

So. Montrose Community Church
November, 2015



No Pastor Message this month due to the illness of Pastor Jane's mother



Susquehanna County/Feed A Friend
Thanksgiving Baskets

This will be our 31st year. Last year 869 baskets were distributed connecting with 2955 individuals. If you know of any person or family who is in need of a Thanksgiving Basket, please let Trehab know as soon as possible so they can add them to the sign up list.

As in years past we are asking for the Susquehanna County Churches to contribute dessert fixings: Canned Pie Filling, Boxed Pie Crusts, Boxed Cake Mixes, and Cans of Icings.

Please put your donations in the box in the back of our congregation by Sunday, November 11th.

If you have any questions, please contact Mary Hinds @ 278-9403.

Christmas Bureau Sign ups

Susquehanna County Interfaith "Christmas Bureau" sign up has started. Senior citizens sign ups started October 13th from 10am til 3pm. Family sign ups started

October 14th from 10am til 3pm. The new location is @ 17120 St. Rt. 706, Montrose, Pa (the former Andre Power Sports bldg.)



Susan & Kelly Pratt performed six songs at the Fairdale as it combined with Rush to form the new Fairdale

Community UMC on September 27th. It was a pleasure and an honor to help celebrate the new church along with Pastor Ed Kerber and friends.

On October 25th we will be playing 1/2 hour of music for the Kingsley & Hop Bottom UMC for Laity Sunday.

Peggy Wood

IS HOME AS OF FRIDAY, 10/30!! Her address is: 27 Reynolds Pond Rd., Montrose, Pa., 18801 if you'd like to send her a card ☺



Soup Night
Chris Smith

Well...if you didn't have fun at soup night...it is because you weren't there! (Haha a little joke for you.) In all seriousness it was a good time. We had 89 guests. It seemed to be baby night.

We had lots of children under the age of 3, so adorable & nice to see the babies. The donations were \$254. I donated \$123 to the food bank & kept \$122 to use this month.

Our next soup night is Monday, November 15. We will be serving BBQ Bean Soup & Cream of Broccoli. Charlie Reed will be our musical entertainment. I am still looking to beat our record of 111 people. We have had that amount twice. So pass the word to family & neighbors. And pray for 112+!!

Thank you to my helpers & bakers. Thanks to Kelly & Sue Pratt for their music last month also.

To: Grace Harvey!!



on November 5th!!

Person In The Spotlight



Where were you born? I was born in Williamsport, Pa on January 30, 1972, six months before Hurricane Agnes.

Where did you go to high school? I went to elementary school at Lathrop St.. 5th & 6th grade I had the pleasure of spending in Lake Ave. This was the most memorable time of my life. It was where a lot of lasting friendships started. Our class was the first to go to the new wing of the high school for 7th grade.

Were you involved in any sports or clubs in high school? I was involved in choir (surprise!) and ski club. I won the home ec award at graduation! I also sang a solo at graduation(The Wind Beneath My Wings).

Did you go to college? If so, where?

What degree? I went to Broome Community College for Travel & Tourism and have an Associates degree in Business.

What was your first job? Other jobs?

Any unusual jobs? My first job was working part time in the kitchen at Asa Park nursing home. I saw way to much pureed food! I have also worked at Mastroserio's Restaurant, Tyler Hosp. kitchen and Video King (where I met Wink). I spent 6 years at Liberty Travel in Johnson City and now work at AAA North Penn in Tunkhannock. I have been a travel agent for 21 years.

When were you married? Children? We were married July 2, 1994 by Sarah Miller right here in our church. I would do it again tomorrow. I look forward to what the next 21 years have in store. We have two wonderful boys, Clay 14 and Cole 10.

What places have you lived? Just before Hurricane Agnes, June 1972, we moved to Freeland, Wa. On Whidbey Island. My father had a job there. My brother Jeff was born in 1973 and when he was a year, we moved back to lovely So. Montrose where I grew up. Now I live in Montrose.

What is your favorite vacation spot?

Favorite vacation memory? My favorite vacation spot is Cabo San Lucas, Mexico &

Whidbey Island, tied! I love traveling and seeing new places. My favorite memory is going on an Alaskan cruise/tour with my grandparents and Gussie in 1997.

What do you do in your spare time? I love to read, bake, antiquing and travel. I love to sing wherever I am. The boys are sick of riding with me in the car!

How long have you attended SMCC? I have attended SMCC since I was 4 years old. I was involved in MYF and remember having some of the best Halloween parties and haunted houses here. I have been part of the choir since before I could read. Mrs. Moomey was my first choir director.

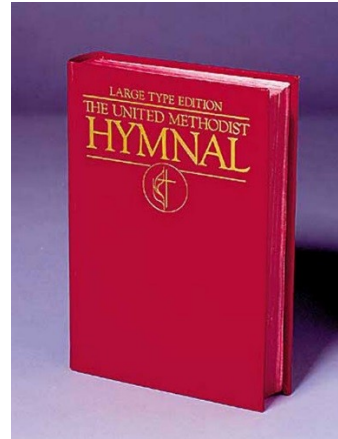
Do you have a favorite Bible Verse?

Story? Isaiah 41:10, Don't be afraid, for I am with you. Don't be discouraged, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you. I will hold you up with my victorious right hand.

What is your favorite room in your house? I love my front porch. I can sit and read, listen to nature and enjoy quiet time.

How has your faith helped you through a difficult time, or was there a specific time that you could feel God working in your life? When my niece, Julia passed away I felt the closest to Him. Never before had I seen a community come together for one family like ours did. I had just finished spending time mentoring her in the church. It has been hard to deal with, but I think we have become even closer as a family. I have written many letters and feel closer this way.

Tell us something about yourself that most people would not know. I love to refinish furniture. I have not had the opportunity to do much, but love to see something old repurposed. I love the peaceful feeling of being alone with my thoughts while working on something. I also am so nervous while singing a solo. You may know this already by the way I shake though. ☺



LARGE PRINT Hymnals Available

There are large print hymnals available for use if needed. They are located either on the coat rack or on the table next to it.

Holiday Donations

We are collecting cake mixes, canned frostings, pie fillings, and pie crust mixes for Thanksgiving meals. They need to be in by November 8th.

Adopt –A-Family For Christmas

Once again our church family has chosen to make the Christmas for a Susquehanna County family a happy one. We have adopted a family of 4, (mom, dad, and 2 daughters). If you would like to make a donation towards this, please give it to Mary Hinds or Chris Smith. We purchase the majority of the gifts the family will get, plus wrapping, and we usually get some household items for the family as well. Our county is in such need, any help is appreciated!



KIDS JOY

By Chris Smith

We will meet the first Sunday of every month. This month is November 1st from 4:00-5:30. There is music, bible lesson, crafts, games & snacks. Children kindergarten-6th grade are welcome. Invite children you know in our area. We'd love to meet some new friends



Red Bird Mission

Keep saving those labels! Thank you for all the donations thus far. See the fliers at the end of June's newsletter for the products UPC labels that we collect.

We will also be doing the shoebox mission again this year. You may contribute individual items from the list and put them in the box in the back of the sanctuary. You may contribute cash to offset the cost of transportation. All items are delivered to Red Bird Mission in Beverly, Kentucky. Cash or check can be given to Mary Torney who will go shopping for you. If you're doing your own box, the items should be put in a plastic containers which is needed for dry storage for their clients. They can be purchased at the dollar type stores or Walmart.

Items for Shoebox Mission Boxes

Comb or hairbrush, shampoo, hand lotion, deodorant, tooth brush, tooth paste, chap stick, bath soap (full size), wash cloth, disposable razors, shaving cream, nail care supplies, socks, work gloves or mittens, winter hat and if possible, a scarf.

All donations should be at the church by November 22nd.

Greeters

Nov 1st & 2nd Wks – Bev Way

Nov 3rd & 4th Wks – Salsman's

5th Wk – John & Sue Vandermark

Dec 1st & 2nd Wks – Jim & Angie Frystak

Dec 3rd & 4th Wks - ?



Nov 1st Matthew

Nov. 15th Elizabeth

Nov. 8th Cole

Nov. 22nd Clay

Nov. 29th Cohen



Our Prayers

In the church: JoAnn Jerauld, Harry Snell, Aggie Holbert, Grace Harvey, Don & Joyce Blaisure, Nic Remington, Theresa Owen, Ben Owen, Craig Estelle, Marian Nye, Alice Porter, Doris Sebring Gladys Barber, Peggy Wood

In our community: Molly McVaugh, Mary Alice Hawley & family, Betty Allen, Ken & Evie Walter, Tammy, John Frye, Herm & Maxine Zappe & their children, Marie Benedict, Considine family, Augusta Ostrow, Adaline Williams, Elijah, Jim Taylor, Charlie & Norma, Bernie Boyer, Amos Hollister, Vickie Wickizer, Carol Jones, Jim Ochse, Joyce Lathrop Patty Bloomer, Mark Bush, Joyce Millard, David Snell, James Walters, Dorothy Wegman (at Gracious Living), Staff @ Children & Youth, Terry Cooke, Dottie Henry, Catalina, Pat Whitaker, Mickey Patrick, Sandra Lathrop, those struggling with addictions, our teenagers in Susquehanna County, Debbie Bush, Sarah & Bill, Robert Atticks, Sr., Randy Ward, Keith Pratt, Helen Crotta, Lisa Steele, Brooke Arnold, Dee Pierson, Dick Millard, Duane Snell, Dennis Snell, Helen Petersen, John & Daniel Snell, David & Mary Ann Pierce, teachers & students, those in the military, the unemployed, those in nursing homes, people in prison, our country, our world, our church and each other.

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