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College Boxes

We have about 12 college students that we will be sending college boxes to the week of November 2nd. If you can help us with items for the boxes, we will be collecting them from October 11 to November 1st. We will pack the boxes November 1st during the Sunday School hour at 9:45 AM. Examples of goodies for

the boxes are: popcorn, hot chocolate, nuts, gum, fruit roll-ups, pretzel stix, crackers, cookies, slim jims, dried fruit, granola bars, and any extra Halloween candy. Please put the goodies in the box in the lobby marked "College Boxes."

THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HELPING WITH THIS MISSION! I know our students love getting these treats and prayers from their church family. You can still turn your student or military person address into the church office.



Join us for our 11th annual Trunk or Treat!

We're excited to invite you to our 11th Annual Trunk or Treat event on October 18th from 4:00 to 5:30 PM! Get ready for an afternoon filled with fun, laughter, and a festive spirit. Bring your family, friends, and neighbors to enjoy a delightful array of treats as we celebrate the season in style. Dress up in your favorite costumes and join in on the festivities!



This event is a wonderful opportunity to connect with our community and create lasting memories. Don't miss out on the fun—mark your calendars and invite everyone you know for an unforgettable evening!

Cookie Sale and Christmas Pageant

We hope you will join us for two fabulous events on December 6th! The Susanna Wesley Cookie Sale and the Children's Christmas Pageant will both be held on December 6th. Save the date and watch for more info to come!

Christmas Market

The Christmas Market is coming! Come see a variety of crafters and vendors, and get a head start on your gift shopping. Mark your calendars: Saturday, November 21st, 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM, Fellowship Hall





FROM THE PASTOR

Rev. Dr. Zachary Hopple

I had to chuckle as I went outside to talk with some of our volunteers who help with our community garden. Over the past few months they have harvested nearly 700 pounds of produce from our little garden to donate to Manna on Main Street. As I spoke with them, they continued on with their work and were nearly swallowed up by the okra plants as they harvested even more of the slender pods.

Manna on Main Street specifically asked that we grow okra. It is a highly requested food item, but it is a produce that is not often donated to the food pantry and not many other locations are able or willing to grow it. Our soil and our location are especially suited to grow okra so we dedicated one of our beds to growing it. At this point, the plants are over six feet tall! The okra plants thrive here. They have the nutrients they need. They get the proper water and sunlight mixed with the correct amount of shade. They have everything needed to produce incredible amounts of "fruit."

Jesus tells us in John 15:4-5, "abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing" (NRSVUE).

Jesus is the perfect soil for the believer to grow, thrive, and flourish. He provides what we need in order to bear the fruit of a disciple - of a true Christian. We are reminded elsewhere in the New Testament about the fruit of the Spirit which are, love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness, and self-control (Galatians 5:22-23). We see Jesus giving us the example of how to live our lives in these attributes by loving God with all that we are and loving our neighbor as we would love ourselves (Matthew 22:37-40), and that we are to care for the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked, the sick, and the incarcerated (Matthew 25:31-45).

We cannot be stagnant. We need to continue to live and grow. We are expected to bear fruit. And our fruit needs to reflect the one to whom we are connected.

As a church, we go through growing pains. We have lost some members this year, and we are welcoming more members into the congregation this month for the second time this year. We have had changes in staff and programming, while others have stayed the same. But through it all, our mission has stayed the same - to transform lives in the love of Jesus Christ.

We are also approaching changes to our church facilities as we recently kicked off our Built to Grow, Called to Serve capital campaign. We have a lot of projects that will help us grow in our faith as individuals, but also grow as a faith community as we bear fruit in serving our local community and this world in God's will. I ask that you continue to support and be in prayer for this endeavor.

It is a funny thing to see a person standing in the midst of six-foot high okra plants harvesting the pods. But it speaks to their dedication to helping our church serve our community. It speaks to a desire to feed the hungry and support those who are in need. It speaks to a desire to love like Christ and be his hands and feet in this world. I pray that as we go throughout the month of October that you look for ways that you can continue to bear the fruit of Christ in your life. May



God bless you.



Men's Breakfast Group meets the second Wednesday of each month at the West Main Diner in Lansdale, PA at 8:30 AM. For more information, contact the church office.



Come on out and join the Deborah Circle on Monday, October 12th, at 11:30 AM in Fellowship Hall. Please bring a sandwich/salad and a drink for lunch. Our speaker will be our own Pastor Tawny who will give a presentation about her trip to London this past summer.

Our circle will also be helping out at the Christmas market on Saturday, November 21st with lunch available. We will have many crafters and vendors from 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM. We would welcome donations of baked goods. We are also still collecting toiletries for the Code Blue shelter until the end of October. The baskets are in the Narthex.

Any questions, please contact Jean Davis at 267-218-2569 or Gail Scott at 215-368-0476. Please feel free to bring a friend. See you on the 12th!

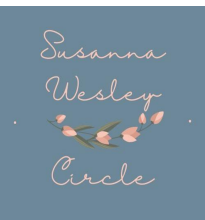
Cooking for Manna

October 1st, 2026, 6:30 PM



Once a month, our group of volunteers come together to cook a meal for Manna on Main Street, a soup kitchen/food pantry located in Lansdale. We spend about 1-1.5 hours prepping meals that feed approximately 90 people. Meal prep tasks include washing and chopping vegetables or fruit, shredding chicken, cooking pasta, and assembling the meal. Folks of all ages are invited to help the group prepare the meal, so feel free to bring a friend or family members to help. This is a great way for youth to earn volunteer hours. Children are welcome, but must be supervised and assisted. The cooking typically gets underway the first Thursday of every month in Room 110 (Kitchen) at 6:30 PM.

For more information, please contact Kristi Weatherwax at kdcreative@aol.com.



SWC Annual Women's Tea

The Susanna Wesley Circle will be hosting our Women's Tea on October 11th immediately following second worship. Please consider joining us and invite a friend or neighbor. The tickets will be on sale after each worship service on September 20th, September 27th, and October 4th. Ticket price is \$14.00 which will include lunch and beverages and, of course, tea.

Andrea Town will be our speaker this year. She is the administrative assistant for an organization called Tails of Valor, Paws of Honor (TOV). The organization's goal is to empower our nation's heroes to live a better quality of life through the unconditional bond between humans and canines. Those in attendance will learn about TOV's journey to assist veterans and first responders with community based interventions to promote healing, resilience, and reintegration. Andrea will share with us the history and many successes in the areas of Canine/Human Bonds, Community Canines, and Journey With A Purpose. We will also learn of their commitment to support veterans and frontline defenders of our communities by creating an environment rooted in empathy, safety, acceptance and healing. Please join us for an inspiring luncheon and have a visit with a local canine in the program.

Stitching Sisters

Stitching Sisters next monthly meeting will be October 8th from 10:00 AM to noon in Fellowship Hall. We will continue our fall project: port pillows. A port pillow is a small, soft cushion that attaches to a car seat belt to protect a tender medical chest port from painful pressure and friction. These can be sewn, crocheted or knitted. To assist, help yourself to a pattern from the Stitching Sisters collection box. These will be donated to local cancer treatment centers.



Care Ministry Upcoming Events



GriefShare: Wednesdays from 1:30 - 3:30 PM, September 23rd - December 16th
Are you grieving the loss of a loved one? If you would benefit from the support that can be found in a group setting, we invite you to join us for our latest GriefShare cycle. We meet on Wednesdays at 1:30 PM in the Reichley classroom (right next to the church office). The registration fee is \$25; scholarships are available. Visit the church website www.cumclansdale.org, under events, to register. If someone in your life is grieving, invite them to join us.



Caregivers group: Monthly, typically the second Friday at 10 AM. We meet via Zoom.
Members of this group share their stories of caring for loved ones at home or in a facility, near or far. There is comfort in knowing that others can relate to what's happening in our lives. For questions or to receive the Zoom link, contact Marge Kramer, marge.kramer@cumclansdale.org.

If any of these programs would be beneficial to you, we hope you'll join us. They are open to those both inside and outside of our church, so please extend an invitation to anyone in your life who may find them helpful.



Kaleidoscope Book Group

Ladies, we would love to have you join us for Christian fellowship. We meet every Tuesday at 12:30 PM in the Lounge and via Zoom. We read and discuss books weekly. We also spend time in fellowship and prayer. Contact Becky at 215-896-4964 for the Zoom link or any questions.



Youth Group Dinners



Did you know the youth gather around a meal twice a month?

Each time there is a youth group meeting, the evening begins with a meal, a prayer of thanks, and a time of fellowship where the focus is being relational with each other and catching up on each other's lives. This helps everyone connect before we move into the activities for the evening, where the focus is often on what is happening rather than sharing about our lives.

This meal has also become a place for the youth to interact with others in the church! We are looking for people to provide and help serve this meal. We also invite you to eat with us and join the conversation! There is no expectation of frequency; you can sign up as often as you like, and reimbursement for costs is always available! Sign up on the church website under Get Involved > Volunteer Opportunities or talk to Nick at youthdirector@cumclansdale.org. Come get to know our youth and learn about all the great things they are doing in their lives!



Friendly Seniors October Meeting

Join the Friendly Seniors on Wednesday, October 21st, as we visit the Mennonite Heritage Center, 565 Yoder Rd., Harleysville.

We will meet at the church parking lot at 12:30 PM, or you can go directly to the center. We will begin there at 1:00 PM.

We will view a film, "The Earth is the Lord's", and then visit exhibits, such as "Fraktur: The Art of Reading, Writing, and Religion," which features fraktur created at local schools from 1740 to 1840; "A Coat of Many Colors," commemorating 500 years of Anabaptist faith and practice; and "Peace and Plenty: Life in the Perkiomen Valley," depicting four centuries of human life in the valley.

There is a suggested donation of \$7.00. Any questions, call Gloria Woodland at 215-368-2373.



Preschool Express News

It's an unbeLEAFable time for learning at Preschool Express! We are so happy to be back to school! September was an a-peel-ing success, including a sweet Johnny Appleseed Day where we made homemade applesauce!



October is sure to be spook-tacular as we get ready for our Halloween Parade, explore Spooky Science with Miss Angela, and bounce around at gym with Miss Mel! Our Pre-K friends are singing along with Miss Sherry each week, and we are loving extra time outside in the fall weather at Lunch Bunch!

We are so thankful for our wonderful church community and for the blessing of watching our little learners grow. We are truly falling in love with another wonderful school year!

Midweek Service / Silver Feathers Prayer List 09/10/26

Healing

Tim and Sally	Ricky Yellowfish Sr.
Yellowfish	Cynthia Gonzales
Gary Corzine	Linda Powers
Beverly Gilbert	Kaylen Jay Coleman
Roger Kriesel	Peter Brown
Kassie Kyling	Helen Curley
Miriam Reynosa	Lorstta Battiest
Linda Pahcheka	Vicki Folsom
Dan Farell	Ollie Aitson
Yolanda Munoz	Vernon "Cy" Ahtone
Ralph Huffman	Brian Larney
Cynthia Martinez	

Spiritual Guidance

Gary Corzine

Peace and Comfort

The families of:
Isabella Gonzales of N. TX, casualty of Iran War.
Rudy Gomez Jr.
Staffan Kyling
The people of Nepal affected by the mudslide and flood.





The adult handbell choirs need more members! Our ringing groups contribute to Sunday worship and participate in the annual Christmas and Ring in the Summer concerts.

Have you considered ringing but never had the chance? Did you ring in the past and want to continue? Can you move your left and right arms at different speeds? Ringing bells may be for you.

Gloria Dei Ringers (handbells) meet on Wednesdays from 6:00-6:50 PM. Their repertoire includes many ringing techniques and incorporates our chimes and silver melody bells. Gloria Dei rings more challenging pieces and sometimes travels locally to perform.

Alleluia Ringers (handbells) meet on Thursdays from 6:00-7:00 PM. Like Gloria Dei, their pieces use many ringing techniques and incorporate tone chimes. Alleluia's repertoire is less challenging than Gloria Dei.

Contact our directors to learn more about weekly participation or substituting.

Gloria Dei Ringers

Brenten Megee
brenten.megee@cumclansdale.org

Alleluia Ringers

Steph Shuey
steph.shuey@cumclansdale.org

Sunday Ensemble Rehearsals

12:15 PM – 1:00 PM:

- Jesus Jammerz, Nanci Landes, Director (Grades K-2)
- Grace Notes Choir, Katie Campbell, Director (Grades K-2)
- Melody Chimes, Sherry Harris, Director (Grades 3-6)

1:00 PM – 1:30 PM: Carol Choir, Director Sherry Harris (Grades 3-6)

TBA (time to be announced): Youth Ensembles (Grades 7-12)

Tuesday Ensemble Rehearsals

7:30 – 9:00 PM: The Wise Guys, Bill Schaefer, Director

Wednesday Ensemble Rehearsals (Adults)

6:00 – 6:50 PM: Gloria Dei Ringers, Brenten Megee, Director

7:00 – 8:15 PM: Chancel Choir, Brenten Megee, Director

8:15 – 8:45 PM: Women's & Men's Ensembles, Brenten Megee, Director

Thursday Ensemble Rehearsals (Adults)

6:00 – 7:00 PM: Alleluia Ringers, Steph Shuey, Director

7:30 – 9:00 PM: Praise Band, Jen Hopple, Director

Friday Ensemble Rehearsals (Adults)

9:30 AM – 10:15 AM: Laudate Ringers, Sherry Harris, Director



Christ UMC Capital Campaign: Built to Grow, Called to Serve

The Foundations We Build Upon

Every person's story is supported by a foundation crafted and tested over a lifetime. Our personal foundations are laid by family, trusted friends, mentors, and a living faith in Jesus Christ. When our foundations are challenged—as they inevitably are—we seek help. We lean on God in prayer, reach out to counselors and friends, and look to our church family to hold us steady. We repair and tend to what is damaged because we value the life built upon it.



Christ UMC operates in the exact same way. The framework of our church is based on God's word, principles established by the United Methodist Church at large, the vision statement we created together, the personal calling of Pastors Zach and Tawny, the dedication of church and preschool staff, leadership from our various committees, the servant hearts we show as part of our missions, and the relationships we build when we come together in groups large and small. This church has long been a place where we **Encounter Christ, Grow as Disciples, and Serve Others**—building, restoring, and strengthening our own personal foundations through shared grace, love, faith, and spiritual community.

Shifting Ground, Unshakable Faith

Today, the building that has anchored our church family for generations needs us to strengthen its foundation and framework. Our building's foundation settled unevenly, and essential structural repair and reinforcement was urgently needed. Work had to be conducted to level the floor and stabilize walls in the sanctuary, incurring roughly \$73,500 in unanticipated costs. Thankfully, the Trustee's Capital Fund was available to cover this expense, but the fund was almost completely depleted. Problems with the foundation also reverberated upward—impacting interior floors, doors, roofs, and chimneys. Finally, changes in how we use our CUMC spaces necessitate upgrades and renovations.

Essential repair and improvement projects have been identified by a cross-committee leadership team. Some of these projects and associated cost estimates are as follows:

- Replacing two flat roof surfaces - \$59,500
- Replacing the roof on the Preschool Wing - \$27,000
- Renovating the Main Office for better functionality - \$42,500
- Repairing the parking lot - \$35,000 minimum, but up to \$198,000 depending on extent
- Installing a security door between the Preschool Wing and the sanctuary - \$25,000
- Capping the chimney and replacing the chimney liner - \$8,900
- Replacing the fire alarm panel - \$7,020
- Replacing the parsonage hall bath shower - \$20,000
- Repairing/replacing carpet after floor leveling - \$17,000
- Renovating the men's bathroom by Fellowship Hall - \$35,000
- Replenishing the Trustee's Capital Fund for future crises - \$73,500

In addition, several projects are being considered to support specific church groups. These may include permanent bell/chimes tables in the sanctuary and an improved Gaga pit for our youth! Based on current projections of cost, our congregation will **need to raise \$800,000 over the next three years** to implement these urgent repairs and strategic improvements. It is critical to remember that this capital campaign is not just about brick, mortar, or concrete. We are not raising funds simply to repair a building. We are securing the home where:

- Believers and seekers gather to **Encounter Christ** in renewed and sacred spaces.
- Children, youth, and adults are nurtured in **Growing Faith through Education**.
- Lives are reached locally and globally as we continue **Serving Others**.

Watching Our Future Take Shape

The Capital Campaign Committee is calling on every member and friend of Christ UMC to invest in the place that has anchored us all. As you walk through the narthex each week, you will see our campaign progress display—a visual representation of our church building growing stronger with every gift and pledge received. Each milestone reached represents another step toward securing our physical home and expanding our reach. This will serve as a visual reminder of what we can accomplish together when we answer God's call.



By restoring our physical foundation today, we ensure that Christ UMC remains a safe, welcoming, and vibrant sanctuary for tomorrow. Together, with God's guidance and our shared commitment, we are **Building to Transform**—securing our home so that we may continue **Transforming Lives in the Love of Jesus Christ** for generations to come.

Our Capital Campaign will officially begin with Kickoff Sunday on September 13th. We will have a First Fruits and Pledge Card Collection on Sunday, October 25th. Please prayerfully consider what you can give personally now and over the coming 36 months to answer God's call in this capital campaign. We believe in the faith and strength of this community.

If you have any questions or feedback, please reach out to any of us on the Capital Campaign Team.

-- Pastor Zach Hopple, Pastor Tawny Bernhardt, Deryk David, Diana Ricci, Jill Benchouk, Sarah Hamill, Terence Hamill, Lea Koehler, and Jen MacNair



Support the Trustees Capital Fund with Gift Cards – Now Accepting Venmo!

Looking for a painless way to support the Trustees Capital Fund? Our church gift card program makes it easy! We offer nearly 30 different gift cards for grocery stores, restaurants, retail shops, and entertainment.



The church purchases these gift cards at a discount and sells them to you at face value—so you pay exactly what you would at the store while the church earns a percentage of each sale. Lansdale Deli offers the highest return of 25%. Every purchase helps support the Trustees Capital Fund at no additional cost to you. Stop by the gift card table after worship to see the full selection!

For your convenience, we now accept Venmo! Note: Venmo payments must be made from a bank account linked to your Venmo account, not a credit card, to avoid incurring additional fees to you.



The Mustard Seed Garden



The Mustard Seed garden is doing well this summer. We have taken many assortments of produce to Manna each week. Sunflowers, dill, and marigolds have self seeded and are appearing at various places throughout the garden. Stop by to see them! If you are interested in helping with the gardening, please let the office know.

October Mission of the Month: LUMINA

Sharing God's Light in Our Community

The word **LUMINA** is Latin for "light." LUMINA seeks to be a light in the shadows of Lancaster City by sharing God's love with people experiencing poverty, hardship, and loneliness.

LUMINA's mission is to **equip and encourage people toward an abundant life** by caring for the whole person—body, mind, and spirit. Inspired by 1 Corinthians 6:19, "*Your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit,*" LUMINA provides practical assistance while building trusting relationships with those in need, regardless of their background or circumstances.

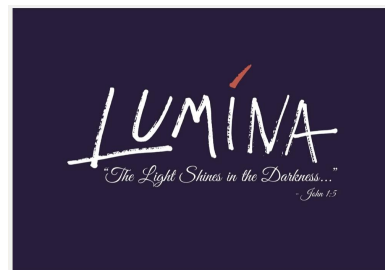
How LUMINA Shares the Light

- **Healthy Cooking & Nutrition:** LUMINA partners with Penn State Extension to provide free nutrition and healthy cooking classes for caregivers who rely on food stamps and food pantries to feed their families.
- **Kids Night:** Each Monday evening, LUMINA provides a safe and welcoming Kids Night at New Creation United Methodist Church in Lancaster City, offering children encouragement, friendship, and opportunities to grow.
- **Feeding the Hungry:** In partnership with Blessings of Hope, volunteers distribute approximately **10,000 pounds of free food each month** to individuals and families experiencing food insecurity.
- **Supporting Students:** LUMINA and other Manifest partners support McCaskey High School students in the building trades program by providing new tools as graduation awards, helping prepare them for careers and a brighter future.

At its heart, LUMINA is about more than providing food or educational opportunities. **It is about relationships, dignity, hope, and letting God's light shine through us.**

This month, we invite you to support LUMINA and its ministry to the people of Lancaster City. Your generosity helps provide practical assistance while reminding people who are struggling that they are **seen, valued, and loved by God.**

Together, we can let our light shine in the shadows of our community.



Food Drive Collection, 2026

Jan - 56 lbs	Apr - 300 lbs	Jul - 376 lbs	Oct -
Feb - 314 lbs	May - Unknown	Aug - 188 lbs	Nov -
Mar - 215 lbs	Jun - Unknown	Sep -	Dec -



Thank You From Mosaic

Mosaic, based in Norristown, was our April MOTM and CUMC donated \$2457 to the organization. This donation enabled them to fund their summer programs. They are truly grateful for our support that had a positive impact on some Norristown youth.



To all at Christ Church,
We just finished a very busy summer with our students in Norristown, and your generous giving helped make it possible. We had the largest numbers and most consistent attendance ever in the summer. Four of our high school students grew so much as leaders and in basic life and job skills through our employment training program. All of the students were challenged to grow and try new things through weekly activities, pool parties, and our big trip to Cape May County, NJ. It is a joy to watch students experience new things and broaden their horizons so they can dream bigger dreams for their futures.
Your generosity toward students you have never met amazed us. God is using you to do important work for the Kingdom, and we are so grateful that you chose to include Mosaic in that work. May God bless you abundantly! Becky & Peter Bowers, Mosaic Norristown

Mission of the Month: We Want Your Suggestions

Each month, our church has the opportunity to support a Mission of the Month—an organization or ministry that is making a difference in the lives of people in our community and around the world.

We would love to hear your suggestions! Is there a local organization, community ministry, food pantry, school program, mission project, or other worthwhile cause that you believe our congregation should consider supporting?

Our Mission of the Month program is one way we can put our faith into action and extend the church's ministry beyond our walls. Your suggestion could help bring attention and support to a mission that is especially meaningful to you.

Have an idea? Please share it with Terence Hamill, Chair of the Mission Committee or submit your suggestion to the church office. We look forward to hearing your ideas and discovering new ways we can make a difference in our community and beyond.



FINANCIAL REPORT

Christ United Methodist Church Profit & Loss Budget Performance August 2026

Revenue

Total Revenue

Expenditures

Total 4000 Missions

Total 5000 Programs

Total 6000 Salaries and Benefits

Total 7000 Property, Maintenance & Utility

Total Expenditures

Net Operating Revenue

Aug -26

YTD

\$	37,322.55	\$	405,904.91
\$	8,542.50	\$	74,911.08
\$	3,663.88	\$	21,440.16
\$	30,382.85	\$	242,965.64
\$	8,864.57	\$	101,712.55
\$	51,453.80	\$	441,029.43
\$	(14,131.25)	\$	(35,124.52)

Dear Members and Friends of CUMC, Shown above is a summary of our church financial report for the month of August and Year-to-Date. Operating Budget income in August was \$37,322.55 and expenses were \$51,453.80, giving a deficit for the month of (\$14,131.25). Year-to-Date Operating Budget income is \$405,904.91, expenses are \$441,029.43, giving an overall Operating Budget deficit of (\$35,124.52). We thank you for your continued financial support of our church and its ministries. -CUMC Finance Committee



Susanna Wesley
Circle Fall Kick-Off
Dinner



The Deborah Circle learned about the 2026 youth mission trip to Lancaster, PA.



Thank you for
buying popcorn
and supporting
me and my Cub
Scout Pack 414!

- Jack



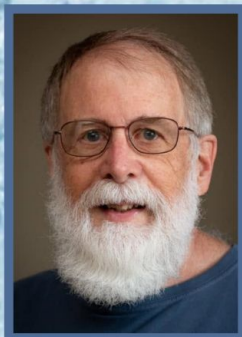
2026 Men's Retreat

November 6-8 / Camp Innabah / Spring City, PA

For more
info,
read the
welcome
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The 15th Annual Men's Retreat will be held at Camp Innabah this coming November. There will be 4 guest speaker sessions as well as a time of service.

Our keynote speaker this year is Rev. Jim Goudie, a retired UMC pastor with a formal knowledge of electronics and physics who lives near Mt. Joy. In addition to his professional credentials, Rev. Jim has also amounted an impressive array of volunteer experiences, including teaching in Washington D.C., working at Camp Horseshoe, serving as a church teacher, dishwasher, and photographer, photographing concerts in Lancaster, and leading therapeutic photography groups at Lebanon VA Medical Center.

To register, contact Ed Hartmann to, edhart3399@gmail.com | (215)-896-3399.
Please RSVP by Sunday, October 18th. We hope you will join us and invite others to attend with you!

Cost (includes meals):
Whole Weekend: \$165
One Night: \$145
Saturday Only: \$85



2026 Women's Retreat

November 6th-November 8th
Gretna Glen Camp & Retreat Center, Lebanon, PA

Cost Information:
\$175 for two nights
\$55 for the day

Register
here!



A Weekend with the Psalms: From Lament to Praise

All women of Christ UMC as well as friends and neighbors are welcome to attend a weekend of rest and renewal at camp Gretna Glen. The retreat is a way to foster fellowship among women who desire to grow closer to God. This year the leadership team includes: Jen Hopple, Marge Kramer, Tina Eckhart, Jeanmarie Loss, Pam Nicholson, Diana Ricci, and Pastor Tawny. We always appreciate extra help, so if you are interested in assisting with a small piece of the retreat, please reach out to let us know!

To attend the retreat, please complete the registration form on the church website, or scan the QR code for the link. Once you've filled out the registration form below, please choose one of the options listed to pay for the retreat. We don't want the cost to deter anyone from coming, so please speak to Pastor Tawny confidentially (tawny.bernhardt@cumclansdale.org) if there are any concerns.



We hope that you will join us and that you will invite others to attend with you. Participants don't need to be connected to Christ UMC.

If you have any questions about the retreat, please reach out to any of the retreat leaders.



OCTOBER

Calendar Highlights

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| 10/1 | Healing Prayer Training*
Alleluia Ringers Rehearsal*
Cooking for Manna
Adult Praise Band Rehearsal* |
| 10/2 | Laudate Ringers Rehearsal* |
| 10/4 | Jesus Jammerz/Grace Notes Rehearsal*
Melody Chimes Rehearsal*
Carol Choir Rehearsal* |
| 10/5 | Perky Promenaders* |
| 10/6 | Mens Reading Group*
Short-term Bible Study*
Kaleidoscope Group*
Jazz Group Rehearsal* |
| 10/7 | GriefShare
Gloria Dei Rehearsal
Chancel Choir Rehearsal |
| 10/8 | Stitching Sisters
Trustees Meeting |
| 10/9 | Caregivers Monthly Meeting |
| 10/11 | Women's Tea
Youth Group |
| 10/12 | Deborah Circle
Santa Breakfast Meeting |
| 10/13 | Staff Meeting |
| 10/14 | Endowment Committee Meeting |
| 10/18 | Trunk or Treat |
| 10/20 | Evening Fellowship
Finance Meeting |
| 10/21 | Friendly Seniors |
| 10/22 | SPRC Meeting |
| 10/25 | Built to Grow, Called to Serve First Fruits
Manna Food Drive
Youth Choir Rehearsal
Youth Dinner and Drop-in Time |
| 10/26 | Books Between Friends |
| 10/27 | Staff Meeting
Finance Meeting |
| 11/1 | Sunday Worship
Sunday School
Children's Music Groups |

* Denotes Weekly meeting

Note: All meetings are subject to change.

Looking Ahead in 2026

Sunday, October 11th
Annual Women's Tea



Sunday, October 18th
Trunk or Treat



Sunday, November 1st
Daylight Savings Time Ends



Tuesday, November 3rd
Election Day



Friday, November 6th
Men's & Women's Retreats
(through 11/8)



Thursday, November 26th
Thanksgiving



Sunday, November 29th
First Sunday of Advent



Thursday, December 24th
Christmas Eve



Thursday, December 31st
New Year's Eve



Join us for Sunday Worship!

8:30 AM: In-person, communion every week

10:40 AM: In-person & livestreamed to YouTube, contemporary Praise & Worship

11:00 AM: In-person & livestreamed to YouTube, communion first Sunday of each month



Join us for Sunday Worship!

8:30 AM: In-person, communion every week

10:40 AM: In-person & livestreamed to YouTube, contemporary Praise & Worship

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