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Welcome

Your welcoming ways continue as we pass the first half of September. Jil and I are still finding our way around; Google mapping as we go but, you have made us feel at home even when we get a little turned around.

I want to thank those who were able to help in “redding” up the church buildings. This is a useful verb from across the mountains meaning to make ready or free up from clutter. During the Covid crisis it proves very challenging to match people who could use or refurbish some things we’ve saved so we are taking advantage of the Smithfield Township cleanup. Also, while I feel no one is beyond salvation some of what we encountered was.



It was great seeing so many people able to come out for our Porch Reception! We had such a nice time meeting new folks, and getting to know so many of you better!

We should have land line phone service at the manse by the end of this week and will get our number out to you when it is connected. Our post office box is #305 here in Shawnee on Delaware.

Thank you to Brian Tompkins, Barb Dickinson, and Vince DellaFera for all their work in cleaning up the gardens between the manse and the CE building. We'll be planting grass there soon!

Speaking of Smithfield Township's cleanup opportunities, a big thank you to Henry Baer, Brian Tompkins, George Fuller, Barb Dickinson, Vince DellaFera, and Tom Bartha for cleaning out the garage and all the stuff behind the garage, and then carting it off to the township building. We were done in record time and from what I'm told, the garage has never looked better!

Upcoming Events:

The *Rummage Sale* is tomorrow!! There have been so many wonderful volunteers in the church sorting, pricing, and sorting! Help is still needed on Friday and Saturday to ensure we're limiting how many people enter and are in the church for the sale. If you're able to spend just a few hours here or there please call Sylvia Miller (570-424-6732) or Maggie DellaFera (570-460-3466).

The Shawnee Presbyterian Women are hosting a *picnic luncheon* on Tuesday, September 22, at noon, at the Pavilion over at the Shawnee Inn. Everyone is welcome! Bring a chair, your lunch, and something to drink; dessert will be provided. This is a great opportunity to just share some time of fellowship together.

The Presbyterian Woman are helping out *Girls on the Run* with their shoe drive. There is a bin in the back hallway of the CE building and another one in the narthex. Please donate any type

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of shoe - men's, women's, children's, in clean, decent shape. The bins will be emptied on a regular basis so that we do not have stinky shoe smell in the church.

Ginny Sodano has been busy continuing to help our community by coordinating gathering and distributing items for our *Food Pantry*. Non-perishable donations are needed. Some suggestions include: fruit, pasta, mac and cheese, drink boxes, canned chicken, white and brown rice, salad dressing, noodles, cereal, pancake mix, syrup, and paper towels. If you need to get in touch with Ginny, her phone number is 570-476-9393 and her email address is gsodano@ptd.net. A big "thank you" to Ginny for all she does with this important ministry!

Prayer Concerns:

Please pray for the following people:

Mary Resh –

She fell and broke her femur. Surgery resulted in a pin being implanted in her leg. She is currently in stable condition in the hospital and will be going to a rehab facility as soon as they are able to move her.

Grace Park, Apt. 119, 1170 West Main St., Stroudsburg, PA 18360

Mary Wolbert –

Mary is being moved to a nursing rehabilitation center in Easton so she can get better, gain strength and return home. She is also suffering from a bladder infection. Her son, Robin, is very concerned about her condition at this time, and is thankful for prayers and that we continue to think of her!

PO Box 87, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

Kiki Pollack –

Kiki has been diagnosed with brain cancer and has been undergoing chemotherapy.

1109 Woodland Xing, East Stroudsburg, PA 18302

Linda Jennings -

Linda fell, hurt her shoulder, and is doing better, thanks to physical therapy. Continued prayers for the healing process.

151 Naomi Lane, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301

Jil Hawk –

Jil broke her foot before our move to Shawnee on Delaware. She is in a boot and hobbling around quite well.

PO Box 305, Shawnee on Delaware, PA 18356

The church's address is: PO Box 145, Shawnee on Delaware, Pa. 18356. And as a reminder, if you need to get in touch with me, please call the church office (leave a message) at 570-421-5518 or email to my attention at shawneechurch@verizon.net.

God Bless!

Darcy