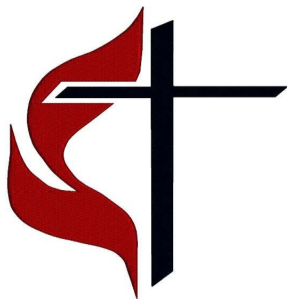


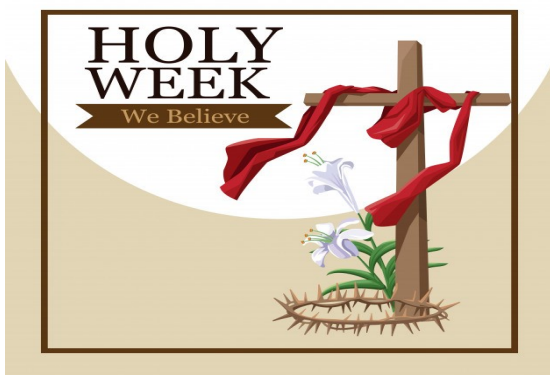


# First Family News

April 2022 Volume 48 Issue 4



9:00 AM SUNDAY SCHOOL  
WORSHIP 10:15AM IN SANCTUARY  
LIVE STREAMING ON FACEBOOK



**Holy Thursday**  
**April 14 7:00 PM**  
with Communion

**Good Friday**  
**April 15**  
**7:00 PM**



**Easter**  
**Sunday April 17**

**EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE**  
**at the Pavilion**  
6:30 AM (Dress for outdoors)

**EASTER SERVICE APRIL 17**  
**at the Church**  
10:15 AM  
(no Sunday School)



## *April Message From Pastor Tim*

### The Greatest Moment in History

April is upon us, and many historical events took place in April. Since Easter falls on April 17, let us focus on events from that day through history.

In 1961 1500 Cuban exiles invaded the Bay of Pigs in Cuba to overthrow Fidel Castor. In 1964 Ford introduced the Mustang.

1969—Presidential candidate Robert Kennedy's killer, Sirhan Sirhan, was found guilty of first-degree murder. In 1970 Apollo 13 lost the number 2 Oxygen tank while on its way to the moon. There are many other noteworthy events occurring on April 17 throughout history.

This year we celebrate Easter on April 17. Just like each of the events listed above impacted and represented a part of our history as humans, Easter celebrates the most important historical event to impact our lives regardless of whether we believe or not.

As Christians, we celebrate life over death. At the fall in the time of Adam and Eve, death resulted as a consequence of sin. God never wanted that for us, but instead wanted life and relationship with Him forever. But sin entered, and now we who are sinful, could no longer have the relationship with the one who is sinless. God yearned for that relationship and chose a way to bridge that divide between us. He sent His one and only Son Jesus Christ to pay the price for our sin.

Easter culminates that victory over death. By the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead, Satan no longer holds the power and authority over our living or dying. Through our faith in Jesus as Lord and Savior we experience resurrection of our lives to be with God forever.

When I came to Christ and gave my life to Him, Easter became the most significant and important historical event for me. Despite my sinful nature and history of going after the things of this world, God forgave me and welcomed me back into His goodness and mercy.

I pray you find that same satisfying peace and love this Easter. Come and celebrate with us all week long. Join us as we watch Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem. Gather with us as we partake the cup and the bread on Jesus' last night with us. Feel the depth of despair on Good Friday as we watch them nail Jesus to the cross. And celebrate with us on Easter Sunday Jesus' resurrection from the dead. Come be part of the greatest moment in human history, that changed the world forever.

God bless all of you,  
Pastor Tim, Nancy, Ashley and Ian

*alleluia!*  
*Christ has Risen!*





**MEMORIAL  
IN MEMORY OF  
JOANNE STAKE  
(MARCIE ASSETTA'S MOTHER)**

**GIVEN BY**  
CAROL CUNNINGHAM  
GERRY FREY

**MEMORIAL  
IN MEMORY OF  
GERRY AMES**

**GIVEN BY**  
PASTOR TIM AND NANCY  
CAROL CUNNINGHAM

**Trustee Members**  
Trustees will meet for a  
special meeting Tuesday,  
April 19 at 7:00 PM  
at the pavilion

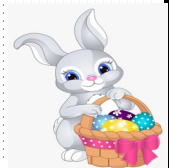


**MEMORIAL  
IN MEMORY OF  
JAYNE SCHATZ**

**GIVEN BY**  
CAROL CUNNINGHAM



**Community Wide  
Easter Egg Hunt  
11:00 AM  
Saturday, April 16  
First United Methodist  
Church Pavilion  
871 South Michael Rd.  
Ages up to 10**





## Send a Note to Our Shut-Ins



Chuck	Patterson	785 Johnsonburg Rd.	St. Marys	PA	15857	Elk Haven
Barb	Patterson	785 Johnsonburg Rd.	St. Marys	PA	15857	Elk Haven
Thressa	Brock	185 Center Street	St. Marys	PA	15857	Elk Towers, Apt. 404
Gary	Wonderly	185 Center Street	St. Marys	PA	15857	Elk Towers, Apt. 608
Denise	Chicola	479 Chestnut Street	St. Marys	PA	15857	
Anita	Vollmer	Sunrise Road	St. Marys	PA	15857	



*Ssg Hoover  
126 Courage Lp  
Fort Stewart, GA 31315*



### CURRENT FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH CHAIRS

- Ad Board Chair Dave Fitzgerald
- PPRC Chair Joyce Fledderman
- Finance Chair Laura Horchen
- Christian Ed Chair Shawna Grim
- Trustee Chair Fred Krug
- Worship Chair Carolyn Hockman
- Lay Leader Carol Cunningham
- UM Women President Sharon Herzing



#### REMINDER

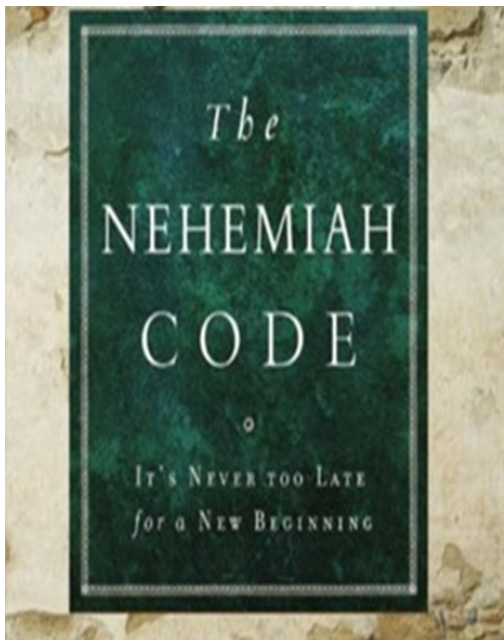
Food Donations for the Christian Food Bank can be put in the box in the old kitchen or brought into the church office.

## 2022 United Methodist Women Looking Ahead

June 17-18—Ladies' Rummage, Bake Sale, & Lunch  
June 27— Annual Picnic    Bring a Tureen to share



VBS is scheduled for August 7-11. If you are able to help in any way please contact Sherri Cunningham.



**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS**  
**Current Class**  
**ASBURY HALL**  
**LEADER, SHAWNA GRIM**

### The Nehemiah Code

This six-session video Bible study draws on the book of Nehemiah to show how each of us can begin again when we look to God for help. Whether we have suffered broken relationships, integrity missteps, devastating loss, or any other setback, it is never too late to rebuild our lives! Nehemiah understood this truth when he called on the Lord for insight during his people's hard times. He was an ordinary man who applied principles from God that enabled him to rebuild a broken city wall and, in the process, rebuild a lot of broken hopes. Nehemiah left behind some secrets of his success—a sort of hidden "code"—which can become a fountain of hope and strength to us. Nehemiah's message across the centuries is plain and powerful: it is never too late for a new beginning!

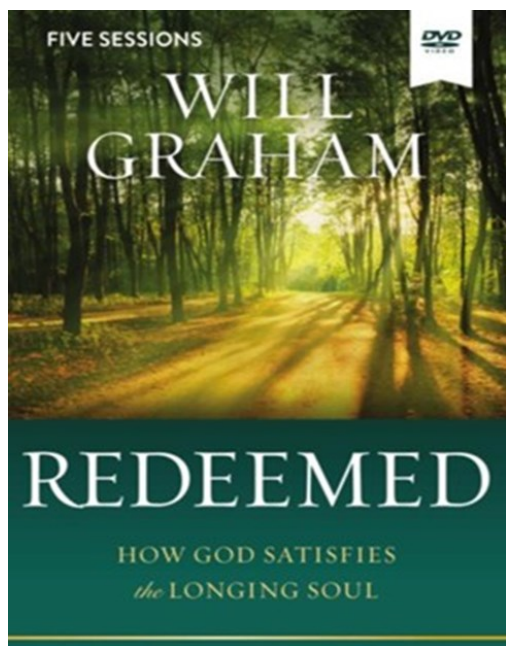
#### Sessions include:

**Get Started Right**  
**Build a Team Spirit**  
**Let Go Without Letting Up**  
**Persevere Through Difficulties**  
**Never Cut What Can Be Untied**  
**Finish Strong**



**ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASS  
ASBURY HALL**

**Begins May 1, 2022  
LEADER, SHAWNA GRIM**



**Redeemed: How God Satisfies the Longing Soul**

Will Graham is the grandson of renowned preacher Billy Graham and son of Franklin Graham, President of Samaritan's Purse. Will shares stories and teachings from his life about what it means to be redeemed in Christ. As Will has traveled the globe, he has observed that deep longing inside each of our souls: we are all *hungering* for something.

**Sessions include:**

- A New Understanding of God's Love
- A New Freedom from the Past
- A New Heart and Purpose
- A New Outlook on Difficulties
- A New Longing to Share Christ

**SIGN UP FOR MATERIALS IN THE  
OLD KITCHEN. PLEASE  
INDICATE WHETHER OR NOT YOU WANT TO ORDER A BOOK.**



**Sunday School Teachers / Helper(s)  
needed**

We are in need of Sunday School Teachers & Helpers for a Junior/Senior High Class to begin this Fall. Please prayerfully consider what you can do to help us in this need. Our children are our greatest treasure. Teaching them about Jesus is a necessity and you can play an important role in sharing the Light of the World with them. If you are able to help, call Shawna Grim or the Pastor .

**Activity Bags for Children  
available in the back entryway.  
Each bag contains hand sanitizer & tissues.  
Feel free to take your  
drawings or pictures home.**



**OUR CHURCH MISSION  
STATEMENT**

**First United Methodist  
Church of Saint Marys is Christ-centered  
with open doors. We extend our hands  
and hearts into the world to alter lives  
for God's Kingdom.**

# Bowls of Love

Every Wednesday

4 PM-5 PM

DONATIONS OF DESSERTS APPRECIATED

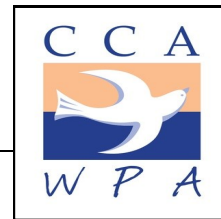


For info or to volunteer

Please contact

Carol Cunningham

814-781-7401



## Man to Man

The men meet on  
Wednesday evenings  
at 7:00 PM at church  
**All Men Welcome!**



THANK YOU!

United Methodist Women

Wish to thank everyone who supported the soup and bake sale.

Proceeds from the sale go toward Campership.

Thank You



CHRISTIAN COUNSELING  
ASSOCIATES OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

*The mission of Christian Counseling Associates (CCA) is to provide excellent, accessible, and comprehensive counseling from a Biblical worldview.*

Our counselors are experts in the field of clinical mental health and highly trained from accredited institutions. They are active in their local faith communities, have a heart for God, and are gifted in serving those who struggle with cognitive, emotional, and spiritual issues. .  
Ready to make an appointment?

Call **724-396-1510** or CCAW-PA@gmail.com

## Exercise Class with Cindy



Cindy Schuster is currently having an exercise class each Wednesday at 8:00 am in Asbury Hall.

Beginning May 17 she will be holding classes every Tuesday and Thursday morning at 8:00 at the pavilion. Each class will begin with a devotion, then some warm up stretches. If you are new to exercise class you don't have to be intimidated. Everyone can work at their own level and she will make modifications for those who are unable to get down on the ground by doing chair exercises. (Please bring a mat or beach towel.) Everyone is welcome, all ages, male or female. You do not need to be a church member to attend, find a friend to attend with you or make a new friend! Come join in!!

You may contact Cindy with questions at 814-321-4256

## Happy Easter

HE IS RISEN  
Forgiven

For God so Loved the World

LAMB of God

love

He is Risen Indeed

CHRIST THE LORD IS RISEN TODAY

HALLELUJAH

Eternal Life

Redeemer

my savior



T S P R I N G B M V C B K T H E  
A O Y O T R S R M Q O H A Q H H  
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- FLOWERS
- HUNT
- BUNNY
- CANDY
- SPRING
- EGGS
- EASTER
- JELLYBEAN
- PARADE
- CHICKS
- BASKET
- HOPPING
- RABBIT
- MARCH
- CHOCOLATE







## Graduation Sunday will be on Sunday, May 22, 2021

Celebrate with our graduates and their families on Sunday, May 22. If you have or know of a High School or College graduate, please complete the form below and return it to the Church office *before* May 1, 2022. Questions, contact the Church Office.

**Graduate's Name:**

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**Parent's / Guardian's Names:**

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**School Graduated From:**

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**Plans after Graduation:**

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**Awards, Accomplishments, and Recognitions:**

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**Anything special you'd like to share with the Congregation:**

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*Welcome*

### **New Members**

Keith Nesbitt  
Doug Cunningham  
Mick Sams  
Erin Williams  
Jeremy Williams

We are so happy to have you be a part of our church family!

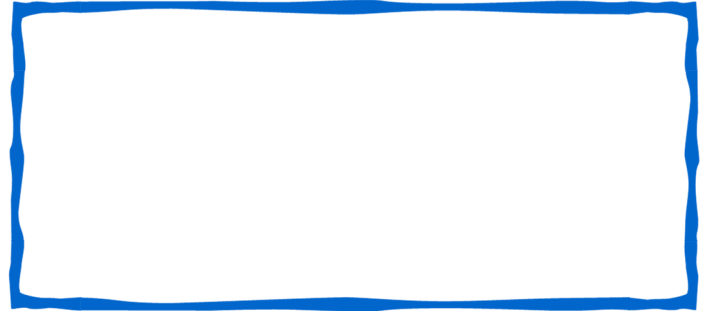


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*At Your Service*

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### **Office Hours**

Monday through Friday  
8 AM to 4 PM

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