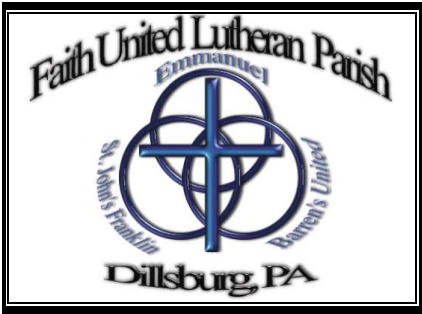


Faith United Lutheran Parish

Noteworthy News



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Message from Pastor Roy

Sooner or later, all of us come to feel lost and alone in our faith. How effective are prayer and our attempts to live out our faith? With so many overwhelming needs all around us—refugees, the hungry, ill, prisoners, neighbors—What can we accomplish? We might feel the lack of guarantees and uncertainty is a failure on our part. Shouldn't we know for sure what we are doing and that our plans and efforts will be successful?

This is the challenge of faith. We hear of the hope of taking up the cross-shaped life and the resurrection life which results. Our trust in God's enduring presence allows us to be fearlessly shaped by the cross of faithfulness. So no matter how hopeless or painful a moment might feel, we can think, and pray, and act faithfully. Faith grounds us in "Trust's knowing" which does not prove or define *how* God is working. This faithful unknowing (certain uncertainty) in the details and decisions of our lives is called mystery. To embrace this faith is to live the life of a mystic—which we are all capable of doing!

As we entrust ourselves to Mercy and Love, we have assurance from the Spirit, the Scriptures, and all the saints that have gone before us—*our lives will bear fruit*. The mystical part is learning to trust God in the "*whats*" and "*hows*" of bearing fruit since we cannot ever know these things. In the absence of proof that our efforts, hopes, and prayers have made the difference for which we long, faith assures us that the love of God (the Reign of God) is *always* present and *always* acting in us and around us according to mercy and peace.

Even when our thoughts, prayers, and actions offered in faith appear to be failures, they still bear good fruit, however unseen and unfelt by us. So we struggle to believe the truth that no loving or generous action could ever be lost or meaningless, no long suffering endurance could ever be wasted. Mystery humbles us as we offer ourselves and our efforts to God. We have the assurance that our efforts bear fruit. The mystical life is discovering the freedom of learning that the "*hows*" are the stuff of mystery.

In other words, certainty in our faith flows from God's ever present mercies. Our existence is proof of God's profound love for us. Anything that exists is beloved by the creator or it would not be. To be is to be loved. As we live our lives in trust and unity with the love of the creator, we have the assurance of meaning and hope. Our thoughts, prayers, and actions make a difference, and that difference is ultimately held in the mystery of God's love.

Pastor Roy

PARISH NEWS

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY (DECEMBER 8, 2013) – Even though the weather was snowy and cold, a good time was had by all who made it to Barren’s Sunday School Christmas party! We enjoyed fun games, yummy snacks (pizza), and making some Christmas crafts. “Thank you” to our Sunday School teachers who give of their time to enrich the lives of our children. Bring your friends to Sunday School and join us each Sunday at 9:15AM at Barren’s.



COMBINED SERVICE – AT BARREN’S, DECEMBER 29, 2013 – What a great turnout (114) for our combined service at Barren’s to end 2013! Our special service was of Carols and Lessons of the season. Many thanks to our Readers that day: Ron Henry, Wally Foreman, Tom Gruber, Tom Gochenauer, Dottie Shultz, Woody Myers, and Marlene Stiffler. Thanks also to MaryJo Rodriguez and her helpers who organized, ordered, setup, and watered our poinsettias during this cold weather season. Below are a few photos of the poinsettia tree that added so much beauty to our services:



MOVIE NIGHTS AT EMMANUEL (December 2013)

The movie for December was a Hallmark Hall of Fame film, “Christmas with Holly”. It featured a young Holly whose single Mom recently passed away and her Mom has left her brother, Mark, as Holly’s guardian. Now Mark, who is also single and the proprietor of a local coffee shop, meets Maggie, who owns a toy shop, both of which are located in a small village. What follows is not exactly love at first sight, but their complicated lives finally intertwine and leaves this movie resonating with romance and humor. There was only one Franklinton youth in attendance.

Due to the continued low attendance by both the young and the young-at-heart, **the decision was made to discontinue Movie Night**. It was felt that this activity never really produced the desired results and has had a dismal attendance at best. We must however extend a hearty thank you to those that donated the refreshments and their time to set up and tear down the movie equipment, and clean the Social Hall every night. Without their continued support this activity would not have been possible.

COUNCIL MEMBERS INSTALLED – JANUARY 5 & 12, 2014

Faith United Lutheran Parish - 2014				
POSITION	PARISH COUNCIL	BARREN'S COUNCIL	EMMANUEL COUNCIL	ST. JOHN'S COUNCIL
President	Ron Henry	Laura Malinoski	Stephanie Graham	Marlene Stiffler
Vice President	Laura Malinoski	Jeff Kreider	Charles Erford	Nancy Bobb
Secretary	Nancy Bobb	Mary Lutz	Barb Zeigler	Carla Fishel
Asst. Secretary	Stephanie Graham	Chris Cressler		
Treasurer	Carl Shearer - NV	Carl Shearer	Ron Henry - NV	Gayle Kolivras
Asst. Treasurer	Woody Myers	Woody Myers		Sandra Bachert
Comptroller	Amber Shearer - NV	Amber Shearer		
Other Council Members	Charles Erford Gayle Kolivras Jeff Kreider Marlene Stiffler Neil Mummert - Alt.	Neil Mummert Marcy Renshaw	Dot Heiges Helen Kilgore	Clarence Bachert

NV = Non-Voting
Alt. = Alternate



Barren's: Amber, Laura, Pastor Roy, Jeff, Carl, Woody, Mary, and Marcy - Absent from photo: Chris and Neil



Emmanuel: Charles, Dot, Stephanie, Ron, Helen, and Barb



St. John's: Gayle, Carla, Nancy, Pastor Roy, Marlene, Sandy & Clarence

INFANT BAPTISM AT BARREN'S – JANUARY 12, 2014 - We received and welcomed into our Parish by infant baptism Cohen Frederick Smith. Cohen was born August 30, 2013 to Dara & Fred Smith and their sponsors were Donald & Tanya Boyer, Larry Green, and Angela McClain. We received Cohen with joy and thanksgiving and prayed that his faith journey would be spirit-filled and that his life would be enriched. It was such a special day and joy to see the church filled with so many family members and friends as they dedicated Cohen to God. Our creator from above has blessed us with love, and given us a beautiful baby! We thank God for such a mighty blessing!



BARRENS AND PARISH COUNCILS are seeking a *Comptroller* since Amber Shearer would like to step down when someone is available to take over the responsibilities. If you are interested in possibly serving in this way, please see Laura Malinoski, Ron Henry, or Pastor Roy for a list of responsibilities.

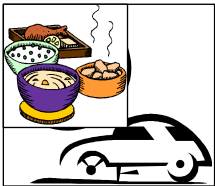


PARISH DIRECTORY CHANGES - Please let Deb Racer know of any changes to our directory so they can be listed in our issues of the "Noteworthy News" newsletters. Deb can be contacted at the parish office (432-4802) or by email (secretaryfulp@gmail.com).

- **Fay Fitton - Name Change** to Fay Bushey
- **Adam & Danielle Frazier – Address change to:** 103 Pioneer Trails Drive, Seven Springs, NC 28578
- **Harold Gochenaur - Passed Away** January 11, 2014
- **Annabelle Hoffman - Passed Away** December 14, 2013
- **Stephanie Pope - Name Change** to Stephanie Graham



SNOW CANCELLATION INFORMATION - WORSHIP SERVICE – We’ve had some really cold temperatures and more snow than usual so far this winter and it’s not over yet, so if we get some weather that makes travel or parking lots too dangerous to hold services and all three churches choose to cancel services, we will announce it on ABC 27 under the name “**Faith United Luth Dillsbrg.**” If only one or two churches cancel, we will notify through more internal means (phone calls or email). Stay safe!



MEALS ON WHEELS in the Rossville/Wellsville area is seeking a few volunteer drivers to fill a few monthly slots in their schedule. If you can drive once or more a month, they can use your help. This is a great ministry which provides for a need while you get to know a few senior neighbors. Please call Scott at 432-2216 (dillsburgseniorcenter@verizon.net) at the Dillsburg Senior Center if you are interested in helping.

MISSION OF MERCY – Food for Mission of Mercy (MOM) will be **February 7, 2014**.

UPCOMING PARISH/COMBINED SERVICES

- **February 16** - 9:00AM Combined Worship at CLC Filey's - Pastor John Mwasakilali from Tanzania will be our guest today.
- **April 27** –9:00AM Parish Easter Cantata Worship at Emmanuel
- **May 25** – 9:00AM Parish Outdoor Worship at Emmanuel (Memorial Day) - Pastor Debbie preaching and Pastor Roy presiding
- **June 22** – 9:00AM Parish Worship at Gifford Pinchot State Park (Camping Weekend) - Pam Arndt
- **August 3** - 10:30AM Outdoor parish worship at Latimore Twp. Park and our picnic following service
- **August 31** – 9:00AM Parish Worship at Emmanuel (Labor Day)
- **October 19** – 10:45AM Parish Worship at St. John's (Heritage Day)
- **December 28** – 10:30AM Parish Christmas Cantata Worship at Barren's - Pastor Roy & Debbie presiding



- Dine out to support **Faith United Lutheran Parish**, Sunday, **February 16** - Pick up a card (supply at all 3 churches) at church and present this card Feb. 16 at the Hoss's in **Mechanicsburg** and a portion of your bill will be donated to our Parish!
- Dine out to benefit **New Hope** on Monday, **February 17** - Gather your family and friends on Feb. 17 to enjoy a meal at one of these participating Hoss's Steak and Sea Restaurants: **Mechanicsburg, Enola, Hanover, and West York**. A portion of your bill will be donated to New Hope Ministries! A supply of forms are at each church.

SHROVE PANCAKE SUPPER - **March 4** is Shrove Tuesday—the day before Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. We will be enjoying our annual pancake supper. Anybody who wishes to assist in the production of the supper may arrive any time after 5:00PM that afternoon. We will begin serving at 6:00PM. Sign-up sheets will be at all 3 churches for attendance, help, and donations. Feel free to invite your neighbors—there is always plenty. All donations will go toward health kit items and bulk shipping (\$2.65 per kit to ship from the US to global areas of need).

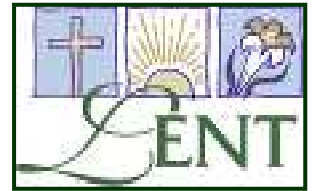


ASH WEDNESDAY - Our Parish/Filey's Ash Wednesday service will be held at St. John's Franklin at 7:00PM **March 5** with Pastor Debbie leading and Pastor Roy presiding. The custom of applying ashes to the forehead at the beginning of Lent is a reminder of who we are and the simplicity with which we take up our Lenten disciplines of prayer and fasting as we still ourselves in the presence of the Spirit. The ashes are from some of last year's palms--from palms in our hands to ashes on our foreheads. The excitement of praise is intimately acquainted with the grief of sorrow. Grief without hope is despair. Hope that denies sorrow is superficial. Lent joins both in a profound and freeing way. Come join us!



DAYLIGHT SAVING TIME – Don't forget to change your clocks (spring forward 1 hour) Sunday, **March 9**.

TUESDAY LENTEN STUDY – We will be meeting (FULP & Filey's churches) at the **Square Bean Coffee Shop in Dillsburg at 10:30AM** on the following 5 Tuesday's during Lent. More information/signup sheets will be added to our bulletin announcements closer to the dates when we have decided on the study material. For now, mark these dates on your calendar and hope you can join us:



March 11, 18, 25, April 1, and 8

LENTEN MID-WEEK SERVICES – Our mid-week Lenten **Wednesday** observances this year will again be shared with Christ Lutheran Church Filey's. We will begin rotating between the churches with a **simple meal at 6:00PM** and **Service at 7:00PM** as follows:

March 12	<u>CLC Fileys</u>
March 19	<u>Barren's</u>
March 26	<u>Emmanuel</u>
April 2	<u>St. John's</u>
April 9	<u>Barren's Host</u> (All 4 churches help provide meal)



Lenten offerings (Sundays & Wed. nights) will be **health kit items and cash** for extra items plus shipping as follows:

March 9 & 12: BARS OF SOAP

March 16 & 19: DARK BATH TOWELS (maximum 52" x 27")

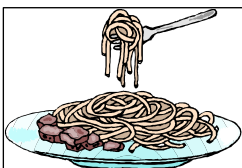
March 23 & 26: TOOTHBRUSHES (unopened or multipacks can be divided up and singles placed in a sealed business sized envelope)

March 30 & April 2: COMBS

April 6 & 9: NAIL CLIPPERS (metal, with or without attached file)

April 13: WHATEVER WE NEED MORE OF (towels?)

OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR 2014 – Our remaining meetings at 7:00PM at Barren's Church House are: **March 17, May 19, July 21, September 15, and November 17**



SPAGHETTI SUPPER – The Outreach Committee will be sponsoring a **Spaghetti supper** on **March 30** from 5:00-7:00PM in the Church House. We will be asking for donations and for help to make and serve the meal. If you would like to donate something, please contact Ellen Hampton 432-3732 or Jan Keslar 292-2295. All proceeds from the Spaghetti supper will be going to Habitat for Humanity.



ATTENTION MARRIED COUPLES: When is the last time the two of you did something to enrich and revitalize your marriage? Make 2014 the year you resolve to take time to spend a weekend learning how to make your marriage a more intimate, loving, Christian union. Lutheran Marriage Encounter Weekends run from Friday night at 8 PM to Sunday at 4 PM and are designed to enrich all marriages. There is a \$45 per couple registration fee; plus toward the end of the weekend, you will be given an opportunity to make a confidential contribution toward continuation of the program. Two nights lodging, 5 meals for each of you, and all supplies are included.

The 2014 Pennsylvania Weekends are:

- **March 28-30, 2014** at Park Inn Radisson, West Middlesex, PA, where each couple has a king bed and their own hot tub -- an hour north of Pittsburgh, just off of Interstate 80
- **April 25-27, 2014** at the Penn State Conference Center Hotel in State College—Happy Valley's premier conference center located on a quiet hillside with views of the Nittany Mountains
- **September 12-14, 2014** at Spruce Lake Retreat Center, Canadensis, PA – brand-new, motel-style building on Spruce Lake in the heart of the Pocono Mountains – an hour north of Allentown
- **September 26-28, 2014** at Olmsted Retreat Center, Ludlow, PA -- a lovely, motel style retreat center adjacent to the Olmsted Mansion--perched on a hillside in the Allegheny National Forest – an hour north of DuBois.

Registrations are limited, so **sign up today** to ensure that you can attend the Weekend of your choice. Simply go to the website: www.GodLovesMarriage.org and register using your credit card or marking the option to mail in a check. For questions, or if you would like a brochure with registration form mailed to you, contact Pennsylvania Directors of Lutheran Marriage Encounter, Fred & Julie Schamber, at 724-325-3166 or email: fjschamber@comcast.net.

PARISH BLOOD DRIVES FOR 2014 – We will once again have two blood drives during 2014 and they are scheduled for **April 14** and **September 8**. Jan Keslar will have more information closer to the date of the blood drive.



MAUNDY THURSDAY/SEDER MEAL SERVICE – **April 17** – CLC Filey's from 6:00PM-9:00PM - Service of Holy Communion led by Pastor Debbie and Pastor Roy presiding.

GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE – **April 18** - Emmanuel at 7:00PM led by Pastor Roy.

EASTER VIGIL SERVICE – **April 19** - Barren's at 7:00PM – Service of Holy Communion led by Pastor Roy and Pastor Debbie presiding.

“FESTIVAL OF THE RESURRECTION” (EASTER) WORSHIP – **April 20** - at all churches.



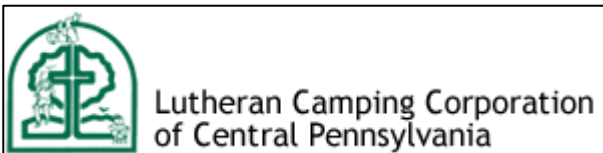
- CLC Filey's Sunrise Service with Holy Communion - 6:30AM; Pastor Debbie (pancake breakfast following at 7:30AM)
- St. John's Sunrise Service with Holy Communion – 7:00AM; Pastor Roy
- Emmanuel Service with Holy Communion - 9:00AM; Pastor Roy
- Barren's Service with Holy Communion - 10:30AM; Pastor Roy



SPRING MUSIC FEST – May 3, 2014 – Wally Foreman is working on the Spring Music Fest program and, as soon as we have details, we will share that information with you in our weekly bulletin announcements and our next newsletter.

10TH ANNUAL PARISH GROUP CAMPING AT PINCHOT STATE PARK –

Campers!! Mark your calendars!! Group camping will be held **June 20-23** at Gifford Pinchot State Park in the group camping areas **Fir** and **Elm**. If you have not yet camped with us, this is a great opportunity to start. Everyone is so willing to help and we bring all the extras. The cost has gone up this year, so each family’s cost is **\$27.00** for the weekend. Trailers/Pop-ups/RVs are an extra **\$12.00** each night (divided among each camper). We get one free for each group site (Elm & Fir). There is limited space for Trailers/Pop-ups/RVs (9) so those who reserve and pay first are a priority. The max number of campers for these sites is sixty, let’s see if we can fill both sites!! Ellen has already paid the \$300.00, so would appreciate your payment and sign-up sheet soon. Make checks payable to Ellen Hampton.



HAVE YOU SEEN THE SUMMER CAMPING BROCHURE?

- It began hitting mailboxes in January – and that means that Summer Camp Registration is officially open! Packets of brochures have arrived in congregations. Keep your eyes peeled – and invite your friends to camp. **FULP** – Pick

up your Camping Brochure located on the back table at each church! Registration can be done online or you can fill out the form in the booklet and mail it in with your payment.

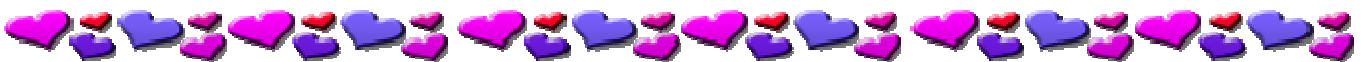
PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY – REMINDER: The Prayer Shawl Ministry is an ongoing project for our parish. Anyone who would like to donate crocheted or knitted lap robes (45 x 36 should work well) for our homebound and ill, please contact Diane Shearer at 432-3106.



NEW HOPE MONTHLY “FISH” ITEMS - Thank you everyone for all the donations for New Hope Ministries each month and throughout the year! Please be sure to check the expiration dates of your items before bringing them to church. New Hope cannot give out expired food items.

ST. JOHN'S FRANKLIN ALTAR FLOWER CHART - The 2014 flower chart is available for you to choose the Sunday you would like to place flowers on the altar in memory of or in honor of someone. You could leave a message on the church phone if you can't get to services...432-0141.

GIANT GIFT CARDS – **Giant Gift Cards** are here! All three churches have a supply ready for purchase. See Woody Myers at Barren’s, Ron Henry at Emmanuel, and Nancy Bobb at St. John’s.



DECEMBER FINANCIAL INFORMATION

<u>Barren’s</u>	<u>Emmanuel:</u>
Year-to-date income through December: \$ 104,613.02	Year-to-date income through December: \$ 63,159.78
Year-to-date expenses through December: \$ 101,278.65	Year-to-date expenses through December: \$ 66,879.82
Year-to-date difference as of Dec. 31, 2013: \$ 3,334.37	Year-to-date difference as of Dec. 31, 2013: \$ 3,738.04
<u>St. John’s Franklin</u>	<u>Faith United Lutheran Parish:</u>
Year-to-date income through December: \$ 27,482.70	Year-to-date income through December: \$ 103,042.83
Year-to-date expenses through December: \$ 27,427.85	Year-to-date expenses through December: \$ 126,999.97
Year-to-date difference as of Dec. 31, 2013: \$ 54.85	Year-to-date difference as of Dec. 31, 2013: - \$23,957.14



Forgiveness and Faith

presented by the Criminal Justice System Ministry
Lower Susquehanna Synod, ELCA



Saturday
February 22, 2014
9:00 a.m.—11:30 a.m.

Trinity Lutheran Church
2000 Chestnut Street
Camp Hill, PA 17011

Keynote Presenter

Terri Roberts

Mother of perpetrator in the 2006 Nickel Mines Schoolhouse tragedy where 10 young Amish girls were shot and 5 were killed.

An event for students, adults, youth, pastors, and church leaders

Join keynote speaker Terri Roberts for this morning of exploration about issues of faith, forgiveness and the criminal justice system. Registration opens at 8:30 a.m. with light breakfast refreshments followed by welcome and devotions at 9:00 a.m. An overview of the Criminal Justice System Ministry of the Lower Susquehanna Synod follows and the keynote presentation starts at 9:30 a.m.



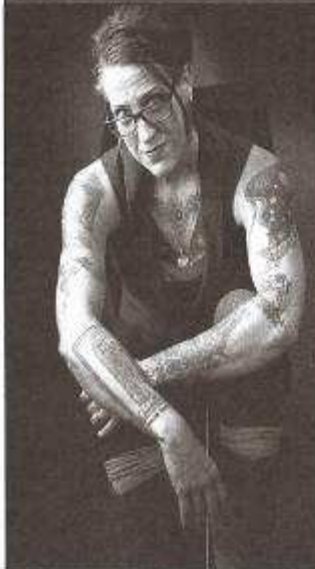
Visit www.lss-elca.org for more information and a downloadable brochure.

RSVP by February 15

Plan to attend? There is no charge for this event, but please RSVP to help us with our planning for food and seating. Contact Chaplain Sadie Pounder at spounder718@yahoo.com with your name and the number of people who will be attending with you.

Radically Authentic. Everyday Disciples.

A Ministry Resources Event of the Lower Susquehanna Synod, ELCA



Saturday
March 15, 2014
9:00 a.m.—3:15 p.m.

St. Matthew Lutheran Church
Hanover, PA

Keynote Presenter

Nadia Bolz-Weber

founding pastor of House for All Sinners and Saints, an ELCA mission church in Denver, Colorado, and a leading voice in the emerging church movement

Registration fee (includes lunch)

Adults—\$25
Students—free

In today's landscape of church and world, how is God shaping the future of our life together as **Congregations Together in Mission?**



Experience...

- Time for discovery and surprise—two plenary sessions with Nadia Bolz-Weber

The pews are packed! - Registration is closed! We are filled to capacity! -

Registration opened January 15 for members of Lower Susquehanna Synod congregations and we have reached our **maximum capacity of 600 participants**. We are maintaining a waiting list on a first come, first served basis. Contact **Pam Drenner** to place your name on the list. While space is limited to 600 participants in the pews, everyone can attend this amazing day via livestreaming. **The two big-group sessions led by Nadia Bolz-Weber will be livestreamed and accessible at our synod web site.** Discussion guides, participant worksheets, and a Bible study will be posted on the event web page. Watch and learn in the comfort of your own home or host a viewing party with a few or many of your friends.

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING

We would like to thank everyone for your prayers, flowers, and cards over the last few months.

The Family of Anthony F. Merovich

Dear members of Barrens United Lutheran, I wanted to thank you for the Christmas card everyone signed along with the other cards and telephone calls I received during this most holy season. Also, thank you for giving me the altar flowers from the Christmas Eve service. They brighten up the house on these winter days. Your kindness truly meant a lot to me. I hope 2014 will bring you much happiness. Sincerely,

Phyllis Griffin

Barren's Family, Thank you for the care package and the Christmas card. It really means a lot to have your support. I think about you all every Sunday and hope that you all are doing well. I look forward to celebrating the upcoming Christmas with you. Peace be with you,

Jared Ross

Thank you...As a result of my stroke, I would like to thank everyone for their prayers, cards, phone calls, visits and the prayer shawl. All these things helped in my recovery after 4 weeks in the hospital. Special thanks to Pastor Roy for your visits and prayers. God bless you,

Doris McCauslin

Thrivent Financial for Lutherans has a long history of congregational involvement, and our members love to support their churches--so it is no surprise that they responded enthusiastically to the recent Thrivent Choice Double Direction Church campaign! A deposit of \$507 was made in our church bank account as a result of the campaign. Thank you to our members who participated for this campaign and for the gift to further our important ministry!

Barren's Council

I would like to take this opportunity to express my sincerest appreciation to our Parish for all the cards, phone calls, prayers, and the outpouring of love shown to me during the recent and unexpected passing of my brother. Your expressions were an inspiration and a blessing and I thank you, one and all.

Pearl Foreman

We give thanks for the time, talents, and treasures given so generously by members and friends of FULP. Please take a moment to express your appreciation to these individuals for their service and gifts to the glory of God and to us:

- Thanks to Ellen Hampton and everyone on the Outreach Committee for your help organizing the Christmas Dinner for the Youth Program at New Hope Ministries.
- Thank you for helping provide food for funeral luncheons recently, it provides comfort and opportunity for fellowship for families and friends.
- Thank you for your visits and calls to the homebound. It is a reminder that they are still part of us.
- Gail and I appreciate the cards which you gave us over the Advent/Christmas seasons. Card sending is a simple gesture which expresses a bond shared between us.
- Thank you to the parish which arranged (in lieu of a Christmas gift/bonus) to reimburse me for the purchase of a new laptop computer during 2014.
- Thanks to Jeff Kreider, Marcy Renshaw, Helen Kilgore, Dot Heiges, and all those returning to serve on councils. On behalf of the churches, we appreciate your energy and time and ideas offered toward the fulfillment of our baptismal promises and the Reign of God in our community and world.
- Thank you to all who provide food for fellowship after our worship services (Joan, Diane, Marlene, etc).
- Thank you to those who provide bread and wine for weekly communion (Amber & Clint, Phil & Jane, and others)

Pastor Roy

**FULP Council Abbreviated Meeting Minutes
(Full minutes posted on bulletin board)
December 17, 2013 at Barren's**



Secretary's report was approved.

Financial report: Carl reported that \$1,800.00 was collected for Giant cards and \$300.00 for Pastor Roy's honorarium. Report was approved.

There were no reports for new business or old business.

Next meeting will be at Emmanuel Church at 8:00PM, January 21, 2014.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Bobb, Secretary

**Barren's Council Meeting Minutes
December 17, 2013 at Barren's**



Call to order with prayer by Pastor Roy

Roll: Carl, Chris, Kevin, Laura, Neil, Pastor Roy, Woody, Mary

Adoption of Agenda

Approval of financial reports from Sept 2013, first motion Woody, second Mary

Approval of minutes and financial reports from Dec 17, 2013 meeting, first Laura, second Neil

Treasurer Report, Barrens has approximately \$74,000 in a CD and \$50,000 in a Money Market Acct. Higher bills for heating in January and February will require some of these funds to be accessed.

Pastor's Report, Pastor Stetler, first Chris, Second Woody

Building & Property Report, Carl and Woody: Church Boiler Replacement status – no change;

Supply fuel problem: one oil tank is not feeding to the second tank – Carl has someone coming to check out.

Old Business

- Marcy Drake, 234-2250: review of financial records 2011 and 2012 and addressing tax issues ongoing. Hopefully will be corrected by end of year for writing checks and bring books up to date.
- Bylaws Revision: approved by congregation at Dec 8, 2013 meeting

New Business

- New council members Marcy Renshaw and Jeff Kreider will be attending Jan 2014 meeting. Kevin Hoke and Bob Gochenauer have completed their terms.
- A special thanks to Woody who is always diligent in keeping the church grounds mowed. He receives a check from Barrens for this service, but Woody always gives the check back to the church.
- Chandelier cleaning: Kevin has brought this to council's attention and has volunteered to clean it. He's checking with Deb to determine the day to do it.
- Lighted Cross on Steeple: Pastor Roy has received word that several people in the vicinity of Barrens Church have questioned the propriety of the color of the steeple cross always lit at night. It burns a red (or orange) color and symbolizes the blood of Christ shed for all. No change will be made.

Motion to adjourn: Kevin, Woody

Respectfully Submitted, *Mary Lutz*, Council Secretary

Emmanuel's Council Meeting Minutes Summary
December 17, 2013 at Barren's



Members present: Stephanie Graham, Charlie Erford, Ronald Henry, Jane Zinn, and Joan Hess.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05PM by President Stephanie Graham following an opening prayer by Pastor Roy.

The Pastor's and Treasurer's Reports were reviewed and accepted with a motion by Jane and second by Charlie. Motion was carried by council.

Old Business

- Ron reported that ½ of the bill from Miller's Roofing for painting the church roof has been paid. The balance will be paid after the work is done. They will do the job as soon as they can.
- Thanks to Jack Zeigler, the budget for 2014 has been printed and will be given to the congregation this coming Sunday, Dec. 22.
- Leaving the council this year are: Jane Zinn, Rhetta Zeigler, and Joan Hess. Our new council members will be Dot Heiges and Helen Kilgore. They will be installed January 5, 2014.
- Ron reported that our contract with Shipley Oil Co. is OK for 2014 and the cap on the oil price will be \$3.89 for this coming year.
- Jane and Fay have agreed to do our annual audit of the church budget.

New Business

- Joan has agreed to make a new "snow cancellation chart" for council members to phone all church members of church cancellations when bad weather makes roads and sidewalks too slippery to be safe.
- Our monthly movie night held on the first Friday of the month is cancelled for now.
- A \$50.00 Giant Gift Card was given to a man who stopped at the church asking for help for his family.
- Christmas baskets will be distributed by Ron and Wally to the following homebound church members: Mary Ingle, Clyde Hershey, Raymond & Barb Miller, Mary Jane Gochenaur, Harold Gochenaur, Betty Stambaugh, Dorothy Lucas, and Christine Yoder.
- Next Council meeting will be held January 21, 2014 at Emmanuel.

Meeting was adjourned with a motion by Joan, seconded by Jane, approved by council.

We closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, *Joan Hess*, Vice President



The Word of God contains a treasure trove of Bible verses about love. You'll find passages that speak of romantic love, brotherly love, and divine love.

1 Corinthians 13:13 *So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.*

St. John's Franklin - Summary of Council Meeting Minutes
(Full minutes posted on bulletin board)
December 17, 2013 at Barren's



Those Present: Marlene Stiffler-President; Nancy Bobb-Vice President; Gayle Kolivras-Treasurer; Carla Fishel-Secretary
 Opened with prayer and a psalm by Pastor Roy

President Comments: Once again I ask you to continue to pray. Thanks for all you are doing.

Secretary's Report: Read by Carla Fishel. Motion made by Nancy to accept as read and seconded by Gayle

Financial Report: Moved all monies from general checking to Members 1st.

Outreach report: Met on Nov. 18th discussion on the New Hope Christmas party and the food for this event. Also to do cards for all shut-ins and sick for the Holidays. Foods for Mission of Mercy was discussed. It is Feb 7th in Harrisburg.

Cemetery: We had the Woodcraft interment and will be one more on Thursday; Helen Baker.

Old Business

- **Fundraisers:** The Gift Market on Nov. 9th went well though we didn't sell much. We will set up again Nov. 23rd and again on Dec 7th. Thanks to all who have been helping.
- **Mug's and Muffins:** Was held this past Sat. Nov. 16 and all went well.
- **MountainView Christian Fellowship:** Still no positive reply
- **Chimes:** still waiting to hear from Carole
- **Flower chart:** Choose your date-will be available for the congregation Sun. Nov. 24.
- **Toilet and grab bar** installation have been paid for.
- **Two Messiah students** have been helpful with rearranging things in lower level as needed.
- **Walls/wainscoting:** Gayle and Marlene checking on.
- **New Hope**-hearty soups- 46 cans = 53 lbs was collected.
- **Carpet** has been paid for
- **Annual Congregational Meeting:** Dec. 1st with decorating to be followed with a hand lunch.

New Business

- **Christmas Gifts: Vicar and Lisa: How much: Gift item or certificate?**
- **New Budget meeting** ASAP-Decision to have Mon, Nov. 25th at Sandy's
- **Constitution Update meeting:** needs to be reviewed
- **Vicar-Elaine McCracken-Pam**-need to have at least 2 Sunday's with vicar the rest will need to be worked out.
- **Christmas Eve:** Spoke to Mountainview about: Do they want to participate?
- **Offering Envelopes**—Keep the same amount as ordered before.
- **NYCHAPS**-when membership due?

Meeting was closed with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted, *Carla Fishel*, Council Secretary



Happy Birthday Parish Members

FEBRUARY

- 1 – Pete Hershey
Michael Zeigler
- 3 – Diane Dorsey
Claire Shook
- 6 – Larry Altland
Breanna Fahey
- 15 – Morgan Fahey
Judy Smith
JR Zeigler
- 18 – Zach Zinn
- 21 – Helen Anderson
Jed Renshaw
- 22 – Amy Howell
Zoe Kreider
- 25 – Eddie Ensor
Barb Siegel
- 26 – Betty Stambaugh
Josiah Stetler
- 27 – Luella Byers
Ken Frazier
Izabella Howell
- 28 – Reilly Jones

MARCH

- 1 – Rachel Stine
- 2 – Flint Harlacker
Richard Harner Jr.
Bill Witmer
- 3 – Denise Hershey
Nicholas Smith
Scott Zirkle
- 4 – Maryellen Bentz
Jeff Kreider
- 5 – Dorothy Gerber
- 6 – Dakota Smith
- 9 – Renate Krull
- 10 – Morgan Wagner
- 11 – Wade Kreider
Edna Livingston
Sean Zinn
- 12 – Ruth Hessert
- 13 – Wally Foreman
- 16 – Lois Diller
- 17 – Deb Moorhead
Kayla Williams
- 19 – Ralph Diller
Marlene Stiffler
- 21 – Jeff Griffin
- 23 – Ashley Hampton
- 25 – Phil Zinn
- 27 – Carol Hefflefinger
Lee Miller, Jr.
- 29 – Tom Gochenauer
Jonathan Ross
Carl Shearer
Marguerite Shearer
James Stambaugh
- 30 – Gale Bentz
Bryan Harner
Janet Hosler
Elizabeth Zerbe
- 31 – Carol Yost



FEBRUARY PARISH WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
February 2	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Vicar Micki Kautz
February 9	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Pam Arndt
February 16	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's
February 23	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Vicar Micki Kautz

Lector

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
February 2	Doris McCauslin	Bryan Harner	Nancy Bobb
February 9	Jack McCauslin	Carol Hefflefinger	Nancy Bobb
February 16	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's
February 23	Laurie Hoover	Darlene Hershey	Nancy Bobb

Acolyte/(Crucifer at Barren's)

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
February 2	Arlana Racer/RaeAnne Mummert	Sean Zinn	N/A
February 9	Kamdyn Balko /Kaelyn Balko	Dylan Harner	N/A
February 16	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's
February 23	RaeAnne Mummert/Emily Rodriguez	Gavin Zeigler	N/A

Greeters/Ushers

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
February 2	Ralph & Lois Diller	Barb & Jack Zeigler	Elaine Fetro
February 9	Diane Dorsey Arnetta Kimmel	Barb & Jack Zeigler	Elaine Fetro
February 16	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's
February 23	Bill & Kathy Eurich	Barb & Jack Zeigler	Elaine Fetro

Altar Guild

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
February 2 (white)	Vicky Merovich & Lois Diller	Jane & Phil Zinn	Jerry Slothower
February 9 (green)	Vicky Merovich & Lois Diller	Jane & Phil Zinn	Jerry Slothower
February 16 (green)	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's
February 23 (green)	Diane & Amber Shearer	Jane & Phil Zinn	Jerry Slothower

Flower Donors

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
February 2	Dale M. Bentz (Iowa)	TBD	Clarence & Sandy Bachert
February 9	Vicky Merovich	TBD	TBD
February 16	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's
February 23	Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Yost	TBD	Jerry Slothower

Nursery

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
February 2	Jenny Stine	Ron Henry & Jack Zeigler	N/A
February 9	Diane Dorsey	Joan Hess & Deb Fager	N/A
February 16	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's	Worship at CLC Filey's
February 23	Barb Siegel	Joan Hess & Sabrina Zumburum	N/A

MARCH PARISH WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
March 2	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Vicar Micki Kautz
March 9	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Pam Arndt
March 16	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Marlene Stiffler/William Smith
March 23	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Vicar Micki Kautz
March 30	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Vicar Micki Kautz

Lector

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
March 2	Kevin Hoke	Joan Hess	Elaine Fetro
March 9	Melissa Balko	Helen Kilgore	Elaine Fetro
March 16	Jeff Kreider	Karen Lenig	Elaine Fetro
March 23	Jenn Kreider	Judy Miller	Elaine Fetro
March 30	Linda Gochenauer	Charlie Rinehart	Elaine Fetro

Acolyte/(Crucifer at Barren's)

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
March 2	Logan Racer/Gage Mummert	Zach Zinn	N/A
March 9	TBD/Emily Rodriguez	Carisa Harner	N/A
March 16	Wade Kreider/Zoe Kreider	Sean Zinn	N/A
March 23	Wade Kreider/Zoe Kreider	Dylan Harner	N/A
March 30	Arlana Racer/RaeAnne Mummert	Ethan Zeigler	N/A

Greeters/Ushers

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
March 2	Bob & Kay Fest	Phil Zinn & Randy Graham	Gayle Kolivras
March 9	Bob & Linda Gochenauer	Randy Graham & Phil Zinn	Gayle Kolivras
March 16	Terry & Bev Gochenauer	Randy Graham & Phil Zinn	Gayle Kolivras
March 23	Jeff Griffin & Flint Harlacker	Randy Graham & Phil Zinn	Gayle Kolivras
March 30	Carl & Clint Shearer	Randy Graham & Phil Zinn	Gayle Kolivras

Altar Guild

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
March 2 (white)	Deb & Arlana Racer	Carol & Don Hefflefinger	Nancy Bobb
March 9 (purple)	Deb & Arlana Racer	Carol & Don Hefflefinger	Nancy Bobb
March 16 (purple)	Kevin & Pat Hoke	Carol & Don Hefflefinger	Nancy Bobb
March 23 (purple)	Kevin & Pat Hoke	Carol & Don Hefflefinger	Nancy Bobb
March 30 (purple)	Curvin & Judy Klugh	Carol & Don Hefflefinger	Nancy Bobb

Flower Donors

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
March 2	Marguerite Deardorff & Luella Byers	TBD	TBD
March 9	The Estright Family	TBD	TBD
March 16	Ralph & Lois Diller	TBD	Marlene Stiffler
March 23	Mr. & Mrs. Darwin Shearer	TBD	TBD
March 30	Helen Kitner	TBD	TBD

Nursery

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
March 2	Donna Rupp	Pearl Foreman & Helen Kilgore	N/A
March 9	Alison Zeigler	Barb & Jack Zeigler	N/A
March 16	Lori Ross	Deb Fager & Joan Hess	N/A
March 23	Melissa Balko	Pearl Foreman & Jan Hosler	N/A
March 30	Chris Cressler	Carol Hefflefinger & Joan Hess	N/A

Parish, Pastor, Christian Holidays, US Holidays

Feb 2014 (Eastern Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Vicar Micki</p>			<p>6pm - E: Girl scout CPR 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal</p>		<p>9am - E - Carling Closet</p>
<p>Groundhog Day</p> <p>9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Vicar Micki</p>	<p>9am - Synod Konde</p>		<p>11am - Ministerium 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>6:30pm - E - Worship & 7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>Mission of Mercy</p>	
<p>9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Pam Arndt</p>			<p>Lincoln's Birthday</p> <p>7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>St. Valentine's Day Valentine's Day</p>	<p>8am - B - Mugs-N-Muffins @ 8am - Men's Breakfast @</p>
<p>9am - Worship at Filley's</p>	<p>Washington's Birthday</p>	<p>7pm - All Council Mtgs. 8pm - Parish Council Mtg.</p>	<p>7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>10am - W Shore 7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal</p>		
<p>9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Vicar Micki</p>			<p>7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal</p>	<p>7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal</p>		<p>9am - E - Carling Closet</p>

Parish, Pastor, Christian Holidays, US Holidays

Mar 2014 (Eastern Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Tue	Fri	Sat
9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Vicar Micki			7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal		9am - E - Carling Closet
9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Vicar Micki	9am - Synod Konde	Shrove Tuesday 6pm - Shrove Tuesday	Ash Wednesday 11am - Ministerium 7pm - SJ - Ash Wed. Service	7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal		
9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Pam Arndt		10:30am - Lent Study - 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	8pm - Fley's - Lenten	7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal		8am - E - Mugs-N-Muffins @ 8am - Men's Breakfast @
9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ -	Deadline for Newsletter St. Patrick's Day 7pm - B - Outreach	10:30am - Lent Study - 7pm - All Council Mtgs. 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal 8pm - Parish Council Mtg.	6pm - Barron's - Lenten	10am - W Shore 7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal		
9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Vicar Micki		Annunciation 10:30am - Lent Study - 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	8pm - E - Lenten	7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal		
9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Vicar Micki 5pm - Spaghetti Habitat		April Fool's Day 10:30am - Lent Study - 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	11am - Ministerium 6pm - SJ - Lenten	7pm - E - Choir Rehearsal		9am - E - Carling Closet

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Deadline for April/May 2014 Noteworthy Newsletter is Monday, March 17.

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