

Jacob's Ladder

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PURPOSE

To keep the members and friends of Jacob's Church informed of the ministries and happenings at our church and in the surrounding community to be **The Church on a Hill, Shining Forth for Jesus Christ**

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The Pastor's Epistle

"HOW DO YOU SPELL RELIEF?"

I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills, from whence cometh my help. My help cometh from the Lord, who made heaven and earth. Psalm 121:1,2 KJV

During difficult and stressful times it is a relief to find someone who is truly able to provide help. I continually rely on God's Word to provide for my needs. The promises of God found in Scripture shed light on my path and lighten the burdens that life often provides.

Jesus Christ said to his followers of all ages "My peace I give unto you." When I need relief from the cares of life I spell J E S U S C H R I S T, the Word of God who became flesh. John 1:14

Listed below I have provided some scriptural resources which I have found meaningful. As we enter 2017 I would suggest that you turn to these scriptures for help and encouragement.

When suffering afflictions	Psalm 34:19; II Corinthians 4:17
When being treated unfairly	I Peter 2:19-23; I Peter 4:12-15
When facing temptation	James 1:2-4, 12-15; I Corinthians 10:13
When lonely and depressed	Hebrews 13:5; Psalm 23
When seeking guidance	Proverbs 3:5,6; James 1:5
When in need of forgiveness	I John 1:9; Hebrews 4:15,16
When weary and in need of rest	Matthew 11:28-30; Galatians 6:9
When feeling weak and inadequate	II Corinthians 12:9,10; Philippians 4:13
When burdened with many problems	Psalm 55:22; I Peter 5:7
When seeking peace in time of turmoil	John 14:27; John 16:33; Philippians 4:6,7
When facing danger	Psalm 91; Psalm 121
When driven by selfish desire	I John 2:15-17; Psalm 106:13-15; Philippians 4:8
When facing sorrow	II Corinthians 1:3-5; Romans 8:26-28
When in need of courage	Ephesians 6:10-13; Psalm 138:3
When in doubt of God's keeping power	Philippians 1:6; I Peter 1:5
When in financial need	Psalm 34:10; Philippians 4:19
When your patience is being tried	James 1:2-4; Romans 8:28,29
When defeated by pride	Philippians 2:3-8; I Corinthians 4:7
When seeking God's standard	Matthew 5:48; Matthew 22:36-40

Let us give thanks that we have God's Word to comfort, counsel, and convict us. May the Lord bless you!
Pastor Shay

Jacob's Church Board Minutes

November 7, 2016

Attendance:

Pastor: Scott Shay

Elders: Ralph Hill, Dave Zoghby, Lou Schimpf

Deacons: Leslie Ford, Ron Belknap, Gary Readnack, Jim Moyer, Dick Oswald,
Ned Rauch-Mannino

Ministry Assistant: Jim Reppert

Treasurer: David Follweiler

1. Meeting opened with prayer by Pastor Shay
2. Employee Reviews are still being scheduled. There is an effort to get them done before the end of the year.
3. Jim Reppert is still working with the website administrator to get the mailboxes set up.
4. Youth groups has been managing to get enough help for each meeting
5. The area beside the entrance door of the Activity Center will be closed off to create needed additional storage space.
6. The Church's insurance company has more questions regarding last month's request for a Counseling Ministry by Diane Wertman. Once we have the answers, the request will be discussed further.
7. The Board is open to hearing more information about the Evangelical Association when Rev. Jim Barnes comes back into the area next year.
8. The use of Jacob's Church has been requested for a wedding on June 10th. Lou Schimpf motioned to accept the request. Ralph Hill seconded and the motion carried.
9. 27 people will be attending the Adult Retreat on November 13th. Coverage for that morning's service is scheduled.
10. Pastor Shay requested vacation on November 20th. Coverage for the service was scheduled.
11. The proposed budget for 2017 was reviewed and David Follweiler will finalize the numbers for the Congregational Meeting.
12. The annual Congregational Meeting will be held December 4th following the Blended Service. On the agenda will be the 2017 budget and the election of new Deacons and Elders. No Revive service that day.
13. Pastor Shay requested an additional week of vacation time. A motion was made by Ralph Hill to grant the request. Ron Belknap seconded, the motion carried.
14. Karen Freeman offered to donate Jacob's Church's original treadle organ back to the Church. It was decided to accept the donation.
15. Stephanie Rauch-Mannino requested to update the nursery room. Broken toys will be removed, extra seating will be added and the rugs will be cleaned by Lou Schimpf.
16. Treasurer's report was presented by David Follweiler as follows:

Balance at October 2016 Meeting		\$14,276.52
Income	\$45,543.25	
Transfer from Reserve Fund	\$10,000.00	
Expenses	\$27,903.09	
Balance at September 2016 Meeting		\$41,916.68

Motion was made to accept it by Ned Rauch-Maninno and seconded by Dick Oswald.

Motion carried.

17. Faye Foulk, Activity Director, would like the board to look into the Activity Center fees and provide further clarification and possible updates. The board will also review wedding and funeral fees.

18. The minutes for the October 9th special meeting will be updated to reflect the attendance of Ned Rauch-Maninno. A motion was made by Ned Rauch-Maninno to accept the minutes from the October 2016 meetings with the edit. Dick Oswald seconded and the motion carried.
19. At 9:30 PM a motion was made by Ned Rauch-Maninno to close the meeting and was seconded by Gary Readnack. Motion Carried.

Respectfully Submitted,
Leslie Ford

At our December 6, 2015 Annual Congregational Meeting, we voted to contribute \$4,735.00 per week in order to meet our 2016 budget. The following tithes and offerings were collected in November, 2016:

November 6	\$ 5,583.00
November 13	\$ 2,239.00
November 20	\$ 3,372.00
November 23 (Thanksgiving Eve)	\$ 181.00
November 27	\$14,908.40

Budgeted Tithes and Offerings for January – November	\$227,280.00
Actual Tithes and Offerings for January – November	\$204,208.23
Deficit for January – November	\$ 23,071.77

ORGAN ENHANCEMENT FUND - Your donations to this fund will be used for additional pipes required to complete families of tone in conjunction with fine organ design and building. This money is in addition to the \$65,505.00 voted on at the December 1, 1996 meeting to restore our organ and prepare for the additions. All donations should be sent to:

Jacob's Church Treasurer
C/O David Follweiler
6893 Whitetail Court
New Tripoli, PA 18066

Greeters/Ushers for January	
Jan. 1	Solomon & Ginger Johri & Family
Jan. 8	Church Board
Jan. 15	Corrine Bast, Faye Billig, Betsy Hauser, Louise Hill
Jan. 22	Confirmation Class
Jan. 29	Alex & Connor Hill, Isaiah & Elijah Johri

Flowers for January	
Jan. 1	
Jan. 8	
Jan. 15	
Jan. 22	
Jan. 29	Marie Gabrielson

Cost of Flowers for Sunday Service:	
(2) Altar vases	\$25.00
(1) Floral stand	\$15.00
Bud vase	\$10.00
Contact Pam Zoghby to Order Flowers 610-298-3002	

Home Communion

WORLD WIDE AND ADVENT COMMUNIONS WERE ADMINISTERED BY PASTOR SHAY

William Ruppert
Shirley Ruppert
Eddie Bartholomew
Lester Lutz
Linda Lutz
Gary Womer
Elva Hartman
Betty Estok

Russell Hartman
Madeline Seidel
Kathleen Rumfield
Hermie Schappell
Karen Moyer
Ray Moyer
Arlene Hamm
Howard Hamm

Sympathy

We extend our sincere sympathy to the family of **Ralph W. Dietrich** who went home to be with the Lord December 15, 2016. The service was held in Jacob's Church on December 22 with Pastor Bob Campbell officiating and Pastor Scott L. Shay assisting. The interment was at Jerusalem Red Church in Kempton.

January Wedding Anniversaries

Congratulations and best wishes to the following couples

Randy and Karen Dietrich
Charles and Ruth Kaley
Joshua and Amanda Rex
Ryan and Katie Reigel



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Baptisms

On December 11, 2016, we celebrated the baptism of *Kacie Leigh Wessner*, born June 30, 2016. She is the daughter of James and Melinda (Hamm) Wessner of New Tripoli. Her sponsors are Gary and Cheryl Mengel. Kacie has three siblings: Marissa, Tucker, and Shelby.

We celebrate with Major Michael and Vanessa (Bedard) Stepan in the baptism of their daughter, *Arlyn Elizabeth Stepan*, born November 11, 2016. Arlyn has a brother, Bradley, 2 years old.

We were truly blessed Sunday, November 27, 2016, with a double baptism. This was the first time we celebrated this for many years! One of the children receiving baptism was *Julian Alexander Miller* who was born April 29, 2016. He is the son of Aubrey and Jeffrey Miller from New Tripoli. His sponsors are Ashley Lovell and Antonio Morales.

Also receiving baptism Sunday, November 27, 2016, was *Etta Marian Moyer* who was born July 22, 2016. She is the daughter of Orin and Ginger Moyer from Lenhartsville. Etta has three siblings: Reeves age 6, Leif age 4, and Jada age 2.

We praise God for our wonderful children and their potential to serve Jesus Christ and His church!

Thank You

A Special Note From An Operation Christmas Child Volunteer:

Dear Jacob's Church Family,

It is a privilege to join together with others who make OCC (Operation Christmas Child) a part of their missions and outreach plans.

Thank you for blessing children with your shoebox gifts. Your gifts will bring hope, joy and the Good News of Jesus Christ to children in need.

More and More churches are being formed because of the impact of these simple gifts on the children and their families. In addition, the follow-up discipleship program, the Greatest Journey, is teaching the children to share the message of salvation through Jesus.

Thank you again.
In Christ's Love,
Donna Snyder
OCC Volunteer

Dear Jacob's Church Family,
Thank you for the candy and mug.
Kathleen Rumfield

Please Note

Last month Jacob's Church Board received a letter from Brenda Phillips notifying us that she is retiring as Music Director of Jacob's Church. We are thankful for Brenda's faithful service, and we will miss her as our music leader. We pray for God's blessing on her and Earl as they continue their service to the Lord.

Worship Schedule!!! – Please take note of the times of our Sunday School and Worship:

9:00 am Sunday School & Confirmation Class
10:00 am Blended Worship in the Sanctuary
11:15 am Revive Worship in the Activity Center

New Year Communion will be celebrated on Sunday January 1st during our 10:00 am worship service. This communion will be served in the pews.

Sponsor Flowers A chart has been placed inside the entrance on the east side of the church. What a thoughtful way to remember loved ones, celebrate anniversaries and birthdays! We encourage you to reserve your date by signing the chart or by contacting Pam Zoghby at 610-298-3002. Payment is due the day you sponsor the flowers. Make checks payable to Jacob's Church.

Cost of flowers:	(2) Altar Vases	\$25.00
	(1) Floral Stand	\$15.00
	Bud Vase	\$10.00

The Mid-Week Bible Study Resumes Wednesday, January 4 and every Wednesday from 7:00 – 8:30 pm in the fellowship hall in the downstairs of the Church.

Have You Made A New Year's Resolution Yet? Here's a suggestion: read through the Bible this year. Use the Reading Schedule in the newsletter as a guide.

Address & Phone Number Changes: If your address or phone number has changed, please notify the church secretary, Cindy Kuhns, so the change can be made in the 2017 Membership Directory.

Note From Our Pastor – If anyone would like to have a pastoral visit with Pastor Scott, please call him at 610-298-2602 or his cell phone 484-695-4021. Fellowship and visitation are always wonderful blessings.

Church Closing Announcements due to inclement weather can be found on:

- ✓ On our website, jacobschurch.org
- ✓ On Facebook
- ✓ Broadcasted on WFMZ TV CHANNEL 69 NEWS STORM CENTER.



Youth Events!

- KFC Pizza Party January 11
- Sr. and Jr. High Grace Event – January 15
- Winter Jam – January 19
- Sr. High Fellowship Meal & Bowling – January 21
- Wing Night – February 4
- KFC Popcorn & Movie Night – February 8
- Twin Pines Retreat – February 24-26

JACOB'S CHURCH

"THE CHURCH ON A HILL, SHINING FORTH FOR JESUS CHRIST"

ACTIVITY CENTER REPORT

December 27, 2016

The following activities were held in the Jacob's Church Activity Center during the month of December.

- Twirling practice was held on Friday, December 1, 8, 15, and 29, beginning at 6:00pm and ending approximately at 9:00pm.
- KFC meetings were held on Wednesday, December 7, 14 and 21, beginning at 6:00pm and ending approximately at 7:30pm. Junior High Youth Group meetings were held on Thursday, December 1, 8, 15 and 22 beginning at 6:30pm and ending approximately at 8:45pm. Please contact James Reppert for Senior High Youth Group meetings.
- The Well Home School Group meets each Monday morning in the Activity Center.
- Preschool Mommie and Me meet each Wednesday morning 9:00 to 11:30am.
- Private celebrations were held on Saturday, December 3 and 10. Jacob's Church hosted the funeral service for Nancy H. nee Nolt Leinbach, 54 of Kempton who passed away on Wednesday, November 23, 2016. The services were held in the church and Activity Center on Sunday, November 27 and Monday, November 28. Nancy was the wife of Leon Leinbach, members of the Blue Mountain Mennonite Fellowship.
- Team X Flag Football practice was held in the Activity Center on Thursday, December 7 and 14.
- Jacob's Revive Ministries continue to use the Activity Center on Sunday mornings.
- The Women's Prayer Group continues to use the meeting room on Tuesday mornings.
- The Men's Prayer Breakfast Group continues to use the meeting room on Wednesday mornings.
God Bless You, Faye M Foulk



Jacob's Church Music Ministry Report 2016

"A Psalm of David. I will sing of steadfast love and justice; to you, O LORD, I will make music" [Psalm 101:1]

The Ministry of Music is developed by each Sunday's morning worship of the church. We are thankful for those who faithfully support the ministry and we were all blessed. Through many prayers the Spirit of God is always upon us and the glory of God is so rich in the music ministry. Thank you Lord! The ministry helps us to fulfill the God-given vision, by helping people from our community to know our Lord Jesus Christ, to develop their relationship with Christ and with men. "God is Love"

The Present Choir Members	The Voices
1. Beverly Hosler	Soprano
2. Donna Smith	Soprano
3. Esther Herschitz	Soprano
4. Joan Oswald	Soprano
5. Judith Readnack	Soprano
6. Nia Fratrik	Soprano
7. Christine Morehouse	Alto
8. Donna Shay	Alto
9. Louise Hill	Alto
10. Mary Van Blargan	Alto
11. Pamela Zoghby	Alto
12. David Follweiler	Tenor
13. Earl Phillips	Tenor
14. David Zoghby	Bass
15. Gary Readnack	Bass
16. Ralph Hill	Bass
17. Solomon Johri	Bass
The Praise Team Members	Instruments
1. Lou Schimpf	Guitar
2. Ruth Seither	Guitar
3. Sue Mannino	Guitar
4. Joan Oswald	Djembe
5. Brenda Phillips	Keyboard
6. The Singers	Christine Morehouse, Earl Phillips, Solomon Johri and The Choir Members
2016 Special Music	The Instruments
1. Donna Smith	Solo Vocal

2. VBS Children's Songs	Group Chorus
3. Beverly Hosler	Solo Vocal
4. Sue Mannino	Solo Vocal/Guitar
5. Brenda Phillips	Solo Vocal
6. Elijah Johri	Solo Vocal/Piano
7. Elisabeth Long	Solo Vocal
8. Donna Shay Louise Hill Pamela Zoghby	Trio Vocal
9. Lou Schimpf	Solo Vocal/Guitar
10. Donna Shay Donna Smith	Duet Vocal
Christmas Cantata	Seasonal
Breath of Heaven Arranged by: Russell Mauldin Created by: Russell Mauldin & Sue C. Smith	Christmas Cantata December 18 th , 2016, Sunday 10:00 in the morning Choir Members Solo-Beverly Hosler Jacob's Church Kids
Christmas Eve Service	Seasonal December 24 th , 2016 7:30 in the evening Choir Members Solo-Beverly Hosler Duet-Dave Follweiler & Pamela Zoghby Solo Piano (Prelude) – Elijah Johri
The Sacred Dance Group	
1. Faye Foulk	
2. Donna Smith	
3. Diane Fusselman	
4. Kayla Fusselman	
PowerPoint Technology	Elijah & Ginger Johri
Sound System	Ron Belknap, Earl Phillips, Isaiah Johri, Connor Hill, Owen Snyder & Joey Waidelich

Thank you very much for those who came to serve and support the ministry. Thank you to the Music Ministry Committee, **Christine Morehouse, Louise Hill and Pamela Zoghby**. They greatly help the ministry through the Spirit of God and we were all blessed. Thank you **Cindy Kuhns** for preparing all our music printed in the Sunday bulletin and Cantata. Thank you again **Earl Phillips** for all his assistance. Thank you Lord! **Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!** **"Music Will Last Forever"**

Submitted by: Brenda Phillips/ October 27, 2016

November Ministry Assistant Report

At the Oyster Supper I helped organize the youth help and assisted Donna Smith with seating. I had a great time working with the students and Donna. She did a great job keeping everyone in order to be seated. Our students did a great job keeping busy with all that had to be done on the floor. I am very proud of them and I am impressed with their commitment to serving for the night.

The annual shoe box ministry came upon us quickly in November. I had been planning the behind the scene items for about month before the announcement to the congregation. I purchased the boxes to fill and ordered the literature for the outreach ministry. We as a church put together 159 boxes to reach children for Christ. We had a time of prayer for the boxes during the Revive Service on the Sunday before they were delivered to Grace Community Church.

My college classes are going well. By the middle of December I will only have 2 classes to finish in the next year. I will have one in the spring and my final class will be in the fall of 2017 because of college scheduling. I have enjoyed the experience and can't believe that it has been two and half years since I have started this journey. I want to thank the church for all the support and giving me the opportunity to see the schooling through.

Revive has been going well. We continue to see new people come to the service. We have a new family that has been coming for a little while. One of them will be playing a Jamba with James during our worship. I am very excited to see how God is going to work though this opportunity. I have been teaching some mini-series. I am beginning to plan the 2017 outreach schedule for Jacob's Church Revive.

Psalm 9:9-12

**⁹ The LORD is a stronghold for the oppressed,
a stronghold in times of trouble.**

**¹⁰ And those who know your name put their trust in you,
for you, O LORD, have not forsaken those who seek you.**

**¹¹ Sing praises to the LORD, who sits enthroned in Zion!
Tell among the peoples his deeds!**

**¹² For he who avenges blood is mindful of them;
he does not forget the cry of the afflicted.**

November Youth Report

First event in November was the Annual Oyster Supper. Our students look forward to this event. When I advertise that we need help for this event the students are enthusiastic. We had a great turn out of students to help serve, clean tables, help with desserts and many more jobs. They did a great job and I believe the night was a great success of bringing many people together and sharing the love of Jesus with each other and the people who came to be served.

The next day after the Oyster Supper we took the youth group shopping for O.C.C. It has become an annual event for our youth group. We go for pizza and then take the kids shopping for items to fill the shoe boxes. We give them a dollar amount to spend and set them loose at the Dollar tree. They are very creative shoppers. During the week at youth group we filled the shoe boxes. After we were finished filling them, we all prayed over the boxes.

This year we moved the Annual New Life Retreat to November so that we could partake in the outreach event "Light the Night." We took 27 students and adults to Bedford for the weekend trip. We met up with a church that we had met a few years back and enjoyed the weekend with them. The weekend consisted of food, games, sky swing and many group activities. I spoke about becoming "Reloaded." This year we enjoyed a segment of Tim Hawkins who is a Christian comedian.

Sr. high has been meeting every third and fourth Monday night. I plan group activities to do. We do anything from movies, games in the gym to going out to eat together.

Coming up:

January 11	KFC Pizza Party
January 15	Sr. and Jr. High Grace Event
January 19	Winter Jam
January 21	Sr. High Fellowship and Bowling
February 4	Wing Night
February 8	KFC popcorn and Movie night
February 24-26	Twin Pines Retreat

PASTOR'S REPORT - NOVEMBER 1, 2015 TO OCTOBER 31, 2016

The following statistics are a few "outward signs" of the ministry at Jacob's Church. Only God the (Father, Son and Holy Spirit can truly judge the spiritual significance of this and any other ministry.)

- (1) Between November 1, 2015 and October 31, 2016, Pastor Shay traveled 5,565 miles in performing his ministerial duties. This averages out to 464 miles per month, over this 12 month period.
- (2) Between November 1, 2015 and October 31, 2016, Pastor Shay conducted (4) Weddings.
- (3) Between November 1, 2015 and October 31, 2016, Pastor Shay conducted (16) Funerals, (8) were members of Jacob's; (8) were non-members.
- (4) Between November 1, 2015 and October 31, 2016, Pastor Shay administered (7) Baptisms.
- (5) Between November 1, 2015 and October 31, 2016, Pastor Shay served (66) Home Communions.

Only our God is able to fully evaluate our worship and ministry. May we have a vision at Jacob's for reaching souls with the love of Jesus Christ in 2017.

May the Lord Bless You!
Pastor Shay

Annual Youth Report 2016

January:

- *Annual group building event to Winter Jam.
- *KFC Annual Pizza
- *Jr High Lock-in
- *Sr. High youth group moved to Sunday afternoons at Spade

February:

- *Wing Night took place on February 6
- *KFC had their Annual Popcorn and Movie Night outreach
- *Twin Pines Youth Retreat
- *Sr. High has been meeting at Spade for their fellowship

March:

- *Annual Egg hunt
- *Served at the Pig Stomach supper
- *Youth group served the scouts their banquet meal. JJ went and got all the food for the dinner.

April:

- *Took youth to the Lifes Choices walk
- *Youth group picnics for all the groups

Summer:

- *Knoebels was the first event on the list.
- *We had scheduled a campout and bonfire at my parent's farm for the second event. Due to weather we moved it into the Activity Center.
- *Annual stop at the Foulk's pool
- *Ice cream giveaway at the Townhomes.

September:

- *New for the 2016-2017 youth season was an all youth group kickoff
- *Annual Youth Sunday service

COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR 2016

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The Christian Education Committee met this year and the following activities were approved and supported:

- Children of the church sang Christmas songs as their Christmas Program
- Easter Egg Hunt, including a teaching using “Resurrection Eggs” to give children understanding of the meaning of Easter
- Vacation Bible School (Ocean Commotion) was very well attended
- Children’s Sunday School at 9:00 am is currently led by Mary Van Blargan and Jim Moyer
- Children’s Church is led by Jane Wessner each Sunday during worship
- Youth Group activities including KFC (Kids For Christ) and KFC Fair.
- Little Lambs Pre-School has an attendance of over 30 children. Their activities include field trips, a Christmas program, Father/Child Dinner, and a May Graduation Ceremony

Thanks to all the members of the church for their prayers and support.

Submitted by Jane Wessner

ALTAR COMMITTEE

The Altar Committee works yearlong to keep our sanctuary looking festive. We serve the church each Sunday by preparing the altar for services (changing altar covers according to the season), post the hymn numbers, prepare the elements of bread and wine for communion services, set up the candles in the aisles for the Advent season, and decorate the Christmas tree.

We order and arrange flowers for the Sunday morning services and special occasions.

To sponsor flowers, a chart has been placed inside the entrance on the East side of the church. What a thoughtful way to remember loved ones, celebrate anniversaries and birthdays! We encourage you to reserve your date by signing the chart or by contacting any member of the committee:

Cost of flowers:	(2) Altar Vases	\$25
	(1) Floral Stand	\$15
	Bud Vase	\$10

The Altar Committee consists of Faye Foulk, Corinne Bast and Pam Zoghby.

Submitted by Pam Zoghby

COMMITTEE REPORTS FOR 2016

SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

The Scholarship Committee reviewed the applications for the 2016-2017 school year.

The following candidates applied:

- Bridget Igo – 4th year at Kutztown University, majoring in Elementary Education
- Isaiah Danner – 4th year at Penn State University, majoring in Kinesiology
- Juliet Long – 2nd year at Grove City College, majoring in Communications
- Melissa Smith – 3rd year at Misericordia University, majoring in Early Childhood and Special Education, minor in Psychology
- Rachel Bennicoff – 4th year at Messiah College, majoring in Nursing
- Lydia Danner - 1st year at LCCC, majoring in Elementary Education
- Brandon Smith – 1st year at Wilkes University, majoring in Mechanical Engineering, minor in Business Management
- Amanda Rice – 1st year at Kutztown University, majoring in Psychology

According to the guidelines for the Jacob's Church Scholarship Fund, each applicant completed a 1-page essay on one of three questions. Candidates beyond freshman status also provided a copy of his/her grades from the previous year and a cumulative GPA, all applicants qualified for a portion of the funds.

There were three 1st year students – Lydia, Brandon, and Amanda – who received a grant of \$500. The remaining 5 applicants – Bridget, Isaiah, Juliet, Melissa and Rachel – are limited to a maximum grant of \$1000. The committee recommended each candidate receive the maximum permissible grant, which was \$700 based on the budgeted amount of \$5000.

Submitted by Donna Smith of the scholarship committee

JACOB'S CHURCH 2017 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JANUARY

					<u>Responsible Committee</u>
SUNDAY	JAN	1	10:00 AM	NEW YEAR COMMUNION (PEW)	Altar/Church Board
WEDNESDAY	JAN	11	6:00 PM	KFC PIZZA PARTY	Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	JAN	15		FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee
SUNDAY	JAN	15	8:30 PM	SR. & JR. HIGH GRACE EVENT	Jim & JJ Reppert
THURSDAY	JAN	19	TBA	WINTER JAM CONCERT	Jim & JJ Reppert
TBA	JAN	TBA	TBA	TAKE DOWN CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS	Worship/Altar
THURSDAY	JAN	19	6:00 PM	SUNDAY SCHOOL EASTER EGG HUNT PLANNING MEETING	Bd. Of Ch. Ed./Sunday School Teachers/Pastor
SATURDAY	JAN	21	TBA	SR. HIGH FELLOWSHIP MEAL & BOWLING	Jim & JJ Reppert

FEBRUARY

SATURDAY	FEB	TBA	TBA	MAKING FASNACHTS	All Members
SATURDAY	FEB	4	TBA	WING NIGHT	Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	FEB	5	12:15 PM	Deadline to register for Youth Retreat@ Twin Pines	Jim & JJ Reppert
WEDNESDAY	FEB	8	6:00 PM	KFC POPCORN & MOVIE NIGHT	Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	FEB	12	10:00 AM	WINTER COMMUNION	Altar Committee/Church Board
SUNDAY	FEB	12		FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee
FRI - SUN	FEB	24-26	TBA	YOUTH RETREAT AT TWIN PINES	Jim & JJ Reppert

MARCH

WEDNESDAY	MAR	1	7:00 PM	ASH WEDNESDAY COMMUNION SERVICE (ALTAR)	Worship/Altar
WEDNESDAY	MAR	1	7:00 PM	Lenten Service - Session #1	Pastor Shay
WEDNESDAY	MAR	8	6:00 PM	LENTEN MEAL provided by Sisters of Esther	Sisters of Esther
WEDNESDAY	MAR	8	7:00 PM	Lenten Service - Session #2	Pastor Shay
WEDNESDAY	MAR	15	6:00 PM	LENTEN COVERED DISH FELLOWSHIP	All Members
WEDNESDAY	MAR	15	7:00 PM	Lenten Service - Session #3	Pastor Shay
SUNDAY	MAR	19	10:00 AM	MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY	Pastor Shay
SUNDAY	MAR	19		FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee
SATURDAY	MAR	TBA	4-7:00 PM	PIG STOMACH DINNER	All Members
WEDNESDAY	MAR	22	6:00 PM	LENTEN COVERED DISH FELLOWSHIP	All Members
WEDNESDAY	MAR	22	7:00 PM	Lenten Service - Session #4	Pastor Shay
WEDNESDAY	MAR	29	6:00 PM	LENTEN COVERED DISH FELLOWSHIP	All Members
WEDNESDAY	MAR	29	7:00 PM	Lenten Service - Session #5	Pastor Shay

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APRIL

WEDNESDAY	APRIL	5	6:00 PM	LENTEN COVERED DISH FELLOWSHIP	All Members
WEDNESDAY	APRIL	5	7:00 PM	Lenten Service - Session #6	Pastor Shay
SATURDAY	APRIL	8	TBA	SUNDAY SCHOOL EASTER EGG HUNT	Board of Christian Education
SUNDAY	APRIL	9	10:00 PM	PALM SUNDAY	Altar Committee
FRIDAY	APRIL	14	7:00 PM	GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE	Pastor Shay
SATURDAY	APRIL	15	TBA	YOUTH WORK DAY	Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	APRIL	16	9:00 AM	EASTER SUNDAY (PEW COMMUNION)	Altar Committee/Church Board
SUNDAY	APRIL	23		FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee

MAY

SATURDAY	MAY	6	TBA	MOTHER/DAUGHTER BANQUET	Women of the Church
SUNDAY	MAY	7		FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee
SUNDAY	MAY	14	10:00 AM	HONOR THE MOTHERS	Pastor Shay
THURSDAY	MAY	18	6:00 PM	CHURCH PICNIC PLANNING MEETING	Pastor Shay/Board of Christian Ed
WEDNESDAY	MAY	24	6:00 PM	KFC PICNIC	Jim & JJ Reppert
THURSDAY	MAY	25	6:30 PM	JR. HIGH PICNIC	Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	MAY	28	10:00 AM	HONOR THE GRADUATES	Pastor Shay/Board of Christian Ed

SUMMER SCHEDULE FOR YOUTH TO BE DETERMND

JUNE

SUNDAY	JUNE	4	10:00 AM	PENTECOST COMMUNION (PEW)	Worship/ Altar/ Church Board/ Pastor Shay
SATURDAY	JUNE	TBA	TBA	COMMUNITY DAY	Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	JUNE	18	10:00 AM	HONOR THE FATHERS	Pastor Shay
SUNDAY	JUNE	18		FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee

JULY

SUNDAY	JULY	9	10:00 AM	MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY	Pastor Shay
SUNDAY	JULY	9		FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee
MON-FRI	JULY	10--14	9-11:30 AM	VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL	Board of Christian Ed

AUGUST

SUNDAY	AUG	6	10:00 AM	SUMMER COMMUNION (PEW)	Altar/Church Board
SUNDAY	AUG	13		FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee

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SEPTEMBER

				Responsible Committee
SUNDAY	SEPT	3	NO SUNDAY SCHOOL DUE TO LABOR DAY WEEKEND	
SUNDAY	SEPT	3	10:00 AM LABOR DAY COMMUNION (PEW)	Altar/Church Board
WEDNESDAY	SEPT	6	6:00 PM YOUTH GROUP KICK-OFF	Jim & JJ Reppert
WEDNESDAY	SEPT	13	6:00 PM KFC STARTS	Jim & JJ Reppert
THURSDAY	SEPT	14	6:30 PM JR. HIGH STARTS	Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	SEPT	17	9:00 AM CONFIRMATION CLASS STARTS	Pastor Shay
THURSDAY	SEPT	21	6:00 PM SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM MEETING	Bd. Of Christian Ed/SS teachers/Pastor Shay
SUNDAY	SEPT	24	9:00 AM RALLY DAY	Bd. Of Christian Ed/Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	SEPT	24	10:00 AM YOUTH SUNDAY/INSTALLATION OF S.S. TEACHERS	Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	SEPT	24	12:00 PM ANNUAL CHURCH PICNIC	Bd. Of Christian Ed
MONDAY	SEPT	25	TBA SR. HIGH ROAD RALLY	Jim & JJ Reppert
SATURDAY	SEPT	30	TBA JR. HIGH OUTREACH	Jim & JJ Reppert

OCTOBER

SATURDAY	OCT	TBA	ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT IN ACTIVITY CENTER	Women of the Church
SUNDAY	OCT	1	10:00 AM WORLD WIDE COMMUNION (PEW)	Altar/Church Board
SUNDAY	OCT	15	10:00 AM HARVEST HOME	Worship/Altar Committee
SUNDAY	OCT	15	FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee
WEDNESDAY	OCT	25	TBA CREATION CELEBRATION	Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	OCT	29	11:30 AM 2017 COMMITTEE REPORTS DUE TO CHURCH SECRETARY	Committee Chair People

NOVEMBER

FRIDAY	NOV	3	8:00 AM PREPARE FOR OYSTER/SHRIMP SUPPER & BAKE SALE	All Members
SATURDAY	NOV	4	4:00-7:00PM ANNUAL OYSTER/SHRIMP SUPPER & BAKE SALE	All Members
SUNDAY	NOV	5	10:00 AM ALL SAINTS SUNDAY/MEMBERSHIP SUNDAY	Pastor Shay
SUNDAY	NOV	5	FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee
SUNDAY	NOV	5	TBA OCC SHOPPING AND PACKING shoebox ministry	Jim & JJ Reppert
FRI-SUN	NOV	10--12	TBA ADULT RETREAT AT TWIN PINES	Pastor Shay
WEDNESDAY	NOV	22	7:00 PM THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE	Pastor Shay/Worship Committee

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DECEMBER

					Responsible Committee
FRI OR SAT	DEC	1 OR 2	TBA	DECORATE FOR ADVENT	Altar/Worship
SUNDAY	DEC	3	10:00 AM	ADVENT COMMUNION (pew)	Altar/Church Board
SUNDAY	DEC	3	11:30 AM	ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING	All Members
FRI OR SAT	DEC	8 OR 9	TBA	DECORATE FOR CHRISTMAS	Altar/Worship
SUNDAY	DEC		6:00 PM	CHRISTMAS CAROLING	Worship Committee
SUNDAY	DEC	10	10:00 AM	SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM	Board of Christian Ed
SUNDAY	DEC	10		FELLOWSHIP & REFRESHMENTS (following worship)	Responsible Committee
SUNDAY	DEC	17	10:00 AM	CHRISTMAS CANTATA	Organist & Choir
WEDNESDAY	DEC	20	TBA	YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY	Jim & JJ Reppert
THURSDAY	DEC	21	TBA	YOUTH CHRISTMAS PARTY	Jim & JJ Reppert
SUNDAY	DEC	24	7:30 PM	CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE	Worship/Music Committee
SUNDAY	DEC	31	10:00 AM	ORDINATION & INSTALLATION OF DEACONS/ELDERS	Church Board

Please Note: The above schedule was planned only to provide an organized framework for the events and services of the church year. Other services are often added during the year and the dates and times posted are occasionally changed. We must always remain flexible and open to the leading of the Holy Spirit.

YOUTH GROUP NIGHTS ARE AS FOLLOWS

Sr. High meets the 3rd and 4th Monday of each month.

Jr. High meets every Thursday at 6:30 pm in Activity Center

KFC meets every Wednesday at 6:00 pm in Activity Center

Except on November 22, 23/ December 25, 27, 28

January 2017

*Sr. High Youth Group TBA

Sunday		Monday		Tuesday	
	1		2		3
		7:30 pm Church Board Mtg.		9:30-11:30 am	
				Women's Bible Study	
				7 pm Organist Search Mtg	
				7 pm Healing Prayer	
	8		9		10
9am Sunday School for Children & Adults				9:30-11:30 am	
9 am Confirmation Class		7 pm Elders Meeting		Women's Bible Study	
10 am Blended Worship Service/Sanctuary					
11:15 am Revive Ministry/Activity Center				7 pm Healing Prayer	
				Ministry	
	15		16		17
9am Sunday School for Children & Adults				9:30-11:30 am	
9 am Confirmation Class				Women's Bible Study	
10 am Blended Worship Service/Sanctuary					
11:15 am Revive Ministry/Activity Center				7 pm Healing Prayer	
				Ministry	
	22		23		24
9am Sunday School for Children & Adults				9:30-11:30 am	
9 am Confirmation Class				Women's Bible Study	
10 am Christmas Cantata/Sanctuary					
11:15 am Revive Ministry/Activity Center				7 pm Healing Prayer	
				Ministry	
	29		30		31
9am Sunday School for Children & Adults				9:30-11:30 am	
9 am Confirmation Class				Women's Bible Study	
10 am Blended Worship Service/Sanctuary					
11:15 am Revive Ministry/Activity Center				7 pm Healing Prayer	
				Ministry	

