

Shippensburg First Church of God



Sunday, February 6, 2022

Attendance: Sunday, January 30, 2022

8:30 a.m.	100	Sunday School	143
11:00 a.m.	67		
Total	167		

Community Night Attendance

Wednesday, February 2, 2022

AWANA	45	Ladies in Step	11
Crossing Yo.	15	Fresh Start	5
Kinetics	17	Total	93

Greeters & The Gathering Place Hostesses

February 2022

Greeters

Bessie Jones
Chris Bowers

The Gathering Place
Elaine Sampson

Greeters

Chris Barnes

The Gathering Place
Mindy Rosenberry

This Sunday

Scout Sunday: Cub Scout Pack 251 and Boy Scout Troop 120 meet weekly in our lower level. We thank the scouts for their participation in our service.

Worship Services at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Pastor Tom will continue the *Listening to God* series and will bring the message, *God Convicts for Change* taken from Hosea 4:1-14.

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. There are classes for all ages—one especially designed for you.

Get Connected Class: Lisa Murphy leads the class in Room 206. It deals with helping you to learn more about our church, get connected to a Sunday School class, Care Groups, and other ministries our church has available.

Pregnancy Ministries, Inc.: If you would like to give towards the \$300 commitment we have made towards monthly rent for our local PMI, please place it in an envelope found on the back of the pew, mark it "PMI", and drop it in the offering basket in the center of the



sanctuary. Please make checks payable to *First Church of God*.



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Ambassadors for Christ, Inc.

Compelled to Serve Offering: The entire Sunday School offering will go to **AFC (Ambassadors for Christ, Inc.)**. It is a non-profit organization established in 1969 and is located in Paradise, PA.

AFC is called by God, in cooperation with local churches, to evangelize and disciple Chinese students and professionals in the United States and other parts of the world through campus ministries, literature, and trainings. As the result of its ministries, many become leaders in the local churches. For the students and scholars from Mainland China who accepted Christ while they were in the United States, many have gone back home to be ambassadors for Christ.

If you don't have Sunday School envelopes and would like to give, place your gift in a white pew envelope, and mark it *Compelled to Serve Sunday*.

Kids' Worship during the 11 a.m. service in the lower level for children ages 2 and 3 and ages 4-Grade 5.

Altar Flowers

One vase is presented by Ruth A. Mellott in loving memory of Aunt Catherine Gehrett.



Next Sunday



Worship Services at 8:30 and 11 a.m. Pastor Tom will continue the *Listening to God* series and will bring the message, *God Understands* taken from Hebrews 2:1-18.

Sunday School at 9:45 a.m. There are classes for all ages—one especially designed for you.

Building Fund Sunday: The entire Sunday School offering goes into this fund used for upkeep and updating our facilities.

Next Sunday (continued)

Kids' Worship during the 11 a.m. service in the lower level for children ages 2 and 3 and ages 4-Grade 5.

2022 Flower Chart



The 2022 Flower Calendar has been posted in The Gathering Place along with a form that you need to complete. There are many, many, spaces empty. The cost for the flowers is the same as last year—\$20/vase. Complete the form and place it in the Church Secretary's mailbox.

Make checks payable to *First Church of God* and place it in Nancy Fritz's mailbox.

Friends at Home Ministry

The following of our Friends at Home will have a birthday or an anniversary during the month of February:



MR JERRY FEDELE
442 E KING ST APT 3
SHIPPENSBURG PA 17257
February 8, 1967

TERRY & DONA HELM
225 E GARFIELD ST
SHIPPENSBURG PA 17257-2001
Anniversary: February 21, 1960

MEALS FOR OUR FRIENDS @ HOME



Has your class or care group signed up to make a meal for our Friends at Home? The Outreach Committee as well as some classes and care groups have been making a meal for our Friends at Home on the second Friday of the month? Our homebound friends have been so

appreciative of the delicious meals.

The Outreach Committee would like to encourage Sunday School classes, committees, and care groups to partner with them and make a meal. A sign-up sheet is posted on the bulletin board in The Gathering Place. Questions may be directed to Cathy Eiswert or Chris Barnes.

Card Making: The next Card Making will be on Monday, February 7th at 1 p.m. in the Annex. We make cards to send to our Friends At Home. They always enjoy receiving them. Please join us for this time of fellowship. Questions? Contact Elaine Sampson.



Missions Prayer Focus



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February's Mission Focus is Rachel Shively who is Joy El's Director of the 4.12 Leadership Training Ministry. Rachel is the daughter of Troy and Sonja Shively and grew up in the church. Please pray for Rachel during February.

Community Night



Community Night is
Wednesday evenings starting at
6:30 p.m.

- ☞ **AWANA** for ages 2-Grade 5 in the lower level
- ☞ **Youth** for Grades 6-12 upstairs of Crossroads Station
- ☞ **Ladies In Step in Room 110 from 6:30-8 p.m.** Study of the book of James. **Contact** Joyce Hornbaker (joycehornbaker@gmail.com).
- ☞ **Fresh Start** meets in Room 105 studying a new DVD series, *What on Earth Am I Here For?* by Rick Warren will begin. It's a 6-week study led by Beverly Shumway (Beverly.shumway@yahoo.com).
- ☞ **Kinetics** is an interactive worship and Bible study that meets every Wednesday from August to May from 6:30-8 p.m. in the Annex. Bryce Pelow will lead a study of the Book of Mark.

Weekend to Remember

Family Life

Feb. 11-13 Hershey Lodge,

Hershey, PA

March 18-20 Skytop Lodge,

Skytop, PA (Poconos)

March 25-27 Skytop Lodge, Skytop, PA
(Poconos)

April 29-May 1 Hyatt Regency Reston, Reston, VA

<http://familylifeministries.org/weekend-to-remember/#where>

- ☞ Regular price is \$350 per couple.
- ☞ Contact Gary and Joyce Hornbaker (717-552-6990) for more information.
- ☞ Lodging Cost: Hershey Lodge's cost is \$274. This is the location of the Retreat.
- ☞ You are welcome to consider other lodging locations.
- ☞ Reserve your lodging ASAP
- *** Financial assistance can be requested to attend these events. Complete and submit an Eschenmann Fund Request Form. Forms are located in The Gathering Place in the "Church Forms" drawer.



Please note: If you would be willing to provide financing so that a couple could attend this weekend, please use a white envelope found on the back of the pew, mark it *Weekend to Remember* and place it in the offering basket or give it to Pastor Gary.

Greeters & The Gathering Place Host/Hostesses



We still are in need of people willing to serve on our Welcome Team as greeters or as a host/hostess for The Gathering Place. If you would be willing to serve and didn't serve last year, please put a note in Bridgette Gettel's mailbox. If you were on the schedule last year, your name will appear on the 2022 schedule unless you let Bridgette know differently.

Doubling Gap Center's Winter Picnic

This annual Doubling Gap Center event this Sunday. Your family is invited to celebrate, **May the Forest Be With You** on Sunday, February 6, 2022 from 3-7 p.m. Join in the fun by wearing Star Wars gear and win a prize! Enjoy activities for all ages including Storm Trooper training in the Gym! Hot dogs and drink will be provided by the Camp. Each family is asked to bring one dish (in a disposable container) to share as follows: Last name **A-I**: Salty Snack, **J-Q**: Salad (vegetable/potato/fruit/pasta), **R-Z**: dessert.



***Donations collected at this free event to help cover event costs.

From the Church Office

On some of your statements, there may be a discrepancy with what I have from what you have. If you have a discrepancy, list your checks with the date and amount and I can reissue you an updated statement. You can either Email it to me or put it in my *Church Secretary* mailbox. The discrepancy may be because you dropped your check in the offering basket without it being in an envelope. If you want credit for giving, you need to put your offering in an offering envelope—either from the back of the pew or get a set from the office. I only get the empty envelopes, so if you just put a check in the offering basket, I won't know about that. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 717-532-8421.



**CHURCH
OFFICE**



Anyone can have offering envelopes—church and/or Sunday School. If you would like to have them, just call the office.

Glenda Bistline
Church Secretary



Youth's Winter Slam

Eight of our youth and four youth leaders are participating in the annual *Winter Slam* that held in the Pittsburgh area. Those attending are as follows: Austin Alosi, Rylan Asper, Rudy Coen, Brianna Hall, Kaitlyn Kipe, Jordan Nell, Anna Massara, and Meredith Weber. Youth advisors are: Zach Asper, Laura Daubert, Jason and Sarah Nell. Be in prayer for the closing hours that the youth will be refreshed in the Lord and challenged to return and share Christ with their peers and friends. Pray for their safety as they travel home today. We also want to thank the Greenvillage Church who allowed us to use their van. God is good in helping us meet this need.



Recipe—Mandarin Orange Cake



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| 1 box yellow cake mix | <u>Frosting</u> |
| 1 (11 oz.) can mandarin oranges | 1 (3 oz.) box instant vanilla pudding |
| 4 eggs | 1 (8 oz.) tub frozen whipped topping, thawed |
| ½ cup vegetable oil | 1 (20 oz.) can crushed pineapple, drained |

Preheat oven to 350°F. Grease and flour a 9x13" pan. Mix ingredients together and bake for approximately 35-40 minutes.

Frosting

Mix together and spread on cooled cake.

GriefShare

The next sessions of *GriefShare* will begin on Thursday, February 24th from 6-8 p.m. in the Annex. It will run until May 19th. Facilitators will be Phil and Bonnie Myers and Cherie Finkey. Sign-up information is in the classrooms and The Gathering Place or you can call the church office at 717-532-8421 to register.



GriefShare is open to anyone experiencing grief due to loss of a loved one. You are welcome to join anytime throughout these dates.

+ Christian Symbol +

Fountain—A fountain, or well, symbolizes Jesus, our living water. Jesus told the Samaritan woman at the well that everyone who drinks the water he gives will never thirst again. It "will become in them a spring of water gushing up to eternal life," Jesus said (see John 4:14, NRSV).



New Arrivals

Congratulations to Tom and Charlene McKibben, a young couple that began attending our church and Sunday School about six months ago. On January 29th, Isabelle Grace was born weighing 8 lb., 15 oz. Both mother and baby had a difficult start, but both are home now.



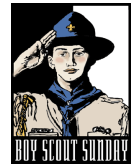
Congratulations to Pastor Gary and Joyce Hornbaker and Wayne and Karyn Brubaker as they became grandparents. Michael and Brianne had a boy on February 2nd. Simeon Michael Seraphim weighed 8 lb., 10 oz, and was 21½".

We praise God for these precious gifts He has sent to these families.

The Boy Scout Oath

Every boy in scouting learns the Boy Scout Oath:

*On my honor, I will do my best
To do my duty to God and my country
and to obey the Scout Law;
To help other people at all times;
To keep myself physically strong, mentally awake
and morally straight.*



What more could parents ask of their sons (or daughters) than a pledge such as that? As Christians we should be pleased to host troops of Boy and Girl Scouts in our churches.

2022 Super Bowl Collection Challenge

Have you started to collect soup and oatmeal products for the Super Bowl Collection Challenge?

It's a friendly contest between the Sunday School classes of the church. See page 5 for all the details, but start bringing in the items and place them to the left of the sanctuary platform. Will your class be the winner? The collected items will go to Hound Packs.



Doubling Gap Center's
Winter Picnic

MAY THE FOREST BE WITH YOU

February 6, 3-7 p.m.

Dress for the theme by wearing STAR WARS attire!

Each family is asked to bring a side dish (in a disposable container) to share, last name starting with:

A-I: Salty Snack
J-Q: Salad (fruit/veg/potato/pasta)
R-Z: Dessert

Events for ALL ages!

3pm—Winter Sports, Camp activities, Open Gym & Camp Store
4pm—Picnic Buffet!
5pm—Storm Trooper Training/Trivia for Adults
6pm—Devotions & Snack!

***No registration is required for this FREE event.**
Visit www.campyolijwa.org for more info



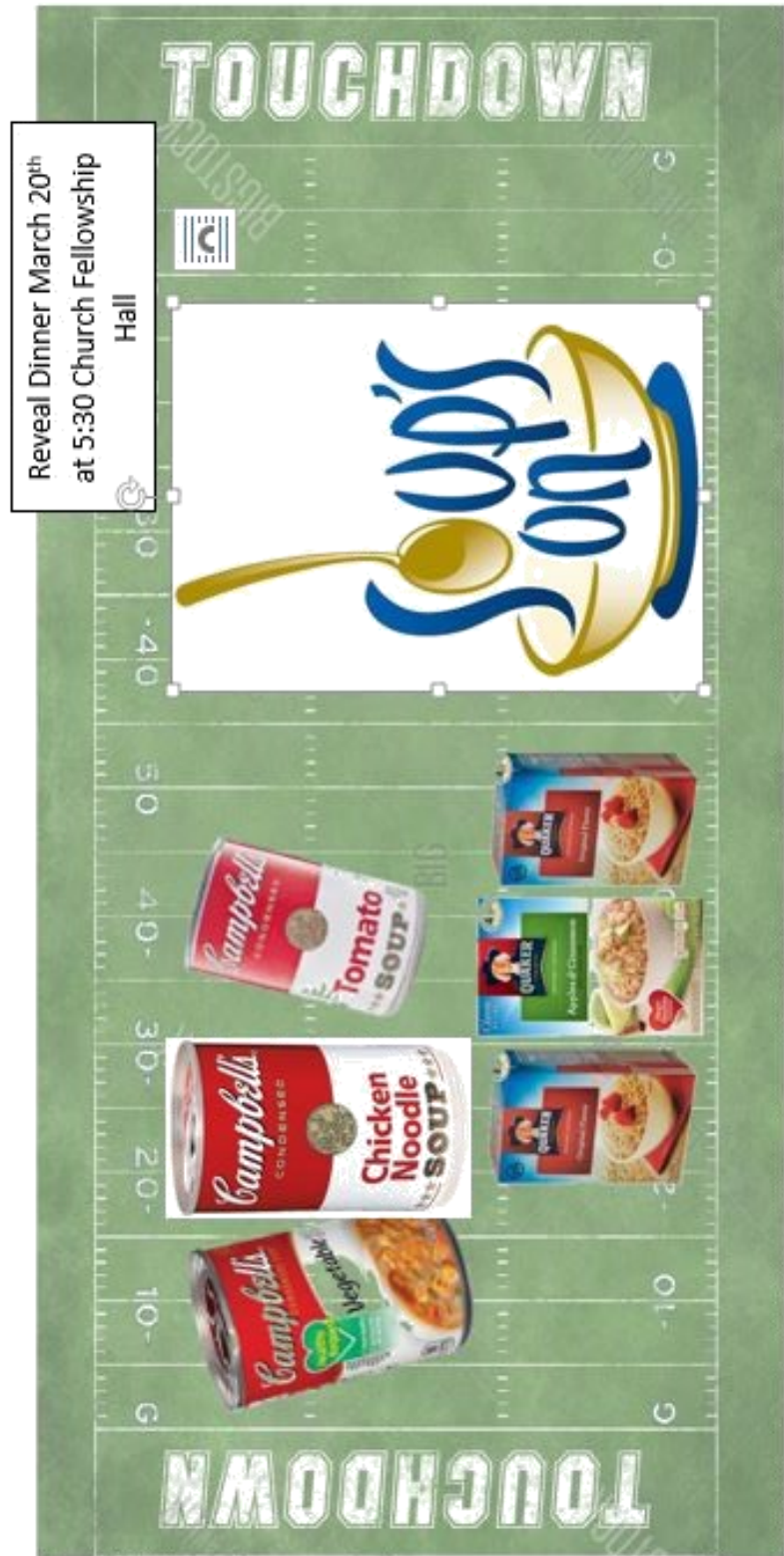


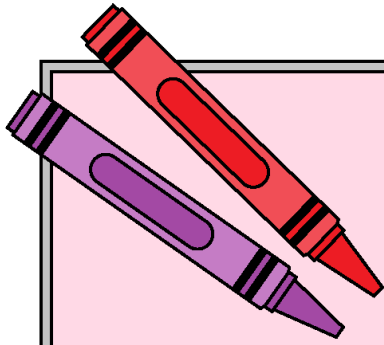
2022 SOUPER BOWL OVERTIME COLLECTION CHALLENGE February 1st –March 20th 2022

Shippensburg First Church of God is collecting cans of soup & individual packets or cups of oatmeal only during this event. The donations go to the Hound Packs to help feed those in our communities! The soup drive runs from February 1 thru March 2022 at noon.

There WILL BE a dinner for our church family March 20th at 5:30 pm to reveal the winners. All are invited to come out and enjoy an evening of fellowship. The Outreach Committee will be providing the meal.

FRIENDLY COMPETITION between our Sunday school classes. (YOUR REGULAR SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES) Cans should be brought in February. 1 thru March 20th by noon. Put your donations up front of the sanctuary along the wall. There will be a clip board there, just write the amount you brought in on your classes tally sheet under the date provided. Or take it to the church office and let them know which class and put the donations in room 111. Any questions please call Cathy Eiswert 717-860-8620. Thanks for your support!! THE WINNING CLASS WILL RECEIVE a trophy and a celebration at a later date.





Just for KIDS

Mark 12:30-31

Change some of the letters below to
find the words in these important verses.

Change: C's to L J's to A K's to O Z's to H
Q's to T P's to R X's to E

(The other letters stay the same.)

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C K V X Q Z X C K P D Y K U P
G K D W I Q Z J C C Y K U P
Z X J P Q J N D W I Q Z J C C
Y K U P S K U C J N D W I Q Z
J C C Y K U P M I N D J N D
W I Q Z J C C Y K U P
S Q P X N G Q Z . . . C K V X
Y K U P N X I G Z B K P
" A S Y K U P S X C F .

"Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your
mind and with all your strength ... Love your neighbor as yourself."