

PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR: (Week of 3-23-25)

- **BARB** – recovering well from eye surgery, able to be up and about.
- **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.
- **JENN** – Connie Bear's daughter; had successful eye surgery on March 19, entire tumor was removed and she now starts the journey of healing and recovering.
- **JUDY** – she is using a nebulizer and her breathing has improved greatly. Praise the Lord!
- **KEN** – at LGH, room 8703, oxygen levels need to go down.
- **KRISTI & ED** – lost all their belongings in a house fire last week.
- **LORRAINE** – recovering from surgery to repair a broken wrist.
- **MARION** – recovering at home from total knee replacement.
- **LINDA** – has a possible rotator cuff tear in her left shoulder, waiting for test results.
- **MARY** – continues with her weekly therapy sessions and is now allowed to read and watch television. Things are slowly improving and she hopes to be able to attend the Worship Services in April.
- **PATTY & DAVID** – Mary Reheard's friends from Washington; David continues his weekly cancer treatments. Prayers that his white cell blood count stays low.
- **RON & JAN** – friends of Vaughn & Debbie Nissley; Ron has brain cancer, and Jan is his caregiver.
- **Those in war-torn areas**
- **The persecuted church**
- **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: Mark Buller is the homebound member of Glossbrenner featured this week. Please take a moment to drop a note or card in the mail to let ark know we are thinking about him.

Lancaster Nursing & Rehab Center
Room 708 NW-1
900 East King Street
Lancaster, PA 17602

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



Who is Your Hope?

March 23, 2025

GLOSSBRENNER CHURCH

713 Church Street, Mount Joy, Pennsylvania 17552

717-653-5683

glossbrenner.net

MARCH 23, 2025 – 10:00 A.M.
3rd SUNDAY IN LENT

Welcome to worship as we journey through the season of Lent, seeking to grow in faith, hope and love.

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

WE GATHER IN AWE AND PRAISE

Welcome – *Pastor Heather*

Prelude “The Solid Rock” arr. A.L. Page

* **Call to Worship** – *Mark Rorabaugh*

Leader: These earthly things, they push and pull, they swirl around and cloud our sight.

People: You are our hope, O God.

Leader: This static is loud, drowning out your words and all you have taught us.

People: You are our hope, O God.

Leader: In all of this mess we reach for something, anything to ground us and hold us close.

People: You are our hope, O God, our light through the fog, our voice in the chaos, our roots in shifting ground. You, O Lord, give us hope beyond our understanding, if only we seek you, listen to you, and walk with you.

* **Hymn** “My Hope Is Built”.....No. 368

* **Opening Prayer (Unison):** – *Mark Rorabaugh*

Your kingdom come; your will be done, we pray. God, let our words not be empty or rote. Help us to live like you are the leader of our lives and of all creation. We praise you for you lead with justice, mercy, and love. Help us to recognize when we put our hope in lesser things and by your grace, turn us back to you. Amen.

* **Hymn** “God of Grace and God of Glory”.....No. 577

Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings

Offertory “In Christ Alone My Hope is Found” arr. M. Hamm

* **Doxology**.....No. 95

* **Prayer of Dedication** – *Mark Rorabaugh*

WE LISTEN TO GOD SPEAKING

Old Testament Scripture – *Mark Rorabaugh*

1 Samuel 8:4-9

New Testament Scripture – *Mark Rorabaugh*

Acts 4:8-12

Children’s Sermon – *Pastor Heather*

Children through 6th grade dismissed for Kidz Church.

Anthem “I Wonder Why?” Avery/Marsh

Sermon “Who’s Your Hope?”

WE REFLECT AND RESPOND TO GOD

Prayer – *Pastor Heather*

Lord’s Prayer

* **Hymn** “Hymn of Promise”.....No. 707

WE GO OUT IN UNITY

* **Benediction**

Postlude “Lift High the Cross” P. Manz

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers on the altar have been placed by Barb and Dick Thompson to the honor and glory of God. Praise God for beautiful springtime, sunshine, rainfall, and blooming outdoors!

CHURCH WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

ACOLYTE: Faith McClellan
 CHILDREN & YOUTH DIRECTOR: Jessica Rockey
 GREETERS: Molly Hart, Maribeth King
 LITURGIST: Mark Rorabaugh
 MONEY COUNTERS: Marcia Brooks, Cindy Forry, Pat & Steve Spence
 MUSIC DIRECTOR: Justine Madonna
 NURSERY: Marcia Brooks, Heather Sangrey
 ORGANIST: Loine Bert
 OUTSIDE GREETERS: Joe Davis, Debbie Nissley
 SOUND, LIGHT & MEDIA: Dave Eichler, Mark Myers, Andy Ober, Chad Ober, Ken Ober
 HEAD USHER: Wayne Kennedy
 USHERS: Chad Ober, Barb Thompson, Dick Thompson, Bob Waters

Attendance for March 16, 2025	In-person Worship:	124
	Livestream views:	15
	YouTube views:	79
	Sunday school:	60

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.

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.

GROCERY GIFT CARDS for Giant and Weis are available to purchase in the FROG Café Sunday mornings before and after the worship service.

GREETING CARD MINISTRY: If you know of someone who is in the hospital, recently lost a loved one, or would appreciate receiving a card from us, please contact either Tori Hans at 717-618-2679 or Deb Ziegler at 717-799-0434.

HERSHEY PARK VOLUNTEER SHIFTS are available. The hourly rate of \$8.00 goes to the church; volunteers receive tickets. Contact Betty Robinson for information: 717-366-4549 or blrmrj@comcast.net

PRAYER GROUP GATHERINGS: Join us for our prayer time in the chapel the **2nd and 4th TUESDAY** of the month at **11:00 a.m.** All are welcome to pray in silence or pray out loud if the spirit moves you.

Pastor Heather Hammel

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: jrokey@glossbrenner.net

Justine Madonna, Music Director

Cell Phone: 717-572-6274 - Email: justine@glossbrenner.net

TO ACTIVATE GLOSSBRENNER'S PRAYER CHAIN

Email: gumcprayerchain01@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

Building Strong Families Growing Vibrant Communities Together in Faith

ANNOUNCEMENTS – 3/23/25

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!

EASTER CARDS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

Caring Hands & Hearts is collecting Easter cards for the homebound. You can bring your cards and place them in the basket on the mailbox counter on or before **April 13**. Thank you for helping us spread a little Easter cheer to: Mark Buller, Irene Dennis, Karen Elslager, Frank Geib, Peggy Lahr, MaryAnn Miller, Gerald Ney, Betty Ober, Judy Orey, Jackie Peifer, Romaine Showalter, and Vivian Yingst.

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

• **Chili Cook-off/Dessert Bake-off Winners:** Congratulations to Heidi Collier, the 1st place winner in the Chili Cook-off; Bruce Stone came in 2nd, and Carrie & Dave Delao Spicer were the 3rd place winners. First place winner in the Dessert Bake-off was Kathy Binkley, Pam Miceli 2nd, and Connie Bear 3rd. Proceeds from the fundraiser were \$669.00. Thank you to all those who made chili and/or desserts. A special thanks to all who came and tasted and voted; you really helped to make the evening enjoyable and the fundraiser a success!

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.

SHEPHERD MINISTRIES

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

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.

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: mroraugh832@comcast.net)

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.

FREE LIFT RECLINER

If you, or someone you know, are interested in a leather lift recliner that is equipped with heat and vibration, contact Mike Doughton.

Thank You!

Thank you for all the cards, prayers, and expressions of concern and sympathy during my dad's hospitalization and at the time of his passing. All were appreciated very much!

Mike & Pam Doughton

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK (3-23-25 to 3-30-25)

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:	10:00 am	Women's Bible Study
	6:30 pm	Commission on Worship meeting
Tuesday:	9:30 am	Crafting Session at Marcia Brooks'
	11:00 am	Prayer Group
Wednesday:	6:30 pm	Confirmation class
	6:30 pm	Lenten Service (Chapel)
Thursday:	6:00 pm	CHOIR Rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
Next Sunday:	7:00 pm	Finance Committee meeting
	9:15 am	FROG Café – Fellowship Time
	9:30 am	Chapel open for prayer
	10:00 am	Worship Service – 4 th Sunday in Lent
	11:15 am	Sunday School

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 -

FINAL DEADLINE TO ORDER IS APRIL 6.

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 _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____