PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR: (Week of 3-16-25)

- BARB eye surgery went well; she is resting at home.
- BETTY prayers that her eye clears.
- **CAROL** EmmaJane Davis' sister; was diagnosed with reoccurring cancer. Surgery to remove her left breast is scheduled for April 3.
- DARLENE Marion Maxwell's sister; is back at her home in West Willow Rest Home and doing well.
- **EMI** more tests (blood work) need to be done.
- **JENN** Connie Bear's daughter; eye surgery on March 19.
- **JUDY** pray for continued healing for lung issues.
- **KEN** came home on Thursday, March 6, but was admitted back to the hospital on Thursday, March 13. His blood pressure was low, and he had trouble breathing.
- LORRAINE fell and broke her wrist; she had surgery to repair the break on Friday, March 7.
- **MARION** is in a lot of pain but is recovering at home from total knee replacement.
- **MARY** will have four concussion rehab sessions to deal with her head injury from her fall.
- **PATTY & DAVID** Mary Reheard's friends from Washington; Dave was successful in finding someone to help with Patti's personal care as well as someone to help with house cleaning.
- RON & JAN friends of Vaughn & Debbie Nissley; Ron has brain cancer, and Jan is his caregiver.
- Those in war-torn areas
- The persecuted church
- LINDA struggling with neck pains.
- MINDY still getting a shot every 4 weeks for cancer, but doing very well.
- SUSAN –
- · Our staff and their families
- Our Sunday school teachers and helpers
- Our neighbors
- · Our military

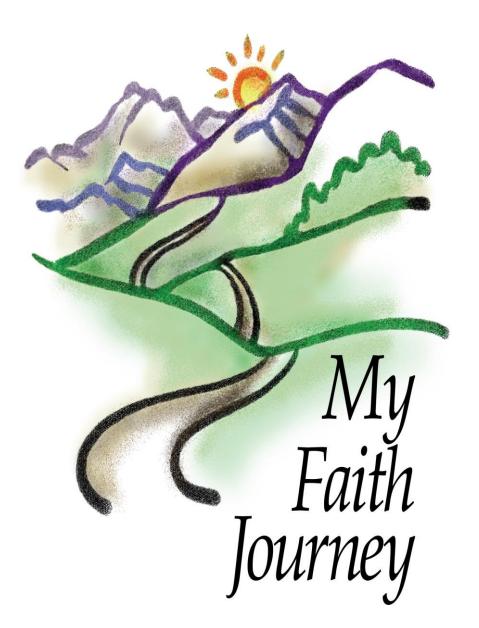
PLEASE NOTE: Names on the prayer list will be taken off after two weeks unless there has been a change or a family member asks to keep their name on the list. To add or remove a name, please Email: gumcprayerchain01@gmail.com or Phone: 717-653-4717 (leave a message on the answering machine with the information). The office must receive updates no later than noon on Friday.

HOMEBOUND PERSON OF THE WEEK: Vivian Yingst is the homebound member of Glossbrenner featured this week. Please take a moment to drop a note or card in the mail or make a call to let Vivian know we are thinking about

her. Phoenix Center – Room 307C

833 South Main Street Phoenixville, PA 19460 (Phone: 717-962-0097)

Homebound Members: Mark Buller, Irene Dennis, Karen Elslager, Frank Geib, Peggy Lahr, MaryAnn Miller, Gerald Ney, Betty Ober, Judy Orey, Jackie Peifer, Romaine Showalter, Vivian Yingst



March 16, 2025

GLOSSBRENNER CHURCH

713 Church Street, Mount Joy, Pennsylvania 17552 717-653-5683 glossbrenner.net

MARCH 16, 2025 – 10:00 A.M. 2nd SUNDAY IN LENT

God makes paths through the sea and rivers in the desert (Isaiah 43:16, 19). Whatever obstacle you face, God will open the way of life for you. Welcome to worship.

"*" in the bulletin indicates that you should rise if you are able.

WE GATHER IN AWE AND PRAISE

Welcome – Pastor Heather

Call to Worship – Justine Madonna

* Praise & Worship Song

"That Where I Am"

* Praise & Worship Song

"Everlasting God"

Reception of Tithes and Offerings – Joyful Noise

Offertory

"Difference Maker"

Prayer of Dedication – Youth

WE LISTEN TO GOD SPEAKING

Old Testament Scripture: Deuteronomy 32:1-10, 44-52 – *Youth*

New Testament Scripture: Hebrews 11:13-16 – *Youth*

Presentation by Youth – *Youth*

Children through 6th grade dismissed for Kid's Church.

Sermon "It's Not the Destination, It's the Journey"

WE REFLECT AND RESPOND TO GOD

Prayer – Pastor Heather

* Praise & Worship Song

"Grace Like Rain"

WE GO OUT IN UNITY

- * Sending
- * Praise & Worship Song

"They'll Know That We Are Christians By Our Love"

CHURCH WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

ACOLYTE: Briella Hoffman

CHILDREN & YOUTH DIRECTOR: Jessica Rockey

GREETERS: Jessica Eidemiller, Kelly Nissly

LITURGIST: Youth

MONEY COUNTERS: Marcia Brooks, Cindy Forry, Pat & Steve Spence

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Justine Madonna NURSERY: Kathy Binkley, Mabz Smith OUTSIDE GREETERS: Joe Davis, Molly Hart

PRAISE BAND: Tyler Beazley, Tom Breneisen, Dave Eichler, Cindy Forry, Justine Madonna, Melinda Myers, Jackie Roberts, Bruce Stone, Desireé

Whitcraft

SOUND, LIGHT & MEDIA: Dave Eichler, Mark Myers, Andy Ober, Chad

Ober, Ken Ober

HEAD USHER: Wayne Kennedy

USHERS: Greg Kline, Kathy Kline, Dave Kopp, Mark Rorabaugh

	CALENDAR	R FOR THE WEEK (3-16-25 to 3-23-25)
Today:	9:15 am	FROG Café – Fellowship Time
	9:30 am	Chapel open for prayer
	10:00 am	Worship Service-Live, Livestreamed & Recorded
	11:15 am	Sunday School
Monday:		NO Women's Bible Study today
Tuesday:	12:30 pm	Volunteering at Blessings of Hope
	6:30 pm	Confirmation class
Wednesday:	6:30 pm	Lenten Service (Chapel)
Thursday:	6:00 pm	CHOIR Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
	·	April <i>Herald</i> DEADLINE
Saturday:	6:00 pm	Free Movie Night
Next Sunday:	9:15 am	FROG Café – Fellowship Time
	9:30 am	Chapel open for prayer
	10:00 am	Worship Service – 3 rd Sunday in Lent
	11:15 am	Sunday School
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Attendance for March 9, 2025 In-person Worship: 130 Livestream views: 12 YouTube views: 39 Sunday school: 42

Building Strong Families Growing Vibrant Communities Together in Faith

RECURRING ANNOUNCEMENTS

(FOR GUESTS & NEWCOMERS-REMINDERS FOR THE REST OF US!) FROG (Fully Rely On God) CAFÉ: From 9:15 a.m. to just before church starts, come and fellowship. Enjoy a cup of coffee, tea, or hot chocolate. PRAYER IN THE CHAPEL: The chapel is open for prayer at 9:30 a.m. THERE ARE SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES FOR ALL AGES:

Preschool through 2nd Grade – Room #3; 3rd through 6th Grade – Room #4; Youth 7th through 12th Grade – Youth Room; IGNITE (young adult group, age 18 to early 40s) – FROG Café; SPIRITUAL JAVA (adult class) – Room #7 (upstairs-across from the choir room); KOINONIA (adult class) – Parlor; ALL STARS (adult class) – Room #1.

Pastor Heather Hammel

moves you.

Cell Phone: 717-809-9636 - Email: heather@glossbrenner.net (NOTE: Office hours for the week are posted outside the office door, and are updated on Sunday mornings.)

Jackie Roberts, Secretary
Church Office Hours: Tuesday through Friday – 10 AM to 3 PM
Church Office - 717-653-5683 - Email: jackier@glossbrenner.net
(Jackie's Cell Phone: 717-413-5787)

WEB SITE: http://www.glossbrenner.net

Jessica Rockey, Children & Youth Director Cell Phone: 717-517-4967 - Email: jrockey@glossbrenner.net

Justine Madonna, Music Director Cell Phone: 717-572-6274 - Email: justine@glossbrenner.net

TO ACTIVATE GLOSSBRENNER'S PRAYER CHAIN

Email: gmail.com or Phone: 717-653-4717 (Leave a message on the answering machine with the information.)

Greeting Card Ministry: Tori Hans – 717-618-2679 or Deb Ziegler – 717-799-0434

ANNOUNCEMENTS -3/16/25

CONNECT WITH US

In the pew racks are cards for prayer requests and cards to connect with us. Please complete a connect card and place it in the offering plate. We're so glad you are here!

JOYFUL NOISE

The children will gather coins today for their "Joyful Noise" service project. RAISE28 is the recipient of our Joyful Noise offering this year. Thank you for supporting the children as they learn to be God's servants by their participation in the church service with their collection of coins for "Joyful Noise".

LENTEN SERVICES

Wednesdays at 6:30 p.m. until April 9 in the Chapel. The theme for Lenten services is honoring the **past**; as we see the needs of the **present**, we provide blessings to **future** generations (just like Jesus did). We will use the Easter Offering envelopes for the Lenten offerings, which will go to special projects that are beyond our budget but have a 2025 impact (Welcome Team supplies for visitor gifts, church pens, historical nameplates on wooden plaques and portrait in the Chapel, FROG Café update, classroom coffee stations updated, Youth Room update.

<u>DEADLINE</u> for the APRIL 2025 *HERALD* is THURSDAY, MARCH 20, 2025!

Think of dates of meetings, special events, thank you notes, etc. for the APRIL *Herald* and e-mail to jackier@glossbrenner.net or hand in to the office by the 20th.

FREE MOVIE NIGHT SATURDAY, MARCH 22 – 6:00 P.M.

Invite your friends, neighbors, and grandkids, and join us to watch *Inside Out 2*, a sequel that features Riley entering puberty and experiencing brand new, more complex emotions as a result. As Riley tries to adapt to her teenage years, her old emotions try to adapt to the possibility of being replaced. Bring along a "comfy" chair, blanket, or pillow, and be prepared to enjoy this family-friendly movie in the church fellowship hall. Snacks will be available.

CARING HANDS AND HEARTS

(Hands that Serve – Hearts that Care)

Crafting Session: The Country Fair & Market in November will be here before you know it, and it's time to start crafting. There will be a crafting session on Tuesday, March 25, at 9:30 a.m., at the home of Marcia Brooks, 138 Gantz Meadows in Mount Joy. You might think you aren't crafty, but the projects are easy enough for anyone who would like to help create items to sell at the event. Please come and join in the fun and fellowship. Come when you can and leave when you must. Your help is appreciated. Questions? Marcia's email is: marcia.brooks@comcast.net

GREETING CARD MINISTRY

Many thanks to Tori Hans and Deb Ziegler, who have agreed to take on the responsibility of the Greeting Card Ministry. If you know of someone in the hospital, recently lost a loved one, or would appreciate receiving a card from us, please call Tori Hans at 717-618-2679 or Deb Ziegler at 717-799-0434. Thank you, Betty Robinson, for your many years of faithful service.

THE UPPER ROOM

Copies of $THE\ UPPER\ ROOM$ for MARCH and APRIL 2025 are available in the lobby/narthex.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

If you notice something in **MARCH** that the trustees should take care of, please contact Wayne Kauffman at 717-940-3259.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2025

If you are interested in placing flowers on the altar please, call the church office (717-653-5683) and give Jackie the date, type of flowers (REAL or SILK), and what will be printed in the bulletin.

ACOLYTE TRAINING

Acolyte training will take place on Sunday, March 30, after the morning worship service for anyone in 4th grade and older. Parents are welcome to accompany their child (children). Contact Patty McKee-Stone or Pastor Heather if you have any questions.

LITIGATION UPDATE

You may or may not be aware that Glossbrenner is part of a litigation process with 49 other Eastern PA Conference churches. In June of 2022, Glossbrenner felt we did not share the same beliefs and values as the United Methodist Church based on actions taken by the General Conference. It was decided to use a provision developed at the 2019 General Conference to exit the UMC graciously. We have been involved in this litigation that is asking the Eastern PA Conference to allow us to leave without all of the strings and expenses imposed, which other United Methodist Conferences did not place on churches interested in disaffiliation. On Friday, March 7, the Judge ruled in favor of the churches in 2 of the 3 counts. This means that the litigation will be allowed to go to trial. Much work still needs to be done, and I will keep you updated on any other developments. In the meantime, continue to pray for all involved in this process. Once it is clear as to Glossbrenner's role in all of this, we will hold another Congregational Meeting to discuss the future path of this church. Please see or contact Mark Rorabaugh if you have any questions. (email: mrorabaugh832@comcast.net)

SHEPHERD MINISTRIES

There will be a meeting on Monday, April 7th at 6:30 p.m. We will meet in the FROG Café.



SURVEY FOR EVERYONE

Because many hands make light work and because we are a congregation actively serving our members and greater community, we are asking you to complete a survey, either by scanning the QR code on the left or by filling in one of the printed copies in the Narthex/Lobby. We all have been blessed with spiritual gifts that are to be used

for the good of others and to the glory of God. We also each have special talents, interests, training, and experiences that, when shared and partnered with others, can impact our families and community in powerful ways. Please complete the survey by March 30. Return printed surveys to the church office or Pastor Heather.

Easter Pie Sale

I would like to order the following pies for my Easter celebration: No. of Pies Apple Crumb Shoofly Cherry Crumb Pecan Blueberry		
Name		
Phone Number		
DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS APRIL 9.		
Easter Pie Sale (Apple Crumb, Cherry Crumb, Shoofly, Blueberry, and Pecan)		
Caring Hands and Hearts will be taking orders for Pies from Forest View Bakery for your Easter celebration. You won't want to miss out on these great-tasting 9" pies for only \$12.00 each. You can pay for your pies when you place your order or when they are picked up on Saturday , April 19th (the day before Easter) from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.		
To Order Your Favorite Pies Before Wednesday, April 9th: Fill out the tear sheet above or place your order with EmmaJane Davis in the narthex before or after the worship services, or you can give her a call at 717-685-1476.		

EASTER PLANTS

The Commission on Worship is offering plants for Easter.

PLEASE NOTE: The hyacinth & lily plants will be placed
OUTSIDE on the portico on Angle Street for the Easter
morning worship service. All other plants will be placed in the
sanctuary. Please fill in the tear sheet BELOW if you are
interested in ordering plants for Easter Sunday (April 20) and
place in offering plate or Patty McKee-Stone's mailbox.

Please make checks payable to GLOSSBRENNER U M CHURCH
and write "EASTER PLANTS" on the memo line.

We need an estimate by March 30, 2025
<u>FINAL DEADLINE TO ORDER IS APRIL 6</u>.

NOTE: All items are subject to crop availability.

EASTER PLANTS

NAME			
(#)Tulips (5 per pot) @ \$8.00 each			
(#)Daffodils (5 per pot) @ \$8.00 each			
(#)Hyacinths (3 per pot) @ \$9.00 each			
(#)Lilies @ \$10.00 each			
(#)Mini Daffs @ \$4.00 each			
(#)6" Pansy Bowl @ \$6.00 each			
(#)12" Pansy Bowl @ \$12.00 each			
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