


CONNECTIONS

The newsletter of the Ewing-Covenant Worshiping Community

February Connecting Thoughts

We are beginning the work of intentionally looking to see where, and to what, this emerging congregation is being led by the Spirit of God. On Sunday, February 9th, in the midst of our worship service, our worshiping congregation will take a brief survey of our attitudes, opinions, and understandings of who this congregation is, and what is important to you. This becomes a part of the information that the Future Visioning Team will use to look to how the emerging church will shape its ministry for the years to come.

This is an important step into the future for these two congregations becoming one. Please plan to be in worship on February 9th. If you are not able to attend that Sunday, please let the church office know so that we can get a survey to you. Be a part of finding the future Christ holds for us. Be part of the work of the Holy Spirit that is going on in our midst.

See you on the 9th!

In Christ's service,

Pastor Paul

Pastor Paul will be away February 2-7, attending the Annual Conference of the Transitional Ministry Education Consortium (TMEC) at the Calvin Conference Center in Atlanta, GA. Pastor Paul teaches continuing education courses at Pittsburgh Seminary twice each year as part of the TMEC faculty. Through his teaching, Paul

seeks to help prepare pastors to serve well in congregations living in the midst of change.

Pam Rauh to Retire

It is with great sadness for us, and celebration for Pam, that we share the news that Pam will be retiring as our Office Manager at the end of February. Pam has served faithfully through these past seven turbulent years. She has been our communications hub, our scheduler of all things, the conveyer of information, the editor and producer of our newsletters, bulletins, and oh, so much more. She has also been the caring presence as the first response to so many calls for assistance from members and non-members alike. Pam is going to be deeply missed.

We have invited Pam to join us on Sunday morning, March 1st, so that we can all thank God, and thank Pam for her ministry in our midst. If you would like to contribute to the retirement gift from the congregation, please send any contributions marked "Retirement Fund".

Come on March 1st to celebrate Pam's work and ministry in our midst.

February Worship with the Ewing-Covenant Worshiping Community

Sunday, February 2nd
4th Sunday after Epiphany
The Sacrament of Communion

Steve Young, Executive Director of Living Waters
for the World, preaching
Rev. Ann Schoonover
officiating for Sacrament
Lectionary Texts: Micah 6:1-8; Psalm 15; 1
Corinthians 1:18-31; Matthew 5:1-12

Sunday, February 9th

5th Sunday after Epiphany
"Finding Our Way"

Meditation by Rev. Paul Rhebergen

During the worship service, all in attendance will
be asked to complete a survey that will provide
important information for our
Visioning for the Future Team.

Lectionary Texts: Isaiah 58:1-9a; Psalm 112:1-9;
1 Corinthians 2:1-12; Matthew 5:21-37

Sunday, February 16th

6th Sunday after Epiphany

Rev. Paul Rhebergen preaching

Lectionary Texts: Deuteronomy 30:15-20; Psalm
119:1-8; 1 Corinthians 3:1-9; Matthew 5:21-37

Sunday, February 23rd

Transfiguration of the Lord,
Stewardship Dedication Sunday
Worship in the 1867 Sanctuary
Rev. Paul Rhebergen preaching
"New Wine"

Lectionary Texts: Exodus 24:12-18; Psalm 2; 2
Peter 1:16=21; Matthew 17:1-9

Wednesday, February 26th

Ash Wednesday

6:00 p.m. Simple Soup Supper
in our Worship Space

7:00 p.m. Ash Wednesday Service includes
Communion and the Imposition of Ashes

Thursday, February 27th

Worship with the Trenton Psychiatric Center
6:30 p.m. Gather at the church to travel to TPH
for worship service at 7:00 p.m.

February Adult Education

February 2nd

Steve Young of Living Waters for the World will
be the guest speaker.

February 9th

Mike Clark and members of Eastern Service
Workers Association will speak and have a
discussion to bring us up-to-date about their
work and concerns for the low paid service
workers.

February 16th

Discussion on often repeated
mantras: *From the Church Has Left the
Building*

God is in Charge.

God is good all the time and all the time
God is good.

Put me where you want me, and show me
what to do?

Jesus Christ is the head of the Church
God alone is the Lord of the conscience.

If it's not working, drop it like a hot
potato.

Energy and excitement

The Spirit is alive and well here.

God has a plan...we're just not sure what
it is yet.

...bumping up against Jesus

February 23rd

Old fashion hymn sing!

Our Church Family

In memory of Elizabeth Lamb, 95 January 7, 2020

*Former Covenant member Elnora Williams passed
away on January 5, 2020. Elnora was
instrumental in spearheading the committee that
produced the quilt that now hangs in our worship
space.*

Spotlight on Staff

Although there are some people who know me, John Damrau, and know of my participation as a volunteer in a CARS Ministry, there are many people who don't, or who don't know exactly what that is or exactly what we do. The CARS Ministry is run by Princeton Alliance Church located in Plainsboro. It is a small portion of their mission function, which is called He Cares, We Care. The overall purpose of this ministry is to take in donated cars, perform necessary repairs to render the vehicles safe and reliable, then donate them to mostly single parent families. We have a small repair facility with 2 active bays. We meet every Tuesday and Wednesday evening from 7 pm to 9 pm (although we do work later if necessary). I have been volunteering in this ministry since August, 2002. I absolutely love the work and it has become a very important part of my life. I also am there both evenings. If anyone is interested in joining us or perhaps donating suitable vehicles, please call Princeton Alliance Church at 609-799-9000 and speak with Toni Campbell. You can also speak with me in church for additional details.



Deacons Doings

New Officers:

President: Jane Kidder

Vice President: Liz Schofield

Ushering Coordinator: Ken Harvey

Treasurer: Lisa King

Recording Secretary: Rachel Morgan

Correspondence & Outreach Coordinator: Sandy Pezzillo

Refreshment Coordinators: Jane Perelli & Ruth Palmer.

It might surprise you to know that the Deacons spend over \$300 a year to purchase coffee, paper goods and other coffee hour supplies. The refreshment teams do a wonderful job with the food but there is still a substantial supply cost. There is a donation basket by the coffee pots if you wish to help defray some of this expense. The less spent on supplies means the more that is available for the real mission of the Deacons—helping others. Don't confuse the supply donation basket with the "2 cents a meal jar". That money goes to feed those in need. Thanks for your help.



ECHO Receives Recognition

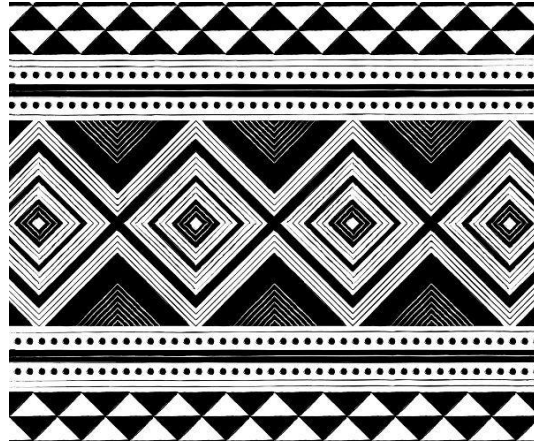
ECHO, Inc. (Energetic Citizens Helping Others) was recently honored with the Community Service Award from The Ivy League Education Foundation, Inc. of the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. The award was given to ECHO for enriching the lives of the residents of the Greater Trenton Community.

The award was presented to Jo Carolyn Dent, Executive Director of ECHO at the Martin Luther King, Jr Breakfast held on Monday, January 20th. Jane Schwilk serves as ECHO's President.

ROAM presents....*

A celebration of African American History

Rediscover transformative “firsts” in African American history



Thursday February 20, 2020

Ewing Presbyterian Church 100 Scotch Road Ewing NJ 08628

Arrive for 11:30 lunch

“Food for the Soul” provided by ECHO’s cuisine committee

Explore an on-site, self-guided display

Hear voices of the past informing the promise of the future.

Share. Learn. HOPE

Questions? Call Ewing Church Office (609)882-3673

*Regional Older Adult Ministries is a collaborative effort between Covenant, Ewing, historic First and West Trenton Presbyterian churches, also ECHO, Inc. and the Presbytery of New Brunswick. ROAM provides opportunities to build new community among older adults and others in our churches and beyond....

(Snow date March 20th)

MLK Morning of Service



It may have been cold outside, but it was warm inside when many hands joined together to serve.

PRAYER




changes things

Christopher Andriana
Louise Armbruster
Jenna Bentley, classmate of Dyshel Harvey
Dr. Mari Berens
H. Wayne Berens
Bonnie Brandt
Shirley Bryant, mother of Cynthia Bryant
Louise Burroughs
Steve Carter, friend of Mari Berens
Julie Ciccone
Cindy, sister of Jean Thompson
Janet Corbin
Doris Cregar
Dorothy Crum
The DeWees Family
Maryann Eleuteri – friend of Judy Carapezza
Eleanor Everett, sister-in-law of Pam Miller
Quentin Fabiano
Michael Ferrara
Peggy Formaroli, mother of friend Gino – Gerri
Apostolos
Rita Freilinghaus, sister of Judy Carapezza
Karen Fuchs, sister of Laura Wallin
Thelma G., friend of Nancy Kriegner
Alice Haines
Terri and Ken Harvey
Kevin Hecky
Beth Hensler
Lydia Hill, cousin of Cathy Holland
Joe Hodak
Cathy Holland
Dan Hough
Mary Jane Inman, Dan Sergott & Chuck Sergott
Ruthie Jetter, cousin of George Renwick
The Keller Family
John Kelso, friend of Ginny Saiia
Nancy Kriegner
Jeff Laschever
Charlie Magee, brother of Judy Carapezza
Margaret Marcks

Carol Martin
Paul Matyas
Chris McSwain, friend of Mari Berens
Samuel Meservey, grandson of Lois Meservey
Aaron Morgan
Rachel Morgan
Daniel Mungra, brother of Isaac Mungra
Isaac & Niomi Mungra
Leslie Nevius, cousin of Barb Salles
Ray Norton, friend of JoAnn Trevor
Karen Parr
Patrick Petti
Charlotte Philbrook, friend of Nancy Coleman
Marissa Porfirio
Betty Ranson
Dylan Ray, friend of Nancy Kriegner
Susan Robinson
Robert Rodgers, friend of Laura Wallin
Shirley Sandford
Michael Baily Schafer, grandnephew of Mary
Hough
Jay Schugadt, friend of Bonnie Brandt
Jane Schwilk
Sandy Schwilk
George Self
Brad Shropshire, Gene Taylor's son-in-law and
Doug & Carol Taylor's brother-in-law
Kristen Berens-Smart
Gwen Thomas
Ann & Dave Tregurtha
Talib Truth, son of Rae Richardson
Travis Turner, nephew of Gay McGraw
Gloria Vernam
Autumn Wagner, niece of Pam Miller
Harold Walter
Diane Watson, niece of Harriet Berens
Kaitlynn Webster, granddaughter of Nancy
Coleman
Sam & Peace Weigh
Alfred Wensley
Eileen Whang
Doris Wiles, sister of Harriet Berens
Cory Nwankwo Young

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<u>On Sundays</u> 10:00 Worship 11:00 Hospitality Time 11:15 Adult Ed. & Sunday School <u>On Mondays</u> 5:15 AA, AL 7:30 Dist 24 AA, AL	<u>Monday cont.</u> 7:30 CJCS - FH <u>On Tuesdays</u> 7:30 Al-Anon, RW 8:00 CA,AL 8:00 NA, CR <u>On Thursdays</u> 6:00 Bells 7:30 Choir	<u>On Fridays</u> 10:30 Yoga 11:00 Health Your Way 8:30 AA, AL <u>On Saturdays</u> 3:00 AA, AL	*Souper Bowl Sunday Soup & Baked Goods Sale 			1
2* Worship 10:00 am Communion	3	4 BIG COMMITTEE 7:00	5	6	7 Yoga 10:30 am Health Your Way 11:00 a.m.	8 Equipping the Saints 9:00 a.m. Metuchen
9 Worship 10:00 am	10	11 Tabitha Circle 9:15 am	12 Ruth Circle 7:00 pm Covenant Session Mtg. 7:00 p.m.	13 Lunch Bunch 11:30	14  Yoga 10:30 am Health Your Way 11:00 a.m.	15
16 Worship 10:00 am	17 Office closed 	18 Mission Sewing 10 am Deacons Meeting 7pm	19	20 ROAM 11:30 a.m.	21 Yoga 10:30 am Health Your Way 11:00 a.m.	22 Tinnitus 10:00 a.m.
23 Worship 10:00 am Commitment Sunday	24	25 Session Meeting 7:00 p.m.	26 Ash Wednesday 6 pm Simple Soup Supper 7 pm Service	27 Worship & Fellowship at Trenton Psych. 7:00 p.m.	28 Yoga 10:30 am Health Your Way 11:00 a.m.	29

