

ELAM E-NEWS

July 30, 2021

If you would like to send cards to Randy and Wayne on Randy's retirement and their moving to Delaware, you may send them to the following addresses:

3102 Bridlewood Drive
Glen Mills, PA 19342
(Prior to August 11th)

Or

27225 Barefoot Boulevard
Millsboro, DE 19966
(After August 11th)

They will be greatly missed, but our thoughts and prayers go with them as they move to a new home to begin a new and exciting chapter in their lives. We pray they will find happiness there.

MEDITATION

Last Sunday Pastor John's message focused on how near God is to each one of us. God is not a distant God, but an ever-present God. My prayer for each of you is to live with that message in your heart day in and day out. Many years ago, I began to embrace the reality of God's continual presence and have experienced moments filled with beauty and joy that I know came from the mystery of God's loving presence. Recently while taking one of my many walks around a local pond a giant white egret was standing at the water's edge. What a delight! I took time in prayer and thanked God for this surprise. Several days later while walking another pathway a bright yellow swallowtail butterfly was perched on a purple thistle and I again stopped to watch this amazing creature and prayerfully thanked God for this sight. Look for signs from God as reminders that God is ever near and wants us to know that God's presence is as real as we allow it to be. What a deep blessing in our lives to know that the Creator of the Universe walks with us every moment through the hills and valleys of our life. Blessings Dear Friends, Randy C. Schaffer

Homebound:

John Fleming, Ivy Creek Gracious Retirement Living, 300 Franklin Drive, Glen Mills, PA 19342

Those Needing Our Prayers

Pat Howard*	Kathy Marshall	Family of Bill Grumbine (Janet's brother-in-law)
Ron Bowyer	Austin, 13 year old burn victim	

Hospitalized: ***Pat Howard***, Shipley Manor, Room #603, 2723 Shipley Road, Wilmington, DE 19810

Don't forget that after 2 weeks these names will be removed from the list. Those with asterisks are people who need continuous prayer and they can be added to your list at home.

MUSIC FOR SUNDAY

With Lifted Hands

Verse 1

I have tasted
All that this world has to offer
The here and gone that leaves you wanting more
But can't satisfy

Pre-Chorus 1

Father, forgive me for taking so long to see
That You're all I need

Chorus 1

With every heartbeat in my chest
Lord, I surrender all that I have
The days yet to come, the days in the past
I'm giving You all I am
With lifted hands, with lifted hands

Verse 2

You show me mercy
When I've done nothing to deserve it
You see the best in me beneath the dust
Because that's how You love, that's how You love

Pre-Chorus 2

You rush through my veins
I'm wrecked and I'm changed and
My soul will sing

Chorus 1

With every heartbeat in my chest
Lord, I surrender all that I have
The days yet to come, the days in the past
I'm giving You all I am
With lifted hands, with lifted hands

Bridge

Heaven or grave
There is no place I can go to escape
Your love, no-no
Heaven or grave
There is no place
I can go to escape
Your love!

Chorus 2

So with every heartbeat in my chest
Lord, I surrender all that I have
The days yet to come and the days in the past
I'm giving You all, all that I am
I'm giving You all, all that I am
With lifted hands, with lifted hands
With lifted hands, with lifted hands

MUSIC FOR SUNDAY Cont'd.

Good God Almighty

Intro

Good God Almighty
I hope You'll find me
Praising Your name no matter what comes

Verse 1

I can't count the times I've called Your name some broken night
And You showed up and patched me up like You do every time
I get amnesia, I forget that You keep coming around
Yeah, ain't no way You'll ever let me down

Chorus

Good God Almighty
I hope You'll find me
Praising Your name no matter what comes
'Cause I know where I'd be
Without Your mercy
So I keep praising Your name at the top of my lungs

Post-Chorus

Tell me is He good? (He's good)
Tell me is He God? (He's God)
He is Good God Almighty

Verse 2

You say Your love goes on forever, that Your mercy never stops
So why would I assume You'd be somebody that You're not
Like sun in the morning, I know You're gonna be there every day
So what on earth could make me be afraid?

Chorus

Post-Chorus

Bridge

Praise Him in the morning
Praise Him in the noon time
Praise Him when the sun goes down
Love Him in the morning
Love Him in the noon time
Love Him when the sun goes down

Chorus

Post-Chorus

Outro

Jesus in the morning
Jesus in the noon time
Jesus when the sun goes down
Jesus in the morning
Jesus in the noon time
Jesus when the sun goes down

MUSIC FOR SUNDAY Cont'd.

Holy is the Lord

Verse

We stand and lift up our hands,
For the joy of the Lord is our strength,
We bow down, and worship him now,
How great, how awesome is He
And together we sing, everyone sing

Chorus

Holy is the Lord, God Almighty!
The earth is filled with his glory
Holy is the Lord, God Almighty!
The earth is filled with his glory,
The earth is filled with his glory

Verse

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For the joy of the Lord is our strength,
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And together we sing, everyone sing

Chorus

Holy is the Lord, God Almighty!
The earth is filled with his glory
Holy is the Lord, God Almighty!
The earth is filled with his glory,
The earth is filled with his glory

Bridge

It's rising up all around
It's the anthem of the Lord's renown (4x)
And together we sing, everyone sing

Chorus

Holy is the Lord, God Almighty!
The earth is filled with his glory
Holy is the Lord, God Almighty!
The earth is filled with his glory,
The earth is filled with his glory

Evidence

Verse 1

All throughout my history
Your faithfulness has walked beside me
The winter storms made way for spring
in every season, from where I'm standing

Chorus

I see the evidence of Your goodness
All over my life, all over my life
I see Your promises in fulfillment
All over my life, all over my life

Verse 2

Help me remember when I'm weak
Fear may come but fear will leave
You lead my heart to victory
You are my strength and You always will be

Chorus

I see the evidence of Your goodness
All over my life, all over my life
I see Your promises in fulfillment
All over my life, all over my life

Bridge (2x)

See the cross, the empty grave
The evidence is endless
All my sin rolled away
Because of You, oh Jesus

Chorus (2x)

I see the evidence of Your goodness
All over my life, all over my life
I see Your promises in fulfillment
All over my life, all over my life

Ending

Why should I fear, the evidence is here
Why should I fear, the evidence is here



SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

Psalm 51:1-12
Ephesians 4:1-16

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL MUSIC FOR SUNDAY

Elam's Worship Band will be our special music for this week.

A SUMMER SERIES – LITTLE KNOWN WOMEN OF THE BIBLE

Joanna and Susanna – Served alongside of Jesus during his Earthly Ministry

Luke 8:1-3: "Now it came to pass, afterward, that He went through every city and village, preaching and bringing the glad tidings of the Kingdom of God. And the twelve were with Him, and certain women who had been healed of evil spirits and infirmities – Mary called Magdalene, out of whom had come seven demons, and Joanna, the wife of Chuza, Herod's steward, and Susanna, and many others who provided for Him from their substance."

In Luke 24:10 we are told that Joanna was among the group of women who had gone to visit Jesus' tomb after His resurrection. This scripture mentions Joanna, but possibly Susanna was among the "others with them" who told the disciples that Jesus was risen. Christ had willingly given His gift of healing and Joanna and Susanna willingly gave out of their own means to him. These two women thought of Jesus' needs before their own and set an example for us to follow

In allowing women to be the first to proclaim His glorious resurrection, Jesus the Christ acknowledged their faithful support and honored the love they had for him. He gave them a role in His Kingdom work, liberating women from the shadow of sexism.

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Jesus, Jesus, Precious Jesus we come before you with thanks for your life that has helped us to understand the love of God. Your ministry of healing and teaching speak to us today through the Holy Scripture. You fulfilled God's plan for humankind and through your love you were crucified and resurrected from the dead. Thanks be to you for your suffering so that we might be forgiven of our sins and have eternal life in heaven. Dear Lord so many need your healing touch and your holy presence as they struggle through with illness, broken relationships, loss of jobs or facing financial issues. May your church reach out to the dark places in the world where people have lost everything due to weather related disasters; where people need medical care and others are waiting in tent cities to be admitted into our country. As churches around the world make the decisions to open their doors for worship and begin to offer ministries in person, please touch pastors and leaders as they follow your presence and your plan for their church. We give you thanks for the countless ways that you bless us and lead us in your Holy name. Amen.

AUGUST BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

If you wish to send a card to any of these persons, please call or email the church office at 610-459-2911 or mary@elamumc.org for addresses.

BIRTHDAYS

08/02	Louise Funds	08/13	Brodie Kelly
08/03	Joan Bateman		Sara Smith
	Randy Schaffer		Kip Welsh
08/05	Carol Zimmerman	08/14	Giuliana Lamparelli
08/06	Dakota Fox	08/16	Zach Hathaway
	Dawson Fox		Janine Phillips
	Kyle Moore	08/17	Brad Stanton
	Robert Tribit		Brandi Vogeley
08/07	Rich James	08/21	Cynthia Hall
	Mildred Winfree		Eliza Hall
08/08	Jennifer Aull	08/24	William Kardine
	Kelly Lucas	08/25	Ernest Fouraker
	Addison Shiveley		Nicole McGrath
08/10	Jenna Blazier	08/27	Denise Horsch
	Benjamin Forwood	08/28	Linda Hofmann
	Kade Markussen	08/31	Megan Atkinson
	Maggie Miller		Ava Baird
08/11	Roy Aungst		Tm McClung
	George Sabol		Todd Springer

ANNIVERSARIES

08/18/1956	Carole & George Davis
08/24/1974	Barb & Gary Nicholas
08/22/1981	Dawn & Ray Shore
08/11/1984	Karen & Mike Forwood
08/08/1998	Jill & Rob Mullin
08/23/2006	Vicky & Tim Sherman
08/28/2010	Heather & Carl Hogan
08/09/2008	Michelle & Marc Amoss

If your name is not listed here and you have an August birthday or anniversary, please contact Mary at 610-459-2911 or mary@elamumc.org, and you will be added to our records. Please also let us know if we have an incorrect anniversary or birthdate.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Bread from Heaven

Jesus was the One God sent. Jesus told a crowd that He was "bread from heaven."

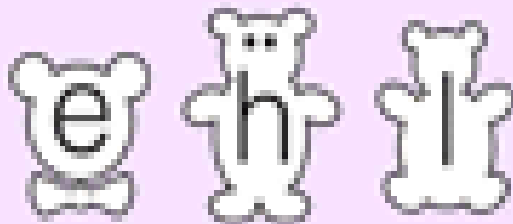
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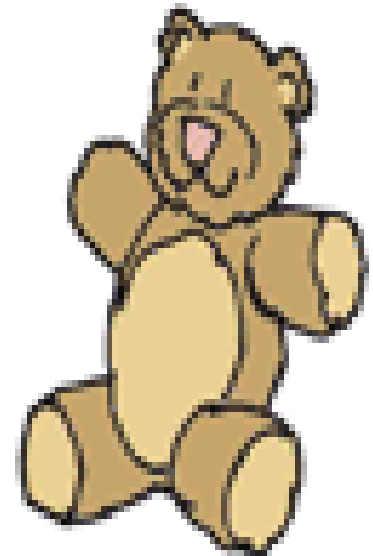
Unity in the Faith

We have been called to be humble, gentle, patient, bearing one another in love.

Use the picture code to feel in the letters.



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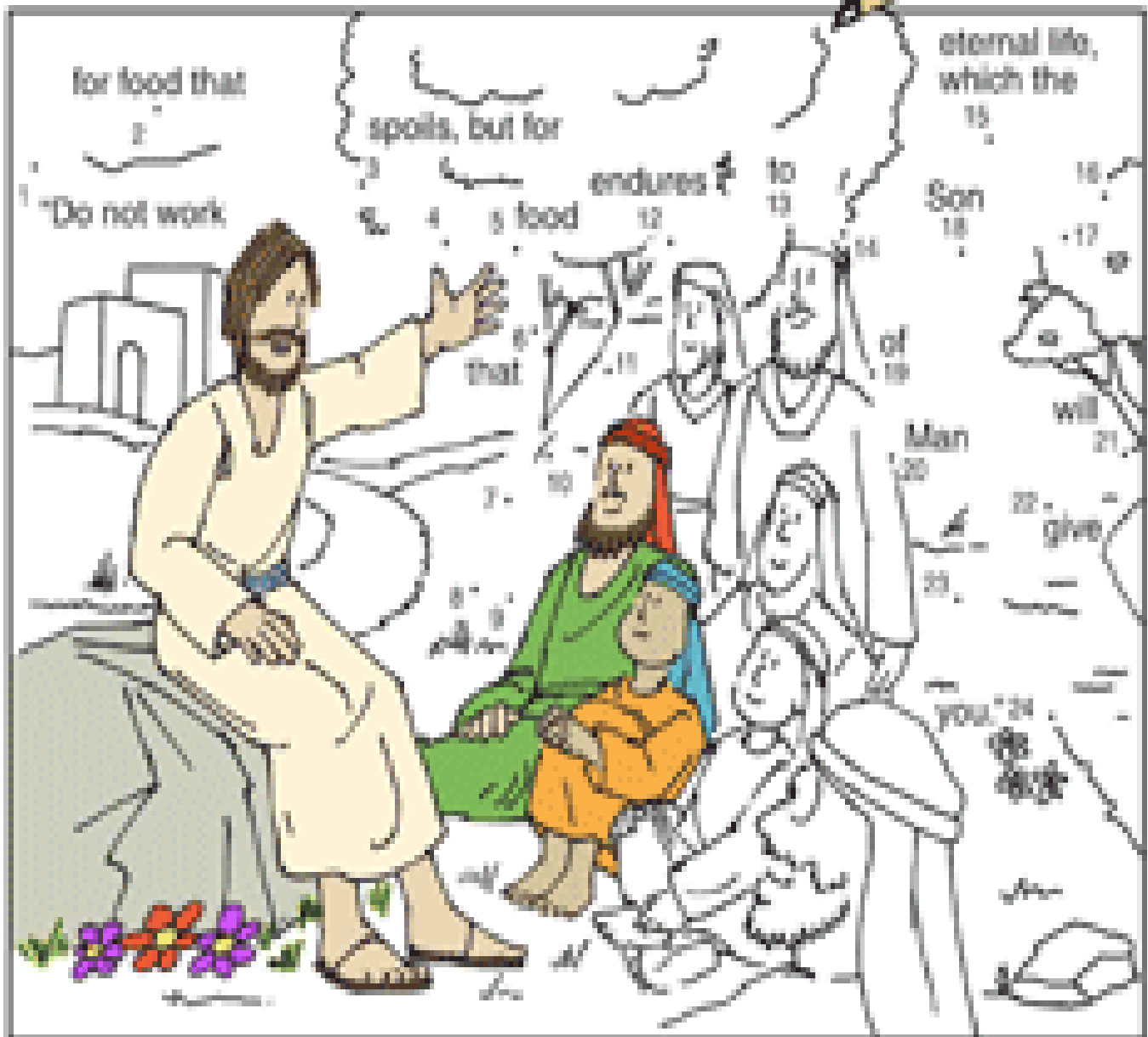
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Bread from Heaven

The crowd gathered around Jesus.
What did He say to them?

Connect the dots and read the words along the way.



Unity in the Faith

Paul wrote from prison to the Christians in Ephesus. He reminded them to live in the way that God's children should live.

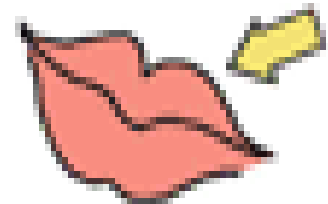
Write the 3-letter name of each object. Use the letters to find 3 characteristics Paul urged the Ephesian Christians to practice.



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7 8 9



10 11 12

4 11 1 10 7 5

12 5 6 3 7 5

9 2 3 8 5 6 3

REMINDERS

IMPORTANT! If you did not receive the letter we told you would be coming (see July 2nd e-News), please let us know. A few people have called to say that they did not receive it. If you are among those, please let us know and we will send you another. Thank you.

Looking for Something to do?

How about a band concert? Did you know that our own Ginny Lockwood plays in several local bands? Below is a list of upcoming music performances by the various bands in which she participates, including dates, times, bands, and venues with addresses. Why not take a look to see if there are any you would like to try?

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Band</i>	<i>Address</i>
08/08	7:30-9:30 p.m.	22 Park Avenue Swing Band	Rose Tree Park
			1671 N. Providence Road, Media, PA 19063
09/12	3:00 p.m.	Mansfield Brass Quintet	Silverside Church
		(Silverside Church Fall Concert Series)	2800 Silverside Road, Wilmington, DE 19810
09/19	3:00 p.m.	22 Park Avenue Swing Band	Silverside Church
			2800 Silverside Road, Wilmington, DE 19810

Upcoming events at Brandywine Summit Camp Meeting

Friday, July 30 – Rockdale Boys

LOAVES OF LOVE (LOL) FOOD PANTRY

The following is the wish list for the Loaves of Love Food Pantry:

Canned carrots Canned fruit Canned mixed vegetables Cereal
Chef Boyardee Pancake mix Canned beets Mashed potatoes Syrup

Food donations may be dropped off in the outside bins at Siloam UMC, 3720 Foulk Road, Garnet Valley and also at Elam weekdays from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Thank you for your support!

“The steadfast love of God never ceases, his mercies never come to an end; they are new every morning; great is your faithfulness.”

Lamentations 3:22-23