

Dear Friends,

Many, many years ago I wondered if I would ever be finished working. I've had quite a variety of jobs, often very physically demanding. Now I wonder how I ever did them!

Almost eleven years ago, I returned to Pennsylvania. I'd lived in Nevada for more than six years, but when I saw the ultrasound picture of my beautiful grandson, the only decision was how soon Lisa and I could get packed up and moved back east. For the first year of his life, I was Alex's caretaker—it was probably the best job I've ever had. However, at the end of that year, I knew I needed to find a job where I could talk to some adults everyday, and Alex needed to be around other children.

I found a job that I loved. It's had its challenges—to be honest, working in a church means that you have many bosses, but I have met many people who mean the world to me, and I have grown immeasurably, and in so many different ways.

Paxton is about to make some significant changes—one of those is my retirement as your Christian Education Administrator. Please remember that all change carries the potential for some discomfort. New staff members will have a steep learning curve—remember we've been around for some 300 years. So please offer your best intentions and assistance and allow the new folks to move us forward in to the next 300.

Peace, Jo Jacoby

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

If you are the parent of a child graduating from high school or college, please give the following information to the office:

- **School they are graduating from**
- **Degree**
- **Plans after graduation**
- **Any special accolades they received**

Krislund Traveling Day Camp Annual Pie Sale order forms are in the Gathering Room on the poster. Pies will be delivered on Wednesday, May 15th.

Paxton Presbyterian Church

Established 1732



3500 Sharon Street, Harrisburg, PA 17111

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April 21, 2019 ~ Easter Sunday

Worship Time: 10:00 a.m.

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

(Take time to prepare your heart to worship God.)

PRELUDE "Welcome, Happy Morning" A. Sullivan, arr. W. Held
"Easter Joy" arr. E. Butler
"When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" Paxtones Dobrinski

OUR LIFE TOGETHER

MUSIC INTERLUDE "Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks" Chimettes Fishel

TO GIVE PRAISE TO GOD

CALL TO WORSHIP

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed.

Christ is risen!

He is risen indeed.

Praise the Lord!

The Lord's name be praised. Alleluia! Amen.

* HYMN 232 "Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

* PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Almighty God, in raising Jesus from the grave, you shattered the power of sin and death. We confess that we remain captive to doubt and fear, bound by the ways that lead to death. We overlook the poor and the hungry, and pass by those who mourn; we are deaf to the cries of the oppressed and indifferent to calls for peace; we despise the weak, and abuse the earth you made. Forgive us, God of mercy. Help us to trust your power to change our lives and make us new, that we may know the joy of life abundant given in Jesus Christ, the risen Lord. Amen.

(Please pause for a moment of silent confession.)

* ASSURANCE OF PARDON

Hear the Good News. In Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

Praise God. Amen.

WHOOPIE PIE SALES benefiting the Paxton Softball Team will continue through May 5th and delivery will be May 19th in the Great Room.

To place your order, meet Tom Nichter outside the Great Room following Sunday services or connect with any of the youth, men or women on the softball team.

MISSION AND OUTREACH MINISTRY

We are accepting cash or check donations to help fund our Rise Against Hunger project on April 28.

Rise Against Hunger giving guideline:

Cost of one meal- 34.5 cents

Cost of one case of 216 meals- \$74.52

1/2 case of 108 meals- \$37.26

1/4 case of 54 meals- \$18.63

Please write checks to "Paxton Presbyterian Church" with Rise Against Hunger in the memo line. Donations of any amount are welcome of course!!

Thanks for your ongoing support of Paxton's many mission causes and projects!

Paxton's Mission and Outreach Ministry

NEW SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE SECURITY MEASURES:



As per the 2019 goals set forth by the Safety and Security Committee, Paxton will be implementing some minor changes during the worship service in an effort to help ensure the safety of our congregation. These changes will be effective Sunday, April 21 (Easter Sunday).

These changes include:

**All church doors including the sanctuary will be locked during Sunday worship services from 10:15 am - 11:00 am

**Any (non emergency) exit from the sanctuary during the worship service must be made through the parlor - ushers will be available to assist

**The Boyd door entrance (D3) will be available for entry after 10:15 am and will be monitored by ushers (signs outside the sanctuary will guide latecomers to the Boyd entrance).

PAXTON PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Website: www.paxtonchurch.org
 Email: office@paxtonchurch.org

Ministers ~ All Members

SESSION

Erika Hanes (Clerk of Session)

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| Connie Cochran | Evangelism & Membership |
| LaVerne Collins* | Christian Education |
| Erin Giambrone* | Mission & Outreach |
| Doug Hitz* | Stewardship & Finance |
| Don Laughery | Pastoral Relations & Staff |
| Rich Lengler* | Property Management |
| Robert Martin | Stewardship & Finance |
| David McPherson | Worship & Music |
| Cindy Mory* | Worship & Music |
| Gary Myers* | Pastoral Relations & Staff |
| Blanche Skinner | Property Management |
| Kristian Stennett* | Evangelism & Membership |
| Kitti Taylor | Christian Education |

*Chair

BOARD OF DEACONS

Pam & Louis Robertson (Co-Moderators)

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| Nan Bonnet | Sue McLain |
| Linette Burd | John Moyer |
| Judy Daniels | Wanda Newhouse |
| Linda Flowers | Leigh Ramsey |
| Nino Giambrone | Cathy Roland |
| Marti Greiner | Joy Stennett |
| Jim Holtzman | Bev Ziebell |

We are a Stephen Ministry Church

STEPHEN LEADERS

- Helen Heidelbaugh
 Gary Myers
 Jane Rising
 Jane Sanford

STEPHEN MINISTERS

- Carol Anderson
 Ronald Brinkley
 Craig Foster
 Karen Herrold
 Cheryl Holtzman
 Janice Hutchison
 Annette Kilpatrick
 Bill LaDieu
 Donna Leaver
 Nancy Lengler
 Steve Miller
 Kathy Woodbridge




For confidential referral, or if you are interested in becoming a Stephen Minister please contact a leader.

WEEKLY CALENDAR



Sun 21	6:30	EASTER SUNDAY Sunrise Worship
	10:00	Worship
	11:00	Sunday Snacks
Mon 22		Church Office Closed
	11:00	Diffenderfer Mem. Service
Tues 23	9:30	Staff Meeting
Wed 24	8:00	Men's Fellowship Breakfast
	9:30	Sewing
	10:00	LM/PWC Board
	7:30	Deacons
Thur 25	6:00	Lions
Sun 28	8:45	Safety and Security Mtg.
	9:00	Church School
	10:00	Worship
	11:00	RISE AGAINST HUNGER
	6:30	Youth Fellowship



The Deacons will be collecting
Canned Fruit , Canned Vegetables
 during the month of April
 for the Ecumenical Food Pantry.

Paxton Church Staff

- Pastor, The Reverend John W. Green*
Director of Music, Richard Fowler
Organist, Jeanne Bruce
Christian Education Administrator, Jo Jacoby
Office Staff, JoAnn Snyder, Financial Secretary
Judy Frankford, Church Secretary
Treasurer, Laurence A. Kilpatrick, CPA
Wedding Coordinator, Peg Elder
Custodian, Mary Bowers

* GLORIA PATRI (Hymnal Page 581)

TO CELEBRATE THE FAMILY OF FAITH

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

* PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all.
And also with you.

TO HEAR GOD'S WORD PROCLAIMED

MORNING PRAYER/LORD'S PRAYER

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 65: 17-25 (OT Page 696)

ANTHEM "His Empty Tomb" Adult Choir ~ Diane Jacobs, Soloist Lee Dengler

GOSPEL READING

John 20:1-18 (NT Page 114)

SERMON

"The Race to the Tomb"

Pastor Green

HYMN 630 "Fairest Lord Jesus"

* APOSTLE'S CREED (Hymnal Page 35)

TO OFFER OUR GIFTS AND OUR LIVES

PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

OFFERTORY "An Easter Gloria"

Adult Choir

John Leavitt

* DOXOLOGY

TO GO REJOICING IN GOD'S NAME

* RECESSIONAL HYMN 236 "The Strife Is O'er"

* BENEDECTION

CHORAL RESPONSE

POSTLUDE "Tocatta" from Symphony No. 5

C. Widor

* Those who are able may stand.

THE LECTOR today is Elder Blanche Skinner. Blanche is a member of the Property Management Ministry.

THANK YOU FOR VISITING WITH US TODAY! We are happy to share this Sunday with you and hope you come back soon! Please fill out the yellow card and be sure to include your name, address, and phone number for our records. If you are interested in membership at Paxton Church, please indicate this when the friendship folder is passed or speak to the Pastor or Lector following worship.

THE USHERS joyfully serving the month of April: Jerry Davies, Captain; LaVerne and Kenneth Collins, Steve March, Dorothy Nichter, Lisa Pletz, Kitti Taylor, Jan Watt.

TODAY Pastor Green will greet at the porch door, the lector will greet at the parlor door and an usher will greet at the south door.

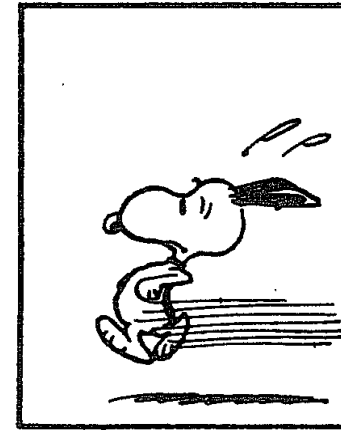
COINS FOR CARING in April will benefit "One Great Hour of Sharing". The Mission and Outreach Ministry thanks you for sharing your spare change to support this voluntary mission opportunity.

THE TREE FRAME on which the Easter flowers in the chancel are displayed was constructed by Rev. John S. Hutchison who served Paxton Presbyterian Church from 1987-1990 and 1995-2001.

GIFT CARDS - The Presbyterian Women of Paxton are not selling gift cards today. If you wish to purchase for April 28, place your order at the small table in the Great Room, or call Carol McCall, 717-566-2786, by 9:00 Sunday evening. Thank you.

WHAT A DIFFERENCE YOU CAN MAKE! When we share of our abundance through the One Great Hour of Sharing, people in desperate situations are given life-saving food, blankets, tents and clean water in time of disaster. To recover their lives devastated by hurricanes, earth quakes, drought, floods and fires, people here in our country and abroad receive tools to grow their own food, educational support for their children, animals to provide ongoing income and wells to assure their water is safe. **You can make a difference!**

SERMON HELP



PRAYER SQUARE

As Christians we are called to pray for everyone in a difficult time of life. To protect the privacy of those for whom we are praying we ask that permission be received before a name is placed for prayer request.

Please keep the following members of Paxton in your prayers: Jo Cain, Kathie Zimmerman, Kacey Bowers, Nancy Wion, Christopher Bruce Family & Vera, Louis Robertson, Marian Birth, Sally Killian, Linda Brillinger, Jo Jacoby, Abby (Laughery) and Chris Black, Jay Kealey, Elsie Williams, Bob Greenwood, Cathy Roland

Continued Prayers: Krista Baer, Jim Gischel, Carmen DeLuccia, Erin Francis-Friel, Lori Giroux, Kathy Clark, Fred Purvis, Joyce Burd, Greg Brazil, Lynn McWatters, Dennis Otte, Anya Zvorsky, Connie March, Stanley Fabiano, Deb Day, Claire Jamison

April 21— Merry Jones, Nancy Hoffman, Sherry Hower, Pat Graham, Bob Brehm, William T. Clark, Vicki Mays, Susan Schenk, Jeff Duda, Al Orlak, John Hammann, Sherry Hower, Gary Ayers, Hope Bohannon and sons, Darlene Bohannon

Each week we will be praying for our brothers and sisters in Christ within our Presbytery. This week we are praying for the Greencastle Presbyterian Church.