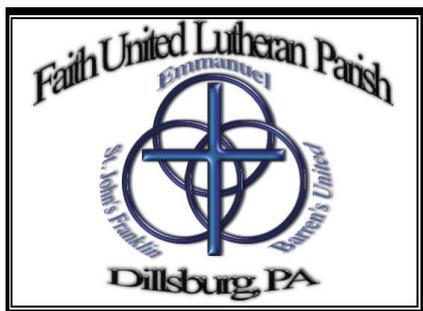


Faith United Lutheran Parish

Noteworthy News



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“Advent is a simple opportunity to be mindful of the abundance of the Creator's good gifts--...”

Message from Pastor Roy

The memories, the preparations, the carols, the expectation of many wonders—children, simple gifts, gatherings, good food graciously offered, quiet moments of reflection and gratitude. Isn't the “holiday season” which draws near, full of beauty? Yet, stress swirls around all of the expectations we place on ourselves and others. What does it mean to get ready and be prepared? “You'd better not shout, you'd better not cry, you'd better not pout--I'm telling you why--Santa Claus is coming to town!” For children of course, the hardest part is waiting. Remember how time moved differently when we were children? Perhaps one of the ways to get ready is to do what we can to reduce stress by simplifying our assumptions which lead to those expectations and demands? Oh that it were as simple as not shouting, crying, or pouting! What might healthy assumptions and expectations be? Might it help to talk about these things with friends and family?

For years the practice of a “holy Advent” has helped some navigate the month of December. Early Christians began to celebrate Christmas on the 25th in the fourth century. Roughly 200 years later we began to set aside five weeks before Christmas as a time of preparation. Still several hundred years later Advent time adjusted to the four weeks before Christmas. Preparation being vital to a full experience, how does Advent help prepare us to celebrate “God with us--Emmanuel?”

Advent is an invitation to prayerfully listen to the Spirit as we read, chat, and find ourselves in moments of stillness. Advent is a month of looking for God so that we may intentionally live in God's presence. The presence of God is not a land of “shoulds” and “oughts,” or “naughties” and “nice,” but a land of freedom to share the life of creation—a life which we receive and give back in equal shares. Advent is a simple opportunity to be mindful of the abundance of the Creator's good gifts--which invite us to, likewise, care and share.

A most blessed waiting, seeking, and celebration of God-with-us in mercy. Peace!

PARISH NEWS

MOVIE NIGHT AT EMMANUEL (October 5, 2012)

The October 5 movie night had several new adults and children in attendance. The movie was “Night at the Museum”. It was a comical sequel that’s better than the original, where historic figures in a museum come to life and create havoc and mayhem for the night watchman. It just proves that history can be larger than life and sometimes twice as funny. The acting was terrific and the entire movie was presented with laughter as the primary focus. And as always, we must thank all those individuals that helped make the evening possible with their work and donations.

The decision was made to cancel the November movie night due to the shortness of time between the refreshment stand for Halloween Night and the first Friday of the month in November. We thank everyone for their understanding and consideration. The next movie night will be Friday, December 14th, at 7 PM. Please, invite your friends and neighbors and join the fun. This is for anyone in the community, not just our Parish. The movies are great and the snacks are delicious. And free, too.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS (OCTOBER 7, 2012) – On Sunday, October 7, Faith United Lutheran Parish celebrated St. Francis of Assisi day by sharing a special Blessing of the Animals service.



A special focus of the service is the public expression of the bond we have with all animals. Through the service, we are able to make them an integral part of our worship life and relationships. This custom is conducted in remembrance of St. Francis’s love of all creatures and ecology.

The bond between person and pet is like no other relationship, because the communication between fellow creatures is at its most basic. Eye-to-eye, the beings involved in the relationship were created out of, and for, love. No wonder people enjoy the opportunity to take their animal companions, and mementos in remembrance of past companions, to church for a special blessing. Church is a place where the bond of creation is celebrated.

The service’s offering of \$125.00 was donated to Canine Rescue of Central Pa., www.crcpa.org. Located on Brittany Lane in Dillsburg, Canine Rescue of Central Pa, Inc. is a 501c(3) nonprofit organization. Canine Rescue is an all-volunteer group dedicated to providing assistance to any dog in a helpless situation. It is estimated that 5-7 million companion animals enter shelters each year; approximately 3-4 million of those are euthanized. The volunteers at Canine Rescue work selflessly to lessen canine suffering and find them loving and lifetime homes.



*Bless the beasts and the children
For in this world they have no voice
They have no choice*

*Bless the beasts and the children
For the world can never be
The world they see*

*Light their way
When the darkness surrounds them
Give them love
Let it shine all around them*

*Bless the beasts and the children
Give them shelter from the storm
Keep them safe
Keep them warm...*



More pictures on next page!

~Richard Carpenter & John Bettis~

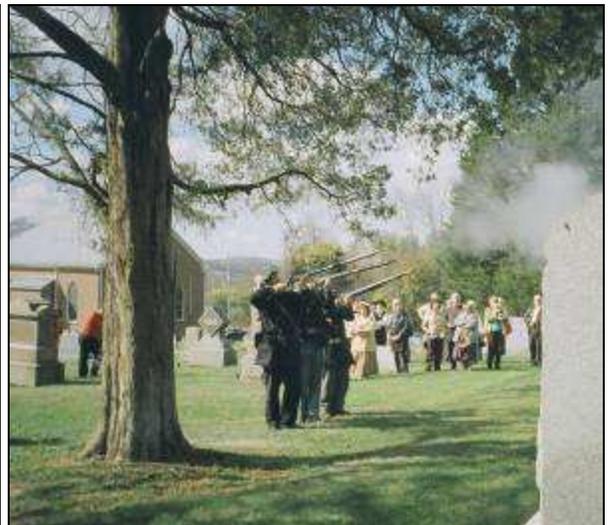


BUDDY WALK (OCTOBER 13, 2012) – Thanks very much to everyone at Barren's who supported Michael Wolfgang at the York Area Down Syndrome Assoc. Buddy Walk in Dover. On Saturday, October 13, walkers together raised over fifty thousand dollars to help the National Down Syndrome society support research, education, and advocacy for individuals with Down Syndrome...part of the proceeds will remain locally to fund the York Area Down Syndrome Assoc. Here Michael & Natalie have fun painting pumpkins together at the Buddy Walk. Thanks Ellen & Natalie for joining us and walking along with Michael!

Deb & Tom Wolfgang



PARISH HERITAGE DAY SERVICE AT ST. JOHN'S (OCTOBER 21, 2012) – Heritage Day was one of respect, good food, and fellowship. Attendees came from the 3 churches, the community, and as far away as **TEXAS**. Ken Gulic led some of his Civil War Bucktails through the cemetery for a time of remembering the soldiers buried there. Thanks to everyone who helped in making this day a very special reminder of our heritage!



HURRICANE “SANDY” (OCTOBER 29, 2012) – St. John's Franklin's worship services and meetings have continued to be held amid the aftermath of the hurricane. Vendors quickly responded to prevent further damage from the water. Members and others acted to sort and spread records, dishes, and other contents to dry out as quickly as possible. Suggestions, ideas, and recommendations are being compiled, lots of information gathered via phone calls, and contractors are being contacted. Your input is welcomed!

NEW MEMBER – BARREN’S CHURCH (NOVEMBER 4, 2012)

On **November 4** we celebrated and welcomed into membership at Barren’s: **Scott Zirkle**.



**Welcome
To Our
Parish!**

HARVEST HOME (NOVEMBER 11, 2012) – We celebrated **Harvest Home** at all 3 churches November 11. A time to recognize the abundance God provides in this community. Following are pictures of a few displays at our parish churches November 11. Thanks to everyone who contributed to this worthy cause.



PARISH HAYRIDE/CHILI COOK-OFF (NOVEMBER 4, 2012) – The chili cook-off was a success again and I don't envy the judges as their discerning palates had to taste and analyze 12 chili's this year. Thank you to everyone who entered. The winners were: Hottest: **David Staton** with runner up **Scott Zirkle**. Best Overall: **Terri Tamecki** with runner up **Pastor Roy**. Congrats to all the participants!!! Thank you to our tractor driving duo Carl Shearer and Woody Myers...everyone had a great time. And a HUGE THANK YOU to all the kitchen, food, and clean-up crew. Without you we would not be able to have the great time we all do. Keep working on those recipes....



THE LOWER SUSQUEHANNA SYNOD - The Year of ReFORMATION
 Bishop's Convocation 2012 - Fall 2013 - a year of reforming our life together as synod



NEW!

Snapshots of the Listening Post Conversations are now available on the Year of ReFORMATION blog site. Find an **updated** snapshot on the [Resources page](#) of the Year of ReFORMATION website.

The Listening Post Snapshot series is not intended as an all-encompassing transcript of the conversations. Each report is an encapsulation that sheds light on issues identified as priorities at the sessions.

Join the conversation.

We want to hear from you!

*Listening Post #2
 St. Paul, Biglerville*

*Listening Post #5
 St. Luke, Chambersburg (Scotland)*

*Listening Post #7
 St. Matthew, Hanover*



SNOW CANCELLATION INFORMATION - WORSHIP SERVICE – The days are getting shorter, temperatures are falling, and snow will be an issue at some point. So, once again it's time to think about Snow Watch. If weather 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 one or two churches cancel we will notify through more internal means (phone calls or email). If you do not feel safe traveling, please stay at home!



Annual Congregational Meetings – Meetings will be held in the sanctuaries immediately following worship as follows:

- Barren's – **December 2**
- Emmanuel's - **December 2**
- St. John's Franklin – **December 9**

Every voting member should plan to attend their congregational meeting!

FITZKEES CANDY - Fitzkee's Candy will be delivered on **December 4**. You may pick up your candy at Barren's Church House 9:30 - 10:00AM or 6:00 - 6:30PM. Any questions, please call Ellen Hampton 432-3732.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PARTY - Mark your calendars! The Sunday School children's Christmas Party will be **December 9** at Barren's Church House from 4:00-6:00PM. We will be exchanging gifts, making a craft, playing games, having snacks, and fun. ALL young children of the Parish are welcome to come. ***Please call Ellen Hampton 432-3732 if you plan to come so we have enough craft items for each child.*** Hope you can make it!



PARISH PICTURE DIRECTORY – Deb has finished taking pictures for our 2013 directory. “Thank you” to everyone who scheduled and came to one of the 3 churches to have their picture taken. If you weren't able to schedule a day to have your picture taken, you can still submit (via email at secretaryfulp@gmail.com) your own photo to Deb as long as she receives it no later than **December 10**. Deb is working on finalizing the directory document to take to DRS Printing mid December. The new directories should be available for pick up at the churches early January 2013.

VIENNA BOYS CHOIR "CHRISTMAS IN VIENNA" - **Wednesday, December 12, 2012 at 7:30PM** at the H.Ric Luhrs Performing Arts Center, Shippensburg University. The cost is \$26.10 per person. Please make payments to Sharon Spahr, Filey's, ASAP.

NEW HOPE'S AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM CHRISTMAS PARTY - Will be held at Barren's Church House **December 14** at 6:00PM. We will be asking for food donations for our Christmas dinner and people to help cook, serve, and cleanup. Any questions, call Ellen (432-3732 or 319-0570).



UFO's (UnFinished Objects) - Have you spotted a UFO yet? Unravel the mysteries and bring your UnFinished Object to St. John's - Friday, **December 14** at 6:00PM. Whether you want to finish a yarn project for yourself (or someone else), work on that scrapbook, organize last years' holiday photos (or those from 15 years ago), or make some Christmas cards – we have the time and the place for you! We're planning on ordering pizza - plan on supper being a little later so we have time to find out how much we need to order. We've had some very interested members for our first two meetings, and have enjoyed working on projects and socializing with each other. Some of us have made headway on our UFO's too! At November's gathering some of us made lovely Christmas cards with provided materials. This time, we'll have a station set up for making paper-crafted Christmas ornaments for you to keep or give away. Don't worry if you've never done this type of thing before, we'll show you how! Contact Krys Kolvras Simmons if you have any questions, at luvappskrys@comcast.net or 571-6298.

BLUE CHRISTMAS SERVICE - **December 19** - 6:30PM at St. Peter Lutheran Church, Mechanicsburg. For many, the holidays are a time of great joy, but for some, Christmas is a time filled with grief and anxiety for various reasons. This reflective prayer service with communion is a time to acknowledge that the holidays don't have to be filled with joy, but can still be filled with hope and love. If you have any questions, please contact Pastor Naomi Sease Carriker, 766-2701. St. Peter will also offer a "come as you are" **Christmas Day** service at 10:00AM.

CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICES - **Monday, December 24** - Come celebrate our Savior's birth!

- Emmanuel with Holy Communion at 7:00PM – Pastor Roy
- St. John's Franklin/CLC Filey's with Holy Communion at 7:00PM – Pastor Debbie
- Barren's with Holy Communion at 10:30PM – Pastor Roy



DECEMBER 30 PARISH SERVICE - **December 30** – 10:00AM Christmas Cantata Parish Worship at Barren's – The service will begin with our “Hands In Faith's Motion” Puppeteers performing their Christmas program “*Camel Called Donkey*” and then the Choir will present their Christmas Cantata “*He Is Born!*” as part of our Holy Communion Service. **Note** the time is different than usual...it all begins at 10:00AM. Hope to see you there!

END-OF-YEAR-CONTRIBUTIONS - Amber and Deb will need to switch the computer to the new year (2013) so, to help make this transition easier, please remember that all contributions for the 2012 tax year must be in the church office or postmarked no later than December 31, 2012. That way they can perform their End-Of-Year procedures, reports, giving statements, etc. in a timely fashion. Any questions or concerns, please let us know.



TUESDAY, JANUARY 1, 2013
Faith United Lutheran Parish 4th Annual
PORK & SAUERKRAUT DINNER



All Proceeds Benefit: Heifer International

When: New Year's Day @ 12:00 Noon

Where: Barren's Church House

Cost: Donation (\$8.50 or greater per meal requested to cover cost & gift to Heifer)

Menu Includes: Pork and Sauerkraut (also pork w/o kraut), Hot Dogs, Mashed Potatoes, Corn, Applesauce, Rolls, Drink, Dessert. Takeout Available!

All are welcome! - To insure enough food is ordered, please sign-up no later than Sunday, December 23rd or contact the Parish office at (717) 432-4802.



NEW HOPE MINISTRIES – Like past years, the **first Sunday of every month** is still going to be **FISH** Sunday (**F**ood **I**s **S**o **H**elpful) at all 3 churches. Each month of the year there will be a specific item(s) to bring to church for New Hope Ministries. Place the item(s) in your church's designated area/box and please check the expiration dates on the items. Following are the item(s) for **2013**:

January (2013) – Cereals/Hot Chocolate Mix

February (2013) – Soups/Crackers

March (2013) – Feminine Hygiene Products, Toilet Paper, Dish/Laundry Soap

April (2013) – Canned Fruits/Vegetables

May (2013) – Pasta/Sauce/Ketchup/Mustard

June (2013) – Canned Meats (Tuna, Chicken, Spam)/Mayonnaise

July (2013) – Vegetable/Potato Mixes

August (2013) – Peanut Butter/Jelly

September (2013) – Cereals/Baby Food

October (2013) – Sweet Potatoes

November (2013) – Cranberry Sauce

December (2013) – Sauerkraut



WINTERFEST REGISTRATION NOW OPEN! - Winterfest is our annual synod senior-high and young adult event, for **youth in grades 9-12, and young adults up to age 24**. Winterfest is scheduled for **January 4-6, 2013**, at the Lancaster County Convention Center & Marriott hotel on the square in Lancaster city. For over 20 years, the young people of our synod have gathered for faith conversation, fellowship with old friends and new acquaintances, powerful worship experiences, large group singing and inspirational speakers, and fun, all with Christ at the center of our time together. Whether you've attended before or not, whether you "used to attend" but haven't gone in years, or whether this is a

brand new experience for you, please consider giving this event a try. In 2013, our theme will focus on the seven faith practices: invitation, worship, prayer, encouragement, giving, study and service. We call it "**Grounded in The Way**". Contact synod Director of Children, Youth & Family Ministry, Charlie Roberts, at 717-579-0349, or at croberts@lss-elca.org, with questions or concerns.

WINTER YOUTH RETREAT - January 4-6, 2013

Enjoy Kirchenwald in the Winter! Play broom hockey and other games on the frozen pond. Have fun sledding, playing snow soccer and other winter games. Creative Bible studies and worship experiences led by our summer camp counselors are an important part of this retreat. Meet new friends and catch up with your summer camp friends. Other indoor and outdoor activities may be included, as the weather dictates. More Information at <http://www.lutherancamping.org/events/>



YOUTH LOCK-IN - We are planning a parish youth lock-in at Barren's Friday, **January 18** into Saturday, January 19. Drop off at 7:00PM. Pick up at 8:00AM. Feel free to bring your friends. Ages fifth grade and up are invited. Please eat dinner before arriving at 7:00PM. Bring a snack/drink to share, a sleeping bag, and an appropriate movie if you wish.

PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY - Now that it is colder, don't forget to make lap robes (45 x 36 should work well) for our homebound and ill. Thank you for participating in this prayerful and compassionate ministry. See Diane Shearer with questions.

OUTREACH COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR 2013 – 7:00PM at Barren's Church House

January 21

July 22

March 18

September 16

May 20

November 18

GOODIE BAGS – The parish will be putting together Goodie Boxes again this year for our College Students and Goodie Bags for our shut-ins. These will be assembled at the **March 18** Outreach Committee Meeting beginning at 6:30PM in the Church House. Anyone is welcome to attend! Collection containers will be at each church for your goodie box/bag donations.



PARISH BLOOD DRIVES FOR 2013 – We will once again have two blood drives during 2013 and they are scheduled for **April 22** and **September 23**. Jan Keslar will have more information closer to the date of the blood drive.

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.

October 31, 2012

Reformation Day

Dear Co-laborers with Christ,

It is with deep regret that I write to inform you that today I took action to eliminate the position of one ordained assistant to the bishop. Pastor Clifton Eshbach, who has served this office as my assistant since April 25, 2009, was given notice that this position will not be included in the synodical budget for the fiscal year beginning February 1, 2013. Pastor Eshbach will receive a three-month severance package, which includes full salary and benefits, beginning November 1, 2012. His duties will be divided between my other assistants, Pastors Thomas McKee and Virginia Cover; and Pam Drenner, Director for Resource Ministries/Communication. Pastor Eshbach plans to return to parish ministry and will seek a congregational call.



This action is necessary due to declining mission support from congregations, a trend that has been increasing over the past three years.

I want to personally thank Pastor Eshbach for his years of service to our Lord Jesus Christ as assistant to the bishop. He has been, and is, a faithful servant of the gospel whose warmth and pastoral presence will be missed in this office. Please join me in keeping him in your prayers as he embarks on a new venture in ministry for the sake of our Lord and Savior.

Faithfully, your bishop,

+B. Penrose Hoover

Conference Assembly Reminder

Appoint your congregational voting members by January 1, 2013!

The twenty-sixth annual assembly is scheduled for **June 6 - June 8, 2013** at Messiah College, Grantham, PA. Two conference assemblies will occur in 2013; the first assembly will gather between January 1 and February 15; the second between March 1 and April 15.

The **first conference assembly** will engage in conversation around:

- The synod profile for election of a bishop.
- The bishop's profile.
- The **Visioning for Mission document**.

The **second conference assembly** will:

- Engage in preparation for the annual Synod Assembly.
- Raise up potential nominees' names for the office of bishop.



“NURTURING WITH NATURE”

Hello, and welcome back to “Nurturing with Nature,” a series of newsletter articles devoted to nurturing the curiosity and sense of discovery we, particularly our children, have for the wonders and beauty of nature that surrounds us. This month’s activity will require some imagination and a “think outside the box” approach. Each activity is written from a child’s perspective, but that shouldn’t hinder the “young at heart” from enjoying the fun.

Activity: Take me on an “Alphabet Hike”. Let’s see if we can find things in nature that start with every letter of the alphabet. Afterwards, help me to draw what we’ve seen. Keep the drawings in my nature journal. **Tip:** Let’s take several short hikes, using only a few letters at a time. I will better remember our experiences and what I’ve learned.

Let’s do more: Look for the *shapes* of letters in nature.

Why this is important: My brain learns better from encountering real objects. The concept of letters and the sounds they make become more meaningful to me when I have authentic experiences with these objects.

F is for Flamingo?? While you might not encounter a flamingo in your nature walks, you will encounter many opportunities to talk about the diversity of animals, plants, rocks, etc., and how each one is equipped to thrive in the environment in which it lives. This is a great time to engage in conversation about the creating and re-creating nature of God.

We welcome photos and feed back from YOUR outdoor experiences using the suggested activities.



THRIVENT FINANCIAL NEWS

Looking for help with your career?

Unemployment hovers around 8% nationally.* If you're part of that statistic and looking for some positive news concerning the job market, Thrivent Financial for Lutherans can help.

Our online Job Transition resources offer:

- Practical advice for job seekers, including interview skills, building a resume, networking and more.
- Help with making smart decisions about money.
- Ways to find emotional and spiritual support.

Visit Thrivent.com/community/outreach/job. The information is free and available to everyone. If you have other questions, contact Michael P. Smith, CFP®, MBA, FIC at southcentralpagroup@thrivent.com or 877-674-1100.

*U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics

THANKS TO THE FOLLOWING

Thanks to everyone for your thoughts, prayers, cards, and phone calls during my recent hospital stay and recovery. It is a blessing knowing that I have the thoughts and prayers from my church family.

Jack McCauslin

Thanks to all at Barren's for your support again of the Buddy Walk for Michael Wolfgang. We very much appreciated your kindness and generosity!

Michael, Deb & Tom Wolfgang

Congregation of Barren's,

We want to give you a sincere thank you for allowing us to use your church house for the luncheon after Charles Miller's committal service. Since the luncheon was at the same location as the burial, more people were able to stay for lunch. You have a very nice and well equipped facility. It provided a comfortable place for gathering and sharing memories. We appreciate your willingness to let us use it. Thank you so much!

The Charles Miller Family

Thank you to all who donated food for Harvest Home and gifts for the giving tree. I know everything is appreciated.

Ellen Hampton

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:

- Thank you to those who helped prepare and serve the luncheon for Charlie Miller's funeral. Your visits, singing, and help for Charlie and Ruth have been a blessing to them.
- Thanks to Emmanuel for providing space for three girl scout troops to meet throughout the school year. They express their gratitude frequently and are grateful for our sharing spirit!.
- Thank you to Chris Cressler for organizing the chili cook-off, to Woody Myers and Carl Shearer for driving their tractors for the hayride. It was a beautiful day and a nice ride.
- Thank you to all who have served three years and will be going off of council: Pearl Foreman, Charlie Rinehart, Gail Stetler, Whitney Trump, Mary Jo Rodriguez, Ellen Hampton, Clint Shearer, and Loren Swivel. Thank you also to the St. John Franklin council members who have served extended terms: Gayle Kolivras, Marlene Stiffler, Nancy Bobb, Clarence, and Sandy Bachert; and the treasurers/comptrollers who continue to serve: Ron Henry, Carl Shearer, and Amber Shearer. We appreciate your efforts on behalf of the churches!
- Northern's Marching Band placed 6th of 12 marching bands in their class during a national competition at MetLife stadium near New York City with the highest score they've had all year. Emily Rodriguez is in color guard, Claire Shook plays clarinet, and Josiah Stetler plays trumpet. Larry and Pam Shook keep the band uniforms looking sharp and Amber Shearer is the woodwind tech. A very good year for the band and guard!

Pastor Roy



Barren's Council Meeting Minutes
(Full minutes posted on bulletin board)
October 16, 2012 at Barren's

October meeting was cancelled.

Respectfully Submitted,
Clint Shearer, Council Secretary

Barren's Council Meeting Minutes
(Full minutes posted on bulletin board)
November 12, 2012 at Barren's

Call to Order with Prayer.

Alter Flowers (Lois Diller) -- The Blossom Shop has raised their delivery prices for flowers taking it to \$35.00 per week. This will be discussed during the Congregational Meeting, however at this time Carl Shearer has offered to pick up the flowers, thus lowering the price to \$25.00.

Comptroller's Report (on file). Motion to approve made by Clint Shearer, 2nd by Mary Jo Rodriguez. Motion passed.

Pastor's report -- on file.

Treasure's report -- nothing new.

Property Committee -- Replacing the lights in the sanctuary will wait till Spring. Most electrical problems from the lightning strike have been fixed. One fan is still not working. Parts have been ordered. Heat tape on the roof is being checked on. There may have been a short. Fuel oil ran out, but we are under contract so oil was delivered.

Barren's Budget -- Motion made to approve by Whitney Trump, 2nd by Mary Lutz. Motion passed.

Old Business -- Finding replacement Council Members for the 5 going off Council.

New Business

- Linda Gochenauer has asked that someone else take over the Greeter's/Usher's List.
- Safe Sanctuary Compliance - we need to check to make sure anyone working with youth has background checks and clearances. Also discussed putting a window in the door to the youth room.

Motion made to adjourn by Ellen Hampton, 2nd by Whitney Trump. Motion passed.

Adjournment with the Lord's Prayer.

Respectfully Submitted,
Clint Shearer, Council Secretary



Emmanuel's Council Meeting Minutes Summary
(Full minutes posted in Church)
October 2, 2012 at St. John's

Old Business:

- On the curtains, ½ cost upfront, remainder at completion. Council discussed details of replacing the curtains and washing windows simultaneously. Council chose the Madison fabric knit style lateral blind and will apply a donation from the Cy Markel family to the curtain expense by Jane's motion, Charlie's second, and a passing vote.
- Council discussed Trick or Treat stand on Wed. 31st.

New Business:

- Work was done on the furnace when a thermostat issue arose.
- Council discussed potential new council members.
- Pastor Roy moved and Joan seconded to move meetings to the 3rd Tuesday of each month beginning December 18th for scheduling and financial reporting purposes. Motion passed.
- Jane moved, Charlie seconded that Emmanuel give \$200 in memory of Pastor Neal to his home church.
- Gail motioned with Rhetta seconding to participate in New Hope Christmas "Giving Tree." Motion passed.
- Harvest home will be on Nov. 11th. Charlie motioned, Joan seconded, motion passed.

Pearl motioned, Jane seconded to adjourn with the Lord's Prayer at 7:53pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gail Stetler, Council Secretary

Emmanuel's Council Meeting Minutes Summary
(Full minutes posted in Church)
November 6, 2012 at Barren's

Old Business:

On the curtains, we hope to have 3 bids next month to consider (Ann's Sew-Fine, K. Kann's Kustom Sewing, plus Linda Markel). The cost for the originally planned curtains is higher than expected due to a misunderstanding. Rhetta motioned with Jane seconding that we use treasury funds to help pay the remainder owed on the curtains beyond donations received. Motion passed.

New Business:

- The annual congregational meeting will be the first Sunday in December.
- Proposed 2013 parish budget calls for \$38,579 from Emmanuel. Ron and Jack will work on Emmanuel's budget.
- Next council will be 7 PM at Barren's on 12/18.
- Ron will donate a surge protector for the organ.
- Jane will talk to Fay about helping with an audit by the end of the year. Ron will assist as needed.
- Poinsettia list from Anderson's (red/white) will be on the bulletin board through November 27.

Pearl motioned, Rhetta seconded to adjourn with the Lord's Prayer at 7:40pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Gail Stetler, Council Secretary

St. John's Franklin - Summary of Council Meeting Minutes
(Full minutes posted on bulletin board)
October 2, 2012 at St. John's



Old Business:

- Sharing of Sanctuary with Filey's during Advent. Filey's has accepted our invitation to worship at St John's during Advent and Christmas Eve service
- Ingathering Sunday: October 7th. There have been a number of items collected.
- Heritage Day: October 21st. October 5 has been set aside for clean up
- Parish Photo Directory: Deb Racer will be at St John's October 28th for those members of St John's

New Business:

- All Saints Sunday November 4, photos will be placed on the altar.
- Financial/Budget meeting: 2012/2013 Council budget meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, November 7th at St. John's with the Accountant.
- Truck Parking: Discussed the Tractor Trailer parking at St. John's. Church cannot have it parked at the church especially for Heritage Days - Marlene will make contact with the owner.
- Next Church Council meeting is scheduled for November 6, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine Fetro, Secretary

St. John's Franklin - Summary of Council Meeting Minutes
(Full minutes posted on bulletin board)
November 6, 2012 at Barren's

Old Business:

- Ingathering for New Hope – 69 lbs. were collected.
- Outstanding projects put on hold: Rain collection barrels, mulch, stair glide, outdoor electrical lighting
- All Saints Sunday November 4th – Bill Smith conducted a very nice reflection and included those photos that were placed on the altar.
- Tractor Trailer: Marlene left a note on the vehicle regarding our concerns about parking at the church.

New Business:

- Parish budget - very few changes, St John's will continue to make same payment amount into the parish.
- Discussed the change of Council meetings to the third Tuesday of each month.
- Discussed the Blossom Shop delivery fee increase, Council has agreed Carla Fishel and Nancy Bobb will begin to pick up the altar flowers.
- December 9th will be St John's Congregational meeting.
- Update on Church basement water damages - ServPro has removed damaged drywall and carpet, research will be done to find best options for flooring to be installed, Keystone Oil has removed water and un-useable oil from oil tank and has suggested to have 2 - 275gallon oil tanks installed. Council agreed on the 2 oil tanks.

Respectfully Submitted,
Elaine Fetro, Secretary

**FULP Council Abbreviated Meeting Minutes
(Full minutes posted on bulletin board)
October 2 & November 6, 2012 at Barren's**



Parish Council met and approved minutes, financial report, and the treasurer's report for Oct. and Nov.

October 2 meeting

October's meeting was short because there was no business to discuss.

Parish purchased a new computer and data is being transferred.

Parish budget meeting set for Nov. 5th, 7:00 at Barren's.

November 6 meeting

- Gayle made a motion to allow churches to make ½ payments. Marlene 2nd the motion. St. John's will continue to pay \$400.00.
- Council discussed changing date of meetings. Kevin made the motion for parish council and all church councils to meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Gail 2nd motion, motion carried.
- Next meeting will be Dec. 18th at Barrens.
- Budget was given to council to look over. Council decided that the directory should have a line item. Mary Jo made the motion to accept the budget and Marlene 2nd. Motion carried.
- Please read full minutes posted in your church.

Next meeting will be at Barrens Church at 8:00PM, December 18, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Bobb, Secretary

FINANCIAL INFORMATION

<p><u>Barren's:</u> Total income for October - \$ 7,058.19 Total expenses for October - \$ 15,494.30 Balance in Account as of Oct. 31, 2012 - \$ 25,912.42</p>	<p><u>Emmanuel:</u> Total income for October - \$ 5, 308.00 Total expenses for October - \$ 5, 145.41 Balance of Treasury as of Nov. 1, 2012 - \$ 10,969.35</p>
<p><u>St. John's Franklin:</u> Nothing Submitted this month</p>	<p><u>Faith United Lutheran Parish:</u> Total income for October - \$ 3,605.00 Total expenses for October - \$ 6,530.50 Balance in Account as of Oct. 31, 2012 - \$ 31,342.32</p>



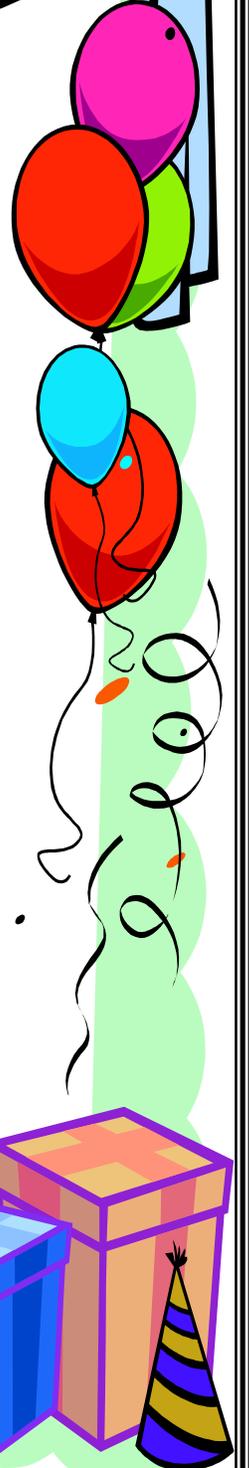
Happy Birthday Parish Members

DECEMBER

- 2 – Krysten Simmons
- 3 – Pearl McCartney
- 6 – Nancy Miller
- 9 – Emily Altland
- 12 – Zach McCauslin
- 13 – Dot Heiges
- 14 – Jared Ross
- 15 – Diane Shearer
- 17 – Darvin Grove
- 19 – Tammy Wagner
- 21 – Deb Glenn
- 22 – Melissa Hoke
- 24 – Darlene Hershey
- 25 – Chad Weyandt
- 26 – Tammy Mummert
- 29 – Elaine Fetro
John Hampton
Adam Goulden
- 30 – Lori Ross
- 31 – William Butler

JANUARY

- 2 – Ellen Hampton
- 3 – Jacob Smith
- 5 – Blanche Henry
Arnetta Kimmel
- 6 – John Bobb
- 7 – Debbie Butler
- 9 – Trudy Harlacker
- 10 – Jacob Stone
- 11 – Anne Harner
MaryJo Rodriguez
Jessica Leonard
- 12 – Tony Ross
Logan Racer
- 13 – Carisa Harner
- 14 – Ray Fitton
- 15 – Karen Lenig
- 19 – Clyde Hershey
- 20 – Frank Yake
Dan Miller
Dawn Zinn
- 21 – Norma Myers
- 22 – Evelyn Diller
Dannielle Eckenrode
- 23 – Jennifer Kreider
Nancy Bobb
- 24 – Dustin Trump
- 25 – Carla Fishel
- 26 – Matthew Hoke
- 27 – Florence Grove
Ellizanna Hershey
- 29 – Steve Zeigler



December Parish Worship Leadership

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
December 2	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Vicar Micki Kautz
December 9	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Marlene Stiffler/Bill Smith
December 16	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Bill Smith
December 23	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Vicar Micki Kautz
December 30	Pastor Roy	Parish Serv. @ Barren's	Parish Serv. @ Barren's

Lector

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
December 2	Linda Gochenauer	Charlie Rinehart	Elaine Fetto
December 9	MaryJo Rodriguez	Barb Zeigler	Elaine Fetto
December 16	Amber Shearer	Jack Zeigler	Elaine Fetto
December 23	Clint Shearer	Kevin Zinn	Elaine Fetto
December 30	Choir Cantata	Parish Serv. @ Barren's	Parish Serv. @ Barren's

Acolyte/(Crucifer at Barren's)

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
December 2	Logan Racer/Gage Mummert	Victoria Stone	N/A
December 9	Emily Rodriguez/Zoe Kreider	Dylan Harner	N/A
December 16	Wade Kreider/TBD	Gavin Zeigler	N/A
December 23	Morgan Wagner/Kamdyn Balko	Sean Zinn	N/A
December 30	Arlana Racer/TBD	Parish Serv. @ Barren's	Parish Serv. @ Barren's

Greeters/Ushers

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
December 2	Lance & Karen Kreiger	Ray Fitton & Phil Zinn	Marlene Stiffler
December 9	Laurie Hoover Family	Ray Fitton & Phil Zinn	Marlene Stiffler
December 16	Bill & Kathy Eurich	Ray Fitton & Phil Zinn	Marlene Stiffler
December 23	Carl & Clint Shearer	Ray Fitton & Phil Zinn	Marlene Stiffler
December 30	Loren & Andy Swivel	Parish Serv. @ Barren's	Parish Serv. @ Barren's

Altar Guild

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
December 2 (purple)	Kevin & Pat Hoke	Janet Hosler & Rhetta Zeigler	Gayle Kolivras
December 9 (purple)	Kevin & Pat Hoke	Janet Hosler & Rhetta Zeigler	Gayle Kolivras
December 16 (purple)	Tammy & RaeAnne Mummert	Janet Hosler & Rhetta Zeigler	Gayle Kolivras
December 23 (purple)	Tammy & RaeAnne Mummert	Janet Hosler & Rhetta Zeigler	Gayle Kolivras
December 30 (white)	Rich & Jenny Stine	Parish Serv. @ Barren's	Parish Serv. @ Barren's

Flower Donors

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
December 2	MaryJo & Luis Rodriguez	TBD	Gayle Kolivras
December 9	Mr. & Mrs. Darwin Shearer	TBD	TBD
December 16	Mr. & Mrs. Richard Stine	TBD	TBD
December 23	Carl & Diane Shearer	TBD	Clarence & Sandy Bachert
December 30	Melissa Balko	Parish Serv. @ Barren's	Parish Serv. @ Barren's

Nursery

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
December 2	Judy Klugh	Carol Hefflefinger & Joan Hess	N/A
December 9	Arlene Myers	Karen Lenig & Sabrina Zumburum	N/A
December 16	Lois Diller	Joan Hess & Jan Hosler	N/A
December 23	Diane Dorsey	Ron Henry & Joan Hess	N/A
December 30	Mary Lutz	Parish Serv. @ Barren's	Parish Serv. @ Barren's

January Parish Worship Leadership

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
January 6	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Bill Smith
January 13	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Vicar Micki Kautz
January 20	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	Pam Arndt
January 27	Pastor Roy	Pastor Roy	TBD

Lector

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
January 6	MaryJo Rodriguez	Marianne Botta	Marlene Stiffler
January 13	Clint Shearer	Sonny Erford	Marlene Stiffler
January 20	Amber Shearer	Deb Fager	Marlene Stiffler
January 27	Diane Shearer	Wally Foreman	Marlene Stiffler

Acolyte/(Crucifer at Barren's)

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
January 6	Kamdyn Balko/Emily Rodriguez	Zach Zinn	N/A
January 13	Kamdyn Balko /Zoe Kreider	Ethan Zeigler	N/A
January 20	Logan Racer/Gage Mummert	Carisa Harner	N/A
January 27	Wade Kreider/TBD	Victoria Stone	N/A

Greeters/Ushers

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
January 6	Elwood & Norma Myers	Sonny Erford & Norm Hess	Sandy & Clarence Bachert
January 13	Bill & Kathy Eurich	Sonny Erford & Norm Hess	Sandy & Clarence Bachert
January 20	Terry & Bev Gochenauer	Sonny Erford & Norm Hess	Sandy & Clarence Bachert
January 27	Lori Ross Family	Sonny Erford & Norm Hess	Sandy & Clarence Bachert

Altar Guild

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
January 6 (white)	Bob & Linda Gochenauer	Jane & Phil Zinn	Gail and Larry Berkheimer
January 13 (white)	Bob & Linda Gochenauer	Jane & Phil Zinn	Gail and Larry Berkheimer
January 20 (green)	Ellen Hampton & Alison Zeigler	Jane & Phil Zinn	Gail and Larry Berkheimer
January 27 (green)	Ellen Hampton & Alison Zeigler	Jane & Phil Zinn	Gail and Larry Berkheimer

Flower Donors

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
January 6	Barbara Siegel	TBD	Gayle Kolivras
January 13	Evelyn Diller	TBD	TBD
January 20	Mary Lutz	TBD	TBD
January 27	Mr. & Mrs. Tomas Wolfgang	TBD	TBD

Nursery

Date	Barren's	Emmanuel	St. John's Franklin
January 6	Linda Gochenauer	Joan Hess & Sabrina Zumbrum	N/A
January 13	Julie Williams	Jan Hosler & Pearl Foreman	N/A
January 20	Pam Miller	Carol Hefflefinger & Karen Lenig	N/A
January 27	Norma Myers	Helen Kilgore & Barb Zeigler	N/A

Parish, Pastor, Christian Holidays, US Holidays

Dec 2012 (Eastern Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Vicar Micki				6:30pm - E - Worship & 7:30pm - E - Choir	Pastor Roy's Sabbath	9am - E - Carling Closet
8am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Vicar Micki	6pm - E-Girl Scouts	6pm - Fitzkee Candy Pickup	11am - Ministerium 6:30pm - B - Puppet 7pm - G - Choir Rehearsal	7:30pm - E - Choir	Pastor Roy's Sabbath	Immaculate Conception
9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - S (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Lay Leader 4pm - Sunday School	9am - Konde Diocese		7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal 7:35pm - Vienna Boys Choir	7:30pm - E - Choir	Pastor Roy's Sabbath 8pm - B - New Hope 8pm - UFO's (Unfinished) 7pm - E - Movie Night	8am - E - Mugs-N-Muffins @ 8am - Men's Breakfast @
9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Lay Leader	6pm - E-Girl Scouts	7pm - B - Council Mtg. 7pm - E & SJ Council Mtg 8pm - Parish Council Mtg	8:30pm - B - Puppet 8:30pm - Blue Christmas 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	10am - W Shore 7:30pm - E - Choir	Pastor Roy's Sabbath	
8am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Vicar Micki	Christmas Eve 7pm - E - Christmas Eve 7pm - SJ - Christmas Eve 10:30pm - B - Christmas	Christmas Christmas	7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	6:30pm - E - Worship & 7:30pm - E - Choir	Childermas Pastor Roy's Sabbath	
10am - B - Parish Service	New Year's Eve	New Year's Day 12pm - Park and	11am - Ministerium 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	7:30pm - E - Choir	Winter Retreat (Kirchenwald) Pastor Roy's Sabbath Winterfest - Senior High	Epiphany Eve Winterfest - Senior High 9am - E - Carling Closet

Parish, Pastor, Christian Holidays, US Holidays

Jan 2013 (Eastern Time)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
30 10am - B - Parish Service	31 New Year's Eve	1 New Year's Day 12pm - Pork and	2 11am - Ministerium 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	3 7:30pm - E - Choir	4 Winter Retreat (Kirchenwald) Pastor Roy's Sabbath Winterfeast - Senior High	5 Epiphany Eve Winterfeast - Senior High 9am - E - Caring Closet
6 Winter Retreat Epiphany Winterfeast - Senior High 9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Lay Leader	7 6pm - E-Girl Scouts	8 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	9 7:30pm - E - Choir	10 7:30pm - E - Choir	11 Pastor Roy's Sabbath	12 Pastor Roy's Sabbath
13 9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Lay Leader	14 9am - Korde Diocese	15 7pm - B - Council Mtg. 7pm - E & SJ Council Mtgs 6pm - Parish Council Mtng	16 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	17 10am - W Shore 7:30pm - E - Choir	18 Pastor Roy's Sabbath 7pm - Youth Lock-in @	19 8am - B - Mugs-N-Muffins @ 8am - Pickup of Youth
20 9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Lay Leader	21 Deadline for Newsletter Martin Luther King, Jr's Day 6pm - E-Girl Scouts 7pm - B - Outreach	22 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	23 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	24 6:30pm - E - Worship & 7:30pm - E - Choir	25 Pastor Roy's Sabbath	25 Pastor Roy's Sabbath
27 9am - E (Rev. Roy) 10:30am - B (Rev. Roy) 10:45am - SJ - Lay Leader	28	29 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	30 7pm - B - Choir Rehearsal	31 7:30pm - E - Choir	1 Pastor Roy's Sabbath	2 Groundhog Day 8am - E - Caring Closet

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Asst Treas - *MaryJo Rodriguez*

Comptroller - *Amber Shearer*

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- *Gayle Kolivras*

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Deadline for February/March 2013 Noteworthy Newsletter is Monday, January 21.

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