

The Transformer

February 2013

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Friedens (Peace) Lutheran Church, 301 W. Washington Ave., Myerstown, PA

Congregational Meeting



ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Is scheduled for Sunday, February 10 at 11:45 A.M.
(Following the 10:30 A.M. Worship Service).

The Agenda is:

1. Lunch (Bread/Soup)
2. Approval of Minutes from January 8, 2012
Budget Congregational Meeting
3. Election of Nominating Committee and Election
of Council Members
4. Short presentation about sound and screen
proposal.
5. Endowment Budget for 2013
6. Annual Reports
7. Open Floor



If you are interested in ordering lilies to place in the church of Easter, now is the time to do so. To order, please use the envelopes provided on the narthex bulletin board and place it in the offering plate or bring it to the church office. The cost this year is \$6.25 each. Last date to order is **FEBRUARY 25**.



The volunteer cleaning team will remain in action for 2013. Because of our budget deficit, nothing was proposed for professional cleaning service again.

I want to thank all the members who helped to keep our facility clean this year. We hope that others might join in whenever they can.

Please call Barb or Gene Lessig, at 866-2291 if you would like to help.



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SHUT-IN BIRTHDAYS

February 27

Mrs. Esther Yeakley

450 Yeagley Road

Myerstown, PA 17067

DIRECTOR OF DISCIPLESHIP

SPRING ...2013 LIFE GROUPS Feb 10- April 14...

Janice DuBois

(General Group) Open to all Tuesday Evenings 7pm-8:30pm

Location: Church Parlor

Our study will be: “El Salvador” Every year at Friedens, a plea is made for donations to provide education for students in El Salvador. Would you like to know more about our sister parish there? Would you like to know why (or how) Friedens came to care for this remote village over 3,000 miles away? You will sample the culture- the foods, art and music- of El Salvador. Join me to meet some of the villagers in Nueva Esperanza, El Salvador and the faithful pastor there, Lupe Cortez

Jon Koller

(General Group) Open to all Thursday Evenings 6:30pm-8:00pm

Location: Church Parlor

Our study will be: “Sermon based curriculum” This study links a church’s small group ministry with the weekly sermon and worship service. Group members study the same topic or scripture that was covered in the sermon, often delving deeper into areas not covered in detail by the pastor

Sign up in Stauffer Hall.

OUR TITHES & OFFERINGS

December 2012

				% of Budget	
Current Budget	Goal	\$26,258.00	Goal to Date	\$ 315,093.00	99%
\$315,093.00	Rec'd	\$33,304.10	Rec'd to Date	313,569.00	
Spang Crest	Rec'd	80.00	Rec'd to Date	718.00	
Hunger	Rec'd	380.00	Rec'd to Date	3,335.00	





Dear Ladies,

Many thanks for your personal Christmas cards, and for delivering all those from Friedens. Also for the lovely poinsettia.

I do appreciate your many gestures of kindness.

Merry Christmas to you and yours,
Elizabeth L. Hamilton

To the ladies of ELCA of Friedens Church,
Larry wants to say thanks for the shawl, prayers and kind thoughts therein.

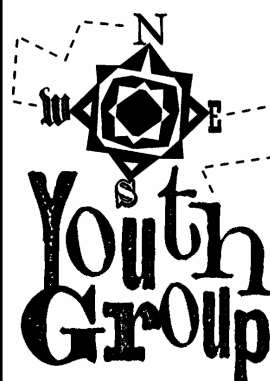
And I echo those sentiments.

Thank you and a blessed Christmas and New Year to all.

Larry & Sheila Peckenschneider

ATTENTION ALL COOKS!!

We are moving into the Lenten Season and sure could use your help! Beginning February 20 we will be hosting soup/bread evenings. If you would like to use your passion for coking, this is the opportunity for you! There is a sign-up sheet posted outside the office on the bulletin board. For more information please e-mail Val Hauck at valeriehauck@flcmystown.com or call the church and ask for Val.



Attention all youth grades 6 -12. Beginning Sunday February 24th, 2013 we will be meeting Sunday evenings 6:30 -8pm for fellowship, study and times of prayer. We encourage you to invite a friend or two ...to join us. Everyone is welcome. We plan on hosting a Spring retreat at camp Kirchenwald in May of 2013 and we want YOU to be a big part of our weekend away. Please consider joining us ...any question or concerns please contact Valerie Hauck 679-2945 or Kerry Keller... 866-7011





Food Collection

On Sunday, February 3, food will be collected for the Lebanon County Food Bank. All gifts are welcomed. There is a need for instant mashed potatoes, canned potatoes, cold cereal, 18 oz. jams & jellies, 5 oz. canned chicken, 12 oz. canned chicken, 12 oz. Spam, toothpaste, toothbrushes and toiletries. .



The church office is open from 9 AM— 1 PM Monday-Friday.

FEBRUARY 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 9 AM— Contemporary Service 10:30 AM— Traditional Service	4	5	6 6:45 PM—Praise & Worship Band 7:30 PM—Adult Choir	7 7 PM—Heavenly Metal Handbell Ensemble	8	9
10 9 AM— Contemporary Service 10:30 AM— Traditional Service Congregational Meeting	11	12 7 PM—Property Committee	13 9 AM—Women Sew 7:30 PM -Ash Wednesday Holy Communion	14  7 PM—Heavenly Metal Handbell Ensemble	15	16
17 9 AM— Contemporary Service 10:30 AM— Traditional Service	18  7 PM—Women of ELCA	19	20 6:30 PM—Soup/ Bread 7:30 PM—Lenten Service	21 6:45 PM—Church Council 7 PM—Heavenly Metal Handbell Ensemble	22	23
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**Friedens (Peace) Lutheran Church, Myerstown, PA
Church Council Meeting
January 17, 2013**

Vice-President Jeff Gumpert called the meeting to order at 6:45 PM.

Present: Jody Appleby, Frank Armstrong, Jeff Gumpert (Vice-President), Chris Heft, Elaine Lasch (Treasurer), Joanne Maurer (Secretary), and Denise Noll.

Elaine Lasch led the devotional reading from Ecclesiastes 3:1-15. Discussion followed.

Joanne Maurer led a reading dated January 9th from: “Christ In Our Home”, text on Ecclesiastes 3:1-15, with a Prayer.

Minutes/Reports/Communications:

1. Minutes:

- A. Jody Appleby made a motion to accept December minutes. Denise Noll seconded. Motion carried.
- B. Frank Armstrong made a motion to accept December Financial Secretary’s report. Chris Heft seconded. Motion carried.
- C. Jody Appleby made a motion to accept December Treasurer’s report. Denise Noll seconded. Motion carried.

2. Communications:

- A. Thank you letter from Lebanon County Christian Ministries for November, 2012 for food totaling 56 pounds.
- B. Thank you letter from Lutheran World Relief ELCA, in December 2012, a gift for \$25.00.
- C. Thank you letter from Luthercare in December 2012, for gift to Spang Crest for \$2,544.00.
- D. Thank you letter from Luthercare in December 2012, for a gift to Child Care Scholarship for \$1000.00.

3. Jody Appleby suggested a welcome packet for Interim Ken Osborne. Council members agreed to the suggestion.

4. Meeting closed with the Lord’s Prayer.

5. Meeting adjourned at 8:17 PM

Respectfully submitted by Joanne Maurer
Council Secretary

