



Palm Sunday

Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them,
"Go to the village ahead of you, and at
once you will find a donkey tied there, with her
colt by her. Untie them and bring them to me.
If anyone says anything to you, tell him that the
Lord needs them, and he will send them right
away."
~Matthew 21: 2,3

Bowmansville Mennonite Church
129 Pleasant Valley Road
East Earl, PA 17519

BOWMANSVILLE MENNONITE CHURCH

April 5, 2009

*We are a fellowship of Mennonite Christians committed to continuing the work that
Jesus Christ began through worship, nurture and mission.*

9:00 AM All Young Adult and Adult Sunday School classes
will meet in the sanctuary where a representative from *The
Gideons International* will share about the work of this ministry.
Children and youth Sunday School classes will meet as usual.

10:00 AM Gathering

Offering – EMM Relief Ministries

Congregational Singing

Sermon – Duane Ringler
"Having Faith to Obey"
Matthew 21:1-11

Song of Response

Sharing and Prayer

Benediction





PRAYER MINISTRY

LEADERSHIP TEAM

Larry Weber –Pastor – 445-4449 (church); 445-5229 (home)
Duane Ringler-Associate Pastor – 859-1625
Ken Becker – Youth Pastor – (610) 777-8905
Wilmer Nolt – Financial Deacon – 445-5404
Larry Horning – Administrative Deacon – 445-7139

Continue to pray for the Leadership Team as they seek persons to fill roles on our Church Council. Pray that they will be given clarity as to how this new organizational structure will best work for our congregation as they plan to meet together for the first time in May.

MISSIONS

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Uphold the Bible School Committee in your prayers as they plan and work on this year's program. Be open to God's leading as to how **YOU** might be a part of this ministry to the community. Teachers, helpers, skit participants, props designers, prayer partners, nursery helpers and snack donations are still needed. Sign up sheets are on tables in the overflow. Contact Stacey Martin if you have any questions. (336-3966). Bible School will be held Sunday, June 7 through Thursday, June 11.



April 11 – Lynn Weaver
14 – Kyle Lehman

Wedding Anniversaries

Keith & Ellen Hummel will celebrate their 17th wedding anniversary on April 10.



Congratulations!!

Pray God's blessing on Rodney Eberly and Jamie Kulick who were married here yesterday! Rodney & Jamie will be living at: 317 S. 4th Street
Denver, PA 17517

For anyone who is interested, there will be a **prayer time** prior to the Sunday School hour in Room #4 in the overflow area, starting at 8:00-8:15.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Spring Church Cleaning will be held this Tuesday, April 7th.

We will start at 6:30 pm and go until around 9. If you would rather come during the daytime that can be arranged as we will have lists at each room with things to do. "Many hands make light work" is an old saying that applies to this task! While working you will have opportunity to get to know each other better and will be doing a service project right here at home! We haven't cleaned in this way for quite a few years and would like to have good participation from men and women of all ages.

- ⇒ **Sunday School teachers** are asked to place loose items in your classroom in a box after class today, so that they will not be discarded or lost when cleaning is done.
- ⇒ Since the church only has one **vacuum cleaner**, some of you may want to bring your own so you can be more efficient.

Thank you,
The Trustees
Earl Martin, Duane Weaver, Doug Zimmerman

JGA, JBA and Jr. Youth will meet here this Wednesday, April 8, from 7-8:30 PM. **Jr. Youth** - don't forget to bring some money for our annual trip to Dairy Queen!

*Everyone is invited to attend our **PRAYER MEETING** which will be held this Wednesday evening at 7 PM.*

This **Good Friday evening, April 10**, we will meet for a light meal, footwashing and a short service commemorating the death of Christ, beginning at 7 PM.



On **Easter morning, April 12**, we will not meet for Sunday School, but you are welcome to gather for coffee, pastries and fellowship at 8:30 AM. Our Easter worship service will follow at 9:30 AM and will include Communion.

Lost and Found items continue to accumulate. Stop by the front foyer after the service to see if anything belongs to you!

ELANCO Ministerium invites you to a **Community Good Friday Service** being held on April 10 at 1:30 PM at the Garden Spot Village Chapel. The service involves pastors of several of the ELANCO Ministerium congregations speaking on the theme "Stations of the Cross" and will include music by Garden Spot Village's chorus, Village Voices. Everyone is welcome.

Music Sunday will be held April 26 at 10 AM. You are invited to select songs that you would like to sing that morning. Please call Janice Horning with your selections (445-5687) or place them in her mailbox by next Sunday morning, April 12.



April 8 – Church Cleaning @ 6:30
15 – Bible Study @ 7:30
19 – Youth Sunday

You are invited to **Tel Hai Camp's Spring Celebration** at Shady Maple Banquet facility on April 20 at 6:30 PM. The evening includes a dinner and a program featuring Stan Deen. There is no charge for the evening, but tickets are required. Call 610-273-3969 by April 13 to get your tickets.

Friendship Circle will be held at the Weaverland Mennonite Church this Tuesday, April 7, beginning at 9:30. Sharon Charles will be speaking on "Marriage: It Can Get Better, Keep The Romance Alive in Your Marriage". Nursery and preschool classes are provided. Come early for coffee and fellowship.

Ohio Quizzing Tournament: A total of seventy nine teams from the Lancaster area and Ohio were involved in the tournament. Enough quizzers from Bowmansville attended to form two Bowmansville teams. Combined they had ten wins and six losses. Both ended up tied for ninth place along with two other teams! Thanks to the quizzers for all the time they spent studying this season. May God bless you!

Bowmansville District Sewing Circle will meet at the Bowmansville Mennonite Church on Wednesday, April 15, in the morning and afternoon. Work includes quilting, knotting comforters or sewing on a sewing machine. Everyone is welcome.



Thank you to everyone who remembered me with prayers, cards and visits to celebrate my 90th birthday! I am blessed to have such wonderful loving friends.

Eleanor Good

Senior Citizen's Day will be held at Woodcrest Retreat on Wednesday, April 22, from 9 AM to 2 PM. Calvin Yoder will speak on the subject "Thriving in the Midst of Change." Music will be provided by "The Strings of Assurance." Lunch is provided. Call 738-2233 to make your reservation. A freewill offering will be received.

MEN'S RETREAT

Every Men's Retreat has been a wonderful experience for everyone who attends. Each time, we meet God in a powerful way. This past January's retreat was no different. It was so good, in fact that we don't want to wait two years to do it again. So, we decided to do it every year. Mike Walton is heading up the team to organize "Men's Retreat 2010". He needs volunteers to join the team. If you are even remotely interested, please see him after church, or call him at 859-3661, or email him at waltonfamily1@gmail.com Thanks!

On Thursday, May 14, at 6:30 PM, Associates for Biblical Research will be holding their annual fundraising banquet at Shady Maple Smorgasbord. The special keynote speaker this year is Mr. Ken Ham, President and Founder of Answers in Genesis Ministries and the Creation Museum. Tickets are \$25 per person for adults and \$18 for children ages 12-17. To register for this event, please call 800-430-008.

Friendship Community is seeking providers for its Lifesharing program! Friendship Community is a Christian ministry that provides residential services, care and support to adults with developmental disabilities. Lifesharing is a program that matches these individuals with people and families willing to open up their home and lives for a long term commitment. All Lifesharing providers receive financial compensation, 24-hour support and continuous training. **An informational meeting about becoming a Lifesharing provider is scheduled for April 22nd from 6:30 pm -7:30 pm at Friendship's offices located at 1149 East Oregon Rd in Lititz. For information, call (717) 656-2466, ext. 161.**

Sermon Notes

"Having Faith to Obey"

Matthew 21:1-11

Brian & Renee Martin are looking for someone to care for their two boys on Thursdays. Their regular babysitter for that day is no longer available and they need someone else with a flexible schedule to replace her. Not as much time is needed during the school year since both boys will be in school (a half day of kindergarten for the youngest). If you or someone you know would be able to help with this need, or if you would like more information, talk to Brian & Renee (445-0690).

LAST SUNDAY:

Sunday School Attendance: 176

Offering: District Leadership Training Fund – 50%	\$1,843.00
Darrel & Miriam Weaver – 50%	1,843.00
Budget	<u>1, 825.00</u>
Total Offering	\$5,511.00

NEXT SUNDAY: Easter/Communion Sunday

No Sunday School Classes will meet. Everyone is welcome to gather in the basement for fellowship, coffee and pastries at 8:30 AM. Our Easter service will begin at 9:30 AM and will include Communion.

Sermon: Larry Weber

Offering: Pastoral Support Fund

Today

LIBRARY: Sandy Yoder
GREETERS: Mike Reese, Janie Nolt
NURSERY: Mary and Lindsay Ringler

Next Sunday

Sandy Yoder
Ray & Naomi Good
No staffed nursery

Offering baskets will be placed in the front foyer and at the rear of the sanctuary next Sunday for your contributions to the Brotherhood Fund.

Brotherhood Fund

In our desire to be faithful to Jesus Christ and minister His compassion, Bowmansville Mennonite Church has established a Brotherhood Fund to assist members in financial need.

The church welcomes contributions to the fund and suggestions of possible beneficiaries of the fund.

Such suggestions shall not be considered binding upon the church but simply advisory in nature. The administration of the fund shall be by the deacon and two advisors.

We purpose to

- 1. Share the brotherhood's resources by assisting financially the unplanned needs of members resulting from sickness, accidents, counseling, death, etcetera.*
- 2. Plan with and assist members with insufficient income by exploring alternative financial resources to relieve or support their needs.*
- 3. Encourage good stewardship through financial counseling and planning as deemed beneficial.*



You are invited to attend an Easter cantata concert being held at the Garden Spot Village Chapel, New Holland, this evening at 7 PM. The cantata is entitled "Thorns and Roses" and will be sung by the sixty plus member Village Voices Choir. A PowerPoint presentation

depicting various Passion scenes will be shown during the concert.

He was despised and rejected by men; a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief; And as one from whom men hide their faces he was despised, and we esteemed him not. Surely he has borne our griefs and carried our sorrows; Yet we esteemed him stricken, smitten by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities; Upon him was the chastisement that made us whole, and with his stripes we are healed.

~Isaiah 53: 3-5