

WE: Event 3, May 24th, 6-8 pm : The Unshakable Promise, Covenant of Grace



This event is focused on how God renewed his covenant with the descendants of Abraham (and us!) by giving The Ten Commandments. A sign up sheet will be available on the foyer table.

Spring Clean Up Day- *whenever you have a moment*

Many hands make light work. There is a list of tasks in the foyer, including: Exterior work

- Removing debris and driveway stones from lawn areas
- Garden maintenance and work around the base of the building
- Interior work—Cleaning the foyer bricks to prepare for sealing
- General spring cleaning of windows and other interior spaces

There is equipment in the shed available (it is locked). Contact Doug Kingsbury or Leslie Hooper if you have questions.

Directory Update

You are invited to update your information in the directory. The new version is to be available in June.

- To change your contact information edit the copy in the foyer.
- If you are not in the directory: fill out the form and place it in the box or give it to Pastor Jeff.

Ecumenical Food Pantry



A meeting of current and new food pantry volunteers is scheduled for May 16 at 10:15 a.m. in the fellowship hall. This will be an opportunity for the “veteran” volunteers to reflect on and respond to client usage of the pantry, procedures, and finances. The event will serve as orientation for new volunteers. The meeting is open to all who have an interest in this ministry.

Your donations of non-perishable food are always appreciated. This month, we ask that you purchase canned fruits and spaghetti sauce as well as any other items you feel called to provide for those who are in need. THANK YOU!

Regular Happenings

Bible Study Tuesday: 1 pm-2:30 at the Spencer's house, studying the Scripture for the coming week in worship.

Bible Study Thursday: 3:30-4:30 p.m. at Marian Lynes' house, studying the book of Acts.

May

**Neighbors Eating Together
(NET) Dinners**

Wednesdays, 5-6:30 pm.

6th: Reformed Church

13th: Our Lady of the Valley R.C.

20th: Middleburgh United Methodist

27th: St. Mark's Lutheran

Join us for the last dinners until after summer!

Sunday School

May 3 - Sanctuary Cleaning Day 9:00am followed by regular SS

May 10 - regular SS

May 17 - Sanctuary Cleaning Day 9:00am followed by regular SS

May 24 - Memorial Day - **NO SS**

May 31 - regular SS (Lego Day)

On May 3 and May 17, please come at 9:00 am. We will do our cleaning (light tasks: sweeping, dusting, vacuuming) and then proceed to regular Sunday School.

May 10 and 31 will be regular days - 9:30 start.

There is no Sunday School on Memorial Day Weekend (5/24).

Operation Christmas Child

A gift opens doors; it gives access to the great." Proverbs 18:16



A little girl in Zambia cried tears of joy when she received three new pairs of socks in her shoebox. They were what she needed to complete her school uniform. Having them meant she could return to her classes. A deck of UNO cards received by a boy in Mexico led to his teenage sister 's participation in family activities after a long period of isolating herself. After receiving a washcloth, a Russian orphan boy was overcome to think that someone loved him enough to send him his own "personal towel." After sharing a towel with 20 boys, he was grateful for his small "towel!" Our simple gifts make a difference in the daily lives of those children who receive them. More important is the eternal impact they can make. Part of shoebox distributions is the sharing of the Good News!

THANK YOU to all who have been purchasing gifts for our 2015 packing party! ALWAYS be on the lookout for bargain gifts! During the month of May, please purchase **small stuffed animals**.

Financial Report January-March 2015

Not included in online version- see print copy

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