

Church Family Prayer Concerns: Lee Walinski and Family (friends of Cliff & Gerry Hixson), Mark Anthony (friend of Pam Rook & Linda Yerkes), Kathy Kelly & James Thomas (friends of Nancy McCarthy), Bill Sandy, Bridget McFadden (friend of Carolyn Brown), Elizabeth Sullivan (friend of Pam Rook), Brendan (friend of Pam Rook), Pat Reilly (Friend of Pam Rook), Valerie, Rosie (Friend of Jim & Helene Mershon), Mary Beth (Friend of Bill & Karen D'Anjolell), Rev. Debbie Rakos and her husband Rod, Charlie (son in-law of Carol Smith), Buschner Family (Friends of Joe & Judi Swerk), Rich Selah, Daniel Wright (friend of Pat King).

Names added to the prayer list will remain for 3 weeks unless an extension is requested.

The Mission of the Month (Advance) for April is the Great Plains United Methodist Conference in Nebraska. The people of Nebraska have been impacted by four wildfires that have combined to become the largest wildfire in Nebraska history. Three are still burning. According to Reverend Hollie Patley, local farmers and ranchers are hurting. About 95% of grazing lands are gone, 95% of fences were destroyed, and feed and water tanks for livestock are gone. Some livestock were lost. Many residents had to evacuate and came back to homes that were no longer there.

If you would like to help with this important ministry, 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 April."



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.

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

Sunday, April 5

9:00 a.m.
 10:00 a.m.

Monday, April 6

Thursday, April 9

4:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 12

10:00 a.m.

Easter Sunday

Continental Breakfast
 Worship Service, Childcare available

Easter Monday, office closed

Choir Practice

Worship Service, Childcare available

Sunday Servants

April 5, 2026

ALTAR FLOWERS:

Given by Susan & Donald Smith in loving memory of Paul Chreiman

USHERS:

Tom He, Randy & Nora Schenk

LAY READER:

Susan Smith

GREETERS:

Chris Bethman & Monica Flint

FELLOWSHIP HOUR:

Continental Breakfast

FINANCE STEWARD:

Nora & Randy Schenk

April 12th - Sunday Servants

USHERS:

Tom He, Randy & Nora Schenk

LAY READER:

Judi Swerk

GREETERS:

Pat King & Joanne Tomlinson

FELLOWSHIP HOUR:

Chris Bethman

FINANCE STEWARD:

Nora & Randy Schenk

2026 Newtown Women's Retreat: True Blue

Ladies, how would you like to get away for a weekend and relax in your blue jeans, bask under the blue sky, and walk along the blue ocean? We will be using the Ocean Grove seaside as a backdrop to this year's retreat theme, "True Blue." The phrase true blue comes from the middle ages, when artisans in Coventry, England dyed material blue in such a way that its color remained steadfast and true, despite washing. Through Bible study, fellowship, and prayer, we will reconnect to the steadfast love of God, and strengthen our faith so we can remain true to who we want to be, come washing, wearing, or whatever! April 17-19th

On hand to lead the Friday night and Saturday portions of the retreat is Rev. Dorry Newcomer, now pastor at Jarrettown UMC in Dresher, PA. Dorry was pastor of Newtown UMC from 2014 to 2018. She hopes the retreat will help foster faith in God that never fades!

A weekend of sharing and fellowship! Get Ready for Our Annual Women's Retreat! Join us for a peaceful weekend by the sea. WHAT TO EXPECT: A great weekend and a lot of fun! The retreat will begin on Friday evening with check-in between 6:30 and 7:30. Saturday morning there will be a program. After lunch, you'll have the afternoon free to do crafts, walk the beach, explore the quaint village of Ocean Grove, or just take a nap! We will have dinner as a group, then enjoy an evening of interactive programming. On Sunday morning, we have worship together with communion before heading home. WHO'S INVITED: This retreat is being planned for adult women of all ages from our church and their friends. Any woman who would like to some spiritual refreshment is welcome! There are three first floor, handicapped accessible rooms. Most rooms are on the second and third floors. A limited number of 2nd and 3rd floor rooms have their own bath only 5. All rooms are double occupancy. Cost: Per person, \$200 for shared bath; \$250 for private bath and \$225 for a room to yourself. This covers two nights lodging, continental breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, dinner Saturday, and all retreat materials. The registration deadline is **We have a few more rooms left! So there is still time to sign up! Registration forms are available on the table in the gallery.**

Donation Jar. For those not attending the retreat, your contributions will help support UMW retreat scholarships. Also, please donate to show your support of the NUMW's activities which support the church's mission work for women and children. The jar will be located in the back of the church and angels corner.

UMW News

Jesus Today – A New Study for April

Beginning Tuesday, April 14, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, join us for a new study based on Jesus Today: A Spirituality of Radical Freedom by Albert Nolan.

This study will explore the life and teaching of Jesus in a way that speaks to our lives today, focusing on healing, inner transformation, and how the way of Jesus takes shape in our everyday lives. Together, we will reflect on Scripture, engage meaningful questions, and consider how Jesus continues to shape us from the inside out.

Whether you are looking to deepen your faith, see Jesus with fresh clarity, or take a meaningful step forward, this study offers a welcoming space to grow.

All are welcome

The women of St. John's Ivyland are hosting a special program on Wed. May 6th at 6:30P.M. They are having a banquet in the fellowship hall followed by a presentation, "Catharine "Caty" Greene, Eyewitness to the American Revolution." Caty is the wife of Nathaniel Greene, George Washington's most valued officer. Carol Simon Levin will be the presenter. A free will offering will be taken.

They have invited us to join them for this special evening. We will put a sign up sheet in the gallery. Please sign up by Wed, April 29th so we can RSVP with a count for them. We can meet at the church to car pool for anyone who needs a ride.

Please let Susan Smith or Nora Schenk know if you have any questions.