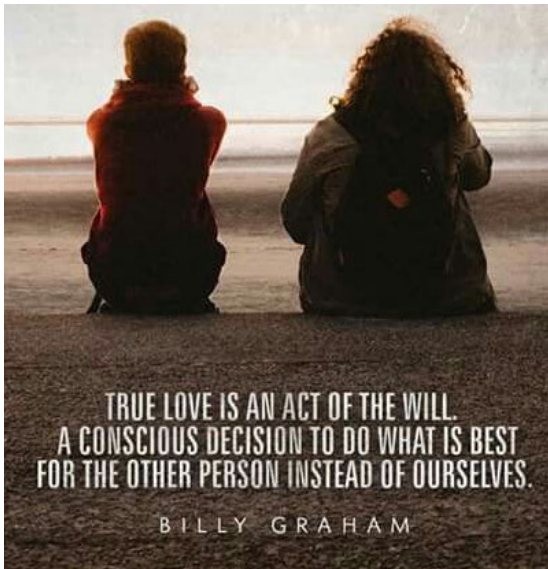




Love for Others

February is the month we focus on love. In the middle of the month is Valentine's Day. Although there is some debate on which Valentine the day commemorates, most seem to believe that this Saint Valentine was a 3rd-century Roman priest or bishop. He was martyred on February 14, 269 AD. The Catholic Church calls him the patron saint of love and courtship. Believers say that God worked through his life to perform miracles and to teach people how to recognize and experience true love. And so a day has been set aside to show our love in many different ways.



Although it is good and nice to set aside a day to take time to make sure we express deep love for spouses, children, and other loved ones, the command by Jesus in John 13.34-35 is one that we must obey every day of the year. **"A new command I give you: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you must love one another. By this all men will know that you are my disciples if you love one another."** Our love for others is to be the same type of self-sacrificing, unselfish love that Jesus gave to us through his death on the cross.

In this quote by Bill Graham, he reminded us that this type of love is not simply a feeling but is a conscious choice that we make. We can fall in and out of the feeling of love. But love as the act of the will is something we decide to do no matter the circumstance and remains without condition. This is the love that has been given to us. Jesus made a conscious decision to do what was best for us and not himself when he obediently died on the cross for us. Paul reminds us in Romans 5, that it is rare that any of us would die for another person. But Jesus died for us even when we did not love him. That is amazing love. And so, if we really love Jesus, that is how we are to love others. And when the world sees us loving others in that way, it will show them that we are true Christ followers.

And so, I hope you will share your love with others this February 14. But then I hope you will continue to share that love with them every other day of the year as well. This is what Jesus does for us.

IN CHRIST ALONE

Here are the questions from the February 4 sermon.

Do you have a personal relationship with Jesus the Christ?

Do you believe that your eternal salvation in heaven is through Christ alone, by grace alone through faith alone?

Do you believe that your good works are your thankful response to God's good work in you and your act of worship?

Do you believe that the Bible is the word of God and accurate in all its teaching?

Do you believe that God is three persons in one, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit?

Prayer & Praises

- Please pray for Victor Riddle who is having a toothache, that he would find a dentist and some relief to the pain that he is experiencing.
- Sue Deardorff requested prayer for Dakota Dixon, an 8 year old boy in the Wrightsville area who has an aggressive brain cancer. Pray for him and his mother.
- Pray for strength and healing for Wilmer Grim to recover from a fall he took last week.
- Please pray for Frances Kunkel's family. (Marilyn Julius' mother) Frances passed away. Please pray for comfort for her family during this time and rejoice that Frances is now with the Lord.
- Please pray for Jill Whorley's family. It was determined that Jill does not have brain activity, so her organs were donated.
- Joanne Miller shared a praise that her sister Linda Whiteford is finally getting relief from her pain and is starting radiation treatments and was discharged to her daughter's home.
- Amanda Stewart requested prayer for Emily Fields (former co-worker). Her 3-month-old had heart surgery, pray for continued recovery.
- Deb Henry has an unspoken prayer request.
- Kathy McWilliams requested prayer for Deb Iozza who had stroke symptoms and spent Saturday at the Emergency Room.



Ongoing Health Concern Prayers

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| *Kathy McWilliams | *Sarah Sabold (Smeltzer) | *Ken Warren | *Mary Fisher |
| *Alyssa Leakway | *Gloria Gerber | *Missy Braden | *Bryce Baublitz |
| *Julie Waggoner | *Bill Barley | *Brandon Little | *Derek Meck |
| *Josh (Bonnie Tyson's Grandson) | *Ruth Cook | *Victor Riddle | *Mark Lipsitz |

Cancer Special Prayers

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| *Julia McCartney | *Greg & Sandy George | *Butch Warren's brother | *Ted Erb (Traci Kauffman family) |
| *Kathy McWilliams brother-in-law Phillip | *Tom Kimmel | *Bob (Ron Engle, friend) | |
| *Sandy Harlacker | *Ellie Basko | *Mark Yonker | *Keith Kauffman (Kerry Kauffman's brother) |
| *Jean Beck | *Donald Moore | *Butch Warren | |

CBC and CBC Region 3 Prayer Requests

Please pray for the following congregations and pastors:

Cristo El Senior Congregation in Vega Baja, Puerto Rico, with Pastor Jose Calleja Otero
Cristo Nuestra Paz in Castaner, Puerto Rico, with Pastor Norma Medina Aviles



Directories!

Be sure to check your mailbox for your new directory!!!

If you aren't sure if you have a mailbox, look on the bulletin board in the hallway across from the mailboxes. Names are listed there in alphabetical order with mailbox numbers.

If you don't have a mailbox and would like one – let Julie know. bermudiansecretary@gmail.com

Important Dates and INFORMATION

This week

Wednesday 2/7

- *Life Group 6:30 pm
- *Women's Choir 7:45 pm
- *Men's Choir 7:45 pm

Sunday 2/11

- *9 am Come Worship!
- *Widows/Widowers Luncheon
Noon

Monday 2/12

- *Open Gym Sports 6:30 pm

Tuesday 2/13

- *Commission Meeting 6 pm
- *Board Meeting 7 pm

Next Week

Wednesday 2/14

- *Sisters Bible Study 9 am
- *Ash Wednesday Soup
Supper Service 6:30 pm

Saturday 2/17

- *Men's Bible Study Breakfast
7 am

Sunday 2/18

- *9 am Come Worship!

Monday 2/19

- *Open Gym Sports 6:30 pm



Thank you

On behalf of Blessings in Stitches we want to thank everyone for the donations of yarn. Bill and Trish O'Bryan thank you so much for the beautiful yarn.

Whoever drops yarn at my backdoor, with no name Thank YOU, you are the kindest folks for giving donations of yarn. With every donation of yarn, my ladies think it is Christmas.

Thank you wonderful Bermudian Family without all of you we could never reach out to all the wonderful folks we have.

Blessings in Stitches

Charmaine Hoke

Youth Group Snow-Tubing Event

February 25, 2024 2:00-4:00 PM

Avalanche Express

2 hour ticket - \$38 for ages 6+ / \$30 for those under 5

They do not have a height/weight restriction but everyone goes in their own tube and must be able to get in and out by themselves. The church will pay for youth to attend this event. Youth being those children ages 12-18.

Reservation deadline for the youth is February 11.

Everyone is invited to join in but you will need to make your own reservation and pay on your own. Reservations need to be made online. **AvalancheXpress - Snow Tubing - Ice Skating - York, PA** Tickets could sell out so order you tickets as soon as possible.

Weather will possibly cause this event to be cancelled but their policy is not to refund. In the event of closure, they will give a digital so you can reschedule.

After the tubing the Firsters have invited everyone back to their home for pizza! So, you will need to let Gary and Linda know if you will be returning to their home.

Christian Education Commission

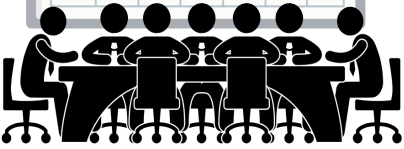


Wednesdays
February 14th
All the ladies are invited at
10 am in Shepherd's Hall

Sisters

A Bible Study for Women

Commission Meeting at 6 Pm
Board Meeting at 7 Pm
FEBRUARY 13TH



Remember to wear your
favorite football team jersey
this Sunday, February 11th




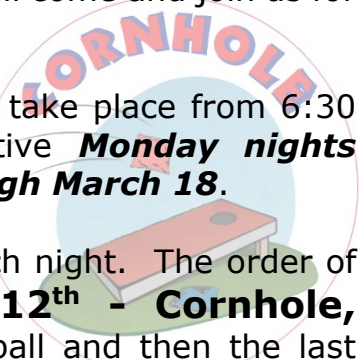
FREE OPEN GYM SPORTS NIGHT OUTREACH

Josh Stewart has come up with a great opportunity for us to reach out to people in our community by using the Gathering Place as an open gym. Our hope is that members of Bermudian church, unchurched members from the community and especially those who desire some socialization in the winter months will come and join us for these nights.

The open gym sports activities will take place from 6:30 PM to 7:30 PM on six consecutive **Monday nights running from February 12 through March 18.**


A different sport will be offered each night. The order of occurrence will be: **February 12th - Cornhole**, volleyball, basketball, soccer, kickball and then the last night will be community choice which will be voted for on March 11. There will be a Kids Zone where young children can play while their parents enjoy the sports activities for that night.

No registration is necessary, just show up. If you would be interested in helping to set-up, tear down or help in the Kids Zone, contact Josh Stewart at 717-430-9243.

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SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2024




GAME TIME: SUNDAY, JANUARY 21st - 8:00 A.M.
THRU
SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11th - 11:30 A.M.

DONATIONS OF SOUPS & MONEY GO TO:
NEW HOPE MINISTRY'S: DOVER FOOD BANK CENTER
ABBOTTSTOWN / E. BERLIN FOOD BANK

> Many individuals and families are struggling to provide food for their families.
> Many folks in our communities have fallen on hard times.
Please help those in need by donating to:

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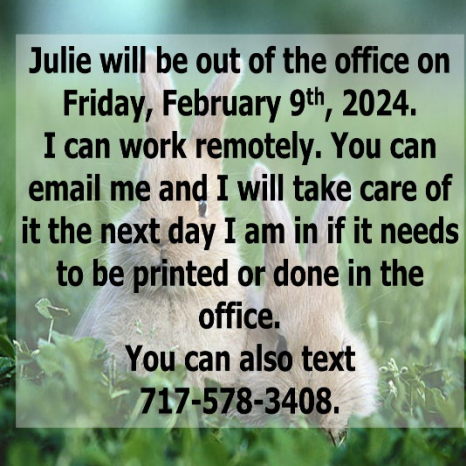
REMEMBER!
THERE IS ALSO THE TROPHY COMPETITION!
Please see reverse side of this flyer or check Bulletin Boards and Newsletter for more details on scoring

Prayer Shawl
Ministry
Next Meeting
Thursday, February 22nd, 2024
10 am – 2 pm



Julie will be out of the office on
Friday, February 9th, 2024.
I can work remotely. You can
email me and I will take care of
it the next day I am in if it needs
to be printed or done in the
office.
You can also text
717-578-3408.



Widow and Widowers Luncheon

Sunday
February 11th
At Noon
At
Dover Valley
Restaurant

Please See Nancy
Smith to RSVP



Ladies Choir
Attention All Ladies

If you enjoy singing, consider
joining Ladies Choir.
New voices are welcome!
Next Practices will be on
February 7th & 21st at 7:45 pm.
See Betty Engle if you have questions

