

Connections Care Packages...we are collecting items to include in a care package that will be sent next month to all Connections Students. If you would like to donate items to be included in the package, please drop them off in the box located in front of the Connections Bulletin Board. We are collecting items such as candy, fruit snacks, granola bars, protein bars, gum, mints, etc. Thank you for your continued support of the Connections Ministry!

Did you Notice?? The trailer is here for all of your flea market items!! The trailer will be open every Sunday; and you can also access it during regular church office hours (Monday - Friday 9:00 AM - 2:00 PM), but stop by to pick up the key. Please remember to pack items in boxes. All boxes should be stacked at the far end of the trailer. If you are donating linens please place them in a plastic bag and label them with the size. (*Do not wrap linens in packing tape*) The large bulky items should be placed to the left when you enter the trailer. Clothing, books, DVD's and CD's can be packed in bags or boxes and placed on the table across from the elevator door in the Lower Lobby of the church. Tax donation forms are available in the church office. The **Closet Classic & Flea Market Sale** will take place the weekends of August 12th - 13th and 19th - 20th. If you have questions call Dara Marner (724-316-3475) or Kelly Stebor (724-831-1107).

Mark the Date and Break Out the Cookbooks! CCUPC will hold its 8th annual **Ethnic Food Fair** on **Sunday, May 1st** from **12:00 - 2:30 PM**. How can you help? You can choose from one or more of these activities: host a country table and prepare food for the event, help out to prepare food for one of the countries (recipes provided by host), help with Kidonia (kid's table), meet and greet guests, and/or help with set up or clean up. Sign-up sheet is in the Greeting Area. All proceeds support our missions.

DID YOU KNOW. . . . that we provide a **nursery** for infants and toddlers during both services? It is located out the back doors of the Sanctuary to the left. We also have TLC (Tender Loving Christians) for those who are 3 years old - Kindergarten. After the Children's Message, the children can leave through the back doors of the Sanctuary and join Miss Gynni where they will walk downstairs to the Preschool wing.

. . . for mothers who would prefer a bit of privacy, our nursery has a curtained off corner we call the **"Privacy Comer."** This area can be used for nursing or for soothing your child. Any of our ushers or nursery workers will be glad to show you where it is. We love having so many growing families in church, and hope that this area will help to better serve their needs.

. . . that there are coloring sheets and worksheets for the kids on the small table outside of the Sanctuary doors in the Greeting Area.

. . . the **2016 Chancel Flower Sign-up** is located on the nametag table in the Greeting Area. The cost of the flowers is \$30 for either the two chancel vases or the basket. You can donate the flowers in memory of a loved one, or in celebration of a special day. There are many open dates to choose from, sign up now so that you can get that *special* date!

THIS WEEK AT CCUPC

<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Activity</u>	<u>Location</u>
TODAY	3/27 <i>Easter Sunday</i>	
8:45 am	- Pray for Federated States of Micronesia	Sanctuary
	- Worship	Sanctuary
	- <u>NO</u> Sunday School	
11:00 am	- Worship	Sanctuary
	- <u>NO</u> Youth Groups Tonight	
MONDAY	3/28	
	- Office Closed	
WEDNESDAY	3/30	
6:30 pm	- Children's Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
7:00 pm	- Adult Choir Rehearsal	Sanctuary
	- Nominating Committee Meeting	Conference Rm.
SUNDAY	4/3	
	<i>Pray for Finland</i>	
8:45 am	- Worship	Sanctuary
9:45 am	- Coffee Social	Greeting Area
	- Outreach Committee & AM Crew	Ministry Team
10:00 am	- Sunday School	Both Levels
11:00 am	- Worship	Sanctuary
12:00 pm	- Coffee Social	Greeting Area
	- Outreach Committee & AM Crew	Ministry Team
5:00 pm	- Jr. Youth Group	Lower Level
6:30 pm	- Middle School Youth Group	Lower Level
7:15 pm	- High School Youth Group	Lower Level

A LOOK AHEAD AT OUR UPCOMING SCHEDULE:

- The **Spring Clean-Up** day at the church is set for Saturday, April 16th beginning at 9:00 AM.
- The **Pittsburgh Project Mission Trip** will take place on the weekend of April 22nd - 24th. There are only 2 spaces left!!! Forms are available on the Mission table. Scholarships are available if the registration fee is a concern. Don't let money be the only reason you don't go!
- The **Ethnic Food Fair** is set for Sunday, May 1st.
- The **Adult Retreat** is scheduled for Friday, May 6th - Saturday, May 7th.
- The **last day** of Sunday School and Sunday School Teacher Recognition is Sunday, May 22nd. The **Confirmation Class** will also be recognized on this day.
- We will **begin** our **Summer Schedule** on Sunday, May 29th with one service at 10:00 AM.

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March 27, 2016

**SUNDAY MORNING WORSHIP
A WEEKLY CELEBRATION OF THE RESURRECTION**

Easter Sunday

IN PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

"Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting? The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ."
1 Corinthians 15:55-57

The Welcome and Announcements

(Please sign the register pad, passing it down the row, then back to center aisle.)

The Prelude

"Up from the Grave He Arose"

"Be still before the Lord and wait patiently for Him." Psalm 37:7

(If you have a prayer request, please fill out a green prayer card and pass it to the center aisle as they will be collected during the first hymn and included during the prayer time)

The Call to Worship

WE WORSHIP IN PRAISE

*A Hymn #152

"Christ the Lord is Risen Today"

WE WORSHIP IN PRAYER

*The Call to Confession

*The Unison Prayer of Confession

Gracious God, You have walked patiently with us throughout our Lenten journey. You have celebrated our successes and our growing understanding of Your love; and You have mourned our failures and rejections of Your healing mercies. This day, as we have gathered to celebrate the joy of Easter, let us remember that we are to become "Easter People," people of the Resurrection; people who know that what was thought to be impossible has been conquered. Forgive our stubbornness and fears. Fill us with Your healing love and help us to become the disciples that You desire to serve in this world. For we ask this in the name of our Risen Lord, Jesus Christ. Amen.

*The Assurance of Forgiveness

*Glorifying God **“We Will Glorify”**
*We will glorify the King of kings, we will glorify the Lamb.
We will glorify the Lord of lords, who is the great I AM.*

The Joys, Concerns, and Prayers of God’s People
The Lord’s Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

WE WORSHIP IN GIVING

Our Invitation to Give
The Offertory The Choir
“Celebrate, Christ is Risen”

*Praising God #556 **“Praise God From Whom All Blessings”**
*Praise God from whom all blessings flow.
Praise Him all creatures here below.
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.*

*The Prayer of Dedication

WE WORSHIP IN PROCLAMATION

*The Greeting *(Please share words of peace, encouragement, and hope)*

The Children’s Lesson and Prayer
(The children may come forward)
(The children 3 years old - Kindergarten may now leave for TLC)
(There will be NO KFC today)

A Hymn #155
“The Strife is O’er, the Battle Done”

The New Testament Lesson (page 1087)
Acts 9:1-6

The Sermon Pastor James M. Moran
“LORD, WHAT DO YOU WANT ME TO DO?”

GOING IN GOD’S NAME

*A Hymn #149 **“I Serve a Risen Savior”**

*The Benediction

The Postlude
“Easter Song (Hear the Bells Ringing)”

**Please stand as you are able.
We ask that you not applaud following musical presentations.*

Please keep these family members and friends in your prayers:

Sara Ahlgren (daughter of Bill & Becky Ahlgren), Ellen Altsman (mother of Barb & Jim Shumaker), Seth Apel (the Ahlgren family), Mac Becker (nephew of Rick & Mary Mason), Geneva Cable (mother of Mindy Cable), Cameron (5 mo. old son of Jodi), Pat Cawley (wife of Carl Cawley), Marietta Eklund (wife of Howard Eklund), Carol & Lillian Grundler (daughter & wife of Dick Grundler), Ken Harbusch (husband of Lorraine Harbusch), Becky Harding (niece of Lorraine & Ken Harbusch), Kim Long (friend of CCUPC), Jim Miller (CCUPC member), Karen Raman (CCUPC member), Deb Schmidt (mother of Linda & Dave Schuman’s son-in-law), Gregg Shumaker (son of Jim & Barb Shumaker), and Karen Snyder (wife of Harry Snyder).

Pat Cawley shares her THANKSGIVING that she is cancer free!

The Prom Dress Sale Co-Chairs share their THANKSGIVING to all who had a part in the Prom Dress sale. Well over 100 volunteers helped out!!! It was a huge success, and they were able to help so many young women afford to go to their prom, and those who said “Yes” to their perfect wedding dress!!

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Feed HIS Sheep vs Buy a Peep “Change”-ing Lives Contest Continues!

We are asking you to please donate your “change” into the jug of your choice by the Mission corner. Money donated into the “sheep” jug will be used by FLM to purchase hot lunches for school children in Haiti! For every \$25.00 donated into the “peep” jug, 5 chickens (3 female/2 male) will be purchased and donated to those who need them the most in the world! Donation jugs will not be counted until the end of the contest and the results will be announced during a children’s message at the end of May. Let’s “change” some lives!

Please Join Us On The Adult Retreat!!! It's **May 6th - 7th at Camp Allegheny**, in Stoystown, PA. Back by popular demand is Mr. Timotheus Pope, a high-energy, challenging speaker, who has traveled the world speaking at conferences, schools, and churches. He has made several TV and radio appearances. The retreat begins on Friday evening and concludes Saturday evening. The cost will be approximately \$95/per person. We hope that you'll consider this opportunity to get away for 24 hours of fun, devotion, fellowship, and relaxation in a beautiful setting! Have your \$20/person deposit to the church office by April 10th. If you have any questions, ask Jeannine O'Patchen (724) 272-8067.

Volunteers needed for Vacation Bible School 2016!

Mark your calendars for **June 13th - 17th** from **9:00 AM - 12:00 PM** and help us catch the wave of God’s amazing love at the **“Surf Shack”!!!**

We need over 50 volunteers to continue to make our program a success! Jobs include Jr. Helper (going into 7th grade through High School), adult helpers and group leaders. *No experience necessary!* Please contact Halley Bannon at 412-585-0976/bannonfamily@zoominternet.net or write “VBS” on the registration sheet. *You can begin registering your kids on May 2nd!*

I WAS JUST THINKING . . .

James W. Moore offers the following for our consideration of the miracle of Easter: “Do you remember the Legend of the Touchstone? It’s a great story to recall on Easter Sunday morning. According to that ancient legend, if you could find the touchstone on the coast of the Black Sea and hold it in your hand, everything you touched would turn to gold. You could recognize the touchstone by its warmth. The other stones would feel cold, but when you picked up the touchstone, it would turn warm in your hand.

“Once a man sold everything he had and went to the coast of the Black Sea in search of the touchstone. He began immediately to walk along the shoreline picking up one stone after another in his diligent and intentional search for the touchstone. He was consumed with this dream. He wanted desperately to find this miraculous stone. However, after several days had passed, he suddenly realized that he was picking up the same stones again and again. So he devised a plan . . . pick up a stone; if it’s cold, throw it into the sea. This he did for weeks and weeks.

“Then one morning he went out to continue his search for the touchstone. He picked up a stone; it was cold . . . he threw it into the sea. He picked up another stone - cold! He threw it into the sea. He picked up another stone . . . it turned warm in his hand, and before he realized what he was doing... he threw it into the sea!

“That’s a good parable for Easter, isn’t it? Because that can so easily happen to us. We can come upon a miraculous moment like Easter . . . we can feel it turn warm in our hands... but then (so dulled by the routine) before we realize what we are doing... we throw it away. Absentmindedly, mechanically, nonchalantly . . . we toss it aside and miss the miracle of Easter.”

I hope you will not miss the miracle!

Bless Your Hearts,
Pastor Jim

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Night out at a Lock-In! CCUPC will join with other area churches on **Friday, April 29th - Saturday, April 30th** for a lock-in, with a twist. We will start on Friday at CCUPC at 9:00 PM for some games, and then head over to Fun Fore All at 11:00 PM where we will stay until 7:00 AM on April 30th. *(Parents will drop off at the church and pick up from Fun Fore All.)* This event is open to anyone in 6th grade and up, and is a great event to bring friends. Cost is \$25/person and includes go-karts, batting cages, mini golf, non-ticket/non-prize games, a pizza buffet, unlimited soft drinks, and a \$5 fun card. Even if you don’t come to youth group, consider coming to this! If you intend to go, or to invite friends, there are flyers in the Greeting area. You can place the completed form and payment in the office or in the offering plate (cash or check and clearly marked “Lock-In”). Email Dena with any questions (denaroy@ccupc.org). You must also have a 2016 Blanket Permission Form on file which you can pick up at our Information Center in the Greeting Area.