



# The Star

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## “The Paradox of Lent”

... you are dust and to the dust you shall return.” (Genesis 3:19b)

Meditating on the reality of human mortality is something most of us prefer to avoid. While we know our days are numbered, we usually manage to distract ourselves from this ever present fact with work, family responsibilities and recreation. Yet the Church has a whole liturgical season dedicated to contemplation of death and to the transience of all human endeavors? Why?

There's an old story about an ingenious monkey trap. Reportedly, the monkey hunters tie a coconut to a tree, drill a hole in the coconut just large enough for a monkey's hand to reach in, and place a piece of fruit or a nut inside. The monkey comes and is easily able to reach his hand into the hole to grasp the food. Yet when the monkey closes his fist around his prize he can no longer withdraw his hand from the coconut. The delay provided allows a hunter to aim, shoot, and bag a monkey for dinner.

Nothing in the material world lasts forever, but that doesn't keep us from clinging to families, achievements, possessions, and institutions like a monkey grasping fruit in a coconut. Familiar surroundings provide the illusion of security and permanence while the hunter creeps closer each passing day. Some live to a happy old age. Others fall to illness, accidents, natural disasters, or senseless acts of violence. In the end, we all die.

Can we escape this “monkey trap?” Christian faith answers, “Yes!”

The spiritual disciplines of Lent - prayer, worship, fasting, and the imposition of ashes – exist to help us let go of our old selves, our old securities and old identities. It is only with open, empty hands that we can hold the hand of God. When we take God's hand and follow Christ we discover that acceptance of our mortality has paradoxically led us to a new life on earth, followed by eternal life with God in heaven.

“When this perishable body puts on imperishability and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: Death has been swallowed up in victory.” (I Corinthians 15:54)

Lent and death gives way to Easter and life.

See you in church,

Pastor Derek



## Preschool News - LEARN\*PLAY\*EXPLORE

By Mary Kay Brezinsky

Love is in the air during the month of February at EHMC Preschool. Our classes celebrate St. Valentine's Day by learning about friendship, caring and sharing. There will be giggles and smiles as the children sort through their Valentine goodies and play friendship games. February is a busy month; we also will be learning about our founding fathers for Presidents' Day and our dental health.

~We welcome visitors to come and see our school and all the wonderful things that happen here. Registration is in full swing. Give us a call to schedule a visit in one of our classes.

We offer in the mornings, from 9:15am-11:45am:

- Two Year Old Class (Wed. or Thurs)
- Three Year Old Class (Tues. and Thurs.)
- Two Four Year Old Programs: a 3-day (M/W/F) and a 4-day (M/T/W/F).

~New this year is a "Mom & Me Class" for 2 year olds who attend with a special adult. This class is offered on Monday from 9:15am-10:45am. "Mom & Me" is a fun introduction to preschool! We also offer a drop-in program Mon/Tue/Wed afternoon from 11:45am -3:00pm called "Creative Playgroup" for ages 2 ½ - 5 years old. There is a class for everyone!

If you have any questions about our programs, please give us a call at 610-868-6242.

We look forward to hearing from you.

### New Preschool Security Measures

In an effort to insure the safety of children attending East Hills Moravian Church Preschool we instituted new policies regarding access to the building which became effective Monday, January 14, 2013.

~Monday through Thursday mornings we will unlock the doors to Couch Family Center at 9:35 a.m. and lock them after the start of classes. The doors will be unlocked for dismissal at 11:35 a.m. For those children staying for Creative Playgroup Monday through Wednesday, the doors will be locked at 12 noon and reopened at 2:50 p.m. Access to the church is available through the front door.

~On Friday mornings from 9:35 a.m. – 11:35 a.m. all church doors will be locked except during student drop off and pick up times due to the fact the church office is closed. If you would like to enter the building please call 610-868-6242.

~If are entering the building with your own key, please be sure to re-lock the door and make us aware of your presence.

Thank you very much for helping to make EHMC a secure and safe place for all of us.

### Star News

Beginning with this issue in 2013, *The Star*, our congregation's monthly newsletter, will now be produced online due to increased costs and new postal regulations. Visit our church website at [www.easthillsmc.org](http://www.easthillsmc.org) and "click" on the *Star* newsletter link or type <http://www.easthillsmc.org/the-moravian-star/> into your browser. The *Star* is in PDF format. If your computer does not read files of this type, there is a link on our webpage to free software that will work on either a Windows or Apple system. Past editions of the *Star* are available should you wish to consult them. Members without access to the internet or e-mail **(if you have not already done so)** please notify the church office, and we will continue to provide you with a paper copy.

**Please note the deadline for the next *Star* will be March 15. Thank you!**

## **Youth News**

### **Moravian Heritage Day**

We will be observing Moravian Heritage Day during the Sunday school hour on February 10, 2013.

### **Children's Lenten Programming**

We are in need of a volunteer to conduct the children's programming during the Lenten Wednesday services. Interested individuals can contact Linda Adams at 610-868-1405.

### **Baptism**

On Sunday, December 23, 2012, we welcomed Patricia Winter Kuhns, daughter of Stephen and Jenni Kuhns; granddaughter of Greg and Nancy Costa, and Logan William Darrah, son of William and Christine Darrah, into Christ's Church and the fellowship of this congregation through the Sacrament of Baptism.

**ShareCare Bowl-A-Thon: Save the Date!** Sunday, February 24-1:00 p.m. More info to follow in the Sunday bulletin.

## ***Christian Fellowship News & Opportunities***

### **Lenten Wednesday Evening Programs**

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, February 13<sup>th</sup>. At 7:00 pm, we will hold a worship service during which you may come forward to receive an imposition of ashes on your forehead if desired. This ancient practice symbolizes our awareness of human mortality and our need to acknowledge our rebellion against God and God's ways. It is based on passages of Scripture such as Job 42:6 where Job repents of his anger against God and vows to "repent in dust and ashes."

Each of the five following Wednesdays in Lent we will hold a dinner at 6:00 pm followed by a special presentation or worship service at 7:00 P.M. A different pastor from each of the Bethlehem Moravian congregations will share his or her views on why church is important.

### **WhyKnots**

The WhyKnots will be meeting on Wednesday, February 20, 2013, and Wednesday, March 20, 2013, at 7:00 pm. Both gatherings will be at Sue Hahn's home. We are in need of hats, scarves, and mittens for the homeless and we always need baby items. New members are always welcome so please consider joining us!

### **Moravian Women's Fellowship**

This year's Christmas dinner and party was exciting! We had about 30 people attend and there was good food, games, hymn singing, and pictures of all the fun taken by Jim Knerr. Betty Damm and Eileen Ackerman sang "Mary Did You Know", and it was beautiful! We formed a circle with our chairs, and, as we passed electric candles to each other, we said something good to our neighbor that we liked about her. When everyone had their candle, we turned out all the lights except for the tree and sang "Silent Night". We then picked out a gift, wished each other a "Merry Christmas", and departed. We all thank Betty Damm and Eileen Ackerman for planning such a wonderful evening for us! Our next evening meeting will be February 5 at 7:00 pm and will be at Lucy Thompson's home. The morning fellowship group will meet on February 6 at 9:30 am in the church kitchen with Eva Glass as hostess. Both groups will study February's lesson on page 41.

**Men's Club Breakfast: Save the Date!** Sunday, February 24. More info to follow in the Sunday bulletin.

### **Communications**

Do we have your current email address? Please send updates to the church office at [office@easthillsmc.org](mailto:office@easthillsmc.org) so you can get announcements at the right email address.

Join the conversations, post photos, and get announcements simply by visiting and joining the group at: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/109455987443/>.

### **Our Church Family**

Come and see the photos of our church family members on the wall of Fellowship Hall. If you do not have a photo on the wall and would like one taken, or, if you would like to update an existing photo, see Jim Knerr after church or contact him at [jkracing@rcn.com](mailto:jkracing@rcn.com) or 610-882-9198.

### **Building Usage Reminder**

The ministries of East Hills Moravian Church are the first priority for building usage; therefore, all ministry coordinators/leaders are encouraged to complete a building reservation form for all meetings and events. This will ensure that your required space is available and reserved for your particular event. Thank you for your cooperation.

### **Caring for Our Church**

The Trustees, and particularly the Property Committee, thank all who contribute to the upkeep of the church. We know there are people who do many things that we may not know about. Please feel free to perform acts of kindness for YOUR church, whether it be weeding a bit, picking up trash as you notice it, or bigger projects. If it is a sizable project (meaning it might take 1 hour or more) please inform Bruce Montgomery, Jim Eberly or Mike DelPriore of your intent so that they don't plan to do the job only to find it has been done already. Finally, please help us keep the church office and narthex presentable. If you are making a donation, please contact the church office or other responsible party so that all items arrive at their intended destination. Please do not leave items without explanation in the church office. Thank you for your help ... past and future.

Bruce Montgomery, Property Chair

## Not a morning person?



Join us Saturday evening  
**Bring Your Own Worship**

February 23 at 7 p.m.

See Pastor Derek with questions or to volunteer

# East Hills Moravian Church Men's Club

## ITALIAN BUFFET

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## SALAD BAR

**SAT. MARCH 2, 2013**

**Seatings: 4:30 pm and 7:00 pm**

<b>Adults</b>	<b>\$ 12.00</b>
<b>Seniors 65+</b>	<b>\$ 10.00</b>
<b>6 – 12 yrs. Old</b>	<b>\$ 5.00</b>
<b>5 &amp; Under</b>	<b>No Charge</b>

**For Tickets contact – Bob Wingrove: 610-867-0537**

*All tickets are advance sale, not available at the door.*

***Call soon, they go fast***

***Enjoy:***

- Antipasto Salad Bar
- Italian Bread
- Pasta Bar
  - Marinara Sauce
  - White Clam Sauce
- Stuffed Shells
- Hand Made Meatballs
- Sweet Italian Sausage
- Chicken Mediterranean
- Fresh Brewed Ice Tea
- Lemonade
- Ice Cream

East Hills Moravian Church, 1830 Butztown Road, Bethlehem, PA

# HELP US RAISE MONEY FOR OUR CHURCH!

**Announcing an exciting year round way to buy gifts and Support East Hills Moravian Church! There are some nice Valentine gift ideas!**

**(Check out the 9 pairs of heart earrings ranging in price from \$5.50 to \$17.00 and the church makes 40% profit on each--look under the Gifts ,wraps and Accessory tab on the left side)**

Now you can order magazines on line at [www.qsp.com](http://www.qsp.com) all year long and earn 40% of your sales toward a program of your choice here at East Hills Moravian Church. This is a great idea for Christmas gifts, Anniversary gifts, Wedding Gifts and Birthday gifts. Just follow these easy steps outlined below:

- Go to [www.qsp.com](http://www.qsp.com)
- Select "just shopping?"
- On the shop now page under "School/Organization #" Write **425091687** (This is our own special code number)
- If you forget our number select [school or organization finder](#) and write "EAST HILLS MORAVIAN CHURCH" and select PA as the state. Our name and order number will pop up.
- Place your order by following the instructions online.
- Pay by credit card
- On the "checkout page under "Participant First Name:" and "Participant Last Name:" write the name of the person who will get credit for this donation.
- You can choose to support any program at East Hills Church by following the example below. Some ideas are: Debt reduction, youth Scholarships, Pastor Fund, or General fund.
- The name of the program you wish to support at East Hills Moravian Church will be placed under "*Project Teacher*": and "*Grade Level*" area on the checkout page. (For example: If you wish to sponsor Youth Scholarships follow this example: "*Project Teacher*": **Youth Scholarships**. If you want to support a special project follow this example: "*Project Teacher*": **Special** "*Project Grade Level*": **Tile**.) If you need help contact me at 610-867-8467 or at [dkohnlesko@yahoo.com](mailto:dkohnlesko@yahoo.com).
- Print receipt
- You will receive a quarterly statement in the mail showing the amount of your donation to East Hills Moravian Church and which program you chose to sponsor. (This can be used for taxes).
- **Remember it may take 4 to 6 weeks to process your order and for QSP to send us a report and a check for your support.**
- Satisfaction Guarantee: Toll free customer service number for QSP (800-678-2673)
- For questions related to East Hills Moravian Church contact Denise Kohn-Lesko at [dkohnlesko@yahoo.com](mailto:dkohnlesko@yahoo.com) or phone (610)867-8467.

# *Flowers for Easter*

## Order Form

We are offering lilies, daffodils, and tulips for purchase to place in the sanctuary for Easter.

They may be taken home after the last service Easter morning.

Please order by completing this form and returning it with payment to:

Anna Koehler in person

or mail to:

2124 Abington Rd, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

Please make checks payable to East Hills Moravian Church or EHMC.

**Order deadline is Sunday, March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2013**



Lilies \$10.00



Tulips \$8.00



Daffodils \$8.00

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY**

**PRESENTED BY:** \_\_\_\_\_

This is how it will appear in the bulletin.

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_

**Fill in the line you wish to have included in the bulletin:**

In Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Select one  Lily  Daffodil  Tulip

In Loving Memory of \_\_\_\_\_

Select one  Lily  Daffodil  Tulip

For Blessings Received \_\_\_\_\_

Select one  Lily  Daffodil  Tulip



## **All Things Moravian**

### **Staten Island Hurricane Sandy Update** (e-mail received from Great Kills Moravian Church)

To our sisters and brothers across the Northern and Southern Province:

"We are so grateful for your amazing generosity to the Staten Island Hurricane Sandy relief fund. Because of your grace and compassion we have been able to distribute \$1800.00 to each family of our four congregations that had substantive damage to their homes. In addition, we have offered gifts of \$500.00 to members and friends of the congregations who have been assisting displaced family members by opening their homes and to others related to our congregations who have been affected by the storm. Each gift represents one more candle lit in the darkness that helps us proclaim the Gospel Message of Christmas as offered by the Gospel of John: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God....What has come into being in him was life, and the life was the light of all people. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not overcome it." Thank you for being the light that brings light and life. We are very grateful to God for your partnership in this ministry."

Grace and peace, Maggie Wellert (on behalf of the SI Moravian Churches)

### **Cursillo Weekend**

The deadline for signing up to attend the Men's (April 25-28, 2013) and Women's (May 2-5, 2013) Cursillo weekends has been extended to **February 28, 2013**. Please contact Tom Mosser for more information and an application. Tom's phone # is 610-691-6259; his email is [tfmosser@aol.com](mailto:tfmosser@aol.com) ; and his address is 1208 W. North St, Bethlehem, PA 18018.

### **Chamber Music in the Chapel**

On, February 1, 2013, at 7:30 p.m. in the Old Chapel at Central Moravian Church, enjoy the wonderful music of violinists Mary Ogletree and Rebecca Brown, cellist Debbie Davis and Rebecca Owens on harpsichord as they perform music of the Baroque period. Suggested donation of \$10.

### **Snow Tubing at Blue Mountain with Edgeboro Moravian Church**

Save the date - Friday March 1, 2013, from 4:00 pm to 10 pm; come when you can and bring your friends (you must be at least 36" tall). Cost: \$17 + waiver by 2/24 or \$22 at the door. You may also come and watch for a small donation. Hot dogs, soda, water, and desserts will be provided. Please bring another "munchie" to share. For more information or to reserve a spot, contact Blake Messman at [bpmessman@verizon.net](mailto:bpmessman@verizon.net) or 610-954-5173.

### **Lititz Moravian Market**

Crafters and artists are invited to participate in the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Lititz Moravian Market to be held April 27, 2013. Application deadline to be a vendor is March 17, 2013. For more information, contact Matt Good at [matt@lititzmoravian.org](mailto:matt@lititzmoravian.org) or 717-823-0747.

### **Moravian Historical Society**

On February 9, 2013, the Moravian Historical Society at the Whitefield House at 214 East Center Street, Nazareth, PA, will host its 9<sup>th</sup> annual "Little Dolls, a Little Tea" Victorian Era tea party. Three seatings are offered at 10 a.m., 12:15 p.m., and 2:30 p.m. Young ladies are encouraged to dress to impress and bring their favorite doll along. The recommended age is 5 years and up. Cost is \$60 for an adult, with child, and doll; \$30 for each additional adult. Pre-paid reservations are required as seating is extremely limited. For reservations and more information, call 610-759-5070 or email [info@moravianhistoricalsociety.org](mailto:info@moravianhistoricalsociety.org).

## **Central Church Trips**

~Cirque du Soleil is a blend of astonishing acrobatics, awe-inspiring aerial acts, spectacular sets, and eccentric characters with flamboyant costumes. On Sunday June 9, 2013, join the Central Travelers for an adventure to see "TOTEM", a fascinating journey into the evolution of mankind. The bus will leave Church St. (at Moravian Museum) at 2:00 pm, the performance is at 5:00 pm at the Camden Waterfront, and we should arrive back approximately 9:30 pm. Pack a brown bag lunch for the trip down and/or back. Bottled water will be provided. Adults \$50, including round trip on Elite Bus, Children, 12 & under \$40 if reserved before January 28, 2013. Reservations will be held only with full payment. Cancellation refunds only if we have a waiting list. Make reservation and checks payable to: Craig Mosebach, 582 Riverwoods Way, Bethlehem, PA 18018. Please include a list of the attendees in your party, your phone # and email address. For more information, call 610-625-4576 or email [mosebach@ptd.net](mailto:mosebach@ptd.net).

~Join us on Saturday, April 20, as we visit the Lower East Side Tenement Museum and the 9-11 Memorial in New York City. Bus leaves Central at 7:30 am, with first stop at the museum where you'll have the opportunity to attend one of 2 programs: Hard Times, which tells how immigrants survived economic depressions (1863-1935); or Sweatshop Workers, describing the challenges of workers in the garment industry at the turn of the 20th century. Lunch in one of many eateries in the Little Italy/Chinatown area, then, at 4 pm, depart for the 9-11 Memorial. Bus leaves NYC about 5 pm; return to Bethlehem by 7 pm. Cost of \$40 (includes bus/museum). Please note Tenement Museum is NOT handicapped accessible. Contact the church office at 610-866-5661 for more info.

## **Moravian Music Festival**

The 24<sup>th</sup> Moravian Music Festival will be held July 14-20, 2013, on the campus of Central Moravian Church and Moravian College. Sponsored by the Moravian Music Foundation, Music Festivals are held every four years and include programs for adults, youth (grades 6-12), and children (grades 1-5). \*\*We are extremely pleased that both BAM and the United Brethren's Congregation in Staten Island have provided generous grants to enable us to offer the children's program tuition free. In addition to free tuition, the monies received from BAM and the UBC have allowed us to offer the children's meal package at half-price; thus, meal costs for the entire week (3 meals a day) will be only \$75 per child.

We are also encouraging youth participation at this summer's Festival. Youth entering Grades 6 – 12 may participate in either the band or chorus, and – again due to generous grants from both BAM and UBC – tuition has been waived and meal costs cut in half for the youth program as well.

(Two full scholarships are offered for young adults for the Moravian Music Festival this summer! While one expresses preference for someone with ties to a Moravian church in Ohio, and the other expresses preference for someone with ties to the Raleigh Moravian Church, all young adults (ages 18-25) are encouraged to apply. See [www.MoravianMusicFestival](http://www.MoravianMusicFestival), "What's New", for details and application forms, or contact the Moravian Music Foundation office (336-725-0651).

Registration information for those who wish to participate in the ensembles and programs, along with complete concert information, is available through the Bethlehem office @ 610-866-3340 or online @ [www.MoravianMusicFestival.org](http://www.MoravianMusicFestival.org).

## **Bethlehem Area Moravians (BAM)**

The annual meeting of the Bethlehem Area Moravians (BAM) will be held on February 19, 2013, at 7:30 p.m., at Central Moravian Church. **Please see the 2012 annual report from BAM included in this newsletter below.** If you have any questions, please contact either Jim Regina or Steve Thompson.

### **2012 Annual Report Bethlehem Area Moravians, Inc.**

This report highlights the activities of 2012. BAM is adjusting to the economic realities of the "new normal" while still looking for new opportunities. All of the BAM entities are delivering on their mission statements while striving to remain sustainable.

#### **BAM**

**Ministries Committee:** Ministries Committee and the BAM Board approved the new guidelines for the Ministries Committee grant process. The guidelines allow the Committee to focus their grants in a predetermined direction. The committee made grants to the 2013 Moravian Music Festival, Moravian Open Door, Moravian Theological Seminary, and provided a commitment to emergency relief to our Staten Island brothers and sisters. The Committee is paying for the initial consultation of Susan Neinaber of the Alban Institute. The hope is to receive a 5-10 year plan and evaluation of the BAM Churches' strengths and weaknesses.

**BAM Board:** The BAM Board completed its board self-assessment early in the year and conducted a fall retreat to discuss and utilize to update our strategic plan. The strategic plan identifies certain areas of each BAM entity where focus should be given as well as action steps for each area of focus.

**Committee work:** A few years ago the annual meeting approved new bylaws and committee charters. This year, with the committees formed, work began. The Nominating Committee has met several times and has organized its work and future meetings. It has formed a strategy to work with the pastors of the BAM churches to identify members who would be able to work on BAM committees and boards. Additionally, the Finance Committee has met under its new charter and configuration and supported staff through budget approvals and investment negotiations. The BAM Audit Committee has also met and has begun its work. The audit committee will be communicating with our outside auditors and reporting to the BAM Board with its findings.

**Property matters:** Hurricane Sandy left its mark on BAM. Fortunately the damage was not as bad as it could have been. We feel blessed for that. Most of the damage was wind related. Moravian Village (MVB) sustained shingle damage on several cottages. The main damage occurred on the roof of the skilled nursing building. Fortunately the MVB maintenance staff secured the east facing section of the roof to prevent further problems until our roofing contractor could get to the building. Trees were also lost at MVB, Nisky Hill Cemetery and God's Acre Cemetery sustained major tree damage. We think total tree damage on all our properties will be in the \$60,000-\$70,000 range. At Moravian Development (MDC), a voluntary evacuation was extended to Moravian House 3. Moravian House 1 & 2 did not need the same precaution. The Moravian House 1, 2 & 3 emergency power systems worked well and the early preparations minimized the inconvenience to residents. Moravian House 7 was also evacuated and was without power for several days.

### **Moravian Development Corporation (MDC)**

**~New Projects:** In 2012, MDC delivered the 7<sup>th</sup> Moravian House. It is our fourth building for folks with mental disabilities. We have also purchased a building on Center Street, which will contain two apartments. We hope to rent these apartments to individuals of low to moderate income.

**~Real Estate Matters:** During the fall, MDC replaced the roof of the Senior Center. Moravian House 2 roof is on the schedule for replacement in 2013. New wide screen televisions were installed in common areas of Moravian House 1-3 and the community television channel was fully implemented. Security cameras have also been installed in certain areas of the campus. We have experienced significant downtime with our elevator system in Moravian House 1. We continue to work on this problem with tenacity. Our buildings receive high grades from all inspecting authorities. Our occupancy continues around 100%. The climate is changing however, and MDC will continue to take proactive steps to ensure high occupancy levels.

### **Moravian College Housing Inc. (MCHI)**

MCHI is paying down its debt and managing its expenses. Our opportunities for the future lay in the refinance of our debt in the next few years and in providing additional housing to Moravian College.

We do have one event scheduled for 2013. The Moravian Music Foundation will house and feed its festival attendees at MCHI next summer.

### **Moravian Village of Bethlehem (MVB)**

Early in 2012, MVB was able to refinance its debt and reduce the interest rate and corresponding expense significantly. The idea is to apply the savings on this transaction to further reduce our debt level. There is considerable pressure to reduce Medicare reimbursement and its large percentage of the Federal Government budget. We see the financial squeeze in other ways as well. Requests for charitable care are rising. Our residents investment income and social security income is not keeping pace with increased medical costs.

**~Occupancy:** Occupancy in all our levels of care should meet our budgeted goals for 2012. We do enjoy large waiting lists and will be working with prospective residents over the next few months to move them into MVB.

**~Programs/Projects:** On September 23, the MVB community celebrated the completion of our Gallery. This project connects the Independent Living building to the Health Center without traversing thru the dining room. This project is phase 1 of a 3-phase expansion. Phase 2 will be the construction of a second dining venue for residents and related spaces. We plan to complete all drawings and permits during 2013 for both the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> phase of the expansion. The MVB wound unit continues to be established as a place for Lehigh Valley wound patients to come for healing and quality care. We are pleased with the progress made by unit personnel toward medical certifications and with the Health Center management for establishing the type of unit we have been striving to operate.

**~Memory Support and Assisted Living Expansion:** In early 2012, the City of Bethlehem Planning Commission approved our plan for the memory support and assisted living building. The objector appealed that planning approval to Northampton County Court. The court found in our favor. The objector then appealed that decision to State Commonwealth Court, which is where we are now waiting for a decision.



## FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

**2/3** Kayla Burgess  
**2/4** Eric Evans  
 Bradley Gilbert  
**2/6** Alexander Emmons  
 Nancy Gross  
 Bill Schankel  
 Grace Taylor  
**2/7** Deborah Turton  
**2/8** Greg Bowden  
 Paul Lutz  
 Marcia Mielnik  
**2/9** Amanda Koehler  
 Christine Trux

**2/11** Nathan Bowden  
 Cheyenne Creamer  
 John Peters  
 Bob Wingrove  
**2/12** Pete Diehl  
 Bob Stewart  
**2/13** Jeff Adams  
**2/14** Alexandra Gaugler  
**2/15** Earl Jackson  
**2/16** Marley Gardner  
 Rory Morgan  
**2/18** Mikayla Bowden  
 Wayne Confer  
 Karen Davison  
**2/19** Francis Goyanes  
 Brandon Koehler

**2/20** Joshua Kemmerer  
 Mark Toth  
**2/23** Ellen Choi  
 Ethan Harms  
 Paul Kline  
 Walker Levan  
**2/24** Joyce Eckerd  
 Carole Zieger  
**2/25** Shannon  
 Griffing-Johnson  
**2/26** Sandra Gichiengo  
 Sarah Soska  
**2/27** Jonah Ortwein  
 Nancy Walz  
**2/28** Deborah Spinney  
 David Thompson



## FEBRUARY MINISTRY

### SACRISTANS

**3** Jay/Sue Larson  
**10** Peter Diehl/Eileen Mera  
**13** (Ash Wednesday)  
 Kevin/ Catherine Moyzan  
**17** Greg/Nancy Costa  
**24** Harry/Louise Snyder

### ELDER ON DUTY (8:30)

**3** Joe Conzola  
**10** Jon Burcaw  
**17** Joe Mixon  
**24** Amy Frantz

### ELDER ON DUTY (11:00)

**3** Lucy Thompson  
**10** Jay Larson  
**17** Brian Davison  
**24** Carol Grace Hicks

### NURSERY

Melissa Kaye

### COUNTERS

**3** Randy Emmons/  
 Deb Spinney  
**10** Randy Emmons/  
 Deb Spinney  
**17** Randy Emmons/  
 Rich Kriebs  
**24** Bruce Montgomery/  
 Rich Kriebs

### USHERS (8:30)

**3** Tom/Nancy Walz  
**10** John/Ellie DeStasio  
**17** Konrad/Eva Glass  
**24** Earl/Lou Jackson

### USHERS (11:00)

**3** Boy Scouts  
**10** Jim Eckerd/  
 Yvonne Gerlach  
**17** Steve/Lucy Thompson  
**24** Seve/Nicholas Cooke

### LITURGIST (8:30)

**3** Jeff Adams  
**10** Eileen Ackerman  
**17** Dave Hendricks  
**24** Randy Emmons

### LITURGIST (11:00)

**3** Jon Burcaw  
**10** Jodi Evans  
**17** Bob Hauck  
**24** Brian Davison

### SANCTUARY FLOWERS

**3** Vicky Coyle  
**10** Jim/Joyce Eckerd  
**17** Clark/Norma Snitker  
**24** Mark/Sarah Choi

### FLOWER VISITOR

**3** Jean Bennett  
**10** Earl/Lou Jackson  
**17** Barb Levan  
**24** Marcia Mielnik

