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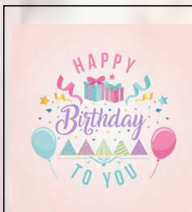
NEW MARTINSVILLE UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

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PRAYER REQUESTS

If you have a Prayer Request(s), please contact Pastor Jeff or Debbie Yurisko

Men & Women Serving in the Military
The Homebound
Jody Edgell
Dick Fonner
Charlene Hindman
Twila Hostutler
Larry & Anita Lemon

Nettie Mason
Lois & Norman Riggs
Bill & Rae Stuart
Danny Winland
Pat & Jim Wobig
Unspoken Requests of Our Hearts
The Lost

The New Martinsville United Methodist Church extends Christian love and sympathy to family & friends of Richard Arnett for the recent loss of their loved one.

COME WORSHIP WITH US

9:00 AM - Contemporary Service

10:45 AM - Traditional Service

Communion Served
1st Sunday of Each Month
All Are Welcome To Share Christ's Table

ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL

9:30 Disciples
10:00 Open Hearts
4:00 Small Group

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

9:00 A.M.

STUDENT SUNDAY SCHOOL

10:45 A.M.
In Multi-Purpose Room
K - 5th Grade
6th - 12th Grade

Pastor: Rev. Dr. Jeffrey Kanode

New Martinsville United Methodist Church

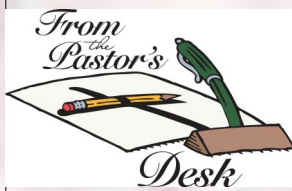
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VACATION

Pastor Jeff will be on vacation May 11-21, a bucket-list trip to California, specifically an overnight aboard the Queen Mary, sight-seeing in L.A., and a cruise. This trip was a surprise early birthday gift from Kelly. Pastor Steve will be on emergency call for Jeff during these days, so please alert Debbie of any pastoral care needs that may arise during the pastor's absence.

DEAR CHURCH FAMILY,



And now we enter spring in the splendor of its full blossom and gentleness! May marks the soon-coming end of the school year, and the beginning of summer for our children and young people. May marks intensive garden and yard work. May marks pollen ("aaachoo!") and a return to full green on our barren hills, ridges, and mountains.

May also continues The Great Fifty Days, our deliberate, historic celebration of Jesus' resurrection. In Lent, for forty days we dare to probe the shadows and the darkness to return ourselves to the light of Christ's love. During the Great Fifty Days, we immerse ourselves in the celebration of Christ's new life, basking in the peace and possibility of that new life welling up inside of us.

This will be a great spring for us as the family of the New Martinsville UMC. We will attend graduations and awards assemblies, softball games and track meets. We will prepare for family reunions and for vacations. We will get a little sun on our skin and feel the warmth of southern, almost tropical winds kissing our faces. We will remember that all of this is life: life wonderful, life holy, life God given and completely good.

Love,

Your pastor,

Jeff



SAVE THE DATE

VBS COMING July 14—18

5:30—8:00

5:30 to 6:00 will be Camp Supper

6:00 Vacation Bible School

Grades PreK to 6th Grade

FINANCIAL UPDATE

NMUMC has met our financial needs to date for 2025. Through March 31, 2025, income exceeded expenses by \$5,587.41. March income exceeded expenses by \$2,038.76. The year-to-date portion (\$15,993.50) of the Conference Fair Share is due to trying to resolve an issue with conference concerning the Pastor's health insurance. We did receive a partial resolution on the Pastor's insurance, so the Finance Committee voted to catch up on the apportionments. Our budget working balance is \$57,674 (we try to maintain a balance over \$40,000).

As of March 31st, the 2025 Building Fund loan payments and expenses exceeded contributions by \$3,061.35. March contributions exceeded loan payments by \$1,404.90. The building fund balance as of March 31, 2025, is \$51,140.77. The remaining balance of the Church loan as of March 31, 2025, is \$802,405.78. The payment schedule currently shows the loan will be paid in full May 18, 2035.

The Trustees, supported by the finance committee, have received substantial payments from the royalties on oil and gas rights endowed to NMUMC and voted to put \$65,000 of those funds toward the loan principal and \$65,000 in the capital project fund for our capital projects including:

- a. Multi-purpose room No. 7 air handler motor replacement \$3,992 – motor is ordered.
- b. Roll-up door replacement for M/P electrical room \$10,802 – door failed fire test and is on order.
- c. Hot water heater vent does not extend through roof. Est. \$6,000 – putting together an estimate from another vendor.
- d. Replace 2 fences behind the Church around the 2 sets of air conditioner units. Lowes quote \$6,100 – just received quote, Trustees voted to proceed with the contract.
- e. Replace the sanctuary lighting controller. quote \$19,050 (new quote from Pittsburgh Stage \$59,678 but includes additional stage lighting). – We need to resolve differences in quotes between contractors.
- f. Replace the multi-purpose room carpet. \$24,000 when the Church was built in 2005. – Just starting to get quotes.

NMUMC appreciates your support of our ministries through your budget and building fund contributions.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS



Welcome to our new members: Glen Burton, Samatha Long, Norma Ritz.

GRADUATION SUNDAY

We will be honoring our graduates on Sunday, May 25 at the 9:00 a.m. service. If you know of someone we should honor, please contact Debbie in the church office (304)455-1422.



Church Directory Photography *Schedule your appointment today!*



NEW CHURCH DIRECTORY

Pictures for the new church directory will take place May 12 and 13. We would like for everyone to be included. Signup between services. For questions, see Sharon Dougherty at the round table in the Narthex during signup or call the church office (304)455-1422.

MOTHER'S DAY

American Mother's Day officially declared a U.S. holiday in 1914, we owe our second Sunday of May tradition to the "mother" of Mother's Day, Anna Jarvis, a West Virginia native and activist who lived from 1864 to 1948.

Anna's own mother, Anne Jarvis, gave birth to 13 children. Only four of them, including Anna, her 10th, reached adulthood. Such a fate was not uncommon in 19th-century Appalachia, but how it shaped Anne's life is noteworthy: In an effort to lower infant and child mortality rates in her community, Anne began hosting Mothers' Day Work Clubs "to educate families on proper precautions, such as boiling drinking water, to prevent the spread of disease," according to Britannica.

After Anne's passing in 1905 on the second Sunday of May, Anna was determined to honor her mother's legacy. On May 10, 1908, Anna organized the first Mother's Day-related function in her hometown of Grafton, West Virginia. Anna's hard work to advocate for the holiday came to fruition in 1914 when President Woodrow Wilson officially declared Mother's Day a national holiday.

Happy Mother's Day to all the ladies at NMUMC.



MISSION & OUTREACH

We have been partnering with Mountaineer Food Bank for the last several years. We have received a grant, which we are able to use to purchase food from the Mountaineer Food Bank (MFB). This grant must be used by the end of June, so you might see some extra food in places other than the food room located just off the Multipurpose Room. We supply a food box to all who ask regardless of their situation.



Currently, we are asking for cans of Manwich or cans of sloppy joe mix and jelly. We purchased several pounds of ground beef but are unable to purchase the Manwich or jelly at MFB. If you have any questions, please feel free to call the office. We would be happy to talk to you.

If you would like to help, we have a large food order coming on May 8 @ 10:30 a.m., please be at the large parking lot located across from the Moose on North Street. We would greatly appreciate any assistance.

In April:

Provided 34 (\$4,760) food boxes, of which all are considered poverty income level. 5 individuals with gasoline (\$130) for doctor appointments, 6 individuals with utilities (\$733), and 2 individuals with a meal (\$50).

Provided a person Swiffer pads, 2 coats, 2 packages children underwear, 2 pair socks, a pair of gloves. Provided a family a refrigerator. Provided a family 2 walking canes, a walker, a refrigerator, 4 rolls of carpet / padding, 4 folding chairs, and a couch. Provided a family a microwave oven. Provided a family disposable diapers. Provided a family a coffee pot, plastic dishes, bowls, cleaning supplies, blender, food processor, 4 soup bowls, grooming supplies, and a bible. Provided a family a clothes hamper, grooming supplies, 3 pair underwear, spoons, cleaning supplies, scrub brush, hand towels, dish towels, wash clothes, bath towels, laundry detergent, Swiffer pads, and plastic kitchen ware. Provided 4 families a couch, 4 stainless steel kitchen sinks, 5 dishwashers, 6 microwave ovens, and 2x4 8 fluorescent light fixtures. Provided 6 cases of bar soap and 2 cases of toilet paper to Helping Hand. Repaired a deck on the front of a trailer for a person. Provided a family a twin bed frame / headboard / mattress / box springs. Provided a family laundry detergent, bath towels, cleaning supplies, grooming supplies, bedding, car air fresheners, pots, and plastic dishes. Provided a family a can opener. Provided a family a queen mattress / box springs / frame / headboard. Provided a family cleaning supplies, bath towels, wash clothes, dish clothes, grooming supplies, Swiffer pads, and dishes. Provided a family a couch, a love seat, and a kitchen table. Received 2 bottles of laundry detergent and 20 dish clothes from Gifts of Grace contributions. Received 6 packages of girls' underwear from Gifts of Grace contributions. Received a box of light bulbs and socket outlets from a family. Received a crockpot and a toaster from a family. Received a vinyl mattress cover for a full bed from a family. Received 4 boxes of household items, an ironing board, 2 walkers, a set of crutches, and 2 canes from a family. Received 2 boxes of blankets and pots / pans / skillet from a family. Received a refrigerator from a family. Received a stuffed animal and a table lamp from a family. Received a queen box springs / mattress from a family. Received a sofa bed and love seat from a family. Continued next page.

MISSION REPORT CONTINUED

Received a twin bed mattress / box springs / headboard / frame from a family. Received a couch and love seat from a family. Received 2 table lamps, 2 dressers, 2 end tables, a laundry basket, a full bed frame / headboard / mattress / box springs from Westwood. Received 3 packages of dish clothes and 10 parcels of silverware from Gifts of Grace Contributions. Received a package of children's underwear from Gifts of Grace Contributions. Received 8 pair of socks, 10 pair of underwear, a pair of sneakers, and 2 coats from a family. Received an entertainment center from a person. Received 4 wash clothes from Gifts of Grace contributions. Received a bed frame from a family. Received a bathroom vent fan from a family. Received a bag of full sheets from a family. Received 24 bars of soap, 5 bottles of shampoo, 6 tubes of toothpaste, 2 tooth brushes, and 18 cans of shaving cream from Love Box donations

We still have a long wait list for furniture and appliances, if you know of someone with something to donate, contact a member of the Mission Team.

Jim Wobig

MAY

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