



Shippensburg First Church of God

FYI

Sunday, March 17, 2024

Attendance: Sunday Morning Worship Sunday, March 10, 2024			
8:30 a.m.	101	Sunday	101
11 a.m.	94	Youth	23
Worship Total	195		

Attendance: Community Night Wednesday, March 13, 2024			
Awana	53	Ladies in Step	9
Crossing Youth	24	Fresh Start	11
Kinetics	20	Total	117

Today (March 17, 2024)

8:30 and 11 a.m.—Morning Worship

We are in a series called "What New Life Looks Like". In this series, we are studying Romans 8. The title of the sermon today is "Redefining the Relationship". We will look at Romans 8:12-25 and consider how Paul redefined some of the relationships we face in our spiritual lives.

9:45 a.m.—Sunday School

11 a.m.—Children's Church

Children's church is for children ages two years through 5th grade.

12:15 p.m.—Crossroads Station Fellowship Meal

You are invited to join us for lunch following the 11 a.m. worship service.

This Week in Our Church

Monday

9:30-11 a.m.—Womens' Bible Study

All ladies are invited to attend this Bible study which meets the 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month in the Annex. They will begin a new study called "The Lord's Prayer" this Monday, March 18th. This would be a great time to join them!



6:30-8:30 p.m.—MA Men's Bible Study

This Bible study is held in the Annex.

Tuesday

6:30 p.m.—Outreach Committee Meeting

This meeting will be held in room 110.

Wednesday

8-9 a.m.—Prayer Time

Prayer time is held in room 9.

6:30-8 p.m.—Community Night

Community Night is held churchwide.

8 p.m.—Choir Practice

Choir practice is held in the sanctuary.

Thursday

9-10:15 a.m.—Men's Bible Study

This Bible study meets offsite.

6-8 p.m.—GriefShare

GriefShare is held in the Annex.

Friday

5 p.m.—Young Adult Fellowship

The young adults meet in the Annex for a meal and a time of fellowship.

Saturday

7-8 a.m.—Men's Alliance

This group meets at the American Legion.

Next Sunday

(March 24, 2024)

Palm Sunday



8:30 a.m. & 11 a.m.—Morning Worship

9:45 a.m.—Sunday School

11 a.m.—Children’s Church

Children’s Church is for children ages two through grade 5 and is held on the lower level.

4-6 p.m.—Children’s Ministries Easter Eggstravaganza

Families should meet in Crossroads Station for the beginning of this event.

Mission & Ministry Opportunities

New Men’s Bible Study

A men’s Bible study is now meeting each Monday evening from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in the Annex. All men are invited to attend. This group is studying *No More Excuses: Be the Man God Made You to Be* by Tony Evans. Each person attending the study will need to purchase the book on his own. There is a link to purchase the book which, if you contact the office, we will send to you.

This Bible study was started by a group of men from Men’s Alliance, but all men are welcome to attend. You do not need to participate in the Saturday morning group in order to participate in the study.

Hound Packs

Our church is collecting individual packets of oatmeal and individual serving sized containers of cereal for Hound Packs. If you would like to donate some of these items, please bring them to the church, and place them in the vestibule located closest to Crossroads Station.



Upcoming Events

GriefShare

Our church has a GriefShare support group that is being held on Thursday nights from February 29-May 23, 2024. This group meets from 6-8 p.m. in the Annex. Those who wish to participate may join the group at any time. GriefShare is open to anyone who is experiencing grief due to the loss of a loved one. If you would like to attend, please call the church office.

CRS Fellowship Meal

Our church family will have our first fellowship meal in Crossroads Station today, Sunday, March 17th. You are invited to join us. This meal will be held shortly after the Contemporary worship service. Baked spaghetti, garlic bread, drinks, and table settings will be provided. Families will be providing dessert and salad.



Easter Eggstravaganza

The Children’s Ministries will have a children’s Easter celebration event on **Sunday, March 24th from 4-6 p.m.** *(Please notice that this is a change from the original date and time!)* Families are invited to join the children, and everyone attending is asked to meet in Crossroads Station for the beginning of this event.

There will be games, activities, food, and an egg hunt with over 500 eggs! There will be a special prize for the person who finds the Golden Egg! Children are invited to bring their friends and to bring an Easter basket for the egg hunt! Please sign up your children on the sign-up sheet in the Children’s Ministries area to help the leaders plan for this event.

If you would like to support this event, the Children’s Ministries invites you to donate small individually wrapped candy that can be used for the egg hunt. Candy donations should be placed in the lower level kitchen on or before Wednesday, March 20th.



Busch Trust Fund Community Luncheon

The Busch Trust Fund Community Luncheon will be held on Good Friday, March 29th at noon. This luncheon will be held in Crossroads Station. Anyone 60 years of age and older is invited to attend. Seating is limited, so please sign up early to reserve your place. You may sign up on the sheets in your Sunday school classroom, The Gathering Place, the Children’s Ministries area, or call the church office. The deadline to sign up is Friday, **March 22nd.**

Card Shower

We would like to bless a member of our church family who is having a special birthday very soon by showering this person with cards! If you would like to help, please pick up one of the small slips of paper located next to the FYI. This slip of paper has the information on it you will need to send a card.



Miscellaneous

Secret Sister

Ladies, if you missed the Secret Sister party but would still like to participate in exchanging names and praying for and encouraging another lady throughout this year while also being prayed for and encouraged, please contact the church office or put a note in the church secretary's mailbox in The Gathering Place. We will coordinate gathering the names over the next few weeks and then get them exchanged among the new group of ladies who would like to participate.



Leadership Guidelines and Review Form

If you are a leader in our church in any area of ministry and you have not completed your leadership form, we ask that you please complete it as soon as possible and return it to the church office. If you need a form, or if you are uncertain of whether or not you need to complete one, please contact the church office.

Changes to the FYI

We will be making a few changes to the FYI in the near future. The biggest change will be that the FYI will become a monthly newsletter rather than a weekly newsletter. Instead of distributing it each Sunday morning, we will distribute it on the last Sunday of the month for the upcoming month.

We are planning to have the first monthly newsletter go out at the end of March for the month of April. In order to do this, we are asking that all announcements and important information for events, activities, or programs be given to the church secretary by March 15th. As you are planning for future events and ministries, please consider any items you would like to have included in the newsletter.

Children's Chairs

There are some chairs in the Children's Ministries area that need good homes. If you have a need for some **small chairs**, please go to the lower level and check them out. Donations are appreciated.

There are also a few other items that the Children's Ministries leaders have placed on or around a table by the chairs. These are items they no longer need. You are welcome to take any of these items for free.

Host Families for Easter Lunch

The Outreach Committee would like to know if there are any families who would be willing to host a few college students for lunch after church on Easter Sunday. The committee is not sure yet if there will be any students who are interested in joining with a host family, but they would like to see if there is the possibility of having host families if the need arises.

Easter Schedule

March 24

- Palm Sunday (regular worship times)
- Children's Eggstravaganza—4-6 p.m.

March 27

- No Community Night

March 28

- Maundy Thursday Service 6:30 p.m. in the sanctuary with communion & footwashing

March 29

- Good Friday Busch Trust Fund Luncheon—12 p.m. (noon) in CRS

March 31

- Resurrection Sunday (regular worship times)
- Children's combined SS and children's church



Summer Camp

As you are planning your summer, don't forget to include summer camp! Our church will pay one-half of the cost for a week of camp at YoliJwa or Joy El for anyone (all ages including adults) who attends our church regularly. To make a request for the church to pay one-half of your camp fee, you need to complete a "Camp Funding Request Form". These forms have been revised due to the fact that both camps handle payments differently. Please pick up a form in the "Camp" drawer in The Gathering Place and follow the instructions.

Camp YoliJwa

Camp YoliJwa began online registration on March 1st! A schedule for YoliJwa's summer camps is posted on the bulletin board. You will also find their schedule and instructions for registration at www.campyolijwa.org. Also, we recently received a few brochures for Camp YoliJwa, but the camp has asked that they be taken by families that are new to summer camp. Since returning campers should have received a brochure in the mail. These brochures are located in the "Camp YoliJwa" drawer in The Gathering Place.

Joy El

Camp brochures for Joy El are here and are in the "Camp Joyel" drawer in The Gathering Place along with the newly revised request forms. You may also go to www.joyelcamps.org to get learn about their camp and to register.