



THE LAMPLIGHTER NEWSLETTER

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*****WE ARE ON FACEBOOK*****

**FEBRUARY
2023**

**Elders Class of
2023**

- Sally Heffner
- Tammy Seidick
- David Sentiwany
- Eileen Tremblay

**Elders Class of
2024**

- Sue Butchinski
- Joyce Wheeler
- John Hrizuk
- Kevin Justice

**Elders Class of
2025**

- Gail Rhinehart
- Scott Kramlich
- John Faisetty
- Jennifer Hartman

**Deacons Class of
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- 2023**
- Ethan Guzenski
- Colleen Kloiber
- Gail Kramlich
- Louise Juretus

**Deacons Class of
2024**

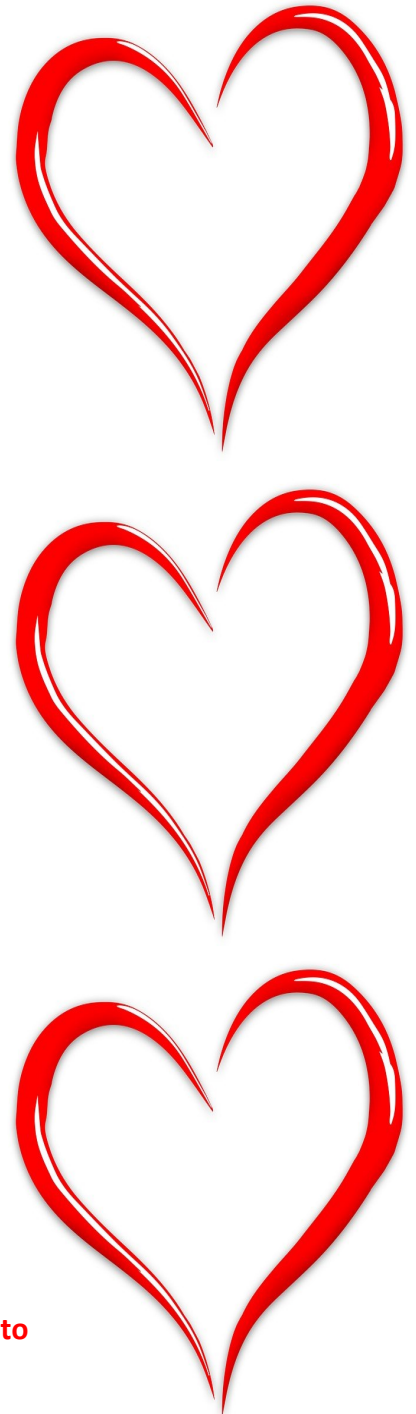
- Troy Guzenski
- Sue Hoke
- Samara Mebane
- Karen Sentiwany

**Deacons Class of
2025**

- Melody Faisetty

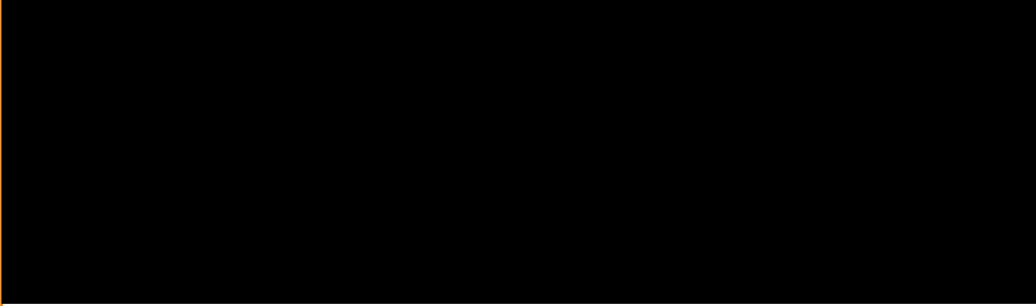
*The Fullness Of His
Love*
by Frances Ridley Havergal

*The fullness of His blessing
encompasseth our way;
The fullness of His promises
crowns every brightening
day;
The fullness of His glory
is beaming from above,
While more and more we
realize
the fullness of His love.*



**Nothing glows brighter than the heart awakened to
the light of love that lives within it.**

Church Finances: FINANCIAL REPORT – December 2022



The per capita apportionment for 2023 is \$48 per member.

Please pray for the families who lost loved ones in November and December of 2022.

Becky Macrina, Edith Scheire, and Jane Periera

News and Events: *Book Club* will now meet on Mondays at 10 am.

Fellowship Friday meets Friday at 2PM.

Ash Wednesday Service: Wednesday February 22, 2023 at 7PM. Rev. Goudy will lead this service.

Please check out the list of food needed by the **Whitehall/Coplay Hunger Initiative**, you may find this list on the bulletin board outside of Fellowship Hall.

Here is an update on the Monts mission trip to Malawi, Africa, and how our church will be supporting them. We will give \$500 to help purchase two bicycles on their mission tour of Malawi, Africa. The church plans to start a **fish bank collection**, challenging participants to collect \$1 a day (33.3 cents for each meal). The amount collected will hopefully reimburse the \$500 which will be donated right away.



This is my fish, his name is Finny.

February 2023 Greeters/Ushers:

Feb. 5: Scott and Gail Kramlich

Feb. 12: Dave & Karen Sentiwany

Feb. 19: John Hrizuk and Kevin Justice

Feb. 22: Ash Wednesday—open

Feb. 26: Tom and Sally Heffner

Communion Servers: Tom & Sally Heffner

Communion Set-up: Megan Justice and Maddie Stettler

EMAIL ADDRESS UPDATE

This is a reminder that the church email address has been changed as part of the conversion to Google Workplace for Nonprofits. Please use: **info@hokeypres.org**

February Pulpit Supply:

Feb. 5: Rev. Goudy

Feb. 12: Brad Hackett, Lay Person

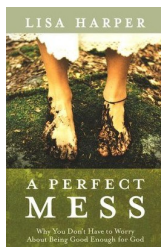
Feb. 19: Rev. Freeborn

Feb. 22: Ash Wednesday Rev. Goudy 7PM

Feb. 26: Rev. Goudy

The Book Club meets every Monday at

10AM. The new book they are reading is "A Perfect Mess...Why You don't have to worry about being good enough for God". It is a journey through the Psalms.



New Year's Resolutions for the Bereaved:

Not putting a timeline on my grief. Loving someone means loving them for my lifetime whether they are physically present or not.

Tell their stories, the happy and the sad, they will live on through me.

Understand that crying or otherwise expressing my pain is healthy and normal. "Doing well" means I am expressing myself.

Cry when I need to, laugh when I can, and not feel guilty about either one.

Let go, bit by bit, of the guilt, regret, and anger because I know holding on to these can be damaging.

Take a risk and let others into my life and heart.

Reinvest in life a little bit each day...



Are You Interested In

having Home Communion for yourself or someone you love? Please call the church office at 610-264-9693.

Prayer Requests:

Do you have a joy to share or a concern to pray over? Please email prayer requests to the office at:

church.secretary@hokeypres.org during the week and your requests will be included during an upcoming Sunday service.

Fellowship

We are asking for help to provide Fellowship to ease the burden on Sally and myself. Fellowship includes providing baked goods, fruit, etc., setting up the table, hosting during the fellowship time, and cleaning up. I am always here early so I am willing to make the coffee when I get here so it will be ready to go into the carafes before church begins. We will always have paper products, plastic ware, creamer, sugar and coffee in the kitchen, so it will just be a matter of gathering it all up and bringing it upstairs, then taking it all back down afterwards. Also, we ask that the coffee pots are emptied and washed, and that anything that you used is washed, wiped off, and put away. Your help will be greatly appreciated. There will be a sign up sheet on the bulletin board.

Lay Reader Sign-Up: You do not need

to be a member of Session to be a lay-reader. We have a sign up sheet on the bulletin board outside of Fellowship Hall. Please look over the dates available and sign up where you can.

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Birthdays :

Feb. 4: Mary Ann Miller

Steven Mondschein

Feb. 6: Jack Hartman Brown

Feb. 7: Noah Kalel Mebane

Feb. 13: Peyton George

Tatyana Alston

Feb. 14: Patricia Frankenfield

Feb. 21: Jessica Tomon

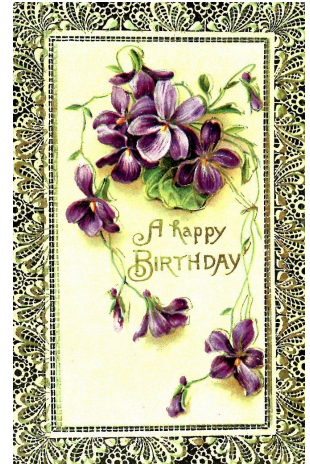
Feb. 23: Louise Juretus

Feb. 26: Ryan Cope

Feb. 27: Scott Kramlich

Joe Butchinski

Richard Mondschein



A simple haiku has no more than 17 syllables, Haiku is composed of only 3 lines. Typically, every first line of haiku has 5 syllables, the second line has 7 and the third has five.

BIBLES

Well worn pages with

Notations in the borders

Carried like a shield

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Come one, come all to Sunday School !!

Because of schedules and the high amount of illness making the rounds today, the Christian Ed department has made the decision to go back to weekly Sunday School. The teachers, Miss Eileen, Miss Gail, Miss Carol and Miss Sue, spend time working up their lessons and come in to find maybe only one student on Sunday. So they have decided that, to make it more accessible for kids who are sick, or have a fluctuating schedule, they will return to a weekly plan. Lets hope this makes it easier for the kids to get to Sunday School at least a couple of times, but hopefully, more often, each month.



Church Committees: Are you aware that any church member can serve on any of the committees, it is not limited to Session members.

OUTLINE OF SESSION COMMITTEES

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION: Eileen Tremblay and Gail Rhinehart: This ministry is concerned with the Sunday School Program for the children of our church. They decide what curriculum will be used as well as the type of program will be planned for each calendar year.

FINANCE & STEWARDSHIP: Sue Butchinski and Scott Kramlich: This ministry's main function is to address any issues concerning the finances of the church and to develop stewardship programs when required.

MEMBERSHIP, OUTREACH & MISSION: Eileen Tremblay: This ministry concerns itself with developing a mission plan for the church, instituting programs and informing the congregation of any special collections governed by the Lehigh Presbytery. They are also involved with home communion for our shut-ins as well as any outreach programs to those in our surrounding community.

PERSONNEL: John Hrizuk: This ministry is responsible for maintaining open communication with all church employees, conducting interviews when hiring new employees and also conducting yearly reviews of all church employees. They recommend pay rates, increases in pay rates as well as handling any issues that may arise involving church employee relations.

PROPERTY: Dave Sentiwany, John Faisetty and Sue Butchinski: This ministry is responsible for the maintenance, up-keep and general inspections of the church and the surrounding church property. They schedule routine inspections for the heating & air conditioning, fire extinguishers, etc. They perform general maintenance (painting, light bulb replacement, carpentry, etc) to the church building. They deal with contractors getting estimates and follow thru with scheduled work to be done. This is a very hands on ministry.

WORSHIP & MUSIC: Sally Heffner: This ministry takes care of anything having to do with our church services. They set up/take down communion, change vestments, hang banners, plan special services, recommend dates/times for services. They coordinate music needs with minister.

COMMUNICATION: Tammy Seidick: This ministry is responsible for maintaining the church website (updating content) and Facebook pages with information about the activities within our church.

FELLOWSHIP & GROUP LIFE: Sue Butchinski, Sally Heffner, Joyce Wheeler: This ministry is responsible for planning any special functions held within the church including Fellowship after services, special dinners, refreshments for special meetings, refreshments for election day, etc.

NOMINATING: John Hrizuk and Eileen Tremblay: This ministry is responsible for nominating church members to serve as Elders & Deacons as well as auditors. The committee is comprised of representatives from all groups within the church.

If interested in getting involved with one or more of these committees please contact the Church Office at 610-264-9693 or email church at info@hokeypres.org





Please drop a card or note to our members who, because of health or transportation problems, find it difficult to worship with us Sunday morning.

Janet and Walter Bloszinsky	5998 Coplay Rd. Apt. #1, Coplay, PA 18037
Esther and Donald DeWalt	276 Circle Drive, Catasauqua, PA 18032
Linda DeWalt	Cedarbrook, 350 S. Cedarbrook Rd., Room 322, Allentown, PA 18104
Dolly Kramlich	Above & Beyond at the Knights, 1545 Greenleaf St., #206, Allentown, PA 18102
Dick & Marie Lychak	Gino J. Merli Veteran's Center, 401 Penn Ave., Scranton, PA 18503
Dorothy Somers	3000 Fellowship Drive, Rm 102, Whitehall, PA 18052
Jim Shedlauskas	3021 Rosewood Court, Whitehall, PA 18052

Deborah Altorfer

Joey Groller

Joe Macrina

Mike Woodling

Stephanie Baily

Glenn Harris

Juliet Malay

Vance Woodley

Karen Becker

Larry Hein

Joy Messner

People suffering from depression.

Bedocs Family

Louise Hein

Lois Messner

People who are suffering because of the virus.

Cory Borger

Pamela Henckel

Todd Messner

Valerie Chandler

David Hertzog

People in the Military

and family

Matthew Hess

Angie Pontician

Elizabeth Connors

Nicky Hudack

Jacob Rivera

Kathy Cutter

Bill Jodry

Josie Sabella

Esther DeWalt

Joe Kanusky

Ben Sammak

Michael Dobry

Barbara Knarr

Linda Schlosser

Doreen

Linda Kramaranko

Joshua Scoble

Dolly Dougherty

Rosemary Kravenko

Judy Rowan Sharrar

Due Family

Kresley

Jim Shedlauskas

Pat Frankenfield

Sharon Kulik

Joanne Sienkiewicz

Peter Gilbert

Caroline Laudhorn

Carol Steigerwalt

Steve Glick

Jaden Leiby

CSS Emily Thrasher

Raina Gomez

Marie Lychak

Jim Tremblay

Maria Gontkosky

Richard Lychak

Donna Walck

Charlie Grim

Ivy Lynch

Carol Wal

Charles McGarvey





“Flushy”

Does your fish have a name?
Tell me your fish’s name and
send a photo to:

Newsletter@hokeypres.org
and I’ll put it in the March
Newsletter!

Remember to save

your Redner Tapes, you soda
can tabs and Box Tops. You
may find all the containers in
Fellowship Hall. The Redner
profit goes toward the area
food pantry’s. The soda tabs go
toward Sunday School projects
and the Box Tops are for educa-

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Sun.

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Fri

Sat

Sun.	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Fellowship 2PM Zoom	4
5 Communion Food Bank Sunday Rev. Goudy SS	6 Book Club 10AM	7	8	9	10 Fellow- ship 2PM Zoom	11
12 Fellowship Joyful Noise Brad Hackett SS	13 Book Club 10AM	14 Session 7PM	15	16	17 Fellow- ship 2PM Zoom	18
19 Annual Meeting Rev. Freeborn SS	20 Book Club 10AM	21	22 Ash Wednesday Service 7PM	23	24 Fellow- ship 2PM Zoom	25
26 Fellowship, Deacon’s Sunday. Rev. Goudy SS	27 Book Club 10AM	28				