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Kissinger's Caller

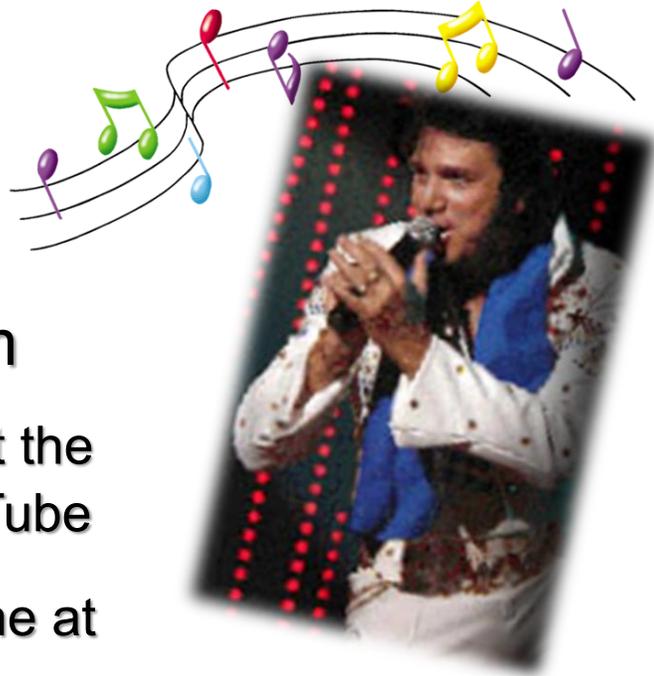
January 2021

Calling People to Christ

Gospel Concert

Jeff Krick Sr.

Elvis Impersonator



Sat., Jan. 16 at 6:30pm

Watch live, socially distanced at the church or livestreamed on YouTube

Free will offering or donate online at kissingerschurch.org



Tuesday Morning Coffee?

The Tuesday morning coffee group will resume meeting on January 5. They meet at 8:30am at Wegman's on Route 61 in Muhlenberg Township (breakfast is optional).

2021 Offering Envelopes

The 2021 offering envelopes are available. If you have not already picked up your pack, they will be available for a few more weeks. If you do not receive a set, but would like to, please contact the church office.



The New Year stands before us, like a chapter in a book, waiting to be written.

-Melody Beattie



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Ron Heilman (2023)

Sandy Kurtz (2021)

Susan Poitlyka (2023)

Bryan Seyler (2023)

Doug Swoyer (2022)

Sandra Fischer (2021)

Pastor Dave Reinwald

Kissinger's Mission Statement

Where the Bible comes alive through worship, prayer, study, and fellowship while serving others with love and respect.

Chipmunk News



Friends,

Shortly after producing my Pastor's Report for the 2020 Congregational Meeting, it dawned on me that I left something particularly important out: Our Parenting Group.

It's possible that some of you may not realize that Jackie and I lead a group representing five households on a weekly basis as to how to raise children utilizing biblical principles.

God led me to an excellent video series titled, "Parenting from the Tree of Life". Because of the COVID situation in November, we were only able to finish 13 sessions. Depending on the circumstances, we may finish the series in early 2021.

Not only did we watch thought-provoking presentations, but we also had some very meaningful discussions.

I have already ordered a video seminar on marriage called, "Laugh Your Way to A Better Marriage". It will be done in 4-6 parts and I would like to finish it before Easter.

So, why conduct seminars on parenting and marriage when many in our church are either not married or have finished "parenting"? I believe that God has called us to not only present biblical truth, but to minister to the needs of our community. As we look at society, I believe we can all agree that there is a great need for practical training in these areas.

Also, it's an opportunity to provide fellowship for church members and invite non-members to enter our doors. I would like to encourage you to attend and/or invite a couple to our upcoming marriage seminar. In Philippians 2:4 the Apostle Paul reminds us to, "not merely look out for your own personal interests, but also for the interests of others."

May we continually pray for ways to connect and meet the needs of those around us. Ultimately, the greatest need of our neighbors is to know God. Let's help many discover Him in 2021!

Blessings,
Pastor Dave

Welcome Our New Member!

Joyce Young joined Kissinger's Church on December 13, 2020. Many of you may already know Joyce as she has been worshipping here for some time.



With
Deepest
Sympathy...

Our Christian
sympathy is
extended to the
family and
friends of

Kenneth Ernst, a Kissinger's member who
December 26. Please keep his wife
Barbara in your prayers.

In the Mailbox ...



Dear Friends,

The staff at Stabon Manor Personal Care Home wish to extend a heartfelt "thank you" to the members of Kissinger's Church who donated items to our residents this holiday season. Thank you for your kind donations, each of our 117 residents will have a memorable holiday celebration.

Sincerely,
Jell Blimline
Assistant Administrator



In case of inclement weather on a Sunday morning, cancellations or time changes will be posted on Channel 69 WFMZ and on Facebook.

2021 Flower Sponsor Chart

The new sponsor chart for 2021 is available in the lobby. Flowers cost \$15.00 per vase, bulletins are \$7.00 per week. Items may be sponsored in memory or honor of someone, or in celebration of a special event.

Council Elections

At the December 17 Congregational Meeting the following people were elected to the Church Council. For three-year terms: **Bryan Seyler**, **Ron Heilman** (their second terms), **Susan Polytika** (her first term) and **Sandra Fischer** to serve a one-year term. The 2021 Council officers will be elected at the January meeting of council.

Our thanks to those who completed their time on council, **John Lindemuth** and **Ted Trievel**.



Interested in participating in your Youth Group / Activities? Contact April Bytof at 484-755-0485, or email her at anbytof@yahoo.com



Happy Birthday to the following friends and members of Kissinger's Church. Please notify the church office if your name was missed.
 (We do not have complete information on all our members.)

Jayden Faust	5	Ronald Burns	15
Stella Hatgiannis	8	Darren Price	23
Jeanne Neidermyer	9	Tammy Keener	24
Dr. John Penta	9	Beverly Judd	24
Andrew Santos	12	Terri Kline	25
Desiree Braun	13	Ruth Graul	27
SueAnn Geras	14	Ken Fischer	28



Glory Came Down

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth.

John 1:14

Once Adam and Eve had broken the heart of God with their fall into sin, God knew that there would be a need to atone for their sins. Christmas accomplished that, for God's love could not tolerate the sinful state of His creation. By sending Jesus to the world, He put the Word, the divine Son of God, in down-to-earth human terms so He could bring our salvation.

In Jesus we see both man and God. We relate to Him as a fellow human being, but we cannot forget that He is God, for not even flesh could hide His deity. Proclaiming truth, He taught

us how to live. Radiating grace, He showed us what it means to forgive. And as the only begotten of the Father, the unique Son of God, His coming into our midst showed us that God had a plan for us ... to be with Him forever.

There is probably no better time than the Christmas season to envision the glory of God. Every pageant, each nativity scene, and all the twinkling lights are our attempts to capture the glory. But through all the glitz and celebration, remember most of all that Christmas represents God's gracious plan of redemption.



What do you want to know about Health right now?

Please list several health topics/concerns about which you want to learn more information. Please completed forms in basket on the lobby table.

1. _____
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Revive Us Again

Will You not revive us again, that Your people may rejoice in You?
Psalm 85:6

A survivor of the Holocaust described life at Auschwitz as a world in which all the Ten Commandments were reversed. Evil days are characterized by a reversal of values. Isaiah 5:20 says, "Woe to those who call evil good and good evil."

Our American society is increasingly accepting evil as good and rejecting good as evil even as the Ten Commandments are pried from the walls of courthouses and public buildings across our nation. It's easy to become alarmed at the moral deterioration of our times.

We should be alarmed, but earnest prayer is a more urgent priority. It's in times like these that God sends His great revivals.

Vance Havner once wrote, "Throughout the history of the Church, when clouds have hung lowest, when sin has seemed blackest and faith has been weakest, there have always been a faithful few who have not sold out to the devil ... These have besought the Lord to revive His work in the midst of the years, and in the midst of fears and tears, and in wrath to remember mercy. God has always answered such supplication, filling each heart with His love, rekindling each soul with Fire from above." Pray earnestly for revival!

Dear God,

I end this year with this simple prayer. Please heal the broken people.

Make well the sick.

Restore happiness to those in despair. Bring love to the lonely, food to the hungry and peace to our world.

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REVIVAL

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Will you not revive us again,
so that your people may rejoice in you?

Show us your steadfast love,

O Lord, and grant us your salvation.

Psalm 85: 6-7



The Faces of Kissinger's

*We continue our column featuring members of Kissinger's.
Each month a different member is featured.*

This Month: Roberta Hendrikson

I was born and raised in Reading on Spring Street. I have an identical twin sister, Linda, and my other sisters are fraternal twins, Merry and Carol (can you tell they were born near Christmas?). We grew up in a Christian family. My parents were both Sunday School teachers.

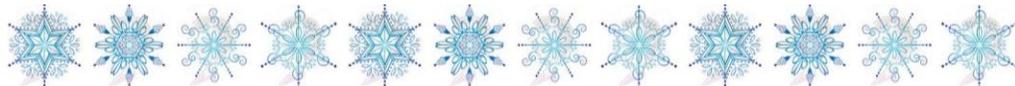
I first belonged to St. Stephens Evan Reformed. In my early 20s I changed churches to Immanuel UCC in Shillington where I was a member for 42 years. I volunteered at the soup kitchen, attended Bible study, was a greeter and counted the weekly offering. When things were changing in the church, I decided I needed to start looking for a next church home.

It wasn't long before Pauline Seyler, who knew my sister, told her to tell me to try Kissinger's. On my first visit to Kissinger's I knew I had found a church. Everybody was so friendly and made me feel welcome. When the service began, I could feel God's presence. The sermons are true to the Bible, Pastor Dave brings the Bible home. I enjoy all the Bible studies and Sunday School. I became a member in 2016. Then, in 2018 I was baptized.

I was married 44 years to Joseph and his two daughters. They are all deceased, but I do have a granddaughter and a grandson and three great grandchildren.

I worked in banking. The ownership of the bank changed many times, but I was there for 42 years. and was responsible for training tellers. I was also the customer service supervisor.

My favorite places to visit are Avalon, NJ and Cape Cod, MA. I still visit Cape Cod annually with one of my friends. I love walking which I am trying get back into. My hobby is counted cross stich. (And I love to go out for lunches!)





Recipe of the Month

Apple Cider Chicken

Juicy chicken cooked with apple cider, ramedized apples, and rosemary. A dinner that cooks in iust ONE PAN!



PREP:10 mins **COOK:**20 mins **TOTAL:**30 mins

Ingredients

- 4 tsp extra-virgin olive oil *divided*
- 1 ½ pounds boneless skinless chicken thighs (*about 8, depending on size*)
- 1 tsp kosher salt *divided*
- 1/2 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper *divided*
- 1/2 cup apple cider
- 2 tsp Dijon mustard
- 3 medium firm sweet apples such as Gala, *cored and cut into 1/2-inch slices*
- 2 teaspoons chopped fresh rosemary (*plus additional for serving*)

Directions

1. Heat 2 teaspoons of oil in a large skillet over medium high.
2. Sprinkle the top of the chicken evenly with 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper. Once the oil is hot and shimmering, add the chicken to the pan, topside down.
3. Let cook 4 minutes, then flip and continue cooking until the meat is cooked through (an internal temperature of 160 degrees), 3 to 4 minutes more. Remove to a plate and cover to keep warm.
4. In a small bowl, stir together the cider and mustard. With a paper towel, carefully wipe the skillet clean. Add the remaining 2 teaspoons of oil to the pan over medium high.
5. Once the oil is hot, add the apple slices, remaining 1/2 teaspoon salt and 1/4 teaspoon pepper, and rosemary. Cook for 5 minutes, until apples are lightly tender and begin to turn golden.
6. Return the chicken to the pan and pour the cider mixture over the top. Let cook for 4 to 5 minutes, until the liquid is reduced by half. Serve warm, sprinkled with additional chopped rosemary as desired.

