



The Dingmans Ferry  
United Methodist Church  
**THE BRIDGE**  
Newsletter

May/June  
2024

From the Pastor's Pen...



Greetings Brothers and Sisters,

Recently, I met the man whose family built our church 46 years ago. Looking at the building, he looked reminiscent of those days, but he didn't lose the definition of the church. "Church is the people" he said.

Yes, church is not the building but the people. From that definition, can we draw any more implications?

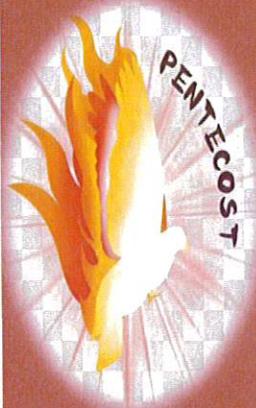
As we approach the Pentecost, we will think about the early churches in the beginning. The early churches were composed of the eyewitnesses to the resurrected and ascended Jesus Christ and established by the powerful arrival of the Holy Spirit upon those eyewitnesses.

The gathering began to be called the church. *Koinonia* in Greek refers to what the church is about. The word means fellowship and communion. Without fellowship and communion with God and with one another, we cannot imagine the church.

*Ekklesia* in Greek, which literally means 'the called out,' also refers to the church. Although the Greek word was used to refer to many groups of people in the Greek world, we can find one unique feature of the church. The church is the gathering of people who are called out by God to participate in the continuous mission of God. Yes, our church gathering is mission focused in the name of Jesus Christ and with the help of the Holy Spirit.

The Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church is the gathering of the people who have fellowship and communion with God and love to join the mission of God. There will be a lot of opportunities for you to join the church this May and June! Come and join us, and let us be the church!

Servant of God and God's people, ~Sung





## May & June Lectionary Readings

5/5 Acts 10:44-48; Psalm 98; 1 John 5:1-6; John 15:9-17

5/12 Acts 1:15-17,21-26; Psalm 1, 1 John 5:9-13; John 17:6-19

5/19 Acts 2:1-21; Psalm 104:24-34,35b; Romans 8:22-27; John 15:26-27, 16:4b-15

5/26 Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 29; Romans 8:12-17, John 3:1-17

6/2 1 Samuel 3:1-10; Psalm 139:1-6,13-18; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1

6/9 1 Samuel 8:4-20; Psalm 138; 2 Corinthians 4:13-5:1; Mark 3:20-35

6/16 1 Samuel 15:34-16:13; Psalm 20; 2 Corinthians 5:6-10; Mark 4:26-34

6/23 1 Samuel 17:32-49; Psalm 9:9-20; 2 Corinthians 6:1-13; Mark 4:35-41

6/30 2 Samuel 1:1, 17-27; Psalm 130; 2 Corinthians 8:7-15; Mark 5:21-43

*The wilderness and  
the dry land shall be  
glad; the desert shall  
rejoice and blossom  
like the crocus.*

Isaiah 43:19 ESV



The Little Church In The Woods Presents A



**May 11, 2024**

9AM-2PM

All Proceeds  
Support Our Free  
Vacation Bible School



Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church

is on Myck Road off Park Road... behind Childs Park.

*Call with any questions 570-828-2288 or check [www.DFUMC.com](http://www.DFUMC.com)*

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# FREE LONDON BROIL BARBECUE

Saturday  
May 18th

4 - 6 PM  
Join Us!



Our Playground Is Available  
For Kids Of All Ages To Play

Donations Gladly Accepted For Our  
Baby Blessings Ministry

† Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church  
is at 115 Myck Road off Park Road... behind Childs Park.

**Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church  
115 Myck Road, Dingmans Ferry, PA**

**Presents.....**

# **Kinder-Camp**

**Outdoor Fun      Games      Crafts      Music**

**Offered to Children • Age 3 through 10**

**4 WEEKS: JUNE 10th ~ JULY 3rd**

**Monday's, Tuesday's & Thursday's  
9AM - 2:30PM**

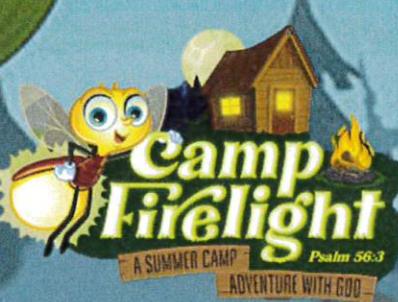
**Description.....**

**A thematic & educational  
day-camp experience designed  
for young learners.**

**Janette Kislak, Director**

**Registration Now Open!  
Full Payment Due by May 31st**

# 2024 VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL AT DINGMANS FERRY UMC



**THREE WEDNESDAYS  
JUNE 12, 19, & 26 9AM-12PM**

**SCAN THE QR CODE  
TO REGISTER**





# Hey Youth!

(Middle School and High School)

You are invited to  
**Dingmans Ferry UMC**

(115 Myck Rd)

every first Sunday of the month 5-6:30PM

**Movies, games, activities, food,  
stories, friends, and God!**

DINGMANS FERRY UNITED METHODIST CHURCH  
THURSDAY EVENING PRAYER MEETING  
AT 8:30PM ON FACEBOOK



# Things are Happening!

Thank You!



**BIG THANK YOU** to all the chocolate "Egg Makers" who diligently worked for days turning out wonderful confections for our Easter Fundraiser. Special thanks to Eleanor Hutter who organized everything, and to all of you who supported and continue to support by purchasing our yummy Chocolate Easter Eggs!! Our Volunteers: Sally & Gary, Carol & John, Rob & Mary, Artie & Carol, Hope, Jill, Donna, Danny, Karen, Phyllis, Huijeong, Darlene, Irene & Marilyn. & thank you to all those who supported our fundraiser by buying some delicious chocolate eggs!

**THANK YOU** Danny Rutledge and Seth Natter for working hard to fix our stair chair.

**THANK YOU SO MUCH** to the following folks who helped make our recent Fish Fry fundraiser a success: Rob & Mary Balton, Linda & Danny Rutledge, Sung & Huijeong, Elise & Scott Knapp, Carol & John Magazino, Deb McGowan, all the Lions Club members as well as all of our bakers who provided scrumptious deserts! We are always grateful for our parishioners & community for your continued support! Proceeds were split between the Lions Club and DFUMC.

**SPECIAL THANKS TO** Ed Cribb, Danny Rutledge, and Jerry Schierloh who dedicated their time and effort into cleaning up our Prayer Grove, making it possible for us to enjoy its serenity not only for the spring/summer season, but also for our Easter Sunrise Service!

**THANK YOU TO** John Magazino and the volunteers who helped make DFUMC's Family Night a fun filled success. We can't wait for the next one!

**MANY THANKS** to all of you who continue to sign-up to make our Sunday morning Fellowship Coffee Hours so delicious!!

**THANK YOU** Logan and Kimberly Eck for their generous donation of the kitchen freezer and to Kurt Mihiel for delivering it!

**THANK YOU** to all of our volunteers who helped make our first London Broil of the year a great experience for all!

**CONTINUED THANKS** to our Preschool Staff and our Sunday School Volunteers for sharing their dedication, passion and love with God's children.

Thanks to our Lord for blessing us to have the ability to do everything in His name --and to have fun doing it!

## May and June Birthdays

5/3	Pete Knapp	6/2	Carol Schneider
5/3	Elise Knapp	6/5	Art Hnida
5/4	Janette Kislak	6/6	Linda Davis
5/5	Eric Kislak	6/8	Jill Odynsky
5/6	David Cowan Jr.	6/11	Laura Jewett
5/7	Kathy Chambers	6/11	Brody O'Brien
5/12	Cameron Arnold	6/14	Marilee Scroggs
5/13	Rick Vodilko	6/15	Danny Balton
5/14	Marrianne Stevens	6/18	Archer Billups
5/15	Avia Kleso	6/20	Mirian Hinds
5/22	Jacob Solch	6/24	Felicia Pepe
5/26	Jennifer Stangl	6/28	Caren Shimanski
5/27	Gwen Harrington	6/30	Benjamin Joseph



May the light of the  
Lord shine upon you  
and grant you  
happiness on your  
special day!

### ***PLEASE SIGN -UP***



**We're always looking for volunteers to bring in goodies for our Fellowship Coffee Hour that is held after the 10AM Worship Service in Fellowship Hall.**

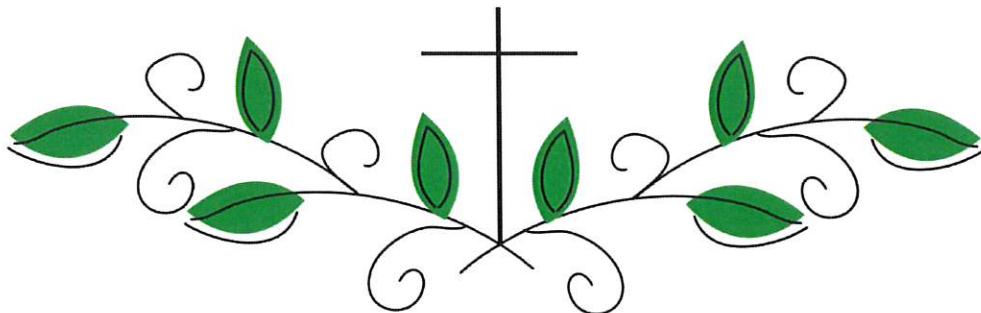
**You don't have to set anything up, just bring your goodies to share.**

***Clean-up: Many hands make light work!***  
**Please see the sign-up on the table in the sanctuary. Thank you in advance!**

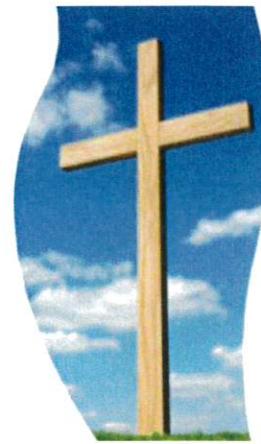
# WORSHIP Servants

## GREETER/USHER SCHEDULE:

5/5	Linda Rutledge
5/12	Marilyn Chasar
5/19	Chad Feakins
5/26	Rich Cooper
6/2	Linda Schierloh
6/9	Carol Magazino
6/16	Sally Pohlman
6/23	Carol Birtner
6/30	Scott Knapp



**COME  
WORSHIP  
with us!**



**Friends • Family • Neighbors • Co-workers**

## **ADMINISTRATIVE BOARD**

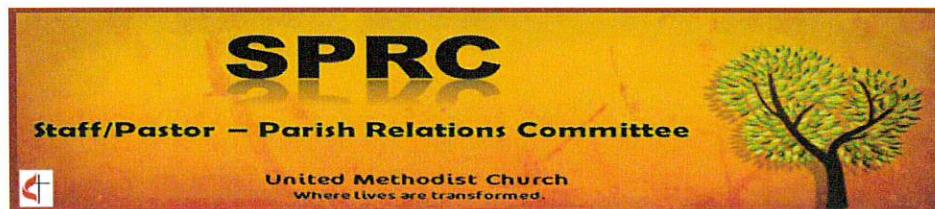
Ad Board meetings are usually held bi-monthly.  
The next Ad Board Meeting: **Tentatively held May 27th at 7PM**



### Ad Board Members 2024

Pastor: Sungduk Kim  
Ad Council Chairperson - Donna Frable  
Ad Council Secretary - Linda Rutledge  
Church Secretary - Destiny Freeland  
Lay Leader - Carol Birtner  
Alt. Lay Member - Linda Schierloh  
SPRC Chairperson - Carol Magazino  
Finance Chairperson - Mary Balton  
Church Treasurer - Susan Dennison & Darlene Mihiel  
Recording Secretary - David Cowan

Finance Counters - Gary Stevenson/Sally Pohlman  
Trustee Chairperson - Scott Knapp  
Worship Chairperson - Destiny & Nicole  
Organist: Chris Bradley  
Sunday School - Olivia Harrington  
Missions Chairperson - Aly Solch  
UMW - Jill Mann & Linda Rutledge  
UMM - Seth Natter  
Communications-Jim Bois, Tom Hahn, Linda Rutledge



The Next SPRC meeting TBA

Those serving on the SPRC for 2024 are:  
Tom Hahn, Susan Ridyard, Olivia Harrington,  
Carol Magazino, Sally Pohlman, and Carol Birtner



## **FINANCE COMMITTEE**

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PLACE YOUR 2024 PLEDGE CARDS INTO THE OFFERING PLATE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE. OUR CHURCH BUDGET IS BASED ON YOUR PLEDGE.

The following persons are serving on the Finance Committee for 2024:

Pastor Sung, Carol Birtner, Mary Balton, Donna Frable,  
Susan Dennison, Darlene Mihiel, and Dave Cowan.



Trustee Meetings are held every first Sunday of the month. The next meeting will be **Sunday May 5th** after fellowship.

Those serving as Trustees for 2024 are:  
Rob Balton, Seth Natter, Matthew Edgell,  
John Magazino, David Ridyard, Billy Freeland, and Scott Knapp

# MISSIONS AND OUTREACH

*O Lord, give us eyes to see, hearts to love, and hands to serve those in need. Amen.*

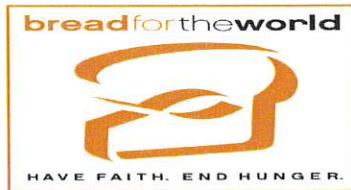
## Helping Mothers and Children

Many families in our country struggle to afford diapers. According to 2023 data from the National Diaper Bank Network, 1 in 2 of U.S. families cannot afford enough diapers to keep their infant or child clean, dry, and healthy. Also, 3 in 5 of parents miss work because they cannot afford the diapers required to leave their baby in childcare.

In May we will collect diapers and wipes to support our Baby Blessings ministry. Aly Solch, who heads Baby Blessings, stresses that the diapers should be sizes 3, 4 or 5. Wipes are also needed. May our efforts help mothers and children in our community and share God's compassion.

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## A Voice for Hungry People

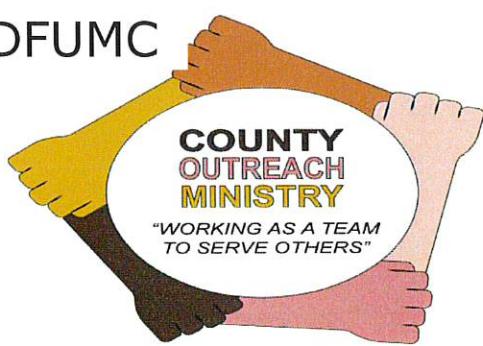


On Sunday, March 17 we participated in Bread for the World's Offering of Letters, again speaking up for a Farm Bill that will help hungry people here and around the world. We have sent 66 letters to our members of Congress in this effort.

In receiving our report, Bread for the World offered these words of support, "You have joined with hundreds of churches, campuses, and small groups across the country this year in advocating for an end to hunger." God bless your faithfulness.

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DFUMC



Pastor Sung uses the church **Outreach Fund** at his discretion to help folks in the community with all kinds of emergencies including, electricity, heat, medical etc.

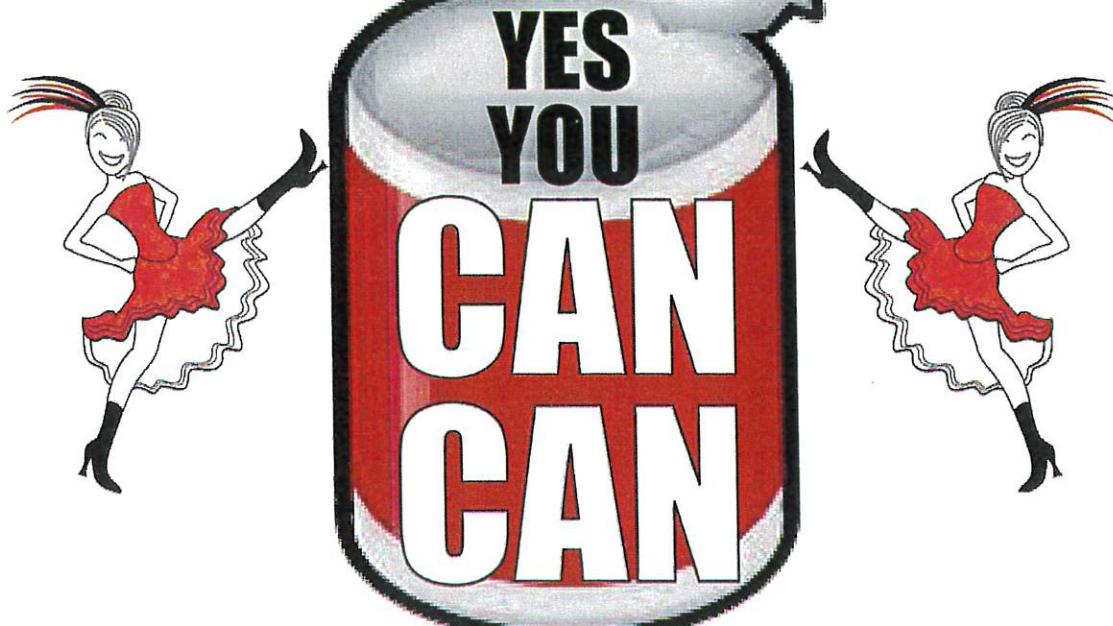
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The Pastor's Outreach is **only** made possible by our monetary donations. If you would like to make a donation to the Outreach fund, please place a check (made out to DFUMC) or cash into an envelope and mark it "Outreach" and we will be sure to deposit it into the Outreach account. Please donate as you are able, not just at the holidays but throughout the year. P.S. Your church financial record will reflect your donation.

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# **The First Sunday Of Every Month Is FOOD PANTRY SUNDAY**

**There will be a box on the altar for your donations of:**

**Canned Goods: Soups, Vegetables, Beans, Tuna Fish, etc.**

**Jarred Food: Peanut Butter, Jelly, Mayo, Mustard, etc.**

**Boxed Food: Cereal, Pasta, Hot Cereal, Mac & Cheese, etc.**

**Paper Products: Toilet Tissue, Paper Towels, Tissues, etc.**

**Personal Products: Toothpaste, Shampoo, Band Aids, etc.**

**You Can Leave Donations At The Back Of The Church 7 Days A Week**

**Because People Aren't Only Hungry At  
Christmas & Thanksgiving!**

# Ministry Sign-Up



There are lots of opportunities available to serve the ministry of God here in the Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church.

Look over the list and see if something appeals to you.

If you have any questions, just ask Linda in the church office and she can direct you to the person you should speak to.

Worship Committee: Greeter/Usher, Read Scripture, Assist with Sanctuary Decorations for Holidays, Coffee Hour Set-up.

Music Ministry: Join the Choir, Offer to play an Instrument for Special Services, Assist with Audio/Video as needed.

Trustee Committee: Share in the care and up-keep of the church facilities, Let the church office know if you have special skills in Electrical, Plumbing, carpentry etc. (Your assistance could save the church from hiring someone and incurring a bill.)

Missions: Work with others on Baby Blessings Ministry, Bread for the World, Food Pantry Donations, Holiday Angel Tree & Food Distribution, Nursing Home Visits w/Pastor,

Fundraiser Committee: Assist chairperson as needed, Prepare and Put Street Signs Out, Help with Event Set-up/Clean-up.

United Women of Faith (UWF): Please join the women of the church in Ministry Service & Fellowship. They meet 4 times a year. Watch for meeting announcements.

United Methodist Men (UMM): The Men of the church are here for Ministry, Service and Fellowship.

*DFUMC*



***Please Join Us!***

We are currently serving 3 of our area Senior Care Centers with  
a monthly Hymns and Scripture Ministry!

Our visits give us the great honor and opportunity  
to visit and serve in the name of Jesus Christ.

**Here are the dates that are scheduled  
for the up-coming months:**

**Delaware Valley Rehab Center 2PM**  
May 15th & June 19th

**Delaware Valley Personal Care Center 2PM**  
May 1st & June 12th

**Milford Rehab 2PM**  
May 8th & June 5th

At this time only vaccinated people are allowed into the  
Senior Care Centers. (Masks are required.)

We invite and encourage you to please join us!

If you have any questions....

Call/See Pastor Sung (570) 828-2288.

## Want to Help?

If you, your business, or perhaps a few of you, would like to sponsor one of our upcoming London Broil Dinners, please contact the church office ASAP. The dinners are FREE to the community. Our Flyers, street signs and announcements will feature your names unless you prefer to remain anonymous. The cost for sponsorship is \$400. Checks should be made out to "DFUMC" and "London Broil Sponsor" should be noted on the memo line.



*thank you*

-DFUMC Mission Committee



Welcome  
New  
Members

*Join the Church  
Family!*

Please see/contact  
Pastor Sung or call  
the church office if  
you would like to  
become a member.  
(570) 828-2288

Call the Church Office or See Pastor Sung TODAY!



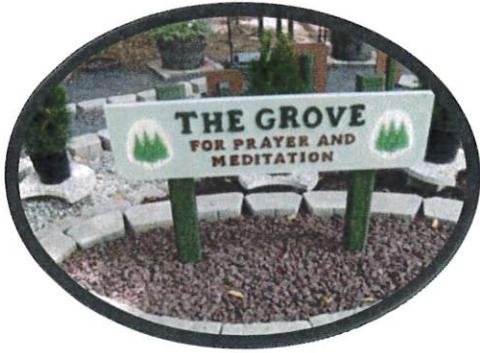
# HELP US STAY A FLOAT!

Year to date Income	\$103485.41	Year to date offering \$35595.75
Year to date Expenses Paid	\$99532.86	
Year to date Expenses NOT Paid	\$ 3889.14	
2023 Expenses NOT Paid	\$ 6,536.16	Billables to GNJAC 2023

## MONTHLY ADOPT A BILLS

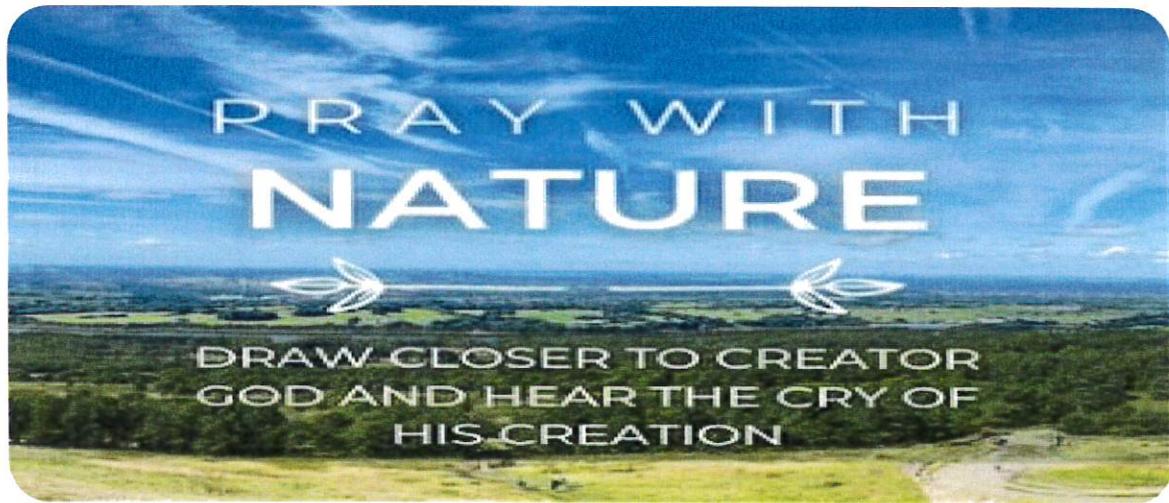
	Name	Amount
ELECTRIC	\$330.00	
PHONE/INTERNET	\$165.00	
FUEL	\$436.00	
GARBAGE	\$515.00	
COPIER LEASE	\$330.00	
SNOWPLOWING	\$400.00	
CLEANING/KITCHEN		
SUPPLIES	\$400.00	
CHURCH SUPPLIES	\$200.00	
PEST CONTROL	\$100.00	
PROPERTY INS.	\$570.00	

## The Grove at DFUMC



The **prayer grove** can, of course, be visited at *any time* for Prayer and Meditation. But the Grand Opening of the Grove, displaying the complement of features planned for the season, will be **Sunday, May 5th**. Those features will be the 'Music-of-the Spheres' Chapel, the 'Symbols-of-Our-Faith' Alcove, the Daily Discipleship Prayer Circle, the First Corinthian 13 Garden, and the Saint Francis Meditation Garden. The components of other Grove features may be set up for Special Occasions by request. Contact **Jerry Schierloh** for additional information.

I would like to give special recognition to both Danny Rutledge and Ed Cribb for their valuable assistance in the initial clean-up of the Grove in preparation for the Easter Sunrise Service. Their ongoing support in Pre-season Opening and Post-season Closing of the Grove is greatly valued and appreciated!





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115 Myck Road Dingmans Ferry PA, 18238

# Outdoor Worship Service



**Join Us!**

**June 9th - 10:00AM**

**Bring: Lawn Chair / Blanket**

# BABY BLESSINGS PANTRY

An Outreach Ministry of the Dingmans Ferry United Methodist Church

Our Baby Blessings Pantry Mission, to help families in need,  
has been growing!

Donations of baby and children's clothing & items (including cribs, high chairs & nursery furnishings - NO PLUSH PLEASE) are always welcome!

Our pantry is supplied mostly by donations to meet emergency & urgent needs. We would encourage everyone to trade-in and trade-up when requesting items, so that the next person in need can be helped as well.

We are always seeking a few helpers to assist as we reorganize and sort items. If you have some time, please contact Aly.

PICK-UP & DROP-OFF BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

Contact Aly through the Church Office (570) 828-2288





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**In Person & Online Worship Services † Sunday School  
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For More Information Check Us Out On the Web  
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***Don't miss our Sunday Worship Service at 10AM!***

For Online Donation/Giving: Visit our Website DFUMC.Com  
OR

See Our Church App:  
<https://easytithe.ministryone.com/landing/VWLE>  
OR

Scan QR Code →



**GLORY TO GOD FOREVER**