supplies.



## Sewing Circle Hoagie Sale to Benefit Bethany Children's Home

On Sunday, February 27th and March 6th, the Sewing Circle will be taking hoagie orders. All hoagies can be picked up after worship on Sunday, March 13th.

If you would like to donate, but do not wish to purchase a hoagie, the Sewing Circle will gladly accept your donation through their "Bake-less Bake Sale".

## Thank You From the Various Services our In Gathering Supports

"The CCIU, Young Parents Program would like to extend a huge thank you for all the wonderful clothes, diapers and supplies we received. The teens were very excited to receive these items especially at a time when many are not able to provide for their children because of COVID restrictions."

"The donations you provided for our Pocopson Home residents will support and help many who come to us with greater needs, and will remind us all that there are people in the community who love them and care..."

"We are grateful for your ongoing support of Gemma Services (formed by the merger of Silver Springs and Martin Luther School and the Village). Thank you for the wonderfully large donation of items!"

# Heifer Project Gift Fair

Its Heifer Project time! Typically each spring St Peter's Pikeland United Church of Christ holds a fair in support of Heifer Project International. But nothing is typical right now and this year, Heifer Sunday will be held on **Sunday, March 20, 2022.**

Solving the problem of world hunger is a heartfelt vision of many people but the sheer magnitude of the problem has overwhelmed agencies.

Heifer Project International (HPI) is the outgrowth of one man with a vision and a practical method of implementation that did not require inordinate financial underwriting. After serving as a relief worker in the Spanish Civil War in 1936, Dan West observed that there was no way to bring enough food to the children of Spain fast enough to address the deprivation that surrounded him daily. Mr West's concept was to bring cows to Spain to produce milk and to give a cow to a family with the stipulation that its offspring must be given to another family, who would in turn give a calf to yet another family! And so on and so on! HPI started in 1942 with the first shipment of heifers delivered to Puerto Rico in 1944.

Animals are delivered to communities all around the globe. The species are selected to serve the environment and the needs of the community. In Honduras, beekeeping has brought multiple benefits to a community. The bees pollinate crops and other flowering plants. They produce honey which is sold to the local population. In addition, sub industries have emerged that include a wax producing factory, hive manufacturing and honey processing factories, all from one gift of a beehive.

These farmers build human bridges between communities by passing knowledge, courage and dignity. It is a success story from our local generosity and kindness. You can participate by supporting the Heifer Project at St Peter's Pikeland United Church of Christ March 20, 2021. Your contributions fight hunger and poverty around the world and changes people's lives.

Contributions to support Heifer can be made through offerings or at the Living Gift Market table in Fellowship Hall on March 20 2022. No Fair this year, but we will have the Living Gift Market table at Fellowship Hall after services.

The Living Gift Market is a chance to change the lives of people. The gifts you can purchase include food and income producing animals like goats, bees, chicks and heifers. The animals go to hungry, rural families around the world, including the USA, who are working to improve their lives. Heifer Project also provides the training in care of the animals and in enhancing the environment. The gifts are matched to each local environment.

Each Market gift gives over and over. Your gift of an animal and training to an impoverished family impacts the entire rural community. That family shares its knowledge and the animal's first offspring with another family. And that family shares. And the next and the next! In all this, you find the gift of peace, the gift of time and the gift of gratitude.

So help a great cause, helping people to help themselves!

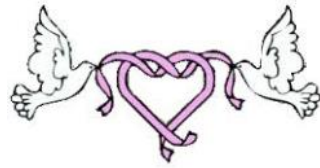
Find a gift animal for that special someone!

**See you Sunday March 20 2022**



# Birthdays

- Douglas Hanson 2/1
- Lisa Wilson 2/1
- Sarah Hackman 2/2
- Tyler McClimon 2/2
- Geoff Osborne 2/2
- Anne Breiling 2/4
- Chase Nicholson 2/5
- Chris Zaro Jr 2/7
- JB Osborne 2/8
- William Carnevale 2/8
- Reka Nance 2/10
- Jill Cook 2/11
- Vicki Hennig 2/13
- Brian Michener 2/13
- Emily Gorge 2/13
- Janna Barney 2/13
- Wayne Freese 2/14
- Rylin Montieth 2/15
- Eric Hanson 2/17
- Helen Morgan 2/17
- Chris Maguire 2/17
- Dana Lorenz 2/19
- Cathy Woodruff 2/20
- Don Giordano 2/22
- Cherri Romano 2/24
- Chris Zaro Sr. 2/25
- Drew Zummo 2/25
- George Bullard 2/26
- Barbara Murdoch 2/28
- Isabella Giordano 2/28
- Gail Freese 2/28



## Anniversary Steve and Kathy Krasley 2/2

### Thank You

Thanks to the work of Santa Fred and the generous giving from our congregation, St. Mary's shelter was delighted and very thankful for the \$1,760 donation.



### Worship Volunteers Needed



Please see the charts hanging in Fellowship Hall, or contact the church office to sign up for flowers, lector, usher or social hour.

We have many Sunday slots to be filled in the coming months.

Thank you to all who have signed up so far!

### A Taste of Phoenixville Success- 2022

The 20th Annual Taste of Phoenixville fundraiser this year for Good Samaritan Services was a success, thanks to the efforts and generosity of the local community. Good Samaritan would like to express their gratitude for all who participated and helped to make this a great success.



## Coming up in March...

Wednesday, March 2- Ash Wednesday Service 7:30 pm

Sunday, March 13- Daylight Saving Time begins

Sewing Circle Hoagie Pick up

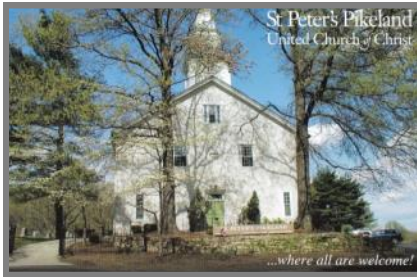
Sunday, March 20- Heifer Sunday

Saturday, March 26- "Mulch Madness" Spring Clean Up 8:30 am

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## Our Prayer List

Please keep these members and friends in your prayers:

### Church Staff

**Rev. Douglas Hanson,**

*Pastor*

**Kat Bowman,**

*Director of Music and Organist*

**Jill Cook,**

*Church Secretary*

**Deborah Wetty,**

*Nursery Attendant*

**Debbie Wolk,**

*Bookkeeper*

**Wayne Freese**

*Cemetery Manager*

### **Church Officers 2022**

President of Congregation –

Pete Warner

Secretary of Congregation –

Kathleen Wachsmuth

President of Consistory –

Jim Phillips

Secretary of Consistory –

Michelle Case

Treasurer – Ken Whitlatch

### **Elders**

Michelle Case- Chair

Maureen Wookey,

Judy Shupe, Kathleen Wachsmuth

### **Deacons**

Diane Campbell, Bill Latta,

Jim Phillips, Richard Sherman

### **Trustees**

Mark Myers-Chair

Peter Wilson, Fred Wookey III,

Drew Zummo

Andrea Lafleur

Angie Schlessman

Anthony Didesidero, friend of Anne Breiling

Barbara Broyles, friend of the Wachsmuths

Barbara Shivers

Bob Dewilde

Caitie Blazic and baby Nicholas, friend of Judy Smythe

Carol Meyer

Cathy Moffa, friend of Don and Gwen Davidson

Chris Saunders, friend of Micki Menkins

Chris Webb, son of a friend of Lynn Mailey

Clarice Bowman

Denny Stanley, Bob McClimon's uncle

Donna Rhodes, Gail Phillips' sister

Doris Ingham, Joyce Rosen's mother

Ethan, son of a friend of Dee McClimon

Heidi Kieffer, daughter of Eric Johnson's cousin

Ian Charles Harmon, the Booraem's grandson

Jashown Banner, former student of Jackie Warner

Jean Pool

Jennifer Osborne

Joe Rowan, Uncle of Alyssa Menkins

Kelly, Hunter & Hannah Firment, daughter & grandchildren of Nancy

Smith

Laura Dick

Lindsay Meekins, friend of Micki Menkins

Margaret Breiling

Mary Andersen, friend of the McCarthys

Marvin Rosen

Mia Nordhoff

Patty English

Peter Lenichek, Anne Breiling's cousin

Rich Baer, friend of the Krasleys

Rick Cassidy, friend of the Davidsons

Rusty Tinsley, friend of the Johnsons

Sally Kramer, Cherri Romano's sister

Sally Mehrens, sister of Lynn Mailey

Sharon Divis, daughter of Judy Smythe

Sue McVay, friend of Mary Jo Pandjak

Sylvia Houff, Kathleen Wachsmuth's sister