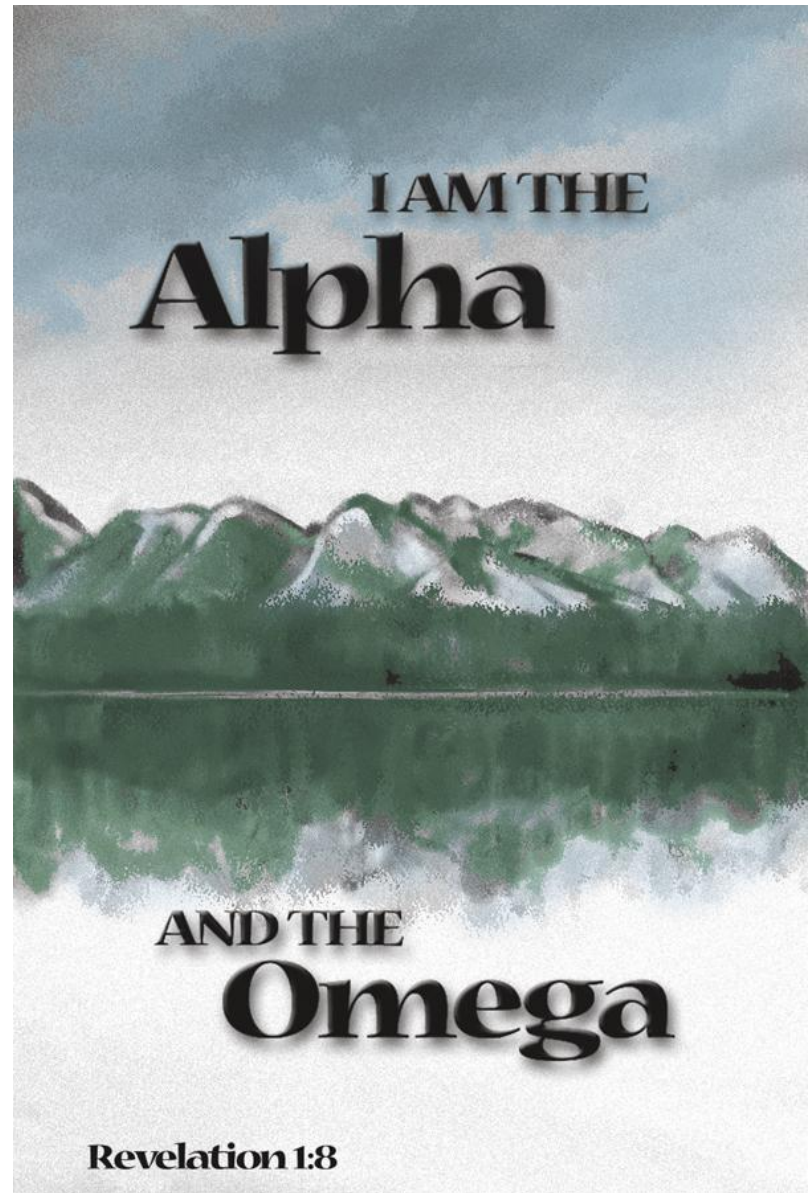


**PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR:** (Week of 3-30-25)

- **CAROL** – EmmaJane Davis' sister; was diagnosed with reoccurring cancer. Surgery to remove her left breast is scheduled for April 3.
  - **CATY** – Debbie Martin's daughter; is having shoulder surgery on Friday, March 28, outpatient surgery.
  - **DAVE** – fell Tuesday, March 25 and broke vertebrae in his back, also broke his nose and has a small brain bleed. He is in the neurological ICU.
  - **JEFF** – Ron Blechinger's brother-in-law; has heart issues and needs one of his heart valves replaced.
  - **JENN** – Connie Bear's daughter; had successful eye surgery on March 19, entire tumor was removed, she is now on the journey of healing and recovering.
  - **KRISTI & ED** – lost all their belongings in a house fire.
  - **LORRAINE** – recovering from surgery to repair a broken wrist.
  - **LINDA** – has a possible rotator cuff tear in her left shoulder.
  - **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 blood cell count stays low.
  - **RON & JAN** – friends of Vaughn & Debbie Nissley; Ron has brain cancer, and Jan is his caregiver.
  - **PRAYERS** for the family, friends, classmates, and teachers of a Donegal 9<sup>th</sup> grade girl who passed away last weekend.
  - **OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY** is extended to Nancy Gruber, Nettie & Wes Gerber, and the family of husband and father, Ken Gruber, who passed away early Sunday morning, March 23, 2025.
  - **Those in war-torn areas**
  - **The persecuted church**
  - **MINDY** – still getting a shot every 4 weeks for cancer, but doing very well.
  - **SUSAN** – had trach removed and is doing much better.
  - **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:** Irene Dennis is the homebound member of Glossbrenner featured this week. Please take a moment to drop a note or card in the mail to let Irene know we are thinking about her. Irene is a resident at Hamilton Arms, Lancaster; please send correspondence to:  
c/o Sandy Waltz, 2148 Sheri Lane, Mount Joy, PA 17552  
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 30, 2025**

**GLOSSBRENNER CHURCH**

713 Church Street, Mount Joy, Pennsylvania 17552

717-653-5683

[glossbrenner.net](http://glossbrenner.net)

**MARCH 30, 2025 – 10:00 A.M.**  
**4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT**

*Sometimes we think that everything will be fine if we can just go back to the way things were, but the present will never be the past. The good news is that God is in what was, what is, and what will be. Welcome to worship!*

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

**WE GATHER IN AWE AND PRAISE**

**Welcome** – *Pastor Heather*

**Prelude** “Of the Father’s Love Begotten” arr. J. Jones

\* **Call to Worship** – *Bob Waters*

Leader: We have come to know you,

**People: We have been renewed.**

Leader: Help us to stay on this path with you.

**People: Guide us towards your goodness in all things and at all times.**

\* **Hymn** “Joyful, Joyful, We Adore Thee”.....No. 89

\* **Opening Prayer (Unison):** – *Bob Waters*

**God, some of us here today long for the past. Some of us have great hopes for the future. All of us come with yearning in our hearts. Help us to hold space for one another, trusting that in you, there is room for all of it and all of us. Amen.**

\* **Hymn** “Be Thou My Vision”.....No. 451

**Presentation of Our Tithes and Offerings**

**Offertory** “I Have Decided to Follow Jesus” arr. T. Baldrige

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

\* **Prayer of Dedication** – *Bob Waters*

**WE LISTEN TO GOD SPEAKING**

**Old Testament Scripture** – *Bob Waters* Ezra 3:10-13

**New Testament Scripture** – *Bob Waters* Revelation 1:8

**Children’s Sermon** – *Pastor Heather*

*Children through 6<sup>th</sup> grade dismissed for Kidz Church.*

**Special Music** – *Scott Sangrey*

**Sermon** “No Going Back”

**WE REFLECT AND RESPOND TO GOD**

**Prayer** – *Pastor Heather*

**Lord’s Prayer**

\* **Hymn** “Where He Leads Me”.....No. 338

**WE GO OUT IN UNITY**

\* **Benediction**

**Postlude** “Voices Raised to You We Offer” arr. B. Culli

**CHURCH WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS**

ACOLYTE: Jonathan Miller

CHILDREN & YOUTH DIRECTOR: Jessica Rockey

GREETERS: Deb & Wayne Kennedy

LITURGIST: Bob Waters

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

MUSIC DIRECTOR: Justine Madonna

NURSERY: Jessica Eidemiller, Kelly Nissly

ORGANIST: Loine Bert

OUTSIDE GREETERS: Joe Davis, Doug Hackley

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

Ober, Ken Ober

HEAD USHER: Wayne Kennedy

USHERS: Dave Cole, Joe Davis, Alex Kreischer, Debbie Nissley

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK** (3-30-25 to 4-6-25)

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
Wednesday:	6:30 pm	Lenten Service (Chapel)
Thursday:	6:00 pm	<b>CHOIR Rehearsal</b>
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
Next Sunday:	9:15 am	FROG Café – Fellowship Time
	9:30 am	Chapel open for prayer
	10:00 am	Worship Service-5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent-Communion
	11:15 am	Sunday School

Attendance for March 23, 2025	In-person Worship:	123
	Livestream views:	10
	YouTube views:	66
	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 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade – Room #3; 3<sup>rd</sup> through 6<sup>th</sup> Grade – Room #4; Youth 7<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup> 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 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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto: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](mailto:jrokey@glossbrenner.net)

Justine Madonna, Music Director

Cell Phone: 717-572-6274 - Email: [justine@glossbrenner.net](mailto:justine@glossbrenner.net)

**TO ACTIVATE GLOSSBRENNER'S PRAYER CHAIN**

Email: [gumcprayerchain01@gmail.com](mailto: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 – 3/30/25


### 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!

### ACOLYTE TRAINING

Acolyte training will take place today immediately after the morning worship service for anyone in 4<sup>th</sup> grade and older. Parents are welcome to accompany their child (children). Contact Patty McKee-Stone or Pastor Heather if you have any questions.

### 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. **TODAY IS THE DEADLINE TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY!** Return printed surveys to the church office or Pastor Heather.

### HOLY COMMUNION

Next Sunday, April 6, we will celebrate the sacrament of Holy Communion. A Love offering will be collected during the regular offering. (Love offering envelopes are in the Narthex/Lobby.) The money collected for this offering will be used, at the discretion of the pastor, to ease the burden of a member of our church community who is in need of our love.

### SHEPHERD MINISTRIES

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

### ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD

The Administrative Board will meet on Thursday, April 10 at 7:00 p.m. in the All-Stars classroom.

### CARING HANDS AND HEARTS

(Hands that Serve – Hearts that Care)

**Crafting Session:** We have started crafting for the Country Fair & Market, which is in November. The next crafting session is on Thursday, April 10, at 9:30 a.m., at the home of Marcia Brooks, 138 Gantz Meadows in Mount Joy. 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](mailto:marcia.brooks@comcast.net)

### 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.

### BOARD OF TRUSTEES

If you notice something in **MARCH** that the trustees should take care of, please contact Wayne Kauffman at 717-940-3259. Russ Miceli will be the trustee to contact in April.

### THE UPPER ROOM

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

### DONATIONS FOR EASTER EGG HUNT NEEDED

We are in need of donations for the annual Easter Egg hunt, especially larger candy prizes, stuffed animals, or other small items for the prize egg table. Please put items in the red bin in the lobby/narthex; contact Jess Rockey with any questions.

### 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.

### BACKPACKING TRIP

Dave Eichler is hosting a backpacking trip to Lycoming County (PA's Grand Canyon) from June 9<sup>th</sup> to June 12<sup>th</sup>. The first two nights the group will camp out. June 11<sup>th</sup>, they will stay at the Black Forest Inn. Because the inn has only 10 double rooms, Dave needs to know people's interest by April 15 to book rooms. Cost is \$200 (\$100 for Glossbrenner members). A signup sheet is on the table in the Narthex/Lobby. You can also text or email Dave with questions at 717-413-8745 or [deichler159@comcast.net](mailto:deichler159@comcast.net)

*Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,  
Please join us in prayer for Tim's healthy recovery from three separate but concurrent, serious internal bacterial infections. Nothing related to his cardiac health. We're so grateful for the quality of care at Lancaster General Hospital, where Tim was admitted from the ER last Tuesday (3/18/2025). His various treatments are progressing. We are claiming each blessing. Being close to family support has been critical for both of us. We don't know exactly when he'll return home. But I promise to send an update.*  
Blessings, Julie Anderman

*\*Update: Tim is now more comfortably continuing treatment and regaining strength at Brethren Village ST Rehab. Visitors are welcome, especially on weekends, Tuesdays, and Thursdays when he is not likely to be in physical therapy. We remain grateful for God's blessings and hopeful for the future. Thank you for your loving prayers, Julie*

### INVITATION

All ages are welcome to join with others in our community for a night of worship, prayer, and a hope filled word at the Donegal Primary School on Koser Road in Mount Joy this coming Saturday, April 5<sup>th</sup>, 6-7:30 pm in the LGI room. Youth are welcome to be dropped off and picked up at the end. Contact Jess Rockey with any questions.

## 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 TODAY -

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 \_\_\_\_\_