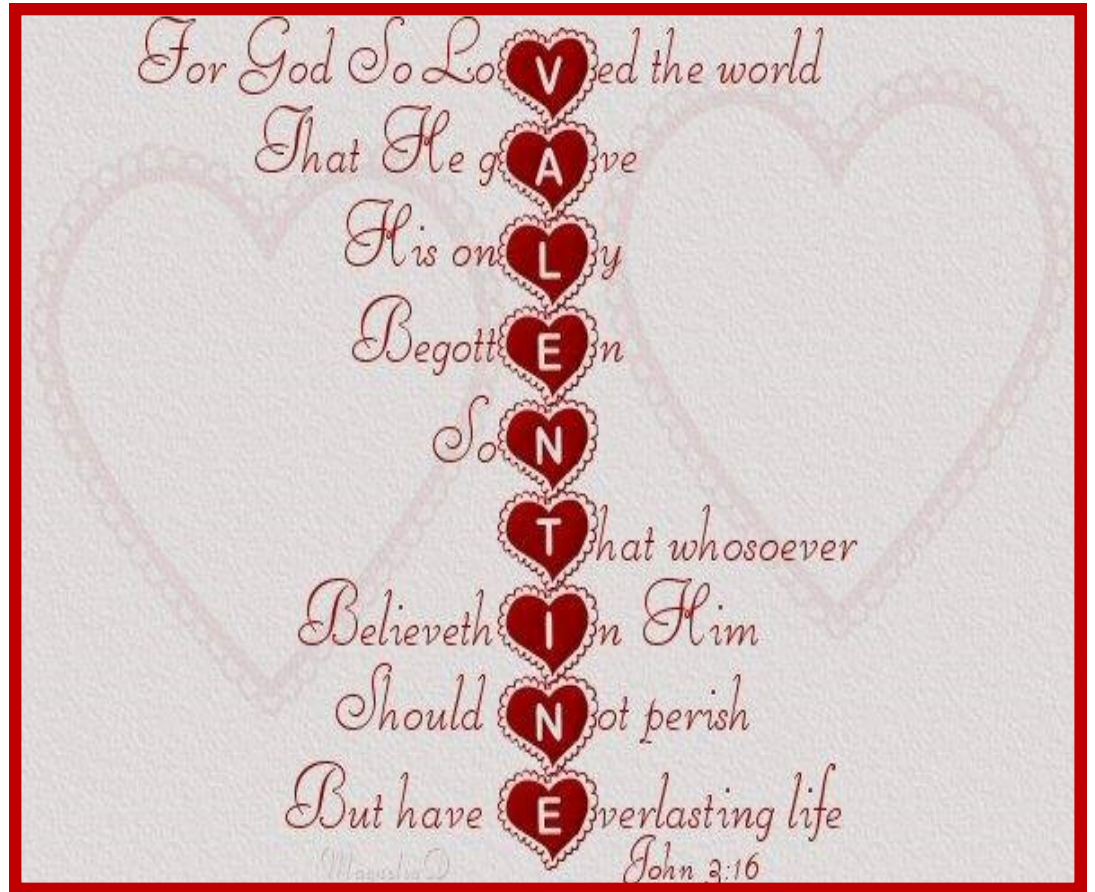


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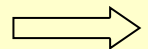


*“One of the greatest discoveries a man makes, one of his great surprises, is to find he can do what he was afraid he couldn’t do.”
Henry Ford*

“You must do the thing you think you cannot do.” Eleanor Roosevelt



Do you feel you are in a rut? Feeling stale? Are you approaching your problems in the same way you always have? Turn to page 2 and find some wisdom going forward.





A Few Moments with Thomas...

Dear Friends,

Here is something to think about. Has God grown stale in your relationship with him?

I've been with Kim for a very long time. We met in 1984 and we got married in 1990. Sometimes our relationship gets stale. It could be because at times we may take each other for granted; like we're always going to be there for each other.

That got me to thinking about my relationship with Christ, and God, and the Holy Spirit. Sometimes I think I take their relationship for granted. I've known God pretty much my whole life and I love the Lord, but at times I find myself putting other things before him, neglecting my studies, and my communication in prayer.

So how do we get out of the rut? Well, in our marriage we start a conversation. Communication is key. Then we get a plan, and set some goals. Try new things together. Amazing things happen when we choose to step out of the box, out of the comfort zone.

This goes for our relationship with the Lord. Step out of the box.

When I say "box" I mean the four walls of our church. Not that amazing things don't happen in our church because they do. A lot of encouraging, edifying, and love is poured out in our church.

I'm talking about when we take a leap of faith, go outside of these four walls and minister the gospel of Christ to those who are hurting and lost, confused and feeling lonely. Amazing things happen.

Recently, the Tuesday morning Bible study gathered at the Rustic Red House (Glen Country Store) for a time of refreshments, fellowship, and a little devotional. Amazing things happened. They were welcomed and greeted with smiles, saw old friends and made new friends. As they shared the Word of God with one another, suddenly they found they were being ministered to. Others came and joined the group and as they did so they shared their knowledge of God's Word. What started out as just a small time of fellowship grew into a greater understanding of His Word and a time of personal growth.

Mixed with laughter and love, trying new things, having an open mind, and getting out of the box reminds us of what a great community we live in. A community of friends and family. A community that loves the Lord.

If you feel stale in your relationship with the Lord, talk to him, make a plan, take that first step out of the box. Amazing things will happen.

*See you in church,
Pastor Tom*



CONSISTORY NEWS

Our 2019 Consistory was installed during worship on January 13th. Newest servants Tammy Moran and Ronald Wilmot were ordained at that time.

Left to right: Row 1: Ron Burch, deacon; Arlene Macek, Olive Taylor, elders; Preaching Elder Thomas Flander, Jr. Row 2: Ron Wilmot, deacon; Tammy Moran, Sue Summerfield, elders; Row 3: Margaret McRedmond, Michael Sowle, deacons.

Please thank these fellow members the next time you see them for serving our Lord through the work of Glen Reformed Church.

The GRC Consistory had its organizational meeting on Saturday, January 19. New members Tammy Moran and Ron Wilmot and returning member Arlene Macek were welcomed. Meetings will be held on the first Monday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Members of the congregation are welcome to attend.

The following positions were either voted on or appointed by the consistory:

Vice-President – Olive Taylor
Clerk – Sue Summerfield
Treasurer – Norma Sheldon

Memorial Fund Treasurer – Judy Kelly and Cindy Yurkewecz
Sexton – Cheryl Rohling
Classis Delegates – Karen Kosinski and Sue Summerfield

The following are the committees for 2019 and the liaison from consistory:

Congregational Care – Arlene Macek

Prayer chain, bereavement team, caring for congregants in crisis, contact with congregants

Education – Tammy Moran

Sunday School, adult education, Bible study, youth group

Finance – Mike Sowle

Budget, fundraisers

Missions – Sue Summerfield

Local and world mission projects

Outreach – Margaret McRedmond

Community picnic, Soup Sampler, projects reaching out to community

Property – Ron Wilmot

Interior and exterior of church & parsonage properties

Worship – Ron Burch

Worship services, pulpit supply, choir, special music

Please consider joining a committee...the liaisons need help to keep our church thriving.



The consistory discussed how “ **many hands make light work**”. We are looking for help with some “jobs” that make our church welcoming and would ask that you prayerfully consider taking on one of the following below. Training is available for all jobs.

Coordinate monthly coffee hour

-Identify hosts, replenish supplies, assist as needed; (work mostly from home)

Maintaining front door decorations

-Change out wreaths, decorations, crosses according to church seasons;

Sound system

-Learn equipment; set up and run sound system during regular and special worship services; May be shared by two people who share the needed times;

Fill candles

-About once a month April-November + fill side window candles for Christmas Eve; (work on your own time schedule)

Heat/air conditioning

-Learn how system works, turn on heat/air conditioning for regular & special services/congregational events; May be shared by two people who cover needed times;

Coordinate scripture readers and greeters

-Identify volunteers to read and greet, usually 2 months at a time; Maintain & share list; (work from home)

Communion steward

-Purchase and prepare the elements for communion, prepare communion table in sanctuary; monthly + for special worship services;

Daily website posting with bible verse

-Select a Bible passage and appropriate image, post on website (Wordpress format) for each day; may be done ahead of time; (work from home)



A sign up sheet is located on the table in the back of the sanctuary. Questions? Just ask a member of consistory.

Respectfully submitted, Sue Summerfield, Clerk



The students did a wonderful job of our Christmas pageant and they all learned quite a lot while rehearsing!

We are still working with the new curriculum and the kids love it! They look forward to

going downstairs each week.

Due to the weather we will be rescheduling the VA hospital visit in Albany to February! A big thank you for all the pajama pants donations for the veterans as well as the wheelchair bags and cash donations! I'm sure they are going to love them!

On February 24th the Sunday School students will visit residents at Pineview Nursing Home in Johnstown. They will bring valentine cards and will sing to them!

Jesus said, “Let the little children come to me.” Please bring your children to learn about Jesus.

Youth Group



When: Friday, February 15
Time: Dinner begins at 6:00 p.m.
Where: Downstairs at the church

**Come and enjoy food, fun, fellowship,
and Miss Margaret's famous caramel
popcorn!**

February & March Calendar
Clip, save & post at home.

Worship Schedule for February

Date	Greeter	Lay Reader
February 3 <i>Holy Communion</i>	Allan Taylor	Sue Summerfield
February 10	Judy Kelly	Judy Kelly
February 17	Marlene Douglass	Arlene Macek
February 24	Sue Casler	Sue Casler



February

- 3 Eugene Russell
- 4 Ron Burch
- 7 Evan Burch
- 8 Albert Bowdish
- 10 Mark Gamble
- 11 Olive Taylor
- 25 Ed Houser
- 25 Teagan Moran
Ryan Kelly
- 26 Tom Nacco
- 28 Mary Lewis

March

- 5 Lulu Gray
- 7 Judy Kelly
- 8 Zachary Gamble
- 10 Wanda Burch
- 12 Emmaline Nacco
- 16 Ralph MacLachlan
- 20 Marvin Lane
Deb Schnackenberg
- 23 Noah Moran
- 26 Patty Macek
- 27 Sheila Smith
- 28 Tim Lane
- 29 Marianna Zemken

*Did we miss someone?
 Please let us know if
 someone is missing
 from this list.*



Worship Schedule for March

Date	Greeter	Lay Reader
March 3 <i>Holy Communion</i>	Lynda Russell	Bethany Nacco
March 10 <i>Clocks go forward</i>	Judy Kelly	Judy Kelly
March 17	Kim Flander	Arlene Macek
March 24	Jen Wilmot	Jen Wilmot
March 31	Courtney Nacco	Karen Kosinski

Please take note that the dates and locations of this year's Ash Wednesday and ecumenical mid-week Lenten services were not yet established at the time of print. Please watch our website, Facebook page, and bulletins for this information.

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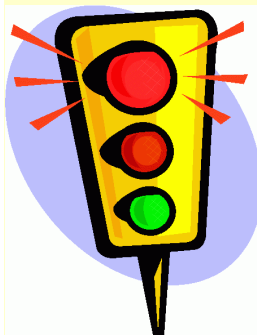
TO:



It's not too soon to think about summer!
Watch for more info as we
"Gear Up For God"
this summer at Vacation Bible School.
Everyone interested in being on the
VBS planning committee please contact
Sue Summerfield or Jen Wilmot.



It has happened already this winter! Worship has had to be cancelled because of a winter storm. Consistory uses a phone tree to notify people. Please be sure that Consistory has your contact info!



SAVE THE DATE!

4th Annual Women's Assembly
"Not All Traffic Lights are Green!"

Saturday, April 6th
8:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

A day planned especially for women!

Speakers—Music—Fellowship—Lunch included
Watch your mail for registration materials & plan to bring a friend!