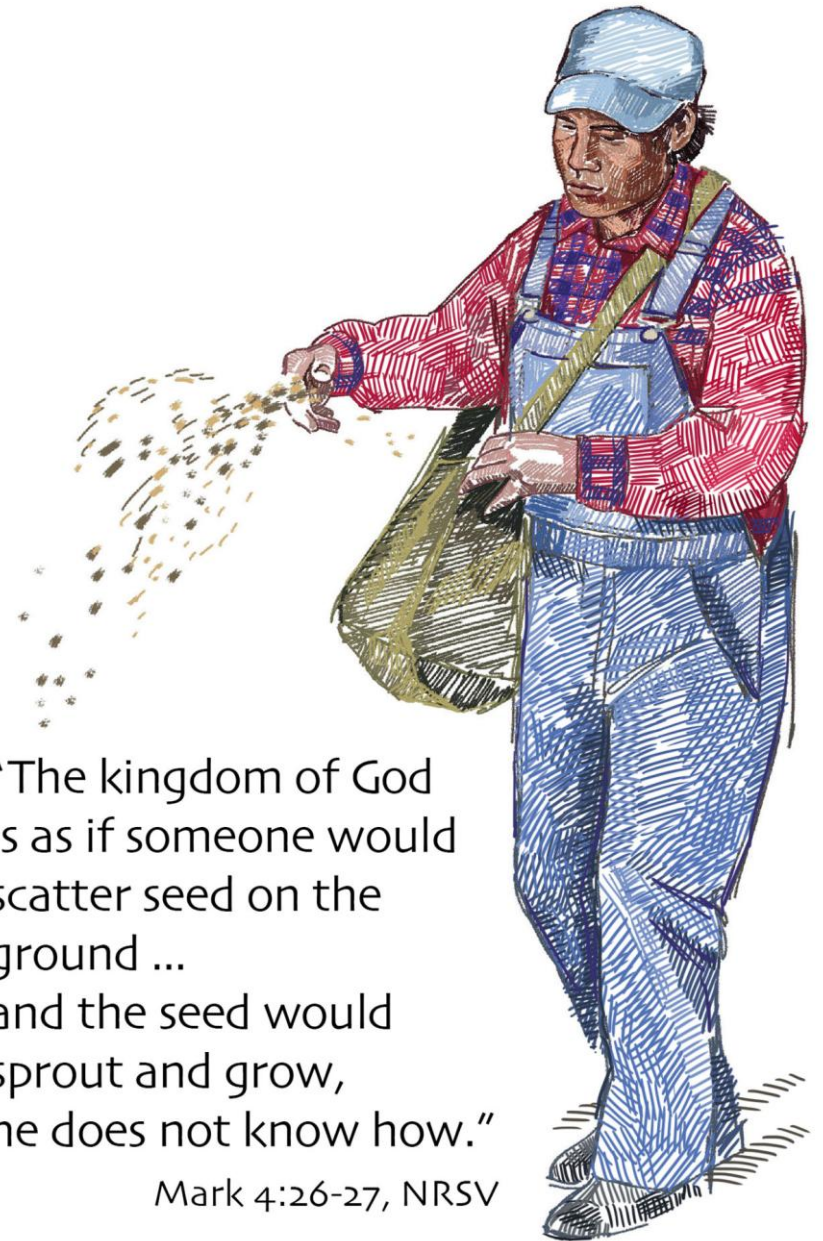


PLEASE JOIN US IN PRAYER FOR: (Week of 3-22-26)

- **ANDREA** – 20-year-old neighbor of Dave & Sue Kopp; was admitted to Hershey Medical Center on March 16 for treatment of leukemia/lymphoma. She is starting treatment and will need a bone marrow transplant. Her mother said that God already knows who the perfect donor is, and that name needs to rise to the top of the donor list. Pray also for remission from the cancer and for a perfect donor to be found.
- **BABY IVY** – (from Bertie Kauffman); is still in serious condition. The doctor will try to get her off the ventilator and onto a CPAP machine.
- **BARRY** – Mary's son; is not recovering from his surgery last week and will most likely be under Hospice Care in the near future.
- **BETSY** – Marion Maxwell's friend; has a very serious infection in her knee where she had her last prosthesis placed.
- **CHARLOTTE** – prayers for a successful surgery of removing her tonsils and adenoids on March 30th and for a speedy 2-week recovery.
- **CLIFFORD** – (from Kathy Binkley); is being sent to a long-term care nursing/rehab facility. Please keep him and his family in your prayers as he works towards restoring his health.
- **DAVE** – Shirley Geib's brother-in-law.
- **DOUG** – has been experiencing severe back pain,
- **GLORIA** – (from Bertie Kauffman); is still in the hospital and is having more surgery (March 14). She is a believer and is requesting prayers.
- **LISA** – has started chemotherapy for stage 2 breast cancer. Surgery, and possibly radiation treatments in the months ahead. Going to be a long and challenging road ahead. Prayers, encouragement, and support will be deeply appreciated.
- **MARY** – has been experiencing numbness in her hand and received two shots in her fingers on March 19.
- **MATT** – will be having shoulder surgery on March 25 to repair torn and dislocated tendons in his shoulder from a fall. Then he will start Physical Therapy about 2 weeks after surgery.
- **NANCY** – is home and the neck brace is gone!
- **PAM** – keep the prayers coming, appendix cancer was removed, and she should be cleared for another year pending results of next CT. She will have surgery on April 3 for stage 3 cancer on her kidney.
- **ROCKEY FAMILY** – keep prayers coming for improvement in Iris's health with the infusions.
- **Those in war-torn areas**
- **The persecuted church**
- **Our staff and their families**
- **Our Sunday school teachers and helpers**
- **Our neighbors**
- **Our military**

PLEASE NOTE: Names on the prayer list will be removed after 2 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.**



“The kingdom of God
is as if someone would
scatter seed on the
ground ...
and the seed would
sprout and grow,
he does not know how.”

Mark 4:26-27, NRSV

March 22, 2026

GLOSSBRENNER CHURCH

713 Church Street, Mount Joy, Pennsylvania 17552

717-653-5683

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MARCH 22, 2026 – 10:00 A.M.
5th SUNDAY IN LENT

On this fifth Sunday in Lent, we welcome all who have come to praise God and remember the Lord Jesus Christ. Your presence brings us joy. May God bless us all richly.

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

WE GATHER IN AWE AND PRAISE

- * **Praise Song:** “Open the Eyes of My Heart”
- * **Welcome** – *Pastor Heather*
- * **Praise Song:** “Thy Word”
- * **Old Testament Scripture:** from Proverbs 15 – *Barb Thompson*
The heart of the righteous weighs its answers, but the mouth of the wicked gushes evil. Whoever heeds life-giving correction will be at home among the wise. Those who disregard discipline despise themselves, but the one who heeds correction gains understanding. Wisdom’s instruction is to fear the Lord, and humility comes before honor.
- * **Praise Song:** “Come As You Are”

WE LISTEN TO GOD SPEAK

Children’s Sermon – *Pastor Heather*
Children through 6th grade dismissed for Kidz Church.

Call for Offering – *Barb Thompson*

Offering “Spirit in the Sky”

Prayer of Dedication – *Barb Thompson*

New Testament Scripture: Mark 4:1-20 - *Barb Thompson*

Sermon: “Rocky, Thorny, or Good?” – *Pastor Heather*

WE REFLECT AND RESPOND TO GOD

Prayer - *Pastor Heather*

- * **Praise Song:** “You’re Grace Is Enough”

WE GO OUT AS CHRIST’S AMBASSADORS

* **How We Do Life** – *Pastor Heather*

* **Sending** - *Pastor Heather*

- * **Praise Song:** “Awesome God”

Building Strong Families
Growing Vibrant Communities
Together in Faith

CHURCH WORSHIP PARTICIPANTS

ACOLYTE: Silas Rockey
CHILDREN & YOUTH DIRECTOR: Jessica Rockey
GREETERS: Doug & Hazel Hackley
LITURGIST: Barb Thompson
MUSIC DIRECTOR: Ginger Reinhardt
NURSERY: Tami daSilva, Holly Kreisler
OFFERING COUNTERS: Marcia Brooks, Cindy Forry, Pat & Steve Spence
OUTSIDE GREETERS: Joe Davis, Don Musser
PRAISE BAND: Tyler Beazley, Desiree Beazley-Whitcraft, Tom Breneisen, Dave Eichler, Cindy Forry, Melinda Myers, Ginger Reinhardt, Jackie Roberts, Bruce Stone
SOUND, LIGHT & MEDIA: Mark Myers, Andy Ober, Chad Ober, Ken Ober
HEAD USHER: Wayne Kauffman
USHERS: Marcia Brooks, Bonnie Engle, Pat Spence, Steve Spence

Attendance for March 15, 2026	In-person Worship:	105
	Livestream views:	18
	YouTube views:	41
	Sunday school:	44

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK (3-22-26 to 3-29-26)

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
		April <i>Herald</i> DEADLINE
Monday:	10:00 am	Lenten Study
	6:00 pm	Worship Team meeting
	7:00 pm	Lenten Study
Tuesday:	11:00 am	Prayer Group
Wednesday:	6-7:30 pm	YEP with Pizza
		Deadline for PIE ORDERS
Thursday:	6:00 pm	CHOIR rehearsal
	7:00 pm	Youth Group
Friday:	6:30 pm	Free Movie Night - <i>Barbie</i>
Next Sunday:	9:15 am	FROG Café – Fellowship Time
	9:30 am	Chapel open for prayer
	10:00 am	Worship Service – Palm Sunday – Easter Cantata
	11:15 am	Sunday school

ANNOUNCEMENTS – 3/22/26

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

Ginger Reinhardt, Music Director

Cell Phone: 860-712-3893 - Email: ginger@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: Deb Ziegler – 717-799-0434

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!

THE APRIL HERALD DEADLINE IS TODAY

Think of dates of meetings, special events, thank you notes, etc. for the **APRIL Herald** and e-mail to jackier@glossbrenner.net or hand it into the office TODAY!

EASTER PLANTS

TODAY IS THE LAST DAY TO ORDER EASTER PLANTS.
Please see the insert to place your order.

CARING HANDS & HEARTS

Easter Pie Sale: Today is the last Sunday you can order your great-tasting pies from Forest View Bakery for your Easter Celebration. However, you can call Sue Kopp at 717-471-6022 before this Wednesday, March 25. Information and an order form can be found on the insert.

Soft Pretzel Coupons: Caring Hands & Hearts will be selling Dutch Country Hand-Rolled Soft Pretzel coupons in the narthex before and after the worship services during the months of April and May. You will be able to purchase the coupons for \$12.00 each to be used at the store located at 26 West Main Street in Mount Joy. With a coupon, you will receive 3 soft pretzels and a fourth pretzel **FREE**. Normally, the soft pretzels are 3 for \$12.00. You can use these coupons until November 1, 2026. All proceeds will be used to support needs within the church, church family, and the surrounding communities in the name of Christ.

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

Hamilton Arms Center

Room 150-D

336 South West End Avenue

Lancaster, PA 17603

Homebound Members: Rose Bliss, Shirley Bowers, Mark Buller, Irene Dennis, Karen Elslager, Frank Geib, MaryAnn Miller, Gerald Ney, Betty Ober, Judy Orey, Jackie Peifer, Romaine Showalter

Donate online today!



YEP WITH PIZZA

YEP with Pizza will be on March **25th**. This will be an evening of pizza and conversation where you can ask Pastor Heather about anything on your mind.

FREE MOVIE NIGHT

Friday, March 27, at 6:30 p.m., the movie *Barbie* will be showing for Free Movie Night in the Fellowship Hall. Invite a friend and join us. Snacks provided!

PALM SUNDAY - CANTATA

Next Sunday, March 29, is Palm Sunday. Palm branches will be handed out. The Choir and Praise Band will be presenting the cantata, "The Passion and the Promise: An Easter Cantata". Come, join us as we reflect on that day and the following week many years ago. Jesus entered Jerusalem, the people shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord!" The Son of God entered the city humbly but courageously. He knew that danger – even death- awaited him and that in a matter of days, this same crowd would rise against Him with cries of "Crucify!" It was a victory day for him, a week before the greatest Victory of all – his resurrection.

HOLY THURSDAY – MEN NEEDED!

Men are needed to portray the 12 disciples and Jesus in a skit on Maundy Thursday, April 2. Please see Emi Nissley-Rafaj TODAY!

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 by **March 29**. Thank you for helping us spread a little Easter cheer to: Rose (& Mel) Bliss, Shirley Bowers, Mark Buller, Irene Dennis, Karen Elslager, Frank Geib, MaryAnn Miller, Gerald Ney, Betty Ober, Judy Orey, Jackie Peifer, and Romaine Showalter.

FROM THE CHILDREN & YOUTH DIRECTOR

Donations are needed for our annual Glossbrenner Kidz Egg Hunt, which will be held immediately following the worship service on Easter Sunday! Small candies to stuff the eggs are most needed, but all donations are welcome! Monetary donations or Giant gift cards are also helpful to keep up this fun tradition for our church children! This egg hunt is for all ages; infants to teenagers can participate. Put items in the red bin in the lobby (money or gift cards can be placed in the monetary donation box located on the mailbox counter).

TRASH DAY HELP NEEDED

We are looking for someone to be responsible for collecting our trash and putting it out for the weekly pick-up. This would mean gathering the trash and putting it at the curb on Tuesday evening, and then putting the empty trash cans back on Wednesday. If you can help or want to know more, please contact Mark Myers or Pastor Heather.

THE UPPER ROOM

Copies of *THE UPPER ROOM* for MARCH and APRIL 2026 are available in the lobby/narthex.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES

If you notice anything in **MARCH** that the trustees should take care of, please get in touch with **Bruce Stone** at 717-413-2409.

Thank You!

Thank you for your cards, love, and prayers during our health issues the past two months. It's comforting to know you have a great church family who cares and keeps you in their thoughts and prayers. Bill and Judy Baker

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: The Preschool through 2nd Grade – Room #3; 3rd through 6th Grade – Room #2; Youth 7th through 9th Grade – Youth Room; 10th Grade through College – Room #7 (upstairs by the choir room); **IGNITE** (young adult group, Post-College-40s) – Room #5 (FROG Café); **KOINONIA** (adult class) – Parlor; **ALL STARS** (adult class) – Room #1.

ALTAR FLOWERS FOR 2026: 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, has recently lost a loved one, or would appreciate receiving a card from us, please contact Deb Ziegler at 717-799-0434.

PRAYER GROUP GATHERINGS: Join us for our prayer time in the chapel on 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.

HERSHEY PARK VOLUNTEER SHIFTS ARE AVAILABLE: The hourly rate of \$8.00 goes to Caring Hands & Hearts; volunteers receive tickets to the park (an \$80 value). If you are interested in volunteering (must be 18 years old or older) or want more information, contact Wayne Kennedy at 223-341-3780 or wbkennedy4@embarqmail.com or Betty Robinson at 717-366-4549 or blrmrj@comcast.net

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 5) and place it in the offering plate or Patty McKee-Stone's mailbox. Please make checks payable to GLOSSBRENNER CHURCH and write "EASTER PLANTS" on the memo line.

FINAL DEADLINE TO ORDER IS TODAY.

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 (5 to 6 blooms) @ \$12.00 each _____

(#)___ Mini Daffs @ \$5.00 each _____

(#)___ 6" Pansy Bowl @ \$8.00 each _____

(#)___ 12" Pansy Bowl @ \$12.00 each _____

Amount Enclosed \$ _____

In Memory of _____

In Honor of _____

Easter Pie Sale

I would like to order the following pies for \$12.00 each for my Easter celebration:

of Pies

_____ Apple Crumb

_____ Cherry Crumb

_____ Blueberry

_____ Pecan

_____ Shoofly

Name _____

Phone Number _____



Easter Pie Sale

(Apple Crumb, Cherry Crumb, Shoofly, Blueberry, and Pecan)

Caring Hands and Hearts is 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 4th** (the day before Easter) from **4:00 to 5:00 pm.**

To Order Your Favorite Pies Before Wednesday, March 25th:

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 Sue Kopp a call at 717-471-6022.