

Church Family Prayer Concerns: The Mohn Family (friends of the Hanemans), Danny Wright (friend of Pat King), Marie Bollman (friend of the Fidlers), Jerry Yerkes (friend of Joanne Tomlinson, Pam Rook & Kay Lawrance), Doreen McCarthy (sister in-law of Nancy McCarthy), The Gildea Family, Nathaniel McKelvy (infant son of Min & Ryan McKelvy), Scott Hamill (friend of Pam Rook), Bernie Koval, (Tom Mershon’s father in law), The Williams Family, Cathy Dennison, (friend of Chris Bethman and Pam Rook), Hunter Smith (3yr old friend of the Tomlinson family), Tom Jennings (son-in law of Kay Lawrence), Diane Pfleger & Tammy Flynn (relatives of the Tomlinson family), Julia Nucero (friend of Pam Rook), Judy, Johnny & Brielle Lansing (dear friends of the Boltner family), Janice Fisher, Regina Meszaros (friend of Betty Livine an online worshiper), Alexis & Tedd Van Buskirk (brother and sister-in law of Erinn & Doug Demskis), Bob Evans (brother of Jane Del Bianco), Aaron Wasser (Friend of the Del Bianco’s), Cheryl Swerk, (wife of J.R. Swerk), Rev. Dave Cramp, Carla Malin, (friend of Gerry Hixson), The Ukrainian People.
The names added to the prayer request will be listed for 3 weeks and then removed unless requested to stay on.

The Mission of the Month (Advance) for February will help local families in need pay for food and heating. We have worked with now-retired Newtown police chief Martin Duffy for over 20 years. He is aware of local families who are struggling right now, and our Advance offering can make a big difference in the lives of these families during one of the coldest times of the year. Please consider giving whatever you can so we, as a congregation, can help these families by sharing God’s love. You can use the blue envelopes located in the pews in the Sanctuary and put them in the offering plate, or you can send a check to Newtown United Methodist Church, 35 Liberty Street, Newtown, PA 18940. Please mark your check or envelope “Advance for February.”

The 2024 Offering envelopes are ready to pick up in the gallery. Please pick up your envelopes and maybe your friend or neighbors also! Mailing them would be expensive. We appreciate your help.

2024 Flower Chart

The new flower chart is posted. Please consider donating altar flowers, in memory of a loved one or in honor of someone or for a special occasion. The cost is \$35.00. If you have any questions, please call Kathy in the church office.

THIS WEEK AT NEWTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
35 Liberty Street, Newtown, PA 18940
215-968-2662

Sunday, February 4
10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Childcare available

Tuesday, February 6
10:00 a.m. Bible Study

Thursday, February 8
7:30 p.m. Senior Choir Practice

Sunday, February 11
10:00 a.m. **Baptism**
Worship Service, Childcare available

Sunday Servants **February 4, 2024**

ALTAR FLOWERS: Given by Dorothy Detwiler in loving memory of her grandparents, Neil & Dorothy Detwiler

USHERS: Cliff Hixson, Paul Mathias and Joe Tam

LAY READER: Susan Smith

GREETERS: Dave & Kathy Mershon

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Kathy Mershon

FINANCE STEWARD: Erinn Demskis & Sue Bloomfield

February 11th - Sunday Servants

USHERS: Cliff Hixson, Paul Mathias and Joe Tam

LAY READER: Eric Johnson

GREETERS: Carol Hauss & Sandy Porzig

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Lucie Lyman & Bob Stickel

FINANCE STEWARD: Erinn Demskis & Sue Bloomfield



If you would like to make your church donation online, you just have to scan this code with your phone camera to be connected directly to the church's PayPal account.

2024 Women's Retreat!

The retreat will be held April 12-14th at Daylesford Abbey in Paoli PA. You can check it out on their website: daylesford.org. Join us for a weekend filled with friendships, fellowship, and finding the way "out of our boats". We will be diving into the exciting story of Jesus, walking on the water and focusing on Matthew 14:29, when Jesus calls Peter to join him on the raging sea. We will take a journey together and individually answer the question: "Do we want to walk on water enough to get out of our boats?" **Registration forms are now available in the gallery. Invite your friends!**

Ron McVey, former organist in our church and much loved by our choir for his choral compositions, has not stopped composing since he moved to California. His many keyboard compositions and arrangements of carols, hymns and folk tunes can now be played on his YouTube site here:
<https://www.youtube.com/@ronaldmcvey8290/featured>

Join us for Bible study on Tuesday mornings at 10:00 a.m. This study is centered around the book *Jesus Before Christianity*, by Albert Nolan! The author's portrait introduces us to Jesus before he became the object of the Christian faith, operating in history in a specific social context, addressing concrete hopes, and engaging in controversy and social conflict. Here is a man who was deeply involved with the real problems of his time – which also turn out to be the real problems of our time. As Nolan writes, "God is speaking to us in a new way today. God is speaking to us in the events and problems of our time. Jesus can help us to understand the voice of Truth, but, in the last analysis, it is we who must decide and act." Contact Pastor Rodney for more information!



GO NUTS FOR THE NUT SALE

We will be selling pecans, cashews, walnuts, bridge mix, fruit and nuts, almonds, mixed nuts, and assorted chocolates. They come in one pound packages and make great gifts for teachers, bus drivers, friends, neighbors. Don't forget some for yourself! All proceeds will be donated to missions.

Join us on February 24th for a Team Ministries Information Session – open to the entire congregation! Team Ministries is a new leadership model, which has been adopted by many other United Methodist churches in our conference and across the country. We have the opportunity to adopt this model, which is allowed for by the UMC Book of Discipline at Newtown UMC. This model would replace the traditional administrative structure and allow for increased opportunities for missions at NUMC. The model would also provide new opportunities for growth and prosperity as we look toward the future of our church. Please join us from 12 pm – 2 pm on February 24th in Wesley Hall to learn more about this model and ask any questions you may have. Lunch will be provided.