

Bridesburg Presbyterian Church

2770 Pratt Street

MARCH & APRIL Philadelphia, Pa 19137

Scott K. Bohr, Pastor

2015

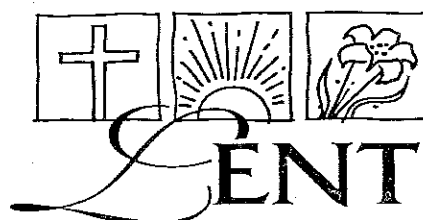
**BRIDESBURG COUNCIL OF CHURCHES
LENTEN SERVICES 2015**

- February 18th **ASH WEDNESDAY 7:00 pm**
 Bridesburg Methodist Church
 2717 Kirkbride Street
 Rev. Dave Ryan
- February 25th Bethesda Methodist Church 7:00pm
 2820 Venango Street
 Rev. Salim Khan
- March 4th Bridesburg Presbyterian Church 7:00pm
 2770 Pratt Street
 Rev. Scott Bohr
- March 11th Bridesburg Methodist Church 7:00pm
 2717 Kirkbride Street
 Rev. Dave Ryan
- March 18th Emanuel United Church of Christ 7:00pm
 2630 Fillmore Street
 Rev. Dave Reppert
- March 25th Bridesburg Presbyterian Church 7:00pm
 2770 Pratt Street
 Rev. Scott Bohr
- April 3rd **Good Friday 1:00 to 2:00pm**
 Bridesburg Presbyterian Church
 2770 Pratt Street
 Rev. Scott Bohr
- April 4th Easter Egg Hunt 9:30am
 Presbyterian Church yard
- April 5th **EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE**
 Emanuel Uniter Church of Christ 7:00am
 2630 Fillmore Street
 Rev. Dave Reppert



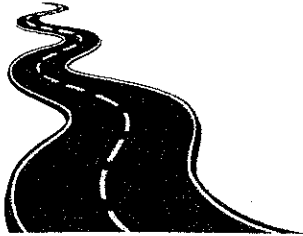
He Is Risen - Join us in Worship & Praise

At 6:00pm there will be refreshments at the host churches some will serve soup and refreshments, some will serve coffee and refreshments.





A Journey Of Faith



"THE CHALLENGE OF THE DAILY GRIND"

Life's paths are often paved with cobblestones. These are not cliffs to be climbed or boulders to go around, but simply the rough places we have to go through. Our Lenten journey may have reached the point now where the original impulse to travel has gone, but the road continues on. An old Pennsylvania Dutch saying puts it this way: "The cream is all; the milk is yet."

Scripture recognizes these times, too. Paul wrote to the Galatians, "Let us not grow weary in well doing, for in due season we shall reap, if we do not lose heart." (6:9) When the daily grind wears us down, we need God's renewal.

How does this work? Try a few possibilities. First of all, do not confuse weariness with guilt. Life is demanding and we get tired. This is not unfaithfulness; in fact it may be a sign that we have acted in faith. God knows our limitations. Second, realize that it is not only the end of the journey that is important. The whole trip is significant. Our everyday life of compassion, sharing in work and rejoicing with others is what life is all about. Thinking of "pie in the sky by and by" is inadequate. Even amid the cobblestones and the rough places in life, we need to look for life's bright things. Notice the flowers growing in a rock's shade and listen to birds, as they wing through the skies. Some days we move slowly, but we make progress even so. This is the life God gives us.

Perhaps, our greatest need on life's rough days, as well as the flat, tedious ones, is for companionship. This has a divine component ("O Master, Let Me Walk With Thee!) and a human one. Human companionship calls for willingness to put up with people's failings. All of us disappoint others at times. We all know times when people have angered us or let us down. But, we are still sisters and brothers. As we journey along, we need to look for the good, the bright side in people and in all that comes.

AN EASTER PRAYER



Heavenly Father,

Thank You for loving us so much that You sent Your only Son, Jesus, to become one of us, to suffer for us, to die for us, and to rise from the dead, to give us new life.

As we celebrate Easter this year, may we reflect on the unending depth of Your love. Help us to share this precious gift with our families, friends, and all those who have yet to learn of the good news of Christ.

May the beauty and new life of Spring be a reminder of our new life in Christ. Help us to share Your love with all those we encounter in our daily walk, as we continually strive to serve You in spirit, deed, and truth.

Be with us, dear God, and remain in our hearts always and forever.
May we find hope in the Cross this day, hope because Jesus is Risen!

Amen. Hallelujah!

This is how God showed His love among us:
He sent his one and only Son into the world
that we might live through Him.

-1 John 4:9

Living Grace





MARCH BIRTHDAYS

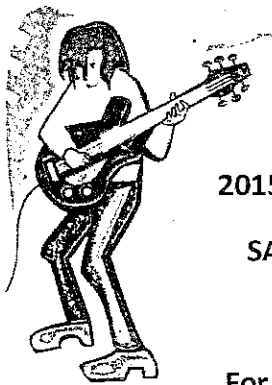
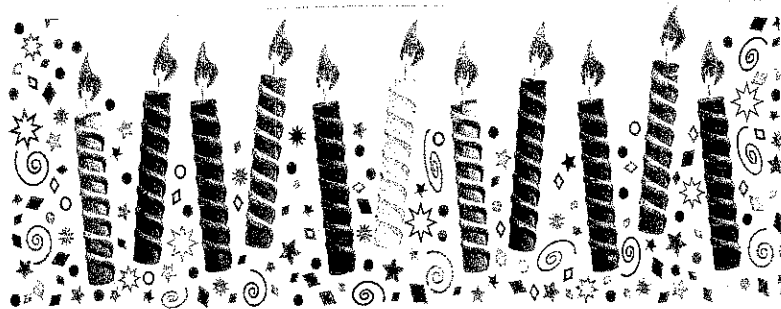
- 3rd - Gavin Hawkes
- 6th - Emily Beaton
- 8th - Rev Stephen Row
- 11th - Scott Muller
- 11th - Barbara L. Eskuchen
- 13th - Rebecca Gunning
- 14th - Lois Lenhart
- 14th - Jennifer Hamilton
- 18th - Amy Keller
- 21st - Henry Callaway
- 23rd - Megan Hawkes
- 27th - Brandon Razler
- 28th - Scott Walker
- 29th - Brian Beaton
- 31st - Ron Gunning
- 31st - Janice Kolb

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

- 2nd - Barbara Eskuchen
- 3rd - Andrew Kolb
- 3rd - Jordyn Colville
- 4th - Lindsay Timte
- 9th - Ronald Gunning
- 10th - Susan Gunning
- 10th - Joshua Torres
- 11th - Denice Eskuchen
- 19th - Lois Kolb
- 19th - Linda Hartzell
- 19th - Linda Kolb
- 23rd - Catherine Griffin
- 28th - Eleanor Haug

MARCH ANNIVERSARIES

- 1st - Brian & Amy Beaton



2015 CONCERT AGAINST HUNGER

SATURDAY, APRIL 11,th

2 to 9 pm

For the benefit of the Food Pantry.

Over 10 Christian performers. Some very loud, some soft, but a great day of Christian music.

Refreshment & shirts will be sold.

Our church is collecting items to make up gift baskets for auction.

Please place any donations on the last pew in the church. Every little bit helps. We could also use some baskets.

Food



Collection

FEINSTEIN CHALLENGE

Again this year, the Food Pantry is taking part in the Feinsein Challenge.

Michael Feinstein puts up One Million Dollars. We can raise up to \$1.00 for each food item or \$1.00 donated.

This is open to the Tri-State area. Last year we earned \$500.00. This was our percentage of about 30 cents an item.

You can bring any donations to our Church or to Bridesburg Methodist Just let them know it is from the Pres. Church.

**Contacts: Pastor Scott Bohr 610-564-6114
Clerk-Jean Beaton 215-396-1330**

Web site bridesburgpresbyterian.org

Lord Jesus, this Lent help me to keep my eyes fixed on your

Cross as the only real source of power that can change my life. Amen



ALMOST RIGHT....

Three blondes died and found themselves standing before St. Peter. He told them that before they could enter the Kingdom, they had to tell him what Easter was.

The first blonde said, "Easter is a holiday where they have a big feast and we give thanks and eat turkey."

St. Peter said, "Noooooo," and he banished her to hell.

The second blonde said, "Easter is when we celebrate Jesus' birth and exchange gifts.

St Peter said, "Nooooooo," and he banished her to hell.

The third blonde said, she knew what Easter is, and St Peter said, "So, tell me."

She said, "Easter is a Christian holiday that coincides with the Jewish festival of Passover. Jesus was having Passover feast with His disciples when he was betrayed by Judas, and the Romans arrested Him. The Romans hung Him on the cross and eventually He died. Then they buried Him in a tomb behind a very large boulder.

St. Peter said, "Verrrrry good."

Then the blonde continued, "Now every year the Jews roll away the boulder and Jesus comes out. If he sees His shadow, we have six more weeks of basketball."

St Peter fainted.

(Sorry to all our blondes)



May our hearts be ever tender
 to the wonder of the Cross,
 where our Savior, in redemption,
 chose to suffer every loss.
 As the sacrifice from heaven
 For a world enslaved by sin,
 Jesus Christ, became our champion—
 We live because of Him!



LUNCH WITH EASTER BUNNY

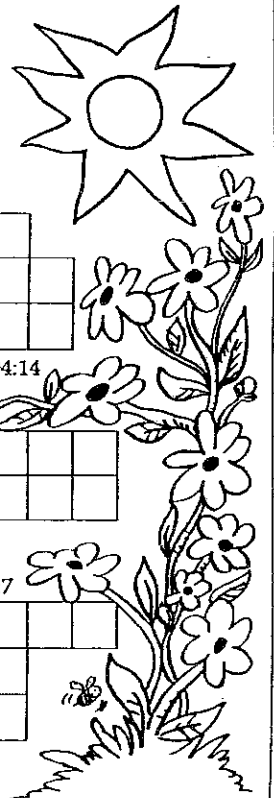
Join us for Lunch With Easter Bunny on Saturday, March 28th, at noon.

Hot dogs, juice, chips, gift & say Hi to Easter Bunny. Tickets are \$5.00. Bring Your own camera. Call Barbara 215-870-3819 for information & reservations.

Just for Kids

"For everything there is a season..."
 —Ecclesiastes 3:1

There are many signs that tell us spring is coming! Use your Bible to find words that are "signs of spring." Fit them in the boxes below. Pick one word from each Scripture verse.



Matthew 5:45	S				
Genesis 1:20	I				
Psalms 23:2	G				
Psalms 104:17	N				
	S				Psalms 104:14
Song of Solomon 6:11	O				
Psalms 103:15	F				
	S				Genesis 3:7
Psalms 104:14	P				
Isaiah 55:10	R				
Ecclesiastes 7:1	I				
Revelation 21:5	N				
	G				Deuteronomy 22:6



For God so Loved the World
 He gave His only Son.



**WE ARE
PRAYING
FOR...**

THE POWER OF PRAYER

Please remember in prayer: Anna Fleck, Dorothy Twist, Nancy Rudzinski, Montel Twist, Jack Twist, Anna Marie Smeykal, Bill & Mary Gilson, Tyler Marr, Barbara Eskuchen.

Clifford Babnew, Doreen Babnew, Stephanie Guiffre, Debbie Workheiser, Scott, Wallace, Janice Gill, Jonathan, Richard Griffiths, Jack Schroeder, Jessie Adams, Barbara Brennan & family, Kimberly Maw, Abbe Kohn, Sharon Shawcross, Helen Logan, Elaine Schiffert, Donna Adams, Karen Colville, Pat Plant, Allie Bohr, Dennis Brooks, Mike Urban, Pat Plant, Ted Elliott, Jim Viscontto.

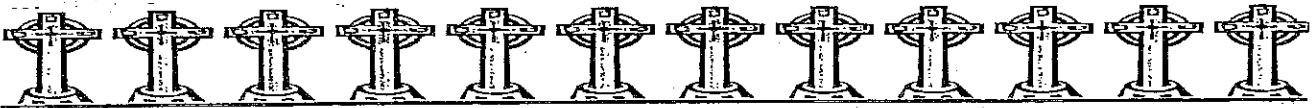
Prayer Praise: Jessie Adams, who disappeared over 2 months ago, is safe & getting treatment for her emotional problems.

Servicemen: Michael Urban, Jeff Axilrod

Children in need of prayer: Our Sunday School kids, Shaelynn

Please mail any additions or changes to the Prayer List to jean@brucebeaton.com

Remember to post this list on your refrigerator & say a prayer for the next one on the list each time you open the refrigerator door. You will be amazed how many prayers will be lifted to God for His blessing.



Our prayers and deepest sympathy to the family of Betty Jane (Hall) Siegle. Betty Jane was called Home to be with Her Lord in January after a brief illness. Betty Jane moved to Ann's Choice last summer & was looking forward to her new surroundings. The Hall family was a big part of our Church history. May God bring the family comfort and peace.



70th ANNUAL

MOTHER & DAUGHTER BANQUET

Wednesday, May 6th, 2015

Note: change of day to Wednesday

An evening of fun with family & friends.

Great food, Great entertainment. Call

Barbara Geiger for tickets.



God didn't promise Days without Pain, Laughter without sorrow, Sun without Rain. But, He did promise Strength for the day, Comfort for the tears, and Light for the way.



**Bridesburg Presbyterian Church
Unicameral Boards – 2015**

Board of Session

Board of Deacons

Jan 2013 – Dec 2015

Stan Chrupcala
Lauren Dailey
Barbara Eskuchen
Kathy Schroeder

Henry Callaway
Diane Dailey
Crystal Urban

Jan 2014 – Dec 2016

Jean Beaton
W Bruce Beaton
Barbara Geiger
Linda U'Selis

Mary Gilson

Jan 2015 – Dec 2017

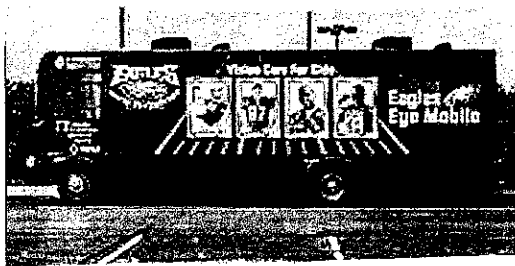
Jill Elliott
Bonnie Golasa
Linda Hartzell
Gayle Zionce

Sheila Chrupcala
Lois Kolb
* Donna Trego



The annual Congregational Meeting was held on Sunday, February 22nd with a delicious brunch. In the class of January 2015, Jill, Bonnie, Linda, Gayle, Sheila, & Lois were reelected for a three year term. Donna Trego was newly elected as a Deacon. During the year, Pastor Scott officiated at 2 Weddings & 3 Baptisms. We are looking for any suggestions to help our mission in this community. The 3rd Sunday is "Bring a friend" Sunday. We need you and your friend.

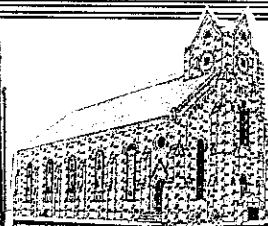
Let us keep Bridesburg Pres. in our minds and hearts. We need your prayers to help us grow in God's love & grace.



A BIG THANK YOU TO THE EAGLES...

On January 28th the Eagles Eye Mobile visited Bridesburg School. The EEM gave Eye Examinations to 230 students that were referred by the school nurse as needing vision care. The children were given exams & prescription eye glasses if needed. Some were referred to a pediatric ophthalmologist.

Last year 8200 children in Philadelphia schools received this help. Jermaine Maybery, a former Eagles lineman is the founder of the Eagles Eye Mobile. Glasses can make the difference between Success and Failure for a youngster. Thank you Eagles for this continuing this Youth Partnership with Phila students.



Are you missing something?

We have 4 beautiful 2015 Bible Calendars left compliments of Rose Funeral Home. There are Bible verses for each day & beautiful pictures. Pick one up in church or contact Barbara Geiger (215-870-3819)

We have 5 wooden church cutouts available. We sold these about 2 years ago as a fund raiser. They are really a keeper to remind you of your church. The details are exact even down to the stained glass windows. The cost is \$15.00. Contact Jill Elliott for purchase.



COUNCIL OF CHURCHES EASTER EGG HUNT

- Easter Egg Hunt - 9:30 am
Presbyterian Church Yard
Free - Bring your basket.

