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Sunday School 9:30AM — Coffee/Tea Time 10:00 to 10:20AM — Worship Service 10:30AM

# From the Desk of the Pastor ...

### Greetings to all,

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I find the scriptures fascinating. Ok, reading Leviticus is boring with all of the rules and regulations. And some stories are a bit "dicey" (David's affair with Bathsheba). I'm not crazy about genealogies.

And, I must remember that the history is written solely from the Israelites' viewpoint. In spite of all that, I am constantly aware of where God is in the story: the immediate present.

God kicks off creation with his word. He talks and walks with his first people. God later punishes sinful people with a flood. In Abraham, God finds and guides the man chosen to imitate God's chosen people. With Moses, God frees them to become the Jews – with a set of Laws. Through prophets, God calls Saul, David and Solomon as Kings. Then—destruction. God goes with his people to Babylon. They return, to be dominated by the Romans.

And God is still with them - Jesus!

Today – Post Easter – Jesus is still with us. As He said, "Lo, I am with you always--even to the end of time."

The point I'm attempting to make is this: God is in the present--with us today. If we choose to live in the past, we will be alone. God is not in the past. If we live in the future (fantasy) we are alone. God is not there, but in the here and now.

This is for our benefit the past is over and done. We can't return to it. The clock moves only forward. The future does not really exist. It's an idea; but it's always ahead of us. Tomorrow never comes. God is not there.

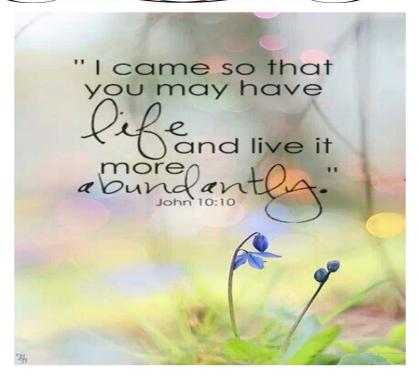
God is with us in the here and now. This is our hope, our security. Our faith history shows us that God is always present. Therefore God is ready to provide for us.

What a special blessing we have - Amen.

Shalom,

Pastor Rick

From the Desk of Consistory President



Hello St. Jacobs Family,

We have been given a gift—the sacrifice that Jesus gave for us so that we could be saved. Wwe take that forward and open our hearts and minds to those around us. Looking for ways to help our neighbors and communities in April was a wonderful celebration of our Dutch Dinner and our Easter Egg hunt, which was attended by a wonderful crowd of excited adults and children alike. May brings a celebration of our mothers and a fantastic breakfast cooked by our men. We have an exciting VBS kick off on May 18th that is a joint venture with our sister church. Remember all are welcome to come and enjoy the excitement. Then we have our Graduation season—from our ELC children getting ready to head into the classrooms, to young men and women stepping from the high school or college classrooms out into their next adventures in life. We wish them the very best in where ever the road leads for them and pray that they know God and their St. Jacob's family are with them each step of the way.

Sincerely,

Heather Kuhn
Consistory President

## St Jacob's UCC Consistory Minutes March 2019 Meetings are held the third Monday of the month @ 7pm at St. Jacob's UCC March 18, 2019

Opening: 7:00pm

Present: Consistory members: Pastor Rick, Heather Kuhn, Lynn Johnson, Lloyd Bubb, Kathryn Forry, Kim Criswell. Others present: Eric Barley, Dorine Hagarman and Katie Hagarman

Minutes for March, 2019

Motion to approve by Lynn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kim, approved

Treasurer's Report

Motion to approve by Lynn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kim, approved

**Old Business** 

Victorian Ball rescheduled to Sunday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. Club participants will be encouraged to attend Sunday's Service

Letters of Transfer that have been in the works have been completed and are being mailed

### Early Learning Center report - presented by Dorine and Katie

January, 2019 annual state inspection results received – No violations found

Just over 100 full and part-time children participating in our program, 30 to 40 summer camp children expected

Each lower level classroom room repainted by Eagle Scout applicant, supporters and ELC volunteers

Upcoming fundraising projects include homemade carrot cakes (Wed. April 17<sup>th</sup>) and Miller's Flower and Plant sale (parent pickup Thurs. April 25<sup>th</sup> and continuing through May 5<sup>th</sup>)

June 15<sup>th</sup> carnival to be held in lower parking area. If weather is nice will begin as Community Breakfast ends

### **Local Mission**

Carl Reininger to be reimbursed for materials used to assist with shelving at Mr. Sandy's Veterans Mission

### **New Business**

York Association annual meeting April 28th, RSVP to Heather by April 15th

Food Pantry expansion: Motion to pay for 50% of the cost based upon the previously presented scope of the project with St. Jacob's UCC's contribution being a maximum of \$10,000

Motion by Heather, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lynn, approved

Fellowship Hall rental rates to be the same for ELC staff members and ELC parents (in good standing) as for church members, \$25 per hour includes kitchen use

Lois Hoke taking up residence at Haven at Springwood

Rental of Social April 20<sup>th</sup> from 12pm till 5pm was approved by Consistory

Discussion was opened that if an ELC teacher or family would like to rent the hall. Sshould we continue to charge them a non-member fee or would it better to charge them the members fee.

a. Motion was made by Lloyd – charge teachers and families the member fee.  $2^{nd}$  by Steve – All others in favor.

### Kim

- Donut social that was held directly after church was very successful. There were 35 people in attendance. Having it right after service Sunday morning was very well received.

Dutch Dinner scheduled for April 6<sup>th</sup>. All that are able to help will be a big help

Sandwich sale had a profit of \$601.35

Easter Candy & Easter Egg Hunt will be held 11am on 4/13/19

### Lloyd

Expressed his thanks for all of the support his church family has given his family.

### Kathryn

Has received all of the updated information for our minister profile and will be working on pulling that information together before sending to the conference.

### Lynn

- For the community breakfast we had an attendance of 47
- Dave Trone spoke to the church about the updates on the food bank buildings and was able to answer questions.
- We had a special request that someone wanted to purchase a leaf in a different color in Wyatt's memory which was approve.

### **Discussions**

Pastor Rick leads meeting with "Wheel" of the church exercise for meeting attendees Pastor on vacation April 29<sup>th</sup> - May 5<sup>th</sup>, Pastor Lisa to be on-call.

### Action steps to be taken

### Adjournment



### Food Bank—May 4th

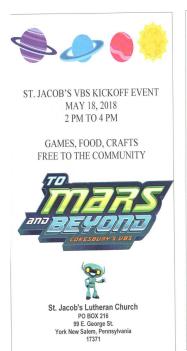
Remember our food bank if you have some time they are always looking for helpers. 9am till 11am



### Mothers Day Breakfast—May 12th

Please join us Sunday morning for a lovely breakfast prepared by our men in celebration of our mother. Breakfast will begin at 9am.





### **SAVE the DATE**



St. Jacob's VBS June 23-28, 2019 6:00 pm to 8:15 pm

St. Jacob's Lutheran Church PO BOX 216 99 E. George St. York New Salem, Pennsylvania 17371

### St. Jacobs ELC Graduation—May 24th

Our ELC will be holding their graduation at 6:30 in our social hall.





### Strawberry Social—June 2nd

Mark your calendars for the Strawberry Social on Sunday, June 2nd at 6:00 pm. Come out and enjoy fresh strawberries with shortcake, ice cream, and fellowship. Yum!!! During the social we will be setting off the lanterns that we postponed from the fall. If you haven't purchased a lantern yet see Kim or Ashley Criswell!



### **Community Breakfast June 15th**

8:30am till 10:30 am. All are Welcome!!



Newsletter articles for June due May 17th

### **Special Dates**

### May Birthdays

16th Rachel Forry

17th Benjamin Goodling

21st Kim Criswell

23rd Tim Hinkle

23rd Nicolas Janssen

30rth Parthenia Mosebrook



### May Anniversaries

2nd Leon & Jennifer Senft
4th Mike & Connie Miller
10th James & Margaret Murray
23rd Corey & Merissa Hamilton
24th Jeff & Stacy Wagaman
25th Jay & Linda Claycomb



### P.U.S.H

### (Pray Until Something Happens)

- Barb H.
- Corey M. & Family
- Cindy 5.
- Glenn K
- Linda C.
- Lois B.
- Judy G.
- Kathaleen R.
- · Bud and Wendy B.
- Ed D.
- · Claude R. Family
- · Evelyn Thomn
- · Stu Markel Family
- Dennis F.
- Joellyn S.

our family.



An Appreciation of thanks and gratitude to Kim and Ashley Criswell for putting together the surprise birthday get together after church for Corey. Thanks to everyone who attended, he was surprised. No gifts were requested, but with your support and our thanks, Corey received \$400 to give as a donation to York County Special Olympics. Thank you for your prayers, support and concern for

Corey, Lynn and Gloria



### **2019 Altar Guild Schedule**

May – Doris Goodling & Lou Ann Markle June – Mary Brungard & Janet Hengst Communion 6-9-19

July - Michele Harper & Dorine Hagarman

August – Taylor Sipe & Velinda Johnson September – Deneen Harbold & Dorine Hagarman Communion 9-8-19

October – Kimberly Starner & Heather Kuhn Communion 10-6-19

November – Nancy McIntrye & Kathryn Forry December – Tom & Heather Kuhn Communion 12-1-19 & 12-24-19

### **Communion Sunday Duties**

Arrive by 9am to begin preparation

Communion trays are located within the cabinet in the Altar room on the left of the sanctuary along with Communion chalice.

One loaf of bread is needed. Please cut into cubes.

Communion cups are located on the third shelf of the cabinet in the Altar room

Wine and white grape fruit juice will be located within the fridge in the closet in the all purpose room. Please do not over fill cups.

Take the Communion trays and chalice to the sanctuary. Place on the Communion table and cover with white cloth prior to service beginning.

At the conclusion of the service please take the trays to the kitchen for clean up. Pour the used wine and grape fruit juice out. Please don't pour back into the bottle. The used bread can be tossed out for the birds or you can take home.

Once the trays are wiped out please return them back to the cabinet for storage until the next communion.

Also remember to change the Altar covers at the end of the service. Check the calendar to see what the next Sunday's cover color should be.



# May 2019

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
			Choir Practice 7pm	Cub Scout Meeting at 6:30pm	3	4 Food Pantry 9am
School 9:30am Worship Service 10:30	6 Boy Scouts 7pm	7 Day Care Board meeting 6pm	8 Choir Practice 7pm	9	10	11
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26 School 9:30am Worship Service 10:30	27 MEMORIAL DAY Boy Scouts 7pm	28	29 Choir Practice 7pm	30	31	

### **Schedule of Events**

- May 4th Food Pantry
- May 6th Cub Scouts 6:30pm
- May 7th Day Care Board Meeting 6pm
- May 8th Choir Practice 7pm
- May 13th Cub Scouts 6:30pm
- May 14th Day Care Staff Meeting 6pm
- May 15th Choir Practice 7pm
- May 17th News letter Articles Due
- May 20th Cub Scouts 6:30pm

- May 20th Consistory 7pm
- May 22nd Choir Practice 7pm
- May 24th ELC Graduation 6:30pm
- May 27th Cub Scouts 6:30pm
- May 29th Choir Practice 7pm

### St. Jacob's United Church of Christ



### Everyone is Welcome!

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# St. Jacob's Mission Statement

We, the family of St. Jacob's United Church of Christ, called by God, empowered by the Holy Spirit and following the example of Jesus Christ, will strive to be ambassadors of God's will by:

compassion
Teaching God's word

Caring for others and ourselves through love and

- Accepting and seeing all people as children of
- Committing ourselves to these responsibilities in an ever changing society.

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