

The Wooden Bowl

A frail old man went to live with his son, daughter-in-law, and four-year-old grandson. The old man's hands trembled, his eyesight was blurred, and his step faltered. The family ate together at the table. But the elderly grandfather's shaky hands and failing sight made eating difficult.

Peas rolled off his spoon onto the floor. When he grasped the glass, milk spilled on the tablecloth. The son and daughter-in-law became irritated with the mess. "We must do something about Grandfather," said the son. "I've had enough of his spilled milk, noisy eating, and food on the floor."

So, the husband and wife set a small table in the corner. There, Grandfather ate alone while the rest of the family enjoyed dinner. Since Grandfather had broken a dish or two, his food was served in a wood bowl.

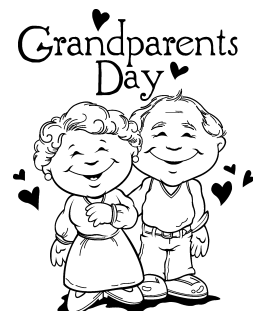
When the family glanced in Grandfather's direction, sometimes he had a tear in his eye as he sat alone. Still, the only words the couple had for him were sharp admonitions when he dropped a fork or spilled food. The four-year-old watched it all in silence.

One evening before supper, the father noticed his son playing with wood scraps on the floor. He asked the child sweetly, "what are you making?" Just as sweetly, the boy responded, "Oh, I am making a little wood bowl for you and Mama to eat your food when I grow up." The four-year-old smiled and went back to work.

The word so struck the parents that they were speechless! Then tears started to stream down their cheeks. Though no word was spoken, both knew what must be done. That evening the husband took Grandfather's hand and gently led him back to the family table. For the remainder of his days he ate every meal with the family. And for some reason, neither husband nor wife seemed to care any longer when a fork was dropped, milk spilled, or the tablecloth soiled.

Children are remarkably perceptive. Their eyes ever observe, their ears ever listen, and their minds ever process the messages they absorb. If they see us patiently provide a happy home atmosphere for family members, they will imitate that attitude for the rest of their lives. The wise parent realizes that every day the building blocks are being laid for the child's future. Let's be wise builders and role models.

Take care of yourself, ...and those you love,...today, and everyday!



Announcements

Upcoming Meetings!

Choir Practice

Will be held on Thursday, September 1st & 29th, at 7:30 pm

Trustees meeting

Will be held on Thursday, September 8th, at 7:00 pm

Ad Council Meeting

Will be held on Monday, September 12th at 7:00 pm

Prayer Team

Will meet on Monday, September 12th & 26th at 7:30 pm

Men's Group Meeting

Will be held on Monday, September 19th at 7:00pm

Quilter's Unlimited

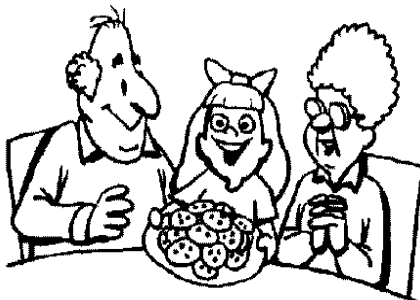
Will meet on Monday, September 19th at 6:30 pm

UMW Meeting

Will be held on Wednesday, September, 21st at 7:00 pm

Grandparents Day!

Will be celebrated Sunday morning, September 11th at both the 8:45 & 11:10 services of worship! Why not start now to invite your grandparents to one of these very special services honoring your grandparents!!



"10th Anniversary Service of 9-11"

A special 10th Anniversary Service for 9-11 will be held at the Fireman's Field in Beavertown on Sunday Afternoon, September 11th at 2 pm!

The service will include a patriotic concert by Barbra Sandbek. The service is sponsored by the Methodist and Reformed congregations of Beavertown. Refreshments will be served.

In the event of rain, service will be held inside the fire hall. Please bring a lawn chair for the outside service.

In Remembrance of

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Brooklyn Tabernacle Bus Trip!

Is being rescheduled for September 18th! Following our 8:45 am worship service on Sunday, September 18th, we are planning to leave the church parking lot by 10 am to go to the 3 pm Gospel Worship Celebration at the Brooklyn Tabernacle! There will be a sign up sheet in the narthex!



DON'T FORGET THE TISSUES!

Tissues are still needed to meet our Lady's Group 700 box goal!

They have roughly 442 boxes to date! Each box of tissues will then be taken to nursing home residents all over this part of the Susquehanna Valley! Your participation is needed in this unique effort to touch the lives of these residents! Just bring your donation of tissue boxes and put them on the "Tissue Drive Table" in the narthex! Remember no lotion in the tissues!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

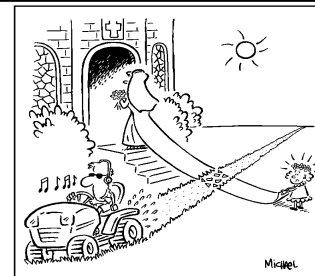
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| 9/1 Marian Hartman | 9/17 Brandon Craven |
| 9/2 Connor Shilling | 9/18 Kailey Getz |
| 9/3 Cole Stoltz
David Rochester | 9/19 Cletus Clotfelter
David Herrold
Scott Johnson |
| 9/5 Alyssa Royer
Sierra Smith | 9/20 Terry P. Newman |
| 9/6 Beverley Foltz
Tina Martin | 9/21 Aaron Shockey |
| 9/7 Isaiah Harris
Madeline Renard
Dean Smith | 9/22 Becky Hibbs
Belle Perkinson |
| 9/8 Kay Bachman
Harvey Kreamer | 9/23 Bailey Walter |
| 9/9 Doris Walter | 9/24 Barb Aucker
David Dunn
Amanda Waite |
| 9/10 Kelly Johnson
Colton Wendt | 9/25 Wanda Berge
Don Foltz |
| 9/11 Jennifer Bowersox
Donna Tharp | 9/26 Joseph Hostetler
Liam Smith |
| 9/13 Paul Kreamer | 9/27 Hunter Gill |
| 9/14 Tom Smith | 9/28 Bruce Craven
Tim Krouse |
| 9/15 Kara Weaver | 9/30 Diane Britton |
| 9/16 Dalton Gill
Crystal Troxell | |



**BLESSINGS
ON YOUR
BIRTHDAY**

Happy Anniversary to:

- 9/1 Gary and Theda Sanner
- 9/2 David and Jane Kratzer
William and Esther Kreider
- 9/3 Scott and Sharon Herbster
Jim and Joan Smith
Steve and Andrea Smith
- 9/6 Carvel and Karen May
- 9/10 Jeff and Laurie Walter
- 9/12 Steve and Stephanie Beaver
- 9/13 Ty and Kristin Aumiller
- 9/17 Kevin and Carla Kerstetter
- 9/18 Terry and Brenda Arnold
Randy and Dee Swineford
- 9/19 Paul and Tiffany Berry
- 9/21 Chad and Angela Aucker
- 9/25 Roger and Marge Smith
Matt and Nikki harris
- 9/27 Barry and Sue Brouse



Congratulations!

Scott Henderson and Jennifer Waite who were united in marriage, here at Hummel's on August 20th. Best wishes to this couple as they start their new life together and may God bless



Please be praying for...

Pray for our Nursing Home Residents

Cathy Shrawder.....Bloomsburg
David Kratzer.....Nottingham Village
Peg Gilbert.....Manor Care, Sunbury
Christine Walter.....Penn Lutheran
Betty Mitchell.....Penn Lutheran



Shut Ins

Scott Smith

Recent Hospital Stays

Toy Dauberman
Myrtle Harris
Sharon Hummel
Theda Sanner
Esther Specht
Ray Stoneroad
Brenda Varner

Pray for our Extended

Family

Ethel Stuck
Virginia Thompson

Recent

Surgeries/Procedures

Tony Dauberman
Sharon Hummel
Esther Specht
Brenda Varner

Our College Students:

Stephanie Brouse...Pennsylvania College of Technology
Ethan Craven.....McCann School of Business &
Technology
Kim Dreese.....Lycoming College
Yvonne Herbster....Eastern University
Emily Hibbs.....Shippensburg
Marissa Ewing.....Misericordia University
Michael Shirk.....Wilkes University
Katie Stuck.....Messiah College

Note: Please note, if during the week you or someone you know needs prayer you do not have to wait until Sunday morning to get the word out. There are two things you can do to have people immediately praying for the need you are lifting up: You may call Mary Gemberling who heads up our prayer chain and she will make the calls to those who are on the list or you can post on the Hummel’s United Methodist Church Facebook page using the “discussions” tab.

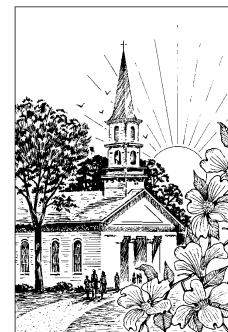
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Ten Things You Never Hear in Church

1. Hey! It's my turn to sit in the front pew.
2. I was so enthralled, I never noticed your sermon went 25 minutes over time.
3. Personally I find witnessing much more enjoyable than golf.
4. I've decided to give our church the \$500 a month I used to send to TV evangelists.
5. I volunteer to be the permanent teacher for the Junior High Sunday School class.
6. Forget the denominational minimum salary, let's pay our pastor so he can live like we do.
7. I love it when we sing hymns I've never heard before!
8. Since we're all here, let's start the service early.
9. Pastor, we'd like to send you to this Bible seminar in the Bahamas.
10. Nothing inspires me and strengthens my commitment like our annual stewardship campaign!



—Daily Miscellaney

A Prayer Tale

A tale is told about a small town that had historically been "dry," but then a local businessman decided to build a tavern.

A group of Christians from a local church were concerned and planned an all-night prayer meeting to ask God to intervene. It just so happened that shortly thereafter lightning struck the bar and it burned to the ground.

The owner of the bar sued the church, claiming that the prayers of the congregation were responsible, but the church hired a lawyer to argue in court that they were certainly not responsible.

The presiding judge, a man wiser than most, after his initial review of the case, stated that "no matter how this case comes out, one thing is obvious. When asked what that was, the judge said "that it is evident that the tavern owner believes in prayer and the Christians do not."

—From Pastor Tim's Sermon Illustrations and Inspirational Lists