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"All Beautiful the March of Days"

All beautiful the march of days,
as seasons come and go;
the Hand that shaped the rose hath wrought
the crystal of the snow;
hath sent the hoary frost of heav'n,
the flowing waters sealed,
and laid a silent loveliness
on hill and wood and field. ...

O Thou from whose unfathomed law the year in beauty flows, Thyself the vision passing by in crystal and in rose, day unto day doth utter speech, and night to night proclaim, in ever changing words of light, the wonder of Thy Name.

-Frances W. Wile











## PASTOR MESSAGE

Hi, St. Jacobians!!

Don't forget ASH WEDNESDAY coming up on Wednesday, February 26th! (5 P.M.)

See you then!

Blessings to all,

Pastor Bob

Rev. Robert P. Mitchell, BS Voice & Opera, M.Div.

Designated Pastor, St. Jacobi Lutheran Church, Shohola, PA

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## PRESIDENT MESSAGE:

Happy February! The ground hog says only six weeks of winter left. All we can do is hope it is true. We have survived half the winter and look forward to springtime - the longer days and flowers blooming and fresh produce at the local farmers' markets.

It has been six months since I became the council president of St. Jacobi. This is an interesting time for our congregation. We hope to find ways to improve our community. As we continue this path, I am always looking for ideas and things we can do to make this happen.

As spring comes, we need to be visible within the community as it expands during the summer and find opportunities for welcoming new people to our congregation.

Please make sure you keep up with events as we approach the Lent and Easter seasons. Come to our pancake breakfast on Palm Sunday, our Maundy Thursday potluck dinner and, most importantly, our Easter Sunday service.

Remember, I am always around to talk, listen, and discuss anything. My door is always open. If you have any concerns, questions, or ideas about anything at St. Jacobi, please don't feel that you can't discuss it with me.

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#### 2020 IMPORTANT DATES:

Feb 26th ASH WEDNESDAY - 5pm

March 1st- Coffee/Cake-Council meeting after church March 4th- Ladies Aid Meeting 1 pm

April 5th- PALM SUNDAY BREAKFAST 9-10:30am

9th- Holy Thursday service/ pot luck dinner 6 pm

10th- Good Friday- service St Lukes 7 pm

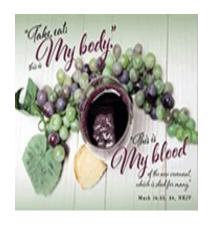
**Apr 12th Easter Sunday** 

#### WHAT IS HAPPENING:

Please remember our local food pantries. Food and monetary donations are always welcomed.



#### 2020- ENVELOPES ARE NOW IN THE NARTHAX-PLEASE DO NOT USE 2019 OR PREVIOUS ENVELOPES- PLEASE SEE PETRA. BRUCE OR GRACE IF YOU WOULD LIKE ENVELOPES. THANK YOU!



Lent has begun: a time for both walking with Jesus toward the cross and being strengthened in our faith and knowledge of God. Welcome to worship and to the Lenten journey.

CONTACT A LADIES AID MEMBER IF YOUU WOULD LIKE TO PLACE A EASTER FLOWER ON THE ALTAR OR MAKE A DONATION.



MARCH BIRTHDAY

**APRIL BIRTHDAY** 

14- Walter Prigge

3- Greg Protsko 9- Linda McKav

**MARCH ANNIVERSARY** 

25- Linda & Tom McKay

If you would like your Birthday, Anniversary or special date listed please contact Grace Criscione.

Email:purplegrace@hvc.rr.com or 845 856 8912

# Saying prayers for:

Ashley Cobb Chris Protsko Pat Friedrich

Brian Becker Katherine O'Toole Family of Rev Paul Spohn

Alfred Loeser Fran Nelson Barbara Scocossi
Sandra Faro Mark Pellettiere Lynn Salvati
Tom Vogel & family Lottie Hof Joe Carver

Keith Blaut Janice Iaccovino Peter

Bob & Valerie Cocchi Bob Mead Alma L Brown Keller

Hank Prigge Rene Farrar Marion Finch **Bud Ray** Lisa & TQ Smith Bianca Aran Nick Pellettiere Erin McCotter **Donald Colburn** Krischan Vogel Cheryl Jurgens E.B. Herling Shirley Kelly Mark Scaramastro Roseann Prigge George Nieke Tessie Stover Marc DaVita Robert Breuer Louise Kuhn Anna Marie Peterson

Paula Schlichter Kyle Petersen Family of Mike Hoey
Ari Deutsch Jackie Mundy Hope Traver

Ingrid Vogel Anne Widelock Lieselotte Hannemann

Trish Mead Pat McAuliffe-Hunkele Witt Davis

Linette Harding Petra Kluge Family of Jennifer Malzahn

Herta Zidek Robert Koehler Karl Nifontoff

PLEASE HELP KEEP THIS LIST CURRENT- Please contact, Grace Criscione, if you wish to add /or remove a name on the prayer list. I can be reached at 845 856 8912, or email: <a href="mailto:purplegrace@hvc.rr.com">purplegrace@hvc.rr.com</a> or <a href="mailto:stipcom">stjacobicouncil@yahoo.com</a>.

#### Send Cards to our friends:

Lottie Hof, Milford Sr Care, 264 Rte. 6 & 209, Milford, PA 18337 - She loves visitors.

Ms. Wilma Brown- PO Box 152, Eldred, N.Y. 12732-0152 845-557-6430

Mrs. Lieselotte Hannemann, 107 Hannmann Lane, Shohola PA 18458

Shine a little light into their lives by reaching out to them. If you know of others that would like to be included please contact: Dotty Luca 570-559-7489

#### **Remembering Dietrich Bonhoeffer**

The Christian church commemorates Dietrich Bonhoeffer - pastor, theologian, anti-Nazi spy - on April 9, the anniversary of his 1945 martyrdom. Among his much-loved writings are nuggets of wisdom such as these:

"Judging others makes us blind, whereas love is illuminating. By judging others we blind ourselves to our own evil and to the grace which others are just as entitled to as we are." (The Cost of Discipleship)

"In normal life we hardly realize how much more we receive than we give, and life cannot be rich without such gratitude. It is so easy to overestimate the importance of our own achievements compared with what we owe to the help of others." (Letters and Papers from Prison)

"The table fellowship of Christians implies obligation. It is our daily bread that we eat, not my own. We share our bread. Thus we are firmly bound to one another not only in the Spirit but in our whole physical being. The one bread that is given to our fellowship links us together in a firm covenant." (Life Together)

#### St. Jacobi Lutheran Church Scholarship Application

Please complete the application below and return to any council member. Deadline for applications is  $May 31^{St}$  Please type or print clearly.

#### Requirements:

- Graduating senior pursuing a post high school program, which requires tuition
- Proof of acceptance to post high school program (acceptance letter)
- Completed application
- Monthly attendance at services (or more)
- Participating member in good standing
- Volunteering time to the church community

Please use the space available below and the back to complete the following essay question:

Essay Question – How has your St. Jacobi community impacted your life?

# My Faith Story

This is part of the response to retreat. Please submit your faith stories so we can learn more about each other and our lives together as part of St Jacobi Family. (email: purplegrace@hvc.rr.com or give your story to any council member and they will get it to me) Thank you & God Bless!

# Helping our neighbors:

### Good Cheer Food Pantry

Located in St. Luke's Center (the lower level of St. Luke Pre-School) is open the First Sunday of each month from 10:30-11:30 AM. Thanks to all who donate their time, food and money...? It is truly appreciated. This is such a great service to our community! **PLEASE NOTE**: For further information please call 570- 226-3966. If your call is answered by an answering machine, please leave your name and a valid telephone number and a volunteer will call back.

Mission Support This year we are sponsoring Krystle Moraska-Madrussen who serves in Argentina/Uruguay.

Krystle is the Young Adults in Global Mission Country Coordinator for young adult volunteers serving in Argentina & Uruguay. She works with the companion church, the IELU, to support the relationships they have with United States & Canada based groups. Her contact info: Camacua 282,1406 DOF BuneonAires, Argentina or email: Krystle.moraska@elca.org

<u>Operation Christmas Child</u> Remember when shopping to pick up items for the shoe boxes.

Thanks to Petra for chairing this great outreach.

Remember that the Wednesday quilters (GOODWILL PIECE MAKERS) will meet Wednesdays at 9:00 a.m. @ St Jacobi's social hall; they do quilts for the different charities, shelters and homeless in Pike County and surrounding areas. Anyone interested in joining them in this endeavor would be so welcome. You don't have to be a quilter to help this group with their sewing. For information call Linda Moret: 570-559-7257 or Ingrid Vogel: 570-559-7206

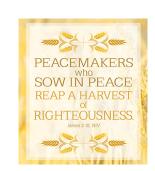
Ladies Aid News: meeting Mar 4, 2020 @ 1pm. New members are always welcomed. Come & join in the fun....

<u>Tuesday Quilters</u> are looking for members. You don't have to be a quilter. We do knitting, crocheting and needlework. If you want to learn how to quilt we would teach you. It is a great skill to pass on. We are meeting again on February 25<sup>th</sup> and are doing a table runner for anyone who is Interested. All of the ladies have different skills they can teach and share. If you want to learn a new craft come on by.

You can call me for details. My number is 570 685-1998. Linda McKay

Take care and God bless.





# Shohola Area Lions Club

# **Annual Pancake Breakfast**





8am to 11am St. Jacobi Lutheran Church 108 Glen Drive Shohola, PA



Proceeds help to support the programs that the Shohola Area Lion's club does... such as Kid Sight, Scholarships, Food Pantries, and helping the community.

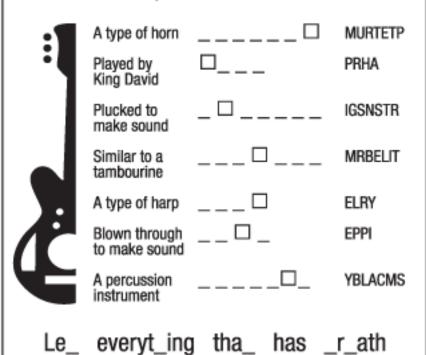


# Make music to the Lord

People of the Bible used many different instruments to worship God through music.



Directions: Using the clues, unscramble the names of instruments found in Psalm 150. Then write the circled letters in order in the spaces below to complete verse 6.

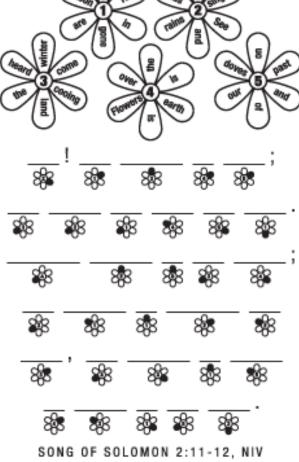


Let everything that has breath praise the LORD. Psalm 150:6, MIV Answer: trumpet, harp, strings, timbrel, lyre, pipe, cymbals;

raise the \_ORD. Psalm 150:6, NIV



# Using the flower code, fill in the blanks to complete the springtime words from Song of Solomon 2:11-12, NIV. CODE >



Jand. Song of Solomon 2:11-12, NIV singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our and gone. Howers appear on the earth; the season of Answer: Seel The winter is past; the rains are over

# March 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
11 am Service		Quilters 9am	Quilters 9am			
			Historical Society meeting			
8-11 am Service Coffee cake	9	10	11	12	13	14
Council meeting	Lions club 7:30 pm	Quilters 9am	Quilters 9am			
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11 am Service		Quilters 9am	Quilters 9am	e Spring		
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
11 am Service		Quilters 9am	Quilters 9am			
29	30	31				
11 am Service		Quilters 9am				

# April 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
			Quilters 9am			
			Historical Society meeting			
PALM 5	6	7	8	9	10	11
SUNDAY		Quilters 9am	Quilters 9am	HOLY THURS-	GOOD	
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11 am Service		Quilters 9am	Quilters 9am			
26	27	28	29	30		
11 am Service		Quilters 9am	Quilters 9am			



# PALM SUNDAY - APRIL 5th~~ 9am till 10:30 am ST. JACOBI SOCIAL HALL FREE TO ALL! PLEASE INVITE YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS & NEIGHBORS.

COLLECTING FOOD ITEMS FOR OUR LOCAL FOOD PANTRY.





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JOIN US FOR PALM SUNDAY SERVICE @ 11AM.