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"Proclaiming God's love revealed in Jesus Christ and his People"

The Messiah Herald



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Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We have now come to Holy Week, the Triduum, and the Season of Easter. Within these days is contained the heart of the Christian proclamation. "14 Just as Moses lifted up the snake in the desert, so the Son of Man must be lifted up, 15 that everyone who believes in him may have eternal life. 16 "For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. 17 For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him. 18 Whoever believes in him is not condemned, but whoever does not believe stands condemned already because he has not believed in the name of God's one and only Son." Within these words from John's Gospel we hear God's work as revealed in those days.

Jesus was incarnate of God and born of Mary, "God in the flesh." "Begotten, not made," as we say in the Nicene Creed. Living in the flesh he completely shared our lives and the entire struggle that this life we live entails. He knew hunger, loneliness and pain and despite that he never turned from God but remained faithful, "unto death, even death on a cross." He did this not to condemn us in all the ways in which we fall short of the glory of God or fail in our faithfulness to our relationships to our neighbor. He did it not to condemn but to save us for eternal life and in securing that life to free us once again to live a life like his loving God and neighbor. Our hope then resides in hearing these words and trusting the one whom they proclaim as our Lord and Savior. The only condemnation we now risk is failing to believe and trust in Jesus Christ and the work he has done for us.

The question then becomes for us in these days is, "What does Christian faith and belief look like as it moves from the celebration of Palms and entry to Jerusalem, to the intimacy of the Last Supper, to the weight of the impending cross in Gethsemane, to the trials and crucifixion at Golgotha, and the empty tomb of Easter." Does your belief include time to hear the whole story and to walk the path of Christ as he walks with you every day? Will you be there when they crucify the Lord? Or will you simply rush to Easter and ignore, neglect, forget, the terrible cost of the life you have now been given. And if you do neglect the totality of this story and the cross how will you ever know just how far you can go to help another, to heal another, to bless another. How will you understand just how much life you have been given to share and celebrate before God and neighbor? Please believe and come because "I love to tell the story. "

Yours in Christ,

Pastor Bill

DAILY HOME BIBLE READINGS

April	1: Mark 14:1—15:47
April	2: Hebrews 9:11-15
April	3: Isaiah 49:1-7
April	4: John 13:21-32
April	5: John 13:1-17, 31b-35
April	6: John 18:1—19:42
April	7: Psalm 118:1-2, 14-24
April	8: Mark 16:1-8
April	9: John 20:1-18
April	10: 1 Corinthians 15:35-49
April	11: 1 Corinthians 15:50-58
April	12: Acts 4:32-35
April	13: Psalm 133
April	14: 1 John 1:1—2:2
April	15: John 20:19-31
April	16: Daniel 9:1-19
April	17: Daniel 10:2-19
April	18: Acts 3:1-10
April	19: Acts 3:12-19
April	20: Psalm 4
April	21: 1 John 3:1-7
April	22: Luke 24:36b-48
April	23: Acts 3:17-26
April	24: Acts 4:1-4
April	25: 2 Timothy 4:6-11, 18
April	26: Acts 4:5-12
April	27: Psalm 23
April	28: 1 John 3:16-24
April	29: John 10:11-18
April	30: 1 Peter 5:1-5



PRAYER REQUESTS

Prayer Requests will be placed in the weekly bulletin for one month.

If you wish to have someone included in the prayer list for more than one month, please call the church office.

DIAL-A-PRAYER (436-2100) IS AVAILABLE 24 HOURS DAILY!

APRIL SCHEDULES

LECTORS

1: Ed Beaver
8: Sam Leister
15: Linda Leister
22: Bob St. Clair
29: Linda Bahorik

ALTAR GUILD

Mar. 26—Apr. 1	Linda Clark
Apr. 2—Apr. 8	Barbara S. Geedey (Clint & Jamie Miller) cup communion
Apr. 9—Apr. 22	Christie Holderman
Apr. 23—May 6	Michelle Stoner

ALTAR FLOWERS

1: Ernest Family
8: OPEN
15: OPEN
22: OPEN
29: OPEN



Messiah Women of the ELCA met Thursday, March 8, 2012 with Barbara S. Geedey leading devotions from the Booklet, "Christ in Our Home." The devotion was based on the scripture, Exodus 20:1-17. Thank you, Barbara.

The business meeting was in charge of Barbara S. Geedey, Leader

Business discussed:

--Some members searched for minutes for years past. These minutes are needed to write a brief History of the Women's Organi-

zation of Messiah. After finding them, Barbara is taking them to research for a 400 word history.

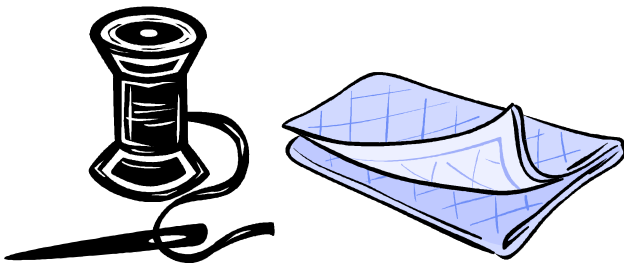
- Andrea Cameron will be the speaker for the March 21, 2012 Lenten Gathering of the women of the six churches of the Mifflin and Mifflintown area.
- Final plans were made for the refreshments for the Gathering.
- April is the last month for the ingathering of fabric and thread for Lutheran World Relief.

The next meeting will be Thursday, April 12, 2012 at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Area with Cynthia Smith as devotional leader and Linda Leister and Cynthia Smith as hostesses.

The meeting was adjourned with the reading of "The Purpose" of the Women of the ELCA.

REMINDER: Women of the ELCA continuously collect new bath-size bars of soap (4 oz. to 5 oz., preferably Ivory or unscented Dove) as an on-going project for Lutheran World Relief. Please place soap in the basket on the blue table in the Sunday School Room.

AN INVITATION TO PARTICIPATE IN THE FIRST 2012 PROJECT FOR LUTHERAN WORLD RELIEF BY THE MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA



FABRIC KITS – Sewing is a valuable skill, one that leads to a reliable income for many women and men. Fabric Kits supply vocational training programs with fabric for

teaching sewing, and for newly trained tailors to launch their sewing businesses. Include the following items in each Fabric Kit:

- Two pieces of cotton or cotton-blend fabric (no knits or 100% polyester); fabric should have no stains or holes and should be cut into pieces measuring 2¼ yards or 60" wide fabric, or 3 yards of 44" wide fabric, or 4 yards of 36" wide fabric.
- Two spools of matching or neutral-colored general purpose thread, 250-300 yards each.

The following is an example of how the Fabric Kits are used by Lutheran World Relief – BUNDLES OF HOPE – Young women in West Africa face many challenges as they enter early adulthood. Learning marketable skills to support themselves and contribute to their families can often keep them from being married off at a young age. At the House of Hope for Disadvantaged Girls in Bamako, Mali, Fabric Kits are distributed to the 40 young women who live at the school and learn a number of skills—including tailoring—as a means of earning an income.

When choosing fabrics, consider bright colors and colorful prints. If you are not a shopper and want to participate in the project, we will be glad to do your shopping. Just give your donation to Cynthia Smith or Linda Leister.

Matthew 25:40; And the King will answer and say to them, "Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me."



REMEMBER OUR SHUT-INS

LOCUST GROVE

Jean McNaight (Cottage #5)
 Ethel Bossinger Sue Collins
 Sis Stetler Bill Walters

BROOKLINE

Flo Beale Virginia Feaster
 Marian Gross
 Anna Mary Zimmerman

BERRY'S PERSONAL CARE CENTER

Goldie Kauffman Carol Simonton

NORTH RIDGE CENTER FOR ASSISTED LIVING, McALISTERVILLE

Dorothy Cleck

HONNEMAN HOUSE, THOMPSONTOWN

Ruth Cisney Ray Bramm

ELMCROFT OF REEDSVILLE

Helen Knox

LAKEVIEW SENIOR CARE CENTER, SMETHPORT, PA

Cathryn Renninger

NORTH STREET MANOR

Florence Beasom

AT HOME

Reba Sigler Cassie Smith
 Fannie King Jane Marhefka
 Fay McCormick

OTHERS OF CONCERN

--Craig Walker
 --Dorothy Patterson (Cindy Van Gavree's Mother)

--Bud Crawford, at Brookline

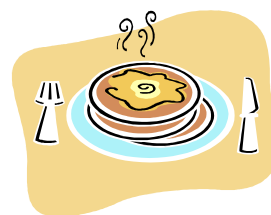
MEALS-ON-WHEELS

Meals-On-Wheels needs a head cook and team for the fourth Tuesday of the month (beginning in November). Also needed, at least two people to help assemble the meals for delivery on the second Friday of the month (needed immediately). Drivers are also needed for several routes.

If you can help, please call Dottie Heck at 436-6002 or 717-348-1950 (cell).

Individuals, church groups, or Sunday School classes who would like to make a contribution to the Meals-On-Wheels program, your continued support would be greatly appreciated. Contributions can be sent to:

Juniata Meals-On-Wheels
 P.O. Box 251
 Mifflintown, PA 17059



2012 PORT ROYAL MEN'S PRAYER

BREAKFAST SPEAKERS

7:00 a.m. – Port Royal Community Building

April 7 Rev. Charles Hershberger, Port
 Royal Lutheran Church

2012 MIFFLINTOWN MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFASTS

7:00 a.m., - JP Pancake House

April 7, Harold Oberholtzer



BISHOP'S OPEN GOLF TOURNAMENT

The seventh annual Bishop's Open Golf Tournament is set for May 14, 2012, beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the Susquehanna Valley Country Club in Shamokin Dam.

The tournament benefits Camp Mount Luther and the camp's annual fund. A flyer/bulletin insert containing information and registration form is available on the camp's website at www.campmountluther.org. The camp's golf tournament committee is currently looking for hole sponsors, door prize sponsors, silent auction items, and golfers. If you can help, please contact the camp office.

Congregations are also encouraged to become a hole sponsor this year. Get involved and help our synod's outdoor ministry!

ALTAR GUILD SCHEDULE

The new Altar Guild schedule from June, 2011 through June, 2012 will be completed soon. If you are not already on the Altar Guild and you would like to serve, please notify the church office. If you no longer wish to serve, again let the office know. All Altar Guild members will be sent a copy of the annual schedule in May.

Thanks to all for your willingness to serve.

LECTOR SCHEDULE

The new Lector Schedule from June, 2011 through June, 2012 will be completed soon. If you are not already serving as a Lector (the lay person who reads the scripture lessons at the worship service) and you would like to do so, please notify the church office. Any young people who would like to read on the first Sunday of the month are also asked to notify the church office. If you would like to be deleted from the list, again let the office know.

All Lectors will be sent a copy of the annual schedule in May. Thanks to all of you who volunteer for this role in our worship services.



WALK FOR SIGHT

The Pennsylvania Council of the Blind, Carl Shoemaker Chapter, and Radio Reading Service (formally CARRS), will hold its annual Walk For Sight Walkathon on Saturday, May 19, 2012 beginning at 9:30 a.m. Walk will be a state-wide Walkathon again this year and will be a distance of approximately 6 miles.

Registration will be from 9:00 to 9:30 a.m. Walk will begin and end at Messiah Lutheran Church. Prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be provided. Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied by an adult. Your support for this annual event would be greatly appreciated.

To obtain a sign-up sheet or for more information, call Geraldine Zeigler at 436-2746.

SUMMER WORSHIP SERVICES

Summer Worship Services will begin on June 10, 2012 at 9:15 a.m. (Sunday School at 8:15 a.m. if classes are being held) and end on September 2, 2012. Regular worship services will begin on September 9th.



RADIO READING SERVICE

The Radio Reading Service through the Carl Shoemaker Chapter of the Pennsylvania Council of the Blind and WJUN is now a 24-hour service. Daily and weekly newspaper news is something most people take for granted. For the print impaired, it can only be enjoyed when someone does the reading. The print impaired in the surrounding area have benefited from the expertise of Mr. Rob Scheid and the equipment he provided to make this an around the clock service. Volunteer readers still read from local papers from 10 a.m. until noon on weekdays by broadcasting their reading over a sub-carrier of WJUN.

A variety of programming for the reading impaired is then broadcast for the rest of the day. Special radios allow the listeners to hear the reading and programs. Reception of the service has been reported from new areas with the new equipment. The Radio Reading Service has radios available for those who would benefit from this service. Information provided during upcoming winter months is helpful for

obtaining information about flu shots, heating assistance, food banks, and community events.

For the past 19 years Radio Reading Service provided material of interest to the print impaired by a group of dedicated volunteer readers and administrators. Radio Reading and the NuVisions Center serving Mifflin and Juniata County have placed radios into private homes; PA Council of the Blind also places the radios into private homes and nursing homes bringing local news and inspiration to the print impaired. When CARRS was started there were churches and organizations that indicated they would help when needed. We are now offering the opportunity for them to come forward and help the handicapped. We are asking for help to support CARRS with financial contributions and volunteer readers. The studio has facility and utility bills monthly. This is a Central Pennsylvania Community Service. The red tape created by charitable funds being used by terrorist organizations has made it very difficult for small support groups to receive public funding.

PA Council of the Blind, Radio Reading Service desperately needs financial support to remain on the air. Contributions have decreased over the years, and in some cases stopped.

For more information about obtaining a radio or how to provide direly needed help for this service, please contact the PA Council of the Blind Chapter at 108 North Third Street in Mifflintown (phone 436-2746).

CHAIRS NEEDED

The Juniata County Friendship Club is a non-profit organization located in Mexico. We serve all of Juniata County as a drop-in center for those that have been diagnosed and treated for a mental illness. We have a peer counselor available as well as access

to mental health counseling. We provide a family-like place to come and socialize, and share problems. We are open Monday—Thursday, 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Our members can come every day, all day, or just a few days or a few hours. We provide a free lunch, snacks, crafts, activities and outings.

We are in need of donations of stuffed, comfortable chairs in good condition (no recliners please). If anyone is interested in donating furniture, please contact Cheri Peck, Director, at 436-2077.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVES

The American Red Cross will be holding blood drives in the Mifflintown area at the following locations:

Friday, April 6, 2012
12:00 p.m. – 6:00 p.m.
Fayette Community Building,
McAlisterville

Thursday, April 12, 2012
1:00-7:00 p.m.
Tuscarora Grange,
East Waterford

Saturday, April 14, 2012
9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.
Tuscarora Valley Elementary School,
Port Royal

The need for blood never diminishes because blood is a perishable medicine. Individuals who are in general good health, are age 17 or older, and weigh at least 110 pounds may be eligible to donate blood every 56 days. Individuals should bring their Red Cross donor cards, photo ID, or two other forms of identification to the donor site. To schedule an appointment, visit redcrossblood.org or call 1-800 Red Cross.

FREE DAY CAMP

Hospice: The Bridge will be offering a free day camp for grieving children. It is called Camp Morningstar. Camp will be held at Hartman Center in Milroy, PA on Saturday, May 19, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. Hospice: The Bridge has been providing Camp Morningstar for several years at Hartman Center and is excited to be able to include the Tides program again this year. Camp will be offered to a limited number of grieving children ages six to fourteen, and is free of charge.

Camp Morningstar is designed to be a fun and educational day filled with activities that will entertain your children, as well as provide them with some tools that can help them to cope with their loss. There will be arts and crafts, free T-shirts, music by KJ Smiles and a puppet show by Adam Swartz. A light breakfast and a lunch will be provided.

For more information and to register, please contact Scott Davidson, LPN, Community Liaison Hospice: The Bridge at 717-242-5000.

THRIVENT FINANCIAL FOR LUTHERANS

Messiah receives Thrivent Choice dollars from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Church members that have various products with Thrivent can designate funds from Thrivent to be forwarded to Messiah. When we receive the funds from Thrivent, we receive a list of church members who have funds designated for Messiah and the total amount being remitted, but we do not receive information on amounts being designated by individuals.

At present, those funds are being deposited into the church current account. If you have designated or will be designating any funds to be sent to Messiah from Thrivent and you want them to be used in any

capacity other than the church current account, please contact church treasurer Ken Eyler at 436-8543 or via email at keyler@nmax.net and provide him with the amount being sent by Thrivent and where you would like to have the funds applied. Upon receipt of that information, funds will be sent to the designated recipient.

THANK YOU

Thank you to Doyle Kint for bringing a television for the video games and to Sam and Linda Leister for making 3 flavors of ice cream for our game day.

Thanks also to Tina Hazard for her help in planning the event and to all who attended. We hope to repeat this event next year in February and look for more people to join in the fun and games.

Parish Fellowship Committee

(W)HOLY, (W)HOLY, (W)HOLY **Health, Healing and Wholeness** **April 2012**

"For in hope we were saved. Now hope that is seen is not hope. For who hopes for what is seen? But if we hope for what we do not see, we wait for it with patience." (Romans 8:24-25).

We are in the midst of the season of hope. Easter lasts a total of 50 days, ending with Pentecost, and the birth of the church. In celebration, we are surrounded by symbols of hope – colorful eggs, pictures of baby animals, greenery, rain, rainbows, and flowers – signs of re-birth and a promise of life after death.

If we look at the Easter story as recorded by Mark, this promise of life after death was not inherent in the minds of Christ's followers. On the morning of the resurrection, three days after Christ's crucifixion, two women named Mary arrive at the tomb with the ingredients to anoint the body of their teacher and friend. Instead of a body, they see a young man who tells them that Jesus is not there. Hope was not their first reaction! Instead they are both so frightened that they run back to the village, and tell *no one* about their experience. They were not alone. Two men did not recognize their traveling companion on the road to Emmaus. Others gathered in a room in town, petrified of what would become of them now that their leader had been killed. Then of course, there was Thomas, who refused to believe until he had physical proof. In all cases, these people had to grow into their understanding of hope beyond their limited sight.

Today we have come to understand that hope must be something we cultivate in each other, and that without it, we will not have a fruitful life. It's been said that man can live for about 40 days without food, about 3 days without water, about 8 minutes without air. However, he cannot live more than a few seconds without hope. Psychologist Erick Erikson stated, "Hope is both the earliest and the most indispensable virtue inherent in the state of being alive ... if life is to be sustained, hope must remain, even where confidence is wounded, trust impaired." Closely related to the experience of trust is the capacity to form effective attachments to others, including God. Viktor Frankl, in his book Man's Search for Meaning, noted that prisoners who lost their faith were doomed to die in a short period of time, echoing Proverbs 13:12, where "Hope deferred makes the heart sick."

So how do we cultivate hope? It begins in early childhood, through ongoing loving

interactions with responsive care givers. The secure base of the relationship serves as a safe haven to which a child can return for comfort, support, and guidance when he/she becomes fearful during interactions with the world. In time, this safety becomes internalized through the belief that someone will be available – providing hope, and an understanding of being loved. Can't we say the same of our relationship with our Lord?

There are spiritual, physical, and mental health advantages to increased hope. It aids in coping with adversity and leads to improved life satisfaction. Hopeful people tend to make healthier lifestyle choices. Studies have proven that they recover from illness and injury more effectively, and have increased life expectancies. They manifest less depression and anxiety and experience increased positive mental health and personal adjustment. They persevere when barriers arise, and are more effective problem solvers. In addition, they hold positive views of relationships and are open to receive social support. According to psychologist Martin Seligman, one of the most significant findings in psychology in the last twenty years is that individuals can choose the way they think.

How can one develop a hopeful attitude? With time and practice, a new habit of hopeful thinking can take shape. Here are a few tips from the experts at the Mayo Clinic:

- Check your inner voice periodically throughout the day. If your thoughts are mainly negative, try to replace them with positive ones.
- Try not to take yourself too seriously. There are plenty of humorous situations in everyday events even in difficult times.
- Exercise at least three days a week. Exercise releases endorphins in the body that help to positively effect mood and reduce stress.
- Surround yourself with positive, supportive, dependable people who give helpful advice and feedback. Negative people tend to deplete hopeful energy from others
- Pray, and be gentle with yourself. Some days will be more difficult than others, but get into the habit of not saying anything to yourself that you would not say to someone else. As the Rev. Billy Graham was reported to have said, "I've read the last page of the Bible. It's all going to turn out all right."

Easter's hope filled blessings to all!

Debbie Best, RN, MHA

Juniata County Food Pantry April Update

Blessings at Easter when we celebrate the greatest gift ever given: Jesus' life in exchange for ours. In return, He asks for so little from us. One thing is "to love our neighbors as ourselves." How can we do that? According to James 2:15-16: *"If a brother or sister is naked and destitute of daily food, and one of you says to them, 'Depart in peace, be warmed and filled,' but you do not give them the things which are needed for the body, what does it profit?"*

In February, the Food Pantry served 258 families in need – a total of 743 individuals. Many thanks to mighty Matamoras United Methodist Church for supplying us with volunteers for the month of February.

Please pray for the Juniata County Food Pantry and continue to support us with your donations as we try to keep food and supplies in the homes of the hungry. If you could help by donating the items below, we would be very grateful.

HELP NEEDED! With the increase in families being served at the Food Pantry, we are running out of hands to do all the jobs that need to be done. So "we are looking for a few good men"-and women! – to be permanent volunteers at the Food Pantry. If you have some time to spare and want to serve your community, check out the following volunteer job description and call Kathy at the Food Pantry if you are interested, 436-9718.

Two volunteers to work Saturdays 9:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the Food Pantry. Duties would include answering the phone, setting up appointments, interviewing clients, completing forms and helping with other office work as needed. Applicants must be very strong in the following fruits of the spirit: patience, kindness, goodness and self-control – even under pressure. Additional abilities such as peaceful coexistence with computers and speaking Spanish are appreciated, but **NOT REQUIRED**. Pay for this position is not in Money, but in storing up many treasures in heaven!

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR APRIL:

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CASH OR GIFTCARD DONATIONS MAY BE DEPOSITED THROUGH THE MAIL SLOT.

PHONE #: 717-436-9718 -- CONTACT PERSON: KATHY QUEITZSCH

ADDRESS: PO BOX 44, MIFFLINTOWN, PA 17059

LOCATION: 114 N. Main St., Mifflintown, PA

NEW HOURS: (Beginning April 1) MONDAY AND WEDNESDAY, 2:00 – 6:00 PM AND SATURDAY, 9:00 AM – 1:00 PM. CLOSED ON TUESDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY AND SUNDAY.



2012 COMMUNITY LENTEN SCHEDULE

Maundy Thursday, April 5, 7:00 PM at Westminster Presbyterian Church with Pastor Chris Mathiason preaching. Theme – The Cross in Holy Week.

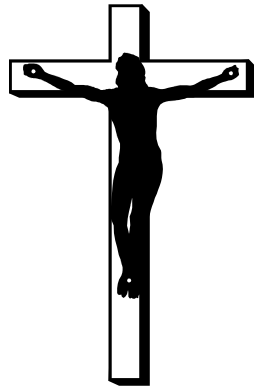
Good Friday Service, April 6 from 12:00 noon—3:00 PM at Messiah Lutheran Church – Pastors of the Community. Theme – Seven Last Words.

Easter Sunrise Service, April 8, 6:30 AM at Trinity Methodist Church with Pastor William Esborn preaching.

Community Thanksgiving Service, November 18, 7:00 PM at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church.

2012 GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE - MESSIAH LUTHERAN CHURCH “SEVEN LAST WORDS”

Welcome and Opening, 12:00 noon – Pastor William Esborn
Father forgive them, 12:05-12:30 PM – Pastor William Esborn
My God, My God, 12:30-12:55 PM – Pastor Martha Carlson
Today you will be with me, 12:55-1:20 PM – Pastor Charlie Stump
Mother, behold thy Son, 1:20-1:45 PM – Pastor Edd Carlson
I thirst, 1:45-2:10 PM – Pastor Gay Irwin
It is finished, 2:10-2:35 PM – Pastor Chris Mathiason
Into thy hands, 2:35-3:00 PM – Father William Weary
Closing and Sending – Pastor William Esborn



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When: Sunday, May 20th at 12:00 PM. (Lunch is provided.)

Where: Messiah Lutheran Church (Social Hall) in Mifflintown.

Register: Call Esther Bratton at 436-8856 or Francene Zimmerman at 436-5566 by Sunday, May 6th.

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