"Love One Another Like I Have Loved You" John 13:34

HEWITT HAPPENINGS FEBRUARY 2022

Pastor's Message

Greetings,

February is the month of flowers, candy, and love. The month of Valentine's Day! On this day, we are obligated by national mandate to show our love for our significant other or else! Now, lest you think I am anti-Valentine's Day, you may be correct. It's just that I don't think one day is sufficient to offset 364 days of negligence or bad behavior. I feel the same way about Father's Day and Mother's Day. If we love those in our family, we need to show it daily. It would be the same thing as saying Jesus only loves us on Easter or Christmas. His love is present in each moment of every single day. It is a lifestyle of caring, blessing, and forgiving that never ends. If we adopted His lifestyle, we wouldn't need a special day to show or tell someone how much we love them. They would already know. Now that's something I can really celebrate.

Pastor Bill

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CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

NEW BABY BOY!

Congratulations to Christian and Emily Wilson on the birth of their son, Flynn Alberto Wilson. Flynn was born on Dec. 18, 2021 weighing 7 lbs and 19 inches long. He is the grandson of Doug and Amy Wilson and the great grandson of Don and Debbie Wilson.



PRAYER CONCERNS—HEWITT FAMILY & FRIENDS

Conor Asplund Mary Bayard Peggy Behm Kenneth Breakiron Marge Breakiron Carol Christen Shelby Clark A.J. Curler Scott DeBerry Loretta DiBiase Rosemary Dittman Linda Enstrom Fetig Fred Gaggani John Green David Hall Glenn Hall

Hayden Jack **Bob Kelly** Allison Kiger The Lanxner Family John Laskosky Mary Ann Mauck Maggie Miller **Joann Morrow** Cathy Murral Julie O'Mara Carly Orris Terry Pyles Gary Stevenson Doug Suhoski Patricia Yeager *Bebekka Church*

We would like to bring our Prayer List as up to date as possible.

Please let Amy at the church office know if someone has recovered from an illness so that their names can be removed with praise!

INCLEMENT WEATHER

In the event of inclement weather please tune in to KDKA (1020 AM/TV2/kdka.com) or WANB (1210 AM/105.1 FM) for information on Sunday morning worship cancellations. Please use your best judgment when traveling during inclement weather.





HEWITT CHURCH WOMEN

Save the Date Presbyterian Women, Synod of the Trinity Regional Gatherings

"Cafe Chocolat"

Eastern Region*
The Church on the
Mall, Plymouth
Meeting, PA *
June 3-4

Central Region* The Penn Stater * June 17-18

Northwest Region *
Friendship Community
Center,
Slippery Rock, PA*
June 25

Southwest Region*
Best Western Pluss,
Bridgeport, WV *
June 26-27

I hope you will plan to attend one of these gatherings. The theme of the gatherings this year sounds like it will be a lot of fun. The gatherings are inspirational and are a great way to meet women who have similar thoughts and interests.

I plan to attend the Northwest Region Gathering at Slippery Rock, Pa. on June 25. If anyone is interested, I will be happy to have company on the ride!

Ginger Wainwright (724)317-6685(cell)

HEWITT CHURCH WOMEN

PHOTO TAKEN AT HEWITT CHURCH WOMEN CHRISTMAS BRUNCH



The ladies enjoyed fellowship and a tasty brunch at the Hartley Inn on Saturday, December 4, 2021.

WOMENS BIBLE STUDY

The Women's Bible Study "The Word Lives" will begin a new study on March 21, 2022, 12:30 PM at the church. Max Lucado's "Life Lessons from Genesis" will be the focus of study. Please let Ellen Pahanish or Mona English know if you plan to attend. Books for the study will be ordered in February. Ellen can be reached at 724-377-2012.

We hope you will join us!!



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Warm Apple Blueberry Crisp

- 1) Preheat oven to 375 degrees, spray 9 in. square pan.
- Combine apples, berries, 1/4 cup brown sugar and orange juice in pan, toss to coat. Spread over layer.
- 3) Combine baking mix, oats, remaining brown sugar, butter, cinnamon and ginger in a small bowl. Mix with finger tips until coarse crumbs form. Sprinkle over fruit.
- 4) Bake 45 minutes until apples are tender and topping is brown.

FROM THE KITCHEN OF CHARLOTTE MAKEL



SESSION, MISSION AND EVANGELISM

PRAY FOR PERSECUTED **CHRISTIANS**

"In the last year, there have been over 360 million Christians living in places where they experience high levels of persecution and discrimination. 5,896 Christians killed for their faith: 5.110 churches and other Christian buildings attacked; 6,175 believers detained without trial. arrested, sentenced or imprisoned; 3,829 Christians abducted.

These numbers are heartbreaking. And yet, they do not tell the whole story. When we pray with persecuted Christians, we stand with them in solidarity, and remind them they are not alone "

The #1 country for persecution is Afghanistan.

(This information from Open Doors USA).

THANK YOU NOTES FROM MISSIONS

"Thank you so much for letting God is always greatly needed to buy use you to "Win a child—Win a life"! Released Time attendance is up and over 415 students! God is working! Thank you for blessing so many children through your gifts to CBM!"

Children's Bible Ministries of SWPA, Inc.

"Dear Friends—We are so appreciative of the generous donation you sent to our mission. Your gift will go directly to assist our precious Greene County children. May God bless you and may the coming year be filled with blessings! Our love and prayers, Sisters Sue and Audrey"

Benedictine Sisters, Greene County Mission

"Dear Friends, We want to thank you for your generous gift of \$100 to the Love In a Basket Mission. It supplies. The Pandemic slowed us down this year again. We only sent 28 baskets. Thanks for your continued support. May God Bless, Kathleen McDaniel"

Love In a Basket

\$378 was sent to Samaritan's Purse for postage for our shoeboxes. "I am thankful for your gifts that equip our teams to meet the needs of victims of war, poverty, famine, disaster, and other crises. As we care for hurting people, our teams tell them that they are not alone, but that the Lord is near during times of struggle. Please pray for the work of Samaritan's Purse, Merry Christmas, and may God bless you."

Sincerely, Franklin Graham

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

NURSERY

The Nursery is now available forChildren ages 1-6 during worship.

OLDER CHILDREN

For the older kids, we will be trying to have an activity (craft type) for them to take home each month until April. These (take home bags) will be bulletins for two different age available for them to pick up at groups. (ages 3+ and ages 7+) each entrance to the Church.

(See Amy Wilson for more information or if you have questions.)

BULLETINS FOR CHILDREN

Also available each Sunday are **Children's Worship bulletins.** Please check each entrance for them. There are two different



Thank you to **Amy and Debbie Wilson** for supplying the children the nativity project for the month of December!



What My Grandmothers Taught Me, Bathsheba, Lesson 6 Learning from Women in Matthew's Genealogy of Jesus by Merryl Blair

"...David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah..."

Main Idea

At first it appears that she is silent and powerless, but when she steps onto the stage she finds her voice and exhibits an ability to influence kings.

Scripture: 2 Samuel 11-12; 1 King's 1:11-31; 1 King's 2:12-25

Opening Prayer

Creating and loving God. As we read your Word together, may we allow it to read us. As we enter into your Story, may we understand our own stories with more clarity and wisdom. Help us to remember that you have always worked through the lives of ordinary women and men, with all their faults and failings —people like us. We bring our ordinary lives before you today. Transform our expectations, so that as we study stories of the past, we may be open to your extraordinary future. Amen

Introduction

From 2 Samuel we learn that Bathsheba was bathing on the roof of her home. King David was also walking on his palace roof and saw her and desired to have her. He had Bathsheba brought to him. And then things began to get complicated.

We are asked to look at Bathsheba from several different points of view. Was she a manipulator, a victim, or someone who was treated as totally unimportant. Can we relate to any of these viewpoints?

The Story Continues

2 Samuel 11:1-13, Bathsheba Taken

The story begins telling us where David was, "In the spring of the year, the time when kings go out to do battle, David sent Joab with his officers and all Israel with him...But David remained at Jerusalem."

The lesson brings up questions about why David was not with his soldiers. David was walking on his own roof and notices Bathsheba. He inquires about her, he sent for her, and he took her and lay with her.

This lesson also brings up questions about sexual misconduct and power imbalances.

Once David is informed that Bathsheba is pregnant he attempts to cover up his crime by bringing Urriah home from battle. David finally escalates his misdeeds from deception to murder. We learn that even God is appalled by David's behavior. Nathan the prophet visits David with a parable about the abuse of power. David is outraged and then he learns that the story is about him. God's judgment brings the death of the child and ongoing problems in David's family.

Bathsheba is later recognized as the mother of King Solomon and she aids in the transition of the kingship from David to Solomon. King Solomon sits Bethesda on a throne at his right hand.

We are asked to think about women of influence we have admired. How have they fought for the wider good of the community?

CLOSING PRAYER

Healing God, in Bathsheba we see all women who have been used by others to increase someone else's power: women bought and sold or used as accessories, whom whose bodies have been used in advertising, women seen only in terms of how they further a man's prestige and not for the persons they are. We find ourselves here too: worrying about how we look, whether we are becoming invisible with age, and if our choices are slipping away from us.

Help us to see the growing character of Bathsheba all around us in women who remain themselves, through their challenges: women who fight for the good of their children, women who work hard to keep their families going, women who manage to find their own strength in the midst of the things that are done to them.

God of healing, help us hear each other's stories and gain strength from what we hear. Help us see the hope and humanity in all women, in all people, rather than the carefully manipulated images someone else presents to us. Help us understand that real power lies in knowing that we are your children, and that nothing can separate us from you. Amen.

Order this study online at www.presbyterianwomen.org/shop

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

2 Corinthians 9:8 "And God is able to make all grace abound toward you; that ye, always having all sufficiency in all things, may abound to every good work."

The Holiday Season is over and as we return to a state of normalcy for the month of January, the Jefferson-Morgan Food Pantry remains busy distributing food to over 100 local families every month!

For the month of January, we received \$80 in monetary donations and these other items were also donated: 2 boxes of Cheerios, 1 box of Chex cereal, 2 boxes of hot cocoa mix, 4 boxes of candy, 4 boxes of pop tarts, 2 boxes of pancake mix, bag of pretzel, five boxes of noodles, bag of noodles, bag of instant mashed potatoes, bag of pancake/muffin mix, box of granola, box of biscotti cookies, 2 cans of corn, can of cranberry sauce, can of chicken noodle soup, can of cream of mushroom and can of ravioli.

Once again, 100 percent of the money and food received goes directly to the Jefferson Food Bank. We collect and transport the food **every third Sunday of the month**. And also, please make sure all of your **donated food is not expired**! If the food is expired, then the food bank will not be to take it.

We know that money can sometimes be tight and it's always tough to remember to bring food in on Sundays, but we urge everyone to help in any way they can with the Food Bank. The baskets to donate the food and the jars for the monetary donations are at both entrances of the sanctuary.

The Food of the Month for February is **Canned Soup/Canned Seafood**. **But like with any month, any non-perishable food items are welcomed!!**

If anyone has any questions about the Food Bank, please do not hesitate to ask a Deacon. Thank you and God bless!!

Respectfully submitted, Hewitt Board of Deacons



What is PER CAPITA?

In your offering envelope box there is an envelope marked Per Capita. What is that? Per Capita is a "gift" from members of the Congregation for ecclesiastical expenses. Our Per Capita this year is \$45 per each member of Hewitt Presbyterian Church. Per Capita is sent to Washington Presbytery and is allocated as follows:

General Assembly of PCUSA	\$8.98
Synod of the Trinity	\$2.40
(the Synod we belong to)	
Washington Presbytery	\$33.62
(our Presbytery)	
TOTAL:	\$45.00

Our PCUSA covenants and relationships are supported by our per capita offering. So if you decide to give your Per Capita in the envelope provided, consider it a gift to support General Assembly, Synod and Presbytery. At the present time, Session only sends to the Presbytery what is received in the Per Capita envelopes.

DONALD P. WILSON SCHOLARSHIP

Please see future church bulletins for information on how to apply for the Donald P. Wilson Scholarship. You may also call the church office Tuesday-Friday, 9 AM—12 PM.



FEBRUARY 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Worship Every Sunday 11:00 AM		<u>1</u>	<u>2</u> Bells- 6 PM Choir—7 PM Every Wednesday	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>6</u>	7	8	<u>9</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>11</u>	<u>12</u>
<u>13</u>	<u>14</u> Valentine's Day	15 Session Meeting 6:30 PM	<u>16</u>	<u>17</u>	<u>18</u>	19 Garden Club Meets @ 10 AM
<u>20</u>	<u>21</u> <u>President's</u> <u>Day</u>	<u>22</u>	<u>23</u>	<u>24</u>	<u>25</u>	<u>26</u>
27 <u>Deacons</u> <u>Meeting</u> <u>After</u> <u>worship</u>	<u>28</u>	March 1	March 2 Ash Wednesday			

FEBRUARY Birthdays



Angel (Jeffries) Workman
Bob Reynolds



DEACONS CHRISTMAS CARD EXCHANGE— A BIG SUCCESS!!

The Hewitt Board of Deacons would like to thank the congregation for their help and participation in our Christmas Card Exchange during the month of December.

Over the three weeks of December when we collected the Christmas Cards, we received a lot of support from the congregation. Due to the overwhelming success of the exchange and the fact that everyone loves saving a stamp, we are looking forward to doing this again next December.

Once again thank you for participation!!!

Hewitt Board of Deacons



HEWITT CHURCH DARTBALL NEWS

Through 15 weeks of the Greene County Church Dartball League, Hewitt is currently in fifth place in the 17-team league. Our record is 24-16-2 with 92 points. We have a .595 winning percentage and we are averaging 3.95 runs per game. For the season, we have scored 166 runs, but our opposition has scored 177 runs.

As a team, we have a batting average of .252 (373/1479) with a team slugging of .502 (742/1479). Sara Parker and Barry Elliott lead the team in total hits with 55 apiece. Sara Parker leads the team in singles (50), Cathy Brewer leads the team in doubles (10) and home runs (13), Rachie Teegarden leads the team in triples (31) and RBI's (27) and Chad Ludrosky leads the team in runs scored (21).

Here are our past results:

Week 12 (12/13) at Greensboro Baptist 18-7 loss, 18-5 loss, 9-3 loss

Week 13 (12/20) vs. Waynesburg Methodist 7-1 win, 6-5 win, 5-3 win

(12/27) League-wide Off Week due to Christmas

Week 14 (1/3) at WWJD Christian Center 1-0 win, 5-3 loss, 8-3 win

Week 15 (1/10) vs. Bible Baptist 7-5 win, 6-3 loss, 6-4 win

And here is our upcoming schedule:

Week 16 (1/17) at Carmichaels Methodist #2

Week 17 (1/24) vs. Crosspoint Assembly of God

Week 18 (1/31) at Crabapple Community (Rogersville Church)

Week 19 (2/7) vs. Waynesburg Baptist #2

Week 20 (2/14) vs. Oak View Methodist

Week 21 (2/21) vs. Jefferson Baptist #2



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FEBRUARY 2022 HEWITT HAPPENINGS



Join us Sunday Mornings-WORSHIP @ 11 AM