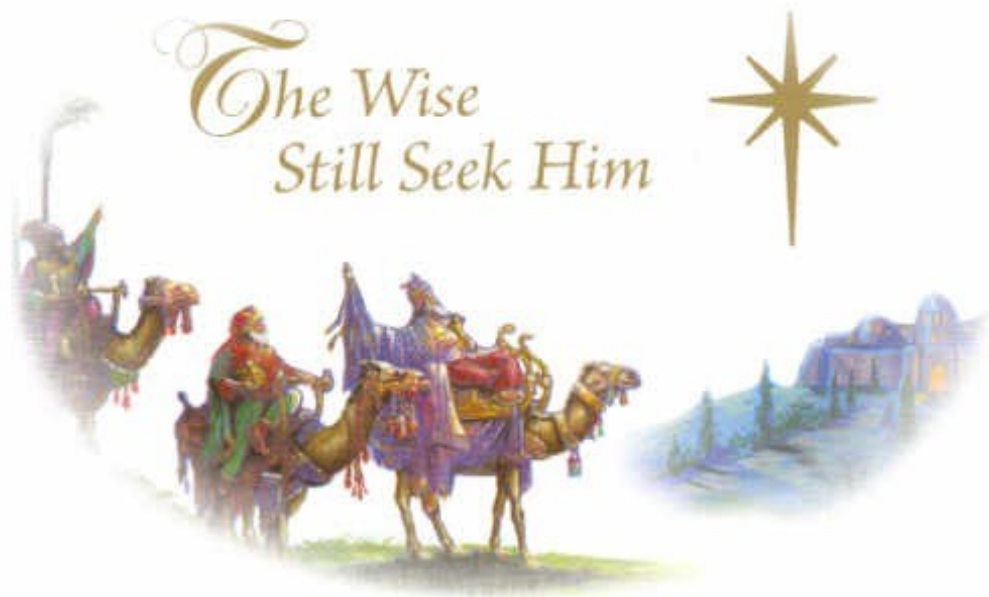


**West York Church of the Brethren
5101 Darlington Road
York, PA 17408**

The West Yorker



January 2023

"The mission of the West York Church of the Brethren is to love, nurture and build the community of Jesus Christ."



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Phone: (717) 792-9260

Prayer Line: (717) 792-9260 (Option "5")

E-mail: westyorkchurch@gmail.com

Website: www.westyorkcob.org

**Sunday Worship: Sunday School 9:00 am
Worship Service 10:15 am**

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**Souper Bowl
Sunday
February 12th, 2023**

We will again be collecting soup and money for soup for Souper Bowl Sunday on February 12th.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR A GOOD VARIETY OF SOUPS THIS YEAR. We will accept monetary donations also to purchase more soup.

You can bring your donations to the church beginning January 8th through February 12th.

SPECIAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Sunday, January 8, 2023

Following the worship service

This special meeting is to affirm Kathy Hinkle as the Assistant Treasurer, and Michelle Hartlaub as the Financial Secretary.

Also, we will be voting to hire Shawna Hake as the Director of Family Ministries. It is proposed for her to work 8 hours per week at a rate of \$10.00 per hour.

Please plan to attend this very important meeting.



UPCOMING EVENTS:

New Year's Day - January 1
Leadership Team Meeting - January 3
Epiphany - January 6
Baptism of the Lord - January 8
CEC Board Meeting - January 10
Church Work Day - January 14
Youth Game Night - January 15
Congregational Forum Info Due - January 16
Day of Prayer for Children & Youth - January 18
Week of Prayer for Christian Unity - January 18-25
Newsletter Deadline - January 23
Congregational Forum - January 29

DENOMINATIONAL, DISTRICT & COMMUNITY EVENTS

(For more info on denominational events, go to www.brethren.org)



**Friends of Cross Keys Village -
The Brethren Home Community**

DON'T FORGET TO SAVE YOUR HOLIDAY POSTAGE STAMPS for The Brethren Home. You may put them **in the box by the informational bulletin board**. Thank you!

MESSENGER RENEWAL TIME

It is time to renew your Messenger subscription or start a new subscription if you want to start getting the Messenger, the magazine of the Church of the Brethren.

The cost of a subscription is **\$14.50 for 1 year** or **\$27.00 for 2 years**.

For any new or renewal subscription, make your check payable to **West York Church of the Brethren** and send it to the church office by **January 22, 2023**.



All three centers need paper goods - paper towels, Kleenex, wipes, toilet paper, paper plates, copying paper and construction paper. When these items are donated it saves us money because we don't have to buy them. A paper goods drive for the center nearest to you is quick and easy and a great way to show support for the Children's Aid Society.

Thank you for your continued support for CAS.

DISTRICT

The SO PA District Board meets on a regular basis throughout the year, and visitors are welcome to attend these meetings and bring their joys and concerns of their home congregations. If you would like to see firsthand how the Board conducts the business of the District, plan to attend the meetings listed below, beginning at 9:00 a.m.

January 21 - Hanover COB
March 11 - Mt. Olivet COB
May 13 - Shippensburg COB
July 22 - Huntsdale COB
October 28 - West York COB



Carlisle Truck Stop Ministry Cookie Collection

Thanks for the help baking, bagging and decorating the bags for the Truck Stop Ministry.

We delivered 182 bags of cookies. I greatly appreciate everyone helping with this ministry.
Brenda Myers



GROCERY CART MINISTRY

Each month we are collecting certain items for our Food Pantry. For the month of **January** we are collecting **PIZZA CRUST MIX, PIZZA SAUCE, BAGGED EGG NOODLES (NOT PASTA SIDES)**. You can place your donation in the shopping cart that is in the hallway. **THE ITEMS WE ARE REQUESTING ARE THE ONLY ITEMS WE NEED THIS MONTH.** Thanks for your help!!



CHURCH WORK DAY SATURDAY, JANUARY 14th Beginning at 8:00 am

Help is needed as we will be cleaning out the attic, closets and rooms and organizing them.
Please mark your calendar!!!

Congregational Forum

Sunday, January 29, 2023

Please have all reports for the Congregational Forum to Barb in the church office no later than

January 16, 2023.

February Newsletter

Deadline for articles for the February Newsletter is

January 23, 2023



YOUTH GAME NIGHT

Sunday, January 15th

12:30 pm

Grades 4th thru 12th

We will be doing outdoor winter activities.

January Special Offering

Our special offering for January is
"The Child Education Center"

This offering supports our preschool program.

Please use the brown envelopes on the table in the Gathering area.

Note from the Treasurer Contributions for 2022

Our last deposit of the year will be **Sunday, December 25th**. Contributions placed in the offering plate after Dec 25th will be counted towards 2023 giving. **Electronic giving** contributions must be made **prior to**

Dec 24th to count as a 2022 contribution.

Any contributions mailed to the church must be **in the church office by Dec.23rd** in order to be counted as a 2022 contribution. If you have any questions please contact Jake

Hershey, Treasurer

jehershey56@gmail.com.



Offering Envelopes

2023 Offering Envelopes are available now. If you do not use envelopes and would like to start so that your giving is recorded with an end-of-year tax statement, please see Jake Hershey or call the church office.

Mike Parente - Leadership Chair
Landon Eshbach - Church Clerk,
Vice Chairperson
Jake Hershey - Church Treasurer
Brenda Myers - Service and Outreach
Chair
Shawna Hake - Education Chair
Linda Zumbrum - Music & Worship
Chair
Brian Allabach - Property & Grounds
Chair
Cindy Heist - Deacon Chair
Open - Stewardship Chair



In the event of bad weather,
please contact Mike Parente
for cancellations.

delegates for the District Conference to be held September 15 & 16, 2023 at Chambersburg Church of the Brethren. If you are interested in either of these positions, please contact Joyce Whitcraft, Nathan Keefer, Michelle Hartlaub or Ron Horn, Jr.



Our monthly coin collection will now benefit the **Nashville Fire Company** with cases of water and Gatorade. We are asking you loose pocket change and extra vending cans that our youth will bring in on the first Sunday of each month. In return, we will add additional fire trucks as we go along.

Sign Up

To sponsor the bulletin, newsletter and flowers for on the altar in 2023. Sign-up sheets are hanging on the Informational Bulletin Board in the hallway by the coat rack.



We are accepting applications for the **2023-2024** school year. Classes are held Tuesday & Thursday. Applications are available through the church office.

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Delivery will be Tuesday, February 7, 2023.
Order forms will be on the table in the Gathering
area in January.



TASTY CREATIONS

Make this yummy treat to remember what happened on each day of Creation.

What you need:

- 6 large pretzel rods
- Candy melts (white, chocolate and blue)
- Green sprinkles
- White or star-shaped sprinkles
- Fish crackers
- Animal crackers
- Adult help



What you do:

1. With help, melt the three colors of candy melts in separate dishes. Microwave for 30 seconds at a time, stirring until soft.
2. Decorate one pretzel for each day of Creation:
 - Dip half in white and half in chocolate to show light and darkness.
 - Dip half in white and half in blue to show separation of the atmosphere.
 - Dip half in chocolate, add green sprinkles and dip half in blue to show land, plants and water.
 - Dip in chocolate and add white or star sprinkles to show the stars.
 - Dip in blue and add fish crackers to show sea life.
 - Dip in chocolate and add animal crackers to show land animals.
3. Share the Creation story – and the snack – with a friend!



Ordering the days

God spoke and created all that exists. He separated and ordered his creation. What did God say about all he made?

Directions: Write the correct day of creation next to each clue. Then fill in the circled letters in order below to complete Genesis 1:31, NIV.

FIRST SECOND THIRD FOURTH FIFTH SIXTH

God made wild animals and livestock.

God said, "Let there be light."

God gathered the waters under the sky into one place.

God made a vault to separate the waters and called it "sky."

God created plants and trees.

God separated the light from the darkness.

God made the water teem with living creatures.

God made the sun and moon.

God made birds fly above the earth.

God made stars.

God created mankind in his own image.

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God _aw all tha_ he _ad ma_e, an _ _t was ve_y g_od.

GENESIS 1:31, NIV

Answer: sixth, first, third, second, third, first, fifth, fourth, fifth, fourth, sixth; God saw all that he had made, and it was very good.



CHILDREN'S CHURCH
meets during the
worship service each week.



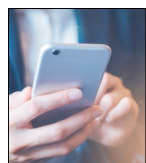
**THE NURSERY IS AVAILABLE FOR
CHILDREN FROM NEWBORN THROUGH
3 YEARS OLD. IT IS LOCATED IN THE
ROOM OFF OF THE GATHERING AREA.**



The Service and Outreach Chairperson, along with our Pastor, administer and oversee a special Outreach Ministry Fund. This "Outreach Fund" will be used to assist people with uncovered or unexpected financial needs on a case by case basis. Payments to assist persons will be made against bona fide invoices only and no cash will ever be distributed to individuals.

If you would like to contribute to this fund, please designate on your envelope "Outreach Fund".

Thank you for considering to participate in this ministry with your generous offering.



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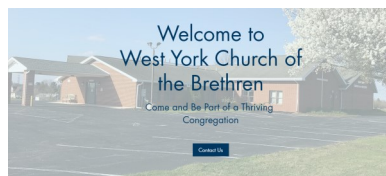
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The "Seeking Amazing Grace" Adult Sunday School class meets at 9:00 am on Sunday mornings. This class is led by Larry Marshall. They are currently studying the Book of Exodus.

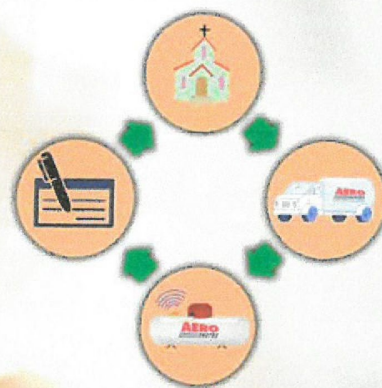
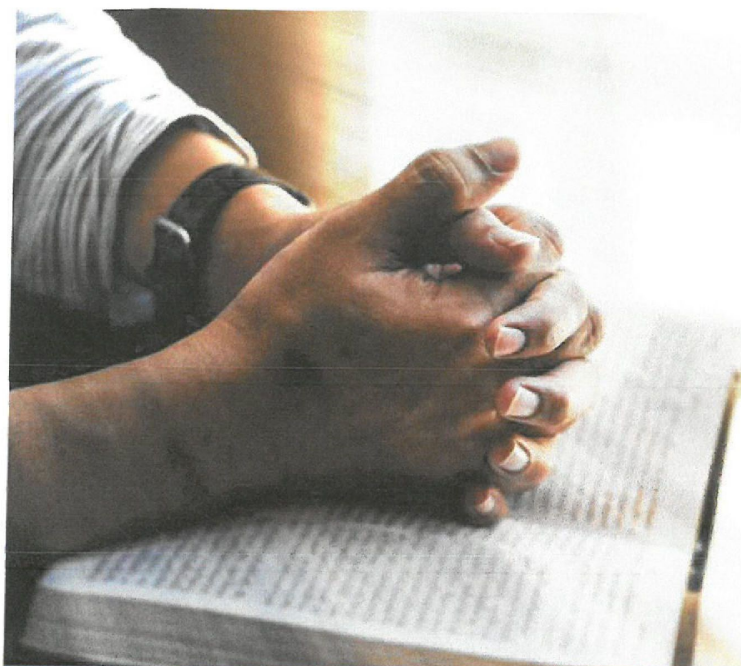
You are welcome to join them for this time of study of the Word of God.



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WEBSITE!!!!**

WWW.WESTYORKCOB.ORG





Enroll in Our House of Worship Program For Annual Donations to Your Church!

\$0.04/Gallon Propane And Heating Oil Used + 10% Of All HVAC Service And System Installs* = Our Annual Donation To Your Church

House of Worship Program: When members of your congregation become propane or heating oil customers with Aero Energy, we'll donate \$0.04 to your church for every gallon they use annually. Last year this translated to a donation of almost \$20,000 to churches across our territory! Enrolled participants will also receive a 10% donation to their church for heating and cooling system sales and service (up to \$250 /year).

Common Questions:

Q. If I become a House of Worship Program participant, will I pay more for my fuel?

A. No, you pay the same price per gallon you are paying now. This is a donation from Aero Energy to your church. You will not incur any additional fees.

Q. What about congregation members who don't use propane or heating oil?

A. We are excited to offer a 10% donation on heating and cooling system sales and service up to \$250/year (per enrolled member).

Q. Does my church need to be an Aero Energy customer in order to receive an Aero Energy House of Worship donation?

A. No, but they are welcome to switch to Aero Energy to benefit from the fuel and/or HVAC service incentives.

Service donation cannot exceed \$250/participant. Participants must reside within the Aero Energy service territory to benefit from the service incentive. Additional terms and conditions may apply.*



Get Started When You Visit www.AeroEnergy.com/HOW or Call 1-888-480-1271

Serving our Congregation in January

Worship Leader



Greeters

- 1 Brian Allabach
- 8 Tim Coonan
- 15 Don & Vivian Hubbell
- 22 Linda Fulmele
- 29 Chuck Wallace



Power Point Operator

- 1 Nathan Keefer
- 8 Dave Highlands
- 15 Bill Zumbrum
- 22 Nathan Keefer
- 29 Dave Highlands



Sound Board Operator

- 1 Ed Jacobs
- 8 Gary Hake
- 15 Merl Keefer
- 22 Ed Jacobs
- 29 Gary Hake



Children's Sunday School (Younger)

Children's Sunday School (Older)



Nursery Caregivers

- 1 Donna Ausherman
- 8 Nicole Grove
- 15 Genie Grove
- 22 Shawna Hake
- 29 Linda Zumbrum



Hospitality Table

- 1 None needed
- 8 OPEN
- 15 OPEN
- 22 OPEN
- 29 OPEN



January

- 1 Kiera Louey
- 2 Ron Horn, Jr.
- 3 Nathan Keefer
- 4 Chris Hinson
- 5 Caden Miller
- 8 Taylor McIntyre
- 9 Kyle Miller
- 11 Jeff (Jay) Keefer
Lorraine Yohe
- 12 Holly Hartman
- 13 Gretchen Greiner
- 17 Landon Eshbach
- 18 Brian Allabach
- 19 Chuck Wallace
- 20 Cameron Spurlock
- 21 Doug Ward
- 22 Doug & Rita Ward
- 24 Noah Miller
- 26 Jarod Hinson
Judith Wallace
- 27 Connie Emory
- 28 Vivian Hubbell
Larry Lehman
- 29 Wendy Kemper
- 30 Lindsey Keefer





The following people have agreed to be members of our Pastoral Search Team:

Susan Parente	Larry Marshall
Wanda Keefer	Michelle Hartlaub
Jake Hershey	Alana Grove
Gary Hake	

Please pray for the Search Team as they go through the search process.



***Thank you to our church family for the many prayers and cards sent during Bill's recent heart procedures. They were very much appreciated.
Bill and Linda Zumbrum***



DAY OF PRAYER FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

Wednesday, January 18th is our monthly Day of Prayer for our Children and Youth. Please find time during this day to pray for our Church's Ministry to Children and Youth.

The Wellspan Spiritual Care and Education Department wants to let our church know when a member is in the hospital. **PLEASE identify our church at registration and admittance into the hospital.** According to HIPAA regulations, if you provide this information to the hospital, our church may be notified of the admission.

Prayer Requests

If you have a prayer request you would like to share with the church, please fill out a prayer card (found in the gathering area) and give it to the pastor. You may also call Barb in the church office.





**CAMP EDER
WINTER CAMP
January 27th-29th, 2023
For Grades 1st to 12th and Shining
Stars Campers
\$85**

Arrive 7 pm Friday Pickup 2 pm Sunday

Grab your sleds and strap on your snow boots
and join us for a weekend of winter fun at
Camp Eder!

To register go to [www.campeder.org/
registration](http://www.campeder.org/registration)

For more information contact: **717-642-8256** or
campeder@campeder.org



**Southern PA District
WOMEN'S SPRING
LUNCHEON**

**Tentative Date
Saturday, April 22, 2023
Host: York First COB**



**WOMEN'S CAMP
June 5 & 6, 2023
Camp Eder
Fairfield, PA**

Guest Speaker: Doris Ortman

MAN 2 MAN

Men's Spiritual Leadership Summit

Saturday, February 18, 2023

8:00 am to 12:00 noon

Mechanicsburg Church of the Brethren
(301 Gale St. Mechanicsburg, PA 17055)

Guest Speaker: Dr. Jeffrey Carter
Bethany Seminary President

***Building Bridges:
Embracing Diversity and Facing
Division***

Jesus calls the disciples to be one in
witness and in spirit as they reside in Him
and He in the Father. What does it mean to
build bridges in a divided world?

\$16.00 Registration Fee

Brochure with registration form is available
on hallway bulletin board

**Registration Deadline
Wednesday, February 1, 2023.**

Sponsored by The Nurture Commission of
Southern PA District Church of the Brethren



2023 MEAT CANNING PROJECT

The 2023 "Meat Canning
Project" is scheduled for
April 10-13, 2023.

Please contact Brenda Myers if you are
interested in helping with this project.

