

**Church Family Prayer Concerns:** John Lansing & family (friends of the Boltner family), Janice Fisher, Carolyn Brown, Sue Fares (friend of the Mershon's), Regina Meszaros (friend of Betty Livine an online worshiper), Alexis & Tedd Van Buskirk (brother and sister-in law of Erinn & Doug Demskis), Bob Evans (brother of Jane Del Bianco), Aaron Wasser (Friend of the Del Bianco's), Cheryl Swerk, (wife of J.R. Swerk), Rev. Dave Cramp, Bridget Hamilton (niece of Karen Schoener), Carla Malin, (friend of Gerry Hixson), The Ukrainian People.  
***The names added to the prayer request will be listed for 3 weeks and then removed unless requested to stay on.***

**Mission of the Month (blue envelope) of September** is the Lahaina United Methodist Church in Maui, Hawaii. Although there are already many ways to contribute after the devastation of the terrible wildfires in Maui, the Outreach Committee has decided to help this 101-year old church that burned to the ground. After being evacuated from the parsonage, Pastor John Crewe and his family are living in an apartment. The congregation continues to gather in another location, despite the many, many losses they suffered. Every congregation member is safe, but most have lost everything and have no place to stay.

If you would like to support Lahaina United Methodist Church, you can send a check to Newtown United Methodist Church, 35 Liberty Street, Newtown, PA 18940. Please mark your check "Advance for Maui."

There will also be special offering collections during our Sunday services throughout the month of September. Again, please mark your check "Advance for Maui." If you choose to make a cash offering, please put it in an envelope marked "Advance for Maui."

All of our offerings will be sent directly to the Lahaina United Methodist Church. If you would like to support this organization, you can use the blue envelopes located in your offering box. You can also send a check to Newtown United Methodist Church, 35 Liberty Street, Newtown, PA 18940. Please mark your check

**Our annual Nut Sale continues every Sunday morning after the worship service.** We will be selling pecans, cashews, walnuts, bridge mix, fruit and nuts, almonds, mixed nuts, and assorted chocolates. They come in one-pound packages and make great gifts for teachers, friends, and neighbors. And don't forget some for yourself! All proceeds will be donated to missions.

**THIS WEEK AT NEWTOWN UNITED METHODIST CHURCH**  
**35 Liberty Street, Newtown, PA 18940**  
**215-968-2662**

**Sunday, September 17**

10:00 a.m.  
 11:15 a.m.

Worship Service, Childcare available  
**Carry up rummage from the basement**

**Tuesday, September 19**

10:00 a.m.  
 7:00 p.m.

Bible Study  
 SPRC Meeting

**Thursday, September 21**

10:00 a.m.  
 7:30 p.m.

The Craft Group meets  
 Senior Choir rehearsal

**Friday, September 22**

9:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m.

Rummage Sale

**Saturday, September 23**

9:00 a.m.-noon

Rummage Sale

**Sunday, September 24**

10:00 a.m.  
 4:00 p.m.

**Pasta Dinner!**  
 Worship Service, Childcare available  
 Pasta Dinner!

**Sunday Servants**

**September 17, 2023**

**USHERS:** Nancy Daney, Cheryl & Kevin Burd  
**LAY READER:** Janet Johnson  
**GREETERS:** Dan & Debbie Boltner  
**FELLOWSHIP HOUR:** Kathy Mershon  
**FINANCE STEWARD:** Cheryl Burd & Linda Walsh

**September 24<sup>th</sup>- Sunday Servants**

**USHERS:** Nancy Daney, Cheryl & Kevin Burd  
**LAY READER:** Monica Flint  
**GREETERS:** Pat King & Freeman Corson  
**FELLOWSHIP HOUR:**  
**FINANCE STEWARD:** Cheryl Burd & Linda Walsh



If you would like to make your church donation online, you just have to scan this code with your phone camera to be connected directly the church's paypal account.

### **Crafters Reunite!**

Starting now please join us on Thursday mornings at 10:00 a.m. in the craft room for our weekly meeting. Any new crafters who wish to join us are welcome. We will begin to plan for our Annual Bazaar in November. If you have any questions, please contact Susan Smith at 215-968-3646.

### **Treasures are needed for the Fall Rummage Sale.**

Our Spring rummage sale will be held on Friday, September 22 from 9am-3pm and Saturday, September 23 from 9am-12pm. It is your treasures that make the sale a success.

We are now accepting gently used items for our rummage sale. Please place your items on the shelves in our rummage room in the basement from now until September 15th. On September 16 and 17th, you may put your items in the kitchen or the opportunity room.

Please join us on Sunday, September 17th, immediately after church to set up the tables in Wesley Hall and bring up the items from the basement rummage rooms. We will be working on Monday-Wednesday from 9am until 4pm. On Wednesday, we will serve lunch to all the workers. A small crew on Thursday will address final details. We will need people to help on the days of our sale to serve as cashiers and to assist buyers. We need many hands to make this a successful sale. Please sign up on the sheets in the gallery to help. ALL are welcome. Contact Judi Swerk or Nora Schenk for any questions.

### **Save the date**

For the Adult Fellowship Holiday Bus Trip to Hunterdon Hills Dinner Theater.  
Saturday December 9<sup>th</sup>!

For the month of September, **Caring for Friends will meet on Wednesday, September 27<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m.**

### **UMW Holiday Bazaar – Date Changed to Thursday, November 9th**

Please update your calendar to reflect the revised date for the annual Holiday Bazaar. We are now hosting the event on Thursday, November 9th. We hope you will join us for lunch, browse the homemade Christmas decorations and the Santa Shop to do some Christmas Shopping. Contact Joan Mathias with any questions.

### **Mark Your Calendars for the 2024 Women's Retreat!**

The retreat will be held April 12-14<sup>th</sup> at Daylesford Abbey in Paoli PA. You can check it out on their website: [daylesford.org](http://daylesford.org).

**Join us for an exciting new Bible study on Tuesdays, September 12<sup>th</sup> - through November 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m.**, centered around the book Jesus Before Christianity, by Albert Nolan! The author's portrait introduces us to Jesus before he became the object of the Christian faith, operating in history in a specific social context, addressing concrete hopes, and engaging in controversy and social conflict. Here is a man who was deeply involved with the real problems of his time – which turn out to be the real problems of our time, as well. As Nolan writes, "God is speaking to us in a new way today. God is speaking to us in the events and problems of our time. Jesus can help us to understand the voice of Truth, but, in the last analysis, it is we who must decide and act." Contact Pastor Rodney for more information!