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SECOND SUNDAY IN LENT March 16, 2014 – 10:30 a.m.

*Please Stand as **YOU** Are Able

PEOPLE TO REMEMBER IN PRAYER TODAY

SHUT-INS: Marian G., Reba S., Kitty W., Flo B., Ethel B., Virginia F., Jean M., Cassie S., Helen K., Sis S., Jane M., Fay M., Dorothy P., Ruth C., Ray B., Florence B.

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PREPARATION

CHIMES: CALL TO WORSHIP

PRELUDE

[A Time for Meditation and Prayer]

GREETINGS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

INTRODUCTION

During Lent we journey with all those around the world who will be baptized at the Easter Vigil. In today's gospel Jesus tells Nicodemus that he must be born of water and Spirit. At the font we are given a new birth as daughters and sons of God. As God made a covenant with Abraham, in baptism God promises to raise us up with Christ to new life. From worship we are sent forth to proclaim God's love for all the world.

CHILDREN'S SERMON Pastor Esborn
ANTHEM Jr. Choir

"I Am a "C," "Six Weeks of Lent," "Jesus Loves the Little Children"

- * CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
 - P Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, the fountain of living water, the rock who gave us birth, our light and our salvation.
 - C Amen

- P Come, let us acknowledge our sin and seek God's face, that we may live.

 Silence is kept for reflection
- P Holy God,
- C we confess that we have turned away from you and from our neighbors, and in toward ourselves. We have sought security in possessions and the place of power in relationships. We have trusted ourselves most of all. Turn us back to you, O God. In your mercy, forgive our sinfulness and cleanse us from guilt and shame. Guide us on the path of freedom that is your gift to us in Christ our Lord. Amen
- P Hear for yourselves: There is no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus. In the waters of baptism grace abounds for you and for all. God turns to you in love and puts away every sin, every wrong turn, for the sake of + Jesus, the one God sent to save the world.
- C Amen
- * SHARING OF GOD'S PEACE
 - P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
 - C And also with you.

Congregational sharing: "Peace be with you."

GATHERING

- * ENTRANCE HYMN "All Who Believe and Are Baptized"
- * GREETING
 - P The grace of Jesus Christ our Savior, the reconciling love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
 - C And also with you.
- * KYRIE (C spoken)
 - P In peace, let us pray to the Lord.
 - C Lord, have mercy.
 - P For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.
 - C Lord, have mercy.
 - P For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.
 - C Lord, have mercy.
 - P For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.
 - C Lord, have mercy.
 - P Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.
 - C Amen

- * PRAYER OF THE DAY (spoken in unison)
 - P Let us pray...
 - C O God, our leader and guide, in the waters of baptism you bring us to new birth to live as your children. Strengthen our faith in your promises, that by your Spirit we may lift up your life to all the world through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen

WORD

FIRST READING: Genesis 12:1-4a

The First Reading is from the 12th chapter of Genesis.

THE LESSON READS:

Now the LORD said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. ²I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. ³I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." ⁴So Abram went, as the LORD had told him; and Lot went with him.

Lector: Here ends the reading.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

PSALM: Psalm 121 (responsively)

L I lift up my eyes to the hills; my help comes from the LORD. (Ps. 121:1, 2)

Il lift up my eyes to the hills; from where is my help to come?

²My help comes from the LORD, the maker of heaven and earth.

³The LORD will not let your foot be moved nor will the one who watches over you fall asleep.

⁴Behold, the keeper of Israel will neither slumber nor sleep;

5the LORD watches over you; the LORD is your shade at your right hand;

6the sun will not strike you by day, nor the moon by night.

7The LORD will preserve you from all evil and will keep your life.

⁸The LORD will watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth forevermore.

ALL I lift up my eyes to the hills; my help comes from the LORD.

SECOND READING: Romans 4:1-5, 13-17

The Second Reading is from the 4th chapter of Romans.

THE LESSON READS:

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? ²For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. ³For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." ⁴Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something

due. ⁵But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. ¹³For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. ¹⁴If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. ¹⁵For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. ¹⁶For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, ¹⁷as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Lector: Here ends the reading.

Cong: Thanks be to God.

* LENTEN VERSE (sung)

Return to the Lord, your God, for he is gracious and merciful, slow to anger, and abounding in steadfast love.

* GOSPEL: John 3:1-17

P The Holy Gospel according to John, the 3rd chapter.

C Glory to you, O Lord. (sung)

THE GOSPEL READS:

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. ²He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." 3Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." 4Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" 5Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. 6What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. 7Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' 8The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." 9Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" ¹⁰Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? 11 Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. 12 If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? 13No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. 14And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, 15that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. 16 For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. ¹⁷Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C Praise to you, O Christ. (sung)

SERMON Pastor Esborn

* HYMN OF THE DAY

- "Lift High the Cross"
- * APOSTLES' CREED (all)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

P Returning to the Lord, our God, let us pray for the church, the world, and all of God's creation.

A brief silence.

P We pray for the whole body of Christ. (Pause) That being born of the Spirit and blessed by God, your church may be a blessing to the world. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We pray for creation. (Pause) For water and wind in their many forms, that they nourish and renew the earth. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We pray for the world. (Pause) For all countries, tribes, races, and families, that they live in harmony and cooperation (especially). Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We pray for all who are in need. (Pause) For the spiritually lost, the fearful, the confused, and the ill (especially all of our shut-ins [both at home and in nursing homes], and for Tammy Walton, Dorothy Patterson, Josh Beitz, Karl and Margaret Guss, Sarah Shellenberger, Jo-Anne Brooks, Marian Gross, Chris Albright, Rick Waller, Sr., Avonel Waller, Clark Shirk, Jesse Kint, Betty Karstetter, Mary Ann Zook, Charlene Aughey, Robert Reynolds, Rick Varner, Sally and Ray Miller, Bonita Gilson, Kim Shearer, Victoria Ricedorf, Allison Garver, Angie Goss, Craig Cisney, Carol Spigelmyer, Sis Stetler, Donnie Beward, Wyatt Dysinger, Martin Ehrenzeller, Jim Woltman, Allen Hall, and family of Susan Huss) that the Lord will keep their going out and their coming in. Lord, in your mercy,

C hear our prayer.

P We pray for this assembly. (Pause) That having received all righteousness by faith, we boldly bear witness to a God who loves the whole world. Lord, in your mercy,

Here other intercessions may be offered.

- P We give thanks for the faithful departed. (Pause) For the example of faith by which they lived, that it sustain us until we all enter the reign of God in its fullness. Lord, in your mercy,
- C hear our prayer.
- P Into your hands, O God, we commend ourselves and all for whom we pray, trusting in your abundant mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
- C Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERTORY

[Please pass the Friendship Pad down your pew for all to sign and then back to the center aisle so everyone has the opportunity to read the names. We request that our guests also give us their home address. Thank you].

* SUNG OFFERTORY (sung)

Create in me a clean heart, O God, and renew a right spirit within me. Cast me not away from your presence, and take not your Holy Spirit from me. Restore to me the joy of your salvation, and uphold me with your free Spirit.

* OFFERING PRAYER

- P God our provider, you have not fed us with bread alone, but with words of grace and life. Bless us and these your gifts, which we receive from your bounty, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen

MEAL

- * THE GREAT THANKSGIVING
 - P With his Body and Blood, Jesus Christ delivers us from the power of darkness.
 - C and leads us into the Kingdom of God.
 - P Christ has humbled himself and become obedient unto death.
 - C even to death on a cross.
 - P He was wounded for our transgressions and bruised for our iniquities,
 - C and on him was the chastisement that made us whole.
 - P Here at his holy table he feeds us now with his Body and Blood.
 - C Glory to you, our Lord and Savior; with your Body and Blood you redeem the World.

* EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

- P Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath.
- C We praise you, O God.
- P Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future.
- C We bless you, O God.
- P We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now.
- C We thank you, O God.

- P In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

 Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

 Remembering his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith.
- C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
- P We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end.
- C Amen
- * THE LORD'S PRAYER ['trespasses'] (all)
 - C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.
 - Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen

- INVITATION TO COMMUNION
 - P Come to the table prepared for you. Taste the overflowing grace of God.

(In hospitality and attempting to meet the needs of individuals, Messiah now offers gluten free communion hosts. If you wish to receive gluten free hosts, please come to the side where Pastor Esborn is serving).

DISTRIBUTION

["INTINCTION" – dip your wafer in the wine. Come forward by the center aisle and return by the side aisle. All who wish to stand at the chancel rail after partaking for a time of silent meditation are invited to do so].

- COMMUNION BLESSING
 - P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
 - C Amen
- PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
 - P God of mercy, we give you thanks for seating us at your table and serving us with the food of eternal life. We who once were dead are now living members of your Son, awakened by the breathing of your Spirit. Send us out to awaken others to the mystery of your love, which is revealed to all the world in the one who came to give himself away, Jesus Christ our Lord.
 - C Amen

SENDING

- * BLESSING
 - P God the Father, + Son, and Holy Spirit watch over your going out and your coming in, from this time forth and forevermore.
 - C A-men, A-men (sung)
- * DISMISSAL

P Go in peace. Remember the poor. C Thanks be to God!

CLOSING CHIMES

NEXT WEEK'S LECTOR – Diana Wise NEXT WEEK'S ALTAR GUILD – Diana Wise NEXT WEEK'S ACOLYTES – Nate Swailes & Gavin Kint

WELCOME

IF YOU WISH TO USE OR FOLLOW THE LITURGY MUSIC as we proceed through the service today, please use the purple portfolios placed on top of the sound control system. In addition, headsets are available in the narthex for our sound enhancement system for the hearing impaired.

VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME to worship at Messiah. We invite you to register your visit not only in the Friendship Pads, but also in the guest book provided in the narthex. If you are seeking a church home, please speak to the pastor. Our fellowship in Jesus Christ is open and extended to all persons who confess His Lordship over all life. Thank you for worshiping with us. We invite you to return. Visitors are invited to commune with us if they are baptized and, if with us in our faith, they trust Jesus' promise of the presence of the Body and Blood of Christ.

WE INVITE EVERYONE (members and visitors) worshiping with us today to sign the Friendship Pads during the Organ Offertory. If you are a visitor, please be sure to include your address when signing. Please also place a check mark in the box (beside your name) if you are communing today and have not as yet given us a record of your participation in the sacrament during this quarter. (A new quarter begins in January, April, July, and October). The pads are found on the aisle seat of each pew in the nave, and in each section of the Adult Sunday School Room.

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. THE DEADLINE FOR ALL ITEMS TO BE INCLUDED IN THE SUNDAY BULLETIN IS THURSDAY NOON.

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

JUST A THOUGHT – J. B. Phillips, Bible Translator (1906 – 1982): I sometimes wonder what hours of prayer and thought lie behind the apparently simple and spontaneous parables of the gospel.

CONGREGATIONAL NEWS

PRAYER CHAIN – Any time you wish to add a name to our prayer list, please contact Stacie Kint at dskint@nmax.net. If at any time you would like to receive emails with prayer requests, please also contact Stacie.

THRIVENT CHOICE – Thank you to everyone at Messiah who has designated choice dollars to Messiah. If you are a Thrivent member and have questions about Thrivent Choice please contact Stacie Kint at dskint@nmax.net or 436-6341.

MESSIAH IS IN NEED of a new treasurer to replace Ken Eyler after his many years of service. If you would like details, please contact Executive Director Guy Dillman or Pastor Esborn.

NEW MEMBERSHIP DIRECTORIES with updated addresses and phone numbers are now available in the Adult Sunday School Room.

THE PROPERTY COMMITTEE will meet on Monday, March 24, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. in the choir room. Please let Kay Varner know if you are unable to attend.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN AND THEIR PARENTS are invited to attend a movie night at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church on Saturday, March 29th at 6:30 p.m. We will be watching a movie in the St. Stephen's sanctuary and have an intermission with popcorn and drinks. If your children have not attended Sunday School in the past, please feel free to join us and get to know everyone at this movie night. If you have any questions, please call Kate Swailes at 436-2686. Hope to see you there! **FYI** – Watch your bulletins for a family game night which will be held at Messiah in April, as we continue to coordinate our youth events with St. Stephen's.

STRONG WOMEN CLASS AT MESSIAH – MAKING A COMMITMENT TO GROWING STRONGER AND FEELING BETTER ABOUT YOURSELF. Penn State Extension of Juniata County is offering a safe, simple, and highly effective weight bearing physical activity program here at Messiah, which will also include some food and nutrition education. The Orientation session is Wednesday, March 19, 10:00 – 11:00 a.m. and will cover program specifics. Class schedule is March 24 – June 18, Mondays and Wednesdays, 9:00 – 10:00 a.m. Cost is \$90.00 for the 26 sessions. Call Beth Van Horn (instructor) at 248-9618 for information about the class or call 436-7744 to register.

EASTER LILIES to decorate the church on Easter Sunday, may be placed in memory or in honor of someone or to the Glory of God. Cost will be \$10.00 for a plant with 4 to 7 blooms. You may call the church office at 436-6213 to place your order.

SYNOD ASSEMBLY DELEGATES – Two members of Messiah are needed to attend the annual Synod Assembly on June, 20-21 2014 at Susquehanna University, Selinsgrove. If you are interested in serving, please contact the pastor or the church office.

THE 2014 CAMPING BROCHURES and registration forms for Camp Mt. Luther are available in the church office or you may register online at www.campmountluther.org. Please note that if you register online, you still need to get a health form signed by a doctor. Any young people planning to attend one of the church camps this summer are asked to get their registrations in before April 1st to avoid a late fee.

EMPTY YOUR CUP – Please make sure you empty all liquids from your cup BEFORE putting it into the trash. Thank you.

"THE NEEDLERS" NEED FABRIC – If you have extra fabric or sheets that you will not be using, "The Needlers" would appreciate your donation. If you do not have any material, but would still like to help "The Needlers," \$5.00 will sponsor one sheet to back a quilt. If you have fabric or wish to sponsor a sheet, please contact one of our "Needlers," or, come join us Tuesday mornings in the Fellowship Hall at 9:00 a.m. No sewing skills are required.

HELP AVAILABLE – If you or someone you know needs help with home repairs or yard work, there are volunteers in our community who may be able to help. For more information, contact Michael "Doc" Johnston at 436-9209, or Cynthia Smith at 436-8512.

WOMEN OF THE ELCA

MESSIAH WOMEN OF THE ELCA continuously collect new bath-size bars of soap (4oz. to 5oz., 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 Adult Sunday School Room.

THE FIRST PROJECT THIS YEAR for Messiah Women of The ELCA for Lutheran World Relief is baby care kits. Items needed are:

- --2 (6-24 months) lightweight cotton T-shirts
- --2 long or short-sleeved gowns or sleepers (without feet)
- --2 receiving blankets—medium weight cotton or flannel, crocheted or knitted with lightweight yarn (up to 52" square)
- --4 cloth diapers (flat fold preferred)
- --1 jacket, sweater (with buttons or ties down front), or sweatshirt with a hood, or (include a baby cap)
- -- 2 pairs of socks
- -- 1 hand towel (dark color recommended)
- --2 bath-size bars (4-5 oz.) of gentle soap in original wrapping
- -- 2 diaper pins

Place items on the round table in the Adult Sunday School Room.

WELCA PROJECT FOR FRIENDS OF PINE RIDGE RESERVATION FOR ANYONE WHO WOULD LIKE TO HELP – The biggest need right now is for the reservation's foster care agency, LOWO. They typically have about 450 kids in their system and unfortunately LOWO has no budget to provide clothing, bedding or other supplies for the children, most of whom arrive with only what they are wearing. They serve children from infant to teens so pretty much anything a child can wear, they can use (except preemie sizes for the baby items which are not

needed). Toddler pants, teen p-j bottoms, sleepwear for all ages, sun dresses and shorts during the summer, shirts and blouses, diaper bags, crib quilts, stuffed toys, bibs, cute colorful pillowcases, twin size bed sheets, crib sheets, Pack 'n Play size sheets, etc. Sewn tote bags are also always needed so the kids don't have to use plastic trash bags to carry around their few belongings. For those who knit or crochet, crib and smaller size baby blankets or afghans, slippers, cute scarves for the teens, mittens for the little ones, baby hats, booties, bunting, etc. would be welcome. Any colors and fibers and fabrics will work for any of the items that are made. The only restriction is not to send anything with an owl print as owls are a symbol of death in the Lakota culture. Place items on the round table in the Adult Sunday School Room. Any questions, contact Barb S. Geedey, Linda Leister, Cynthia Smith, or Marilyn MaCoy.

COMMUNITY

MEALS-ON-WHEELS needs volunteer drivers, cooks and people to help assemble meals. If you have some spare time and can help, please call Dottie Heck at 436-6002 or 717-348-1950 (cell).

FOOD PANTRY NEEDS FOR MARCH: ALL NON-PERISHABLE FOODS; DISH SOAP, ALL PURPOSE HOUSEHOLD CLEANERS, LAUNDRY DETERGENT

FRIDAY LENTEN FISH DINNERS, sponsored by the Knights of Columbus will be held from 4-7 p.m. in the church social hall at St. Jude's Catholic Church. All-you-can-eat meals will include fried and baked fish, popcorn shrimp, fried clams, French fries, macaroni and cheese, stewed tomatoes, corn, green beans, coleslaw, applesauce, rolls, puddings, and a selection of homemade desserts. Cost will be \$10.00 for adults, \$6.00 for children 6-12, and children under 6 are FREE (pay at the door).

WOMEN'S COMMUNITY LENTEN TEAS - This year's study will be from the book "Journey to the Cross" by Adam Hamilton, reflecting on 24 hours that changed the world. Fellowship time is 9:30 a.m. followed by the program at 10:00 a.m. Locations are listed below:

March 19, Aldersgate United Methodist Church. Lesson – The Trial Before the Council.

March 26, Trinity United Methodist Church. Lesson – Jesus and Pilate.

April 2, Westminster United Presbyterian Church. Lesson – Suffering and Humiliation.

April 9, St. Stephen's Lutheran Church. Lesson – The Crucifixion.

COMMUNI8TY LENTEN SERVICE, sponsored by the Twin-Boro Ministerium, will be held on Wednesday, March 19, 2014 at 7:00 p.m. at Westminster United Presbyterian Church. Pastor Bill Esborn will be the preacher.

2014 PORT ROYAL MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST SPEAKERS 7:00 a.m. – PORT ROYAL COMMUNITY BUILDING

March 22, Mr. James Bahorik, Messiah Lutheran Church

March 29, Rev. George Swartz, Stoney Run Church

April 5, Mr. Ted Kepner, TK Freedom

April 12, Rev. John Gehman, Lauvers Mennonite Church April 19, Rev. Casey Hostler, Heaven Bound Church

THE FRIENDS OF THE JUNIATA COUNTY LIBRARY and the OIP at Tyson Hill are having a library fund raiser on Tuesday, March 18, 2014. The OIP will donate 20% of any bill to the library if you present a library coupon. Coupons are available in the Adult Sunday School Room for those who would like to help support the library.

2014 MIFFLINTOWN MEN'S PRAYER BREAKFAST SPEAKERS
7:00 a.m. – JP PANCAKE HOUSE

March 22, Bill Esborn March 29, Sam Leister

April 5, (to be announced)
April 12, Charlie Stump

A MEETING WILL BE HELD on April 6, 2014 at St. Stephen's Lutheran Church in Licking Creek at 7:00 p.m. for ANYONE interested in helping with the Juniata County Workcamp. Whether it's preparing worksites several weeks before camp, helping with set-up the week before camp, or being part of the finishing crew that will complete sites not finished by the campers the week after camp is over, any and all help will be valued.

THIS WEEK AT MESSIAH

Today: -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Bible Study

-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.

Monday: -NEWSLETTER DEADLINE.

-7 p.m., Bible Study in Library.

-8 p.m., AA meeting in Fellowship Hall.

Tuesday: -9 a.m., "The Needlers" in Fellowship Hall.

Wednesday: -9:30 a.m., Women's Community Lenten Tea at Aldersgate United Methodist

Church.

-7 p.m., Community Lenten Service at Westminster United Presbyterian

Church.

Pastor Bill Esborn, preaching.

-8 p.m., Choir rehearsal.

Thursday: -1 p.m., Dulcimer rehearsal.

Friday: -6—9 p.m., Sq. and Line Dancing in Fellowship Hall (caller: Leslie Herb).

Everyone welcome!

Saturday: -7 a.m., Men's Prayer Breakfast at JP Pancake House.

Sunday: -9:15 a.m., Sunday School/Bible Study.

-10:30 a.m., Worship/Communion/Jr. Church.