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 Lawerance), Doreen McCarthy (sister in-law of Nancy McCarthy), Scott Hamill (friend of Pam Rook), Bernie Koval, (Tom Mershon's father in law), Cathy Dennison, Tom Jennings (sonin law of Kay Lawrence), Diane Pfleger & Tammy Flynn (relatives of the Tomlinson family), Julia Nucero (friend of Pam Rook), Janice Fisher, Alexis & Tedd Van Buskirk (brother and sister-in law of Erinn & Doug Demskis), Bob Evans (brother of Jane Del Bianco), Cheryl Swerk, Rev. Dave Cramp.

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 March is the United Methodist Committee on Relief (UMCOR), who works to alleviate human suffering around the world.

Our offering this month will help in Tanzania. The United Methodist Church there is growing. Recent incessant rainfall has caused floods that have devastated the area. Over 90 people have died, and more than 900 people have been directly impacted, losing homes, businesses, and livestock.

The building that was home to the UMC congregation in the Masai district was washed away, and the pastor lost her home and her livestock.

If you would like to help the people of Tanzania, you can use the blue envelopes located in the pews in the Sanctuary. You can also send a check to Newtown United Methodist Church, 35 Liberty Street, Newtown, PA 18940. Please mark your check "Advance for March."

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

Sunday, March 10

10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Childcare available

Tuesday, March 12

10:00 a.m. Bible Study

7:00 p.m. Administrative Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 13

7:00 p.m. Trustee's Meeting

Thursday, March 14

7:30 p.m. Senior Choir Practice

Sunday, March 17

10:00 a.m. Worship Service, Childcare available

Sunday Servants March 10,2024

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** Given by Pat King in memory of her mother,

Dorothy Ott

**USHERS:** Brian & Julie Foster

LAY READER: Pat King

GREETERS: Mike & Nancy Daney

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Sue Bloomfield

FINANCE STEWARD: Kevin Burd & Cliff Hixson

March 17th - Sunday Servants

**USHERS:** Brian & Julie Foster

**LAY READER:** Gerry Hixson

GREETERS: Donald & Susan Smith

FELLOWSHIP HOUR: Susan Smith

FINANCE STEWARD: Kevin Burd & Cliff Hixson

### WHERE MY SPIRIT CAN RUN FREE

An Afternoon of Musical Theatre Selections Saturday, March 16 at 2pm

Free admission
Free Will offering to support NUMC music ministry!



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 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!** 

#### **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 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!

### **Holy Week Schedule**

Sunday, March 24th- Palm Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup>, Holy Thursday Soup & Bread Dinner @ 6:00 p.m.
Followed by a service of Holy Communion at 7:30 p.m.
Good Friday, March 29-Prayer Stations 3:00-7:00 p.m.
Sunday, March 31- Continental Breakfast at 8:45 a.m.
Easter Service at 10:00 am

## **Good Friday Prayer Stations**

Prayer Stations will be set up in the gallery and the sanctuary on Good Friday, March 29, from 3:00 PM to 7:00 PM. There will be 9 different stations, each dedicated to a particular aspect of the life, passion, and crucifixion of Jesus. The purpose is for each station to provide various opportunities for thought and prayer as we contemplate the events of Holy Week and prepare for the resurrection on Easter Sunday.

This year, the Outreach Committee is providing Easter baskets for local children whose families are in need. These Easter baskets for children up to the age of 12 will ensure they have treats for Easter and give them and their families smiles. You will be able to find the empty baskets with instructions in the Gallery. Please take one, fill it, and return it to church no later than Sunday, March 24, 2024. Some suggestions for filling the baskets are candy, small stuffed animals, small toys and games, books, toothbrush and toothpaste, combs, socks, hats, or anything else you choose to include! If you have any questions please call the church office at 215-968-2662.

# Join us for high-flying Easter fun at Rise Up with Jesus!

This Easter event will send your spirits soaring as you travel through the engaging stations and discover more about Jesus and Easter. You'll experience games, activities, crafts, and an interactive drama in this adventure for the kids. Come and see that Jesus is alive! Easter Sunday, March 31, 2024 from 10:00 a.m.-11:30 a.m.