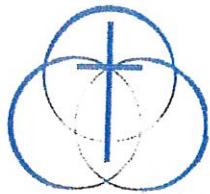


# SNYDER'S CHURCH



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*"To make disciples of Jesus Christ who  
Worship passionately, Love extravagantly,  
and Witness boldly"*

**The Bible: IS The Word Of God – Jesus: IS The Only Way To Salvation**  
**Prayer: IS Essential – Evangelism: IS Our Mission**

## JANUARY NEWSLETTER 2026

Greetings to the Snyder's Church Family and Friends,

**SPECIAL MUSIC IN JANUARY:** During January special music has been selected by Bill for our Service. We will sing each Sunday morning as the Prelude "It Is Well With My Soul" verse 1 and the chorus 2 times. The Opening/Closing Hymns are as follows:

January 4 – "Amazing Grace"; "Victory In Jesus"

January 11 – "How Great Thou Art"; "Blessed Assurance"

January 18 – "Precious Lord Take My Hand"; "He Touched Me"

January 25 – "What A Friend We Have In Jesus"; "Great Is Thy Faithfulness"

These were selected because they are Darryl Graham's favorites and several months ago I asked him to give me a list; so we shall sing this to the Praise of the Lord and in honor of a great and faithful Christian member of Snyder's Church.

**LADIES CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON** – The Ladies Aide Society has scheduled a Christmas luncheon at the Local Table Restaurant for Saturday January 31<sup>st</sup> at 11:00 AM. You will be able to order off the menu a breakfast or luncheon item. There is a sign up sheet in the entrance to the Church and Bev needs to have a count. Ladies save the date and mark your calendars to have a wonderful time of fellowship and eating together.

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## Love Your Enemy

Corrie Tin Boon survived the Holocaust, but her family did not. They were Dutch Christians caught by the Nazis for hiding Jews in their home. She watched the horrors of the genocide from Auschwitz, and barely survived.

Following the war, she became famous for her book "The Hiding Place," which shared the story of her family. The popularity of the book gave her the opportunity to share her faith with thousands of people on speaking tours.

One such evening, after she had spoken about the forgiveness of Christ, a man approached her whom she recognized as one of the guards from Auschwitz. She immediately felt all of the horror, pain and hatred from those years of persecution.

He told her that he had listened to her talk, and informed her that he had been a guard at the death camp. She told him that she recognized him. Crying, he asked if he might receive the forgiveness of Christ of which she had spoken. She thought to herself that she could not, but she remembered the command of Christ to love your enemy and to forgive seventy times seven the person who has wronged you.

She prayed that Jesus might give her the strength to forgive the man, and as she prayed, she felt a sensation begin in her heart and flow through her hand as it touched his. Then she heard herself saying, "In the name of Jesus Christ, I forgive you."

The man collapsed to her feet and wept a prayer of thanks. She later discovered that he had become a minister of the gospel, and that many people had come to Christ through his ministry.

We never know how far God can spread the love that we give. Indeed, we have perhaps received love from someone that was born from such an act of loving forgiveness in someone else. We love our enemies because we recognize that Christ died for them, too. We love our enemies because we know that the power of love is stronger than any depth to which we can fall.

**CHURCH CLOSING DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS** – With our facilities on a hill the ice/snow make it difficult at times for us to get to our building. Fortunately Barry Luckenbaugh and with help from his son Joe, our lot is regularly plowed and salted. We had to close one Sunday in December because of the ice under the snow that did not melt. However on December 28<sup>th</sup> the lot had been salted on Saturday and it was bare on Sunday so we could hold services. In the past I have consulted with both Darryl and Wayne on conditions, but with their health unable to do that this time. Barry called me at 4:30 AM earlier in December to say that we should close down and we did and on the morning of the 28<sup>th</sup> he said the lot was bare. We then if we are going to close use our prayer chain and the old fashioned way to getting on the phone and making as many calls as we can, sometimes you will get more than one call and that is all right. We hope you understand and support the decision for the safety of all that we make.

**2026 GAME NIGHTS SCHEDULED:** Eating at 4 PM and the Games start at 5 pm. Please bring your Sequence Boards for a Tournament and your favorite game night food to share. Bring games for the little ones. This is a great opportunity to invite a friend.

January 17 is a Potluck Theme

February 21 is the annual Chili Cook off or bring a different food if you are not a chili fan

**SOUP-ER BOWL SUNDAY** is February 8<sup>th</sup> and all are asked to bring canned soup or money donations to fill the soup pot. All items go to the Neighbor Helping Neighbor Food Bank. Please give as you are able to help those in need in Perry County.

**GOOD NEWS SINGERS ARE COMING TO SNYDER'S CHURCH** as part of the 250<sup>th</sup> Birthday of America on Sunday February 22<sup>nd</sup> at 3 pm. They will be sharing a cantata entitled "American Dreamers" and it is an inspirational patriotic musical, honoring God and country. The program will also feature a "Salute to the Armed Forces" and conclude with the ever popular "God bless the USA." Do plan to attend and invite some friends, a veteran and wear your red, white and blue. Following the Cantata we will meet in the fellowship hall for ice cream and dessert. Bring your favorite dessert to share. A love offering will be received in the Service.

# Dear Friends in Christ, Happy New Year!

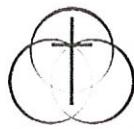
As we begin 2026 together, I personally thank you for your faithfulness, your perseverance, and your passion for the mission of Jesus. I sense that God is on the move in powerful ways as we learn from 2025 and move into a new year. Over the past year, I've witnessed sparks of revival in churches across the Northeast, small prayer groups igniting new ministries, pastors and laity stepping out boldly in faith, and congregations embracing the call to make and multiply disciples in the Wesleyan Way. I truly believe that the next great awakening in the Methodist movement can begin right here, among us in this region. That's why our theme this year is simple and powerful: Fan the Flame - Revival Starts Here. Our identity is in Christ and in our orthodox, Methodist roots! We have an incredible opportunity to live that out every day for the Kingdom!

Our shared vision is this: *Empowered by the Holy Spirit, the Northeast Conference is a Christ-centered movement of scriptural holiness where every church prays fervently, every believer is making and multiplying disciples, and every community is a place where the gospel of Jesus Christ is boldly proclaimed.* In 2026, we'll increase our focus on church planting and multiplication, leadership development, strengthening prayer, and helping every local church become a vital presence for Christ. This is not just a vision, it's a movement we're living together. So I invite you to keep going. Keep praying. Keep saying "yes" to Jesus. Revival starts here, and I'm honored to be on this journey with you.

Richest blessings,

Rev. Steven Taylor  
Conference Superintendent  
Northeast Annual Conference of the Global Methodist Church





## Camping Ministry-Camp Encounter 2026

As we prepare for Camp Encounter 2026, we humbly invite your partnership through **prayer, financial support, and advocacy**. Our ministry does **not** receive financial assistance from Connectional Funding. Camp Encounter is made possible solely through the generosity of churches, organizations, individuals, and businesses who believe in the spiritual impact of Christian camping.

Your financial gifts help us keep registration costs **far below** typical camp rates.

- Most church camps cost **\$400–\$700** per camper.
- Secular camps often exceed those amounts.

**Because of donors like you, our goal is to keep Camp Encounter affordable at just \$250–\$295 per camper**, while also offering **scholarships** to ensure that no child is turned away due to financial need. Your support directly helps families access life-changing Christian camping.

To fully fund Camp Encounter 2026, **our goal is to raise \$25,000**.

These funds will cover:

- Exclusive use of the Penn Grove camping facilities
- Meals for all campers
- Program materials and supplies
- Security and liability deposits
- Scholarships and financial assistance
- Essential operating expenses

Would you prayerfully consider supporting Camp Encounter 2026 with a financial gift? **Every donation—large or small—directly supports campers and helps sustain this vital ministry.**

**Donation Deadline: March 31, 2026**

**Mail donations to:**

*Northeast Annual Conference Treasurer  
P.O. Box 103  
Duncansville, PA 16635*

As a special thank you, any church, organization, or business contributing **\$1,000 or more** will have their name displayed on our **Camp Encounter 2026 t-shirts**.

Together, we can provide a sacred space where young people encounter Jesus Christ, deepen their faith, and grow into the next generation of disciples and leaders.

Thank you for your prayers, generosity, and partnership.

With gratitude and blessings,

**Rev. Joshua W. Davinsizer**

Co-Dean, Camp Encounter 2026

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## Camp Encounter 2026 — Donation Form

Name/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Church       Organization       Individual       Business

Donation Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Check enclosed (payable to "Northeast Annual Conference Treasurer")

Please add "Camp Encounter" to the check memo line

Please list my name on the Camp Encounter 2026 t-shirt (for gifts of \$1,000 or more)

Please write out the name to be placed on camp shirt: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please mail by March 31, 2026 to:**

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Thank you for supporting the Northeast Conference Camping Ministry and **Camp Encounter 2026!**