

THE HIGHLIGHTS

Western PA District Church of the Brethren

December 2024/January 2025

DISTRICT MINISTER TEAM NOTES

One of the blessings of serving on the District Minister Team is the opportunity to visit congregations in our District. On Sunday, October 27, my husband, Jay and I, along with our two friends, Kris and Joel, went to the Robinson COB.

We were welcomed warmly and were blessed by being in worship there. The scripture focus was 1 Timothy 6:17-19: *“Instruct those who are rich in the present age not to be arrogant or to set their hope on the uncertainty of wealth, but on God, who richly provides us with all things to enjoy. Instruct them to do what is good, to be rich in good works, to be generous, willing to share, storing up for themselves a good reserve for the age to come, so that they may take hold of life that is real.”*

Pastor Leah’s message was one in a series on stewardship, specifically, our treasures. Citing from becomingminimalist.com she told us that the average size of the American home has nearly tripled in size over the past 50 years and yet 1 out of 10 Americans rent offsite storage! While 25% of people with two-car garages don’t have room to park cars inside them, only 32% have room for one vehicle inside! British research found that the average 10-year-old owns 238 toys and even though only 3.1% of the world’s children live in America, they own 40% of the toys!

The question was clear: Do you own your stuff or does your stuff own you?

Granted, we need stuff, but we cannot deny that most of us have much more than we need. So much so that we often cannot even *use* an item we know we have because we cannot *find* that item.

We are on the verge of entering a time when shopping frenzy occurs. Items are purchased only because “I need to get them something”. We tend to over buy, especially for the little ones in our lives. In an attempt to keep some

semblance of control of “stuff”, many parents try to clear out the old to make room for the onslaught of the new. Sadly, oftentimes those who have much get more and those who have great needs receive little.

Not only do we tend to stuff our spaces, we often stuff our schedules. “Joy to the world, the LORD has come” is often

obscured by the busyness of the season, often true joy is lost in the hustle and bustle. Baking, buying, wrapping, decorating, the list goes on ...

Do you need to clear out some schedules and stuff?

Let’s be intentional this year to “let every heart prepare Him room”. Let’s clear out some of the clutter of the season, those traditions and treasures that have no eternal value or place in our hearts. May we truly receive our King, the King of Kings, into our celebrations and into our hearts this year.

“O come to my heart, Lord Jesus – there *is* room in my heart for Thee!”

Ruby Mader, District Minister Team



FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE

The Highlights deadline for the **February 2025** issue is

January 10, 2025

Please send your information to tlehman@brethren.org.

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DISTRICT OFFICE HOURS:

Monday - Friday**

8:30 am - 3:00 pm

**Closed every other Friday

Financial Clerk is in

Tuesday & Thursday

9:00 am to 3:00 pm

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Hollsopple, PA 15935

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2025 DISTRICT DIRECTORY

The 2025 District Directory will be completed by December 31, 2024. Please be sure to send any updates and changes to the District Office by December 15, 2024.

The directory will be sent out in the beginning of January 2025.

Thank you!

REQUEST FOR DIRECTORIES

It is very helpful to the District Office staff to have updated information from all the churches we serve. If your congregation will be making a new directory for **2025** please send one to the District Office, 115 Spring Road, Hollsopple, 15935
Thank you!

TO ALL MINISTERS

Reminder to be sure to update your clearances if you haven't done it already. Once you receive your updated info, please send a copy to the District Office, thanks.

Western PA District COB, 115 Spring Road
Hollsopple, PA 15935

Christmas

SCRIPTURE READING CHALLENGE:

He is coming	Day 1	Isaiah 9:6-7
	Day 2	Isaiah 11:1
	Day 3	Isaiah 7:14
	Day 4	Micah 5:2
	Day 5	Zechariah 9:9
He is here	Day 6	Luke 1:28-33
	Day 7	Luke 1:34-35
	Day 8	Luke 1:46-55
	Day 9	Matthew 1:18-23
	Day 10	Luke 2:4-7
He will give	Day 11	Luke 2:8-12
	Day 12	Luke 2:13-20
	Day 13	Matt. 1:1-2, 9-12
	Day 14	Romans 6:23
	Day 15	Galatians 4:4-7
He will return	Day 16	1 Timothy 1:15-17
	Day 17	Titus 3:3-7
	Day 18	1 John 5:11
	Day 19	John 14:3
	Day 20	Matthew 26:64
Day 21	Revelation 1:7	
Day 22	Revel. 22:12-13	
Day 23	Revel. 3:20-21	
Day 24	Revelation 22:17	
Day 25	Revelation 22:20	



FROM THE DISTRICT OFFICE



Merry Christmas

Greetings to all Churches, Church Treasurers, and Individual Donors:

At this time, I want to express my sincere thank you to everyone for their continued support to the Western PA District Church of the Brethren.

Any funds that you would like to go into the “2024” fiscal year, need to be in this office by **December 20, 2024**. To insure that your donation is received on a timely basis, you might want to make sure that the envelope is postmarked by Friday, December 15, 2024 The mail delivery is very slow during this time of the year.

For those of you needing a letter stating your 2024 amount of contribution for tax purposes, simply call the office with your name, dollar figure and address and a statement will be provided. I am in the District office on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

May the Hope, Peace, Joy and Love of this Christmas Season be with you always.

Amy Bowman – Financial Clerk
Western PA District

PLEASE NOTE!

PA Sales Tax Exemption Certificates for 2025

Your church’s sales tax exemption form will expire on March 15, 2025. Please know that on October 22, 2024 I had completed the necessary documents in order to receive our new certificates.

When I receive these new certificates, I will let you know and I will mail them to each church.

ACROSS THE DISTRICT

NEW MEMBERS

Arbutus - Dan Stutzman

Sipesville—Vic Caldron, John Ringler

LEADERSHIP

Chris Fuska, Ordained—Shade Creek/Ridge

Addie Lucatorto, Licensed—Good Samaritan

ARBUTUS PET FOOD PANTRY

Each month the pantry has been adding about 15 new families to the list of individuals who use our service. We offer food to both cats and dogs. The food is distributed in 1 gallon bags. We also offer, when available, wet canned food and treats. The pantry relies on monetary and food donations from the community as well as support from the Arbutus Church. This is one of our missions in helping those in need in the community. Since the beginning of 2024 the pantry has received 35 monetary and food donations from individuals and organizations. We are very thankful for the support that we have experienced. We have served up to 39 towns through this program. In addition to the food provided there is always a free table for clients to choose items from. Donations of pet items such as bowls, collars, leashes etc. plus household items are available to them. In November, we will offer new and slightly used blankets. Should you have any that you would like to donate they can be dropped off at the Arbutus Church. The first set of doors of the church are open 24/7 so you can drop them off at your convenience. November 2, 2024 from 12-2 pet photos with Santa will be held at the church. Cost is \$10. Thanks to all who help this project become so successful. Any questions feel free to call: Cheryl at 814-410-3151.

VIRTUAL SERVICES

Arbutus COB Sunday Services are streamed at 9:00 am <https://arbutuscob.org/>

Freedom Church (Indiana COB) services are on Facebook (Freedom Church Facebook page) and on YouTube (@FreedomChurch-cd9xj)

Geiger COB Sunday Services are on Facebook at 10:30 am <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1709517105945633>

Hostetler COB Sunday Services are on Facebook at 10:30 am <https://www.facebook.com/HostetlerCOBMeyersdalePa>

Meyersdale COB Sunday Services are on Facebook at 10:30 am https://www.facebook.com/people/Meyersdale-Church-Of-The-Brethren/100064412810727/?eav=AfZ_hZTDR0BT2145UoR6btO6zS69_LKf8aq-ZM8IDloOJ_v6FfXuzfhRjN8YR1Nqs9g&ref=py_c&paipv=0

Rummel COB You can listen to podcasts of services on their church website at <https://rummelchurch.com/sermons/>

Salisbury COB Sunday Services are on Facebook at 10:30 am <https://www.facebook.com/Salisbury-Church-of-the-Brethren-211422968870314>

Walnut Grove COB Sunday Services are on Facebook at 10:00 am <https://www.facebook.com/Walnutgrovecob>



SERVING IN THE DISTRICT AND BEYOND

DISTRICT DISASTER MINISTERIES

**B-D-M
NEEDS
Your Help!**

The ministry is great, still alive and well and with your help, we will be able to make it even greater. With all the severe weather events we have had, the need becomes greater each passing day. We need you to help with this ever increasing work load. We have a core of dedicated volunteers who give of their time and participate on just about every trip that is scheduled. For this we are very, very thankful. We are looking to have a full crew of volunteers each trip, which would be 14 people.

Think about being a volunteer, where else can you go for an all-expenses paid trip where you work hard, but eat well, have great fellowship, and have tons of fun! Contact your church coordinator to volunteer and, if your church does not have one, please contact me at hjewald@atlanticbb.net or (814) 539-8530, (C) 814-691-5718

2024 Schedule

December 8—14, 2024 OPEN

2025 Schedule

February 16—22, 2025

April 6—12, 2025

June 1—7, 2025

August 3—9, 2025

October 5—11, 2025

December 7—13, 2025

There are no New Windsor day trips scheduled, the program may be discontinued.

Maximum of 7 Volunteers on each trip except if noted OPEN, then 15 Volunteers would be needed. Locations of all week long trips to be announced as info is available.

EL HOGAR DE NIÑOS ENMANUEL SHOE PROJECT



THANKS TO EVERYONE FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT!

It takes many people working together to make this drive possible. Sincere thanks to the congregations and individuals across the district who collect and donate shoes to the drive; the Westmont COB that generously allows us to store the shoes in their building until pick up; the volunteers who inspect, band, and bag the shoes; the packers who tag, carry and toss heavy bags of shoes onto the truck; and the district office staff for accepting donations on our behalf and storing them until they can be processed, along with handling the profit checks.

To this date, we have been able to donate a total of more than **\$8,000** to the work of the Home, and have already begun collecting shoes for the next shipment. For details on becoming part of the shoe project, contact the Shoe Committee:

Marie Camut – 814-266-3010

April Mackell – 814-536-1589

Karen Nagyvathy - 814-244-6977

FOOD PANTRIES

Walnut Grove Food Pantry

<https://www.facebook.com/Walnutgrovecob/>

Greater Pittsburgh Community Food Bank

<https://www.pittsburghfoodbank.org/>

Please consider donating food to these or any other groups in our area.

ACROSS THE DISTRICT

CHRISTMAS CAROLING



An Afternoon of Christmas Carols

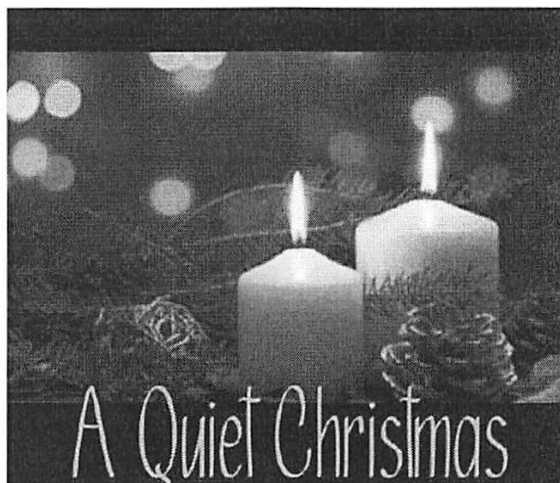
Sunday December 8th, 2024
music starts at 2pm

We invite you to come enjoy an afternoon of singing Christmas Carols accompanied by music from local musicians. Pastor Rod Horner will be leading the event.



Hostetler Church of the Brethren
2344 Sand Springs Rd
Meyersdale, PA

CHRISTMAS SERVICE



The people walking in darkness have seen a great light: on those living in the land of deep darkness a light has dawned.
-Isaiah 9:2

Please join us at the
Uniontown Church of the Brethren
20 Robinson Street
Uniontown, PA

on December 22, 2024 at 2:00pm for

A Quiet Christmas Service.

Together we will join in quiet reflection, prayer, scripture, and carols which remind us that Jesus comes to bring hope and light into the darkness. Quiet Christmas is for those who are missing a loved one, needing an infusion of comfort and joy, or just seeking some peace amidst the chaos of the holidays.

For more information, please call the church office at 724-438-8372.

CALL FOR GOOD NEWS

We can all use some good news now and again right?

Stories of serving in the community, milestone birthdays and anniversaries, academic achievements, etc.

I look forward to sharing more good news from the District!

lehman@brethren.org



AVAILABLE SPEAKERS

ORDAINED

ABRAHAM, FARREL – 4315 Seton Drive, Pittsburgh, 15227-1245 / 412-979-0067 / sharingpearls@comcast.net

BEACHLEY, LINDA—PO Box 723, Davidsville, 15928-0723 / 814-479-4802 / lrbeac@atlanticbb.net

BEACHLEY, RONALD – PO Box 723, Davidsville, 15928-0723 / 814-479-4802 / rondbeachley@gmail.com

BROADWATER, KEVIN—475 Keystone Street, Meyersdale, 15552-6943 / 814-442-5684 / pastorbroadwater@verizon.net

COUGHENOUR, KAITLYN— 785 Red Dog Road, Salisbury, 15558 / 814-521-4649 / shellywithattitude@gmail.com

DERR, AMELIA – 1202 Roberts Street, Nanty Glo, 15943-1325 / 814-749-0262 / iamameliaderr@yahoo.com

KABLER, ERIC—126 Clermont Street, Johnstown 15904-2132 / 814-242-0920 / eric.kabler@kablerthomas.com

LONGWELL, ERIC— 240 Plumcreek Road, Shelocta, 15774-3144 / 724-599-8690 / kb3ttx@gmail.com

MOSORJAK, GARY – 1337 Roxbury Avenue, Johnstown, 15905-1224 / 814-659-5853 / wendel05@aol.com

PISARSKI, STANLEY – 511 Thrasher Street, Johnstown, 15909 / 814-410-3685 / spisarski1017@gmail.com

STEIN, ROBERT - PO Box 375, Chalk Hill, 15421-0375 / 724-438-2226 / crid@verizon.net

SWICK, MICHAEL - 4127 Greenville Road, Meyersdale 15552-8518 / 814-634-8158 / preachmike101@comcast.net

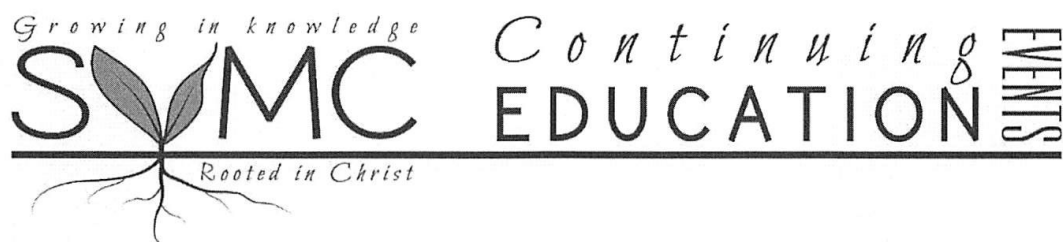
WHITED, JAMES—881 Treasure Lake, DuBois 15801 / 814-592-5714 / jrwhitedsr@gmail.com

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BURNEY, OYANGO—137 N. 9th Street, Indiana, 15701/ 724-541-6850 / livingyourbestlifeinthepresent@gmail.com

SHAULIS, TRAVIS—608 Second Street, Meyersdale, 15552 / 814-442-8626 / tanbadaner@gmail.com

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES



Below are **Susquehanna Valley Ministry Center's** current continuing education events that are open to everyone. For more information and to register, please do one of the following:

- Click on the title of each event and follow links to register. (Can only register for one event at a time).
- Visit www.etown.edu/svmc and follow links for "Continuing Education"
- Email KARENHODGES@SVMCCOB.ORG, OR Call SVMC at 717-361-1450

IDENTIFYING AND RESPONDING TO SUICIDE RISK

TUESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2025 • 9:30 AM – 12:30 PM • ZOOM ONLY

Leader: Julie Guistwite

Fee: \$35.00 for .3 CEUs or \$25.00 for no CEUs

Individuals considering harming themselves often seek guidance from spiritual care professionals over mental health providers. This interactive and engaging workshop discusses suicide risk factors and warning signs across generations and provides clergy guidance in responding. Engaging with an individual considering suicide forms the basis of a small group role-play activity. Attendees will gain practical knowledge and skills relevant across settings.

TWO DURNBAUGH EVENTS ARE BEING SPONSORED BY THE YOUNG CENTER AT ELIZABETHTOWN COLLEGE. PLEASE NOTE THAT SVMC IS ONLY PROVIDING CEUS; **REGISTRATION FOR THE EVENTS (WHICH IS NOT YET OPEN) WILL BE THROUGH THE YOUNG CENTER YOUNGCTR@ETOWN.EDU**. FOR NOW, MARK YOUR CALENDARS AND CONTACT SVMC ONLY TO REQUEST CEUS.

Leader: John D. Roth serves as Project Director for Anabaptism at 500, an initiative of MennoMedia, and is coordinating the development of the Anabaptist Community Bible. He is professor of history emeritus at Goshen (IN) College, where he also served as director of the Mennonite Historical Library and the Institute for the Study of Global Anabaptism, and as editor of Mennonite Quarterly Review. John has published widely on topics related to Anabaptist-Mennonite history and church life and has been a key participant in ecumenical dialogue with Lutheran and Catholic church leaders.

1. Thursday, March 20, 2025 • 7:00 PM • Susquehanna Room, Elizabethtown College
Topic: *"The Bible as a Source of Renewal in Anabaptism and Pietism"* (.175 CEUs, \$10 to SVMC)
 2. Friday, March 21, 2025 • 9:30 AM – 12:00 Noon • Location on Etown College Campus TBD
Topic: *Introducing (and Reading!) the Anabaptist Community Bible: An Interactive Seminar* (.25 CEUs, \$10 to SVMC)
- If requesting CEUs for both Thursday and Friday events, cost will be a total of \$10 (not \$20).

CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

Join us for this informational and instructive seminar!

CLERGY TAX SEMINAR

Saturday, February 1, 2025

11:00 am - 4:00 pm (EST)

Students, clergy, and anyone who deals with clergy finances are invited to participate in this online Zoom seminar.

- Learn how to prepare clergy taxes correctly and legally.
- Comply with regulations while maximizing tax deductions.
- Earn 0.3 CEUs - for the first 2 sessions only.

Schedule:

11:00am - 12:30pm EST (0.15 CEUs): Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Clergy Taxation, part 1. Topics covered: IRS's definitions of ministers (ministerial "status") and of ministerial work (ministerial "services"), as well as the three kinds of income ministers receive, the two kinds of taxes ministers pay, and the various ways ministers can pay those taxes during the tax year.

1:00pm - 2:30pm EST (0.15 CEUs): Everything You Ever Wanted to Know About Clergy Taxation, part 2. Topics covered: Housing exclusion, parsonages and parsonage adjustments, and self-employment taxes, as well as ways to reduce total taxes.

3:00pm - 4:00pm EST: Completing the Clergy Tax Return. Rev. Zeke Zacharias, pastor at Litlold Church, has a typical clergy tax return to complete. We will walk through it with him. Deb will be using H&R Block's Premium (for self-employed people) version of their downloadable software.

During this 5-hour webinar, you will learn a great deal about clergy tax law, tax preparation, and clergy compensation. It will be a resource-full day, so plan to take care of yourself as you learn. Eat when you're hungry. Get a drink when you're thirsty. Stand up and walk around when you need to. **But most importantly, ask questions!** If you have a question, Deb guarantees at least 6 other people are wondering the same thing!

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CONTINUING EDUCATION OPPORTUNITIES

• • • • **Registration and Cost**

• • • • Registration is \$40 per person (generally nonrefundable to keep fees and overhead low). Current Brethren Academy, Bethany Theological Seminary, and Earlham School of Religion students may attend the seminar at no cost, although registration is still required to allow us to provide you with web access to the seminar. Instructions and handouts will be sent a few days prior to the event. Registrations are not complete until payment is received. For quality reasons, registrations may be capped at eighty-five people.

Prompt registration is advised - **registration deadline is January 24, 2025.**
A Zoom link will be sent prior to the seminar.

Leadership:



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Deb Oskin has been doing clergy tax returns since 1989, when her husband left seminary to pastor a small rural Church of the Brethren congregation. As a pastor's wife and later as a tax professional, she learned the tax problems and pitfalls associated with the IRS's identification of clergy as "hybrid employees." In 2011, after twelve years with H&R Block, Deb left to start her own tax practice, specializing in clergy taxes. Clergy clients now make up 90 percent of her client base.

Deb was ordained in 2004 when she was called by the Living Peace Church of the Brethren in Columbus, Ohio, to be their peace minister to the wider community. She served as Southern Ohio District's board chair from 2007-2011 and served as the Southern Ohio-Kentucky 2018 District Moderator. She is the former Chair of the denomination's Pastoral Compensation & Benefits Advisory Committee.

She has been teaching and presenting nationally on clergy taxation to clergy, treasurers and administrators, and tax pros since 2004. Other than the fact that she really likes to teach, Deb does this because of her deep belief that clergy can devote more of their energy to ministry if they aren't stressed by tax debt.

Deb is an experienced presenter, and despite the complexity of the material, you'll find yourself laughing. Learn and enjoy!

• • • • **Deadline to register is January 24, 2025**

• • • • **Register now!**

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"Every generous act of giving, with every perfect gift, is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, with whom there is no variation or shadow due to change. . . . Be doers of the word."

~ James 1:17, 22a NRSVue

Together with our siblings around the world, we are doers of the word and generous givers of God's blessings.



Instructor at an Aquaculture Training for Comunidad de Fe, Dominican Republic.

Jennifer Hosler, Global Food Initiative manager, at the community garden of the Washington City (D.C.) Church of the Brethren.



Miller working at a flour mill in Hima, Uganda.

Thank you for generously partnering in the ministry of the Global Food Initiative!

Learn more at www.brethren.org/gfi.



Global Food Initiative - Church of the Brethren
1451 Dundee Ave. Elgin, IL 60120

Job Openings: <http://www.brethren.org/about/employment.html>

FaithX

2025 Schedule

Join FaithX during Summer 2025 to serve, grow in faith, make friends, and experience something new! FaithX experiences are short-term service trips that challenge us to be more aware of ourselves, our communities, and our world so that we may learn to participate in God's vision of justice for all people.

Participants will serve in a variety of ministry and non-profit settings, live and worship in community, make friendships, and explore a new place.

Registration for FaithX Summer 2025 opens on January 8, 2025 at 7:00pm (eastern time), and closes on April 1, 2025.

Giving Tuesday - December 3, 2024




On Giving Tuesday (December 3), join us in celebrating all that we do together as the Church of the Brethren. Together we grow courageous disciples, love and serve one another, extend generosity and witness, and steward God's blessings. In all that we do together, we intentionally call leaders, connect with our neighbors, cultivate relationships, and encourage stewardship. Together we passionately live as the body of Christ. Together we build up one another and our neighbors near and far. Together we join Jesus in the neighborhood.

Make a gift now or on Giving Tuesday at www.brethren.org/givingtuesday.



CAMP HARMONY CHRISTMAS COOKIE FUNDRAISER

Order by  December 5 4 doz. cookies/platter
1 = \$25 or 2 = \$45

Each platter will contain a mixture
of the following cookies:

Chocolate Chip Snicker Doodle
M&M Peanut Butter Meltaways
Sugar Peanut Butter Blossom
Oatmeal Thumbprint



Cookie pick up at Camp on
December 18 & 19, 9-4 each day.



To order:
814-798-5885
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www.campharmony.org





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DEC. 7, 14, 21

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CAMP CRAZE

JANUARY 20
9AM-2PM

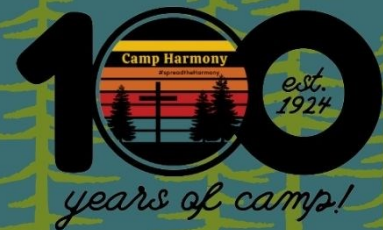


GAMES,
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& FREE

GRADES 5-9

REGISTER ONLINE

www.campharmony.org





 **\$45**

youth
**WINTER
RETREAT**

FEBRUARY 7-8, 2025
GRADES 6-12

Feeling those winter blues? Come join us for a weekend at camp! Reunite with your camp friends for food, fun, and Scripture!

Register online at www.campharmony.org

WPA DISTRICT CALENDAR DECEMBER 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 First Sunday of Advent	2	3	4	5	6 Harmony Light Fest Walk-thru 6:00 pm—8:30 pm	7 Harmony Light Fest Drive -thru 6:00 pm—8:30 pm
8 Second Sunday of Advent	9	10	11	12	13 Harmony Light Fest Walk-thru 6:00 pm—8:30 pm	14 Harmony Light Fest Drive -thru 6:00 pm—8:30 pm
15 Third Sunday of Advent	16	17	18	19	20 Harmony Light Fest Walk-thru 6:00 pm—8:30 pm	21 Harmony Light Fest Drive -thru 6:00 pm—8:30 pm
22 Fourth Sunday of Advent	23	24 Christmas Eve	25 Merry Christmas!!	26	27	28
29	30 New Year's Eve	31				

WPA DISTRICT CALENDAR JANUARY 2025

Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday

			1 Happy New Year! District Office Closed	2	3	4
5	6 Epiphany	7	8	9	10 District Office Closed	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20 Martin Luther King Jr. Day	21	22	23	24 District Office Closed	25
26	27 Camp Craze Camp Harmony 9:00 am	28	29	30	31	

2025 DISTRICT EVENTS AND MEETINGS

If your congregation, committee, or group would like to have information listed on the District Calendar, please send it in to the District Office by the 10th of each month. Thanks!

JANUARY 2025

20 - Camp Craze, 9:00 am, Camp Harmony

FEBRUARY 2025

1 - Clergy Tax Seminar, Zoom

6 - Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, Zoom

7 - Youth Winter Retreat begins, 6:00 pm,
Camp Harmony

8 - Youth Winter Retreat ends, 4:00 pm,
Camp Harmony

8 - SVMC Class

13 - District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, (TBA)

22 - SVMC Class

MARCH 2025

8 - SVMC Class

APRIL 2025

5 - SVMC Class

26 - SVMC Class

MAY 2024

8 - Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, Zoom

10 - SVMC Class

17 - District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA

JUNE 2024

No meetings or events scheduled

JULY 2024

2—6 - ANNUAL CONFERENCE,
Greensboro NC

AUGUST 2024

No meetings or events scheduled

SEPTEMBER 2024

11 - Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, Zoom

20 - District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA

OCTOBER 2024

18 - District Conference, 9:00 am,
Somerset COB

NOVEMBER 2024

6 - Core Leadership Team, 6:00 pm, Zoom

15 - District Leadership Team, 9:00 am, TBA

DECEMBER 2024

No meetings or events scheduled

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