

# The Messenger July - August, 2023



## Annual Church Picnic Sunday, August 13

Our church picnic will take place on Sunday, August 13th at the lower pavilion at Woodland Park. We will plan to eat about 12:30 p.m.

Beverages, hot dogs and rolls will be provided. Please bring a dish-to-share, your table service and, if you wish, meat to grill if you would like something other than hot dogs.

Please plan to attend! We will have a great time fellowshiping with each other and maybe even playing a game or two. See you there...don't forget your lawn chairs!



The Loose Change Mission collections for July and August will be for the following organizations:

July 9 - Tioga County Homeless Initiative

August 13 - Partners In Progress

## UMCoW Chef Salads



Mark Your Calendars!  
The next salad sale is planned for  
**Wednesday, September 20**  
(Order deadline: Sept. 15)

Dear Friends,

I am so excited to get to know each of you as we share in ministry together. It was a pleasure getting to meet some of you on June 3<sup>rd</sup>, and get to see some of you again when my family and I took a break from unpacking to come to the Laurel Festival parade. Already, your welcome and hospitality has been overwhelming. This church family has been a great gift in this time of transition. Thank you all for your prayers.

I recognize that transitions are not always easy. It is hard to say goodbye to a good pastor, as Pastor John is, and welcome in someone you do not know. I recognize this was one transition that you were not anticipating. But I join with you in praying for Pastor John as he transitions to where God is calling him to God next. I am also here to support you in your grief, as this is a hard loss.

This summer, we will be working through a series called, "Faith & Courage." What we find when we look at the pages of scripture is that God uses ordinary people to do extraordinary things. Often, when people are called to serve, we see them struggling with feeling of inadequacy and fear. Sometimes they needed reassurance to do the things that God was calling them to do. I'm not sure about you, but that sounds very much like me.

It is very human to struggle with doing what God is inviting us to do. Sometimes it can feel terrifying to step out and do something new. We would rather stay where we are instead of doing something that is filled with so many unknowns. However, what we find in the pages of scripture, is that there are wonderful things that happen when we step out and trust God. We will look at people like Joshua, David, Gideon, Daniel, and so many more. Some familiar and maybe some new. But we will all join together in seeing what we can learn from them in our own journey of faith.

I am excited to walk alongside of you as we serve the people around us. I am excited to partner with you in the ministries that you are already a part of, and I am waiting with anticipation to see where God will be calling this church to step out and do something new. So, as we enter into this new beginning together, let's keep an eye out for those people and places that God might be calling us to serve in new ways. And let's work together to make better those ways that we are already serving well. And let's trust that God will be with us as we take this journey together.

One thing that you will discover about me is that I love music! I love it so much, I have a hard time picking a favorite, so I have many favorite hymns, many favorite songs. Each speaks to me at different parts of my life. One hymn that I want to leave with you today is "I Surrender All." I chose this favorite of mine because it is my prayer to God every day, and it is my hope that as we work together in service to God, that we can surrender our all to God as we trust him for the future. I did alter the words a little, to make it more of a corporate prayer.

*All to Jesus we surrender, make us Savior wholly Thine. Let us feel the Holy Spirit, truly know that Thou art mine. All to Jesus we surrender, Lord we give ourselves to Thee. Fill us with Thy love and power, let Thy blessings fall on me. We surrender all. We surrender all. All to Thee our blessed Savior. We surrender all.*

In His Service,  
Pastor Liz Jackson



Beverly Davis, wife of Bruce Davis, passed away in hospice care at the Green Home June 1st 2023. A private service was held at the Wellsboro Cemetery with Pastor Liz Jackson officiated the committal service. Our

condolences go out to Bruce and his family. Bruce and Beverly were married for 59 years.

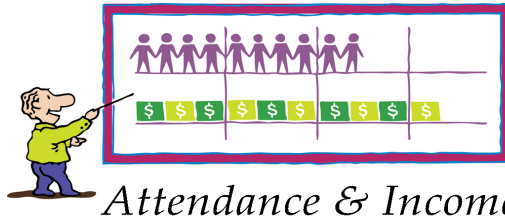
**Address for Pastor John** Some have asked for an address for Pastor John Bondhus and Stephanie and Margo. I did speak with him recently and he will not be giving the church office an address until he has a permanent location in California, which will not be until sometime in August. I will post that as soon as he sends it.

*Welcome!*

**Welcome Pastor Liz, Greg, Sadie, and Cassie**

**WORSHIP ASSISTANTS**

Date	Liturgists	Church Fellowship Schedule
July 2	Karen Blackwell	Karen Blackwell & Ann Serva
July 9	Terry Borneman	Barb & Tom Auman
July 16	Jim Paxson	Trudi Dibble & Marie Weaver
July 23	Seth Watkins	Sheila & Craig Fields
July 30		Brenda Coder & Babara Williard
August 6	Dave Pfisterer	Louise & Terry Borneman
August 13	Ann Serva	Church Picnic
August 20	Seth Watkins	Maryann Fisher & Jill Owlett
August 27	Bev McKnight	Bev McKnight & Synda Shabloski
<b>Media Ministry</b>	Dave Bowen	<p><b>Contact Numbers:</b>                      Altar Flowers: Church Office, 570-724-1968                      Church Fellowship: Bev McKnight, 570-724-4582</p>



Date	10:30 Worship	Sunday School	Church Income: June 1 thru June 27, 2022	
June 4	74	12	Funding Ministry Income	\$13,584
June 11	50	10	Other Income	\$25.00
June 18	Laurel Fest. Service on the Green	None	<b>Total Income</b>	\$13,609
June 25	75	10	<i>Funding Ministry Budget for 4 weeks</i>	\$17,335



**July Anniversaries**

- 7 - Darren & Jackie Patterson
- 13 - James & Amy Nichols
- 18 - Marc & Melissa Huck
- 21 - Ken & Dianne Shrawder
- 24 - Joe & Ann Rawson
- 31 - Jay & Carol Blackwell (40)

**July Birthdays**

- 1 - Jennifer Fields
- 1 - Karen Huck
- 1 - Regan E. Rogers Malcolm
- 1 - Cheryl Seely
- 6 - Carol Ann Blackwell
- 9 - Joyce Blackwell
- 10 - Dianne Shrawder
- 11 - Alexa L. Patterson
- 13 - Pat Lloyd
- 14 - Ernest Coder
- 17 - Tyler Patterson

- 21 - Diane Colton
- 23 - Phyllis Stafford
- 26 - Bruce G. Davis
- 29 - Caleb Krick
- 30 - Karen Reasinger
- 31 - Sharon Patterson



**August Anniversaries**

- 1 - David & Karen Huck (35)
- 2 - John & Doreen Rymell
- 5 - Jeremy & Valerie Bechtel
- 13 - Jacob & Raina Gruver
- 20 - William & Vickie Christian
- 23 - Craig & Sheila Fields
- 27 - Seth & Bonnie Rogers
- 28 - Todd & Jessica Sweet
- 30 - Dale & Joyce Howey

**August Birthdays**

- 1 - Keith Sherman
- 2 - Ann Rawson
- 4 - Ardys Boostrom
- 5 - Fawntay Marie Paxson
- 5 - Brenda Bliss
- 9 - Isaac A. Bechtel
- 10 - Braydon Cross
- 12 - Ron Kerr
- 13 - Caitlin Ann Bowen
- 13 - Thomas Reasinger
- 14 - Dolores Paxson
- 14 - Drew Patrick
- 16 - Mike Johnston
- 16 - Jill Owlett
- 17 - Loretta Jones Rice
- 22 - Tricia Krick
- 22 - Mark Copp
- 23 - Raina Gruver
- 25 - Maryann Fisher
- 25 - Heather Waring
- 25 - Seth J. Bechtel
- 28 - Robert Blair
- 28 - Barbara Jones
- 30 - Douglas N. Smith
- 30 - Judy Calderwood

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Submissions of items for the September, 2022 *Messenger* are needed in the Church Office by Monday, August 21, or as soon as possible after that date.

The United Methodist Church of Wellsboro has an annual collection for the Wellsboro Food Pantry during the month of August. Donations of canned and other non-perishable foods and/or monetary donations for the Food Pantry may be brought in or mailed throughout August.

The **Mission Hub in Elkland** is collecting notebooks, pencils, and crayons during July for three area Elementary Schools in the Northern Tier School District. They are also collecting shoes and purses. Please contact Pat Newruck if you have any questions.

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Pastor Elizabeth Jackson, Pastor  
Cell Phone 717-332-1916  
Mrs. Lory Albin, Lay Leader  
Sunday School: 9:00 a.m.  
Sunday Worship: 10:30 a.m.



# July 2023

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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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2 9:00am Sunday School 10:30AM Worship Fellowship after Worship	3 6:00pm AA 6:30 pm Quilting 6:30pm Chimes Practice	4 <b>Independence Day</b>	5 11:00am & 1:00pm Tai Chi	6 10:00 Journey Bible Study 5:00pm Tai Chi	7 7:00pm AA	8
9 9:00am Sunday School 10:30am Worship Fellowship after Worship <b>Loose Change Sunday</b>	10 10-1 Food Pantry 6:00 am AA Group 6:30am Chimes Practice 6:30am Quilting	11 <b>6:30PM Church Council</b>	12 11:00am & 1:00pm Tai Chi	13 10:00am Journey Bible Study 5:00pm Tai Chi	14 7:00pm AA	15
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