

THE Connection

JENNERSTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH - NEWSLETTER

August 2022

Back-to-School



The Missions Team will be hosting a "Back-to-School" event on Sunday, August 14th in the social room from 5:30-7pm. Backpacks and school supplies will be available for all students in the North Star School District, as well as the children in our congregation.

If you are able to donate backpacks for this event, please have them at the church by Friday, August 12th.

Backpack Blessings

It's hard to believe it's almost that time of year...



In order to kickstart a great school year for students, teachers, bus drivers and staff we will have a Backpack Blessing on Sunday, August 21st during both worship services. Please bring your backpack or bag so that you may be prayed over for the upcoming school year!

Michael O'Brien



Mark your calendars! Michael O'Brien will be here at JUMC for a return visit on Sunday, August 21st for both worship services and a concert at 6pm.

Michael is most known as the former lead-singer for the Christian group, Newsong. Now, Michael travels to share the Word of the Lord through his music and by leading worship services.

Please be sure to check the church website: www.jennerstownumc.org and upcoming worship bulletins for more information on Michael's visit!

"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news."

Isaiah 52:7a NIV

The Pastor's Corner



A few years ago, Bible Gateway published a list of the ten most-searched-for Bible verses on their website. Five of the top ten verses on their list were from Psalm 23. Have you ever wondered what makes Psalm 23 so special?

I read an interview once about this special Psalm and the reason given was the first person pronouns. "I," "me," "mine," "my." So, "The Lord is not a shepherd," and not "The Lord is the shepherd," but "The Lord is my shepherd." That makes it so personal.

Psalm 23 reminds me that He also knows and cares about me specifically. When I am going through difficult times, it is comforting to know that God is taking care of the world in a general sense. But the Psalm also tells me that God is taking care of me as well.

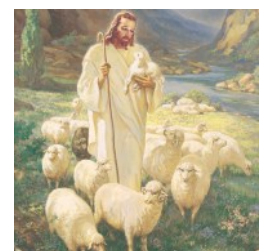
In John 10:14, Jesus said, "*I am the Good Shepherd. I know my own and my own know me.*" I am so blessed to know that the good shepherd loves me infinitely and absolutely.

I am a sheep and because of that, I need constant care and help. My good shepherd constantly cares for me.

He wants to be your good shepherd as well. Ultimately, He wants to lead each of us to a very good place, where our future is secure and we will all have all that we want or need.

Since you are reading this, I want to encourage you to join with me in telling others about our very good, very wonderful, very loving Shepherd, Jesus Christ!

Faithfully,
Pastor Chuck



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Upcoming Sermons

The Apostle Paul gets personal with the 4th chapter of his letter to the church at Philippi. He wants to make sure that the folks within the church family get along with each other and that they realize that how they act or react to circumstances can help to influence others. Join us as we near the end of this precious and important letter in our series **PHILIPPIANS: MORE THAN HAPPINESS.**



- 8/7 "How To Win Arguments"**
Philippians 4:2-3
- 8/14 "Beyond Understanding"**
Philippians 4:4-7
- 8/21 "The Choice Is Yours"**
Philippians 4:8-9
- 8/28 "The Secret of Contentment"**
Philippians 4:10-13

Upcoming Birthdays

- 2: Jenn Berkey
Katie Marteney
- 5: Amanda Stillwagon
- 12: Nolan Pritts
- 20: Clint Fleegle
- 26: Christine Pritts
Lauren Shaffer
- 31: Jerry Yourich



Upcoming Anniversaries

- 3: Joe & Heather Kush
- 4: Allen & Phyllis Berkey
Scott & Caitlin Huber (10th)
- 7: Dave & Tina Pelesky
- 8: Adam & Holly Lasure
- 9: Dean & Lois Gindlesperger
- 10: Mark & Christine Pritts
- 12: Jeremy & Julie Frampton
- 18: Brian & Amanda Stillwagon (10th)
- 20: Jeri & Tabby Penrod



Jennerstown Family News

Men's Ministry meets on the third Saturday of every month at 8am. All men are welcome to join in the fellowship and there will be sweets from The Pie Shoppe!

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Bible Study meets every Sunday from 6-7pm. The current topic is "The Gospel of Matthew." Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend!

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The Praise Band at our contemporary service is looking for new members. If you are interested in this ministry, please contact Beverly Penrod.

Upcoming Events

- 8/7: "Running the Race" Rewards
- 8/14: Back-to-School Ministry 5:30-7pm
- 8/20: Men's Ministry 8am
- 8/21: Blessing of the Backpacks
Special Guest: Michael O'Brien
(worship services and 6pm concert)
- 8/28: September calendar & newsletter available



Traditional Worship: Sundays 9am
Sunday school for all ages: Sundays 10am
Contemporary Worship: Sundays 11:10am



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Grow in your faith: make attending worship here at JUMC your #1 priority on Sunday mornings!