

# BREAD BASKET

news

MAY 2021



HARRISVILLE,

## May I?

The month of May is aptly named for Maia, a Greek goddess of fertility and growth. Whereas April and certainly March may be more conflicted about whether they want to be months of winter or spring, in May spring has certainly sprung. Life has been given the green light once again. And we are permitted at its end to enter into the beginnings of summer.

Permitted. The month of “May”, though not etymologically sprung from it, also carries with it the meaning of the verb, “may”. It expresses permission. May I head out of the house without being covered from head to toe with heavy clothing? Why, yes, you may. May I enjoy the delightful ambience of green leaves surrounding me wherever I go? Why, yes, you may. And, in this new season of the pandemic, it provides us with at least a limited permission again to gather and grow – as the month of May itself always implies.

With the effect of vaccinations starting to blossom, our social ecosphere is starting to warm again. Therefore, we should wisely and with still suitable restraint start to mingle. This has already begun in our worship services. We look forward to its steady advance in all aspects of church life as well as the rest of our social lives.

We are not completely out of the woods yet. Shakespeare said, “Rough winds do shake the darling buds of May” – and the rough wind of the pandemic still swirls around us – especially in some countries lagging behind in vaccinations – but we have carved out a space of wellness in an otherwise precarious world. For this, we should be thankful.

May I start to celebrate the fruits of perseverance, wisdom and medical science we are starting to enjoy? Why, yes, you may – in this lovely month for which there is always reason for celebration.

Praise God from whom all seasons flow,

Pastor Ken



In Sanctuary Worship  
Sundays at 11AM  
Social guidelines observed

The Agape Prayer Group meets  
Thursdays @ 12:30PM

Senior Recognition Sunday  
May 2nd  
11AM Service

Next Council meeting  
Tuesday, May 4th  
7PM

Community Day of prayer  
Thursday, May 6th  
6PM

Harmony Evangelical Presbyterian Church

### MARCH 2021 TREASURER'S REPORT \*

#### Designated Money

4th of July food booth	\$500.00
Local Missions	\$433.27
Prayer Blankets	\$420.00
Outreach—Bike Ministry	\$60.00
Care Team Postage	\$22.59
VBS	\$5.00
Care Team	\$344.41
HUMC Building Fund	\$3,000.00
Property Tax	\$46.23
Snyder Foundation 2020	\$1,000.00
Youth	\$36.00
UMCOR	\$200.00
<b>Total Designated Money</b>	<b>\$6,067.50</b>
<b>Working Balance General Fund</b>	<b>\$2,367.59</b>
<b>Total Income to General Fund for March 2021</b>	<b>\$12,452.48</b>
<b>Total Expenditure from General Fund in March 2021</b>	<b>\$12,403.90</b>

\*To Be Ratified by Church Council\*

## FEED MY SHEEP FOOD BANK STATISTICS FOR APRIL 2021\*

*T\*\*ERE IS NO UPDATE FOR FEBRUARY DUE TO CAOL LAMBERT GETTING A NEW COMPUTER THAT ISN'T COMPATIBLE FOR HER STATS*

Total: Family Members:	174	Slippery Rock Area:	48
Families:	84	Slippery Rock Boro:	23
Seniors	55	Harrisville:	13
Adults:	83	New Families	2
Children:	36	Out of area emergency—2 families	

*Feed My Sheep April request:  
Bar Soap, body wash, body lotion, deodorant, & Chunky Soup*



### FINANCE REPORT\*

	THRU FEBRUARY	MARCH	YTD
<b>GENERAL FUND INCOME</b>	\$16,337.53	\$12,452.48	\$28,790.01
<b>SPENDING FROM GENERAL FUND</b>	\$24,284.56	\$12,403.90	36,688.46
<b>NET SURPLUS / (DEFICIT)</b>	<b>\$7,947.03</b>	<b>\$48.48</b>	<b>\$7,898.45</b>

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### Walk for Life:

Do you want to make a difference in the lives of families facing an unplanned pregnancy? Join **Promise of Life Network (Alpha Omega Center)** on May 22nd as we Walk for Life! Partner with us by gathering sponsors or sponsoring a walker. Go to [promiseoflifenet.org](http://promiseoflifenet.org) or call 724-794-3325 for more information



MAY NATIONAL & NON- NATIONAL HOLIDAYS	
MAY 4	National Teacher Day
MAY 6	National Day of Prayer National Nurses Day
MAY 9	Mother's Day
MAY 15	Armed Forces Day
MAY 23	Pentecost
MAY 24	National Brother Day
MAY 28	National Burger Day
MAY 30	Trinity Sunday
MAY 31	Memorial Day

COUNTING TEAM SCHEDULE MAY & JUNE		
MAY 2	Connie Rider	Bill Hagan
MAY 9	Carl Baum	Lutie Clausen
MAY 16	Sondra Buchanan	Martha Jones
MAY 23	Tanya Manz	Denise Conrad
MAY 30	Connie Rider	Bill Hagan
JUNE 6	Carl Baum	Lutie Clausen
JUNE 13	Sondra Buchanan	Martha Jones
JUNE 20	Tanya Manz	Denise Conrad
JUNE 27	Connie Rider	Bill Hagan

Trinity Sunday is the first Sunday after Pentecost in the Western Christian liturgical calendar, and the Sunday of Pentecost in Eastern Christianity.[2] Trinity Sunday celebrates the Christian doctrine of the Trinity, the three Persons of God: the Father, the Son, and the Holy



**Community Day of Prayer**  
**Thursday, May 6th**  
**6PM**  
**Harmony Evangelical Presbyterian Church**

*Prayer Makes A Difference*

# prayers & petitions

PRAYER LIST: To be added to the prayer requests, email the church at [secretary@harrisvilleumc.org](mailto:secretary@harrisvilleumc.org). If you have an urgent request, please contact Pastor Ken at 724-986-3486 or [kenmiller\\_20@hotmail.com](mailto:kenmiller_20@hotmail.com). You may also contact Connie Emmett for the prayer chain at 724-735-2675. An \* beside a name indicates that the name will be kept on the list indefinitely. If you want to keep or add a name on the list, please indicate it on the back of your Connect Card, call the church office & leave a message (724-735-4671) or email at [secretary@harrisvilleumc.org](mailto:secretary@harrisvilleumc.org).

Darla Stoughton*	Linda Faller*	James Patton*	John Stalker*
Donald & Marcia Carnahan*	The Gunniers family*	Marilyn Brinker	Bernie Eakin*
Norma & Earl Webb (Tina's In Laws)*	Shirley Burr*	Nevada Kelly*	Velma Wissen, Ron Gunniers Sister*
Audrey Clark*	John Stoops*	Bryce Bennett*	Al, brother-in-law of Ron Gunniers*
Connie Thompson*	Virginia Hockenberry*	Mary Clausen Luties's sister-in-law	Dee Thompson*
Matthew Croup*	Gary Hoffman*	Zachory Boozel*	Jenny Gannon Guilliland*
Kathy Barnes*	Colton Boozel*	Connie Emmett	
Healthcare workers	Covid-19 patients	First Responders*	Our Military*
HUMC*	The United Methodist Church	Our Nation*	



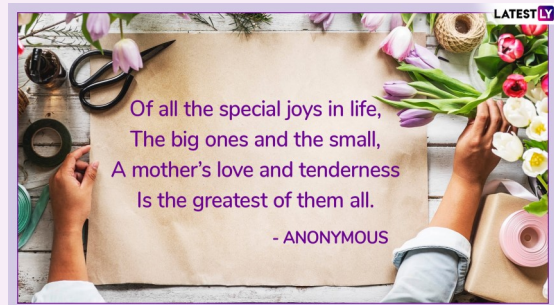
**Senior Recognition Sunday**  
**Sunday May 2nd**

### High School

Destiny Kearney—Slippery Rock High School  
Carl Conrad—Franklin High School  
Cole Rider—Slippery Rock High School

### College

Braden Rider—Geneva College  
Zach Van Dyke — SRU & ROTC



There are *Angels* God puts on this Earth

Who care for us and guide us.  
You can feel their love and gentleness  
as they walk through life beside us.

They do great things for us every day  
they whisper in our ears,  
they even hold us in their hearts  
when we are filled with all our fears.

They are always there to give a hug  
and try to make us smile.  
They treat us with respect and love,  
they treat us like their child.

God blessed me with an Angel,  
I'm proud to call my own.  
She's been with me throughout my  
life, been with me as I've grown.

She's guided me the best she can,  
she's taught me like no other,  
and I'm thankful I'm the lucky one  
who get's to call her...

*Mother*

# celebrate!

## May Birthdays

5/1	Denise Conrad Nicholas Pollard
5/3	James Surrena
5/6	Maureen Stalker
5/10	Landyn Bixler
5/11	Andrea Dunkle
5/12	Jim Zellmann
5/13	Amy Van Dyke
5/22	Rayne Stoughton

## May Anniversaries

5/22	Kevin & Renee Boozel
5/20	Connie & Bill Hagan
5/27	Paul & Maureen Stalker

## June Birthdays

6/2	Lynette Zellman Linda Moore
6/3	Heather Kearney
6/8	Kathy Bray
6/11	Bob Patterson
6/12	Cole Rider
6/15	Kevin Boozel Sherry Patton
6/20	Leah Pollard
6/23	Jill Double

## June Anniversaries

6/5	John & Jayne Campbell
6/11	Jackie & George (Bud) McIntire

## 10 Things the Bible Says about Believers Going to Heaven

### 1. Our Future is Bright

*"I am the light that shines through the cosmos; if you walk with Me, you will thrive in the nourishing light that gives life and will not know darkness" (John 8:12, VOICE).*

When Jesus was born on earth, angels appeared to the shepherds in the fields (Luke 2:8-16). In an instant, the pitch black sky burst forth with blinding light. Jesus assured us that following Him would lead us to the light, keep us within the light, and promise us a bright future (John 8:12). The VOICE version uses the word "nourishing", which conveys a sense of continued growth throughout eternity. When we follow the light of Jesus, we live past this earth and on to eternity.

The NIV notes on this verse compare the light of Jesus in our present-day lives to that of the pillar of cloud the Israelites followed in the desert (Exodus 13:21). If we follow Jesus, we "will not know darkness." Not here on earth, or after we pass away from it.

"For you are all children of light. You are sons and daughters of the day. We are not created of night, nor are we owned by darkness" (1 Thessalonians 5:5, VOICE).

### 2. Earthly End Signifies Eternal Beginning

*"For he has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and transferred us into the Kingdom of his dear Son" (Colossians 1:13, NLT).*

Past this life, we move on to meet Christ. Our earthly ending signifies an eternal beginning. To meet Him in Heaven will trump the embrace of the most beloved person to us on this earth. Every tear will be wiped away. Every hurt, healed.

The remnant of our earthly days are God-purposed to represent a piece of His Kingdom on earth. Jesus-surrendered hearts have the ability to cast light on a quickly darkening world. We are humanity's life-light. Sirens blare as hearts fail and fall away. Our job is to live while we trod this earth in a way that tells of His love.

### 3. Our Place is Reserved

*"Do not be afraid, for I have ransomed you. I have called you by name; you are mine" (Isaiah 43:1b).*

Acceptance of Christ as our Savior (salvation) guarantees our place with Him in Heaven. God has purposed every life on this earth. Jesus went to the cross for every single one of us "so that not one will be lost." The Author of life loves every soul. He knows the fear in our hearts, and has paid the price for our sin.

I've heard it said that our names in Heaven will be different than the ones we answer to here on earth. Let's not put anything past the One who knows our soul from the inside out. We will finally know "why" and see His face. Just like He assured the Israelites they were His chosen people in Isaiah 43:1, we will know without a doubt that we are His.

By Meg Bucher  
Crosswalk.com



care

# "Love one another as I have loved you"

Many of our longtime members are no longer able to attend services or get around like they used to. The Care team helps with visitation, care packages, and small acts of kindness on holidays. This committee is also responsible for sending care packages to our college students and military while they are away.

## OUR SHUT-INS

- Bernie Eakin  
Grove Manor  
435 N. Broad Street  
Grove City, PA 1612
- Kathy Barnes  
Quality Life Services  
Room 115  
8221 Lamar Road  
Mercer, PA 16137
- Betty Donaldson  
The Lakes at Jefferson  
Rm BE 118  
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Mercer, Pa 16137

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**Zachory Boozel**  
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## ways to give to HUMC

**HUMC** HARRISVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

**ONLINE**  
@HARRISVILLEUMC.ORG

**SMARTPHONE OR TABLET**

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**Pray for HUMC Every Day**

- ▶ Grow in the Holy Spirit
- ▶ Grow in Our Outreach
- ▶ Grow in Disciple-Making
- ▶ Grow in Our Financial Support

**Websites that may be of interest**

- \* [Senioradvice.com](http://Senioradvice.com)
- \* [www.wpaumc.org](http://www.wpaumc.org) - Western PA Conference of UMC
- \* [Butler.Office@wpaumc.org](mailto:Butler.Office@wpaumc.org)—Butler District Office

# MAY Bible Readings & Daily Scripture

The **Blue scripture** is designed to be able to read the Bible in a year. By the end of the year you will have completely read through the Bible.

The **purple scripture** is designed to be a verse thought for the day. Put this page somewhere handy so that you can read the year long verses and/or verse for the day everyday.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						<p><b>1</b> 2 Kings 8-9</p> <p>May you be blessed by the Lord, the maker of heaven and earth. Psalm 115:15</p>
<p><b>2</b> 2 Kings 10-12</p> <p>For the Spirit God gave us does not make us timid, but gives us power, love and self-discipline. 2 Timothy 1:7</p>	<p><b>3</b> 2 Kings 13-14</p> <p>Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits — Psalm 103:2</p>	<p><b>4</b> 2 Kings 15-16</p> <p>The blessing of the Lord makes one rich, and He adds no sorrow with it. Proverbs 10:22</p>	<p><b>5</b> 2 Kings 17-18</p> <p>The Lord is compassionate and gracious slow to anger, abounding in love. Psalm 103:8</p>	<p><b>6</b> 2 Kings 19-21</p> <p>The Lord has established his throne in heaven., and his kingdom rules over all. Psalm 103:19</p>	<p><b>7</b> 2 Kings 22-25</p> <p>May the glory of the Lord endure forever. Psalm 104:31a</p>	<p><b>8</b> 1 Chron. 1</p> <p>I will sing to the Lord all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live. Psalm 104:33</p>
<p><b>9</b> 1 Chron. 2-4</p> <p>Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who finds great delight in his commands. Psalm 112:1</p>	<p><b>10</b> 1 Chron. 5-6</p> <p>The LORD is with me; I will not be afraid. What can mere mortals do to me? Psalm 118:6</p>	<p><b>11</b> Chron. 7-9</p> <p>“Go, stand in the temple courts,” he said, “and tell the people all about this new life.” Acts 5:20</p>	<p><b>12</b> 1 Chron. 10-12</p> <p>Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. James 5:16a</p>	<p><b>13</b> 1 Chron. 13-16</p> <p>The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective. James 5:16b</p>	<p><b>14</b> 1 Chron. 17-19</p> <p>So then, just as you received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to live your lives in him, Colossians 2:6</p>	<p><b>15</b> Chron. 20-23</p> <p>God has raised this Jesus to life, and we are all witnesses of it . Acts 2:32</p>
<p><b>16</b> 1 Chron. 24-26</p> <p>This is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins. Matthew 26:28</p>	<p><b>17</b> 1 Chron. 27-29</p> <p>I have trusted in your steadfast love; my heart shall rejoice in your salvation. Psalm 13:5</p>	<p><b>18</b> 2 Chron. 1-4</p> <p>The Lord our God is merciful and forgiving, even though we have rebelled against him; Daniel 9:9</p>	<p><b>19</b> 2 Chron. 5-7</p> <p>Consequently, faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the word about Christ. of the world! Romans 10:17</p>	<p><b>20</b> 2 Chron. 8-10</p> <p>Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, and whoever humbles himself will be exalted. Matthew 23:12</p>	<p><b>21</b> 2 Chron. 11-14</p> <p>Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you. Romans 15:7</p>	<p><b>22</b> 2 Chron. 15-18</p> <p>Where there is no counsel, the people fall; but in the multitude of counselors there is safety. Proverbs 11:14</p>
<p><b>23</b> 2 Chron. 19-22</p> <p>The Lord works righteousness and justice for all the oppressed. Psalm 103:6</p>	<p><b>24</b> 2 Chron. 23-25</p> <p>Truly I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me. Matthew 25:40</p>	<p><b>25</b> 2 Chron. 26-28</p> <p>May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him. Romans 15:13</p>	<p><b>26</b> 2 Chron. 29-30</p> <p>The LORD is my strength and my defense ; he has become my salvation. Psalm 118:14</p>	<p><b>27</b> 2 Chron. 31-33</p> <p>I am with you always, to the end of the age. Matthew 28:20</p>	<p><b>28</b> 2 Chron. 34-36</p> <p>The generous soul will be made rich, and he who waters will also be watered himself. Proverbs 11:25</p>	<p><b>29</b> Ezra 1-2</p> <p>What do you have that you did not receive? And if you did receive it, why do you boast as though you did not. I Corinthians 4:7</p>
<p><b>30</b> Ezra 3-5</p> <p>I bless the Lord who gives me counsel; in the night also my heart instructs me. Psalm 16:7</p>	<p><b>31</b> Ezra 6-8</p> <p>The way of a fool is right in his own eyes, but he who heeds counsel is wise. Proverbs 12:15</p>	<p><b>1</b> Ezra 9-10</p> <p>The Sabbath was made for man, not the man for the Sabbath. Mark 2:27</p>	<p><b>2</b> Nehemiah 1-3</p> <p>Knowledge puffs up while love builds up. 1 Corinthians 8:1</p>	<p><b>3</b> Nehemiah 4-6</p> <p>I have set the Lord always before me . . . I shall not be moved. Psalm 16:8</p>	<p><b>4</b> Nehemiah 7-8</p> <p>He who speaks truth declares righteousness. Proverbs 12:17</p>	<p><b>5</b> Nehemiah 7-8</p> <p>If you ask me anything in my name, I will do it. Jon 14:14</p>





# UMCOR

*United Methodist Committee  
On Relief*

In conjunction with Grace United Methodist Church, Delores Klamer, the church organist and Kristine Henley, the church secretary **Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes**. There is a 6-month goal of 400 boxes. Please consider contributing items for the next few months. A container for the items is on the pew by the sound booth.

**UMCOR** responds to natural or civil disasters of such magnitude that they overwhelm a community's ability to recover on its own. Through UMCOR, United Methodists extend loving care to people within the United States. When disaster strikes, it is local churches that provide the first response to their communities. This basic understanding—that disaster response is local—forms the foundation for UMCOR's US disaster training and response. When responding to a disaster in the United States, UMCOR provides training, financial assistance, expertise, community collaboration to churches and partners making them more resilient to disasters. Conference apportionments support the agency. 100% of Special offerings taken for each disaster go to the emergency. This is one of the United Methodist best mission emphasis. *Taken from the UMCOR website*

**God was faithful and prepared the way for Samaritan's Purse to take shoebox gifts and the Gospel of Jesus Christ to the ends of the earth, even in a pandemic year.**



*Taken from the Operation Christmas Child newsletter*

### Suggestions for Operation Christmas Child shoeboxes

Kids' toothbrushes (5 for \$1 at Wal Mart and Dollar General)

Toothbrush Holders (2 for \$1@ Dollar Tree )

Crayons & Coloring Books (Must be able to fit in shoebox)

Personal Care Items

Ball Caps

Hair accessories

Hair Brushes & Combs

Slinkies

Jump Ropes

Small Calculators

T-Shirts

Small Toy Vehicles

Small Balls

Dinosaurs

Finger Puppets

Small Stuffed Animals

Small to Do Craft Items

Play Dough

Small Dolls

Small Stuffed Animals

Small Tablets or Notebooks