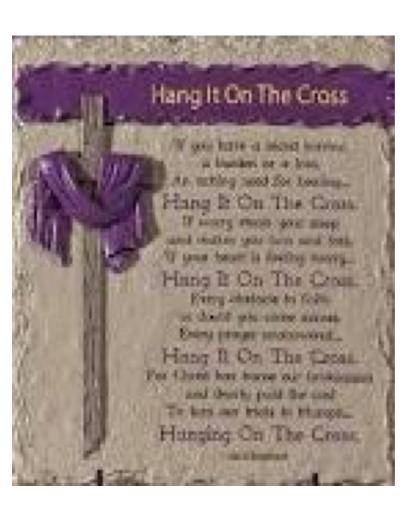
Albright United Methodist Church 1626 South Pittsburgh Street Connellsville, Pa. 15425



GOOD NEWS

From the family of Christians called Albright United Methodist Church www.albrightumcscpa.org





2025

ALBRIGHT UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Steven Lamb, Pastor Home phone 724-628-6772 Office phone 724-628-7130

Cell phone: 724-372-1453; Email address: blamb@zoominternet.net Church Email: albrightumc1626@gmail.com Worship service 10:45

Administrative Assistant, Elsie Beal Organist, Jeanne Meyers Choir director, Donna Fosbrink

Custodian, Fred Grote Church treasurer, Michelle Reich

www.albrightumcscpa.org View weekly service on webpage & Bev's facebook page

Liturgists

Greeters

APRIL
6: Myra Holden
6: Cathy Dillinger
13: Jessica Bortz
13: Kay Jacobs

20: Scott Murray
20: Sally Fosbrink
27: Sherry Grote
27: Jackie Kimmel

MAY MAY

4: Eve Shupe 4: Lynne Corvin 11: Bonnie Bloom 11: Jane Barnhart

18: Karen Stimmell18: Glenn & Shelly Siple25: Donna Fosbrink25: Scott & Debbie Murray

USHERS Head Usher, Karen Stimmell

FIRST SUNDAY EACH MONTH: Jackie Bartholomai, Sherry Grote, Jeremy Gray, Ed Jacobs SECOND SUNDAY EACH MONTH: Larry Bloom, Scott Murray, Sally Fosbrink, Michelle Reich

THIRD SUNDAY EACH MONTH: Jay & Judy Whipkey, Linda Burnworth, Pinky Smiley FOURTH SUNDAY EACH MONTH: Jeremy Gray, Scott Murray, Ed Jacobs, Larry Bloom

FIFTH SUNDAYS: We will have volunteers that week.

If you can't make it on your Sunday, please call Karen at 724-628-0402 or 724-812-7554. Thank you for serving

COUNTERS

APRIL: Karen Stimmell & Jay Whipkey MAY: Sue Harvey & Sherry Grote

Acolytes

<u>APRIL</u> <u>MAY</u>

6: Emmaleigh Kalemba & Andrew Lynn 4: Kayton & Keelan Callahan

13: Aubree & Kadey Shaffer 11: Emmaleigh Kalemba & Thelma Swope

20: Thelma Swope & Estella Gallagher 18: Aubree & Kadey Shaffer

27: Beau Wagner & Andrew Lynn 25: Thelma Swope & Estella Gallagher

JUNIOR CHURCH

First Sunday each month: Kathy Hixson & Linda Burnworth Second Sunday each month: Kelli Armstrong & Nancy Mimless

Third Sunday each month: Larry & Bonnie Bloom

Fourth Sunday each month: David & Shelley Mattis

When there is a Fifth Sunday: Mandy & Olivia Lynn

WEEKLY BIBLE STUDY

CHOIR PRACTICES

Every Wednesday @ 6:30

Every Thursday at 7:00. Open to all

Everyone welcome!

adults who enjoy singing to the Lord. Last one this year

CHURCH COUNCIL

Meeting Tues., May 20 at 7:00 in the dining hall.

2

WOMEN'S NEWS UNITED WOMEN IN FAITH

ALL WOMEN of the church are invited to join us.

We will meet Tuesday, April 8 at 7:00. Devotions by Elsie Beal; Hosting is Michelle Reich & Donna Fosbrink. We will be completing plans for our annual Mother/Daughter/Friend dinner on Monday, May 12 at 6:00. More information will be in bulletins.

We have the Streak Free cleaning cloths. \$4 each. Stop by the office to get them.



Sunday, April 13: Palm Sunday - Worship 10:45
Thursday, April 17: Holy Thursday - Worship 7:30 at
Otterbein - Roast beef dinner at 6:00. Free with
donations accepted.

Friday, April 18: Good Friday - Worship 7:30 at Albright

Sunday, April 20: Easter Sunday - Sunrise service 7a.m.

at Albright with breakfast to follow. Regular worship 10:45.

SUB SALE

Friday, May 2 & Saturday, May 3 at 10:00-1:00. 12" subs for \$12 each. Three kinds of meat & 2 kinds of cheese. All extra fixings packaged separately. To order, call 724-628-7130, 724-628-7467 or 724-372-2456 by April 29. Order ahead to be sure you get what you want.

PASTA MEAL

The third Thursday each month 4:00-6:00 at Otterbein U. M. Church. Donations are accepted to offset the cost and provide for the next dinner. Meal includes a pasta of the month, meat, sides, dessert & beverage. Open to the Public. We ask \$5 for take out.

Next meal will be May 15. NO meal in April - it is Holy Thursday.

BLUE PLATE SPECIAL

A lunch the 4th Tuesday at 11:00-1:00. Light lunch, dessert & beverage. Tuesday, April 22. NO meal in May. Free with donations accepted. We ask \$5 donation for take out. **OPEN TO THE PUBLIC.**

SATURDAY MORNING SPECIAL

Saturday, April 19 & May 17 @ 11:00: Saturday Morning Special will gather. A ministry for persons with special needs of all ages. April 19 we will have an Easter egg hunt with Easter bunny. May 17 we will have a small carnival for their last gathering of this year.

They do a craft, sing, hear a story, have prayer & have lunch. We appreciate Kelli Armstrong being willing to be the leader for this special ministry. We also appreciate our volunteers.

SUMMER CAMP

Jumonville, Camp Allegheny & Wesley Woods are now accepting registrations for Summer camps. Check out

MOTHER'S DAY CARNATIONS

We will again be taking orders for pink or white carnations for you to purchase for someone special to you. They are \$2.50 each. Paid orders need to be in by April 27.

NOTES OF THANKS

3

We always appreciate the support we receive from your church. We need donations all year. Thanks again.

Connellsville Area Community Ministries

I want to thank Cathy Dillinger & family for all their help with moving me into my new apartment. Your help is very much appreciated. It's good to have such good friends. God Bless you. Kathy Hixson

Thank you to the gentlemen who cooked for the sweetheart breakfast. You are appreciated for your thoughtfulness.

OTTERBEIN NEWS

RUMMAGE SALE

Saturday, May 3 Otterbein church will have their annual Rummage Sale. Begins at 8:00. OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

SUNDAE SALE

Saturday, May 24 Otterbein church will have a Sundae Sale at 11:00-1:00 Tickets will be available soon.

FREE COMMUNITY EASTER DINNER at

Albright U.M. Church

1626 S. Pittsburgh St. South Connellsville

Saturday, April 12 4:00-7:00 p.m.

Call 724-628-7130 to pre-register

Eat in free Take out available for \$5 each.

Registration greatly appreciated but not necessary

We always have the heavy dishcloths in the church office. \$3 each. Stop by and get yours.

SATRDAY, MAY 3 at 10:00

Elsie will be teaching a basket class. Price is \$25 each person. Please let her know if you plan to attend.

LOOKING AHEAD

'GRADUATES

Sunday, June 1: We will recognize graduates. If you know of anyone who is graduating, please write the information including what their future plans are & family members to be named. We will only print what we get in writing or by email.

FATHER'S BREAKFAST

Sunday, June 8 we will have a Father's Day Breakfast for all men of the church 8:00-10:00a.m.

ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Will be June 12-14 in Erie.

TRIP TO SEE NOAH

Fri., June 20 & Sat., June 21 will be the trip to Lancaster to see the play "Noah". Leave 7a.m. Friday; return 4-5 Sat. afternoon. For more information, call Bev at 724-372-1456.

POTLUCK

Our next potluck covered dish will be Sunday, June 29 after church. Bring a dish and join us.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Don Heckathorne Ray Knopsnider Baby Thompson Trey Corvin Larry Murray Jack Burke Randy Jacobs Tina Hiltabidel Patty Lint Scott Wagner

Rick Miller Randy Fisher John Shaw George Mariotti Mary Swope

Lee Mimless Lincoln Dunseth Sandy Reich Daniel Swope Rob Miller Wanda Brooks

Paula Shaffer Twila Filler Jeff Regish Tom Dewhurst

Carol Ward Peggy Chase George Seighman Sue Capo Larry Bloom Sr.

Caitlin Pellick Jamey Klonowski Jeffrey Sarmelli Carol Hunter Elton & Noah Schrock Liam

LewandowskiHarper Grace & Connor Jay SchrinJason MayerJim PenningtonBeth LambJoyce ShafferWisaloski familyKim WelshRon BarryEmmalyn & Olivia HixonJudy WhipkeyJustin OlexaSandy RussellKelly Thompson

Margaret Syner Lynn Kifer Margaret Coughenour Lynn White Pastor Steve & Bev Rev.

Ross Pryor Bishop Sandra Steiner Ball OUR HOMEBOUND PERSONS

Unspoken Requests All Military All churches Government leaders Folks with cancer

Those traveling Those battling addiction Folks on Hospice Homeless people

Praise for answered prayers

Peace around the World

Those with flu

Families of those who take their own life

Deepest Sympathy to family & friends of:

Lila Yauger, 83, who passed away January 26. She is survived by cousins, nieces, nephews & many friends.

Allen Mellinger, 52, who passed away January 29. He is survived by his wife, Kathy (Gilpin) Mellinger; 3 children, Victoria (& Stephen) Bush, Eathan Mellinger & Andrea (& Mitchel) Kirshy; 4 grandchildren & 2 stepgrandchildren.

Susan Ramage, 53, who passed away February 12. She was mother of Allyson Wright.

Jeffrey Karfelt, 62, who passed away February 13. He was a brother of Ron (& Stephanie) Karfelt and Steve Karfelt; uncle of Emma & Zach Karfelt.

Adam Petrone, 44, who passed away February 14. He is survived by his parents, Mike & Debbie Peterone; and sister

Stephanie (& Ray) Bann & their family; many aunts, uncles & cousins.

Mariloyd McClintock, 87, who passed away February 18. She is survived by 2 daughters, Bobbi Whipkey & Pam McClintock; grancdhildren, Holly (& Eric) Hatfield, Jeff Whipkey, Jason(Brianne) & Jared(& Kelsey) Jacobs, great grandchildren, Aaden & Jaxson Jacobs, Beilee (& Matthew) Enos, Kenadee & Maycee Whipkey, Trinity Hatfield; great-great granson, Adam Enos. She was predeceased by a daughter, Jody Jacobs in 2010. She was a 72 year member of Albright church.

James Lynn, 89, who passed away February 18. He is survived by sons, David (& Pamela) Lynn, Mark Lynn & compaion, Debra Rudnik, Laura (& Bob) Locke; grandchildren, Chris (& Mandy) Lynn, Dave Jr., Ryan & Shane (& Jessica) Lynn, Maggie (& Mike) Grimm, Elena Renze; 7 great-grandchildren; his brother, George Lynn & sister, Lois Jeffers. He was predeceased by his wife, Carol in 2016. He was a 74 year member of Albright Church.

<u>OUR HOMEBOUND PERSONS</u>

Please remember these persons in prayer and send them a card or note to let them know you are thinking of them and they are not forgotten. Thank you!

 CONNELLSVILLE
 Edna Baker - 315 N. Arch St. Apt. 1007
 724-603-2259

 Polly Basinger - 1900 First St.
 724-628-9436

 Evelyn Curry - 315 N. Arch St. Apt. 905
 724-970-0324

 Dolly King - 1916 S. Pittsburgh St.
 724-626-0273

 Shirley Mathias - 1512 Chestnut St.
 724-628-5539

DUNBAR 15431 UNIONTOWN 15401

 Judy Morris - 1001 Rock Ridge Rd.
 724-628-2256

 Ozella Roy - 208 Perry St.
 724-628-9594

 Ed Miller - 123 Runaround Rd.
 724-277-8641

 Sherrill Goodwin - 147 Lafayette Manor Rd. -Rm. 226B
 724-277-8642

Chuck Hall - Cherry Tree Home - 410 Terrace Dr.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Navy: Chief Brennen (& Lillian) Tressler - 2609 E. Garfield Ave. Apt. 3 - Alton, TX. 78573-0433

Army: 2nd Lt. Kyle Coughenour: 2205 Southland Dr. - Harlem, GA 30814

From the Pastor's Desk

Lent 2025



"Now Jacob looked up and saw Esau coming, and four hundred men with him. . . He himself went on ahead of them, bowing to the ground seven times, until he came near his brother. But Esau ran to meet him, and embraced him, and fell on his neck and kissed him, and they wept."

—Genesis 33: 1, 3-4

Esau and Jacob were twin brothers who lived their lives in contention and competition with each other from the moment they were born. Esau was born first with his brother holding onto his heel. Esau was their father's favorite. Jacob was their mother's favorite. Jacob persuaded his brother to give up his birthright as the first-born for a pot of stew. Jacob also tricked his father to give him the patriarch blessing that was due to the first-born son. This family had some problems. So much so, that Jacob fled for his life in fear that his brother would kill him.

In time, their lives would see many changes. Esau would disappoint his parents with the women he would marry. Jacob would slave for his uncle Laban for many years. But God would find a way for them both, and the time would come for them to see each other again. Jacob was more than nervous about the encounter and would send a caravan of his wealth before him as a gift, he would bow seven times as he approached his brother. But Esau, who always seemed to be the family disappoint, would be the one to set aside all his past grievances and embrace and kiss his brother as they wept in joy. In their exchange Jacob would say, "for truly, seeing your face is like seeing the face of God—since you have received me with such favor." (Gen 33: 10b)

I love the stories where forgiveness is given after severe grievance was placed on someone. Joseph forgave his brothers for selling him into slavery in Egypt. God would restore David after his affair and murder plot. God would also turn from his wrath over the city of Ninevah as Jonah proclaimed a message of repentance.

But the greatest forgiveness story is found at the cross of our Lord, Jesus Christ. None of us have lived a life without sin. All of us have grieved God, usually by withholding worship, and our treatment of others. We have broken his law, rebelled against his love and refused to love our neighbor. Yet the amazing thing about God's grace and love is that there is redemption power in the blood of Christ. He comes to his Father's throne on our behalf and acts as our advocate that our relationship with God will be restored. And just as Jacob approaching Esau, God will run to us and embrace us as his beloved children.

I pray that as you walk your Lenten journey you will place the cross of Christ before you and

remember the price paid for your salvation. And as you accept the grace that has been offered to you, may you offer the same grace to others.

God bless,

Jesus loves you and so do I,

6

Pastor Steve

Happy Birthday to you in April

- 3 Don Whittaker
- 5 James Lynn, Larry Geisler
- 7 Scott Murray, Madison Richter
- 8 Karson Snyder, Greg Stimmell
- 9 Patrick Schroyer
- 11 Trista Callahan, Bob Martin
- 14 David Pasipanki
- 15 Vicky Adey
- 16 Fred Bates
- 20 Laura Locke
- 22 Priscilla Smiley
- 26 Shelley Mattis, Alyana Mahokey
- 27 Lynne Corvin
- 29 Mia Sernelli

Happy Anniversary - April

- 21 Jason & Brianne Jacobs
- 21 Ed & Marsha Yankovich

Happy Birthday to you in May

- 3 Sherrill Goodwin, Mark Tressler, Anthony Tressler, Owen Coughenour
 - 5 David Mattis
 - 6 Kathy Pasipanki, Joshua Shaffer Sr.
- 7 Kayla Snyder, Joshua Strother
- 9 Jackie Kimmel, Aubree Shaffer
- 10 Brianne Jacobs
- 14 Damien Dunseth
- 15 Bill Shupe
- 18 Elaine Fosbrink
- 19 Marci Wiltrout
- 22 Crystal Strother
- 24 Ryan Shupe, Judy Whipkey
- 25 Jared Hough
- 27 Lindsi Mahokey, Bailee Enos, Alison Johnson
- 31 Ann Watson

Happy Anniversary - May

11 - Bill & Lori Newcomer

Congratulations to

Jeffrey & Mia Sarnelli on the birth of their son, Jack Thomas on November 26

CORRECTIONS: Great Grandparents, Rose & Joe Sarnelli Betti & Chuck Fontana, Joyce Shroyer

Great Great Grandmother, Betty Peterson. Godparents, Dom & Haleigh Marghella

CONNELLSVILLE FARMERS MARKET SCHEDULE 2025

Thursdays: June 5, 12, 19, 26; July 3, 10, 17, 24, 31; August 7 & 21

ALL MARKETS are 5p.m.-8p.m. At EAST SIDE FIRE STATION 100 N. Arch Street - Connellsville

Now accepting sponsors, farms, vendors, crafters and food trucks.

Applications available now on Greater Connellsville Chamber webside

or by calling Chamber office 724-628-5500 or email: cvchamber@zoominternet.net

PRAYER CHAIN 2025

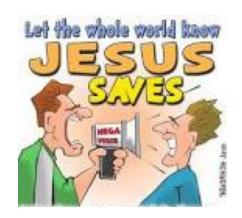
Church phone	724-628-7130	Pastor	724-628-6772 or 724-372-1453
Charch phone	/ 2 1 - 0 2 0 - / 1 3 0	1 astui	124-020-0112 01 124-312-1433

CIRCLE 1: Leader, Linda Burnworth	724-628 5866	CIRCLE 3: Leader, Sandy Russell	724-628-7528
Ann Watson	724-542-7429	Marcia Whittaker	724-875-0594
Myra Holden	724-628-8084	Bev Lamb	724-372-145
CIRCLE 2: Leader, Elaine Fosbrink	724-552-8362	CIRCLE 4: Leader, Colleen Grindle	724-434-4694
Jackie Bartholomai 724-626-0424	or 724-550-0154	Joyce Shaffer	724-984-8756
Kay Jacobs	724-628-8594	Jessica Bortz	724-372-9620
Michelle Reich	724-880-4573	Vicki Stimmell	724-562-0167

CIRCLE 5: Leader, Elsie Beal 724-628-7467 Linda Leonard 724-628-6829

We need prayer partners. Will you sign up to be on a list? Call the church office & we will get you on a Circle. The only requirement is that you are willing to pray when there is a need or give thanks when there is a praise.

7





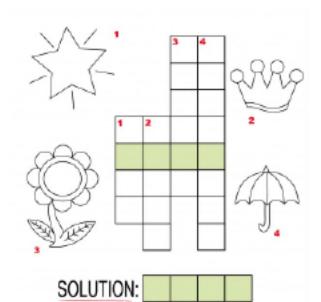
United States

All the words listed are hidden vertically, horizontally or diagonally—in both directions. The letters that remain unused form a sentence from left to right.

OKLAHOMAMONTANA THENLAWISCONSIN VAMEAAMECRGOAIC IALKDIBOSGEMRPN RRMARYLANDRRIOE GBVNSOAIMAOEZBW ELSRKMNDAYVOAJ NRDAEOAINDIANAE IHDSYGRSROIAAVR AOEWIOIDCFIROMS ADMHLOEIRSIGAEE OECFNGXVIESPRUY CICIIEEUAMEAKHR MSLCMHOOANWTAAN ALDWSLAIRALWNOR IAEWHOWALGASSBO NNKROYWENIIRANI EDNFLODRIENASCE

ALASKA ARIZONA ARKANSAS COLORADO DELAWARE FLORIDA GEORGIA HAWAII ILLINOIS INDIANA KANSAS LOUISIANA MAINE MARYLAND MICHIGAN MONTANA NEVADA **NEW JERSEY** NEW MEXICO **NEW YORK OKLAHOMA OREGON** RHODE ISLAND VERMONT VIRGINIA WISCONSIN WYOMING

ALABAMA







8

APRIL 2025

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
		1	2	3	4	5
						Need candy orders today
			Bible study 6:30	Choir prac. 7		
6 5th Sun. in Lent	7	8 United Women in Faith 7	9	10	11	12 Free Community Easter din. 4-7 \$5 takeout
	T.O.P.S. 10 & 5		Bible study 6:30	Choir prac. 7		
13 Palm Sunday	14	15	16	17 Holy Thursday Worshi	18 Good Friday p 7:30 Worshij	19 Sat. Morn.Spec. p 7:30 11:00
Pick up candy	ногл	WEEK		at Otterbein Dinner 6:00 Free with	at Albright	SMS Egg hunt

donations accepted

20 21 22 23 24 25 26 **Easter Sunday** Blue Plate Spec. Sunrise svc. 7:00 11-1 followed by break. at Albright Reg. worship 10:45 Bible study 6:30 T.O.P.S. 10 & 5 Choir prac. 7 27 28 29 **30**

> OFFICE HOURS Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday

> > 10:00-3:00

Office phone: 724-628-7130

T.O.P.S. 10 & 5

Bible study 6:30

MAY 2025

S M T W T F S

1 2 3
2&3: Sub sales 10-1 both days

Ott: Rummage Sale

Basket class @10
\$25
Choir prac. 7

11	12 Matha		13	14	15	16	17
	Mother/ Daughter/			Ott. Pasta meal		Sat. Morn.Sp. 11:00	
	Mother's Day	Friend di	dinner 6		4-6		Mini Carnival
		T.O.P.S. 10	0:00	Bible study 6:30	Choir prac. 7		
18	19		20	21	22	23	24
Heritage Sun.			June/July news deadline				Ott.:Sundae sale 11-1
		1	Church council '	7			
	T.O.P	P.S. 10 & 5			Choir prac. 7 last one this yr.		
25	26 Memo		27 NO Blue plate special 11-1	28	29 Ascension of the Lord	30	31