

ELAM E-NEWS

September 17, 2021

We welcome our own Roy Aungst as our guest organist this Sunday morning while Angela is on vacation.

Those Needing Our Prayers

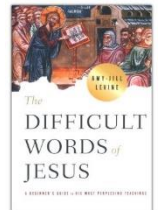
Jim Askins	Marie, sister-in-law of Rich and Susan Gatchell	John Dingle
Matt Murphy	Bonnie's nephew Mark Wiechecki, her brother-in-law	Danny
Wiechecki (COVID), her sister Marilyn Wiechecki, Mark's wife, Krista Wiechecki*		
Helen Cassidy	Bill Cloud	Austin
Reina	Nick DeShullo Family	

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: Marie Stickley, 1343 W. Baltimore Pike, D314, Media, PA 19063

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? Sue Kardine will be leading the study.



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 Sue to order it for you, please let her know (see below for her contact information).

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.

A CELEBRATION OF LIFE SERVICE

A Celebration of Life service for Steve Roushey will be held in the sanctuary on **Sunday, October 17th** with visitation from 1:00-2:30 p.m. followed by the service. Immediately thereafter a luncheon will be served in the Pierce Family Life Center.

SPECIAL MUSIC

This week's special music is "Make Me a Blessing" by Ira B. Wilson/George S. Schuler
Soloist: Mary Kirkner Pianist: Roy Aungst

UMCOR DISASTER RELIEF – 2021 DISASTER RESPONSE

The United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR) is responding to many disasters in the United States and around the world. We encourage you to consider giving to one of the following:

Haiti Earthquake

On Saturday, August 14, 2021, a 7.2 magnitude earthquake produced widespread destruction in the western region of Haiti. As of August 20, more than 2,200 are dead and 12,000 injured, while hundreds more are still missing. According to Haitian Civil Protection, more than 37,300 homes have been destroyed and 46,000 have sustained damages, leaving thousands homeless. Several hospitals have been damaged or destroyed, while those still operating are completely overwhelmed, lacking sufficient personnel and medical supplies.

Hurricane Ida

Category 4 Hurricane Ida made landfall in Louisiana on August 29, the 16th anniversary of Hurricane Katrina. UMCOR is working with conference disaster response coordinators to assess the storm's impact and respond to immediate needs. UMCOR awarded an initial solidarity grant to the Louisiana Conference.

Wildfires in the West

The California-Nevada and Oregon-Idaho Conferences received grants to aid in the response to the 2021 Dixie and Bootleg Fires. Technical assistance and training are also being provided to the conferences. UMCOR continues to provide assistance for recovery from previous wildfires. The California-Nevada Conference was awarded a grant this year to help rebuild homes after the Camp Fire of 2018.

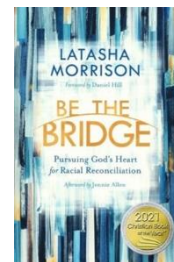
Please write your check to Elam and write your choice on the memo line. On the memo line write either Haiti Earthquake, Hurricane Ida or Wildfires in the West. You can also donate online via Elam's website.

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The Morning Stars will begin rehearsing on Wednesday, October 6 at 6:45 p.m. in the music room.

Fall Book Study

Beginning on Wednesday, October 6th at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom, Pastor John and Clint Amoss will co-lead a 10-week study based on the book *Be the Bridge: Pursuing God's Heart for Racial Reconciliation* by Latasha Morrison. This *New York Times* bestselling book brings the reconciling power of the Gospel to the racial tensions we face today. We Christians can truly become bridge builders through honest conversation together. Join us for this timely study. Please inform the church office (610-459-2911 or mary@elamumc.org) that you will be joining the study. **Be sure to purchase the book and read the Forward and Chapter 1 prior to the first meeting.** A Zoom invitation will be provided one week before the study begins for all those who register.



REFLECTION

Sell What You Own

“Jesus, looking at him, loved him and said, “You lack one thing, go sell what you own, and give the money to the poor and you will have treasure in heaven; then come follow me.”

“According to Jesus, we are judged by what we do rather than by the status we inherit. God will make the final judgment; our job is to live by what God wants, with the Ten Commandments being a good starting point, along with love of God and love of neighbor.”

Amy-Jill Levine

The Difficult Words of Jesus

(Excerpt from book study selection beginning Monday, 9.20.21)

Prayer:

God of All Creation:

We are reminded that following you is pretty easy. Just three things to do: Love you and our neighbor and use the greatest guide ever written: The Ten Commandments.

In Your Son's name, AMEN

MUSIC FOR SUNDAY – # 432 “Jesu, Jesu” #402 “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

“Jesu, Jesu”

Chorus

Jesu Jesu

Fill us with Your love

Show us how to serve

The neighbors we have from You

MUSIC FOR SUNDAY (Cont'd.) – # 432 “Jesu, Jesu”
#402 “Lord, I Want to Be a Christian”

Verse 1

Kneels at the feet of His friends
Silently washes their feet
Master who acts as a slave to them

Chorus

Jesu, Jesu,
fill us with Your love
Show us how to serve
The neighbors we have from you

Verse 2

Neighbors are rich and poor
Neighbors are black and white
Neighbors are near and far away

Chorus

Verse 3

These are the ones we should serve
These are the ones we should love
All these are neighbors to us and You

Chorus

Verse 4

Loving puts us on our knees
Serving as though we are slaves
This is the way we should live with You

Chorus

Verse 5

Kneel at the feet of our friends
Silently washing their feet
This is the way we should live with You

Lord, I Want to Be a Christian

Verse 1

Lord, I want to be a Christian
in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a Christian in my heart.

Verse 2

Lord, I want to be more loving
in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be more loving in my heart.

Verse 3

Lord, I want to be more holy
in my heart, in my heart;
Lord, I want to be more holy in my heart
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be a more holy in my heart.

Verse 4

Lord, I want to be like Jesus
in my heart, in my heart
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.
In my heart, in my heart,
Lord, I want to be like Jesus in my heart.

OLIVER 23RD ANNUAL HEAT FOR THE HOLIDAYS PROGRAM

This program is designed to help families who might be experiencing hardships and need a helping hand. To be considered as a candidate, follow these steps:

1. Write a letter nominating a family (you can nominate yourself)
2. Nominees must live and will be chosen from any one of our services areas: Delaware County, Chester County, Montgomery County and New Castle County
3. Describe why the nominee deserves the free heater. Include medical circumstances, financial hardships, any community involvement from the family, and any other circumstances that might aid in the evaluation process.
4. **Candidate must own his/her own home.**
5. Be sure to include the nominee's name, address and phone number.
6. Include your name, address and phone number.
7. **Deadline for Admission is November 12, 2021**

Send letters to: Oliver Heating, Cooling, Plumbing & Electrical, Attention Ashley Dennon
23rd Annual Heat for the Holidays
101 Waverly Avenue, Morton, PA 19070

You may also submit your letter through the website at www.oliverheatcool.com or email adennon@oliverhvac.com.

SEPTEMBER 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

09/01 Lynne Ashman Daniel Ryan	09/10 Charles Fouraker Ginny Roberts	09/21 Bob Dingle Jacob Fouraker
09/02 Ryan Lamparelli	09/11 Kimberly Warner	09/22 Shawn Thomas
09/03 Colleen Weese	09/14 Adam Oldrati	09/23 Ashley Hathaway
09/04 Mark Simunov	Bill Simmons	09/24 Mark Wiechecki
09/06 Abigail Dembek	09/18 Glenn Palmer	09/26 Kellen Truitt
09/09 Morgan Morrisroe	09/20 Kayla Rasmussen	09/27 Nathan Hofmann Danielle Mosby

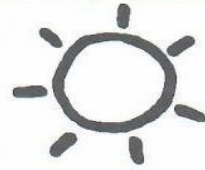
ANNIVERSARIES

09/10/1977 Jane & George Sabol
09/08/1979 Ruth Ellen & Robert Finucane
09/29/1979 Beckie & Jim Davis
09/19/1980 Linda & Bill Simmons
09/15/1984 Kathy & David Stebbins
09/24/1988 Sherri & Mark Fox
09/30/1995 Deb & Zak Topka
09/24/2010 Meredith & Bob Lawler

If your name is not listed here and you have a September 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

Children's Worship Bulletin™



Ages 3+

September 19, 2021 • Mark 9:30-37

Who Is the Greatest?

The disciples argued about who was the greatest.

Find the letters.

G R E A T E S T



He brought a little child to them and said,
"Whoever welcomes a child in
My name welcomes Me."

Circle 5 differences in the bottom picture.



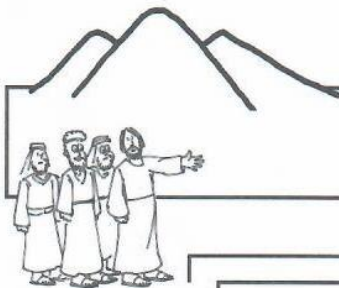
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Ages 7+

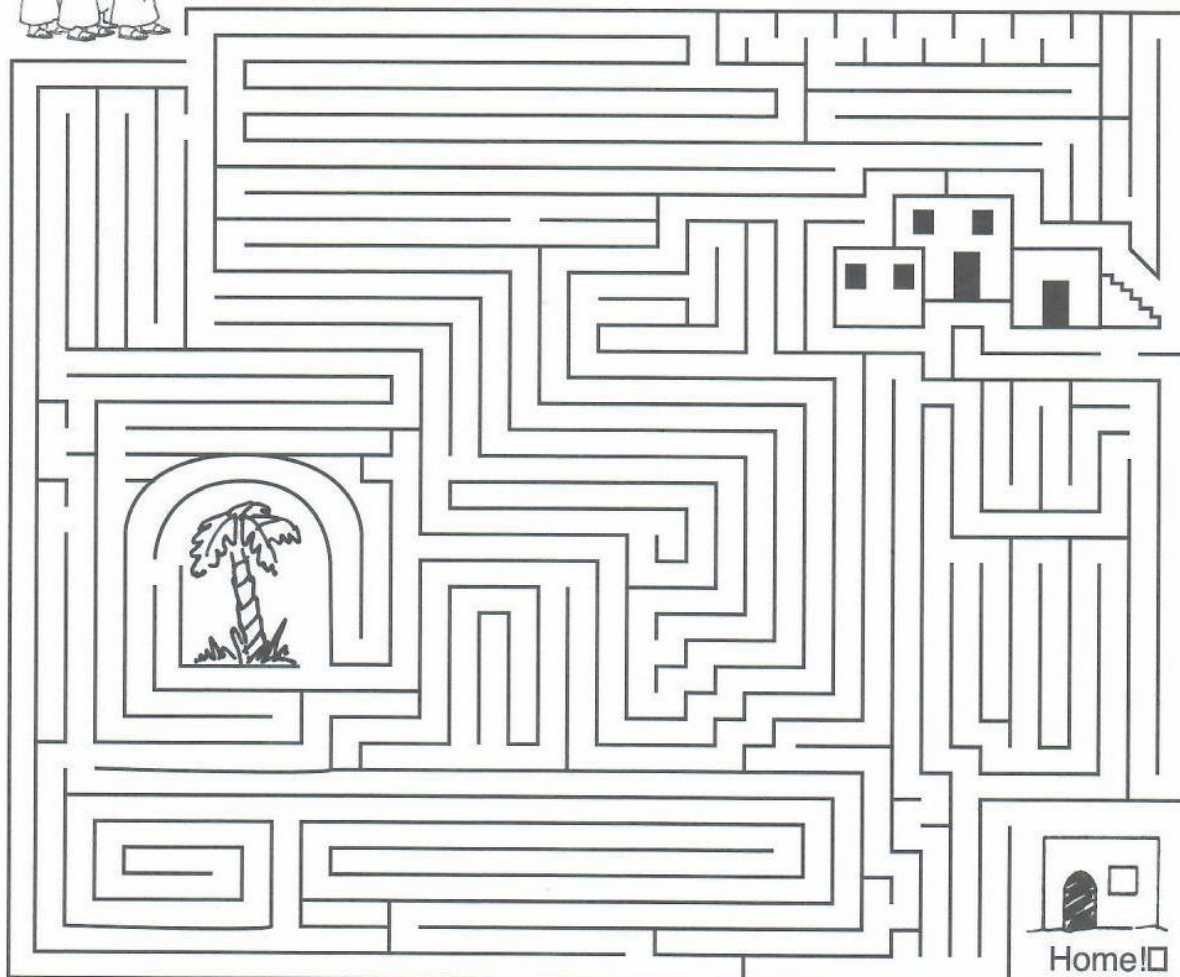
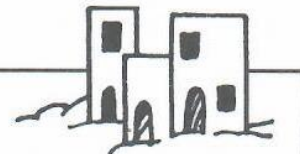
September 19, 2021 • Mark 9:30-37

Who Is the Greatest?

Jesus and His disciples passed
through Galilee.



Help them find their way
through the maze below.



Jesus said ...

Use the code to find out.

A = 1	F = 5	L = 9	R = 13	V = 17
B = 2	H = 6	M = 10	S = 14	W = 18
D = 3	I = 7	N = 11	T = 15	Y = 19
E = 4	J = 8	O = 12	U = 16	Z = 20

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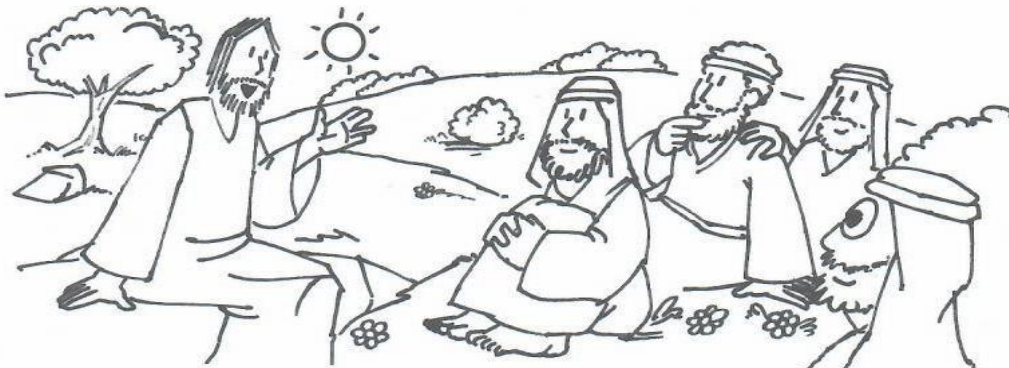
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Looking for Something to do?

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?

<i>Date</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Band</i>	<i>Address</i>
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

LOAVES OF LOVE (LOL) FOOD PANTRY – UPDATED LIST

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

Toilet paper	Paper towels	Tissues	Chef Boyardee	Canned fruit
Canned chicken	Granola bars	Oatmeal	Cereal	Syrup
Canned dice tomatoes				

“I know the plans I have for you,” says the Lord, “plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope.” ***Jeremiah 29:11***