

THE FRIENDLY VOICE

JUNE 2019



LANGHORNE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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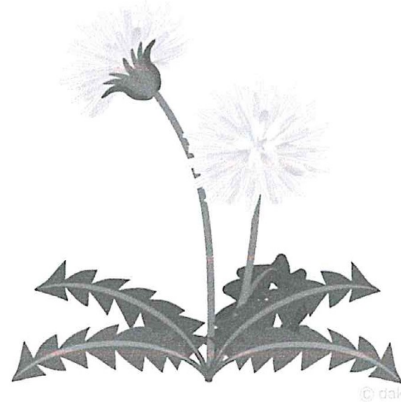
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Summer Greetings from Your Pastor!!

Somehow, despite the overly rainy late winter and most of the spring, flowers are popping up and out most places you look. But gardeners and lawn enthusiasts will speak up and exclaim, "...and so are the weeds!" Just ask those who have volunteered as our "garden angels" who take care of areas around our church!!

Weeds are what we "weed" out of the lawns and gardens and are what we define them to be, for the most part. Some gardeners will weed out the old plants, or some plants that have taken over in greater number than is desired for that plot of earth. When it comes right down to it, we weed out all that is undesirable, by our standards, in our gardens and lawns. We want to be rid of them because we think they do not belong. They do not fit in with what we want our piece of earth to be or are any benefit to anything or anybody. Out of sight, out of mind...



Take the dandelion – up until sometime in the 1800's, it was cultivated for its dietary and medicinal values, and it was and still is one of several flowering plants vital to bees. It blooms early when the bees are just coming out and stays in bloom well into fall. Grass was removed to make room for the dandelions. But the popular culture changed when someone decided that residential and some commercial landscapes should be "coiffed," lush and green. And gardens were to be groomed well with gorgeous colorful blooms and things that smelled lovely. Dandelions needed to be weeded out for fear they would choke out all other desired grasses and plants. They are prolific and it is assumed by many people that taking over everything is the dandelion's sole mission. They are considered a threat to the property and the neighborhood. Property values are higher if the neighborhood homes all have high curb appeal.

However, dandelions and other "weeds" are vital pieces of the environmental system. And if important to the environmental system, the weeds are important to us.

Unfortunately, there are people who transferred this kind of thinking to their country, their towns and neighborhoods, and even their churches when it comes to people. The extreme has been genocide; followed by non-existent or minimal human and civil rights, segregation, and all forms of abuse. All of this is founded on the basis of fear, hate, and false information that leads to misunderstanding, assumption, prejudice, and bigotry. People worry about their property value going down or up when certain types of people move in or out. The thing is, like weeds, ALL types of people - - ALL, like you and me, like weeds and even desirable plants - - can become invasive; and where is the diversity in that? We can be overgrown with too many lily of the valley!! Where is the true body of Christ when all are only hands?

Are there people in our church you avoid, will not sit with, do not speak with? Why or why not? Aside from those with malicious intent, are there people outside of church that you would not want to come to our church? Why? Are there issues that stand between you and others like heavy walls that need breaking down so that grace can be shared and forgiveness can take place?

Do you always sit in the same spot and with the same people when you come to worship? Do you fellowship before and after the worship services? And do you sit and share with the same people?

Lily of the valley are awesome; and if that were all that God had to offer, I would be happy. But God loves diversity and gives us all types of people to live, love, and work with; and my life garden and yard, our church, and the body of Christ is made better with a variety of God's children in it.



Change it up people! ☺ Sit with folks you don't usually sit with in church and in fellowship, or in the workplace. Get to know them, and let them know you. And if you haven't been to church in a while, come on home, people! We need to reacquaint ourselves and get you involved again in fellowship and the family here at LUMC.

We are all flowers, even if we are dandelions. There are no "weeds" as we humans have defined them. We are all part of God's amazing garden. Let us all grow together!!

In Christ,
Laurie, your pastor
Rev. Laurie J. Pfahler



Retraction From your Pastor...!

Last month, I wrote about the wonderful service we have for folks from Woods Services on Sunday afternoons at 1:00p. I stated briefly that Rev. John Lutz initiated that relationship.

I was in error.

Jane Schmidt contacted me to let me know that the relationship was older than Rev. Lutz's time here. In fact, having a worship service here for the residents was a loving agreement between Langhorne UMC and Woods Services as part of the transfer of land ownership where the parsonage and the playground now stand alongside of the Beechwood property.

I humbly stand corrected! Thank you Jane, for straightening that out for me and all of us!



In Christ,
Laurie, your pastor
Rev. Laurie J. Pfahler

Summer Sunday Scripture Schedule, Plus...

Here are the scriptures that are scheduled for each Sunday of June, July and August. They are subject to change should there be a substitute preacher, or if the Holy Spirit moves me to change one or two... I generally pick two of the four to focus on each Sunday, and often use the Psalter reading as a call to worship. Feel free to read them in anticipation of the Sunday services' messages.

We start our traditional service summer hymn sing schedule June 9th! Come at 9:15A if you wish to participate in the weekly hymn sing. The service will then promptly begin at 9:30A. There is no change to the 11:00A service.

Rev. Laurie J. Pfahler

JUNE

June 2 – 7th Sunday of Easter

(Ascension of the Lord Day is May 30th this year)

Apostolic/New Testament Lesson	Acts 16:16-34
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 97
Apocalyptic /New Testament Lesson	Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20-21
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	John 17:20-26

June 9 – Day of Pentecost (A day to wear RED!!)

Apostolic/New Testament Lesson	Acts 2:1-21
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 104:24-34, 35b
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Romans 8:14-17
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	John 14:8-17



June 16 – Trinity Sunday; Also Fathers' Day & Peace With Justice Sunday and Student Recognition Day

(We will have a special offering for Peace With Justice Sunday.)

Wisdom/Old Testament Lesson	Proverbs 8:1-4, 22-31
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 8
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Romans 5:1-5
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	John 16:12-15



June 23 – 2nd Sunday After Pentecost/In Kingdomtide

Historic/Old Testament Lesson	1 Kings 19:1-15a
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 42
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Galatians 3:23-29
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	Luke 8:26-39

June 30 – 3rd Sunday After Pentecost/In Kingdomtide

Historic/Old Testament Lesson	2 Kings 2:1-2, 6-14
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 77:1-2, 11-20
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Galatians 5:1, 13-25

JULY

July 7 – 4th Sunday After Pentecost/In Kingdomtide

Historic/Old Testament Lesson	2 Kings 5:1-14
Psalter/Old Testament Lesson	Psalms 30
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Galatians 6:1-16
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	Luke 10:1-11, 16-20

July 14 – 5th Sunday After Pentecost/In Kingdomtide

Prophetic/Old Testament Lesson	Amos 7:7-17
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 82
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Colossians 1:1-14
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	Luke 10:25-37

July 21 – 6th Sunday After Pentecost/In Kingdomtide; Also VBS Kick-off Sunday!!

Prophetic/Old Testament Lesson	Amos 8:1-12
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 52 (or 82)
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Colossians 1:15-28
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	Luke 10:38-42

July 28 – 7th Sunday After Pentecost/In Kingdomtide

Prophetic/Old Testament Lesson	Hosea 1:2-10
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 85
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Colossians 2:6-19
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	Luke 11:1-13

AUGUST

August 4 – 8th Sunday After Pentecost/In Kingdomtide

Prophetic/Old Testament Lesson	Hosea 11:1-11
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 107:1-9, 43
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Colossians 3:1-11
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	Luke 12:13-21

August 11 – 9th Sunday After Pentecost/In Kingdomtide

Prophetic/Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 1:1, 10-20
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 50:1-8, 22-23
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-16
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	Luke 12:32-40

August 18 – 10th Sunday After Pentecost/In Kingdomtide

Prophetic/Old Testament Lesson	Isaiah 5:1-7
Psalter/Old Testament Reading	Psalms 80:1-2, 8-19
Epistle/New Testament Lesson	Hebrews 11:29 – 12:2
Gospel/New Testament Lesson	Luke 12:49-56

August 25 – 11th Sunday After Pentecost/In Kingdomtide; Also Blessing of the Backpacks Sunday

Prophetic/Old Testament Lesson
Psalter/Old Testament Reading
Epistle/New Testament Lesson
Gospel/New Testament Lesson

Jeremiah 1:4-10
Psalm 71:1-6
Hebrews 12:18-29
Luke 13:10-17

... Things to note for this Summer:

June 9 – Pentecost Sunday; Wear RED to Observe Pentecost (No, not required... ☺)



June 16 – Student Recognition Day & SPECIAL OFFERING for Peace With Justice Sunday

July 21 – VBS Kick-off Sunday



August 25 – Blessing of the Backpacks, Students, and People with Occupations in Education

September 1 – ONE Service 10:00A for Labor Day Weekend

September 8 – Rally Day!: Sunday School Kick-off and All-Church Picnic



Langhorne United Methodist Church

Jun 2019 (Eastern Time - New York)

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
26 9:30am - Traditional 11am - Contemporar 6:30pm - Youth	27 7pm - Bucks Mt.	28 7pm - Bucks Mt.	29 7pm - Choir	30 7am - Men's Brk. 9am - Steeple Kids 7pm - Bagpipe	31	1 8:30am - Men Min.
2 9:30am - Traditional 11am - Contemporar 6pm - GS (FS Hall) 6:30pm - "Gathering 6:30pm - Youth	3 6:30pm - Daisy GS 7pm - Bucks Mt.	4 6:30pm - Daisy GS 7pm - Bucks Mt.	5 7am - Men's Brk. 9am - Steeple Kids 7pm - Bagpipe	6 7am - Men's Brk. 9am - Steeple Kids 7pm - Bagpipe	7 9am - Safe Sanct.	8
9 9:15am - Hymn Sing 9:30am - Traditional 11am - Contemporar	10 7:30pm - GS	11 7pm - Bucks Mt. 7pm - UMW	12 6pm - Girl Scouts	13 7am - Men's Brk. 9am - Steeple Kids 7pm - Bagpipe 7pm - Bible Study	14 5pm - Steeple Kids -	15 7:30am - Men's 1pm - TLA-Concert
16 9:15am - Hymn Sing 9:30am - Traditional 11am - Contemporar	17 7pm - AD BOARD	18 6:30pm - Daisy GS 7pm - Bucks Mt.	19 2pm - Steeple Kids- 7pm - Stewardship	20 7am - Men's Brk. 9am - Steeple Kids 7pm - Bagpipe	21	22 8:30am - Men Min. 10am - Missions &
23 9:15am - Hymn Sing 9:30am - Traditional 11am - Contemporar	24 6pm - Shared Meal 7pm - Bucks Mt.	25 7pm - Bucks Mt.	26 7am - Men's Brk. 9am - Steeple Kids 7pm - Bagpipe 7pm - Bible Study	27	28	29
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JUNE 2019
SANCTUARY SERVANTS

June 2

Worship Assistant 9:30.....Erika Paton
 Greeters 9:30.....Lynne Gardner & Jackie Stout
 Ushers 9:30Marty & Marlene Kalbach
 Contemporary Assistants 11:00.....Tyler Family

June 9

Worship Assistant 9:30.....Linda Rutledge
 Greeters 9:30.....Jennifer & Matthew Kephart
 Ushers 9:30Smigiel Family
 Contemporary Assistants 11:00Bev Eick & Carol Annucci

June 16

Worship Assistant 9:30.....Jerry Hill
 Greeters 9:30.....Madge Laughlin & Bev Eick
 Ushers 9:30.....Linda Rutledge & Karen Arner
 Contemporary Assistants 11:00..... Raab Family

June 23

Worship Assistant 9:30..... Jeannette Hesser
 Greeters.....Chris & Rita Cresswell
 Ushers 9:30.....Joe & Helen McDonald
 Contemporary Assistants 11:00Daeche Family

June 30

Worship Assistant 9:30..... Linda Rutledge
 Greeters.....Dale & Carol Habel
 Ushers 9:30.....Bob & Cheryl Fryer
 Contemporary Assistants 11:00Boyle Family

Stewardship News

Words to Live By:

May: FORGIVENESS

For·give·ness

/,fɜr'gɪvnəs/

Noun

1. the action or process of forgiving or being forgiven.
"she is quick to ask forgiveness when she has overstepped the line"
synonyms: pardon, absolution, exoneration, remission, dispensation, indulgence, understanding, tolerance, purgation, clemency, mercy, pity, lenience, leniency, quarter; relieve, discharge, amnesty, delivery, acquittal, clearing, pardoning, condoning, condonation, vindication, exculpation;
*informal*let-off, letting off;
*archaic*shrift, shriving
"we beg your forgiveness for keeping you waiting"

(Results from Google Search)

A note about FORGIVENESS:

Forgiveness is the intentional and voluntary process by which a victim undergoes a change in feelings and attitude regarding an offense, lets go of negative emotions such as vengefulness, forswears recompense from or punishment of the offender, however legally or morally justified it might be, and with an increased ability to wish the offender well. (taken from Wikipedia)

Sometimes the hardest person to forgive is yourself. Take comfort in knowing that God forgives you.

A scripture of FORGIVENESS

Ephesians 4:31-32 New Revised Standard Version (NRSV)

³¹ Put away from you all bitterness and wrath and anger and wrangling and slander, together with all malice, ³² and be kind to one another, tenderhearted, forgiving one another, as God in Christ has forgiven you. (from Biblegateway.com)



Stewardship Events

Save the Date!!!!

Sunday July 21, 2019

5 PM



vs.

Hartford

(post game, kids run the bases)

Tickets for the Trenton Thunder game can be purchased every Sunday in fellowship hall before and after services.

Watch for more information or talk with Linda Rutledge or Holly Rogerson



ALL WOMEN ARE INVITED

Bring a friend!

Salad Supper

Hosted by the United Methodist Women of the
Langhorne United Methodist Church

Tuesday, June 11, 2019 at 6:30pm

Salad donations are welcomed!

We are blessed to host a presentation by
Liane Schick Getty, and guide dog “Basil”

Liane will educate us on how she and Basil, her guide dog, navigate day to day living. She will share how puppies are raised and trained and demonstrate common guide dog directions. As Liane, who has been blind since a teen, recognizes God’s help, we also can learn how to rely on Him for our daily walks thru life.

Liane is a life-long member of our Langhorne United Methodist Church.



Our salad supper is an opportunity for multiple UMW units to fellowship. Please join us!

RSVP by June 3rd to Membership Chair Brenda Lauble 215-630-9879, Secretary Beverly Eick 267-370-9149 or President Debbie Letham 215-588-2321 DebbieLetham@gmail.com

PLEASE JOIN US!!!!!!! Salads are welcomed too!

Thank you very much and God Bless!

“A Fellowship of Believers Reaching Out That All Might Know Christ As Lord”



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019

POWER LAB

Discovering Jesus's Miraculous Power!

JULY 22ND – 26TH

LANGHORNE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH, 9:00 AM to Noon

EARLY REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN FOR VOLUNTEERS AND CAMPERS AT <https://vbspro.events/p/events/vbs2019lumc>

More information coming soon!

Contact DebbieLetham@gmail.com 215-588-2321



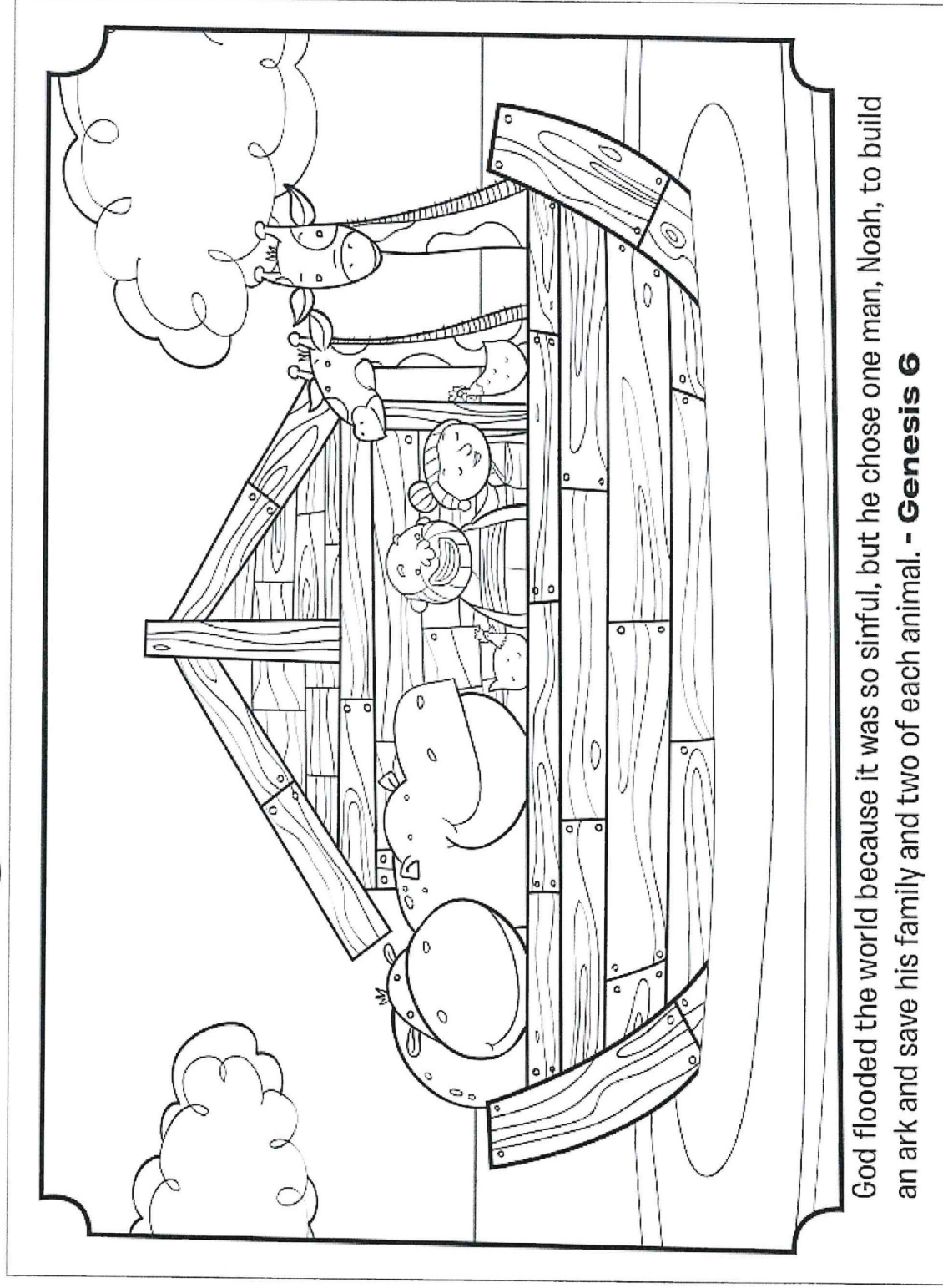
SO excited!!!! it is better than Christmas for me to be able to serve and run Vacation Bible School!

This year we are running POWER LAB!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

I am very excited about the miraculous power of Jesus - and the bible messages and the stories are very touching this year....
Debbie Letham



Color Page - - Noah's Ark



God flooded the world because it was so sinful, but he chose one man, Noah, to build an ark and save his family and two of each animal. - **Genesis 6**

CHOICEONE'S BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN



Don't forget to return your baby bottles to the church collection point in Fellowship Hall on or before Father's Day, June 16th. The donations will be counted and total reported back to our church.

NOTE: If you write a check, please make it payable to "ChoiceOne"



CALLING ALL GRADS!

Will you be graduating from High School, College or Graduate School this year? Or do you know someone who is? Let the church office (215)757-4984 or Laurie Carson (215) 752-4611 know of your good news so you can be recognized at our worship service on June 16th!



June 9th we start our Summer Hymn-Sing

Come at 9:15 am prepared with hymn requests for us to sing.

At 9:30 am, we will start the worship service as usual.

SAFE SANCTUARIES

Reducing the Risk of Abuse in the Church for Children and Youth



Attention all East District and Area Churches:

The M.A.D.* Cluster

Is holding a

Safe Sanctuaries Training

June 8, 2019 9:00A – 12:00N

Langhorne UMC

301 East Maple Avenue, Langhorne, PA 19053

Co-Facilitated by Rev. Don Keller and Rev. Laurie Pfahler

All new to Safe Sanctuaries as well as those who need to attend the required refresher training are welcome.

Will you have folks in need of Safe Sanctuaries training for Sunday school, nursery, children and youth programs for this upcoming school year???

M.A.D. Cluster will be holding additional Safe Sanctuaries training
AUGUST 3, date and place TBA.

*M.A.D. – Making All Disciples



JUNE SENIOR BIRTHDAYS

Send our Seniors a Birthday Card and let them know you are thinking of them!!!!



June 3

Dale Habel, 24 N. Marmic Dr., Holland, PA 18966

Alberta Hess, 290 E. Winchester Ave. #319, Langhorne, PA 19047

Evelyn Brunner, 14 Hybrid Rd., Levittown, PA 19056

June 4

Gwen Miller, 1045 Brownsville Rd., Langhorne, PA 19047

Charles Lotocki, 25 Pine Glen Rd., Langhorne, PA 19047

June 16

Raul Torres, 803 Sterners Mill Rd., Feasterville, PA 19053

June 18

Doris Zimmerman, 686 Langhorne-Yardley Rd., Langhorne, PA 19047

June 27

Madge Laughlin, 3238 Aster Ave., Trevose, PA 19053



Do you know of someone that needs a card sent to them, such as Sympathy, Get Well or just to let them know we are thinking of them. If so, please let Beverly Eick know, you can contact her at 267-370-9149 or by email at eick406@gmail.com

WORD SEARCH

Find the words listed to the right that are from the readings in the Old Testament book of Numbers. Remember that the words are hidden forward, backward, vertically and diagonally.

AARON
 ATONEMENT
 BALAAM
 BARAK
 CANAAN
 CLOUD
 DAN
 DESERT
 ELDERS
 FIRE
 ISRAEL
 JOSHUA
 JUDAH
 KORAH
 LEVITES
 MANNA
 MERIBAH
 MIRIAM
 MOAB
 MOSES
 PASSOVER
 PRIESTS
 QUAILS
 REUBEN
 SERPENT
 SIMEON
 SINAI

A	H	T	S	J	R	N	Q	S	R	B	A	E	Q	M
T	A	R	R	Y	O	Q	A	R	T	N	A	U	A	P
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N	S	Y	O	I	A	E	V	T	L	A	N	Y	Z	S
U	F	N	J	U	S	C	D	H	B	J	J	G	M	Y

Library Books: Louisa was asked by her mother to go to the city library and check out some books. She was given two slips of papers. On one was a list of authors and on the other was a list of titles. Help Louisa check out the books by correctly matching the authors with the titles.

- The Pilgrim's Progress* by _____
- David Copperfield* by _____
- Jane Eyre* by _____
- Silas Marner* by _____
- War and Peace* by _____
- Far From the Madding Crowd* by _____
- Pride and Prejudice* by _____

Choose the correct authors from this list: William Thackeray, Henry James, Leo Tolstoy, John Updike, Charlotte Bronte, Stephen King, George Eliot, Jane Austen, Thomas Hardy, John Bunyan, William Shakespeare, Charles Dickens.

Answers: 1-Bunyan; 2-Dickens; 3-Bronte; 4-Eliot; 5-Tolstoy; 6-Hardy; 7-Austen.

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JOIN US FOR SUNDAY WORSHIP!

Sunday Worship Hours:

9:15 a.m. Summer Hymn Sing

9:30 a.m. Traditional Worship

11:00 a.m. Contemporary Worship

Rev. Laurie J. Pfahler, laurie@langhornechurch.org

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Dave Tyler, Lay Leader, deetee0810@gmail.com

Donna Goodwin, Church Secretary, church@langhornechurch.org

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Kim Stockburger Treasurer, Gs5th@comast.net

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Lyn Wallace, Sunday School, lynjwal@comcast.net

Barbara Jordan, Choir Accompanist, acompanist@aol.com

Kim Stockberger, Bell Choir Director, Gs5th@comcast.net

Kurt Tommuscheit, Sexton

Amy Rodda, Steeple Kids Director, steeplekids@comcast.net