

HAPPY
NEW
YEAR

January 2020

Peace-Tohickon

Evangelical Lutheran Church

100 Old Bethlehem Road,

Perkasie, Pa 18944

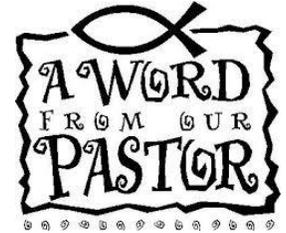
(215) 257-3294

Website: www.peace-tohickon.org

Email: adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org



Transparency



Dear Members of Peace:

Since I began serving Peace-Tohickon as your Bridge Pastor, I've become aware that some of you are concerned with the transparency, or lack thereof, of council and staff decisions. Perhaps these fears are grounded in the style of previous pastors and/or lay leaders. If that is, indeed the case, you need to be assured that **transparency** is my middle name. There have not been, and never will be, decisions made in 'smoke-filled' rooms while I'm serving as your pastor. It is, and always has been, my style to be as open and transparent as possible with the folks I minister with.

That being said, each and every member of any organization needs to take responsibility for being informed. Church members are not exempt from that responsibility. Every week important information is presented in our weekly announcement insert. Some of these announcements are highlighted verbally, either by me or the spokesperson for the issue at hand. You are all urged to read these announcements and take them home for future reference.

Every month a newsletter is sent out with upcoming events and important issues highlighted. Some of you receive this via e-mail, and others receive a hard copy in the mail. There are always extra copies on the table in the narthex as well. If you are not receiving this publication, please call the church office, so that the matter can be corrected.

One tried and true method for staying informed is to be involved. There are many individuals here at Peace working hard, and faithfully, to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ. And, I'm absolutely certain that they would welcome any one of you to join them in their efforts. There are many, many ways for each and every one of us to serve the Gospel of Christ. Of course, worshiping in community is first and foremost. But, there are so many other ways to serve Christ's Gospel, and to add your voice and opinions to decisions that are made. Below you will find a list of service opportunities to consider.

Altar Guild ... this group of dedicated disciples prepares our worship space before Sunday services and for special services as well. Contact Elva Groff to find out more.

Council ... meets the third Tuesday of each month. Meetings are open and anyone may attend with voice, but not vote. Council members are listed at the end of this article.

Faith and Fellowship ... meets the Second Sunday of each month following the 10:15 service. Contact the chair, Dottie Ritter, to find out what this committee is responsible for.

Finance ... meets the First Sunday of the month following the 10:15 service. Gary Engelman is the chair and welcomes new members.

Lunch Bunch ... meets the first Wednesday of the month, usually at noon. Contact Grace Lloyd if you're interested in joining this fun-loving group & their lunch-related activities.

Office Volunteers ... there are lots of tasks that can be accomplished by volunteers. Contact Julia Erney if you have time to share.

Outreach ... meets monthly, this month on January 19th at 11:30 am for plans to 'reach out' into the community and share Peace and God's love with others in the community. Contact Cheryl Saint-Pol to see how you can help. New members are always welcome!

Property ... meets the First Thursday of the month. Gary Schaeffer and the team would welcome any help you could offer to spruce up our building and grounds.

Stewardship ... this committee is being formed and would love to have your expertise. Contact Pastor Malloy or Mike Cygan to join this group.

Sunday School ... of course! This teaching occurs on Sunday mornings between services. Training and curriculum are provided. Our young minds need to see your dedication and faith in action. Call Dottie Ritter if you're willing to help.

Vacation Bible School ... kicks into gear sooner than you might think. Reach out to Yvonne Thomas or Jen Bara to see how you can spread the Good News to our youngest members and neighbors this summer.

WELCA ... meets the Third Monday of the month. Nancy Grace shepherds this active group of women. Join in the fun and help with the many ministries these women are a part of.

Worship and Music ... meets the Second Tuesday of the month. Melissa Yates is the chair of this committee and would be so excited to have you join in the fun.

Transparency is vital to the health and well being of the ministry and Good News that we, here at Peace, are called to share and spread. And that transparency needs to flow both ways. We, staff, council and ministry leaders, do our best to keep everyone informed and up-to-date. But, the responsibility cannot be one-sided. If you have questions or concerns, or simply don't feel as informed as you'd like, please contact me, one of the ministry leaders listed above, or a council member listed below.

I am well aware that many people get their information in the parking lot after service or after attending a meeting. These conversations are a standard part of every congregation, but the information shared is not always accurate. If you are feeling like you're out of the loop, please pick up the phone, or send an e-mail or text to someone who is likely to have the accurate information.

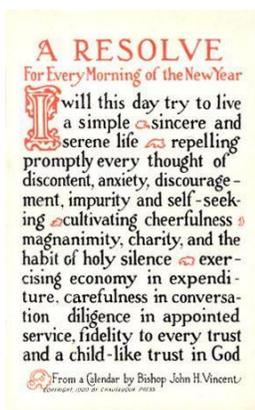
We're in this thing called ministry together and we share the same goals. Let's move forward knowing that we're all on the same team.

Council Members elections for new officers will take place at the January 21st meeting. There are still two available openings, so if you'd like to be part of the church council, please let Doug Erney or Mike Cygan know, so we can make it official at our next congregational meeting on February 9th, 2020.

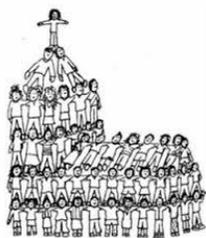
Currently, our council includes the following members:

Mike Cygan (Vice President)	Donna Donelon	Doug Erney (Current President)
Heidi Gerth	Gary Schaeffer	Mary Snyder
Courtney Steiner	Dianne Steiner	Ellen Shelly (Treasurer)
Melissa Yates (Secretary)	Bill Groff	Dottie Ritter (Financial Secretary)

In Peace, Pastor Dayle Malloy



**Congratulations to
Carly Amanda Schoch &
Tilghman Stephen Lick
who were baptized into their
faith here at Peace
on January 12th.**



**Congratulations also
to Shirley Scarce, who officially became a
member of Peace-Tohickon Lutheran Church on
December 29th, 2019. Welcome Aboard, Shirley!
We're so happy to have you join us, officially.**

CHURCH COUNCIL



Happy New Year, 2020 to one and all! It's the end of one decade and the beginning of the next. The new year lays out in front of us with untapped potential ... It is time to think, plan and act on the ways we can move forward.

Oh, the things we can do ... the joy that is and can be is only limited by our energy, thoughts and faith. As it is written in Philippians 4:13 "I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." It is our daily revival of our faith through our readings and fellowship together at our events and on Sundays that we learn and embrace what Jesus Christ leads us to do.

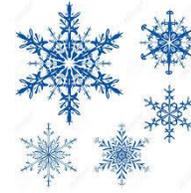
Think **not** of the time we spend in service of the Lord, as we plan and work within our committees, or on council as 'something to endure' or to finish as soon as possible, but see these times as opportunities to earn the gifts that God has given each of us. Do not see the opportunity to discuss ideas and opinions of others as something to be offended by or to avoid, but see it as proof that people believe and care, care enough to have an opinion and to share their viewpoint with others for the betterment of all involved. Be wary of your personal goals and needs, be open to all ideas, especially those different from your own, and make all decisions and responses based upon the lens of Jesus's words and deeds.

2020 is the year for all who have passion, and faith in God and belief in his promises to give back and reach out to your neighbors and community so that we may help bring the word and joy of God to all who need it. May God bless you abundantly in 2020!

Church Council President,
Douglas Erney



EVERYTHING IS
HARD
BEFORE IT IS
easy



Inspiration & Food for Thought for 2020 ... and the New Year



Hello, Members of Peace! Our bookkeeper, Carol Ward, shared the following with me and I, in turn, thought it was worthy of sharing with you. --Julia Erney

Hello. Welcome to **Flight #2020**.

We are prepared to take off into the New Year. Please make sure your **Attitude** and **Blessings** are secured and locked in an upright position. All self-destructive devices should be turned off at this time. All negativity, hurt and discouragement should be **put away**. Should we lose altitude under pressure during the flight, reach up and pull down a **prayer**. **Prayers** will automatically be **activated** by **Faith**. Once your **Faith** is **activated**, you can assist other passengers. There will be **NO** BAGGAGE ALLOWED on this flight. The captain (GOD) has cleared us for takeoff. **Destination: GREATNESS !!!**

When I went online to find the origin of these words, Rapper Fifty-Cent is credited with posting this on Facebook New Year's Day this year according to CBN News, but I have a feeling this has been around and has been shared with others electronically & by text, far longer than I had time for searching. Hope it helps elevate you & Peace to new and better heights this year and always! --Julia





CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

Dear Members of Peace:

There will be a Special Congregational Meeting held on **Sunday, February 9th, 2020, following the 10:15 am worship service (approximately 11:30 a.m.).**

The purpose of the meeting will be to discuss and vote on the following:

- the committee annual reports from 2019,
- the annual congregational meeting minutes from 12/8/19 and 2/17/19,
- two open Council Member positions still available for 2020 with floor nominations taken for anyone wanting to fill these vacancies, and
- any new business brought up with plans for Peace moving forward.

In the case of snow or bad weather, the meeting will be held on Sunday, February 16, 2020 instead, at the same time. Your input is important. Please save the dates and plan to attend this congregational meeting.

In peace,
Peace-Tohickon Lutheran Church Council





One of the very best ways to keep in touch with members and friends of Peace who can no longer attend worship on a regular basis is to visit with them. And what better Christian, caring visit could there be than to share the Lord's Supper with them during a visit? In the past, Peace was blessed to have disciple who were trained to do just that. But those folks are no longer participating in this vital and important ministry. This has left a huge hole in the care of our homebound members.

The Lutheran Church designates these folks as *Lay Eucharistic Ministers* and encourages congregations to train, equip, and support these folks as part of the called ministry of Christ. This ministry includes a whole lot more than simply bringing the sacrament to the homebound. *Lay Eucharistic Ministers* (LEM), become a life-line between the church family and ones who can no longer be active members. Often our homebound folks were deeply involved in the life and ministry of our congregation and due, to their current circumstances, find themselves feeling isolated and missing the companionship as well as the sacrament.

Pastor Malloy will be holding a LEM training session here at Peace on Monday, January 20th at 10 am. This class will include the historical roots of the sacrament, the Biblical significance, our own Lutheran theology of the Lord's Supper, and some useful hints to make the experience of each visit as meaningful as possible.

Please prayerfully consider becoming a part of this ministry and join your fellow disciples in January for this training class. Your attendance does not commit you to becoming a LEM. If you're interested in knowing more about the sacrament and how LEMs add to the life of this congregation, come and learn. **Please RSVP to the church office to reserve your spot.** --Pastor Malloy





In Memoriam

Obituary by Bernard Suess Funeral Home



Kathy "Kate" Elizabeth Lane

(December 29, 1954 - January 01, 2020)

Kate Lane (Kathy Wolford) saw her last sunrise New Year's Day 2020.

Her spirit will live on through her daughters, Jess and Damie, her mother Dorrie, her brother Ross, and all of the other friends and loved ones who were blessed enough to spend time with her unique and beautiful soul.

Kate could only be described as a wild and free woman. Everyone who knew her was immediately captivated by her individuality and uncommon beauty.

She loved to drive on the open road with the wind in her hair and the music on full blast (as she would say). She was an artist, photographer, writer, comedian, gardener, philosopher and conversationalist. But, most of all, she was a MOTHER, DAUGHTER AND SISTER, and she will be immeasurably missed.

A "Celebration of Her Life" will be held in the spring with detail to follow at a later time.

In lieu of flowers, please send donations to The Philadelphia Folk Song Society at Pss.org/supportpss/

Peace and Love to our Mama ♡

Arrangements are by the Bernard Suess Funeral Home, Inc., 606 Arch Street, Perkasie, PA.

January



January 2020

Peace-Tohickon Lutheran Church
 (215) 257-3294
 adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org



SUNDAY	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
		31 NEW YEAR'S EVE Church Office Closed 	1 NEW YEAR'S DAY Church Office Closed 	2 9-12 Office Hours 6:30 pm – GS Troop 21671 Mtg. 7 pm - Property Committee	3 9-12 Office Hours 	4 8-10 am - Overeaters Anonymous Mtg. 
5 2nd Sunday of Christmas 8:15 & 10:15am - Worship/Communion w/Pastor Malloy 9 am - Discussion re: Altar Placement in Fellowship Hall 9 am – Sunday School NO Adult Bible Study 9 am – Confirmation Class 11:30 am – Finance Comm. Mtg 6 pm - Narcotics Anonymous	6 TRUE EPIPHANY 9-12 Office Hours  Epiphany 6:30 pm – Cadet Girl Scouts Mtg.	7 Church Office Closed 	8 9-12 Office Hours Noon - Sr Lunch Bunch Pizza & Bingo 7 pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 pm – Sr. Choir Rehearsal	9 9-12 Office Hours 	10 9-12 Office Hours FULL MOON 	11 8 -11:45 am - Men's B-fast, Bible Study & Service Project 8-10 am - Overeaters Anonymous Mtg.
12 Baptism of Our Lord 8:15 & 10:15 am - Worship/Communion w/Pastor Malloy & Baptisms of Tilghman Licks & Carly Amanda Schoch (10:15) 9 am – Sunday School 9 am – Confirmation Class 9 am – Adult Bible Study 11:30 am – Faith & Fellowship Meeting - Join Us! 6:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous	13 9-12 Office Hours 	14 Church Office Closed 6:30 pm – GS Troop 2309 Mtg 7 pm - Worship Committee Mtg.	15 9-12 Office Hours 6 pm - Girl Scouts Daisies Mtg. 6:45 pm - Youth Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - New Spirit Ensemble Rehearsal	16 9-12 Office Hours 6:30 pm – GS Troop 21671 Mtg. 7 pm - Exec. Council Mtg. 7:30 pm – Thirsty Thursday at Becker's Corner	17 9-12 Office Hours 1:30 pm – To Live Again Support Grp. Mtg.	18 8-10 am Overeaters Anonymous Mtg. Noon - 2 pm - NA Meeting/Event in Fellowship Hall
19 We Celebrate Epiphany!  8:15 am - Worship/Communion Service w/Pastor Malloy 10:15 = New Spirit Worship Service w/Pastor Malloy 9 am – Sunday School 9 am – Confirmation Class 9 am – Adult Bible Study 11:30 am – Out Reach Comm. Meeting - Join Us! 6:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous	20 MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY 9-12 Office Hours 10 am - LEM Class 6:30 pm – Cadet Girl Scouts Mtg. 7 pm - WELCA Mtg. in Fellowship Hall: Carole Brackman Presentation 	21 Church Office Closed 7 pm – Church Council Meeting 	22 9-12 Office Hours 7 pm - Bell Choir Rehearsal 8 pm – Sr. Choir Rehearsal 	23 9-12 Office Hours 	24 9-12 Office Hours 	25 CHINESE NEW YEAR 8-10 am Overeaters Anonymous Mtg. 
26 Third Sunday After Epiphany 8:15 & 10:15am - Worship/Communion w/Pastor Malloy & Dedication of the Paraments 9 am – Sunday School 9 am – Confirmation Class 9 am – Adult Bible Study 6:00 pm Narcotics Anonymous	27 9-12 Office Hours 	28 Church Office Closed 6:30 pm – GS Troop 2309 Mtg 7 pm - Pub Theology @ Free Will Brewery	29 9-12 Office Hours 6:45 pm - Youth Choir Rehearsal 7:30 pm - New Spirit Ensemble Rehearsal	30 9-12 Office Hours Peace Feb. NEWSLETTER DEADLINE	31 9-12 Office Hours 	

JANUARY BIRTHDAYS



- 1 – Eli Benner
- 2 – Donna Donelon
Colin Londino
Morgan Lutz
- 3 – Madelyn Gerth
Larry Schenk
Peter Gaenssle
- 6 – Gerry Schlosser
- 7 – Mike Tyburski
- 10 – Donna Lemon
Anne Gaenssle
- 12 – Eric French
Nicholas Erney
- 13 – Dorrie Daikeler
- 14 – James McKenzie
James Michener
- 16 – Weston Reiss
- 17 – Avery Burkett
- 18 – Julie Caporaletti
Gary Schaeffer
- 19 – Dakota Lloyd
- 21 – Jack Woehr
- 23 – Walter Herrmann
- 24 – Scott Schneider
- 25 – Chip Kramer
- 28 – Elizabeth Thomas
Michael Gonet
- 30 – Zachary Schoch
- 31 – Lucy Bartosiewicz
Anthony Caporaletti
Sally Greer



JANUARY ANNIVERSARIES

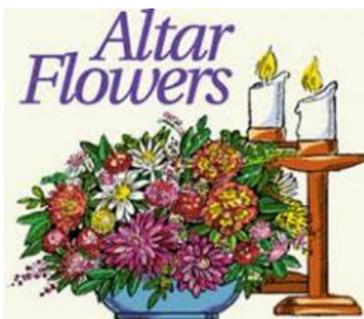
- 7 – John & Ellen Shelly

25 – Ann and Barry Grim
28 – Cathleen and Kenneth Miller

Altar Flowers Sponsors Needed in Jan. & Feb.

If you are interested in sponsoring altar flowers in honor or memory of a loved one or special celebration date, please sign up on the flower chart near the coat room.

The cost is \$50 for two bouquets of flowers. Checks can be made out to Peace Lutheran Church & dropped in the offertory plates during worship services or mailed to the office.



January Bulletin & Floral Sponsors:

5 – Ellen & John Shelly
12 – Diane & Frank Stump
19 – AVAILABLE
26 – AVAILABLE

Our Home Bound Members:

Alice Brad
Meadow Glen at Phoebe
108 S. Main St., Apt. 124
Richlandtown, PA 18955

Mary Dunlap
Cedarbrook Nursing Home
350 S Cedarbrook Rd.
Rm #614A
Allentown, PA 18104

Marion Engelmenn
Meadow Glen at Phoebe
108 S. Main St., Apt. 130
Richlandtown, PA 18955

Betty Gabel
408 Grandview Ave.
Perkasie, PA 18944

Lois Hafler
1611 Park Ave., #201
Quakertown, PA 18951

Grace Nicolino
1611 Park Ave., #112
Quakertown, PA 18951

Helen Poust
200 S 9th Street
Cottage #7
Perkasie, PA 18944

Winter: 4596 CR#305
Lake Panasoffkee, FL 33538

Wanda Renshaw
1131 Arbour Lane
Quakertown, PA 18951

Jean Scholl
2301 North Fifth Street
Perkasie, PA 18944

Gloria Shannon
Rm 57, 108 S. Main St.
Richlandtown, PA 18955

Marlene Shilling
The Birches
691 Main Street, Room 28
Harleysville, PA 19438

Shirley Slozer
Hidden Meadows on the Ridge
The Laurels Room D1A
340 Farmers Lane
Sellersville, PA 18960

Luther (Luke) Stever
The Cottages @Phoebe Richland
108 S. Main St. Apt. #301
Richlandtown, PA 18955

THIS MONTH AT-A-GLANCE ...

DATES	GREETERS	ACOLYTES	CRUCIFERS	LECTORS	ASSISTING MINISTERS
1/5/20	Nancy Grace	Luke Erney	Nicholas Erney	Mike Cygan	Melissa Yates
1/12/20	Scott & Kathy Dages	TBD	Maddie Gerth	Bill Markland	Nancy Cygan
1/19/20	Carole & Bill Brackman	New Spirit Service			
1/26/20	Carole & Bill Brackman	TBD	Garrett McKenzie	Julia Erney	Cheryl Saint-Pol
JANUARY BREAD BAKER			Jan Abate		
JANUARY HEAD USHER			Mike Cygan		
JANUARY ALTAR GUILD			Elva Groff and Judy Hamilton		
JANUARY PARISH NURSE/Blood Pressure Screenings				Linda Gonet & Dianne Steiner	

If you are interested in ...	Contact ...	
Greeting Members	Judy Hamilton	jhamilton5988@gmail.com
Being an Usher	Mike Cygan	vicepresident@peace-tohickon.org
Serving on Altar Guild	Elva Groff	pennridge45@yahoo.com
Serving as an Acolyte or Crucifer	Carole Brackman	carolebrackman62@comcast.net
Serving as a Lector or Assisting Minister	Nancy Cygan	ncygan13@gmail.com
Joining Youth or Bell Choir	Jen Bara	edjenbara@yahoo.com
Joining our New Spirit Ensemble	Jen Bara	edjenbara@yahoo.com
Joining our Senior Choir	Linda Beck	librarylady975@gmail.com
Joining WELCA	Nancy Grace	ngrace25@comcast.net
Joining the Adult Bible Study Group	Randi Schaeffer	ranschaef@verizon.net
Joining the Men's Bible Study Group	Bruce Bachman	bbbachman235@comcast.net
Joining the Peace Youth Group (PYG) – 6 th Grade through Highschool	Heidi Gerth	hmgerth106@gmail.com
Joining the Jr. Peace Youth Group (PUPs) – 1 st through 5 th Grades	Julia Erney	adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org
Joining the Senior Lunch Bunch	Grace Lloyd	gracelloyd@yahoo.com
Promoting Peace Out in the Community	Cheryl Saint-Pol	ccsaint3@verizon.net
Joining the Stewardship Committee	Mike Cygan	vicepresident@peace-tohickon.org
Teaching/Helping with Sunday School	Dottie Ritter	financialsecretary@peace-tohickon.org
Joining the Volleyball Team	Kristina Doherty	moejoeka@msn.com
Meals on Wheels	Cheryl Saint-Pol	ccsaint3@verizon.net
Joining the Worship Committee	Melissa Yates	secretary@peace-tohickon.org
Joining the Finance Committee	Garry Engelmann	gce@fortunefinancialservices.com
Joining the Property Committee	Gary Schaeffer	grschaef@verizon.net
Joining the Faith & Fellowship Committee	Dottie Ritter	financialsecretary@peace-tohickon.org

Helping with the Peace Garden	Dottie Ritter	financialsecretary@peace-tohickon.org
If You Have Something to add here	Julia Erney	adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org
Becoming a Lay Eucharistic Minister	Pastor Malloy	daylemalloy310@gmail.com
Helping/Joining the IT Committee	Julia Erney	adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org
Volunteering at the Church	Julia Erney	adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org

Peace-Tohickon Evangelical Lutheran Church

100 Old Bethlehem Road, Perkasie, Pa 18944

(215) 257-3294 * Website: www.peace-tohickon.org

Church Staff and Council Members

Staff:	Contacts:	Phone Numbers:	e-mail Addresses:
Bridge Pastor	Dayle Malloy	215-932-9533	daylemalloy310@gmail.com
Church Admin. Asst.	Julia Erney	215-257-3294	adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org
Bookkeeper	Carol Ward	215-257-3294	bookkeeper@peace-tohickon.org
Organist/Sr. Choir Dir.	Linda Beck	215-723-5356	librarylady975@gmail.com
New Spirit, Bells, Youth Choir	Jen Bara	267-307-4061	edjenbara@yahoo.com
Sexton	Chip Kramer	215-872-8257	moparchip@verizon.net
Nursery	Elaine Miller	215-536-9271	
Council Members:	Contacts:	Phone Numbers:	e-mail Addresses:
President	Douglas Erney	267-410-7644	president@peace-tohickon.org
Vice-President	Mike Cygan	215-872-4490	vicepresident@peace-tohickon.org
Treasurer	Ellen Shelly	215-257-9061	treasurer@peace-tohickon.org
Secretary	Melissa Yates	215-257-6735	secretary@peace-tohickon.org
Financial Secretary	Dottie Ritter	215-257-4587	financialsecretary@peace-tohickon.org
Council Member	Mary Snyder	215-538-2835	snyderm47@gmail.com
Council Member	Donna Donelon	908-627-1952	donelons@ptd.net
Council Member	Heidi Gerth	267-424-4893	hmgerth106@gmail.com
Council Member	Bill Groff	215-453-9005	pennridge45@yahoo.com
Council Member	Gary Schaeffer	484-894-3030	grschaeef@verizon.net
Council Member - Youth Representative	Courtney Steiner		
Council Member	Dianne Steiner	215-453-7917	dsteiner605@gmail.com
Council Member	Available: You?	Yours!	Yours!
Council Member	Available: You?	Yours!	Yours!

Thank You For Your Willingness to Serve!

Our Mission @ Peace:

Trusting in God's love, we grow in faith, celebrate His Word, care for His gifts and serve others.



Women ^{of the} ELCA 

At Our Next Meeting ...

WELCA will meet on **Monday, January 20th at 7:00 pm** in the Fellowship Hall. Carole Brackman will be giving a presentation on her career as a bridal seamstress. After 60 years in the business, she has some fun stories to share. Please join us for an entertaining evening! All women of Peace are welcome to attend this or any of our meetings. And Bring a friend!

Questions? Please **contact Nancy Grace** at **215-257-4213** or via e-mail at **ngrace25@comcast.net** .

All are Welcome!! ... Join Us!



Forecasts & Bad Weather ?

In case of bad weather, call the church office at 215-257-3294 to see if a recorded message is available, stating whether worship services are cancelled or not.

If bad weather is predicted well in advance, we will try to send out an e-mail message to all members via e-mail if the Pastor and Council believe church services should be cancelled. If you don't have an e-mail address on record, call to rectify this, so you are notified.



Altar Placement Update

Thank you to everyone who joined us last week to have a discussion concerning the placement of the altar. Your participation and thoughtful words have been heard. The altar will be returning to its original place, under the spotlights & closer to the sacristy.





Poinsettias

Thank you to everyone who placed orders for Poinsettias to help us adorn the Sanctuary and Altar this Christmas. Thank you altar guild for decorating & Chip for putting up the stable & pew candles.



Join Peace's Altar Guild

Altar Guild is still looking for a few volunteers - doesn't have to be females (teens or any adults are very welcome to help). You can volunteer for one or two months per year, or whatever your schedule allows. You can start by "shadowing" a present altar guild person to see what we do to prepare and set up for weekly communion. Thanks for thinking about this ministry!

Contact Elva Groff at 215-453-9005 or penridge45@yahoo.com, if you are interested in getting more information.



TLA -- To Live Again Support Group

The TLA group meets monthly at Peace Lutheran Church. We are a group of women and men who have lost their spouse and are ready to return to having a social life. We meet on the third Friday of the month in the fellowship hall at 1:30 pm. Our next meeting will be on Friday, January 17th at 1:30 pm.

We enjoy a variety of activities, all geared toward having fellowship. We are always open to welcoming new members, so stop in and find out if this group is right for you or call me with any questions you might have at 215-256-8725 or via e-mail at anjo623@verizon.net .

--Joe LaViola, President of TLA Group



2020 Directory in the Works

We are working to update our records for 2020 and get an updated copy of the Peace Church Directory printed and distributed to you. If you have had any changes to your home address, mailing address, phone numbers or e-mail address, and have not yet communicated these changes to Peace Lutheran Church, please call the church office at **215-257-3294** to update your information.



Sr. Lunch Bunch Fun

January 8 - Bingo and pizza. The first Wednesday in January is New Year's Day, so **we will meet on Second Wednesday that month.** Bingo and pizza are on the agenda that day. Each person should bring a white elephant gift for Bingo prizes. Thank you for all your support. See you in church. --Grace Lloyd

Questions?

**Call me at 610-972-3172
or e-mail gracelloyd@yahoo.com.**

***The Lunch Bunch meets on the first Wednesday of the Month at noon, September through June.
Anyone 55 and over is welcome!***

Flower & Bulletin Sponsorships Needed for 1/19 & 1/26

Many Thanks to all who sponsor our weekly altar flowers. The flowers beautify our church services. There is a new flower chart for 2020 outside the coat room. If you are interested in sponsoring flowers for a specific date, in honor or memory of a loved one, please see the new flower chart to reserve your requests for 2020.

Please sign the flower chart outside the coat room if you would like to sponsor the two bouquets of flowers (placed at the front of the church). When worship services have finished for the week of your sponsorship, you are welcome to take the flowers home with you & enjoy them.

Please drop the \$50 for flower sponsorship in the offertory plate during worship our services, clearly marked as such, in an envelope.
And thank you for helping to beautify our church.



A Smile Goes A Long Way ...

PEACE always needs **Greeters** for worship services. If you have a friendly smile & enjoy giving warm welcomes, please contact **Judy Hamilton** at jhamilton5988@gmail.com .



Please Sign the Birthday Cards in the Narthex ...

For our member celebrating a milestone birthday over the age of 80 years old ...

Dorrie Daikeler – 86 years young! (January 13th)
Sally Greer – 81 years young! (January 31st)



Choir Schedules Available on Google Docs

The 2020 choir schedule has been made available to choir members on Google docs online. Please see the document titled, 'Choir Schedule Spring 2020'. If you need access to this document, please contact Jen Bara at edjenbara@yahoo.com.



Fraudulent E-mail Reminders

In light of the recent e-mail scams that have targeted our congregants, please be alert. Scam artists count on us not paying close attention to our inboxes and the details of the messages therein.

Remember that Pastor Malloy, the church staff and council members will never send e-mails to you requesting money or sensitive personal information. All correspondence will come from one of the e-mail addresses listed on the back of the church bulletins or in the newsletters. If you're not sure about the authenticity of an e-mail, call or text the person at a number you know, to be sure who you're reaching.

We received the following message from the Attorney General's office when we reported the e-mails to them and to google, as well as the letter at the end of this newsletter:

Good Morning Pastor Malloy,
I've just reviewed your complaint. My only suggestion would have been to notify the e-mail server with a request to take the address down, but it seems you've already done so. These types of scams focusing on parishes and small businesses are beginning to proliferate and are very difficult to address. I think the best action we can take is to educate everyone we can to exercise vigilance.

Best Regards,
Tom Creehan, Agent Supervisor
Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General



Moving Help Anyone?

Tom Smith & Joe O'Donnell are moving at the end of the month. They need help lifting & moving some of the heavy items they have. If you have a truck or manpower & can help, call Tom at 267-730-7934.



A Note from Donna Huff & Ram Packs ...

Dear Rev. Malloy, Thank you for your [congregation's] generous donation to Ram Packs. We are adding Guth Elementary School in February, so your donation will help buy food for those students. We will, of course, continue to serve Sellersville Elementary School, which we began in October.

Please keep Ram Packs in your prayers and consider us as you plan future donations. This program has been funded totally by community churches and individuals thus far. Also, if you have any questions, ideas or feedback, please feel free to e-mail Rampacks2019@gmail.com or visit our website: RamPacks.com .

--Sincerely, Donna Huff



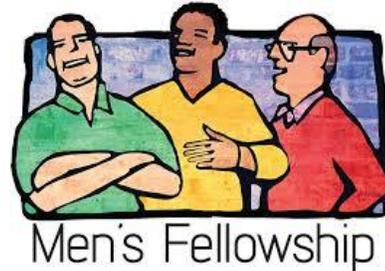
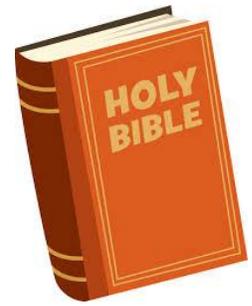
Thank
you

Adult Bible Study on Sunday Mornings

... All Are Welcome!

Over the last year or two, the Adult Discussion Group has been using *The Greatest Story: Bible Introduction* as a guide as we explore the Bible. We learned about the early stories of God's people, their trials and triumphs, what the prophets had to tell us, and who Jesus is. **We meet on Sundays at 9 a.m.**

All are welcome. Please join us in the room across from the kitchen. No prior knowledge is needed, just an open mind, as we take a fresh look at the Gospels. *You just might come to see Jesus in a new light!* --Randi Schaeffer



**Attention All Men: Our next meeting will be
this Saturday, January 11th, 2020.**

We welcome all men (confirmation age) & up to gather for breakfast, fellowship, bible study and a service project the second Saturday of every month starting at 8 AM.

Breakfast/Fellowship 8 - 9 AM

This Week = at the Filling Station

Bible Study/discussion 9 - 10 AM

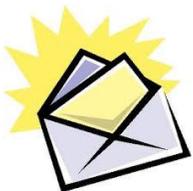
Service project 10 - 11:45 AM

The service project this time around is to take down the Christmas trees at the church and have the church and narthex ready for worship on Sunday.

We will have you out before lunch time!

See Gary Schaeffer or Bruce Bachman for details.

Looking forward to your participation!



Please Pick Up Your 2020 Envelopes

The 2020 Weekly Contribution Envelopes are available for members on the tables in the Narthex. Please pick up yours if you have not already; And check for your friends & neighbors too!

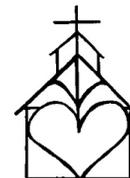
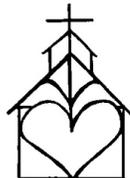
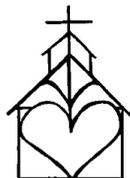


Wedding Announcement!

Dylan Lloyd and Gillian Harris were married on December 28, 2019.

Dylan is the son of Bryan Lloyd & Grandson of Grace Lloyd. His beloved bride, Gillian is currently in the US Airforce & will be leaving for Japan shortly.

Dylan has joined the Army and is on his way to Ft. Jackson, SC. We are very proud of both of them. Please keep them both in your prayers, along with the rest of our members who are serving our country in the military.



Calling All Committee Chairpersons & Others with News ...

It's that time of year again ... time to submit your annual report for your committee or group to be included in the **2019 Peace Annual Report** for our **congregational meeting on February 9th, 2020**. Please e-mail them to adminassistant@peace-tohickon.org by the end of January if possible, so I can begin to compile the combined document. All committees and church groups should submit a summary of the year's activities, actions taken, results or whatever information you believe the congregation should know. Please also include pertinent contact information. *Thank you!*



Tohickon Union Cemetery News

Tohickon Union Cemetery Board is in need of **one more** member from Peace Lutheran Church to help represent us and make decisions with our UCC Brother Parish. There are five meetings per year that meet on the second Thursday in the months of February, April, June, September & November at 7:30 pm in the Tohickon UCC brick one-room school house.

If you are interested in serving in this capacity or have questions, please **contact Barry Grim at 215-536-5129** or via **e-mail at abg1259@yahoo.com**.

Mail Box Reorganization & Re-Labeling Ahead

Please be advised that we will be re-labeling the mailboxes downstairs by the coat room in the near future. Many of those mailboxes do not get used and there are some other members/groups that need a mailbox. **Please be careful when picking up your mail** as we move forward. Make sure that your inbox truly is labeled as yours or is designated for your committee or office, as we need to move several of them. If you don't currently have a mailbox, but feel you need one, please contact the church office at 215-257-3294 to discuss the matter further. Thank you. -- Julia Erney



Call the Church Office When ...

- A member becomes hospitalized or shut-in,
- A member needs prayer, is having a baby, getting married, wants to be baptized or confirmed, or is moving.
- You want to become a member of Peace.
- You have spiritual questions to explore.
- You are curious about God's call to you.

Peace Church Office: 215-257-3294



What Talents Can You Share?

New committees have formed, including a Stewardship committee, an IT Committee, & a Gardening Club. Our Outreach Committee, Altar Guild, & Finance Committee are looking for new members.

Call the church office at 215-257-3294 to learn how to get involved at Peace. **Be at Peace!**



Please keep our Prayer List Up-To-Date

If you have a friend or relative on our prayer list who has recovered from an illness, please call the **Church Office at 215-257-3294**, so we can update our weekly prayer list. Our prayers do work! **Thank you!**





Our Prayer List - Please Pray for ...

Our Members

Luke Stever
Shirley Slozer

Tom Smith
Charlene Fisher

Joyce Burkett
Grace Nicolino

Dorrie Daikeler
Jessica Kramer

Lois Hafler
Sherry Dulsky

Our Military

Brian Hilinski
Eric French

Kyle Likens
Flint Engelmann

Dylan Lloyd
Gillian Harris Lloyd

Our Friends

Barry Stoneback – *Friend of Debbie & John Schoch*
Joyce Frazier – *Friend of Carole & Bill Brackman*
Rodney Allebach – *Son of Agnes & Joseph Allebach*
Bob Skinner – *Friend of Ellen & John Shelly*
Janice Young – *Gary Schaeffer's Cousin*
Luke Bender – *Dorothy Kasper's Friend's Grandson*
Tracy – *Yvonne Leonard's Cousin*
Tony Swede – *Brother of Ellen Shelly*
Christopher Malloy – *Son of Pastor Malloy*
Caitlyn – *Daughter of Elaine Keckiessen*
Michael & Angel Miller – *Grandson & Daughter of Sue Keen*
Gloria Anderson – *Mother of Peni Bottorf*
Doris Bohanak – *Shelley DePinto's Mother*
Winnie Klopper – *Friend of Pete Moyer*
Jamie Kruse – *Sister-in-Law of Dawn Lutz*
Sally Churchman – *Friend of Kathy Mitman*
Neil Rapawy – *Friends of Randi & Gary Schaeffer*
Barbara Sacks – *Sister of Robert Beck*
Lynette Richardson – *Cousin of Corinne Penn*
Susanne Wright – *Relative of Pete and Cheryl Moyer*
Dylan Willis – *Dave Thomas' Cousin*
Sue Hudson – *Dave Thomas' Aunt*
Dorothy/Don Armstrong – *Sister/Brother-in-Law of Nancy Grace*
Stephanie Salewski – *Julia Erney's Mother*
Suzanne Murawski – *Julia Erney's Aunt*
Fred Heitzenroder – *Friend of the Groffs*
Mike Maurer, Wife & Daughter – *Friends of Larry Schenk*
Nancy Steiner – *Mother-in-Law of Dianne Steiner*
Maureen Gildea – *Friend of Jayne Kramer & Beth Kramer Maloney*
Edward Brous – *Friend & Arbours Community Neighbor*
Stacy Block – *Brother-in-Law of Peter & Cheryl Moyer*
Ken & Lynn Swift – *Friends of the Groffs*
Jean Schmidt Gruen – *Friend of the Groffs*
Barbara Staats - *Neighbor of The Erneys & Groffs*

Peace-Tohickon Lutheran Church

100 Old Bethlehem Road

Perkasie, PA 18944 215-257-3294

www.peace-tohickon.org

Minutes of the Congregation Council

Tuesday November 12, 2019

2020 Term	2021 Term	2022 Term
Barbara Bachman (2 nd)*	Doug Erney (1 st)*	vacant
Bill Groff (1 st)*	Donna Donelon (1 st)*	Mike Cygan (1 st)*
Melissa Yates (1 st)*	Gary Schaeffer (1 st)*	Dianne Steiner (1 st)*
vacant	Courtney Steiner (1 st)*	Heidi Gerth (1 st)*

* indicates attendance. Dottie Ritter, financial secretary, Pastor Dayle Malloy, and Ellen Shelly, treasurer, also in attendance. Votes are unanimous unless otherwise indicated.

The meeting was called to order at 7:05 by Doug Erney. Doug led us in devotions.

Old Business

The purchase of a new thermostat has been tabled until the new year.

Job descriptions: one has been completed. The rest will be completed after the budget is done.

Secretary's Report **A motion to accept the Secretary's report was made by Courtney Steiner and seconded by Donna Donelon.**

We moved to a consent agenda.

Worship. We need volunteers for Altar Guild.

Faith and Fellowship. The entire congregation is invited for Peace Meals during the Sunday School hour on December 8.

Property. Eight internal doors need new door closers.

A motion to authorize the Property Committee to replace 8 door closers at a cost of no more than \$2500.00 was made by Heidi Gerth and seconded by Dianne Steiner.The motion passed.

At the last congregational meeting it was voted to appropriate \$16,500.00 to install a fire alarm system. Property is proceeding with this project.

IT Steady progress is being made on upgrading and reconciling our various systems.

Finance

The Finance committee recommends that the church draws from investments, consistent with the bylaws, on a quarterly basis. The money obtained would be put into revenue as indicated by each fund's parameters. One draw should be made now for this year, and one final year-end draw. Investment policy ongoing will be quarterly. The policy will be updated to reflect this change.

A motion to do a draw from the Haverford accounts for the 2019 year from January to October of all capital gains and dividends as outlined by the finance committee was made by Dianne Steiner, and seconded by Bill Groff. The motion passed.

A motion to approve the committee minutes was made by Dianne Steiner and seconded by Courtney Steiner.

Financial Secretary. **A motion to accept the report of the Financial Secretary was made by Bill Groff and seconded by Barbara Bachman.**

Treasurer. **A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made by Courtney Steiner and seconded by Dianne Steiner.**

Reminders

Next meeting: December 17th at 7 p.m.
Counter 1: Mike Cygan

Devotions: Courtney Steiner
Counter 2: Dianne Steiner

We are glad to welcome a new Girl Scout troop to use our facilities.

New Business

Envelopes. Offering envelope designations:

Harvest Home	Lutheran Disaster Relief
Thanksgiving [and plate offering]	RamPack [support of 1 student per year is estimated at \$275.00]
Christmas	Peace

A motion to accept the envelope designations for Harvest Home, Thanksgiving, and Christmas was made by Melissa Yates and seconded by Courtney Steiner.

Council Nominations

The nominating committee consists of Barbara Bachman and Judy Hamilton. There are three vacancies to fill.

2020 Budget

The budget presented is a preliminary budget as all giving records for the entire year are not available yet.

A motion to accept the 2020 budget as presented was made by Gary Schaeffer and seconded by Barbara Bachman. The motion passed. This budget will be presented to the congregation at the Congregational meeting on December 8.

A motion to adjourn was made by Heidi Gerth and seconded by Bill Groff.

Motions

A motion to authorize the Property Committee to replace 8 door closers at a cost of no more than \$2500.00 was made by Heidi Gerth and seconded by Dianne Steiner.

A motion to do a draw from the Haverford accounts for the 2019 year from January to October of all capital gains and dividends as outlined by the finance committee was made by Dianne Steiner, and seconded by Bill Groff.

A motion to accept the envelope designations for Harvest Home, Thanksgiving, and Christmas was made by Melissa Yates and seconded by Courtney Steiner.

A motion to accept the 2020 budget as presented was made by Gary Schaeffer and seconded by Barbara Bachman.



Peace-Tohickon Lutheran Church

100 Old Bethlehem Road

Perkasie, PA 18944 215-257-3294

www.peace-tohickon.org

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Congregation
Sunday, December 8, 2019

2020 Term	2021 Term	2022 Term
Barbara Bachman (2 nd)*	Doug Erney (1 st)*	vacant
Bill Groff (1 st)*	Donna Donelon (1 st)*	Mike Cygan (1 st)*
Melissa Yates (1 st)*	Gary Schaeffer (1 st)*	Dianne Steiner (1 st)
vacant	Courtney Steiner (1 st)	Heidi Gerth (1 st)

Attendance for the meeting: 39.

Doug Erney called the meeting to order. Melissa Yates led us in prayer.

1. Budget.

Doug began the presentation by defining the funds belonging to the church. He did a review of the 2019 fund performance. We have moved from Thrivent to Haverford Trust.

A fund draw was made in October/November, and another is planned for the year end accounting for December. Council has decided to do a fund draw quarterly from January on. All fund draws will be utilized for church business as per the bylaws.

Nancy Frank asked about the amount of money that is due to Synod each year. A discussion was held. Currently our benevolence donation to the Synod is based on a tithing of the church's income.

Doug presented the 2020 budget.

All committees were asked to cut their budget requests, and cut them again. The resultant budget does not balance. One option is to accept an unbalanced budget.

A second option is to utilize all available unrestricted and restricted funds to make up the giving shortfall for 2020.

It should be noted that this use of funds is not a sustainable option.

In addition to reducing expenses, it is important to increase giving.

Thanks to all members of the many committees who worked on the proposed budget.

Comments were made by Gary Schaeffer, Dottie Ritter, Mary Snyder, Bruce Bachman, Sandy Miller, Ellen Shelly, Bill Groff, and Kristina Doherty.

A motion to approve the 2020 budget using the second option to use available funds while leaving principal intact was made by Garry Engelmann and seconded by Kristina Doherty.

A ballot was used for the vote. The result was 38 yes, 1 no.

A question was asked about whether we still have a line of credit. We do have a self-funded line of credit.

2. Council nominations.

Mary Snyder has agreed to run for council. She was approved by unanimous voice vote.

Gary Schaeffer made comments. We still need two council members.

3. Call committee report.

Kristina Doherty told us that a candidate who was interested in our church has chosen not to come to us. It has nothing to do with us, but is a matter of geography. Garry Engelmann made comments.

Comments from Garry Engelmann, Kristina Doherty, and Sandy Miller.

A motion to adjourn was made by Bill Groff and seconded by Nancy Cygan. Motion was approved.



Wishing you and your family a prosperous, healthy and memorable 2020, full of love, laughter and happiness. Happy New Year, One and All!!!

PEACE LUTHERAN CHURCH
SUMMARY TREASURER'S REPORT
1/01/19 through 11/30/19

Operating Budget			
	Budget	Year To Date Actual	Budget Less Actual
Revenue			
Current Expense	\$110,392	103,660.63	\$6,831
Building Maintenance	\$12,486	10,918.00	\$1,568
Benevolence	\$17,184	11,912.00	\$5,272
Flowers & Bulletins	\$3,340	2,800.00	\$540
Special Envelopes	\$6,706	3,848.00	\$2,858
Plate Offering	\$3,431	1,757.24	\$1,674
Nase Funds	\$74,000	55,892.31	\$18,108
All other	\$990	\$2,040	-\$1,050
Total Revenue	\$228,529	\$192,728	\$35,801
Less: Total Expenses	-\$285,050	-\$210,596	-\$74,454
Revenue (Under)/Over Expense:	-\$56,521	-\$17,869	-\$38,652

Designated Benevolence-YTD 11/30/19	
Advent Quarter Card	\$10
Ash Wednesday	\$290
Diakon Tipton Ministries	\$111
Farewell Gifts	\$971
FISH	\$183
Garden Fund	\$433
Good Friday	\$293
Harvest Home	\$213
KenCrest	\$143
Lenten Quarter Card	\$142
Liberty Lutheran	\$70
Lutheran Charity Appeal	\$3
Lutheran Disaster Response	\$493
Lutheran Settlement House	\$10
Maundy Thursday	\$170
Mid-Week Lent	\$415
Missionary	\$142
Sunday School Missionary	\$21
Thankoffering	\$143
Thanksgiving	\$350
Telford Home	\$354
VBS Benevolence	\$400
World Hunger	\$190
Total Designated Benevolence	\$5,550

Fund Balances-YTD 11/30/19	
Bear Creek Summer Camp	\$475
Buck Estate*	\$100,552
Maintenance Investment*	\$45,720
Concert Series	\$1,982
Discretionary Fund	\$765
Education Fund*	\$95,940
Endowment Fund*	\$252,615
Financial Statement Entries	\$67,443
Future Building Fund*	\$980,506
Garden Fund	\$44
General Fund	\$88,447
Lewis Memorial Fund*	\$175,024
Memorial Fund*	\$40,688
Music Fund	\$2,560
Music Investment Fund*	\$59,601
New Ministries	\$14,905
Youth Group Fund	\$6,000
Youth - Mission Trips	\$0
Youth - PUPS	\$10
WELCA	\$528
Total Fund Balances	\$1,933,803

*Figures subject to change due to transition of investments from Thrivent to Haverford Trust



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
OFFICE OF ATTORNEY GENERAL

BUREAU OF CONSUMER PROTECTION
2515 Green Tech Drive
State College, Pennsylvania 16803
814-863-3900
January 10, 2020

Dayle Malloy
191 Pinecrest Lane
Lansdale, PA 19446

Re: Charity Scam
BCP-20-05-000603

Dear Mr. Malloy:

Thank you for your recent correspondence. The Pennsylvania Office of Attorney General, Bureau of Consumer Protection appreciates concerned citizens, such as yourself, who alert us to this type of activity.

The Attorney General's Office receives inquiries daily from consumers about various types of scams. Our office is aware of how technology is thwarting our efforts to identify and prosecute the perpetrators. However, rest assured that our office will diligently pursue any scammer we can identify.

That being said, oftentimes the best defense against these scammers is an educated consumer. The following are tips and reminders that are designed to help consumers avoid falling victim to a scam:

- Be aware that scams do exist and take place in many forms. Whether you are contacted over the phone, by email, mail, in person or on a social networking site, always take into consideration that the approach may be a scam and to keep your guard up.
- Never give out or validate personal information, especially bank account and debit card information and Social Security numbers, when contacted unexpectedly, and be very careful with what information you provide to others.
- Never give out billing or account information over the phone or verify information from an email you receive, especially if you receive an unsolicited message from someone.
- Never let emotion or fear overcome your common sense. If you get a call or message for money from a friend or relative, slow down and verify everything. Don't let anyone rush you.
- Be cautious of how you are asked to make payments. Scam artists will typically ask for unusual payment methods such as preloaded cards, gift cards, iTunes gift cards, wire transfers and virtual currency such as Bitcoin.

Our main effort to prevent the public from being victimized by these unlawful scams is through our education and outreach programs. Additional information about these services can be found on our website at <http://www.attorneygeneral.gov> or by calling 1-800-525-7642.

Very truly yours,

Thomas W. Creehan
Agent Supervisor

jmm
28 MODSCAMS



*the way to
get started
is to quit talking
and begin doing*

-WALT DISNEY-

*Live
Your Faith*



Celtic Concert
Charlie Zahm
and
Tad Marks



CELTIC CONCERT

Zwingli United Church of Christ

350 Wile Avenue

Souderton, PA 18964

January 26, 2020 at 4 pm

Free Will offering

Zwingli United
Church of Christ

350 Wile Avenue
Souderton, PA 18964

Phone: 215-723-1186
Fax: 215-723-3402
E-mail: office@zwingli.org

JANUARY