

DELLVILLE-NEW BLOOMFIELD-WALNUT GROVE  
UNITED METHODIST CHARGE  
NEWSLETTER APRIL 2026  
***THE WINDOW***

White symbolizes purity, holiness, joy, and the resurrection of Jesus Christ.



*Pastors Letter*

Dear Church,

As we enter into Holy Week, we are invited once again to walk the sacred journey, from the shouts of “Hosanna,” through the weight of the cross, and into the overwhelming joy of Easter morning. This is the heart of our faith: that even in the darkest moments, God is at work bringing life, hope, and redemption.

Easter reminds us that the story is not over. The empty tomb declares that death does not win, sin does not have the final word, and new life is always possible in Christ. That truth doesn’t just shape a single Sunday—it shapes who we are as a people every day. And I believe that resurrection life is stirring among us right now.

There are exciting things on the horizon as we continue to grow together. We are looking forward to launching a youth group, creating space for the next generation to encounter Jesus and build a meaningful community. We’re also preparing to begin a new Bible study, giving us an opportunity to go deeper in God’s Word and in our faith together.

These aren’t just programs, they are signs of life, growth, and the Spirit at work in our church.

I encourage you to fully enter into this season. Come to the services of Holy Week. Invite someone to join you for Easter. And be praying about how God might be calling you to take your next step—whether that’s joining a study, supporting our youth, or simply being present and engaged.

Christ is risen—and because He lives, there is so much ahead.

With hope and expectation,  
Pastor Kurtis

***Charge Staff***

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***OUR SERVICES***

NEW BLOOMFIELD

Worship: 9AM

and on FaceBook Live

Sunday School: 10:15AM

DELLVILLE

Sunday School: 9AM

Worship: 10:00AM

WALNUT GROVE

Worship: 11:15AM





## Holy Week Schedule

**Maundy Thursday:** April 2<sup>nd</sup> Dellville -7PM

**Good Friday:** April 3<sup>rd</sup> New Bloomfield-6PM

*The movie "The Passion of the Christ" will be shown. The film primarily covers the final twelve hours before Jesus Christ's death, known as "the Passion". It is the highest grossing Christian film of all time. However, it is not recommended for children.*

## Easter Sunday April 5th

Sunrise Service: Walnut Grove-6:30AM

Charge Service: Dellville-10AM

NEW BLOOMFIELD UMC

100 W Main Street, New Bloomfield, PA

DELLVILLE UMC

806 Dellville Road, Duncannon, PA

WALNUT GROVE UMC

9000 Creek Road, Newport, PA



- 1  
OUTREACH NB 5:30PM
- 2  
MAUNDY THURSDAY 7PM-D
- 3  
GOOD FRIDAY 6PM-NB
- 4  
FLEA MARKET 7AM
- 5  
EASTER SUNRISE-6:30-WG  
SERVICE-10-D
- 7  
UWF-7PM
- 9  
ADMIN COUNCIL-7-NB
- 11  
MEN'S GROUP 8AM  
NO IDLE HANDS NB 9:30AM
- 16  
TRUSTEE MEETING NB 7PM
- 18  
LIFE BANK 8AM
- 21  
SPRC AT WG-6:30
- 22  
MEN'S GROUP NB 6:30PM
- 24  
POTLUCK DINNER AT PARISH  
HOUSE 6PM

# ADULT SUNDAY SCHOOL: 2026 POCKETS OF OPPORTUNITY (POP)

The overall theme for our 2026 Pockets of Opportunity Class is "Invite All." This is part of our Church vision to: Love without Limits, Build Relationships, and Invite all to experience God's Love and Grace.

The April lessons are varied. We do not have POP on Easter Sunday (April 5<sup>th</sup>). Rabbi Akiva will be joining us on April 12. His topic will be on the construction and meaning of the Tabernacle built by the Israelites after their escape from Egypt. The biblical reference for the topic can be found in chapters 25 through 31 of the book of Exodus.

**On April 19<sup>th</sup>**, Dustin Saltzburg will lead a discussion on the "History of the Bible."

**On April 26<sup>th</sup>** and **May 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Rev. Pat Woolever will be leading the class on the topic of "Welcome and Hospitality".

POP is after the Worship Service. It starts at approximately 10:00 am with a time for coffee, tea, and snacks. It is held in the Church Overflow Room and lasts approximately 60 minutes. The lessons typically include group discussion. Please consider joining the class even if you do not attend the Worship Service. If is not necessary to attend every Sunday to benefit from the lessons.



The United Women in Faith will meet at the home of Katie Sheaffer on April 7 at 7 p.m. All women are welcome.



- 1 Bob Sheaffer-NB
- Terry Little-WG
- 3 Keith Quigley-NB
- 9 Marlin Raffensperger-NB
- Dawn Kniseely-NB
- 7 Joan Donnelly-NB
- 13 Deborah Urich-WG
- 17 Elaina Jo Saltzburg-NB
- 18 Beverly Hensch-NB
- 22 Todd Reisinger-WG
- 23 Dan Burge-WG
- 26 Kathleen Ness-NB
- 30 Tom Knisely-WG
- Kim Fitzpatrick-NB



**RECYCLE-PULL TABS  
(NON MAGNETIC)**

MINISTRY TO HELP CHILDREN  
AND FAMILIES STAYING AT  
THE RONALD MCDONALD  
HOUSE IN HERSEY



PRAYER CHAIN  
JOANN BRINER (NB)  
717-582-3538 OR  
SHIRLEY REISINGER (WG)  
717-589-7258  
IF YOU HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST



The regular Men's Group monthly breakfast will be on **April 11** at the Village Diner in Shermans Dale at 8:00 am.

The monthly Men's Group Activity will be on Wednesday, **April 22** at 6:30 pm in the Church Overflow Room.

Looking ahead, on **May 9** the Men's Group will again lead the "Spring Cleanup" of the Church Campus. As always breakfast will be provided. All members of the Charge are invited to participate



We have another financial education class coming up in April. These classes are important for our community because they help people to learn how to create a budget and live within their means. They also provide a great opportunity for participants to hear from others and learn from one another.

For each class, we like to offer baked goods to those attending. We typically ask for 12 baked goods (for example: all muffins, or small bags with a few cookies in each, etc.). We do ask that all baked goods be individually wrapped.

Dates we are in need:

April 1st, 8th, 15th and 22nd.

If you are interested in helping out or have any questions, please feel free to email me.

Thanks so much!

Erin

Administrative Assistant

Join Hands Ministry

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New Bloomfield, PA 17068

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# Thank You!

March 14, 2026

New Bloomfield UM Church  
PO Box 96  
New Bloomfield, PA 17068

Dear Members:

Thank you very much for your donation of \$125.00 to the New Bloomfield Fire Company. We assure you that donations, such as yours, are a very important part of our budget, and unless directed differently, will go directly to our general budget to continue 24/7, 365 protection of our emergency response district.

We appreciate your continued support and service to the New Bloomfield Fire Company.

Thank you.



Gary R. Eby  
Secretary

Registered 501C3 # 81-3394287



Thank you for your continued support of CWS Blankets. We are grateful to have you as a partner in mission and ministry.

You've helped provide more than just a blanket - you've provided peace of mind in a time of crisis. Thank you for being the hands and feet of love.

In peace,

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the Board of Directors of the New Bloomfield EMS I would like to thank you for your generosity of the donation sent for \$75.00.

It is because of people like you and your giving heart that enables us to provide the quality service we do to the community and feel good about what we do

Thanks again and may God Bless you.

Sincerely,



Rosie Campbell  
Secretary/Treasurer



February 19, 2026

New Bloomfield United Methodist Church  
PO Box 96  
New Bloomfield, PA 17068-0096

Dear Friends from New Bloomfield UMC,

Thank you for your generous gift of \$75 on 10/31 to Mission Central. Your support helps ensure that when someone reaches out in need, help is ready and waiting.

Because of donors like you, Mission Central can respond when families need medical equipment they cannot afford, when children need school supplies to succeed, when neighbors face food insecurity, and when communities are working to recover after hardship or disaster. Your generosity becomes a steady source of help for people navigating difficult moments.

Inside our 48,000 square foot warehouse, compassion is turned into action every day. Volunteers clean and repair medical equipment, assemble Hygiene Kits and Cleaning Buckets, sort clothing and school supplies, and prepare shipments for partners serving people across our region and around the world. Your gift is present in every one of these efforts.

Your support goes further through donated goods, volunteer power, and strong partnerships. Together, these allow Mission Central to multiply impact and deliver meaningful aid where it is needed most.

Please accept this letter as acknowledgment of your charitable gift to Mission Central. No goods or services were provided in exchange for your contribution.

We are grateful to stand with you in this work. Your generosity connects God's resources with human need and helps people rebuild stability, dignity, and hope.

With sincere thanks,



Hope Harrison  
Executive Director



Donations to Mission Central are tax deductible to the fullest extent of IRS tax laws. Pursuant to the federal tax code's requirement for substantiation of charitable contributions, Mission Central has not provided goods or services in return for your donation.



Thank you for your support!  
Hig UMC

Let us find your next adventure!

**Bloomfield Public Library**  
23 E. McClure Street . New Bloomfield, PA 17068  
717-582-7426

 Bloomfield Public Library  @bloomfield\_publiclibrary



The April NBUMC "Mission Focus" project is the:

## ANNUAL CONFERENCE MISSION DRIVE

Each year at Annual Conference offerings and/or materials are collected to support various UMC related projects. In the past this has supported such groups as the Preacher's Aid Society and Mission Central. This year the project is "Collecting Items for Mission Central Kits." We are asked for help in filling in the gaps for two kits (Activity Kit & Care Kit) that Mission Central volunteers prepare and ship. As part of the River Valley District, we are asked to provide hand towels and erasers. The collected items will be taken to Annual Conference by the Pastor and Lay Delegates.



### Food Bank Hours

Monday: 8:45-11:45 AM & 1-3 PM

Tuesday: 1-3PM & 4-6PM

Wednesday: 8:45-11:45AM & 1-3PM

Thursday: 8-11:45AM

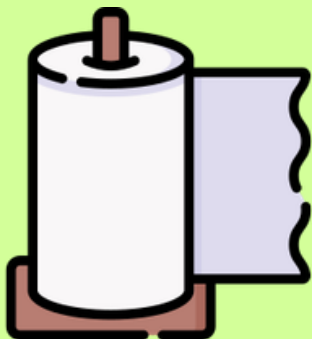
### April Collection Suggestions:

Juice & Jelly

Other nonfood related items are very helpful

Personal care items, cleaning products, household paper products and laundry products

Donations of mixed items are always welcome! Donation do not have to be limited to the items we have listed-these are only suggestions



The children's Sunday school class will collect paper towels and dimes in April.

A total of \$34.01 was collected in the dime jar in March.

Thank you to everyone who donated dimes and paper towels.

# OPEN HOUSE

9AM-1PM

- \*EXPERIENCE JHM'S HEALTHY INITIATIVE WITH "FIELD TO BELLY" FOOD TRUCK.
- \*MEET BOARD MEMBERS, STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS
- \*SEE JHM IN ACTION AND VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES
- \*HEAR WHAT GOD HAS BEEN DOING THIS PAST YEAR



ALL PASTORS, MISSIONS DIRECTORS,  
BENEVOLENCE LEADERS & CHURCH LEADERSHIP  
ARE INVITED TO OUR OPEN HOUSE

**21**  
**APRIL**

**JOIN HANDS MINISTRY**

**20**

51 S. CHURCH STREET  
NEW BLOOMFIELD, PA 17068

[www.joinhandspa.com](http://www.joinhandspa.com)

**26**



**MISSION  
CENTRAL**

# Collection Calendar April

Hand Towels, Nail Clippers and Gallon Ziploc Bags

*New Bloomfield UMC*

**silent**  
auction

The New Bloomfield United Methodist Church Silent Auction will be held during the September 12<sup>th</sup> 2026 Street Fair. The proceeds for this fundraiser will go toward the growth of the church. If you would like to donate any new, vintage, antique or collectible item or would like to sponsor an item via a monetary donation, please contact Peg McPherson (717-512-5355), Wanda Parfitt (717-756-6473), or Rachel Beaston (717-215-1757). Thank You!



**Bible school  
June 22nd & 23rd @ 6-8:30 p.m.  
Our theme is  
Galaxy- Launching kids on a mission of God's love.**

# GOD'S CREATION



The United Methodist Church celebrates God's gracious work in creating the earth and all living things with the "Festival of God's Creation."

Our United Methodist Social Principles state: "All creation is the Lord's, and we are responsible for the ways in which we use and abuse it. Water, air, soil, minerals, energy resources, plants, animal life, and space are to be valued and conserved because they are God's creation and not solely because they are useful to human beings. God has granted us stewardship of creation. We should meet these stewardship duties through acts of loving care and respect."

We are encouraged to celebrate Earth Day on April 22. The official theme for 2026 is "Our Power, Our Planet." The theme reflects a fundamental truth that transcends political cycles:

- Environmental stewardship has never depended on a single administration, institution, or election.
- It is sustained by the daily decisions of communities, educators, workers, innovators, and families who understand that protecting the places they live and work is both a responsibility and a long-term investment.

It is interesting to note that one of the two pillars of Earth Day includes the statement that "stewardship of the Earth isn't political, it's biblical." In support of Earth Day and our Social principles, each week in April we will provide everyday situations/steps that each of us can execute to protect God's creation. Also, in June, we will have a special "Family Pockets of Opportunity" (Sunday School) outside of the Church to explore God's creation.



# CENTRAL PERRY SENIOR CENTER

Since November 2025 we have been donating food items to the Central Perry Senior Center located in New Bloomfield. The Center had requested our help due to funding cuts that have impacted their lunch programs. The Center is working to fill the void by preparing a limited number of meals for those folks that are not able to come to the Center. The list below shows items that are needed on a regular basis. Items that are needed on a weekly basis are noted in the weekly Worship bulletin. Please drop them off at the Center or contact Zeke Morrow (717) 636-8173 if you are interested in donating or have any questions. Monetary donations are also accepted, and we will purchase the food items and deliver them to the Center. We will continue to provide updates.

## ITEMS NEEDED ON A REGULAR BASIS

|                                   |                                       |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| Cans of Kidney Beans              | Chicken breast for salad (4-6 lbs)    |
| Drink boxes (at least 12)         | Pineapple (at least 4 cans)           |
| Cheese cubes                      | Sweet potato fries or wedges          |
| Pudding (at least 12 small cups)  | Sausage patties (at least 12)         |
| Milk (Gallon)                     | Hot Cocoa Packets (12 packets)        |
| Stewed tomatoes (2 cans)          | Chicken nuggets (at least 48 in box)  |
| Chicken Patties (at least 12)     | Cans of Soup (at least 4 cans)        |
| Apples (4 cans)                   | Elbow Macaroni (at least 2 boxes)     |
| Baked Beans (1 big can)           | Bags of Corn Chips                    |
| Garlic Bread (at least 12 slices) | Fresh Fruit (at least 12, any kind)   |
| Shredded mozzarella cheese        | Can Potatoes whole or sliced (4 cans) |
| Frozen meatballs (at least 36)    | Baby Carrots (3 bags)                 |
| English Muffins (at least 12)     | Bottles of ketchup                    |



Come get some great bargains at our Flea Market!

April 4<sup>th</sup> at 7AM

If you have stuff at home and want to donate please let us know.

Spring Cleaning is Here!



## Online Registration

Register for camp by visiting our website at [suscrm.org](http://suscrm.org) and click the "Register Online" button.

### Register Now, Pay Deposit by May 1st

Sign up for camp and pay now or later! You don't have to pay right away. A 50% deposit of your total household **summer camp balance will be due by May 1, 2026**. By this date we will be looking for complete registration and medical forms, along with the 50% deposit in order to hold your spot at camp. Your full and final camp balances will be due two weeks prior to the start of your camp event. Outstanding balances are subject to cancellation.

## REGISTER ONLINE TODAY at [SUSCRM.ORG](http://SUSCRM.ORG)

Select an event based on the grade your camper will complete Spring of 2026

*Registration for each event closes two weeks before the event.*

For our most-up-to-date details on camp programming, go to [suscrm.org](http://suscrm.org).



## Discounts/Scholarships

### Early Bird Discount

Register for summer camp by May 1, 2026 to receive a **\$25 early bird discount**.

Early bird only applies to summer events unless otherwise listed.

### Sibling Discount

Register the first child at full price and each additional sibling receives a **\$25 discount** off their camp event.

### Refer-A-Friend

Refer a friend who has never been to a Susquehanna Conference camp, and receive **\$50 off** your total summer camp balance. For each **NEW** friend you invite that completes their registration and deposit by May 1st, you'll receive \$50 off your total summer camp balance.

\*Make sure both you and the friend(s) you refer complete the Refer-A-Friend form during registration prior to May 1st.

*\*Please Note: Discounts do not apply to weekend, family, travel camps, or day camp events unless otherwise listed.*

*Discounts can be stacked.*

### Partial Scholarships Available!

The Susquehanna Conference Camp & Retreat Ministry has limited partial scholarships available for families that may need financial assistance. Our scholarship program now offers assistance to help cover up to **50% the total cost of camp**. Scholarship applications can be found on our website at [suscrm.org](http://suscrm.org).

If additional assistance is needed, please check with your church or local community for additional support, or give us a call at 717-766-7395. While full scholarships aren't guaranteed, we're happy to talk with you about what might be possible.

# Dellville

NEWS

## Vacation Bible School

### April Mission



## FREE COMMUNITY EASTER EGG HUNT



Saturday, April 4th at 11 AM  
Dellville Church  
Prizes, hot dogs, snacks  
and drink.  
Come and enjoy the fun.

## VBS

Dellville, Roseglen, and Snyder's Bible School will be held at Snyder's Church the week of June 8-12. Classes from preschool to ninth grade are available. The time is 8:45am to 11:30am. Teachers and helpers are needed. Bible stories, workbook, snacks, singing, recess, crafts and plenty to do! Any questions please ask Marsha. It will be an awesome week! Praise God for teaching children the Word of God!!

Sent from my iPhone



April  
5,12,19,26,  
Lisa Hadik  
Journey  
through the  
Bible



### Community Good Friday Service

A community Good Friday service sponsored by the Duncannon Council of Churches will be held at God's Missionary Church, 301 N High St Duncannon on April 3rd from noon to 3 PM. Pastors/lay leaders from the community will speak on Jesus' Seven Last Words from the cross. All are welcome.



Like to play Softball? Join the Dellville church softball team! Games are on Mondays, May through end of August (7 pm start). Contact Christina Zook at

717-557-6853