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REFLECTIONS

Hello all you wonderful children of GOD!!

I find happiness in many places here on earth. How about all of us? Where do we seek happiness on earth? A place of comfort that brings a smile to our face right now as we reflect on that special place. Do we feel it change our attitude? In an instant we are there, and it brings joy into our being. Does it have to be a place? Can it be a song, a poem or verse, children, grandchildren even great grandchildren for some of us. How about a ride in a car, boat, the roar of a motorcycle, ATV or side by side or the rhythmic gallop of a horse? I have mentioned a few things but where is happiness in all our lives? Do some of us thrive and find joy in exciting loud events, or quiet tranquil moments. Can a couch, a blanket, and a movie bring happiness? ALL OF THE ABOVE! Happiness is obtainable in an instant and disappears in a fleeting moment. Let us not ruin our happy place with sad thoughts and feelings! Joy, peace and comfort are feelings we can add under the heading of our happiness. I am sure we all can add more to the list. Do we think happiness keeps us youthful and healthy? Again YES! These moments are ours to cherish, live and be thankful for every day of life! Let us look at these words from our declaration; We hold these truths to be selfevident, that all humans are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness. By our creator we are to live, we are to have rights and a voice and finally to be able to enjoy and have a happy life. Happiness is so important that it is right there in our "Declaration of our Independence". We know GOD wants us to live a happy joyous life, it is throughout the bible. Find HAPPINESS, make a joyful noise, sing praises, focus more on the good rather than the bad and change a life. The life maybe ours that needed the changing! I pray if we were feeling down or in a bad place that this brought a little light to our hearts and lifted our spirits. We are happiness donors to the world, GOD fills us with the light of hope, joy, and love that we pass on to the world. Let us bring happiness to all people for we all need it in our lives just as we have heard throughout this letter. Find our happy place and enjoy the time spent there. Lead and encourage others to do the same. Think about what happiness means to you and to others. Share our happiness with GOD and the world every second of the day. We must remember there will come a time when there will be no more happiness here but an overflowing of delight at the gate to eternal life. May we all embrace our pleasure here and beyond. Who is with us? I pray we all are!!

Love and Laughter Pastor Paul+

# <u>→Charge News</u>

Anyone from the charge can be included on our prayer chain. Call Gail at 715-559-6434 or email at storm1935@gmail.com to be added to the prayer chain. Nomination's committees / charge conference preparation

To all churches - LET US BE BOLD Rev. Barb suggested the following Scripture versus to begin our process:

For God did not give us a spirit of timidity, but a spirit of power, of love and of self-discipline.
(2 Timothy 1:7)

• I am creating something new. There it is! Do you see it? I have put roads in deserts, streams in thirsty lands (Isaiah 43:19)

As summer passes and we begin feeling the cool of fall, the thoughts of charge conference start coming up and nomination committees. We need to start thinking and looking for people to be a part of the leadership of our churches. I am encouraging all people to be a part of our churches in any way they can. People are what make our churches what they are today and working toward our future of the charge. Congregations, if GOD is tugging at your heart to be more a part of church, please come and talk to pastor or other leaders. We have worked on making meetings more streamlined and every other month rather than every month. Please we are looking for committee members in all three churches. We have a good time, and it is a time to support our churches in ways that are positive and fresh for everyone who comes through our doors. Nominations committees let us start planning meetings to begin the process. I will try and get a later date for charge conference as we did last year and it will be by zoom again. Let us all join together and be part of the church that Jesus began.

Love and Laughter

Pastor Paul+

#### unanswered Prayers by Garth Brooks

Just the other night at a hometown football game My wife and I ran into my old high school flame. And as I introduced them, the past came back to me And I couldn't help but think of the way things used to be. She was the one that I'd wanted for all times And each night I'd spend praying that God would make her mine And if he'd only grant me this wish I wished back then I'd never ask for anything again.

Refraín: Sometímes I thank God for unanswered prayers Remember when you're talking to the man upstairs That just because he doesn't answer doesn't mean he don't care Some of God's greatest gifts are unanswered prayers

She wasn't quite the Angel I remembered in my dreams And I could tell that time had changed me in her eyes, too, it seemed We tried to talk about the old days There wasn't much we could recall I guess the Lord knows what he's doing after all!

And as she walked away, I looked at my wife And then and there I thanked the good Lord For the gifts in my life!

Refrain: Some of God's greatest gifts are all too often unanswered... Some of God's greatest gifts are unanswered prayers.

How many times have we had what we feel are unanswered prayers? If we are honest with ourselves, we sometimes use God as our "Genie in a magic lamp" asking Him to grant us our wishes without realizing He has better things in store for us, although those plans might take a long time to materialize. Reflecting back on my life, I've seen many times that things worked out so much better than I was praying for. My biggest example: I prayed to get a job in an area I desperately longed to live in. Since there wasn't an available position, I had to go to my second choice— which turned out to be a much better location, immensely satisfying job, and met my future spouse...... I do thank God for Unanswered prayers!



# Scripture readings for the month of August

**August 1<sup>st</sup>, 2021** <u>Old Testament</u> 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 11:26 – 12:13 <u>New Testament</u> Ephesians 4: 1-16 <u>Gospel</u> John 6: 24-35 *"One"* 

**August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2021** <u>Old Testament</u> 2<sup>nd</sup> Samuel 18: 5-9, 15, 31-33 <u>New Testament</u> Ephesians 4:25 – 5:2 <u>Gospel</u> John 6: 35, 41-51 *"Can we Handle the Truth"* 

August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2021 <u>Old Testament</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 2:10-12, 3: 3-14 <u>New Testament</u> Ephesians 5: 15-20 <u>Gospel</u> John 6: 51-58 *"Jesus is All We Need"* 

# <u>Please sign up to be a liturgist and</u> <u>share your gifts and talents.</u>

August 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2021 <u>Old Testament</u> 1<sup>st</sup> Kings 8: 1, 6, 10-11, 22-30, 41-43 <u>New Testament</u> Ephesians 6: 10-20 <u>Gospel</u> John 6: 56-69 *"Armor"* 

August 29<sup>th</sup>, 2021 <u>Old Testament</u> Song of Solomon 2: 8-13 <u>New Testament</u> James 1: 17-27 <u>Gospel</u> Mark 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23 *"Quick Listen, Slow Speak"*  Join us for Family Film Nights

We welcome all to come and share an evening with family and friends and watch an outdoor movie inside! No bugs and no worry of rain!

We supply free popcorn and you bring a drink to enjoy. Some seating is provided or you can bring your own! Movies start at 7:30pm

> July 29<sup>th</sup> (a) Holcombe UMC GOD's not DEAD

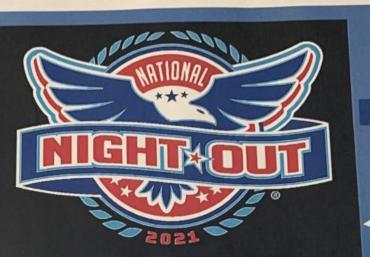
August 5<sup>th</sup> @ Jim Falls UMC GOD's not DEAD

August 12<sup>th</sup> @ Holcombe UMC Courageous

August 19<sup>th</sup> @ Jim Falls UMC Courageous

August 26<sup>th</sup> @ Holcombe UMC War Room

September 2<sup>nd</sup> @ Jim Falls UMC War Room



POLICE-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

# FREE Wednesday, Aug. 4 6 to 8 p.m. Mill Yard Park • Cornell

Free Food • Root Beer Floats DNR Boat Rides • Smokey Bear McGruff the Crime Dog • Prizes Games • Activities • DJ Cornell Police Department Cornell Area Fire Department Cornell Area Ambulance Service Business/Organization Booths And Much More!

For more information or to sign up for a booth, call Lucy, at 484-515-0532.

Family

National Night Out is an annual community-building campaign, promoting emergency services/community partnerships and camaraderie.

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Fun

ALL AGES

### Lake Holcombe Food Pantry

Now located at the Lion's Club Building at 27867 County Highway M. It is open every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month from 2pm to 5 pm. For donation drop off or food emergencies call Dawn at 715-827-0884.

We are always looking for any donations to help stock the shelves. Here are some of the things that they can use this month:

Paper products—toilet paper, paper towels, Kleenex

Bush baked beans

Pickles

Ketchup (small bottles)

Chicken gravy

Sweetened condensed milk

Pudding, especially sugar free, (not vanilla or chocolate)

#### Jim Falls Food Pantry

Located the Jim Falls Church at 13883 County Hwy S. It is open every Monday from 4pm to 6 pm. Donations can be dropped off at this time or Friday's from 11a to 2 p. For food emergencies call Bob at 715-577-2705.

We are always appreciative of any donations we receive but right now the shelves are low of the following items:

Paper products; toilet paper, paper towels, etc.

Cream of Mushroom soup

Diced tomatoes

Saltine crackers

Tea bags



For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. — John 3:16



Find these words from this week's lesson and Bible verse:

JESUS	BELIEVES	LOVED	GOD
ETERNAL	SON	LIFE	WORLD
PERISH	WHOEVER	JOHN	GAVE

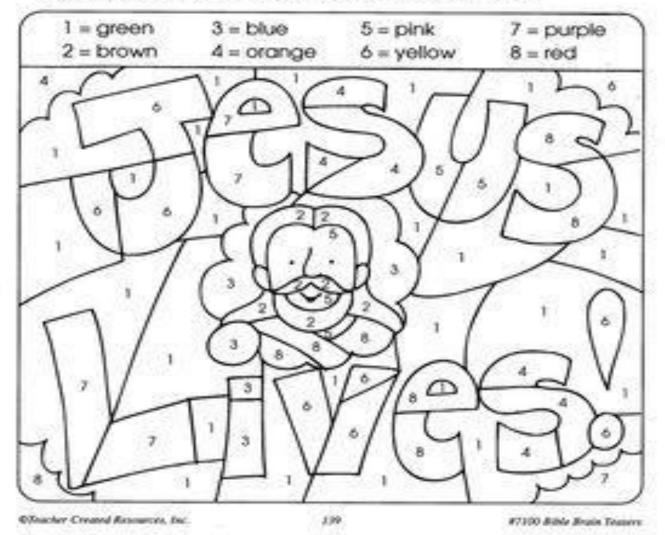
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# Jesus Is Alive!

(John 20)

At the empty tomb, Mary Magdalene talked to a man. She thought he was a gardener. But then she saw that the man was really Jesus! He had risen from the dead and was alive again!

Color the picture using the code. Cut it out and tape it up so you can be reminded of this wonderful truth!



# <u> →Holcombe News</u>

Holcombe Mission Committee took a month off during July.
Thank you to all who supported the Native American
Sunday & Peace with Justice Sunday special offerings.
Our group will be meeting on August 10th at 1:00pm
at the church and, among other things, will be making
plans for a school supply collection for the
Lake Holcombe School. Please feel free to join us!
In the meantime, please support the
Lake Holcombe Food Pantry (see list of needed items).
We still have camp scholarships available
and a couple camps are in August.

# →Jim Falls News↔ DONUT FRY Friday, September 10<sup>th</sup>



# Jim Falls United Methodist Church 13883 Hwy S South Jim Falls, WI

# Phone: 715-382-4397, or 715-382-4549 for advanced orders

Cost: \$4.00 a dozen

Hours: 10:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

Please let a UMW member know if you will be willing to work that day. You can let Robbie Baker, Becky Scheidler, Marge Lazarz, Tess Stipek, Deatra Lazarz or Eunice Maier know if you can help.



# 2021 August Birthdays and Anniversaries!



### Anson

5 Lee & Shellie Crogg
10 Jade Saxton-Jensen
15 Connie Kinderman
17 Lee Crogg
19 Mark & Mary Benson Lucas Roshell
28 Denise McIlquham

# Jim Falls

11 Lynn Dunlap Cole Kressin
15 Brian Bautch
24 Don Ellis
26 Howard Dresel
30 Lynn & Carol Dunlap

# Holcombe

2 Rog & Mary Paulsen Jerry & Kay Vaughn
3 Anna Hillebrand
6 Bill & Karen Stimeling
7 John Bell
11 Sue Crank
18 Lillian Zoromski
19 Kathy Minot
23 Todd & Sarah Sauerwein
24 Kay Vaughn
31 Trevor McCoy Bill Stimeling



# August

# Anson, Holcombe, and Jim Falls UMC

# 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 10 <sup>™</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 8:30a (H), 10a (JF), 11:15a (A)	2 Food Pantry 4-6p (JF) Coffee & Convo 1p (JF)	3 Men's Brkfast 7:30a (H) Lay Servant 10a (C)	4 Coffee & Convo 1p (H)	5 Choir Practice 5:30p (H) Movie Night 7:30p (JF)	6	7
8 11™ Sunday after Pentecost 8:30a (H), 10a (JF), 11:15a (A)	9 Food Pantry 4-6p (JF) Coffee & Convo 1p (JF)	10 Missions 1p (H) Food Pantry 2-5p (H)	11 Coffee & Convo 1p (H)	12 UMW 1:30p (H) Choir Practice 5:30p (H) Movie Night 7:30p (H)	13	14
15 12 <sup>тн</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 8:30a (H), 10a (JF), 11:15a (A)	16 Food Pantry 4-6p (JF) Coffee & Convo 1p (JF)	17 Ad Board 5:30p (H)	18 Coffee & Convo 1p (H)	19 Choir Practice 5:30p (H) Movie Night 7:30p (JF)	20	21 Men's Breakfast 7:30a (JF)
22 13 <sup>™</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 8:30a (H), 10a (JF), 11:15a (A)	23 Food Pantry 4-6p (JF) Coffee & Convo 1p (JF)	24 Food Pantry 2-5p (H)	25 Coffee & Convo 1p (H) Seniors Lunch 12-2pm (H) Script orders due to Jane Skaare	26 Choir Practice 5:30p (H) Movie Night 7:30p (H)	27	28
29 14 <sup>™</sup> Sunday after Pentecost 8:30a (H), 10a (JF), 11:15a (A)	30 Food Pantry 4-6p (JF) Coffee & Convo 1p (JF)	31				

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#### **RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

Office Hours	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thurs	Fri
Pastor Paul	Jim Falls (9a-6p)	HC (9a-3p)	HC (9a-3p)	HC (9a-3p)	Sabbath day Of rest

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#### JOIN US FOR WORSHIP ON SUNDAYS

HOLCOMBE 8:30 A.M. JIM FALLS 10 A.M. ANSON 11:15 A.M.