

From the Pastor's Pen

How would you describe your walk with God – hot, cold, or lukewarm? If your relationship with the Lord isn't what it should be or what it used to be, perhaps you need to give a little more attention to your prayer life. A wonderful new movie entitled, "War Room" deals with the importance of prayer in a Christian's life. I have seen the film, and I recommend it to you highly. We will be showing it here at Zion on Tuesday, April 5, at 6:45 pm. Then on the following five Tuesday evenings (April 12-May 10), we will be offering a study on prayer which uses video clips from "War Room." And on the Sunday mornings from April 10 –May 1, I will be preaching a four part sermon series on prayer. I hope you will take advantage of these opportunities, especially if your prayer life could use a little tune up. After all, as someone once said, "Seven days without prayer makes one weak." See you in church!

Blessings,

Pastor Al

April 2016 Ministries & Activities

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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3 7:45 AM Bells of Zion 9:00 AM Sunday School 10:05 AM Connect Cafe 10:30 AM Traditional Worship 6:00 PM Youth Fellowship	4 7:00 PM Ministries Council	5 12:30-2:30 Quilting	6 5:15 PM Children's Choir 6:00 PM Prayer Meeting 6:45 PM Adult Choir 7:35 PM Praise Team	7 1:30 PM Released Time 7:00 PM Memorial Day Meeting	8	9 5:00 PM Mystery Dinner
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Sunday School & Worship Schedule

Connect Café

There is a time each Sunday morning when our church gathers for fellowship. Have you come to the Connect Café yet? Sunday mornings from 10:05 – 10:20am have a time of informal sharing around hot and cold drinks and a snack. This is a time for people who go to Sunday School, New Song and Traditional Worship to meet and greet each other.

April 3- Mindy Barshinger/**Need**

April 10- Carol Belcher & Jane Haines

April 17- Kathy Miller/**Need**

April 24- Marianne Altland/**Need**

Sunday School Nursery

April 3- Andrea Gemmill

April 10- Laurie Herbst

April 17- Mindy Barshinger

April 24- Jane Haines

Sunday School Adult Lecture

April 3- Jeff Miller

April 10- Christine Miller

April 17- Elaine Hengst

April 24- Lindy Holzer

Sound System & Projector Operators for New Song

April 3- Brian & Lindy Holzer

April 10- Joe & Kristi Barry

April 17- Brian & Lindy Holzer

April 24- Joe & Kristi Barry

Greeters & Ushers for April

Terri Mellinger, Head Usher

Mindy Barshinger, Greeter

Matt DiBerardino, Assistant Greeter

Don Barshinger, Front Door,

Michele Farleman

Traditional Nursery

April 3- Vickie Leiphart

April 10- Marianne Altland

April 17- Peggy Horst

April 24- Vicki McFarland

Children's Worship Program

April 3- **Little Lambs:** Kathy Miller

April 10- **KWH:** Cynthia Silar & Kim Smith

April 17- **Little Lambs:** Marie Rose

April 24- **KWH:** Cynthia Silar & Kim Smith

Acolytes

April 3- Isaac Dosch

April 10- Holly Ilgenfritz

April 17- Abby DiBerardino

April 24- Keira Fryberger

Counting Teams

April 3- Christine & Jeff Miller;
Kathy Miller & Lynn Haines

April 10- Mike & Laurie Herbst, Glenn & Kay Leiphart

April 17- Mike & Laurie Herbst, Glenn & Kay Leiphart

April 24- Rick & Laura Slaybaugh,
Jay & Brenda Holcomb

Sound System Operators for Trad. Worship

April 3- Lonnie Mellinger

April 10- Chris Farleman

April 17- Keith McFarland

April 24- Chris Farleman

Projector Operators for Trad, Worship

April 3- Terri Mellinger

April 10- Jeff & Christine Miller

April 17- Michele Farleman

April 24- Lindy Holzer

**MINUTES OF CHURCH COUNCIL
ZION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016**

Welcome and Prayer: Terri Mellinger and Pastor Al

Finance: Treasurer's Report presented. There are some questions concerning the salary section of the report from February back to January. Carl will be talking to Dave for some clarification. First quarterly payment on loan has been paid in the amount of \$5000.00 as we had approved at an earlier meeting. We had some discussion as to when these second quarter payment will be made. Audit has been completed and sent to Conference. Steve raised the issue of the offering envelopes. We would like to go back to the old style that are easier to tell the difference between regular and special envelopes. The type we currently use are more difficult to tell apart. The cost difference is minimal. Pastor Al will speak to Tina.

Trustees: Mike Herbst - Painting to be done. The Youth will be helping to finish this. A special thanks to Rob Lusk for painting the office. This council would like to extend a special thank you to Mike Herbst, his father Frank, and his whole family for all their hard work on our water leaking project in the downstairs of the church. Everything looks great and seems to have fixed our problems. Leak in the Albright room has been taken care of. New problem: kids skateboarding and bike riding in the parking lot, are we liable if they get hurt? Are we liable if they do harm to someone's car? Pastor Al will be speaking to someone at Conference, asking what is suggested to handle this problem.

PPR: As the Chair of Council, Terri will step down as PPR Chair. Pastor Al nominated Bruce Silar as the new Chair of PPR committee. Motion passed.

Next meeting: May 9

Respeccrfully submitted,
Terri Mellinger

MINUTES OF MINISTRIES COUNCIL

ZION UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

MARCH 2016

Family Ministries & Children's Ministries: Terri Mellinger - VBS Planning, Easter Egg Hunt Planning

Sunday School and Worship Hour Children's Ministries: Andrea Gemmill & Janay DiBerardino: We will be having Kids Worship Hour on Easter Sunday.

Outreach: Lindy Holzer - Memorial Day planning is underway. Anyone interested in helping or has suggestions, please contact Lindy Holzer. Looking at Memorial Day Community Social for Sunday, May 29th. Open invitation to everyone to provide any new ideas for outreach any time to Lindy Holzer.

Men of Zion/ Bruce Silar : Will provide breakfast after Sunrise Service and for Connect Cafe.

United Methodist Women & Congregational Care: Christine Miller

Adult Education/Small Groups: Ferne Gochnauer -

Youth Fellowship: Karen Carroll: -We met our goal for BonTon community days booklets. I don't have a \$ figure for how much we raised at this point.

-March 12th is the Hoss's Fundraiser

-April 9 will be the Mystery Dinner.

-The youth are participating in the 30 hr famine again this year. It will be held April 29-30th. Our focus this year is a little different. Focusing on the essential needs: Clothing, Food, Shelter, water and how many of the world go without them every day. Yes, hunger is in the world, but it is our desire to create a hunger in the youth to serve as Christ's hands and feet; to have an awareness and meet the everyday needs we see all around us. Our activities will focus on each of these areas during the time of famine. They have set a goal of raising \$1000.00 to send to World Vision. This is double what they did last year, but they feel confident they can make this goal. This reflects a commitment of the youth to each collect approximately \$100. We are praying for support and open hearts as they reach out to provide others around the world with food/water/shelter and clothing.

Possibly having a display/table etc set up where attendees to the mystery dinner can donate to the famine fund as well. We can maybe have them make a display posters.

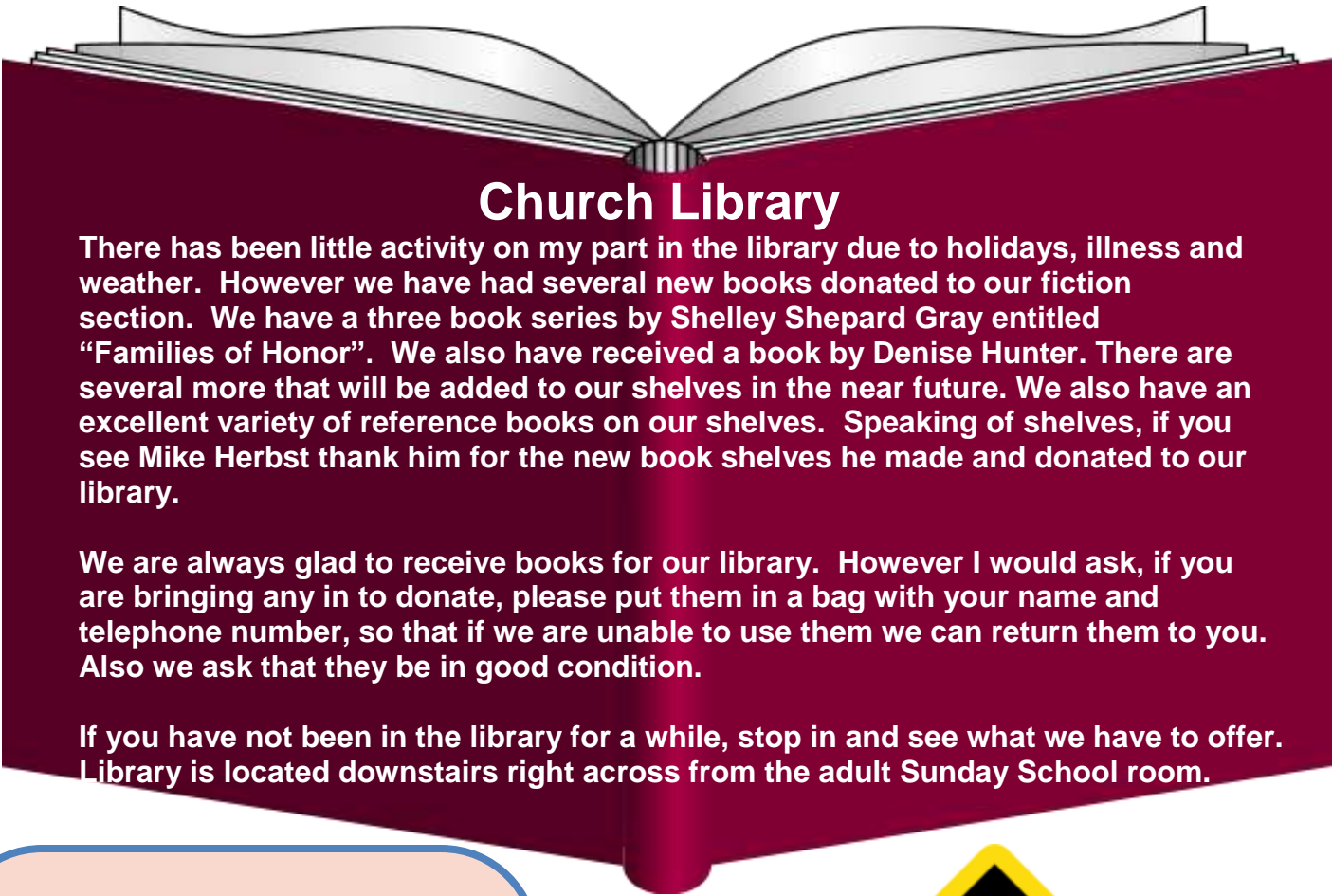
Web site: Matt DiBerardino:

Worship/Assimilation: Peggy Horst -

Pastor's Report: I have recently purchased the movie "War Room." I plan on showing it after Easter and following it up with a study on prayer that is based on the movie

Next Meeting: April 4

Respectfully submitted,
Terri Mellinger



Church Library

There has been little activity on my part in the library due to holidays, illness and weather. However we have had several new books donated to our fiction section. We have a three book series by Shelley Shepard Gray entitled "Families of Honor". We also have received a book by Denise Hunter. There are several more that will be added to our shelves in the near future. We also have an excellent variety of reference books on our shelves. Speaking of shelves, if you see Mike Herbst thank him for the new book shelves he made and donated to our library.

We are always glad to receive books for our library. However I would ask, if you are bringing any in to donate, please put them in a bag with your name and telephone number, so that if we are unable to use them we can return them to you. Also we ask that they be in good condition.

If you have not been in the library for a while, stop in and see what we have to offer. Library is located downstairs right across from the adult Sunday School room.

Our Daily Bread

A short history of Our Daily Bread can be found at www.stmarysyork.org under Ministries/Social Welfare. On the **April 29**, will be our commitment for chicken noodle casseroles, and the pans, recipe and sign-up sheet will be on the table near the door of the sanctuary on April 17 and 24. Six people are needed to serve. Special thanks to Wayne Dosch who has been delivering the casseroles to York on his way to work. The casseroles should be placed in the church vestibule by 7:15 a.m. on the 29th. Call Mary Anne and Tom King for more information (252-3613).

Adopt -A- Highway

The first pick up for this year is **Saturday, April 30**. Meet in the church parking lot at 8 a.m. Suggested clothing is long sleeves, long pants and appropriate walking shoes/boots. Stylish orange vest and white gloves will be provided! Any questions, contact Brian or Lindy Holzer (LHolzer1@comcast.net) or Call 252-2986)



Memorial Day Community Social

to be held Sunday, May 29, 2016 in Zion's parking lot after the Memorial Day Parade.

A planning meeting is **scheduled for Thursday, April 7, 2016 at 7 p.m.** **Anyone** who is interested in

helping to plan this event, please come to the meeting or email LHolzer1@comcast.net with any ideas or your willingness to help.



United Methodist Women

The United Methodist Women will be meeting at the Zion House on Tuesday, April 19 at 7:00 PM. The program that evening will center around missions/outreach programs that are supported by Zion UMW and Zion church, both financially and through personal involvement. The theme for the evening is "Are we fulfilling the gospel of Jesus in our missions?"

April Birthdays



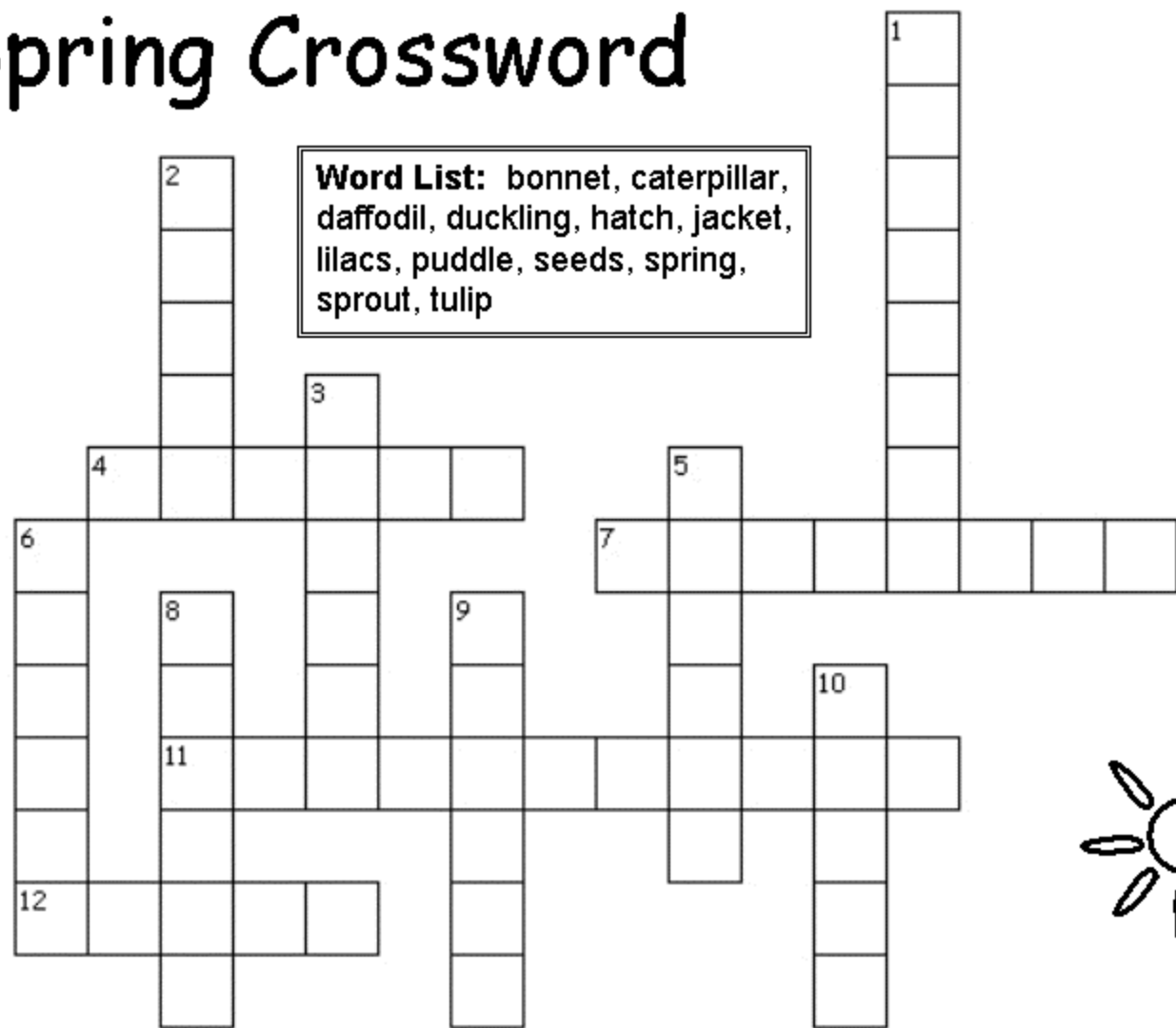
- April 1- Emily Browning
- April 3- Ryan Howell
- April 4- Denny Woods
- April 8- Charlie Stein & Don Portner
- April 9- Brandon Jones, Alexander Reardon
& Teresa Gable
- April 10- Talim Leschke
- April 11- Jeremy Zarfos
- April 12- Jade Gipe & Lydia Schnick
- April 14- Suzanne Johnson
- April 17- Abigail Livingston
- April 19- Rebekah Leiphart & Cora Bastress
- April 21- Cynthia Silar & Evan Winchester
- April 23- Ava Livingston
- April 24- Wanda Haines
- April 27- Ned Sitrer

April Anniversaries

- April 3- Keith & Vicki McFarland
- April 8- Bruce & Cynthia Silar
- April 19- Brian & Lindy Holzer
- April 19- Kim & Pam Miller
- April 23- Tom & Karen Carroll
- April 25- Steve & Vickie Leiphart
- April 26- Patrick & Christine Jean
- April 28- Sterling & Fayne Hawkins
- April 30- Mike & Laurie Herbst



Spring Crossword



Across

4. To begin to grow and give off shoots or buds.
7. Baby duck.
11. Larval form of a butterfly.
12. Sow these in the ground in spring to get a harvest in the autumn.

Down

1. Yellow flower that makes a nice spring bouquet.
2. Dutch springtime flower.
3. Wear this on your head to fancy picnics or parades.
5. A small pool of water.
6. Fragrant bunches of purple flowers that grow on a bush.
8. Wear this to keep warm
9. The season between winter and summer.
10. Break out of an egg.

