

ELAM E-NEWS

August 27, 2021

LOAVES OF LOVE (LOL) FOOD PANTRY - UPDATED

Loaves of Love is currently very much in need of the following things:

Pancake mix

cereal

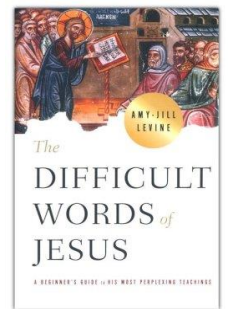
canned fruit

peanut butter

Angela Smith is going from Elam to Siloam UMC on Sunday and if anyone would like to bring along a donation to our 9:00 a.m. service, she will carry it over with her. Thanks

NEW BOOK STUDY BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER

A new 6-week study via Zoom is scheduled for September based on a thought-provoking new book, *Difficult Words of Jesus*. The author, Amy-Jill Levine, a professor at Vanderbilt Divinity School, chooses six of Jesus' teachings for us to discuss. Dr. Levine shows how Jesus' challenging teachings would have sounded to the people who first heard them, how they have been understood over time, and how we might interpret them in the context of the Gospel of love and reconciliation. For example, the first chapter is entitled "Sell What You Own." What did Jesus mean by this requirement for the rich young man that he was to sell all of his belongings in order to inherit eternal life (Mark 10:17-27)? What does that mean for our own materialistic society today?



Dr. Levine discusses five other phrases that Jesus spoke. She uses Biblical references and also Torah and Talmud citations. Her research is outstanding. The book is available at Amazon, Cokesbury or your favorite bookseller. If you have trouble ordering the book or if you would like me to order it for you, please let me know.

The Zoom sessions will begin on **Monday, September 20, at 10:00 a.m. and will continue on September 27, October 4, 11, 18 and 25.** If you are interested, please contact Sue Kardine at 484-832-8882 or at sdkardine@comcast.net. Hope you can join us for this fascinating study.

Those Needing Our Prayers

Families of American soldiers and Afghanis killed in Afghanistan

Nancy Boyer's grandson and his wife. She is having a difficult pregnancy and will be induced in September

Carol

Tara*

Ruth Ellen Finucane

People of Haiti

Carol

Joe Cassidy Family

Eileen

Anna Elliott*

Young coworker of Sherri Fox, whose boyfriend was killed in an accident yesterday. She has 1 child and another one on the way.

**Hospitalized: John Fleming, Chester County Hospital, Room 5011,
701 East Marshall Street, West Chester, PA 19380**

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 will be listed on the Prayer List that will be sent out weekly.

Homebound:

Connie Nichols, 3 Bolling Circle, Chadds Ford, PA 19317

MEDITATION

In Luke 12:55 Jesus tells his followers: *"And when you see a south wind blowing, you say, 'It will be a hot day,' and it turns out that way."*

John Wesley, the founder of Methodism, wrote about religious and non-religious ideas in his volumes of journals and letters. There are so many references to weather in Wesley's writings that Dr. Howard Oliver wrote a paper for The Royal Meteorological Society entitled, John Wesley, *Travelling Weather Observer*.

For example, in one section appropriately entitled "Hot Weather," the author says "that Wesley was more upset by hot weather than by even the most extreme cold conditions. This applied not only to exposure outside but also to hot conditions ... indoors."

Wesley journal entry on May 31, 1753: *"... The sun was burning hot; but they set up a little tent for me...The afternoon was the hottest I ever remember in England: So by the time we came to [our destination], I was fit for nothing but to lie down."*

Dr. Oliver also tells us that, "Wesley's time in Georgia [USA] made a permanent impact in many ways. From a meteorological standpoint the high summer temperatures and other weather conditions he experienced were obviously fixed in his memory:"

Journal entry, December 2, 1737: *Thunder and lightning are expected almost every day in May, June, July, and August. They are very terrible, especially to a stranger. During those months from ten in the morning to four in the afternoon the sun is extremely scorching.*

But, as the prophet Jeremiah assures us:

"For he shall be like a tree planted by the waters,
which spreads out its roots by the river,
and will not fear when *heat* comes..." (Jeremiah 17:8)

PRAYER FOR THE WEEK

Dear God of Each Month:

Help us through these remaining hot, stormy days of August. We are reminded of your river of living water which quenches our whole being. It is your free gift to us as your believers. We are thankful for our anointing at the beginning of our faith journey...the blessed water of our baptism. In your Son's name! Amen.

NEW ADDRESS

**Brad & Lil Stanton
100 Halcyon Drive
Apt. E201
Media, PA 19063**



**Congratulations to Nancy Boyer who turned 82 on August 23rd. Why not send her a card to let her know we are thinking of her. Her address is:
422 Meadowlark Terrace, Glen Mills, PA 19342**

SCRIPTURE READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

**Psalm 15
James 1:17-27**

**MUSIC FOR SUNDAY – “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” #694
“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” #140**

Come, Ye Thankful People, Come

Verse 1

Come, ye thankful people, come;
raise the song of harvest home.
All is safely gathered in
ere the winter storms begin.
God, our maker, doth provide
for our wants to be supplied.
Come to God's own temple, come;
raise the song of harvest home.

Verse 2

All the world is God's own field,
fruit as praise to God we yield;
wheat and tares together sown,
are to joy or sorrow grown;
first the blade and then the ear,
then the full corn shall appear.
Lord of harvest grant that we
wholesome grain and pure may be.

Verse 3

For the Lord our God shall come,
and shall take the harvest home;
from the field shall in that day
all offenses purge away;
giving angels charge at last
in the fire the tares to cast,
but the fruitful ears to store
in the garner evermore.

Verse 4

Even so Lord, quickly come
bring Thy final harvest home;
gather Thou Thy people in,
free from sorrow, free from sin;
there forever purified,
in Thy presence to abide.
Come with all Thine angels come;
raise the glorious harvest home.

**MUSIC FOR SUNDAY – “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come” #694
“Great Is Thy Faithfulness” #140**

Great Is Thy Faithfulness

Verse 1

Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father;
there is no shadow of turning with Thee;
Thou changest not,
Thy compassions, they fail not;
as Thou hast been, Thou forever wilt be.

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning
new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Verse 2

Summer and winter
and springtime and harvest,
sun, moon, and stars
in their courses above
join with all nature in manifold witness
to Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love.

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning
new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

Verse 3

Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth,
thine own dear presence
to cheer and to guide;
strength for today
and bright hope for tomorrow,
blessings all mine,
with ten thousand beside!

Chorus

Great is Thy faithfulness!
Great is Thy faithfulness!
Morning by morning
new mercies I see;
all I have needed Thy hand hath provided;
great is Thy faithfulness, Lord unto me!

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL MUSIC FOR SUNDAY

"A Tender Heart" ... Hamilton, arr. Kuehmann
Jared Rollman - Clarinet

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

Clean and Unclean

Some leaders asked Jesus why His disciples ate with "unclean" hands.

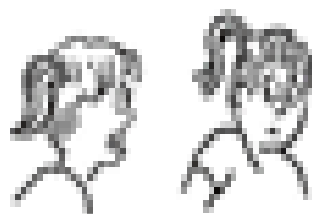
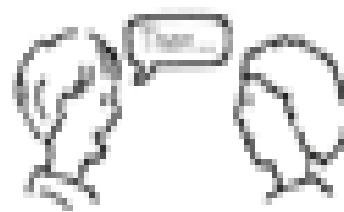
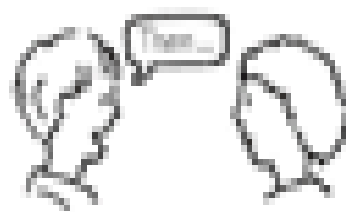
Find and count the hidden  6 or 7 ?  7 or 8 ?



Listening and Doing

"Be quick to listen, slow to speak
and slow to anger."

Circle in each row the 2 that match.



Clean and Unclean

The Pharisees and some of the teachers of the law saw some of Jesus' disciples eating food with unwashed hands.

Solve the math problems to fill in the correct words from either the left (L) or right (R) hand.



They asked Jesus, "Why don't Your _____"
R 5 - 2 =

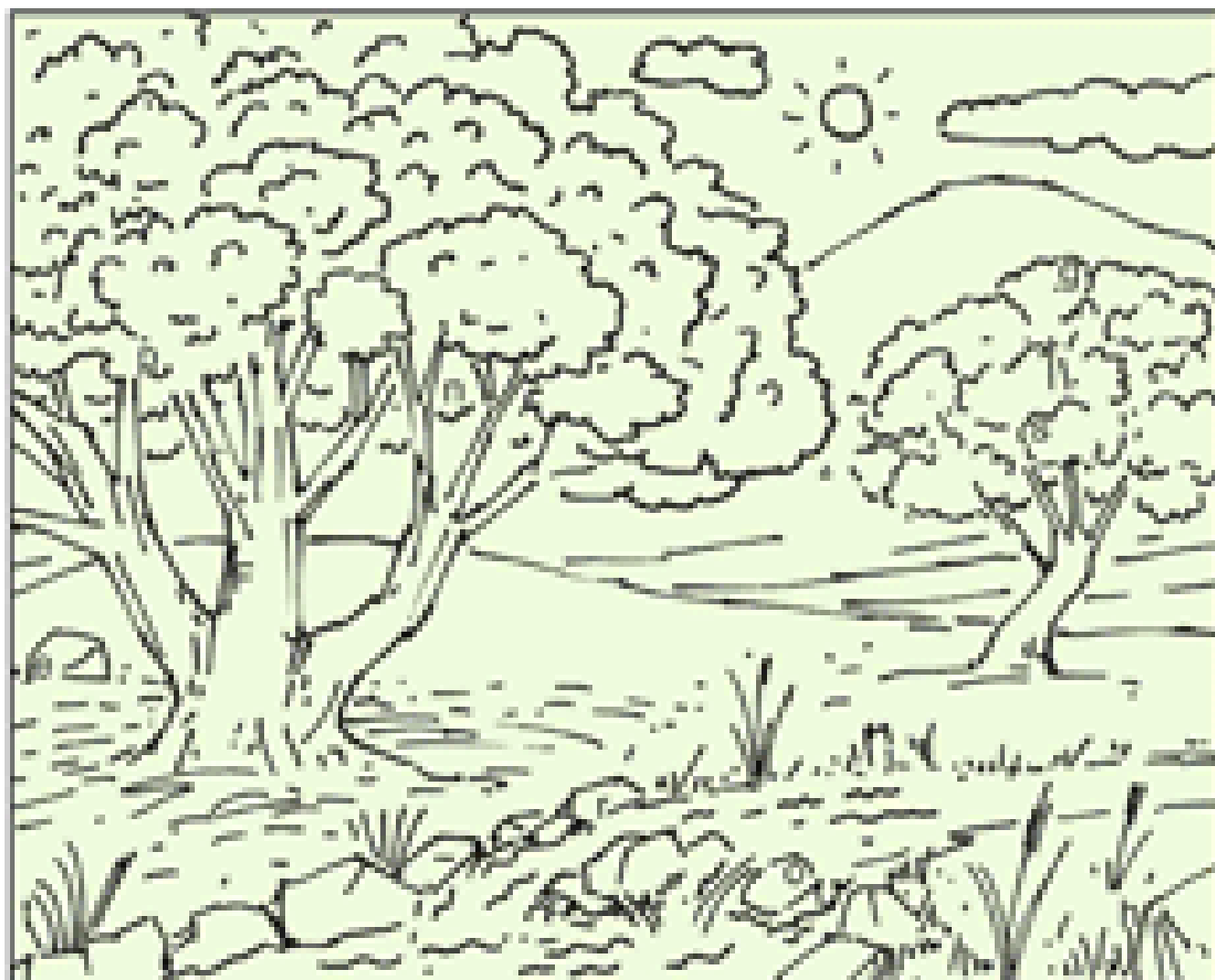
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The Joy of Love

Love is often associated with springtime.
What does this Scripture say happens with love?

Find the underlined letters in the picture below.

"Flowers appear on the earth.
The fig tree forms its early fruit."



REMINDERS

ATTENTION LADIES!

G.R.O.W. (GOD RENEWING OUR WOMEN)

SEPTEMBER 11 FROM 9:00 -11:00 am

IN THE PIERCE FAMILY LIFE CENTER



Have you ever experienced sudden inspiration? Saw or heard something so touching, so powerful you just wanted to share it with your friends? **We're setting aside the previously advertised topic because we discovered a beautiful song and video presentation called "The God Who Sees" and we want you to ... well, SEE it!** Join us Saturday, September 11 at 9 am in the Family Life Center to enjoy this moving video, and discuss how you might relate to the characters remembered in the music. Bring a friend, bring a breakfast dish to share (Janine will be sending out the sign-up genius link soon), and let us know if you need more information or childcare. Please contact Angela Smith angdem@msn.com or Janine Phillips at janineglitters@verizon.net -- we look forward to seeing you in person on September 11!

DO YOU HAVE DOCUMENTS THAT NEED SHREDDED?

On Saturday, **September 11, from 9:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m.** WSFS Bank, 395 Wilmington-West Chester Pike, Glen Mills (middle of 202) is holding a shredding event. Here is your opportunity to shred your confidential documents for free and protect yourself from consumer fraud and identity theft.



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 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?

Date	Time	Band	Address
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
10/30 & 10/31	12 noon till 2:00 pm	Mansfield Brass Quintet	Halloween at Linvilla Orchards
			137 W. Knowlton Road, Media, PA 19063

The September/October edition of The Upper Room is now available from the usher's desk outside the sanctuary.

"Do not worry about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God."

Philippians 4:6