

# BREAD NEWS BASKET

May 2024

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## Mother? May? I?

A rundown of May's American calendar features the following:

- the running of the **Kentucky Derby**, on the first Saturday in May;
- **Mother's Day**, on the second Sunday in May; and,
- **Memorial Day**, on the last Monday in May.

Mother, may I celebrate? Sure! (Red Rover, Red Rover, send Harrisville on over!)

Two of these events contain religious significance – Mother's Day and Memorial Day (although some may argue that the mint juleps served on Derby Day are also worthy of religious veneration, I would humbly dispute this valuation). In fact, did you know that the celebration of Mother's Day in America was begun by Methodists? Darn tootin'. From the *United Methodist Book of Worship*: "It began in its present form with a special service in May 1907 at the Methodist Episcopal Church in Grafton, West Virginia. The service was organized by a Methodist laywoman, Anna Jarvis, to honor her mother, who had died on May 9, 1905. By 1908 Anna Jarvis was advocating that all mothers be honored on the second Sunday in May, and in 1912 the Methodist Episcopal Church recognized the day and raised it to the national agenda."

And Memorial Day – to honor those who have provided the ultimate sacrifice for this country – has obvious religious overtones as well. As long as we don't turn our country into a god (nor our mothers, for that matter), but we suitably honor the genuine sacrifice given by others so that we may have our lives, there should always be a place reserved in our churches and in our hearts for these Maytide events.

And please celebrate and enjoy this time of long-awaited sunshine and warmth – AND the new life in our church – locally in Harrisville and internationally in our United Methodist Church. There is much to celebrate this May!

Praise God from whom all celebrations flow,

*Pastor Ken*

<b>In Sanctuary Worship Sundays at 11AM</b>
<b>May 5 Communion</b>
<b>May 12 Mother's Day</b>
<b>Council Tuesday, May 14 7PM</b>
<b>May 27 Memorial Day Observance</b>
<b>Annual Conference June 6-8</b>
<b>Meatball Madness June 8</b>

**2023 End of Year Finance Deficit \$9,599.35**

<b>March 2024 Treasurer's Report *</b>	
<b>Designated Money</b>	
Closing Balance Mercer County Bank, March 2024	\$573.31
<b>Designated Money</b>	
Local Missions	\$807.00
Outreach—Bike Ministry	\$578.00
Care Team	\$421.58
Spirit of Hope	\$1,,000.00
Youth	\$1,103.88
Shields Foundation	\$1,500.00
Snyder Fund 2021	\$1,000.00
Snyder Fund 2022	\$1000.00
Property Tax	\$69.92
Spirit of Hope	\$1,,000.00
<b>Total Designated Money</b>	<b>\$8,480.38</b>
<b>Working Balance General Fund for March 2024</b>	<b>\$7,907.07</b>
<b>Total Income to General Fund for March 2024</b>	<b>\$10,561.10</b>
<b>Total Expenditure from General Fund in March 2024</b>	<b>\$10,670.16</b>

<b>FINANCE REPORT*</b>	<b>THRU FEB</b>	<b>MARCH</b>	<b>YTD</b>
GENERAL FUND INCOME	\$15,684.69	\$10,561.10	\$26,245.79
SPENDING FROM GENERAL FUND	\$20,626.79	\$10,670.16	\$31,296.95
<b>NET SURPLUS / (Deficit)</b>	<b>\$4,944.10</b>	<b>\$109.06</b>	<b>\$5,053.16</b>

<b>Loan to General Fund</b>	
From Building Fund - For 2022	11,500.00
From Building Fund -. 2023	\$10,600.00
From Boiler Fund - 2023	\$6,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$28,100</b>

HUMC members,  
Thank you for honoring the memory of Kath with the beautiful planter urn and the wind chime. We will remember her every time the chime rings. She loved her church and all her friends there.  
Love in Christ,  
Carol and the other embers of Kathryn's family.  
Tom, Dave, Debbie, Jake and Sam

**WE ARE THE CHURCH TOGETHER**

Once again a heartfelt thank you to all for their generosity of time, of labor, and of love for HUMC as you supported the Bake Sale. And Meatball Madness. Together over \$1700 was added to the General Fund in April. Let's keep that Spirit alive in our hearts with love to all.

## OFFERING COUNTERS MAY & JUNE

MAY 5	Lutie Clausen	Martha Jones
MAY 12	Denise Conrad	Tana Manz
MAY 19	Lutie Clausen	Martha Jones
MAY 26	Sondra Buchanan	Martha Jones
JUNE 2	Lutie Clausen	Martha Jones
JUNE 9	Denise Conrad	Tana Manz
JUNE 16	Lutie Clausen	Martha Jones
JUNE 23	Sondra Buchanan	Martha Jones
JUNE 30	Lutie Clausen	Martha Jones

## FEED MY SHEEP FOOD BANK STATISTICS FOR APRIL 2024

Total Members:	228	Slippery Rock Area:	67
Families:	118	Slippery Rock Boro	33
Seniors	70	Harrisville:	12
Adults:	67	New	9
Children	51	<b>For those in need, contact: 724-421-5274</b>	

**Deliveries can be made for those unable or fearful of going out.**

*Present hours:*

*Tues & Thurs 2:00 to 3:00 Sat: by appointment*

# CELEBRATE!

### May Birthdays

5/1	Denise Conrad
5/10	Landen Bixler
5/11	Andrea Dunkle
5/13	Amy Van Dyke
5/17	Emaleigh Tarr
5/27	Colton Boozel

### June Birthdays

6/3	Heather Kearney
6/12	Cole Rider
6/15	Kevin Boozel
6/19	Ryan Graham
6/21	Daniel Graham

### May Anniversaries

5/22	Kevin & Renee Boozel Joshua & Alicia Graham
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### June Anniversaries

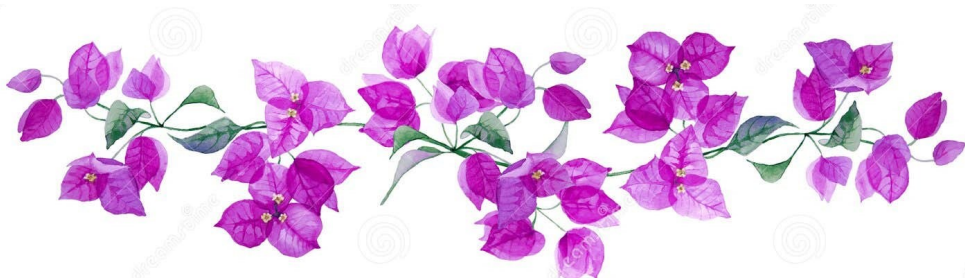
No June Anniversaries

### Feed My Sheep MAY Request



## God's Top Ten

1. Put God First
2. Worship Him Only
3. No Bad Words
4. Work 6 Rest 1
5. Obey Your Parents
6. Harm No One
7. Don't Cheat
8. If It's Not Yours,  
Don't Take It
9. Tell the Truth
10. Don't Be Jealous of  
Other People's Stuff





# 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). 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).

Dee Thompson*	Linda Faller*	Carol Codisport	Nevada Kelly*
Marcia Carnahan	The Gunniers family*	Jenny Gannon Guilliland*	Tony Kearney*
Audrey Clark*	Gary & Gladys Hoffman*	Bryce Bennett*	Velma Wissen, Ron Gunniers Sister*
Burton Kelly	John Stalker*	Zachory Boozel*	Connie Rider*
Matthew Croup*	Shirley Burr*	Connie Thompson*	
	HUMC*	First Responders	Our Military*

A quote from Bishop Bickerton's address at General Conference. He begins his prayers with these words:

**"Oh, God, remove me from me and fill me with Thee."**

Perhaps we all need to adopt these word into our daily prayers.

Andrea Dunkle



**Pray for HUMC Every Day**

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

For as the soil makes the sprout come up and a garden causes seeds to grow, so the Sovereign LORD will make righteousness and praise spring up before all nations.

Isaiah 61:11



Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing.  
Psalms 100:2

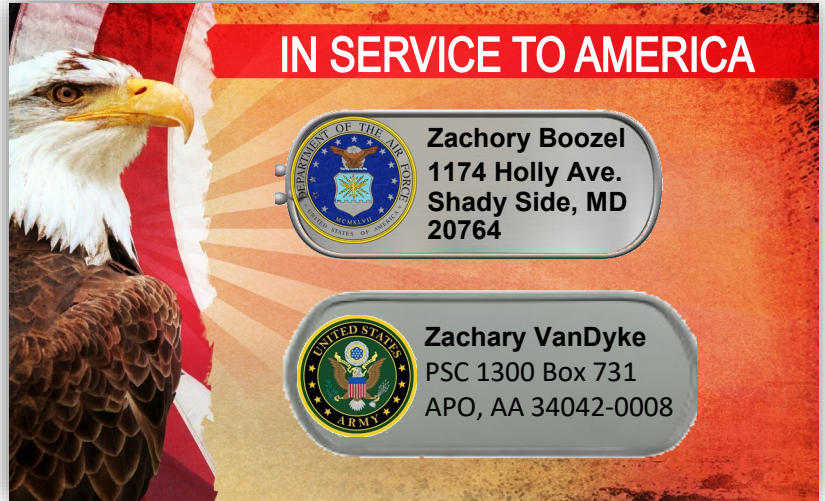
# "Love one another as I have loved"

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.

## Our Shut-ins

- Betty Donaldson  
The Lakes at Jefferson  
Rm BE 118  
7271 W. Market Street  
Mercer, Pa 16137
- Connie Emmett  
Shenango On The Green  
Room 233  
238 S. Market Street  
New Wilmington, PA 16142
- **Friend outside the area**  
Ron Guinners  
100 Felicity Drive Apt. 218  
Pittsburgh, PA 15237

*Please  
Send  
Them  
a Card*



Want to see a great faith based movie? **Unsung Hero** will be shown at the Guthrie theatre in Grove City on:

- FRI, 5/10 – 7PM
- SAT, 5/11 – 2PM
- FRI, 5/17 – 7PM
- SAT, 5/18 – 2PM