

June &
July &
August

Jarrettown United Methodist Church
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Footprints

Making Disciples • Relieving Suffering
Glorifying God

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Opportunities for Worship Each Week

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

Wednesday Night
Worship will resume in September



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



A Message from the Pastor

HOW DO WE DO THAT?

"Therefore, go and make disciples..."
(Matthew 28:19)

I must be honest with you, when I was appointed to serve as your pastor, I came expecting the church to grow. You can see it in my initial goals for us. I was aware of some of our church's history, and I figured if we could just find some stability that we could turn things around and return to the thriving JUMC of the past.

I do believe that God wants us to be a healthy, growing church that is reaching out and sharing the gospel with new people and meeting the needs of our community. The question has become: How do we do that?

One of our church goals for this year is to develop a strategy to fulfill our mission and vision. In many ways, I believe we are stuck and at a critical point in the history of our church. People ask how we can get more people to come to our church, and while there are some things that I know we can do better, the answer is we need some fresh eyes to look at our situation.

So, we have an exciting opportunity this summer as we engage the services of The Unstuck Group (www.theunstuckgroup.com) to help us navigate the future of our church. They use a four-step process to help churches like ours get unstuck: Ministry Health Assessment, Strategic Planning, Staffing & Structure Review, and Action Phase. We will work with them over the next year.

Why is this necessary? Over the past four years our worship attendance has been relatively flat. Our number of baptisms and new members are small. While we are seeing an increase in visitors, how many are we really keeping? We say our mission is to make disciples, but how many have we made and how can we really measure that? What truly is our mission and vision and how are our ministries in alignment with them?

When you look at our congregation there is a sense of urgency about this. As our church ages, we need to be intentional about welcoming new people into our church family if we expect the church to continue. This will not be easy – change never is – and we may have to make some tough decisions, but if we can find unity of mission, vision, and strategy and communicate that well, then I think we are on the right track. After all, no one in our church wants it to fail!

God has blessed us in so many ways, and now is the time to capitalize on those blessings so that we have a bright future in proclaiming the good news of Jesus!

The best is yet to come!

Pastor Bob



Music Notes

JOIN US!

There are opportunities to serve in JUMC's Music Ministry during the SUMMER and BEYOND!

Our Chancel Choir currently has 15 full time members. I am sure that many of you LOVE TO SING and would like to participate but you may feel like you can't commit to weekly rehearsals and sing every Sunday. Please know that we can work around your schedule.

You may want to give choir a try THIS SUMMER! The Chancel Choir is singing on June 3, 10 and 24, July 8, 15 and 29 and Aug 12 and 26 at the 11am service with a rehearsal at 10AM in the Choir Room.

Regular weekly rehearsals resume on Thursday nights in September.

Contact Sheri Melcher at 484-802-2575, sheri.melcher@gmail.com or just come on by!

God bless,

Sheri



JOIN US FOR THE PASSION PLAY IN OBERAMMERGAU IN 2020

Laurie and I will be celebrating our 35th Wedding Anniversary in 2020 by traveling to Europe for a Romantic Danube River Cruise and trip to see the Oberammergau Passion Play and we would love to have you join us! It will be a 12 day adventure from July 30-August 10, 2020. For more information, there are brochures available in the church office.

Pastor Bob

New!! Care Team

Trying to support a friend or family member while they are going through a major life transition can be a very helpless feeling. When someone from our church family is hospitalized, dealing with a loss or suffering a long term illness, it gives us as a church a chance to show people they matter to us.

We don't always know what to do, what to say, or how to act. Are we being supportive enough? Are we too much 'in their business'? I haven't heard from her in a while...does that mean she wants me to leave her alone?

This new church "care team" will be a list of people who would like to help by taking a meal or two as needed. We will be using the website "Take Them a Meal" (takethemameal.com) to organize who is taking a meal and what the need is.

If you are interested in helping, give Jean Graber (jeangraber@gmail.com) your email address. As a need arises, an email will go out to the group with a link to "Take Them A Meal". When you click the link "the name", the persons address and any special needs, as well as suggested dates to sign up, will open. You can sign up for a date that works for you. The person receiving the meal can also see when a meal is coming.



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Free Being Me
Beauty is being yourself!

Did you know?

Six out of ten girls stop doing something they love because they feel bad about the way they look.

YOU have the power to change that!

Imagine a world where no one is worried about the way they look.

A world where people are free to be themselves...

We can't get there without YOU!

Presented in partnership with the
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Association.

Want to learn more?

Join us on
Saturday, July 28th
from
10:00am-12:00pm

Jarrettown United Methodist
Church
1460 Limekiln Pike, Dresher, PA
19025

Please contact Alexa at
amaloney@gsep.org to register
to attend.

Pre-Registration is required to
attend.

We can't wait to see you there!

There will be a Girl Scouts Program on **Self-esteem and anti-bullying** to be held at Jarrettown Church from 10am -12 pm on Saturday, July 28. This program will be open to all girls age 5-13. More details will be available closer to the date.

Summer Camping

Below is information about the four United Methodist Camps that have a wide variety of camping programs for all ages. You can check out each camp website for more information about camp programs or contact Pastor Bob or Jean Graber and they can help. Ask about available scholarships!

Innabah - www.innabah.org

Located on 179 acres along French Creek in Chester County, PA, Innabah Camp and Retreat Center is the perfect place for guests young and old to explore their faith in a beautiful setting. Our mission at Innabah is to provide experiences



that last a lifetime in an environment where campers and guests can make new friends, challenge themselves, and explore and grow in their faith. Check out more information about these special programs (see below) and more on the Innabah website.

FAMILY CAMPS "Parents and Me" for adults and children up to age 8 – A half-week of quality & quantity time for parents and their children, 8 years-old and younger. We stay in Bethany Lodge, eat all meals in the dining hall, and participate in all camp activities. We have Bible time, we swim, canoe, play minigolf, visit the store, enjoy a hayride, and meet new friends. The schedule

allows for individual needs of the children, including nap time and earlier bedtime than most campers. One parent may attend with one or two children. Two parents may come with one child or more.

GRANDPARENTS AND ME - Grandparents with Grandchildren ages 5-12. These half week camps are a special time for grandparents to spend quality time with their grandchildren. Activities are designed to help build bonds together while experiencing all that camp has to offer. There will be a daily swim, crafts, singing, Bible lessons, nature activities, and games. Campers will stay in Bethany Lodge.

Pocono Plateau - www.poconoplateau.org

A year-round Christian camp and retreat center located on 750 acres with two lakes in the beautiful Pocono Mountains of northeastern Pennsylvania. We offer a wide variety of summer camp experiences for all ages. Pastor Ron spoke at JUMC on April 22nd. Below are 2 of the special camp programs that Pocono Plateau offers. Check out their website for more information about these and other programs.



FAMILY CAMPS

Kid's Camp Camper Family Camp Weekend For families with children ages 3-17. This camp is designed especially for families looking to enjoy an extended weekend together. Experience a wide variety of traditional camp activities including swimming, boating, archery, games and ice cream making. Age-appropriate activities will be spaced throughout the day to allow plenty of time for your family to relax and enjoy our beautiful camp setting. In the evenings, there will be campfires, singing and s'mores! Create memories to last a lifetime! Join us for an opportunity to encounter God's creation with the whole family. Lodging consists of bunk beds and community bathrooms. Registration begins at 10:00 AM on Friday and departure is 1:30 PM on Sunday.

MOMMY AND ME - For children ages 3-7 & their mom or grandmom. This camp offers moms/grandmoms and their children an opportunity to share in the camp experience. Spend three days together enjoying games, crafts, playing in the lake, and singing around the campfire. A great way to introduce your children to camp and create memories for a lifetime.



Gretna Glen - www.gretnaglen.org

Gretna Glen Camp and Retreat Center, near Mt. Gretna, PA is about 15 minutes east of Hershey, PA. The tradition of summer camp at Gretna Glen has deep roots as we celebrate 58 years of programming this summer. 200 acres of scenic hills and woodlands are ideal for day and overnight camp. The opportunities for children & youth to explore nature, develop friendships, broaden their experiences and embrace their faith journey at Gretna Glen are never-ending.

Carson Simpson - www.csfarm.org

3405 Davisville Road | Hatboro, PA 19040

Carson Simpson Farm specializes in camping experiences for Pre-school through Sixth grade. We offer outdoor opportunities for day and overnight camping where children will experience God's creativity in nature, form new friendships, participate in recreational activities, arts and crafts, drama and music, swimming, and Bible study, all led by a loving and committed staff.

CARSON SIMPSON FARM
CHRISTIAN CAMP

Family Ministry Activities

Family Picnics



There are four picnics planned for summer on Wednesday evenings from 6 to 8 p.m. This is a fun time for all ages, and will take place at members homes. This is fellowship time to build our church relationships, and also a chance to invite a friend(s).

EVERYONE IS INVITED TO COME TO ONE OR ALL FOUR PICNICS!

Please **RSVP** to Jean Graber Jeangraber@gmail.com or call or text 215-840-8083. You can also sign up in the Lobby. Contact Jean if you need more info or have questions. **Everyone invited.** Please bring a side dish & lawn chair! (Main dish is provided by hosts)

July 18 – Graber Home

1579 Derry Drive, Dresher PA

Swimming available

Burgers & hotdogs

*Bring side dish, swim suit & towel and a lawn chair

July 25 – Diehl Home

1215 Meetinghouse Rd, Ambler, PA

Swimming available

*Bring a side dish, swim suit & towel and a lawn chair

August 8 – Klinger Home

559 Beale Rd, Blue Bell, PA

*Bring a side dish & a lawn chair

August 15 – Tyree Home

1416 Penllyn Pike, Blue Bell, PA

Fun games Tyree style!!

*Bring a side dish and a lawn chair

Picnics partially funded by a member of Thrivent Financial

Annual Fall Church Picnic – Save the date! September 16th . Contact Jean Graber if you would like to help with planning. This is always a fun time to fellowship with our church family, friends and to meet some new friends. Of course there is always great food!



Tween & Youth

Tweens (Grades 4-6) Not little kids....but not quite teens

For more information or to sign up for programs contact jeangraber@gmail.com. All tweens are invited to bring a friend to all events.



Tween Swim Party

Grades 4-6 are invited

Sunday July 22nd | 11am – 2pm

At Jean's house – 1579 Derry Drive, Dresher - Bring a swimsuit & towel

RSVP so we can get enough pizza/snacks - text or call 215-840-8083



Youth Swim Party

Grades 7-12

Tuesday, July 10th

2 – 3pm

(rain date July 11th)



At Jean's house – 1579 Derry Drive walking distance

Bring a swimsuit & towel

Gentle Christian Yoga

Tuesdays in August
7-8pm - Aug 7, 14, 21, 28

Free but Please RSVP –
we need at least 5 people to have
this class.

Bring a mat if you have one.

RSVP to Jeangraber@gmail.com
Or text your name and email to 215-840-8083



Greetings from Living Hope High School & Connie Damon in Kenya!

YOU DID IT!

Once again you, my church family, responded to a need at Living Hope High School in Bungoma, Kenya, so that a security fence could be constructed to help ensure the safety of the children at the orphanage. Not only did we reach the goal, but we surpassed it by raising over \$11,000. Marilyn Uhl, Director of Living Hope, has asked me to extend her sincere gratitude to all of you who helped. Nic Simiyu, one of our graduates, came back to head the construction of the fence. It is the rainy season there now, so it's presented challenges to construction, but the workers have forged on. These photos show the new gate at the entrance of the campus and some of the new fencing.

Marilyn is coming to the U.S. on May 24th and will be in West Virginia at her sister's home until July 1. She'll be traveling with one of the students, Naphtal Sikuku, who will be visiting America for the first time. He has been chosen to work at a special needs camp in Pennsylvania (north of Scranton) for the summer. He is a bright Christian boy who grew up at Living Hope and is currently in college studying Special Education. I spent hours sitting on a low stool in the cow pasture talking with him as he milked Daisy in the early mornings. Coming to the U.S. is a dream come true for him. I look forward to seeing him - and Marilyn - while they are here.

October 6th will be the first-ever opportunity for the students and staff, as well as people from the bush, to have their eyes checked when Living Hope will host an Eye Clinic. Those needing minor surgery will be able to have it. Those needing glasses will be able to receive them. It is with deep appreciation that I share that a very generous member of our congregation has offered to finance this wonderful project.

The money will go further if we can defray the cost of glasses by **collecting your used glasses**. The frames can be reused instead of purchasing new frames. There is a box in the mission hallway near the Book Sale for you to put any unwanted glasses you have at home. We will collect them through mid-June when I will see that they get to Marilyn to take back with her.



Children

It's VBS Time! Register Today!

This year's VBS will be held July 9 to 13 from 9 am to Noon. Our theme is Rolling River Rampage: Experience the Ride of a Lifetime with God! Registration is \$20 per child - \$40 per family maximum.



Rolling River Rampage offers children from age 3 to 4th grade a fun-filled week of faith-based learning through music, crafts, science, bible story time, games and more. Registration forms are available in the church lobby, office and on our website Jarrettown.church.

If you would like to volunteer or have questions about this year's program, please contact Lisa Durst-Hestnar or Jean Graber.

Join us at Sunday School!

Classes for all ages begin after the 9:15 Service Children's Moment

Classes: Preschool |K and 1st Grade

Nursery is available during the 9:15 and 11:00 services

Summer Sunday School June 3rd – September 2nd

Sunday School teachers needed – Help is still needed for a week or two over the summer in the preschool class. All supplies are provided. Contact Lisa Durst-Hestnar for open dates.

We will also be looking for Teachers for Fall for the elementary grades. Curriculum and training are provided. We have a great group of kids! If you would like to help in the younger class once or twice a month we could use you too!



Celebrating the JUMC Children's Choir

The children's choir had a tremendous first year!

A special thank you to all of the parents, grandparents and guardians who have helped make our Children's Choir so special. Your dedication is greatly appreciated. We are so blessed to have such wonderful children who love to share their talents with our congregation.

We look forward to beginning again in the fall – date to be determined. For more information, contact Lisa Durst-Hestnar at jumc.childrens@gmail.com.

A Minute on Finance

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As we write to you this month, we are happy to report that at the end of April our tithes and offerings have kept up with expenses. However, there is no surplus – something we have been used to for the last few years. That means that our level of giving has dropped and puts us in the position of going into the lean months of summer with no cushion. We have had to draw on past reserves to keep our cash flow at a level that ensures that we can meet our obligations.

There's an old joke about the pastor who informed his congregation "I have some good news and some bad news, folks. The good news is that we have all the cash we need to accomplish all the things we want to do. The bad news is that it is still in your wallets."

Please prayerfully consider maintaining your level of giving from the past years and, if possible, a little bit extra. We have so many wonderful ministries and missions here, not to mention our staff. They all deserve to be supported as strongly as we can. You might have noticed the little laminated tags in your pews asking for your help over the summer. Take a minute and see if Vanco electronic giving is a good fit for your vacation plans.

As always, thank you for your gifts. God is good all the time!

Your Finance Team

Greetings from Church Council

Your Church Council is changing it up! As you are probably aware, we have been operating under the mandate of keeping things stable (the same) for quite a few years. Pastor Bob came in and it's hard to believe that he has been with us almost 4 years already. Time flies by faster than you can imagine.

It is now time to become more proactive in God's plan for us and our Church. We have developed a leadership team to support Pastor Bob in the strategic planning of our Church. Ideas are beginning to percolate and we are feeling invigorated and excited as we move forward.

Stay tuned for more details or better yet, join us at our next meeting and play a part in a His plan.

God bless you all,

Greg Diehl

Men's Ministry

**"As iron sharpens iron,
so one person sharpens another"**
Proverbs 27:17

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All men are welcome and encouraged to participate in God's plan for JUMC and our United Methodist Men's Ministry.

We've had a terrific year with some very cool events including UMM tribute to Moms at our May breakfast. Our group continues to grow spiritually participating and leading many of our Church Missions.

Plan to join us for breakfast Saturday June 2nd at 8am in Fellowship Hall where we will have great food, fellowship, conversation and find out about Barry Rose's very important ministry leading the Men of JUMC in Saturday morning devotions twice each month.

Spend some time with the men of JUMC sharing your time and talents setting an example to our Church and making a difference for Christ.

Bring someone you know that could benefit from getting to know Christ.
God is good all the time and All the time God is good!



In Christ's service and love, Ray and Tom

Also..... Please bring your coffee and join us for **Men's Devotions** led by Barry Rose every 1st & 3rd Saturday in the Friendship Center from 7 to 7:45 am

JUMC WOMEN'S MINISTRY - *The Women of Jarrettown*

The three circles in operation at JUMC are Priscilla (for super senior ladies), Martha (for the "mature" girls) and Rachel (for everybody else!). There was once a Sarah circle but that has been inactive for some time. Is it possible that there is a group of young women out there who would like to form their own circle with their own mission identity and revive Sarah? Share your thoughts and ideas with a friend and let Pastor Bob or Wendy know if it's what you would like to belong to within the church.

WAWA SHORTIE COUPONS — 4 for \$15—Like hoagies? Then help us with our local missions fundraising. Coupons are available in the Welcome Center and church office.

Clothing Drive — Every September is TIME TO CLEAN OUT YOUR CLOSETS! The past drive, we collected enough second hand items to turn into around \$500 for the missions supported by Women of Jarrettown



The **Jesus Victory Garden (JVG)** is blooming. Several new gardeners have joined our crew of dedicated, experienced volunteers. Donations have also enriched our garden. The beds, barrels, and pots have been planted. Chives, oregano, and collards are being harvested. It looks like we will have a lot of blueberries this year. I am sure our recipients will be very happy to have them. It is not too late to volunteer to assist with the garden or with weighing and delivering produce.

If you are interested in lending a helping hand, please email Kati at JVGGrows@vivaldi.net.

St. Philip's Community Meal - Four characteristics of being a Christian are timeless and yet, sometimes, can be the most challenging to live - Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. As 2017 came to a close, it was appropriate to take a moment and reflect on the challenges and successes we have all experienced at St. Philip's. We have shared Gods' blessings; we have worked side-by-side to continue providing powerful effective community ministries. And, we have managed a multitude of emotions through prayer, bible study, spiritual devotions and community outreach with other churches. The community meal leadership is passionate and working hard every day to ensure St. Philip's is meeting the mission of Making Disciples for Jesus Christ, but the work isn't finished and there is a need to continue to raise brother and sisters in the ways of Christ.



2018 will mark the 18th year of St Philips' mission outreach program. There is a small village that surrounds St. Philip's and provides the means for ministry to occur. Ministry at St. Philips is reaching those in the throes of financial ruin, homelessness, addictions, legal issues, etc. This can not be done alone but can only be achieved though the generous donations of Christ-centered people like you.

We continue to need the following food items for the cupboard program:
Canned Fruits/Veggies, Cereal, Mac & Cheese, Pasta, Canned Soups
 Please leave your items in the "Feeding the Hungry" box in the Mission Center

Red Cross Blood Drive

The next Dresher blood drive will be at St Alphonsus parish Hall, 39 Conwell Drive (off Limekiln Pike via Dell Road), on **Thursday, August 2** from 1:30 to 7:30. We hope you will be able to participate in this drive. www.redcrossblood.org—Sponsor Code Dresher



There are times when those in our church family who are also Thrivent Financial members use their "Action Team" seed money to supplement ongoing ministries or fund new ministries at Jarrettown. If you are a Thrivent member and would like to participate or find out more information contact the church office.

The Church Directory now has an APP!

Go to Jarrettown.ccbchurch.com (You can also access the directory through the website, Jarrettown.Church) click on the small blue words that say **Sign Up**. Type in your **email address** and a link will be sent to you. Contact the church office if you need some help.

There is now AN APP you can download onto your phone TO ACCESS THE JUMC ONLINE DIRECTORY- search for **LEAD** (Church Community Builder) and when it asks for the domain portion - just type **Jarrettown**. You will need to have your sign-on and password.



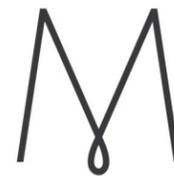
Once logged onto Jarrettown.ccbchurch.com you can explore all it has to offer, including **JUMC's Online Church Directory**. Just choose the people tab and type in the name of the person you would like contact info for. **After Logging in - to check out your Personal Giving Information**, just choose the financial tab.

WE NEED YOUR PICTURE FOR THE ON-LINE CHURCH DIRECTORY
See Jean or Wendy and we will take it for you!

If you need help using this great resource, contact Wendy in the church office. Don't have a computer? Contact the office for a printed copy of the directory.

You can also access our facebook page from the website – "like us" on facebook!

JUMC MOPS Group Supports Local Moms



The Mothers of Preschoolers (MOPS) group at JUMC had many successful meetings over the 2017-2018 year. With the support of Pastor Bob, church staff, mentor moms and childcare volunteers, our moms met bimonthly to discuss different facets of the theme centered

THIS IS MOTHERHOOD on finding freedom, a deeply spiritual act.

The group hosted speakers, made meals for Aid for Friends, and raised funds to support the group and the JUMC children's ministry through a successful spring flea market. The MOPS moms foremost supported each other through new pregnancies and births, and though the ups and downs of mothering young children.

Next year, the group will meet on the third Tuesday morning of each month at 9:30 am, to the theme "Find Your Fire." We welcome all moms of babies and young children to join and celebrate this journey together!

For more information, please email us at jumcmops@gmail.com.

Missions Corner

The Missions Team met earlier in the year to review the Missions of the Month and evaluate their effectiveness. We also looked at the changes to be made to one or two; not only by us but by the missions themselves in terms of needs.

Our ongoing missions, like **OHAAT**, **St. Philip's**, **JVG** and **Living Hope High School**, are humming along and fulfilling their goals and we can foresee no changes in the immediate future. We will still collect **school supplies**, host **Interfaith families**, travel to **Philabundance**, make meals for **Aid for Friends**, and support the **North Hills Community Cupboard**.

Some changes have already been requested by one or two of our missions. You remember Socks for Shelters and our past bus trips to deliver socks, backpacks, sleeping bags, etc.? They now have a program called **Welcome Home Kitchen Kits** which is something we can easily transition to. We had a speaker from the Welcome Church to explain how these kits would assist individuals and families in moving into permanent housing and away from the streets. Pots and pans, dishes and tableware, linens and trash cans help set up a functioning household!

Another request is causing us to tweak the **Angel Tree**. Methodist Services is requesting funding to rehab the **Bridge House**, a transitional housing project in West Philadelphia. The Bridge shelters those homeless due to a number of conditions. In addition to the usual tags on the Tree, there will be tags for contributions to this badly needed renovation. More information on Bridge House can be seen on the Missions Board.

So, we are on the path we have chosen as a missional church, but are always open to the opportunities to serve in God's world. We pray that we can always say "Yes, Lord!" when the call comes.

Blessings,
The Mission Team

For more information on the missions supported by JUMC, visit our website, Jarrettown.Church and check out the Missions & Outreach tab.

WATCH FOR UPCOMING MISSIONS OF THE MONTH!

- ♦ **June** focus will be collecting **ground & instant coffee, tea bags and bags of sugar for the North Hills Food Cupboard**
- ♦ In **July** we will be collecting **School Supplies** for children from Interfaith and St. Philip's UMC
- ♦ **August** is concentrating on signing up to volunteer for when we host the **Interfaith Families** during the month of September

North Hills Food Cupboard

My first encounter with Jarrettown United Methodist Church was over 4 years ago. My contact person was Pastor Walt, who came to see me one day to talk about how the church could assist more in the needs of the community. In 2014, this became a reality, with the church partnering with the Mattie N. Dixon Community Cupboard by helping us reopen the North Hills Cupboard. The members of the church were trained and now have been running the operations of the Food Pantry located at the North Hills Community Center on Girard Ave for 4 years.

Residents in North Hills now have a place to turn for food in their neighborhood, thanks to the generosity of Jarrettown volunteers. Every Tuesday morning Lauri Evard gets in her car and heads to the Ambler cupboard to collect meats, breads, desserts and needed pantry items to be distributed to families in need. After her car is full she heads over to the North Hills location where she is met by Michele Scholtz, Betty McKelligott and Sue and Bob Baybutt who help unload and store everything. The Baybutts stepped up to take the lead and coordinate efforts at the cupboard when Pastor Walt moved on to a new calling. Together with support from our staff at the Mattie N. Dixon Community Cupboard, they keep the pantry stocked with food.

On Thursday morning, you can find a number of church members in North Hills cupboard volunteering their time to distribute food to the community. Bette Derr is ready to sign families in with a smile. Patti Schwarz, Marie Linn, Deborah Shull, Al Kellenbenz, Sue and Bob Baybutt, Betty McKelligott and Kathi Pickard are always ready to pack food and keep things moving. Through their efforts they have been able to offer a weekly food supplement to many families that rely on this cupboard right in their neighborhood. They also offer full holiday meals at Thanksgiving and Christmas time. Donations are always welcome but these programs only work with those willing to give their time and effort. These volunteers are the champions of this cupboard and help keep our mission of "Neighbors Helping Neighbors".

I look forward to working with all of them for many years to come!!
Christine Bouley, Executive Director, Mattie N. Dixon Community Cupboard

*If you are interested in helping with this mission,
please contact Sue Baybutt 215-896-1529 or Wendy in the church office*

Welcome Home Kitchen Kits

Thanks to everyone who supported this new mission project of supplying kitchen supplies to previously homeless who are in new housing. We received many donations! Thanks to Sue Baybutt for using her Thrivent Action team card seed money to purchase pots & pans and other great kitchen supplies! If you have any questions about The Kitchen Kits or The Welcome Church, please don't hesitate to contact Jean Graber.