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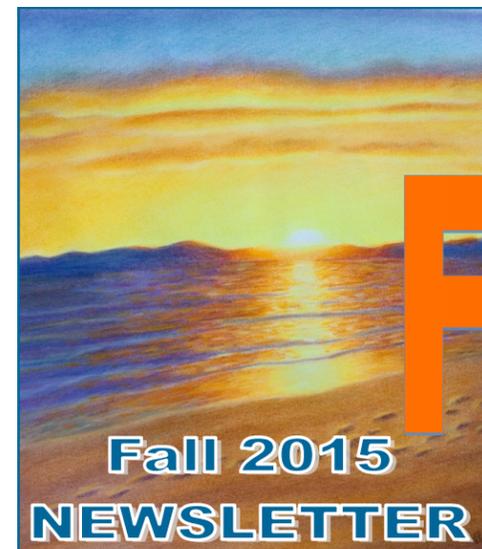


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***Opportunities for Worship
 Each Week***

Sunday

8:00am Worship
 9:15am Contemporary Worship
 11:00am Worship

Wednesday

7:15pm Communion Worship in
 Friendship Center

*In addition to every Sunday at
 8:00am, Holy Communion is
 celebrated the first Sunday of
 each month at
 9:15am and 11:00am*

Make Disciples • Relieve Suffering

Glorify God

Footprints

150th

ANNIVERSARY

CELEBRATION

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All Welcome!

Sunday

September 27

12:30—3:00

LORD, I GIVE YOU MY HEART

*Lord, I give You my heart,
I give You my soul,
I live for You alone.
Every breath that I take,
Every moment I'm awake,
Lord, have Your way in me.
* Reuben Morgan**

How badly do you want to be free in Christ? It usually takes getting fed up with false promises, tired of Satan's traps, or sick of our own stupid reactions before we really want to be free. Until that point, we stay bound by our own way of doing things, even though it is not working out.

Satan deceives us into thinking that we should only give God part of our heart, as if that way we could get the best of both worlds: our own selfishness and God's goodness. The truth is that the very thing we refuse to surrender imprisons us. We never experience the freedom of walking with God and enjoying His presence until we let go.

If God is trying to wrestle you to the ground to give in, know that whatever you let go of is nothing compared to knowing Him. His love and peace are so much more real, more stable, and more lasting; you won't believe you didn't give in sooner.

God always finds more for us to surrender – hidden attachments and unhealthy desires. By giving them all to Him, they lose their power to control us. Little by little He sets us free to love and worship Him. That's a freedom worth surrendering for.

I pray that this Fall will be a time of letting go of those things that hold us back and starting over so we can be the people God wants us to be!

Grace and peace,
Pastor Bob Strauss

***“Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul
and with all your mind and with all your strength.” (Mark 12:30)***

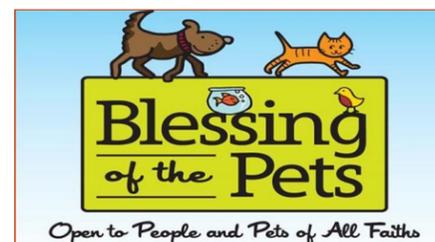
Music Notes

...make a joyful noise to the Lord!

***Chancel Choir will resume Thursday, September 3rd and meet
weekly on Thursdays, 7:00-9:00 pm.
Come by if you'd like to give choir a try!***

Singing is such a surefire way of feeling good! It comes in part through a surge of endorphins and dopamine, a neurotransmitter in the brain that is associated with feelings of pleasure and alertness. Music lowers cortisol, a chemical that signals levels of stress. Music also releases serotonin, a neurotransmitter associated with feelings of euphoria and contentment.

It doesn't matter how well you think you can sing! Investigators found that group singers experience the same benefits when singing with a volunteer group (i.e. CHURCH CHOIR) or a professional ensemble. Studies have found that group singing releases oxytocin, a chemical that manages anxiety and stress. There is still plenty of work to be done in the study of how the body and brain respond to music and singing in groups. In the meantime, as science works to explain what every singer already knows- JUST SING! Come on by on a Thursday night and give SINGING a try!



***Sunday, October 11, 1:00 pm
JARRETTOWN United Methodist Church***

Please join us for our 2nd annual ***Blessing of the Animals***. All pets, furry and non furry, are welcome along with their human friends! We can't wait to meet the special members of your family.

You and JUMC!

CAN YOU BELIEVE 150?

2015 is the 150th anniversary of the founding of Jarrettown United Methodist Church. [We are planning to celebrate "Can You Believe 150?"](#) for the **whole year** looking back at the wonderful ways that our church has served.

Some of our Sundays will focus on:

- ⇒ Some guest past pastors
- ⇒ Children, Youth, Methodist Men, and Methodist Women
- ⇒ Choir and music
- ⇒ Recognition of some longtime members
- ⇒ Missions
- ⇒ History Sundays covering various years at Jarrettown
- ⇒ Culminating in a month celebrating "Can You Believe 150?"
- ⇒ ... and of course a celebration dinner or two

Can You Believe 150? Anniversary Events:

September 20 - History Video #1 shown during worship

September 27 - Former Associate Pastor Matt Heckman preaching & Church Picnic

October 11 - History Video #2 shown during Worship

October 18 - Children's Sunday

October 25 - Former Youth Pastor Mike Murphy preaching

November 15 - Music Ministry Sunday

November 22 - Pastor Ken Beale, Jr. preaching & Anniversary Celebration Luncheon

And of course our Fall Mission Moments!

"IN HIS STEPS"

"To this you were called, because Christ suffered for you, leaving you an example, that you should follow in his steps." (1 Peter 2:21)

Our discipleship/stewardship program is called "**In His Steps**," as we try to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. It's never too late to get involved. Green commitment sheets are available in the Welcome Center. Questions? Please contact the church office.

Jarrettown Men's Retreat 2015

(This is a local event open to all men of JUMC)

Discovering the Pathway from Happiness to Joy: God's Unexpected Path to Abundant Life

Date:
Saturday, September 26th

Location: College Settlement Camp in Horsham, PA

Cost:
\$30 per person; breakfast and lunch will be served

Time: 8AM – 12Noon; with special network meeting following the presentation



Event Presenter:
Paul Payton

Paul joined NexT Level Men's Ministry in 2005. He makes his home in Doylestown Township with his wife Nan. They have three grown children and six grandchildren. A graduate of the University of MS School of Pharmacy, Paul began his career as a pharmacist. Leaving practice, he worked in sales, marketing and managed care with Merck, & Co. Inc. for nearly 27 years. Upon retiring from Merck, Paul started TriConn Consulting, Inc. and finished his work career as a retail pharmacist with CVS. In retirement, he spends his time in prison, homeless and housing ministries and co-leads Love & Respect marriage ministry with his wife Nan. Paul is an active member of Doylestown United Methodist Church

Questions we will explore

In the midst of hardship and suffering:

What is the Biblical theology of hardship and suffering?

Why are we motivated toward short-term happiness when longer-term joy and abundant life are available?

How does it negatively impact our hearts toward God?

Why is it so difficult to connect with God?

What must we understand about the Healing Path to a better and joyful earthly life?

How do we overcome our fear?

How can we make a personal encounter with God the desire of our hearts?

Contact: Frank Malfi fmalfi@verizon.net 610-220-0719

CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES

Nursery Care is available for infants through 2 ½ during the 9:15 Sunday worship service. Stop in the nursery for a brochure with nursery information and policies.



Cradle Roll Volunteers will mail regular newsletters to parents of new babies during their early years. If you are the parents of a baby or know parents of nursery age children from our church that would like to participate in this program contact JumcOffice@verizon.net

Sunday School is Cool

Regular Sunday School starts up again on **Sunday September 13th** during the 9:15 service. Children ages 2 1/2-4 will be meeting in the Preschool room and children in K-1st grade will be meeting in the Kindergarten room. Children in 2nd through 5th grade will meet in the Sunday school room located in the mission hallway.



This fall Preschool and the K-1st grade classes will be starting off with a newly reformatted curriculum from Cokesbury designed with a more "hands on" approach to engage children in Bible learning. The 2nd-5th grade class will be learning about the creation of the universe in Genesis, as well as several lessons from the New Testament through Group's Hands-on Bible curriculum.

On **September 13th** at the 9:15 service, we will be **blessing the backpacks** of any students who bring one to church that day. On **September 20th** we will be commissioning the Sunday school teachers and helpers at the 9:15 service. In November, all Sunday school classes will be making Christmas cards and gifts to be handed out during our annual December Christmas caroling event.

In other news, this year's Everest VBS was a smashing success. We had about 75 children attend and 25 volunteers help to make their experience an unforgettable one. We also raised \$444.80 for Operation Kid to Kid which was enough to send 111 Bibles written in Thai, to children in Thailand. Thank you to all who participated in and contributed to this worthy cause. We are already looking forward to next year when we will be exploring Cave Quest VBS.

The offering collected in the children's classes is for the sponsorship of "Madina" through **Compassion International**. For more information about our "child", check the children's ministries bulletin board in the lobby.



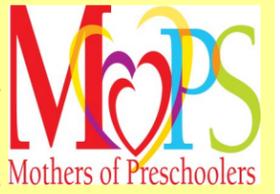
Congratulations to Quinn Poppy Shellhammer (daughter of Shannon & Matt) who was baptized during worship on August 23! We welcome her into the family of God and as a baptized member of our church.



Thanks to:

The volunteers who babysit during the monthly MOPS meeting!
Our wonderful Sunday School teachers!! Our awesome nursery volunteers!!

Better Moms Make a Braver World: Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) is a community of women who share the concerns of caring for infants, toddlers, and preschoolers, get a little creative with crafts, and learn skills we can use to be even better Christian mothers. We meet the first and third Thursday of every month from September to May from 9:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. at Jarrettown United Methodist Church. Our first meeting is September 17. If you would like to meet us, please contact Katie Wenger at iamhistoo@gmail.com or 717-808-0499.



Do You Enjoy Working with Children? We are looking for a few teens or adults to help babysit children while MOPS members attend their bi-monthly meetings. Only two hours of your time is needed. Your service is greatly appreciated! If you are interested, please contact Katie Wenger at iamhistoo@gmail.com or 717-808-0499

THRIVE has had a busy summer, and we are looking to take the energy into the fall with a new school year. We're kicking off the new school year on September 13th with our annual mini golf tournament. We are also joining our Pray-4-U walkers at Mondauk Park to pray for our community on Saturday September 12th, as well as participating in a lock-in with the Interfaith families on Friday September 25th. We also hope to get a lot of attendance at the church picnic on September 27th as Jake will be running the dunk tank.



October is our missions month, and we plan to focus on outreach to our neighboring community. We'll be participating in the Pray-4-U car wash on October 10th, with door hanger day on the 3rd. THRIVE is also participating in the Rake n' Bake on October 24th and 31st and spilling into November on the 7th and 21st. Our goal is to encourage our youth to come out and minister to the surrounding communities WITH the entire JUMC congregation as we seek to make the Lord known in our community.

This past summer was busy, but exciting as we welcomed our new youth pastor, Jake Fairfield. Jake began his ministry at JUMC by building relationships with our students through the UM days at the Philadelphia Phillies and Dorney Park, our trip to the Philadelphia Union Game, and beach day at Ocean Grove. THRIVE would like to especially thank Tom and Anne Marie Malfi for hosting our pool party to close out the Summer, and all of our leaders and volunteers who sacrificed their time and energy in order to impact the youth of Jarrettown UMC.

Finally, Jake will be in the office regularly on Wednesdays and Fridays throughout the school year in the afternoon and evenings. Please email JumcYouth@verizon.net with any questions, comments, or concerns. We look forward to the work the Lord will do through our students in this upcoming school year and we continually ask for your prayers and support.

Opportunities to Serve.....



Our **AID FOR FRIENDS** group meets on the third Tuesday of each month in Fellowship Hall from around 5:30 or so to assemble and package meals for our AFF freezer. We usually prepare 80 meals from a pre-selected menu and can always accept gifts of individual desserts (in sealed sandwich or snack bags) or cash support to help pay for the foods used. Of course, we'd love to have you join us - the more the merrier. For ways to help, contact Carole McGlumphy or Michele Scholtz. **Rachel Circle** now meets every other month on the first Tuesday at 7pm to cook for AFF.

North Hills/Ambler Community Food Cupboards thank all of you who give generous donations to help those in need. Their motto is "Neighbors helping neighbors," and by donating food, laundry detergent and paper goods, you are helping those people in our communities who are experiencing a difficult time in their lives. The cupboard also has a boutique which is free to clients. They have counseling, nurse screenings, financial and emergency services. For both cupboards, **we have an ongoing need for toilet tissue, personal soap, paper towels, detergents, cleaning supplies.** Please leave your items in the box marked "**Feeding the Hungry**" in the Mission Center.

St Philip's Community Meal The mission of St. Philip's church is to share with others the gift of God's love through our service, compassion, witness and life together. We are committed to sharing the good news of Jesus Christ through word and deed, calling people to salvation in Christ and to live the tenets of Christian faith in love and service to others.

September 2014 was our 15th year kickoff for the Wednesday Community Meal. A weak economy coupled with high urban unemployment continues to supply the number of people we are feeding-average 65/wk. We serve many ethnic groups (Latino, black, Asian) in the Kensington community. Your support both spiritually and financially enables us to continue the ministry. Praise God for his love, direction and JUMC service to others. In January 2013 we established a **food cupboard** at St Philip's. JUMC supplied groceries to start this program and on-going food donations have maintained a portion of the cupboard. **We provide a bag of dry groceries every week to about 12 poor and needy families.**

Also, **Wednesday's Community Lunch** continues two other program components - each week a bible study and a devotions period before lunch. We are feeding people both physically and spiritually. We experience great fellowship at lunch. And, it is exciting at our prayer time to have folk sharing prayer requests.



We continue to need the following food items for the cupboard program: Canned Fruits/Veggies/Tuna/Beef Stew, Cereal, PB&J, Mac & Cheese, Pasta Products. Please leave your items in the box marked **Feeding the Hungry** in the Mission Center.

Socks For Shelters



Socks for Shelters Ongoing collection of gifts of warmth to give out to the homeless of the Logan Circle Area. Collection box for men's socks, hats, gloves, in the Mission Center hallway.

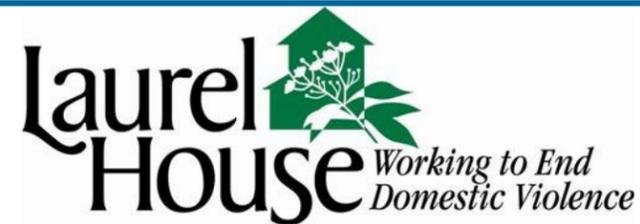


The August 6th **Red Cross blood drive** at St Alphonsus resulted in 78 pints of blood which is being separated into 222 doses of blood components for use in our local hospitals at a time of low supplies. Thanks to all who donated blood and those who recruited donors. The next drive will be at Temple Sinai on Wednesday October 28 from 1:30 to 7:15.



Your support of twin sized sheet sets and blankets are always welcome for the "Beds for Kids" **OHAAT** program! Collection bin in mission hallway.

And join Jarrettown as we help deliver with **OHAAT** the 2nd Saturday of each month. Contact Pastor Walt for more details.



SEPTEMBER MISSION OF THE MONTH

Sponsored by Martha Circle of Jarrettown UMW

It is quite ironic that we are hosting **Interfaith families** in the same month as we are collecting for Laurel House. Often people who have been in **Laurel House** or in some way have been helped by them have been in the Interfaith system too. Laurel House is for abused women and their children, picture yourself in either one of these positions; homeless or running from an abuser out of fear.

Both of these missions are looking for your help in different ways. Please take a look at the bulletin board in the hall across from the mission center where there is information on domestic abuse and Laurel House. For the month of September we will have a table with brochures. Boxes will be available for donations.

Needed are gift cards for : Gas, grocery stores, drug stores, Walmart, Target, Visa or similar cards which will be used by staff at LH to buy supplies needed. Monetary gifts, paper products of any kind. We cannot accept clothing, but Laurel's Loft in Lansdale will accept gently used clothing, jewelry etc. for resale.

Please note we will have a speaker from Laurel's Loft, Jenny Vogel on September 13, at our mission moment during 9:15 & 11 services. A candle will be on the altar during September in memory of those who died at the hands of abuse.

Thank you for your support, Martha Circle of Jarrettown UMW

GOT STUFF??? USED CLOTHING DRIVE

We will be collecting: * Wearable & Useable Clothing * Shoes, Belts, Purses

* Linens (Bedding, Curtains, Towels) * Stuffed Animals

September 26 & 27 - Saturday - 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.

Sunday - 8:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. & During Church Picnic



Funds are received for every pound we collect. Proceeds benefit local ministries supported by the UM Women of Jarrettown

For more information: www.clothingdrive.net or church office

Please place all items into tightly tied plastic bags. Hard toys must be boxed!

Need Contact info for a fellow JUMCer or info about your contributions?

With **Jarrettown Connect (aka CCB)**, our church information system, you can not only access the online **church directory**, you can see and print for yourself a listing of your **giving** for just about any time period you would want, whenever you want.

Never been on Jarrettown Connect? Go to Jarrettown.ccbchurch.com, click on the small blue words that say **Sign Up**. Type in your **email address** and a link will be sent to you.

Once logged onto Jarrettown.ccbchurch.com, you can explore all it has to offer, including **JUMC's Online Directory**. Just choose the people tab and type in the name of the person you would like contact info for.

After Logging in - to check out your Personal Giving Information:

- ⇒ At (CCB) home page, pick the **PEOPLE** tab and type in/choose your name
- ⇒ Choose **FINANCIAL** tab, then choose "**family**" if applicable
- ⇒ You will see up to 5 of your most recent financial transactions
- ⇒ Scroll down to **PRINTABLE STATEMENTS** and choose **GIVING STATEMENT**
- ⇒ Choose your date range from the **QUICK DATE RANGE** dropdown, scroll down and **CREATE GIVING STATEMENT**
- ⇒ And there you go.....your most up to date giving as recorded by the Finance Secretary

See a discrepancy or have any questions? Please contact Wendy at the church office JumcOffice@verizon.net or 215-646-4129. **CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE HANDS-ON TRAINING, EITHER DURING THE WEEK, OR BETWEEN SERVICES ON SUNDAY**

FINANCE CORNER

Finance Corner by Barry Rose

Hello all. I am writing to keep you informed about the finances of our Church. The Finance Committee meets monthly and discusses topics such as giving, where are we income vs expenses, how we compare to last year at this time and goals for the finance committee. There are copies of our Profit & Loss Statement in the Narthex on a regular basis. We are currently working on the budgeting process for 2016. If anyone has an interest and would like to know more, our meeting times and dates are on the church calendar. Anyone is welcome at our meetings. Next time I will discuss some of our goals for 2015 and 2016. And don't forget you can check your personal giving by logging onto the church directory (see article above). Bye for now.



All women are invited to join us for **SATURDAY SANCTUARY** on Saturdays at 8am for devotional study as it relates to our lives. The group meets at Connie Damon's home. Please contact Connie at 215-643-6086 or at conniedamon@verizon.net if you have any questions.

JUMC WOMEN'S MINISTRY UNITED METHODIST WOMEN

RESOURCE BOOKLETS available from the church office and Welcome Center. Call the church office if you would like additional information.

WAWA SHORTIE COUPONS—4 for \$15—Like hoagies? Then help us with off-setting the cost of the Women's Retreat. Available in the Welcome Center and church office.

UMW READING PROGRAM—The new program started in January with some new books for the new year. Anyone interested in learning about the UMW Reading Program can contact the church office.

WHAT WE'VE GOT COMING UP:

UMW FUNDRAISING CLOTHES DRIVE the weekend of **September 26 & 27**

CHRISTMAS TEA—Save the date—Saturday, **December 12** at 11:00

ATTIC TREASURES IS RETURNING The time has come to clean out, downsize, and do away with your clutter! Please drop off your donations in the small group/prayer room in the Missions hallway. After October 1, you can drop them off in Fellowship Hall. (Please do not put things in the hallways or narthex. If you need help moving your donations, please call Becky Conrad and she will be happy to help you.)

Remember, we can use small appliances, kitchen items, linens, china, glassware, gardening items, holiday items, toys and games, tools, and anything else you might wish to donate. We would appreciate CLEAN items. We do ask for NO heavy workout equipment, clothing, or shoes. We will be having our **Jewelry Boutique** and **Special Treasures Silent Auction** again, so please mark your donations for that and put them in the room or give them to Carol Moffatt or Becky Conrad.

We'll have hoagies for lunch and our special vegetable soup, with a great bake table for dessert!

We also welcome anyone who would like to help! Set up will be Monday-Friday, October 12 - 16, during the day from 10 am to 4 pm. Come for an hour, part of the day, or all day and help us discover the treasures and have some fun with us!

Thank you and see you on **Saturday, October 17!**

CHURCH NOTES

- ♦ **INTERESTED IN BECOMING A MEMBER OF JUMC?** - Leave your name at the Welcome Center, or contact the church office and we will contact you when we schedule the next New Members Orientation.
- ♦ Would you like a **NAME TAG** for services & events? Help those around you get to know you? Be a part of a welcoming church? Let us know on your blue sheet or contact church office. Magnetic tag—cost donation welcome.
- ♦ *Our congregation is growing! We are in need of volunteers for the **NURSERY**. Please call the church office if you can help out once a month or so in this important ministry.*

DECORATING COMMITTEE—Do you like to decorate? We are looking to build up our decorating team for the changing of the seasons here at church. If you are interested in joining this team, please contact Wendy at the church office.

HOSPITALITY & WELCOME CENTER—Friendly faces needed to man this station and welcome visitors before and after each service.

NURSERY Volunteers needed!



United Methodist Men

A big push this past year has been to get more men involved, successfully recruiting over 11 men. Our program consists of: Devotions, chaired by Barry Rose; Sports chaired by Tom McFarland; Retreat, chaired by Frank Malfi; and Men's Breakfast. Leadership consisting of Tom Malfi, Ray Donachie and Dennis Pennington.

The upcoming year starting in September will consist of:

- 1) Our **Fall Retreat** chaired by Frank Malfi. This year the retreat is local to encourage more involvement by the men of the Church. **See page 3 for more details.**
- 2) Supporting **OHAAT** in delivering beds the second Saturday of each month
- 3) **Softball Team**, contact Tom McFarland or Jarrettown.Church for schedule and statistics
- 4) Helping support **Philabundance** the 4th Tuesday of each month
- 5) Expansion of our **visitation program** to our Men
- 6) Becoming more involved with supporting other groups in the Church/Mission Team
- 7) Coordinating with other Methodist Churches in developing joint programs.

Thanks goes to all the men who have given their time this past year!!

Saturday Mornings Devotions

Please join our men's group for fellowship and reflection as we discuss Scripture and it's relevance to men today. Our schedule continues Sept. 12 & 19, Oct. 3 & 17, Nov. 7 & 21 from 7:00 a.m. to 7:45 a.m. in the Friendship Center. This is a BYOC event (Bring Your Own Coffee). No prior reading is required. If you have any questions, contact Barry Rose at 215-887-2018 or gbrsoccer@aol.com



Men's Breakfast—Look for information for our Saturday breakfast kick off in October in the Fellowship Hall.



OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD October's Mission of the Month

We have the opportunity, once again, to introduce more children to the Gospel through Operation Christmas Child, October's Mission of the Month. We are joining OCC again this year in wrapping, filling and distributing shoeboxes filled with gifts. These gifts, lovingly packed by people like us, give Operation Christmas Child ministry partners the opportunity to share God's love and the message of salvation through faith in Jesus Christ with children around the world.

In many countries, the shoebox is only the beginning of a child's incredible journey of faith. Children in nearly 100 nations who received a shoebox have enrolled in The Greatest Journey, the follow-up discipleship program offered by Samaritan's Purse. The lessons—taught by trained local believers—reinforce the truth of the Gospel and help children grow in their faith. Praise God, more than 1.1 million boys and girls have prayed to receive Christ as their Savior through this ministry!

Please continue to bring in your shoeboxes and plan to join us at our annual wrapping party in Fellowship Hall on Saturday, September 26 @ 10 a.m. We'll be collecting filled shoeboxes throughout the month of October. You can get more information at our table in the lobby. Contact Becky Conrad with any questions.

PHILABUNDANCE

Is an organization operating in the five-county area in and around Philadelphia. They supply food to cupboards (like the one we operate in North Hills), shelters and kitchens, neighborhood markets (FourSquare in Chester) and individuals in need. Volunteers from schools, universities, corporations and other churches are scheduled throughout the month to work in these different endeavors. Our group of volunteers from Jarrettown are scheduled for the fourth Tuesday of each month to work in the warehouse at Packer Ave in South Philly. We leave our parking lot at 5pm sharp and return by 9/9:30pm. We never know what they have for us to do until we arrive and check in. Packing "senior boxes", sorting /boxing frozen meats, cleaning the warehouse to get ready for inspection are just a few of the tasks waiting for us. There's no need to pre-register, just show up in the parking lot on the 4th Tuesday at 5pm and there will be room for you to tag along.



Our dedicated gardeners have been working hard to keep their beds weeded and the vegetables harvested twice a week. The first crop of beans have been removed and new seeds planted so that we look forward to time before the fall frost to have a second crop. The potatoes have all been harvested, and the barrels replanted with cucumbers, collards and beans. Our blueberry crop was diminished by a visit from deer, but the ones we were able to harvest seemed to be enjoyed by the clients at the food cupboard. Right now we are harvesting beautiful large tomatoes, green, white and purple peppers, beans, okra, collards, carrots and beets. Our Wednesday Weighers leave the harvest in the refrigerator until Bill Conard, our Custodian, takes it to North Hills Cupboard on Thursday morning. Our Saturday Weighers and Deliverers weigh and take the produce to Manna on Main Street later that morning. Hard work and God's blessings have netted over 1,000 pounds of produce thus far this season to feed those in need.

Missions Corner



Missions of the Month for **September:** Laurel House & Hosting Interfaith Families
Mission of the Month for **October:** Operation Christmas Child
Mission of the Month for **November:** Angel Tree for Methodist Home for Children & Thanksgiving Food Cupboard Donations

2015 Missions Happenings * Check out the Missions Hallway!**

Aid For Friends, May—August, 2015

Many different groups donate meals, etc. for AFF including our own Tuesday night group, UMW Circles, the youth group and different groups/individuals from the community. Jarrettown is listed as a drop off point for this area. Donations for May thru August are as follows: Frozen Dinners – 448; Soups – 26; Breakfast Bags – 104; for a total of 578 items.

Food Cupboard Donations, April—August, 2015

North Hills Food Cupboard is staffed by 9 regular volunteers on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 9am-11am. Another team of volunteers man the cupboard on the 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month in the evening. Our most recent post card mailing is spreading the word and reaching more of the community. Besides providing nourishment, friendships and relationships are being formed. This summer, your cleaning and paper goods, along with some "Feeding the Hungry" donations totaled 319 items.

St. Phillips UMC Donations, May—August 2015

Thank you for your generous "Feeding the Hungry" donations. Approximately 300 items went to St. Philips Food Cupboard and Wednesday dinner program. Also, the approx. 150 **School Supply Drive** items collected are being used by the St. Philips after school program (school supplies always welcomed).

One House at a Time (OHAAT), May—August, 2015

Along with committing to the 2nd Saturday of each month for OHAAT deliveries, we collected 63 items for the Bed's for Kid's program.

Inter-Faith

Along with co-hosting an individual during the month of August, JUMC will be hosting 3 families during the month of September. Please see the information/sign up sheet in the lobby.

Jesus Victory Garden

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Philabundance

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Socks for Shelters

On November 29 we will once again be going to the Church Without Walls in Logan Square and distributing socks, scarves and hats. We are looking to expand this ministry to twice a year deliveries, in the fall and in the spring.

Society of St. Andrews

March's highlighted Mission of the Month. Our coin box drive collected \$767.83 for the Society of St. Andrews!

News about our Foreign Mission: **Living Hope High School and Orphanage, Bungoma Kenya**



God is blessing Living Hope High School in many ways! The \$17,000 we contributed toward the Van Fund was added to other monies I was able to collect from friends and family. Additional funds were added from other churches, making a total of nearly \$36,000. On Marilyn's way back to Living Hope from the U.S. last month, she stopped in Nairobi and talked to a Toyota dealer and decided to purchase a used Land Cruiser she says is in "perfect condition..... built to last". The children and I are thrilled!" Her plans are to modify the seating arrangements to get a stretcher inside. Already she's found 14 kids can fit inside for transport if needed.

"This morning we got 10 bags of cement for the new latrine. Without the car we would have had to hire a motor bike to bring them 2 bags at a time. So already the car has saved us time and money! Thank you, Jarrettown!" This year the children planted a field of maize (corn), and now it is harvest time. Even though it is "term break", and children who have relatives or friends to visit may leave, most of them stayed at the school to pick corn. Marilyn says she hopes not to have to buy any maize for 3-4 months.

Plans are in the offing to find a way to build a small Health Hut where children can stay to recuperate when they are ill. One church in WV has offered to supply the hut with medical supplies when funds are secured for the building. I will be speaking at a church in mid-September and hope to have them donate the necessary funds. God is always at work helping the children at Living Hope. I am excited about my proposed return to work with the children there in January. I am grateful that you, my church family, continue to help me in my efforts to do God's work at Living Hope.

Message from Marilyn Uhl: Dear Friends of Living Hope High School in Bungoma, Kenya: I would like to take this opportunity to thank you from the bottoms of our hearts for the wonderful gift of the new Land Cruiser. It will be a blessing to us for many years to come. It will save lives and help us to spread the Word of God in our area. The Kenya Methodist Church has just started a new mission church in Bungoma and has invited us to come help them get started. We will take all ten kids that have been here working over their break to a big soccer tournament on Sunday. Today a person died at the dispensary while my driver and a student were there for treatment. We took the body back home so that they can bury it tomorrow since the family has no money for the mortuary. So already it has made a difference.

I would like to tell you exactly how your donations have/will be spent.

Cost \$30,000
Bankers checks \$160; Title \$85; Temp Insurance \$80; Trip for three men to shop \$150; Breakfast \$10; Lunch \$15; Supper \$12; Gas \$50; Bus fare \$54; Pick up \$15; Supper \$4; Gas to shop and pick me up \$50;
Total \$30,685; Balance \$4,315

The balance we will use to get good comprehensive insurance, two new seats so that sick people can lay down, new interior lights, a regular service next month, tires around Christmas. The rest we will put into an account to pay for gas and the driver for any emergency trips. We are happy! God picked out a great car, at a great price and we didn't have to go in debt!!!! We got home at midnight Sat night and about half the kids were still awake to see the new car. We had a car blessing ceremony before church. Then Evans my driver took all the kids (12 at a time) for a ride. They thought it was Disneyland! You have made our lives better for many years to come! Thank you, thank you, thank you! God bless everyone who helped to make this wonderful miracle happen!

God is at work, Marilyn Uhl, Living Hope High School Bungoma, Kenya